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For the month of May, 2015

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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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Yes No

FIRST QUARTER OF 2015

RESULTS

Rio de Janeiro – May 15, 2015 - (A free translation of the original in Portuguese).

Petrobras announces today its consolidated results for the 1Q-2015 reviewed by independent auditors, stated in millions of *Reais*, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards - IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board - IASB.

Consolidated net income attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras and Adjusted EBITDA in the 1Q-2015 were R\$ 5,330 million and R\$ 21,518 million, respectively.

Key events

Jan-Mar

5,330	5,393	(1)	Consolidated net income (loss) attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras	(26,600)	120
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2,803	2,531	11	Total domestic and international crude oil and natural gas production (Mbb/d)	2,799	—
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21,518	14,349	50	Adjusted EBITDA	20,057	7
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The Company reported net income of R\$ 5,330 million in the 1Q-2015, mainly due to the following events compared to the 4Q-2014:

- Diesel (5%) and gasoline (3%) price increases on November 7, 2014;
- Lower cost of sales due to decreased crude oil and oil product import costs and volumes;
- Lower export revenues, affected by a decrease in international crude oil prices (average Brent prices decreased by 29% in the 1Q-2015 compared to the 4Q-2014);
- Decreased domestic oil product sales (10%) due to the seasonal consumption and lower economic activity;
- R\$ 5,621 million net finance expense in the 1Q-2015;
- The Company reached a monthly average crude oil production record level of 672 thousand barrels per day in the pre-salt layer in the first quarter of 2015 (on April 11, 2015 the Company reached a crude oil production record level of 800 thousand barrels per day at the pre-salt layer); and
- Production start-up of P-61 platform in Papa-Terra field in the Campos Basin and of the early production system in Búzios field (Santos Basin), as well as the production start-up of Hadrian South field in ultra-deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

In the 1Q-2015, a 20.8% depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar affected our consolidated statement of income, shareholders' equity and indicators. However, this effect did not materially impact our net cash flows, as set forth below:

Consolidated statement of income (revenues, costs, operating expenses and finance expense) 1,426 decrease

Cash and cash equivalents held abroad

9,788 increase

Debt denominated in foreign currency

55,110 increase

Cash flow hedge accounting (shareholders' equity)	18,137 decrease
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Net debt/Adjusted EBITDA ratio

0.64X increase

Leverage

4.5pp increase

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Comments from the CEO

Mr. Aldemir Bendine

Dear Shareholders and Investors,

During the first quarter of 2015 we reached an operating income of R\$ 13.3 billion and an adjusted EBITDA of R\$ 21.5 billion, an increase of 76% and 50%, respectively, when compared to the first quarter of 2014. This result is mainly explained by the higher oil production, higher fuel sales margins in Brazil and lower production taxes and imports. Our net income decreased 1% relative to the first quarter of 2014, mainly as a result of the exchange rate devaluation in the period.

We are working to maintain our financial and economic performances at high levels. In previous opportunities, I have mentioned that our goal is to develop a profitable Company, with excellence in Corporate Governance, and that is able to efficiently utilize its assets to generate the highest value to shareholders and investors. With that in mind, we are preparing a new business plan that will outline our vision for the future of Petrobras.

An important element of this plan is the deleveraging of the Company. We intend to accomplish it gradually, respecting the existing contracts and establishing a balance with the production growth.

Finally, I would like to once again congratulate the Company's employees, the ones responsible for another "OTC Distinguished Achievement Award for Companies, Organizations, and Institutions", the most important international offshore industry award. Such recognition proves that Petrobras has the necessary expertise, technology and resources for the construction of a company that aims at creating maximum value in its operations.

