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THE PERFORMANCE OF COMPANHIA VALE

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The financial and operational information contained in this press release, except where otherwise indicated, was consolidated in accordance with Brazilian generally accepted accounting principles (Brazilian GAAP). According to the criteria of Brazilian GAAP, those companies in which CVRD has effective control, or shared control as defined by shareholders agreement, are included in the consolidated figures. In the instances where CVRD has effective control, the consolidation is carried out on a 100% basis and the difference between this amount and the percentage of CVRD s equity stake in the subsidiary is discounted at the minority shareholding line. CVRD s main subsidiaries are Caemi, Alunorte, Albras, RDM, RDME, RDMN, Urucum Mineração, Docenave, Ferrovia Centro-Atlântica (FCA), Rio Doce Europa, Itaco, CVRD Overseas and Rio Doce International Finance. For companies in which control is shared, the consolidated figures are proportional to the equity stake held by CVRD in each company. The main companies in which CVRD has shared control are MRN, Valesul, Kobrasco, Nibrasco, Hispanobras, Itabrasco, GIIC, Samarco and CSI. From this quarter onwards, CVRD will be publishing financial and operational figures based on consolidated financial statements in Brazilian GAAP on a quarterly basis.

DELIVERING A STRONG PERFORMANCE

Rio de Janeiro, May 11, 2005 Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) hereby reports net earnings of R\$ 1.615 billion for the first quarter 2005 (1Q05), which corresponds to earnings per share of R\$ 1.40. The net earnings in 1Q05 were 69.3% higher than the one reported in 1Q04, of R\$ 954 million.

The return on equity (ROE), calculated on an annualized quarterly earnings basis, amounted to 32.7%, compared to 24.7% in 1Q04.

Gross revenues amounted to R\$ 7.052 billion, an increase of 18.9% in relation to 1Q04.

Consolidated exports amounted to US\$ 1.336 billion, a yoy increase of 22.8%. The performance of the Company foreign sales consolidates its position as the largest exporter of Brazil.

Net exports (exports less imports) amounted to 1.095 billion, an increase of 17.5% compared to 1Q04. CVRD continues to make a relevant contribution to the Brazilian trade balance, accounting for 13.2% of the US\$ 8.3 billion surplus obtained in this quarter.

Operational performance, as measured by EBIT (earnings before interest expenses and taxes), amounted to R\$ 2.376 billion, 33.5% higher than the EBIT of 1Q04, of R\$ 1.780 billion. Operating margin amounted to 35.3%, higher than that obtained in 1Q04, of 31.4%.

Cash generation, as measured by EBITDA (earnings before interest expenses, taxes, depreciation and amortization), amounted to R\$ 2.849 billion, a yoy increase of 17.0%.

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CVRD delivered very good results in 1Q05 in spite of adverse conditions, caused by (i) the strengthening of the Brazilian Real against the US dollar, (ii) cyclical cost pressures in labor, energy, raw materials, parts and equipment, and (iii) most importantly, the strong seasonal impact of the summer rains on mining production and the performance of the railroads. The new prices of iron ore and pellets negotiated with clients for 2005 are not reflected in the figures for 1Q05.

The Company s capital expenditure, according to the generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (US GAAP), in 1Q05 was US\$570.3 million, of which US\$430.7 million, or 75.5%, was investment in growth that is to say, greenfield and brownfield projects and research & development.

The Fábrica Nova mine started operating in April adding one more platform for value creation. In the last 12 months CVRD has started up three iron ore capacity expansion projects: Carajás 70 Mtpy, Capão Xavier and Fábrica Nova. Meanwhile, in 2004 the third pier of the Ponta da Madeira Port was launched and the Company continues to invest in iron ore logistics infrastructure, increasing the capacity of its railroads and maritime terminals.

SELECTED FINANCIAL INDICATORS

		R	\$ million
	1Q04	1Q05	%
	(A)	(B)	(B/A)
Gross operating revenues	5,930	7,052	18.9
Gross margin (%)	44.1%	43.7%	
Net earnings	954	1,615	69.3
Net earnings per share (R\$)	0.83	1.40	68.7
EBITDA	2,436	2,849	17.0
EBIT	1,780	2,376	33.5
EBIT margin (%)	31.4%	35.3%	
Annualized ROE (%)	24.7%	32.7%	
Exports (US\$ million)	1,088	1,336	22.8

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

The world economy continues to expand. After averaging 6% per year between late 2003 and early 2004, global GDP growth slowed, in the context of a natural transition to a sustainable path.

The current expansion present some imbalances, with the US and China being the engines of the growth. The Chinese economy continues to expand more strongly than expected, in spite of the restraining measures. China s GDP growth rate was 9.5% in 1Q05, its seventh successive quarter of expansion at a higher rate than 9%.

The economies of Europe and Japan are growing much less than previously expected. Their performance is excessively dependent on exports, which suffer the adverse effect of the strengthening of the euro and the yen, since domestic demand in the Euro Zone and Japan is growing very slowly.

The emerging economies continue to grow at higher rates than in prior recent years, although more slowly than in 2004.

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Brazil accompanies the general trend of these economies, with its Central Bank responding to an increase in inflation rates by applying a contractionary monetary policy, and a fiscal policy that continues to post higher than expected primary surpluses. The increase in the current account surplus of the balance of payments, the result of vigorous growth of exports, will result in the Brazilian Real remaining strong in the coming months even while the current tightening cycle in domestic interest rates is gradually eased.

In spite of the moderation of global growth, oil prices remain high, with considerable volatility - reflecting strong demand, the uncertainties on Opec s output plans, declines in production in the rest of the world and the low level of idle capacity.

The fundamentals of the global economy do not, however, justify pessimistic forecasts for the near future. Inflation rates continue to be contained, real interest rates are close to zero, and unless some supply shock and/or acceleration of economic growth takes place, the probability of a further sharp increase in oil prices is low.

World crude steel production was 6.5% higher year-on-year in first quarter 2005, compared to 8.8% growth in the whole of 2004. Chinese production was 23.8% higher year-on-year accounting for 91% of worldwide expansion in this period.

We now expect to see some slowdown in the world steel production growth rate, reflecting forecasts of slower expansion of demand for finished steel products. The IISI expects consumption of these products to exceed 1 billion tons/year in 2005 for the first time in history, 3.7% higher than in 2004. In 1994-2004 apparent steel consumption, worldwide, grew at an annual average rate of 4.4%, increasing to 7.9% in the recent phase of 2001-2004.

The continuing substantial growth of China s steel production contribute to an increase in its iron ore imports by 24% year-on-year in the first quarter, to an annualized level of 256 million tons, compared to 208 million tons in 2004. Iron ore inventories are at levels considered to be normal, and the differential between Brazil-Asia and Australia-Asia maritime freight rates, an indicator of demand, continues to break records.

China s fixed assets investment is increasing at a rate of approximately 25%, much higher than the 16% target established by the Chinese government for 2005. Since investment in fixed assets is a good leading indicator for Chinese steel consumption, derivative demand for iron ore is expected to continue to expand significantly.

In alumina, the disequilibrium between demand and supply continues, reflected in the high spot price levels, around US\$400 per ton FOB. The additional capacity programmed to come on stream does not make it possible to forecast correction of this imbalance at least until the end of 2005.

Aluminum inventories continued to decline, and are currently at eight weeks consumption, compared to almost 11 weeks at the beginning of 2004, and the high prices of alumina restrains expansion of output.

The increase in copper concentrate production since the second half of 2004, and the slow ramp-up of smelters production, is contributing to the considerable increase in prices charged (TC/RC) for transformation into metal. Refined copper stocks are at historically very low levels and, we believe, unlikely to change significantly during the year, tending to sustain copper prices.

CVRD continues to develop capacity expansion projects and seek increases in productivity, to benefit from the favorable world situation.

The Fábrica Nova iron ore mine, with nominal production capacity of 15 million tons/year, began operating in April. It is the third CVRD iron ore project to come on stream over the last twelve months.

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Over time, the Company has succeeded in growing and providing good results independently of economic cycles. According to CRU, CVRD is number one metals and mining company in total shareholder return over the last ten years. To maintain this performance in the future, CVRD has developed a complete program to promote excellence in project execution, maintenance and operation.

TEOR, one of the programs in this initiative, aims to assess the operation of each of CVRD s mines, identifying any inefficiencies and correcting them, so as to achieve marginal increases in production in each one, without incurring the cost of investments in additional capacity.

IMPORTANT RECENT EVENTS

Improving risk perception

CVRD increased its committed bank facilities, from US\$500 million to US\$750 million, building in lengthened maturities and lower costs.

A US\$400 million line, with availability of one year for drawdown and one year for payment, was replaced by another of US\$650 million, with availability for two years and payment time of two years. The cost consists of a commitment fee of 0.3%, and in the event of use of the line, Libor plus 0.75% p.a.

The Company has not used this credit line since the program began in May 2004.

The facility allows greater efficiency in cash management and increases risk perception, consistently with the strategy focus on reduction of cost of capital. There are no restrictions to the use of the facility linked to country risk.

Remuneration of shareholders and debenture holders

On April 29 CVRD paid R\$ 1.11 per share to its common and preferred shareholders, the first installment of the minimum dividend for 2005, as announced on January 31. The total distributed was R\$ 1.28 billion.

The remuneration to holders of CVRD s shareholders debentures, R\$0.019005992 per debenture, totaling R\$ 7 million, was paid on April 1.

