

PETROBRAS - PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA
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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 February, 2009

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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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20031-912 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ
Federative Republic of Brazil
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes No

Capital Expenditures in 2008

(Rio de Janeiro, February 11, 2009). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA, BCBA: APBR/APBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, announces record capital expenditures of R\$ 53.4 billion during 2008, a year-on-year increase of 18%.

Petrobras continues to allocate the larger part of its investments in Exploration and Production (26% increase in 2008), focusing on the development of oil and natural gas production in Brazil. Investments in Gas and Energy posted the greatest variation, increasing by 50% compared with 2007, mainly due to the expansion of the gas pipeline network for production outflow. Downstream investment increased 14% due to projects for improving fuel quality and processing of heavy crude.

	R\$ million				
	Fiscal Year				
	2008	%	2007	%	Δ %
Own Investments	53,349	100	45,285	100	18
Exploration & Production	26,196	49	20,812	46	26
Downstream	11,999	22	10,537	23	14
Gas and Energy	7,222	14	4,817	10	50
International	6,133	12	6,574	15	(7)
Distribution	558	1	1,670	4	(67)
Corporate	1,241	2	875	2	42
Total Investments	53,349	100	45,285	100	18

	R\$ million				
	Fiscal Year				
	2008	%	2007	%	%
International					
Exploration & Production	5,252	86	5,759	88	(9)
Downstream	448	7	451	7	(1)
Gas and Energy	250	4	161	2	55
Distribution	41	1	72	1	(43)
Others	142	2	131	2	8
Total Investments	6,133	100	6,574	100	(7)

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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 11, 2009

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By: /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and
Investor Relations Officer

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