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

For the month of July, 2005

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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)

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Southeast Northeast Gas Pipeline

(Rio de Janeiro, July 4, 2005). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, wishes to inform that the Southeast Northeast (GASENE) gas pipeline made up of the Cabiúnas (RJ)-Vitória (ES), Cacimbas(ES)-Vitória and Cacimbas-Catu (BA) sections, continues to be part of the Company s strategic plan as announced in May 2004.

Certain aspects of this investment are currently under review as part of the process for approving Petrobras investments due largely to changes in the supply and demand for natural gas.

Work on the Cacimbas-Vitória section is currently proceeding according to plan with operations to start in December with the off-take of natural gas from the Peroá-Cangoá fields, initially for delivery to Vitória.

The Cabiúnas-Vitória section is currently at the due diligence stage with the international tender bidding process expected to begin soon in conjunction with Sinopec.

Supplies to the Northeast region for the period affected by the change in investment plans (2007-2008) will be met mainly through an increase in local feedstock.

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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: July 5, 2005

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By: /s/ José Sergio Gabrielli de Azevedo

> José Sergio Gabrielli de Azevedo **Chief Financial Officer and**

Investor Relations Director

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