Ferrous minerals

Iron ore price negotiation for 2005 completed

With the agreement made on March 31 with ThyssenKrupp, Germany s largest steelmaker, to increase the price of Carajás lumps by 79%, negotiation of prices for the principal iron ore products for 2005 was completed.

New contracts for supply of pellets and ferro-alloys

CVRD signed a contract to supply 2.66 million tons of direct reduction pellets for six years to Qatar Iron and Steel company (QASCO), one of the largest steel producers in the Middle East. A contract with Huttenwerke Krupp Mannesmann GmbH, a subsidiary of ThyssenKrupp, was signed for supply of 20,000 tons/year of manganese ferro-alloys, for two years. This contract follows the new trend in the commercial relationship between producers of ferro-alloys and their clients, aiming to optimize planning of output by both parties.

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Fábrica Nova mine starts up

The Fábrica Nova iron ore mine, in the Mariana region of Minas Gerais state, in the Brazilian Southern System, began operating in April. Its production capacity is 15 million tons/year; estimated production for 2005 is 10 million tons.

Carajás 100 Mtpy

CVRD s Board of Directors approved the project to increase Carajás iron ore production capacity to 100 million tons/year. This project is in the phase of detailed planning of engineering and initiating the equipment, works and services supply processes. Conclusion is scheduled for 2007.

Mining rights

The company bought Mineração Estrela do Apolo, holder of mining rights on the reserves at Maquiné, in the iron ore quadrangle in Minas Gerais State, for US\$9.3 million. Maquiné has reserves of iron ore and bauxite.

SALES VOLUMES AND REVENUES

CVRD s gross revenues in 1Q05, of R\$ 7.052 billion, were 18.9% higher than in 1Q04. The appreciation of the Real against the US dollar has a negative impact on the CVRD 's gross revenues in Real currency, given that 86% of it is denominated or indexed to the US dollar.

The increase of R\$ 1.122 billion in 1Q05 revenues, compared to 1Q04, was mainly due to higher prices, which contributed with R\$ 1.499 billion. The startup of the Sossego copper mine in June 2004 also had a positive impact on CVRD s gross revenues in 1Q05, generating R\$ 200 million in revenues. On the other hand, the 7.8% appreciation of the Real against the US dollar and the divestiture of the company s stake in CST reduced gross revenues by R\$ 421 million and R\$ 272 million, respectively.

In this quarter, Asia became CVRD s major destination of sales with 26.4% of the total revenues, surpassing Europe, which accounted for 25.9%. Brazil is the most important country for CVRD s sales destination, accounting for 25.0% of the total revenues in 1Q05.

China presented the highest rate of sales revenue growth, 44.7% yoy. The sales revenues to the USA increased by 23.2% yoy. Japan showed the lowest rate of sales revenue growth, 7.9% yoy.

In 1Q05 the gross margin achieved 43.7%, compared to 44.1% in 1Q04. The decrease was mainly due to a 22.4% raise in sales taxes, resulted from the increase of copper concentrates and alumina shipments to the domestic market.

Ferrous minerals

Revenues from the sale of ferrous minerals iron ore, pellets, manganese ore and ferro-alloys in 1Q05 amounted to R\$ 4.440 billion, higher than that obtained in 1Q04, of R\$ 3.576 billion. Iron ore shipments generated R\$ 2.753 billion, pellets R\$ 1.167 billion, Tubarão pellet plant operation services R\$ 21 million, manganese ore R\$ 63 million and ferro-alloys R\$ 435 million.

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The figures for revenue from shipments of iron ore and pellets do not reflect the new prices agreed for 2005.

In spite of the heavy rains that affected the iron ore production of Carajás, iron ore and pellet shipments in 1Q05, at 58.884 million tons, were 11.5% higher than in the first quarter of 2004.

Shipments summed 49.159 million tons of iron ore and 9.725 million tons of pellets, a yoy increase of 13.3% and 3.2%, respectively.

During this quarter CVRD acquired 4.4 million tons of iron ore from other mining companies located in the Iron Ore Quadrangle in Brazil s State of Minas Gerais, to complement its production and fulfill client contracts. These purchases totaled 15.9 million tons in 2004, being 3.3 million tons in the first quarter.

In 1Q05, 19.5% (11.5 million tons) of CVRD s total volume of iron ore and pellets sold was shipped to China, 10.0% to Germany, 9.8% to Japan, 4.4% to France and 4.2% to South Korea. Sales to Brazil, 11.2 million tons, accounted for 19.0% of total sales volume.

Sales of manganese ore amounted to 198,000 tons in 1Q05, an increase of 23.0% yoy.

Sales of ferro-alloys amounted to 136,000 tons, down 33.0% compared to 1Q04, when shipments of ferro-alloys set a record of 203,000 tons, not only as a result of the fact that the Mo I Rana plant, in Norway, was operating at full capacity, but also due to the draw-down of existing stock levels.

Aluminum chain

The products in the Company s aluminum chain bauxite, alumina and primary aluminum generated revenues of R\$ 1.040 billion, 14.7% of CVRD s total revenues. This amount was 15.2% higher than that recorded in 1Q04.

Sales volume of bauxite amounted to 1.233 million tons in 1Q05, an increase of 8.6% yoy.

464,000 tons of alumina were sold in 1Q05, practically in line with the figure recorded in 1Q04, of 467,000 tons.

Sales of primary aluminum amounted to 122,000 tons, a yoy increase of 10.9%.

Copper

In 1Q05, CVRD sold 85,000 tons of copper concentrates. Production at the Sossego copper mine was adversely affected in this quarter by the rainy season and by operational problems with mining equipment.

Industrial minerals

Sales of potash contributed R\$ 80 million to the Company s revenues in 1Q05, representing 1.1% of CVRD s total revenues. This amount was 23.7% higher than that of 1Q04.

The volume sold, of 138,000 tons, was in line with the same period a year earlier.

Sales of kaolin accounted for R\$ 105 million in revenues, 1.5% of CVRD s total revenues, down 7.4% yoy. The decrease was mainly due to a decrease in the sales volume and appreciation of the Real against the US dollar.

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Total volume of kaolin sold amounted to 280,000 tons, down 2.1% yoy. Considering the new contracts that were signed, shipments of kaolin are likely to increase from 2Q05 onwards.

Logistics

Logistics services reached R\$ 725 million in 1Q05, an increase of 12.3% in relation to the R\$ 645 million in 1Q04. Logistics services accounted for 10.2% of the Company s total revenues in the quarter.

General cargo transported for clients on the CVRD railroads contributed with sales of R\$ 506 million and port services, with R\$ 114 million. Coastal shipping and port handling services accounted for R\$ 105 million.

The railroads transported 5.679 billion ntk of general cargo for third parties, 8.6% less than in 1Q04. The strong rains in the Southeast Region caused landslides that restricted movement of general cargo on the EFVM, CVRD s main railroad for third party cargo. The main cargos hauled were steel industry inputs and products, 49.7% of the total, agricultural products, 26.2%, and fuels, 10.5%.

The Company s ports and maritime terminals handled 6.313 million tons of general cargo for clients, compared to 6.213 million in 1Q04.

Steel industry participations

Revenues generated by CVRD s equity stakes in the steel industry amounted to R\$ 452 million in 1Q05, down 26% compared to the amount of R\$ 610 million in 1Q04. This variation is mainly due to the sales of CST in December 2004, which was partly compensated by the better results from CSI in this quarter compared to 1Q04. The equity stakes in the steel industry accounted for 6.4% of CVRD s total revenues in 1Q05.

SALES VOLUME IRON ORE AND PELLETS

				Thousand tons	
	1Q04	%	1Q05	%	
Iron ore	43,383	82%	49,159	83%	
Pellets	9,427	18%	9,725	17%	
Total	52,810	100%	58,884	100%	

SALES VOLUME - ORES AND METALS

	Thousand ton	
	1Q04	1Q05
Manganese	161	198
Ferro alloys	203	136
Copper concentrates		85
Potash	138	138
Kaolin	286	280
Bauxite	1,135	1,233
Alumina	467	464
Aluminum	110	122

VOLUME SOLD BY DESTINATION IRON ORE AND PELLETS

			Thous	and tons
	1Q04	%	1Q05	%
ASIA	20.2	38.3%	22.7	38.5%
China	9.5	18.0%	11.5	19.5%
Japan	5.3	10.0%	5.8	9.8%
South Corea	2.8	5.3%	2.5	4.2%
Emerging Asia (ex China)	2.6	4.9%	2.9	4.9%
Europe	16.1	30.5%	18.0	30.6%
Germany	5.2	9.8%	5.9	10.0%
France	2.7	5.1%	2.6	4.4%
Italy	2.6	4.9%	2.2	3.7%
Others	5.6	10.6%	7.3	12.4%
Brazil	9.8	18.6%	11.2	19.0%
USA	1.0	1.9%	1.3	2.2%
Rest of the world	5.7	10.8%	5.7	9.7%
Total	52.8	100.0%	58.9	100.0%

LOGISTICS SERVICES

	1Q04	1Q05
Railroads (million ntk)	6,215	5,679
Ports (thousand tons)	6,213	6,313

GROSS REVENUES BY PRODUCT

			R	\$ million
	1Q04	%	1Q05	%
Iron ore and pellets	3,194	53.9%	3,920	55.6%
Iron ore	2,264	38.2%	2,753	39.0%
Pellets	930	15.7%	1,167	16.5%
Pellet plant operation services	14	0.2%	21	0.3%
Manganese and ferro-alloys	368	6.2%	498	7.1%
Copper concentrates		0.0%	200	2.8%
Potash	65	1.1%	80	1.1%
Kaolin	113	1.9%	105	1.5%
Aluminum	903	15.2%	1,040	14.7%
Logistics	645	10.9%	725	10.3%
Railroads	457	7.7%	506	7.2%
Ports	96	1.6%	114	1.6%
Shipping	92	1.6%	105	1.5%
Steel products	610	10.3%	452	6.4%
Others	18	0.3%	11	0.2%
Total	5,930	$\boldsymbol{100.0\%}$	7,052	100.0%

GROSS REVENUES BY DESTINATION

			R\$ millions	
	1Q04	%	1Q05	%
Brazil	1,485	25.0%	1,765	25.0%
External market	4,445	75.0%	5,287	75.0%
USA	603	10.2%	743	10.5%
Europe	1,576	26.6%	1,828	25.9%
Japan	553	9.3%	597	8.5%
China	578	9.7%	836	11.9%
Emerging Asia (ex-China)	388	6.5%	428	6.1%
Rest of the World	746	12.6%	854	12.1%
Total	5,930	$\boldsymbol{100.0\%}$	7,052	100.0%

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OPERATIONAL MARGIN IN EXPANSION

Operating profit, as measured by EBIT, amounted to R\$ 2.376 billion, an increase of 33.5% compared to 1Q04.

