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Report of Foreign Private Issuer
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Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of February, 2011

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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)

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Federative Republic of Brazil
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes No

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This report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Petróleo Brasileiro -- Petrobras (No. 333-163665).

2010: Record Net Income of R\$ 35.56 billion

Rio de Janeiro, February 25, 2010 Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras announces its consolidated results of the fourth quarter of 2010 and its annual results, according to the international financial reporting standards (IFRS).

In 2010, the net income was R\$ 35.2 billion (R\$ 3.57 per share), 17% higher than the 2009 number of R\$ 30.1 billion (R\$ 3.43 per share). The gross profit reached R\$ 77.22 billion in 2010, 4% higher to the last year result (R\$ 74.13 billion).

The net income of the period from January to September 2010 (Jan-Sept/2010) reached R\$ 24.58 billion, 10% higher than the Jan-Sept/2009 period, mainly due to higher sales volume, which increased 13%, and to an increase of oil prices.

Oil products demand in the domestic market (+13%) pushed the net income increase, highlighting the sales of diesel (+9%), gasoline (+17%), jet fuel (+19%) and natural gas (+33%). Additionally, the 2% increase of the oil and gas production and higher volume of the international sales (+10%) were favorable to the results.

In the segmented result, the increase in the oil price and in the production volume in 2010 influenced the result of the Exploration & Production (E&P) segment. However, the Supply segment presented a decrease in the result due to the increase in the oil price.

Net Income per segment (R\$ million) ¹

Segments⁽¹⁾	2010	2009
Exploration & Production	29,691	19,289
Refining, Transportation and Commercialization	3,722	13,521
Other Segments⁽²⁾	3,867	1,835

(1) Includes intersegment transactions that are eliminated for calculation of the Company's profit

(2) Corporate Segment not taken into account

The investments in 2010 totaled R\$ 76,411 million, 8% higher than 2009 investment amount and representing 86% of the investment planned for the year. The investment aimed to increase oil and natural gas production capacity and to improve the refining park and petrochemical assets.

Petrobras also informs the approval of its Capex Plan which totaled R\$ 93,669 million. The table presented below shows the 2011 Capex Plan detailed by segment.

2011 Capex Plan

Segments	Investment	
	R\$ Million	%
Exploration & Production	42,999	46%
Refining, Transportation and Commercialization	37,215	40%
Gas & Power	4,677	5%
International	5,468	6%
Distribution	1,188	1%

Biofuel	913	1%
Corporate	1,210	1%
TOTAL	93,669	100%

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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: February 28, 2011

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By: /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and
Investor Relations Officer

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