Aldemir Bendine, CEO.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Main Items and Consolidated Economic Indicators

Jan-Mar

85,040	(13)	Sales revenues	74,353	81,545	(9)
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22,015 2

Gross profit

22,410 19,163 17

(32,826) 141	Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	13,335	7,577	76
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(1,814)	(210)	Net finance income (expense)	(5,621)	(174)	(3130)
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(26,600) 120	Consolidated net income (loss) attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras	5,330	5,393	(1)
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(2.04)	120	Basic and diluted earnings (losses) per share ¹	0.41	0.41	–
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127,506 (1)

Market capitalization (Parent Company)

125,807 199,739 (37)

26	4	Gross margin (%)	30	23	7
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(39)	57	Operating margin (%) ²	18	9	9
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(31)	38	Net margin (%)	7	7	–
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20,057 7

Adjusted EBITDA ³

21,518 14,349 50

**Net income (loss) before finance income
(expense), share of earnings in
equity-accounted investments, profit
sharing and income taxes by business
segment**

4,055	21	. Exploration & Production	4,887	16,246	(70)
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(32,185) 129 **. Refining, Transportation and Marketing** 9,346 (7,420) 226

459	358	. Gas & Power	2,102	631	233
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(57)

21

. Biofuel

(45)

(66)

32

669

28

. Distribution

853

757

13

(2,776) 115

. International

404

454

(11)

(4,478) 6

. Corporate

(4,212) (3,379) (25)

24,598	(27)	Capital expenditures and investments	17,843	20,584	(13)
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76.27	(29)	Brent crude (US\$/bbl)	53.97	108.22	(50)
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2.54	13	Average commercial selling rate for U.S. dollar	2.87	2.37	21
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2.66	21	Period-end commercial selling rate for U.S. dollar	3.21	2.26	42
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8.4	12	Variation of the period-end commercial selling rate for U.S. dollar (%)	20.8	(3.4)	24
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11.22	1	Selic interest rate - average (%)	12.19	10.40	2
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Average price indicators

228.81 (3) **Domestic basic oil products price (R\$/bbl)** 221.25 227.46 (3)

Domestic Sales Price

66.49	(35)	. Crude oil (U.S. dollars/bbl) ⁴	43.40	98.02	(56)
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45.54	(11)	. Natural gas (U.S. dollars/bbl)	40.76	47.33	(14)
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International Sales Price

73.66	(21)	. Crude oil (U.S. dollars/bbl)	58.40	84.18	(31)
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22.26 1 . **Natural gas (U.S. dollars/bbl)** 22.40 23.28 (4)

¹ Basic and diluted earnings (losses) per share calculated based on the weighted average number of shares.

² Operating margin calculated based on net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes.

³ EBITDA + share of earnings in equity-accounted investments and impairment.

⁴ Average between the exports prices and the internal transfer prices from Exploration & Production to Refining, Transportation and Marketing.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

1Q-2015 compared to the 4Q-2014:

Gross Profit

Gross profit increased 2% (R\$ 395 million), mainly due to:

Ø Sales revenues of R\$ 74,353 million, 13% lower as a result of:

- Decreased domestic oil product demand (10%), mainly diesel (10%) and gasoline (11%), reflecting the seasonal period and the lower economic activity; and
- Lower average export prices of crude oil and oil products, and decreased average realization prices of naphtha, jet fuel and fuel oil that are adjusted to reflect the decreased international prices (29% Brent decrease), partially offset by the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (13%).

These effects were partially offset by the price adjustments on November 7, 2014 of diesel (5%) and gasoline (3%) that fully impacted the 1Q-2015.

Ø Costs of sales of R\$ 51,943 million, 18% lower when compared to the 4Q-2014, due to lower domestic oil product sales volumes, as well as to a decrease in crude oil and oil product import costs and production taxes, resulting from a decrease in international prices (29%), partially offset by the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (13%), besides the lower share of oil product imports on sales mix.

Net income before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes

Net income before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes of R\$ 13,335 million, resulted from:

- Lower sale expenses resulting from the reversal of an allowance for impairment of trade receivables from companies in the isolated electricity system (R\$ 1,295 million), considering the complementary guarantee by pledged credits from the Energetic Development Account for a more part of debt confession agreement between the Company and the Eletrobras System on December 31, 2014;
- Decreased geologic and geophysical expenses and lower write-off of dry and/or subcommercial wells (R\$ 510 million); and
- Higher gross profit.

Net finance expense

Net finance expense of R\$ 5,621 million was R\$ 3,807 million higher than in the 4Q-2014, resulting from:

- Exchange variation losses due to a 20.8% depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar (compared to a 8.4% depreciation in the 4Q-2014) on net liability exposure in U.S. dollar, with the effects of the cash flow hedge as set forth on item 5 of Appendix;
- Lower gains on commodity derivative financial instruments;
- Higher interest expenses generated by the decrease in capitalized borrowing costs resulting from a decrease in the balance of assets under construction; and
- Monetary restatement of debt confession agreements of trade receivables from the electricity sector in the 4Q-2014.