EBIT margin amounted to 35.3%, higher than that reported in 1Q04, of 31.4%.

EBIT increased by R\$ 596 million yoy, due to the increase in net revenues of R\$ 1.062 billion, partly offset by the increase in the cost of goods sold (COGS) of R\$ 620 million.

In general terms, the increase in COGS was due to higher prices determined by the current economic cycle, the start-up of the Sossego copper mine in mid-2004 and of course by the expansion in production.

The specific sources of the higher 1Q05 COGS relatively to 1Q04 were the growth in expenses with: (a) materials, R\$ 191 million; (b) outsourced services, R\$ 222 million; (c) energy, R\$ 141 million; and (d) depreciation, R\$ 32 million.

Higher prices of parts and components contributed to the increase of costs of materials. Energy costs were impacted by a 31% rise in fuel prices, and various increases in electricity rates. The increase in expenditure on contracted services is mainly due to price increases already scheduled in existing contracts, while the increased depreciation expense reflects the larger Company s assets.

Demurrage expenses totaled R\$ 56 million in 1Q05. Simultaneously with the investments in expansion of loading capacity at the Ports of Ponta da Madeira, Tubarão and Sepetiba, CVRD is making efforts to optimize interaction between production, rail transport and shipment timing, to reduce waiting time suffered by ships in ports.

Negative factors in 1Q05 EBIT compared to 1Q04 were: (a) SG&A expenses R\$ 3 million higher, basically due to the annual increase in salaries in July 2004, and increased commissions on sales - resulting from increased sales volume; and (b) an increase of R\$ 15 million in research and development expenditure, reflecting intensified exploration activities.

COGS BREAKDOWN

			R	\$ million
	1Q04	%	1Q05	%
Personnel	321	10.1%	314	8.3%
Material	524	16.6%	715	18.9%
Fuel oil and gases	347	11.0%	407	10.7%
Outsourced services	536	16.9%	758	20.0%
Electric energy	236	7.4%	318	8.4%
Acquisition of products	600	19.0%	593	15.7%
Depreciation and exhaustion	315	10.0%	347	9.2%
Goodwill amortization	96	3.0%	96	2.5%
Others	189	6.0%	238	6.3%
Total	3,165	100.0%	3,785	100.0%

LTM EBITDA OF R\$ 12.622 BILLION

Cash generation, as measured by EBITDA, amounted to R\$ 2.849 billion, an increase of 17.0%, compared to 1Q04.

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In the twelve-month period to March 31, EBITDA amounted to R\$ 12.662 billion. This represented a qoq growth of R\$ 413 million.

Ferrous minerals operation iron ore, pellets, manganese ore and ferro-alloys contributed to 68% of CVRD cash generation in 1Q05, while the aluminum chain bauxite, alumina and primary aluminum - contributed to 16%, logistics services to 10%, non-ferrous minerals to 4% and equity stakes in the steel industry to 2%.

QUARTERLY EBITDA

		R\$ million
	1Q04	1Q05
Net operating revenues	5,659	6,721
COGS	(3,165)	(3,785)
SG&A	(355)	(358)
Research and development	(66)	(81)
Other operational expenses	(292)	(121)
EBIT	1,780	2,376
Adjustment for non-cash items	183	-
Depreciation, amortization & exhaustion	437	473
Dividends received	36	-
EBITDA	2,436	2,849

EBITDA BY BUSINESS AREA

	R\$ milli	
	1Q04	1Q05
Ferrous minerals	1,554	1,936
Non-ferrous minerals	21	104
Logistics	260	292
Aluminum	417	454
Steel	184	64
Total	2,436	2,849

SOLID PERFORMANCE: NET EARNINGS OF R\$ 1.615 BILLION

In the first quarter of 2005, CVRD obtained net earnings of R\$ 1.615 billion, an increase of 69.3% compared to the same period a year earlier. The yoy rise of R\$ 596 million in operating profit, the result of the growth achieved in practically all the Company s business areas, was the main factor behind CVRD s higher net earnings in the first quarter in 2005.

Net income in this quarter was also higher than the one achieved in 4Q04, of R\$ 1.528 billion, which was positively impacted by non-recurring asset sales. Excluding these extraordinary events, 1Q05 net earnings would be approximately 11% higher than 4Q04.

It is also important to highlight the quality of this quarter net income: there was no influence on non-recurring items, such as results from asset sales, nor monetary variations, since the Real/US dollar exchange rate of March 31st, 2005, of R\$ 2.6662, was basically the same of December 31st, 2004, of R\$ 2.6544.

The net financial result also had a positive impact on net earnings in 1Q05, being down R\$ 231 million compared to 1Q04. Of this amount, a reduction in financial

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expenses contributed with R\$ 179 million, an increase in financial revenues, with R\$ 44 million and monetary variation, with R\$ 8 million.

The equity income result amounted to R\$ 74 million, an increase of R\$ 67 million, compared to 1Q04.

The good financial and equity income results more than compensated for the increase of R\$ 155 million in expenses on income tax and social contribution, due to the higher taxable earnings base.

DEBT INDICATORS CONTINUE TO IMPROVE

According to US GAAP (United States generally accepted accounting principles), CVRD s total debt at March 31, 2005 was US\$4.182 billion, US\$94 million more than at December 31, 2004 (US\$4.088 billion). Net debt at the end of March 2005 was US\$3.060 billion, vs. US\$2.839 billion at the end of December 2004.

Trailing 12-month net debt/adjusted EBITDA increased from 1.10 on December 31, 2004 to 1.05 on March 31, 2005. The ratio of net debt to enterprise value was stable, with a change from 11.8% to 11.1%. Interest coverage as measured by trailing 12-month adjusted EBITDA/interest paid increased, from 12.41 at the end of 2004 to 13.24 on March 31, 2005. The changes in these indicators show the Company s powerful cash flow and the strategic focus on preserving a healthy balance sheet.

FINANCIAL EXPENSES US GAAP

		USS	million
	1Q04	4Q04	1Q05
Financial expenses:			
Debt with third parties	(56)	(63)	(48)
Debt with related parties	(2)		(2)
Total debt-related financial expenses	(58)	(63)	(50)
	1Q04	4Q04	1Q05
Gross interest on:			
Tax and labour contingencies	(6)	(11)	(11)
Tax on financial transactions (CPMF)	(4)	(11)	(9)
Derivatives	(59)	(67)	5
Others	(15)	(106)	(27)
Total gross interest	(84)	(195)	(42)
Total	(142)	(258)	(92)

DEBT INDICATORS US GAAP

	US\$		
	1Q04	4Q04	1Q05
Gross debt	4,526	4,088	4,182
Net debt	3,443	2,839	3,060
Gross debt / adjusted LTM EBITDA (x)	1.86	1.10	1.05

Adjusted LTM EBITDA / LTM interest expenses (x)	11.69	12.41	13.24
Gross debt / $EV(x)$	0.19	0.12	0.11

 $Enterprise\ Value = market\ capitalization\ +\ net\ debt$

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CAPEX: FABRICA NOVA A NEW VALUE CREATION PLATFORM

According to US GAAP (United States generally accepted accounting principles), CVRD s capital expenditure in 1Q05 totaled US\$ 570.3 million, of which US\$ 430.7 million was spent on organic growth projects and R&D, and US\$ 139.6 million on stay-in-business Capex maintenance of existing operations

Expenditure on R&D was US\$ 28.2 million. Ore exploration was concentrated on looking for deposits of copper, nickel, gold, bauxite and manganese.

The feasibility study for the Vermelho project to be CVRD s first nickel mine was completed. A feasibility study for development of the Moatize coal deposit in Mozambique was started at the beginning of 2005 and is expected to be completed in June 2006.

The Fabrica Nova mine, which is part of the CVRD Southern System, started to operate in April, and its 2005 output is expected to reach 10 million tons. Fabrica Nova has a nominal capacity of 15 million tons per year. It is the third Company s iron ore project to come on stream over the last twelve months.

Total capex with the development of Fabrica Nova is US\$ 106 million. It will add approximately 15% to the Southern System total production capacity of iron ore. In 2004, the Southern System mines produced 98.8 million tons of iron ore.

