SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

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

THROUGH APRIL 8, 2004

(Commission File No. 1-15256)

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

BRAZIL TELECOM COMPANY

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

SIA Sul, Área de Serviços Públicos, Lote D, Bloco B Brasília, D.F., 71.215-000 Federative Republic of Brazil (Address of Regristrant's principal executive offices)

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

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Yes _____ No ___X___

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Publicly-held company Corporate Taxpayer Registration 76.535.764/0001-43 Board of Trade 53 3 0000622 9 Publicly-held company
Corporate Taxpayer Registration 02.570.688/0001-70
Board of Trade 53 3 0000581 8

MATERIAL FACT

BRASIL TELECOM S.A. (**BrT**) **and BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.** (**BTP**), in compliance with CVM Instruction no. 358/02 (BTM), publicly issues the following clarification:

- Calais Participações S.A., a company in which BrT holds exclusively preferred shares with no voting rights, amended the bidding offer proposed to WorldCom Inc. (MCI), reiterating its firm intention to acquire the ownership control of Embratel Participações S.A. (Embratel), during the ongoing competitive bidding process for the sale of the ownership control of Embratel, headed by the financial institution Lazard Frères.
- 2. The amendment to the bidding offer aimed to eliminate the regulatory risks associated with the non-approval of the ownership control transfer of Embratel to Calais, assuring that MCI receives an amount not lower than the competitor s bidding offer, in the case the necessary approval by the competent regulatory body is not granted by July 8, 2005.
- 3. The amendment to the bidding offer presented by Calais confirms its understanding of non-violation of applicable legal and regulatory rules, based on legal opinions prepared by the most prominent legal scholars that confirmed the legality of the intended transaction.

 Brasília, April 7, 2004.

Carla CicoInvestor Relations Director Brasil Telecom S.A.

Paulo Pedrão Rio Branco Investor Relations Director Brasil Telecom Participações S.A.

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: April 8, 2004

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

By: /s/ Carla Cico

Name: Carla Cico

Title: President and Chief

Executive Officer