

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce  
Form 6-K  
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**United States  
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

April 2006

**Companhia Vale do Rio Doce**

Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26  
20030-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil

(Address of principal executive office)

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***Press Release***

**CVRD negotiates iron ore prices increase**

Rio de Janeiro, April 5, 2006 Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) informs, in order to attend the resolution of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Brazil (CVM), that, similar to others years and according to calendar agreed upon with its clients, it is currently in course the negotiation of international reference price of iron ore for the year 2006 between steelmakers and miners.

The CVRD's proposal is around 24%, which is within the range between 7.5% to 25% estimated by market analysts, as disclosed by the press. Once the price is agreed with the world steel industry representatives, which will be object of disclosure, it will be kept fixed for a period of one year.

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**Signatures**

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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE  
(Registrant)

Date: April 4, 2006

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco

Roberto Castello Branco  
Director of Investor Relations