Main projects in progress

Area	Project	Realized 1Q05	Budg US mi 2005		Status
Ferrous minerals	Expansion of the Carajás iron ore mines to 85 Mtpa - Northern System	41	140	296	This project will increase CVRD s production capacity by 15 million tons/year, and is scheduled for completion in 2006. Works on the plant and port are in progress. Conclusion of works on the second phase of Pier III of the Ponta da Madeira Port terminal an additional ship loading facility is planned for July 2005, for total investment of US\$70 million.
	Brucutu iron ore mine Southern System	24	205	448	We expect Brucutu to produce 6.5 million tons this year. Phase I should be completed in 2006, bringing nominal production capacity to 15 million tons/year. Phase II is scheduled for completion in 2007, bringing production capacity to 24 million tons/year. Works on Phase I are 55% completed.
	Fábrica Nova iron ore mine Southern System	7	37	106	Started operating in April. Reallocation of the Samarco ore duct is currently in progress this will increase the workable area. Project conclusion scheduled for the end of this year.

Expansion of the Itabira iron ore mines Southern System	3	16	75	Modernization of operations and expansion of production capacity of the Itabira mines to 46 million tons/year. Conclusion and startup planned for 2006. Surface removal has been completed. Work on processing facilities scheduled to start 2Q05.
Fazendão iron ore mine Southern System	-	52	100	Project to produce 14 million of ROM (unprocessed) iron ore/year. Works planned to start in second half 2005, with completion and startup in 2006.
Fábrica iron ore mine Southern System	-	38	144	Project to expand production capacity at the Fábrica mine by 5 million tons, from 12 million to 17 million tons/year. Startup planned for 2007.

¹ Capex data is based on effective financial disbursements.

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Area	Project	Realized	Budg S million		Status
		1Q05	2005	Total	
	Timbopeba iron ore mine	-	25	25	Extension of the useful life of this mine to 2008, with estimated annual production of 2.7 million tons. US\$7.8 million will be invested in development, purchase of small-scale equipment and new access to the rock face. US\$17.6 million will be invested in acquisition of rolling stock for the EFVM railroad.
	Tubarão Port expansion - Southern System	5	22	65	Project to expand the conveyor belt systems and loading machinery, and building of new stockyard. Half the works have been completed. Conclusion planned for 2006.
	São Luis pelletizing plant - expansion	3	18	18	Expansion of the plant capacity to 7 million tons/year, with startup planned for second half 2005.
Coal	Anthracite	0	86	86	Agreement to acquire 25% stake in the Chinese anthracite producer Henan Longyu Energy Resources Ltd., in partnership with Yoncheng and Baosteel. In 2005 the mine will produce 1.7 million tons of high quality anthracite.
	Coking coal	0	16	26	Acquisition, in association with the Chinese coal producer Yankuang, of 25% of Shandong Yankuang International Coking Ltd, for production of Coking coal. Production capacity is estimated at 2 million tons/year of coke and 200,000 tons/year of methanol. The coke plant is being assembled, and startup is timetabled for 2006.
Non-ferrous minerals	Expansion of the Taquari-Vassouras potash mine	3	9	78	Project to expand nominal potash production capacity from 600,000 to 850,000 tons/year. Approximately 90% of works completed. Operation scheduled to start in second half 2005.
	The 118 copper mine	-	32	218	Project to produce 36,000 tons of copper cathode. Planning at assessment phase.
	Vermelho nickel mine	-	34	875	Project to produce 45,000 tons of nickel cathode and 2,000 tons of cobalt per year. Planning at

assessment stage.

Aluminum	Modules 4 and 5 of Alunorte alumina	83	306	583	The project for construction of modules 4 and 5 will increase the refinery s production capacity to 4.2 million tons of alumina per year. Conclusion scheduled for 2006. Approx. 70% of works completed.
	Paragominas I bauxite mine	14	154	352	We expect this mine to start producing 4.5 million of bauxite/year at the end of 2006. The tubes for the 244 km pipeline to transport bauxite from Paragominas to the alumina refinery in Barcarena, in the State of Pará, have been purchased, and production startup is programmed for June 2005. Approximately 20% of works have been completed.
Logistics	Acquisition of locomotives and wagons for the EFVM/EFC/FCA railroads	86	559	559	1,067 wagons and 26 locomotives were bought in the first quarter of 2005.
Electric energy	Aimorés hydroelectric power plant	5	12	144	This plant, on the Rio Doce River in the Brazilian state of Minas Gerais, will have generating capacity of 330MW with startup scheduled for 3Q05. By the end of 1Q05, 95% of the works had been completed. CVRD s share in the project is 51.0%.
	Capim Branco I and II hydroelectric plants	16	73	181	Both plants are located on the Araguari River in Brazil's State of Minas Gerais. They will have generation capacity of 240MW and 210MW respectively. Startup of the projects is scheduled for 2006. 57% of the works on Capim Branco I have been concluded, and 31% for Capim Branco II. CVRD's stake in these project is 48.4%.

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CAPEX BY BUSINESS AREA

			US	\$ million
	Realiz	ed 1Q05	Budge	ted 2005
Ferrous minerals	200	35.1%	1,266	38.0%
Non-ferrous minerals	36	6.3%	303	9.1%
Logistics	154	27.0%	760	22.8%
Aluminum	127	22.2%	537	16.1%
Coal	3	0.4%	136	4.1%
Electric energy	24	4.2%	109	3.3%
Other	28	4.9%	221	6.6%
Total	570	100.0%	3.32	100.0%

SELECTED FINANCIAL INDICTORS FOR THE MAIN NON-CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES

These are available in the quarterly financial statements of CVRD, on the company s website www.cvrd.com.br, in the sub-section *Investor Relations*.

CONFERENCE CALL/WEBCAST

A conference call and webcast will be held on Friday, May 13, at 10 a.m. Rio de Janeiro time, 9 am US Eastern Standard Time and 1 pm United Kingdom time. Instructions for participation are on the CVRD website www.cvrd.com.br, under *Investor Relations*. A recording of the conference call and webcast will be available on CVRD s website for 90 days after May 13, 2005.

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	R	\$ million
	1Q04	1Q05
Gross operating revenues	5,930	7,052
Taxes	(271)	(332)
Net operating revenues	5,659	6,721
Cost of goods sold	(3,165)	(3,785)
Gross profit	2,494	2,936
Gross margin (%)	44.1%	43.7%
Operational expenses	(714)	(560)
Sales	(113)	(100)
Administrative	(242)	(258)
Research and development	(66)	(81)
Other operational expenses	(110)	(121)
Samitri	(183)	
Result from shareholdings	7	74
Equity income	64	130
Goodwill amortization	(57)	(57)
Provision for losses		
Financial result	(505)	(274)
Financial expenses	(474)	(295)
Financial revenues	69	113
Monetary variation	(100)	(92)
Operating profit	1,281	2,175
Result of discontinued operations		
Change in accounting method		
Income tax and social contribution	(236)	(391)
Minority interest	(92)	(169)
Net earnings	954	1,615

BALANCE SHEET

	12/31/2004	R\$ million 03/31/2005
Asset		
Current	11,930	11,937
Long term	3,710	3,787
Fixed	27,831	29,159
Total	43,471	44,884
Liabilities		
Current	9,327	8,712
Long term	13,935	14,225
Others	2,041	2,162
Shareholders equity	18,169	19,785
Paid-up capital	7,300	7,300

Reserves 10,869 12,485 **Total 44,884**

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CASH FLOW

	1Q04	R\$ million 1Q05
Cash flows from operating activities:	_	_
Net income	954	1,615
Adjustments to reconcile net income with cash provided by operating activities:		
Result from shareholdings	(7)	(74)
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	129	385
Deferred income tax and social contribution	(93)	(113)
Result from sale of investment		
Financial expenses and foreign exchange and monetary net variation	180	46
Minority interest	92	169
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	15	15
Goodwill amortization in the COGS	96	96
Non-recurring item Goodwill for Samitri	183	
Net unrealized derivative losses	153	5
Dividends/interest attributed to stocKholders received	36	
Others	(70)	(81)
Decrease (increase) in assets:		
Accounts receivable	(163)	
Inventories	(78)	
Others	(454)	(122)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Suppliers and contractors	(94)	49
Payroll and related charges	34	(94)
Taxes and Contributions	275	(579)
Others	569	(257)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,755	652
Cash Flow from investing activities:		
Loans and advances receivable	63	12
Guarantees and deposits	(60)	` ,
Additions to investments	(105)	
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(929)	
Proceeds from disposals of investments/property, plant and equipment	0	6
Net cash used I investing activities	(1,031)	(1,798)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Short-term debt, net issuances (repayments)	173	221
Long-term debt	2,141	726
Repayments:		
Related parties		
Financial institutions	(1,663)	
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Net cash used in financing activities	650	470
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,374	(677)
Cash and equivalents, beginning of period	2,129	3,917
Cash and equivalents, end of period	3,503	3,240

Cash paid during the period for:

Interest on short-term debt	(18)	(2)
Interest on long-term debt	(282)	(226)
Paid income tax and social contribution	(9)	(211)
Non-cash transactions:		
Additions to property, plant and equipment interest capitalization	(22)	(27)
Transfer of advance for future capital increase to investments		
Income tax and social contribution paid with credits		(49)

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Part I

Expressed In thousands of reais

1- Management s Discussion and Analysis of the Operating Results at March 31, 2005 Compared With March 31, 2004

1.1- General Aspects

(a) Companhia Vale do Rio Doce s segments of business are as follows:

Ferrous minerals: iron ore and pellets as well as manganese and ferroalloys;

Non-ferrous minerals: potash, kaolin and copper;

Logistics: railroads, ports and maritime terminals and shipping; and

Holdings: equity holdings in producers of aluminum, steel and electric power generation.

