

PETROBRAS - PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA
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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, 2012

Commission File Number 1-15106

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)

Avenida República do Chile, 65
20031-912 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ
Federative Republic of Brazil
(Address of principal executive office)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

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Petrobras Issues US\$ 7 billion in Global Notes

Rio de Janeiro, February 6, 2012 - Petroleo Brasileiro SA - Petrobras announces that it closed today the issuance of Global Notes in the international capital markets in the amount of US\$ 7 billion. The Notes were issued by Petrobras' wholly owned subsidiary, Petrobras International Finance Company ("PifCo"). The transaction - the issuance of notes due 2015 and 2017 and the reopening of the bonds due 2021 and 2041 - was priced on February 1, 2012 .

The transaction was executed in one day, with a demand of approximately US\$ 25 billion as a result of more than 1,600 orders coming from more than 700 investors. This issue sets the following records:

- Ø Largest ever Brazilian international bond offering
- Ø Largest emerging market corporate bond offering in recent years
- Ø Lowest yield for a Brazilian company (03 and 05 year terms)
- Ø Lowest yield for the 10 year bond issued by Petrobras
- Ø Lowest yield for a 30 year for a Brazilian Company

The final allocation was more concentrated in the United States (58.4%), Europe (28.1%) and Asia, mostly dedicated to the high grade market.

The success of the transaction indicates investor confidence in the fundamentals of the Company, its growth strategy and its commitment to maintain the investment grade, as indicated by monitoring debt ratios targets and presenting significant cash generation levels. Additionally, the transaction is aligned with the fund-raising strategy announced by the Company to access the market at specific moments and for volumes required for the financing of investments as defined in the Business Plan.

Here is the main information regarding the issue and reopening

| | New issue | 2015 Notes | 2017 Notes |
|--------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Volume | | US\$ 1.25 billion | US\$ 1.75 billion |

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|-----------------------|--|------------|
| Coupon | 2.875% | 3.50% |
| Issue Price | 99.499% | 99.419% |
| Yield to Investor | 3.051% | 3.628% |
| Maturity | 02/06/2015 | 02/06/2017 |
| 1st Pmt Date Interest | 08/06/2012 | 08/06/2012 |
| Dates of Interest Pmt | February 06 and August 06 of each year | |

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| Reopening | 2021 Notes | 2041 Notes |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Re-tap amount | US\$ 2.75 billion | US\$ 1.25 billion |
| Total Amount after the Re-tap | US\$ 5.25 billion | US\$ 2.25 billion |
| Coupon | 5.375% | 6.750% |
| Price of Re-tap | 104.181% | 111.208% |
| Yield to Investors (original) | 5.401% | 6.806% |
| Yield to Investors (Re-tap) | 4.796% | 5.935% |
| Maturity | 01/27/2021 | 01/27/2041 |
| Dates of Interest Pmt | January 27 and July 27 of each year | |

The ratings of the Notes were Baa1 (Moody's), BBB (Standard & Poor's) and BBB (Fitch) and Petrobras will use the proceeds of this multi-tranche offering for general corporate purposes.

BB Securities Ltd, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Itau BBA USA Securities, Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Santander Investment Securities Inc. were the joint lead managers for the transaction and Banco Votorantim Nassau Branch and Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc. were the co-managers.

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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 6, 2012

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:

/s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations
Officer

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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All forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement, and you should not place reliance on any forward-looking statement contained in this press release. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or future events or for any other reason.
