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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM F-6

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 For Depositary Shares Evidenced by American Depositary Receipts

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE

(Exact name of issuer of deposited securities as specified in its charter)

The Federative Republic of Brazil

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of issuer)

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

(Exact name of depositary as specified in its charter)

4 New York Plaza, New York, NY 10004 Telephone (212) 623-0636

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of depositary's principal executive offices)

Rio Doce America 114 West 47th Street New York, New York 10036-1520 Phone: (212) 626-9800

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

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Ziegler, Ziegler & Associates LLP
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New York, New York 10022
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It is proposed that this filing become effective under Rule 466 ý immediately upon filing o on (Date) at (Time)

If a separate registration statement has been filed to register the deposited shares, check the following box. o

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

American Depositary Shares to be registered	Amount to be registered	Proposed maximum aggregate price per unit(1)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(2)	Amount of registration fee
American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each American Depositary Share representing one common share of Companhia Vale Do Rio Doce	500,000,000 American Depositary Shares	\$0.05	\$25,000,000	\$2,942.50

- (1) Each unit represents one American Depositary Share.
- Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(k), such estimate is computed on the basis of the maximum aggregate fees or charges to be imposed in connection with the issuance of American Depositary Receipts evidencing American Depositary Shares.

PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

The Prospectus consists of the proposed form of American Depositary Receipt ("ADR" or "American Depositary Receipt") included as Exhibit (a)(3) to this Registration Statement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

Location in Form of American Depositary Receipt Filed Herewith as Prospectus

Item 1. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED

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(2) Title of		nd address of Depositary American Depositary Receipts a	and identity of deposited	Introductory paragraph Face of American Depositary Receipt, top center
		securities Terms of Deposit:		
	(i)	•	ies represented by one unit of	Face of American Depositary Receipt, upper right corner
	(1)	American Depositary Shares		Tuce of American Depositary Receipt, upper right corner
	(ii)	Procedure for voting, if any,		Paragraph (12)
	(iii)	Collection and distribution of		Paragraphs (4), (5), (7) and (10)
	(iv)	Transmission of notices, rep material		Paragraphs (3), (8) and (12)
	(v)	Sale or exercise of rights		Paragraphs (4), (5) and (10)
(vi) Deposit or sale of securities or plans of reorganization			resulting from dividends, splits	Paragraphs (4), (5), (10) and (13)
	(vii)	Amendment, extension or te Agreement	rmination of the Deposit	Paragraphs (16) and (17)
	(viii)	Rights of holders of receipts of the Depositary and the lis		Paragraph (3)
	(ix)	Restrictions upon the right to underlying securities	deposit or withdraw the	Paragraphs (1), (2), (4) and (5)
	(x)	Limitation upon the liability	of the Depositary	Paragraph (14)
(3)	Fees and	d Charges		Paragraphs (7)
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(b)	Statement that Companhia Vale Do Rio Doce is subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and, accordingly, files certain reports with the Commission, and that such reports can be inspected by holders of American Depositary Receipts and copied at public reference facilities maintained by the Commission in Washington, D.C.		Paragraph (8)	
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PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 3. EXHIBITS

- (a)(1) **Form of Deposit Agreement**. Form of Deposit Agreement dated as of February 25, 2002 among Companhia Vale do Rio Doce, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as depositary (the "Depositary"), and all holders from time to time of American Depositary Receipts issued thereunder (the "Deposit Agreement"). Previously filed as an Exhibit to Registration Statement No. 333-83702 which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (a)(2) **Amendment No. 1 to Deposit Agreement**. Previously filed as an Exhibit to Registration Statement No. 333-83702, or a post-effective amendment thereto, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (a)(3) **Form of ADR.** Filed herewith as Exhibit (a)(3).
- (b) Any other agreement to which the Depositary is a party relating to the issuance of the American Depositary Shares registered hereunder or the custody of the deposited securities represented thereby. Not Applicable.
- (c) Every material contract relating to the deposited securities between the Depositary and the issuer of the deposited securities in effect at any time within the last three years. Not Applicable.
- Opinion of Ziegler, Ziegler & Associates LLP, counsel to the Depositary, as to the legality of the securities being registered. Filed herewith as Exhibit (d).
- (e) **Certification under Rule 466.** Filed herewith as Exhibit (e).
- (f) **Power of Attorney.** Included as part of the signature pages hereto.

Item 4. UNDERTAKINGS

- (a)

 The Depositary hereby undertakes to make available at the principal office of the Depositary in the United States, for inspection by holders of the American Depositary Receipts, any reports and communications received from the issuer of the deposited securities which are both (1) received by the Depositary as the holder of the deposited securities, and (2) made generally available to the holders of the underlying securities by the issuer.
- (b)

 If the amounts of fees charged are not disclosed in the prospectus, the Depositary undertakes to prepare a separate document stating the amount of any fee charged and describing the service for which it is charged and to deliver promptly a copy of such fee schedule without charge to anyone upon request. The Depositary undertakes to notify each registered holder of an American Depositary Receipt thirty days before any change in the fee schedule.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., on behalf of the legal entity created by the Deposit Agreement, certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in The City of New York, State of New York, on June 24, 2005.

Legal entity created by the form of Deposit Agreement for the issuance of ADRs evidencing American Depositary Shares

By: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Depositary

By: /s/ Joseph M. Leinhauser

Name: Joseph M. Leinhauser Title: Vice President

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Companhia Vale do Rio Doce certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on June 24, 2005.

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce

By: /s/ Roger Agnelli

Name: Roger Agnelli

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Gabriel Stoliar

Name: Gabriel Stoliar

Title: Chief Planning and Control Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each individual whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Roger Agnelli and Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa, and each of them severally, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including pre-effective and post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and all documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she may or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Roger Agnelli	Chief Executive Officer	June 24, 2005
Roger Agnelli		
/s/ Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa	Chief Financial and Accounting Officer	June 24, 2005
Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa		
/s/ Sérgio Ricardo Silva Rosa	Director	June 24, 2005
Sérgio Ricardo Silva Rosa		
/s/ Arlindo Magno de Oliveira	Director	June 24, 2005
Arlindo Magno de Oliveira		
/s/ Erik Persson	Director	June 24, 2005
Erik Persson		
/s/ Renato da Cruz Gomes	Director	June 24, 2005

Signature	Title	Date
Renato da Cruz Gomes		
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/s/ Jorge Luiz Pacheco	Director	June 24, 2005
Jorge Luiz Pacheco		
/s/ Oscar Augusto de Camargo Filho	Director	June 24, 2005
Oscar Augusto de Carmargo Filho		
/s/ Mário da Silveira Teixeira Júnior	Director	June 24, 2005
Mário da Silveira Teixeira Júnior		
/s/ Eduardo Fernando Jardim Pinto	Director	June 24, 2005
Eduardo Fernando Jardim Pinto		
/s/ Francisco Augusto da Costa e Silva	Director	June 24, 2005
Francisco Augusto da Costa e Silva		
/s/ Vicente de Biase Wright	Authorized Representative in the United States	June 24, 2005
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