Ferrous Minerals

Iron Ore and Pellets

Operating through two world-class integrated systems for ore production and distribution. The Southern System, based in the states of Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo and the Northern System, based in the states of Pará and Maranhão, each consisting of mines, railroads and maritime terminals. Besides those, there is a third system that consists of mines and port facilities from Caemi.

Currently CVRD operates nine pelletizing plants in Brazil, five of them in joint ventures with international partners. The Company also has an interest in Samarco, which owns and operates two pelletizing plants in Espírito Santo, and an interest in GIIC, a pelletizing plant in Bahrein.

Iron ore and pellets sales are generally made pursuant to long-term supply contracts which provide for annual price negotiations. Cyclical changes in the world demand for steel products affect sales prices and volumes in the world iron ore market. Different factors, such as the iron content of specific ore deposits, the various beneficiation processes required to produce the desired final product, granulometric, moisture content, and the type and concentration of contaminants (such as phosphorus, alumina and manganese) in the ore, influence contract prices for iron ore. Contract prices also depend on transportation costs.

Annual price negotiations generally occur from November to February, with separate prices established for the Asian and European iron ore markets. In the Asian market, the renegotiated prices are effective as of April of each period up to March of the next period. In the European market, the renegotiated prices are effective as of January of each period. For 2005 prices increased by 71.5%.

Manganese and Ferroalloys

This activity is carried out through the subsidiaries RDM located in the state of Bahia and Minas Gerais, Urucum located in the state of Mato Grosso do Sul, Rio Doce Manganèse Europe in France and Rio Doce Manganese Norway in Norway.

Non-Ferrous Minerals

Potash

The Company through a leasing contract with Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - PETROBRAS, has a potash leased mine from Operational Unit Taquari-Vassouras (UOTV), located in state of Sergipe. It is the only producer of potash chloride in activity in Brazil, The potash explored by the Company is raw material to fertilizers producers.

In November, 2004, CVRD won an international competition for the research evaluation and exploration of a potash deposit in the Neuquen Province, Argentina.

Copper

CVRD s copper activities have been operating since June, 2004 the Sossego mine in Pará. Sossego is the first copper mine of CVRD.

Kaolin

Kaolin is a fine white aluminum silicate clay, used in the paper, ceramic and pharmaceutical industries as a coating and filler. Kaolin commercial activities are conducted through Caemi, controller of Pará Pigmentos S.A. and Cadam.

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Logistics

The logistics system includes the Vitória to Minas Railroad and the Tubarão port complex in the Southern System, and the Carajás Railroad and Ponta da Madeira Marine Terminal in the Northern System. In addition, CVRD controls the railroad Ferrovia Centro-Atlântica S.A. - FCA, and has interest in MRS Logística.

The principal cargo of CVRD s railroad is the Company s own iron ore, along with steel, coal, pig iron, agricultural products and fuel. The Company charges market rates for third-party cargo, which vary based upon the distance traveled and the density of the freight in question.

Energy

The Company participates in nine hydroelectric plants, four of which are in operation. CVRD s investments in the sector seek to optimize the Group s supply of electric power.

Holdings

Aluminum Operations

The Company sells aluminum, alumina and bauxite to an active world market in which prices are determined based on prices for the primary aluminum quoted on the London Metals Exchange and the Commodity Exchange, Inc (Comex) at the time of delivery.

Bauxite extraction operation works through our jointly-controlled company Mineração Rio do Norte S.A. - MRN.

Alumina refine works through ALUNORTE - Alumina do Norte do Brasil S.A. and the smelts of aluminum through ALBRAS - Aluminio Brasileiro S.A. and the jointly-controlled company Valesul Alumínio S.A..

Steel

Commercial activities in the steel industry are conducted through the jointly-controlled company California Steel Industries Inc., located in California and through the affiliated company Usiminas.

(b) The variations of the main currencies and indices in relation to the *real*, which impacted the results of the Company and its subsidiaries, jointly-controlled companies and affiliates, were as follows:

					$\Delta\%$	Parity - 6	end of period
(Currencies / Indices	U.S.					
Period		DOLLAR	YEN	IGP-M	TJLP	US\$ x R\$	US\$ x Yen
From 01/01/05 to 0	3/31/05	0.4	(4.1)	1.6	2.4	2.6662	107.39
From 10/01/04 to 1	2/31/04	(7.1)	(0.2)	2.0	2.4	2.6544	102.55
From 01/01/04 to 0	3/31/04	0.7	3.3	2.7	2.4	2.9086	104.48

About 86% of the consolidated gross revenue (88% parent company) on 03/31/05 is linked to the U.S. dollar. About 33% (32% parent company) of total consolidated costs are linked to the U.S. dollar. Consequently, fluctuations in the exchange rate between the two currencies have a significant impact on the operating cash flows.

Approximately 91% (97% parent company) of the short-term and long-term loans of the consolidated on 03/31/05 are denominated in U.S. dollars. As a result, exchange rate fluctuations have a significant impact on the financial expenses (Notes 6.13 and 6.18).

(c) On 03/31/05, the consolidated trade balance of US\$ 1,095 million was generated as follows:

		Consolie	dated (in US\$ million)
		03/31/05	03/31/04
Exports		1,336	1,088
Imports		(241)	(156)
		1,095	932
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1.2- Comments on the Consolidated Results

1.2.1- Consolidated Gross Revenue

Sales volume and revenues by products and services:

	In thousa	ands of metric				
	(ex	tons cept railroad				
	ansportation)					
	03/31/05	03/31/04	$\Delta\%$	03/31/05	03/31/04	$\Delta\%$
Iron ore	49,159	43,383	13	2,753,407	2,263,635	22
Pellets (*)	9,725	9,427	3	1,188,131	944,042	26
	58,884	52,810	12	3,941,538	3,207,677	23
Manganese	198	161	23	63,355	22,667	180
Ferroalloys	136	203	(33)	434,884	345,469	26
Copper	85			199,980		
Potash	138	138		80,373	65,272	23
Kaolin	280	286	(2)	104,576	112,594	(7)
Railroad transportation (millions of						
TKU)	8,333	8,795	(5)	505,512	456,958	11
Port services	6,313	6,213	2	114,375	96,086	19
Maritime transportation				104,576	92,490	13
Aluminum	122	110	11	611,222	525,091	16
Alumina	464	467	(1)	358,703	306,752	17
Bauxite	1,233	1,135	9	70,043	70,835	(1)
Steel				452,153	609,651	(26)
Other products and services				11,073	18,013	(39)
				7,052,363	5,929,555	19

^(*) Includes revenues derived from services provided to pelletizing join ventures in the amount of R\$ 21,213 and R\$ 13,776, referring to the first quarter of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Revenues from iron ore and pellets increased by 23% (R\$ 3,941,538 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 3,207,677 on 03/31/04) due to modification of the product mix and higher prices on 03/31/05.

Revenues from manganese and ferroalloys increased by 35% (R\$ 498,239 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 368,136 on 03/31/04) and reflect increase in prices and change of mix of products related to the companies of the segment discussed in Item 1.3.3 Ferrous Minerals Manganese and ferroalloys.

Revenues from kaolin decreased by 7% (R\$ 104,576 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 112,594 on 03/31/04). This effect was basically due to the sales decrease in volumes and the devaluation of the US American dollar compared to the real.

Revenues from transportation rose 11% (R\$ 505,512 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 456,958 on 03/31/04), due mainly to higher railway freight rates.

Revenues in the aluminum area rose 15% (R\$ 1,039,968 on 03/31/05 versus R\$ 902,678 on 03/31/04), due to increase of production capacity of bauxite and alumina plants as well as the average selling prices, discussed in Item 1.3.3 Holdings - Aluminum.

Revenues from steel products decreased by 26% (R\$ 452,153 on 03/31/05 compared with R\$ 609,651 on 03/31/04). This reflects the sale of CST on December 2004, offset by the performance of CSI, discussed in Item 1.3.3 Holdings - Steel.

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Gross Consolidated Revenue by Segment

		Non -			Holdings				r -	Γotal
	Ferrous Minerals		Logistics	Aluminum	SteelEliminations		03/31/05	%	03/31/04	%
External market										
America, except										
United States	606,447	328	29,699	294,618		(412,834)	518,258	7	473,064	8
United States	339,020		7,767	246,431	452,153	(301,982)	743,389	11	603,193	10
Europe	2,289,882	132,649	15,552	374,606		(984,563)	1,828,126	26	1,575,853	27
Middle										
East/Africa/Oceania	447,831			14,916		(127,073)	335,674	5	273,346	5
Japan	558,736	16,858		257,435		(235,832)	597,197	8	553,443	9
China	1,154,378	71,554		67,434		(457,142)	836,224	12	578,045	10
Ásia, other than										
Japan and China	548,773	181,784				(302,123)	428,434	6	387,736	7
	5,945,067	403,173	53,018	1,255,440	452,153	(2,821,549)	5,287,302	75	4,444,680	76
Internal Market	1,169,045	131,728	745,093	353,363		(634,168)	1,765,061	25	1,484,875	24
Total operating										
revenues	7,114,112	534,901	798,111	1,608,803	452,153	(3,455,717)	7,052,363	100	5,929,555	100

1.2.2- Consolidated Cost of Products and Services

By Nature

	Den	ominated in					
	R\$	US\$	03/31/05	%	03/31/04	%	$\Delta\%$
Personnel	282,325	31,846	314,171	8	320,893	10	(2)
Material	552,674	162,347	715,021	19	524,117	17	36
Oil and gas	328,666	77,843	406,509	11	347,319	11	17
Outsourced services	552,127	206,035	758,162	20	536,195	17	41
Energy	299,490	18,055	317,545	8	235,584	7	35
Raw Material	12,577	580,427	593,004	16	600,323	19	(1)
Depreciation and							
depletion	331,830	14,903	346,733	9	315,075	10	10
Amortization of goodwill	96,095		96,095	3	96,096	3	
Others	95,412	142,327	237,739	6	189,417	6	26
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Total	2,551,196	1,233,783	3,784,979	100	3,165,019	100	20
	67%	33%					

The 20% (R\$ 619,960) increase in the cost of products and services (R\$ 3,784,979 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 3,165,019 on 03/31/04) is due to changes in consolidated entities, increases in sales volumes and changes in the prices of the various elements which comprise production cost during the period.

