

VALLEY OF THE DOCE RIVER CO  
Form 6-K  
October 29, 2001

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FORM 6-K

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For October 29, 2001

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Valley of the Doce River Company  
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Federative Republic of Brazil  
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Avenida Graca Aranha, No. 26  
20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil  
(Address of principal executive offices)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:]

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[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.]

YES    NO   
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[If "Yes " is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):]

Not applicable  
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE

By: /s/ Eduardo de Carvalho Duarte

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Name: Eduardo de Carvalho Duarte

Title: Chief Accountant

Dated: October 29, 2001