

PETROBRAS - PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of May, 2009

Commission File Number 1-15106

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Avenida República do Chile, 65

20031-912 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ

Federative Republic of Brazil

(Address of principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F ☒ Form 40-F ☐

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 ☒

Result of the Internal Ascertainment of Facts

(Rio de Janeiro, May 7 2009). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA, BCBA: APBR/APBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, announces the conclusions of the Internal Commission formed to clarify the circumstances surrounding the leak of information regarding the financial results of the fourth quarter and for the year of 2008:

- a) the commission collected statements from the employees and external service providers and examined the mechanisms used to send, transfer, and receive information between the people and institutions that dealt with the Petrobras report to the financial market (RFM) for 2008;
- b) the Commission used all of the information technology available to the Company to examine the electronic files, the traffic of e-mail messages, and accesses made to the Internet and to the computers where the files are stored in the Integrated Corporate network;
- c) the commission was unable to identify the person who was responsible or how the information leak took place;
- d) the Commission recommended measures, however, which have already been accepted and are being implemented to improve information security while it moves internally among the Company's departments and when it is sent to third parties to be translated to English and to Spanish, in compliance with the requirements set forth by Stock Exchanges and the regulating agencies in the USA, Argentina, and in Spain.

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SIGNATURE

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.

Date: May 7, 2009

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By: /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and
Investor Relations Officer

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