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1.2.3- Cash Generation Consolidated

The operating cash generation consolidated measured by EBITDA (earnings before financial results, results of equity investments, interest, income tax and depreciation, amortization and depletion plus dividends received) was R\$ 2,849,394 on 03/31/05, against R\$ 2,435,668 on 03/31/04, an increase of 17%.

EBITDA

Net operating revenue Cost of products and services Operating expenses	03/31/05 6,720,573 (3,784,979) (559,695)	03/31/04 5,658,625 (3,165,019) (714,153)
Operating profit Depreciation / amortization of goodwill	2,375,899 473,495	1,779,453 437,356
Dividends received Goodwill Samitri	2,849,394	2,216,809 36,063 182,796
EBITDA R\$	2,849,394	2,435,668
Current liabilities Current portion of long-term debt - unrelated parties Short-term debt Loans from related parties	2,058,984 702,853 108,801 2,870,638	2,525,818 515,202 72,976 3,113,996
Long-term liabilities Long-term debt - unrelated parties Loans from related parties	9,336,284 31,131 9,367,415	9,044,631 41,158 9,085,789
Gross debt	12,238,053	12,199,785
Interest paid Stockholders equity	227,668 19,784,523	300,396 18,169,333
EBITDA / Interest paid EBITDA Margin EBIT Margin Gross debt / EBITDA	12.52 42% 35% 4.29	8.11 43% 31% 5.01

Gross debt / Equity Capitalization

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Consolidated EBITDA by Segment

		03/31/05 EBITDA % of		03/31/04 EBITDA % of
	Segments	total	Segments	total
Ferrous minerals	1,935,966	68%	1,553,513	64%
Non - ferrous minerals	103,739	4%	20,757	0%
Logistics	292,033	10%	260,265	11%
Holdings				
Aluminum	453,984	16%	416,862	17%
Steel	63,672	2%	184,271	8%
	2,849,394	100%	2,435,668	100%

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1.3- Comments on the Parent Company Results

The net income of the Company on 03/31/05 was R\$ 1,615,190 compared with net income of R\$ 953,714 on 03/31/04 (the earnings per share corresponds to R\$ 1.40 on 03/31/05 versus R\$ 0.83 on 03/31/04).

The gross margin declined from 43.4% on 03/31/04 to 36.3% on 03/31/05. The gross revenue rose R\$ 674,492 (to R\$ 2,731,147 on 03/31/05 from R\$ 2,057,802 on 03/31/04), while the cost of products and services increased R\$ 581,873 (from R\$ 1,475,929 on 03/31/04 to R\$ 2,057,802 on 03/31/05).

1.3.1- Gross Revenue

The 25% increase in gross revenue (R\$ 3,405,639 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 2,731,147 on 03/31/04) is the result of the 11% higher volume sold of iron ore and pellets and the increase of prices of products and services. The revenues of the period includes the sale of copper (85 thousands of tons - R\$ 188,079) began in June, 2004 and alumina, began in December 2004. This effect was compensated in part by the average valuation of the real against the United States Dollar by 8%, incident on 88% of the revenue of the Company.

	In the	ousands of met	ric tons (except				
	railroad transportations)				In thousands of reais		
	03/31/05	03/31/04	$\Delta\%$	03/31/05	03/31/04	$\Delta\%$	
External market							
Iron ore - fines	28,143	24,757	14	1,359,765	1,159,327	17	
Iron ore - lump ore	1,629	2,087	(22)	81,172	109,027	(26)	
Pellets	5,797	5,214	11	560,873	479,596	17	
	35,569	32,058	11	2,001,810	1,747,950	15	
Internal market							
Iron ore - fines	8,434	7,853	7	385,934	331,256	17	
Iron ore - lump ore	2,559	2,204	16	118,943	97,225	22	
Pellets (*)	1,271	1,141	11	195,023	151,278	29	
	12,264	11,198	10	699,900	579,759	21	
Total							
Iron ore - fines	36,577	32,610	12	1,745,699	1,490,583	17	
Iron ore - lump ore	4,188	4,291	(2)	200,115	206,252	(3)	
Pellets	7,068	6,355	11	755,896	630,874	20	
	47,833	43,256	11	2,701,710	2,327,709	16	
Copper	85			188,079			
Potash	138	138		80,373	65,272	23	
Railroad transportation (millions of TKU) (**)	5,674	5,526	3	289,037	261,142	11	

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Port services	5,499	5,635	(2)	76,895	71,485	8
Alumina	52			59,963		
Other products and services				9,582	5,539	73
				3,405,639	2,731,147	25

^(*) Includes revenues derived from services provided to pelletizing joint ventures in the amounts of R\$ 52,456 and R\$ 35,777 in the first quarter of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

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^(**) The Company carried through its railroad system 3,987 and 3,959 million of TKUs of general cargo and 1,687 and 1,567 million of TKUs of iron ore and pellets in the first quarter of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Gross revenue by segment

	Ferrous N	lon-Ferrous					Total
	Minerals	Minerals	Logistics	3/31/2005	%	3/31/2004	%
External market							
Americas, except the United							
States	157,700			157,700	5	156,185	6
United States	72,101			72,101	2	83,199	3
Europe	750,603	34,980		785,583	23	706,484	26
Middle East/Africa/Oceania	200,067			200,067	6	162,124	6
Japan	207,820			207,820	6	192,041	7
China	423,744	33,030		456,774	13	265,615	10
Asia, other than Japan and							
China	189,775	81,962		271,737	8	182,302	7
	2,001,810	149,972		2,151,782	63	1,747,950	65
Internal market	709,482	178,443	365,932	1,253,857	37	983,197	35
Total gross revenues	2,711,292	328,415	365,932	3,405,639	100	2,731,147	100

1.3.2- Cost of Products and Services

The 39% increase (R\$ 581,873) in products and services costs (R\$ 2,057,802 on 03/31/05 against R\$ 1,475,029 on 03/31/04) is mainly due to increase of sales, increase of expenses related to maintenance of assets and equipment, price increase, exchange rate impact on part of costs linked to US dollars and the sales of copper, that began in June 2004.

By Nature

	De	enominated					
	R\$	US\$	03/31/05	%	03/31/04	%	$\Delta\%$
Personnel	162,803		162,803	8	149,942	10	9
Material	357,742	73,273	431,015	21	230,902	16	87
Oil and gas	203,518		203,518	10	160,025	11	27
Outsourced services	276,970	56,729	333,699	16	205,210	14	63
Outsourced transportation	5,345	101,548	106,893	5	83,281	6	28
Energy	77,514		77,514	4	43,871	3	77
Acquisition of iron ore and							
pellets		313,217	313,217	15	268,222	18	17
Tolling industrialization		16,379	16,379	1	14,991	1	9
Depreciation and depletion	191,226		191,226	9	148,533	10	29
Amortization of goodwill	96,095		96,095	5	96,096	6	
Others	33,781	91,662	125,443	6	74,856	5	68
Total	1,404,994	652,808	2,057,802	100	1,475,929	100	39

68% 32%

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1.3.3- Results of Shareholdings by Business Area

The numbers below do not necessarily reflect the individual results of each company, but rather the amounts effectively applicable to the business area.

Business Area Ferrous Minerals	03/31/05	03/31/04	%
Iron ore	377,308	139,778	170
Pellets	148,809	100,349	48
Manganese and ferroalloys	145,929	76,537	91
Non-Ferrous Minerals	(3,807)	5,635	(168)
Logistics	46,337	35,189	32
Holdings			
Steel	140,930	121,249	16
Aluminum	200,863	89,613	124
Others	272	3,697	(93)
Gain on investments accounted for by the equity method	1,056,641	572,047	85
Provision for losses	(10,998)	(28,402)	61
Amortization of goodwill	(57,270)	(57,270)	
Exchange variation in Stockholders Equity of companies abroad	37,827	23,184	63
Results of equity investments	1,026,200	509,559	101

The effects of exchange rate variation on debt generated a sharp negative variation impacting the results of equity investments due to the real devaluation against US dollar of only 0.4% and 0.7% in the first quarter of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Ferrous Minerals

Iron Ore and Pellets

Operationally, there occurred increases in iron ore and pellets sales volume and prices.

Manganese and Ferroalloys

Equity in the results of investees had an increase, mainly due to the increases in sales volume and selling average prices of manganese and ferroalloys.

Non-Ferrous Minerals

Operating income was stable despite the increase in sales volume and increase in average prices in US. The gains were offset by the negative exchange rate of the euro over costs and costs with mineral researches and expenses.

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Logistic

Equity in the results of investees increased substantially, due to the increase in volume transported through the railroads and shipments as well as increase in port services. Selling average prices increased mainly due to the strong demand for transportation services, especially from the exporters.

Holdings

Aluminum

Better results mainly due to increase in price and volume.

Steel

Although we divested CST, the equity in the results increased due to exceptional results obtained mainly by the jontly-controlled company Usiminas.

1.3.4- Other Operating Expenses

The other operating expenses, except for non recurring item referring to Samitri s goodwill amortization, increased R\$ 17,398 (R\$ 274,581 on 03/31/05 compared to R\$ 257,183 on 03/31/04) (Note 6.20).

1.3.5- Net Financial Results

The net financial result on 03/31/05 had a impact of R\$ 14,304 (expense of R\$ 190,607 on 03/31/05 compared to expense of R\$ 204,911 on 03/31/04).

1.3.6- Income Tax and Social Contribution

Income tax and social contribution reflect an expense of R\$ 116,268 on 03/31/05 compared with an expense of R\$ 43,224 on 03/31/04, mainly caused by increase of taxable income. (Note 6.10)

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Part II

Quarterly Information and Notes to the Quarterly Information

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2- Balance Sheet

March 31			ent Company		sands of reais Consolidated
Assets	Notes	03/31/05	12/31/04	03/31/05	12/31/04
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Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	6.5	300,355	305,927	3,239,768	3,916,758
Accounts receivable from customers	6.6	1,619,253	1,849,954	3,413,896	3,076,060
Related parties	6.8	963,991	588,563	131,320	73,360
Inventories	6.7	935,812	870,197	2,963,736	2,893,837
Taxes to recover or offset	6.9	477,741	512,246	815,259	898,174
Deferred income tax and social					
contribution	6.10	473,668	345,967	587,969	428,358
Others		369,524	252,096	785,162	643,507
		5,140,344	4,724,950	11,937,110	11,930,054
Long-term receivables					
Related parties	6.8	562,107	586,668	115,325	108,973
Loans and financing		103,322	106,324	147,951	149,843
Deferred income tax and social					
contribution	6.10	528,869	523,355	1,011,684	1,057,986
Judicial deposits	6.14	1,181,151	1,147,433	1,731,461	1,679,901
Prepaid expenses				101,154	94,908
Accounts receivable - sale of assets				34,375	38,465
Assets for sale				92,496	111,419
Advances to energy suppliers				302,394	260,264
Others		51,209	27,768	250,618	208,635
		2,426,658	2,391,548	3,787,458	3,710,394
Permanent assets					
Investments	6.11	13,932,719	12,975,425	2,773,384	2,829,997

Property, plant and equipment Deferred charges	6.12	16,386,783	15,246,012	26,181,260 204,558	24,797,944 203,079
		30,319,502	28,221,437	29,159,202	27,831,020
		37,886,504	35,337,935	44,883,770	43,471,468
Liabilities and stockholders equity					
Current liabilities					
Short-term debt Current portion of long-term debt Payable to suppliers and contractors Related parties Payroll and related charges Pension Plan - Valia Proposed dividends and interest on stockholders equity Taxes and contributions Others	6.13 6.13 6.8	724,782 1,584,524 3,083,308 198,376 90,790 1,278,513 575,053 335,266	670,297 1,515,901 2,042,670 288,452 91,121 1,278,513 527,324 378,797	702,853 2,058,984 2,020,679 108,801 305,163 90,790 1,516,322 977,842 930,504	515,202 2,525,818 1,972,062 106,302 399,428 91,121 1,286,231 1,556,718 873,716
		7,870,612	6,793,075	8,711,938	9,326,598
Long-term liabilities					
Long-term debt Related parties Provisions for contingencies Pension Plan - Valia Provision for environmental liabilities Provisions for derivatives Others	6.13 6.8 6.14	2,939,859 3,569,389 1,994,756 576,209 263,281 43,778 844,097	2,910,794 3,783,952 1,952,786 569,671 255,464 55,268 847,592 10,375,527	9,336,284 31,131 2,630,271 576,209 263,281 379,396 1,008,431 14,225,003	9,044,631 41,158 2,603,969 569,671 255,464 432,483 987,318 13,934,694
		10,231,309	10,575,527	14,223,003	13,934,094
Deferred income				8,909	9,538
Minority interests				2,153,397	2,031,305
Stockholders equity					
Paid-up capital Revenue reserves	6.16	7,300,000 12,484,523	7,300,000 10,869,333	7,300,000 12,484,523	7,300,000 10,869,333
		19,784,523	18,169,333	19,784,523	18,169,333

37,886,504 35,337,935 44,883,770 43,471,468

The additional information, notes and attachment I are an integral part of the quarterly information.

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3- Statement of Income

Periods ended March 31				In thous	ands of reais
			nt Company		Consolidated
Operating revenues Sales of ore and metals	Notes 1.2.1/ 1.3.1	03/31/05	03/31/04	03/31/05	03/31/04
Iron ore and pellets Manganese and ferroalloys	1.5.1	2,701,710	2,327,709	3,941,538 498,239	3,207,677 368,136
Copper		188,079		199,980	
Potash Kaolin		80,373	65,272	80,373 104,576	65,272 112,594
		2,970,162	2,392,981	4,824,706	3,753,679
Transport services		365,932	332,627	724,463	645,534
Sales of aluminum-related products		59,963		1,039,968	902,678
Sales of steel products Other products and services		9,582	5,539	452,153 11,073	609,651 18,013
		3,405,639	2,731,147	7,052,363	5,929,555
Value Added taxes		(177,391)	(122,949)	(331,790)	(270,930)
Net operating revenues		3,228,248	2,608,198	6,720,573	5,658,625
Cost of products and services	1.2.2/				
Ores and metals	1.3.2	(1,883,331)	(1,374,289)	(2,405,412)	(1,889,836)
Transport services		(133,552)	(98,616)	(440,795)	(408,193)
Aluminum-related products		(32,918)		(549,292)	(463,879)
Steel products Other products and services		(8,001)	(3,024)	(383,660) (5,820)	(392,482) (10,629)
•		(2,057,802)	(1,475,929)	(3,784,979)	(3,165,019)
Gross profit		1,170,446	1,132,269	2,935,594	2,493,606
Gross margin		36.3%	43.4%	43.7%	44.1%
Operating expenses Selling		(85)	(4,655)	(100,149)	(112,941)

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Administrative Research and development Other operating expenses Non recurring item - Samitri s Goodwill	6.20	(123,026) (72,657) (78,813)	(104,589) (63,339) (84,600)	(257,549) (81,129) (120,868)	(242,388) (66,431) (109,597)
amortization			(182,796)		(182,796)
		(274,581)	(439,979)	(559,695)	(714,153)
Operating profit before financial results and results of equity					
investments		895,865	692,290	2,375,899	1,779,453
Results of equity investments	6.11				
Gain on investments accounted for by the equity method		1,056,641	572,047	130,359	64,131
Amortization of goodwill		(57,270)	(57,270)	(57,270)	(57,270)
Provision for losses		(10,998)	(28,402)		, , ,
Exchange variation in stockholders					
equity of companies abroad		37,827	23,184	430	422
		1,026,200	509,559	73,519	7,283
Financial results	6.18	(190,607)	(204,911)	(274,447)	(505,474)
Income before income tax and social					
contribution		1,731,458	996,938	2,174,971	1,281,262
Income tax and social contribution	6.10	(116,268)	(43,224)	(390,544)	(235,548)
Income before minority interests		1,615,190	953,714	1,784,427	1,045,714
Minority interests		,, -	, , ,	(169,237)	(92,000)
Net income for the period		1,615,190	953,714	1,615,190	953,714
Number of shares outstanding at the end of the period (in thousands) (a)		1,151,520	1,151,520	1,151,520	1,151,520
Net Earnings per share outstanding at the end of the period (R\$)		1.40	0.83	1.40	0.83

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(a) Reflects as if the stocks split had occurred on 03/31/04

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4- Statement of Changes in Stockholders Equity (Additional Information)

riods ended March 31								In thousa	ands of rea
cember 31, 2003	-	Expansion/ nvestments 6,039,326	U Depletion 1,004,166	Jnrealized income 557,266	Legali 1,080,141	Revenu Fiscal ncentives 89,993	Treasury stock (131,318)	Retained earnings	Tot 14,939,5
pitalization of reserves alization of reserve t income for the year	1,000,000	(910,007)		(211,538)		(89,993)		211,538 6,459,519	6,459,5
erim interest on ckholders equity erim dividends ditional remuneration								(1,671,484) (279,763)	(1,671,48 (279,76
pposed propriation to revenue								(1,278,513)	(1,278,5
erves		3,077,659			322,976	40,662		(3,441,297)	
cember 31, 2004	7,300,000	8,206,978	1,004,166	345,728	1,403,117	40,662	(131,318)		18,169,33
t income for the period								1,615,190	1,615,19
cember 31, 2004	7,300,000	8,206,978	1,004,166	345,728	1,403,117	40,662	(131,318)	1,615,190	19,784,52

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5- Statement of Cash Flows (Additional Information)

Periods ended March 31	D 4.C			In thousands of reais Consolidated		
	03/31/05	ot Company 03/31/04	03/31/05	03/31/04		
Cash flows from operating activities:	03/31/03	03/31/04	03/31/03	03/31/04		
Net income for the period	1,615,190	953,714	1,615,190	953,714		
Adjustments to reconcile net income for the period	1,013,170	755,714	1,013,170	755,714		
with cash provided by operating activities:						
Results of equity investments	(1,026,200)	(509,559)	(73,519)	(7,283)		
Depreciation, amortization and depletion	208,998	164,571	385,025	128,543		
Deferred income tax and social contribution	(133,215)	(149,214)	(113,309)	(93,075)		
Result on sale of assets	(133,213)	(142,214)	(113,307)	(23,073)		
Financial expenses and monetary and exchange rate						
variations on assets and liabilities, net	45,163	88,268	46,291	180,134		
Minority interests	45,105	00,200	169,237	92,000		
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,775	1,309	15,247	15,003		
Amortization of goodwill in the cost of products sold	96,095	96,096	96,095	96,095		
Non recurring item - goodwill of Samitri	70,073	182,796	70,075	182,796		
Net losses on derivatives	(3,350)	34,420	4,595	152,966		
Dividends/interest on stockholders equity	158,857	210,315	4,575	36,063		
Others	18,223	(17,925)	(81,327)	(69,949)		
Others	10,223	(17,723)	(61,327)	(0),)+))		
	981,536	1,054,791	2,063,525	1,667,007		
Decrease (increase) in assets:						
Accounts receivable	230,701	87,003	(337,836)	(162,674)		
Inventories	(65,615)	(43,291)	(69,899)	(78,392)		
Others	(105,270)	(19,103)	(122,327)	(453,855)		
Others	(103,270)	(17,103)	(122,321)	(+33,633)		
	59,816	24,609	(530,062)	(694,921)		
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:						
Suppliers and contractors	68,623	63,410	48,617	(94,185)		
Payroll and related charges and others	(90,076)	(21,523)	(94,265)	33,841		
Taxes and contributions	(47,729)	192,438	(578,876)	274,581		
Others	29,213	19,732	(256,754)	569,026		
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	(39,969)	254,057	(881,278)	783,263		
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,001,383	1,333,457	652,185	1,755,349		
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Loans and advances receivable	(14,892)	352,072	12,030	62,743		
Guarantees and deposits	(33,718)	(48,456)	(51,560)	(60,082)		

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Additions to investments Additions to property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and	(516,037) (1,319,756)	(73,626) (873,446)	(10,182) (1,755,264)	(105,188) (929,033)
equipment/investments	6,477	306	6,477	306
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,877,926)	(643,150)	(1,798,499)	(1,031,254)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Short-term debt	798,557	(471,792)	220,852	172,596
Long-term debt	700,165	991,498	725,819	2,141,162
Repayments:				
Related parties	(438,489)			
Financial institutions	(189,262)	(1,170,187)	(477,347)	(1,663,462)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	870,971	(650,481)	469,324	650,296
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(5,572)	39,826	(676,990)	1,374,391
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	(5,572) 305,927	39,826 342,008	(676,990) 3,916,758	1,374,391 2,128,544
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Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	305,927	342,008	3,916,758	2,128,544
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	305,927	342,008	3,916,758	2,128,544
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for:	305,927	342,008 381,834	3,916,758 3,239,768	2,128,544 3,502,935
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest	305,927 300,355	342,008 381,834 (4,016)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest Long-term interest	305,927 300,355 (76,731)	342,008 381,834 (4,016)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544) (226,124)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339) (282,057)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest Long-term interest Income tax and social contribution paid Non-cash transactions: Additions to property, plant and equipment - interest	305,927 300,355 (76,731) (166,634)	342,008 381,834 (4,016) (105,368)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544) (226,124) (210,771)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339) (282,057) (9,255)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest Long-term interest Income tax and social contribution paid Non-cash transactions: Additions to property, plant and equipment - interest capitalization	305,927 300,355 (76,731)	342,008 381,834 (4,016)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544) (226,124)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339) (282,057)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest Long-term interest Income tax and social contribution paid Non-cash transactions: Additions to property, plant and equipment - interest capitalization Transfer of advance for future capital increase to	305,927 300,355 (76,731) (166,634) (38,265)	342,008 381,834 (4,016) (105,368)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544) (226,124) (210,771)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339) (282,057) (9,255)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period Cash paid during the period for: Short-term interest Long-term interest Income tax and social contribution paid Non-cash transactions: Additions to property, plant and equipment - interest capitalization	305,927 300,355 (76,731) (166,634)	342,008 381,834 (4,016) (105,368)	3,916,758 3,239,768 (1,544) (226,124) (210,771)	2,128,544 3,502,935 (18,339) (282,057) (9,255)

The additional information, notes and attachment I are an integral part of the quarterly information.

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of Accounting, Practices Generally Accepted in Brazil)

6- Notes to the Quarterly Information at March 31, 2005 and 2004

Expressed In thousands of reais

6.1- Operations

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce is a publicly traded corporation whose predominant activities are mining, processing and sale of iron ore, pellets, copper and potash, as well as logistic services, power generation and mineral research and development. In addition, through its direct and indirect subsidiaries and jointly-controlled companies, CVRD operates in iron ore and pellets, manganese and ferroalloys, kaolin, steel, aluminum-related products and logistics.

6.2- Presentation of Quarterly Information

The quarterly information have been prepared in conformity with accounting practices adopted in Brazil, based on corporate legislation, as well as the rules and guidelines issued by the Comissão de Valores Mobiliários - CVM (Brazilian Securities Commission) and Instituto dos Auditores Independentes do Brasil - IBRACON (Brazilian Independent Auditors Institute).

In order to provide better information to the market, the Company is presenting the following additional information regarding the Parent Company and Consolidated:

- a) Statement of Cash Flows based on the criteria of NPC 20 of IBRACON; and
- b) Statement of Results by Business Segment prepared in accordance with the business areas of the Company: ferrous minerals, non-ferrous minerals, aluminum, steel, logistics, others and corporate center. Certain amounts have been adjusted for better comparability.

6.3- Significant Accounting Policies

- (a) The Company adopts the accrual basis of accounting;
- (b) Assets and liabilities that are realizable or due more than twelve months after the quarterly information date are classified as long-term;
- (c) Marketable securities, classified as cash and cash equivalents, are stated at cost plus accrued income earned to the Quarterly Information date;
- (d) Inventories are stated at average purchase or production cost, and imports in transit at the cost of each item, not exceeding market or realizable value;
- (e) Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at exchange rates in effect at the quarterly information date, and those in local currency, when applicable, are restated based on contractual indices;
- (f) Investments in subsidiaries, jointly-controlled companies and affiliated companies are accounted for by the equity method, based on the stockholders equity of the investees, and when applicable increased/decreased by goodwill

and negative goodwill to be amortized and provision for losses. Other investments are recorded at cost, less provision for losses when applicable;

- (g) Property, plant and equipment, including interest and financial charges incurred during the construction period of large-scale projects, are recorded at historical cost (increased by monetary restatement up to 1995) and depreciated on the straight-line method, based on the useful lives of the assets. Depletion of mineral reserves is based on the ratio between production and estimated capacity;
- (h) Research and development costs are registered as operational expenses until the proof of its economical feasibility to commercially exploit the mine. After this proof, the costs are capitalized as part of the costs of the mine operation;
- (i) During the development of a mine, stripping costs registered are capitalized as part of the depreciable cost of building and constructing the mine. Post-production stripping costs are recorded as cost of production when incurred; and
- (j) Pre-operating costs except for financial charges capitalized as mentioned in (g) above, are deferred and amortized over a period of 10 years. The deferred charges (consolidated) refer basically to copper projects and expansion of Alunorte and Albras.

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6.4- Principles of Consolidation

- (a) The consolidated quarterly information show the balances of assets and liabilities on March 31, 2005 and 2004 and the operations of the Parent Company on March, 31 2005 and December 31, 2004, its direct and indirect subsidiaries and its jointly-controlled companies for the periods then ended;
- (b) Intercompany balances and the Parent Company s investments in its direct and indirect subsidiaries and jointly-controlled companies were eliminated in the consolidation. Minority interests are shown separately on the balance sheet and statement of income:
- (c) In the case of investments in companies in which the control is shared with other stockholders, the components of assets and liabilities and revenues and expenses are included in the consolidated quarterly information in proportion to the participation of the Parent Company in the capital of each investee;
- (d) The principal figures of the subsidiaries and jointly-controlled companies included in the consolidation are presented in Attachment I.

6.5- Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Parent Company			Consolidated	
	03/31/05	12/31/04	03/31/05	12/31/04	
Cash and bank accounts	23,414	89,667	434,263	416,086	
Marketable securities linked to the interbank deposit					
certificate rate	276,941	216,260	966,996	820,736	
Time deposits / overnight investments			1,470,828	1,945,613	
Others			367,681	734,323	
	300,355	305,927	3,239,768	3,916,758	

6.6- Accounts Receivable from Customers

	Parent Company			Consolidated	
	03/31/05	12/31/04	03/31/05	12/31/04	
Domestic	526,084	567,849	592,708	587,010	
Export	1,178,719	1,378,177	3,073,705	2,753,238	
	1,704,803	1,946,026	3,666,413	3,340,248	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(46,948)	(54,948)	(211,942)	(221,179)	
Allowance for ore weight credits	(38,602)	(41,124)	(40,575)	(43,009)	
	1,619,253	1,849,954	3,413,896	3,076,060	

6.7- Inventories

Parent Company			Consolidated		
03/31/05	12/31/04	03/31/05	12/31/04		

Finished products

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Iron ore and pelletsManganese and ferroalloysAluminum	345,213	363,265	597,138 424,620 215,123 104,539	592,115 389,203 231,847 93,159
. Steel products . Copper . Others	22,981	6,860	22,981	6,860
	8,145	5,066	76,541	70,957
Spare parts and maintenance supplies	376,339	375,191	1,440,942	1,384,141
	559,473	495,006	1,522,794	1,509,696
	935,812	870,197	2,963,736	2,893,837

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6.8- Related parties