These effects were partially offset by a foreign exchange variation gain attributable to a higher 11.6% appreciation of the U.S. Dollar against the Euro (compared to a 3.8% appreciation in the 4Q-2014) on net liabilities in Euro.

Net income attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras

Net income attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras was R\$ 5,330 million that reflects the lack of non-recurrent material items. In the 4Q-2014, the impairment charges of assets generated the loss of R\$ 26,600 million.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

1Q-2015 compared to the 1Q-2014:

Gross Profit

Gross profit increased by 17% (R\$ 3,247 million) in the 1Q-2015 compared to the 1Q-2014, mainly due to:

Ø Sales revenues of R\$ 74,353 million, 9% lower, when compared to the 1Q-2014, resulting from:

- Lower export prices and a decrease in the price of oil products sold in the Brazilian market that were adjusted to reflect a decrease in international crude oil and oil product prices (Brent prices decreased by 50%). These effects were partially offset by the depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar (21%), along with higher diesel and gasoline prices following a price increase on November 7, 2014; and
- Decreased domestic oil product demand (6%), mainly of naphtha (30%), diesel (4%) and gasoline (5%), due to a decrease in economic activity.

These effects were partially offset by a higher crude oil export volume (44%).

Ø Cost of sales of R\$ 51,943 million in the 1Q-2015, 17% lower when compared to the 1Q-2014, due to:

- Lower import costs and production taxes attributable to a decrease in international crude oil prices (50%), partially offset by the impact of the depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar (21%); and
- Decreased domestic oil product sales volumes, lower share of crude oil imports on feedstock processing and a lower share of oil product imports in the sales mix.

Net income before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes

Net income before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes reached R\$ 13,335 million in the 1Q-2015, and was higher in R\$ 5,758 million compared to the 1Q-2014, due to higher gross profit, to the impact, in the 1Q-2014, of the Company's Voluntary Separation Incentive Plan - PIDV (R\$ 2,396 million) and to a gain resulting from the reversal of an allowance for impairment of trade receivables from companies in the isolated electricity system (R\$ 1,295 million).

Net finance expense

Net finance expense of R\$ 5,621 million, R\$ 5,447 million higher when compared to the 1Q-2014, resulting from:

- Exchange variation loss due to the higher 20.8% depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar (compared to the 3.4% foreign currency appreciation in the 1Q-2014) on net liability exposure in U.S. dollar, already considering the effects of the cash flow hedge, as set forth on item 5 of Appendix; and
- Higher interest expenses due to an increase in our net debt and a decrease in capitalized borrowing costs resulting from a decrease in the balance of assets under construction.

These effects were partially offset by an exchange rate variation gain due to the appreciation of the U.S. dollar against the Euro (appreciation of 11.6% in the 1Q-2015 compared to a flat exchange rate during 1Q-2014).

Net income attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras

Net income attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras reached R\$ 5,330 million in the 1Q-2015, remaining relatively flat compared to the 1Q-2014. The higher net finance expense and income taxes were offset by higher gross profit and lower operating expenses.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

NET INCOME BY BUSINESS SEGMENT

Petrobras is an integrated energy company and most of the crude oil and natural gas production from the Exploration & Production segment is transferred to other business segments of the Company. Our results by business segment include transactions carried out with third parties, transactions between companies of Petrobras's Group and transfers between Petrobras's business segments that are calculated using internal transfer prices defined through methodologies based on market parameters.

EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION

Jan-Mar

Net Income

2,672 18

3,148 10,654 (70)

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The higher net income was due to lower operating expenses, mainly to the fact that the 4Q-2014 was impacted by impairment charges and provision for decommissioning costs, partially offset by decreased crude oil sales/transfer prices, reflecting the net effect of the reduction of international crude oil prices (29%) and the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (13%).

The spread between the average domestic oil price (sale/transfer) and the average Brent price increased from U.S.\$ 9.78/bbl in the 4Q-2014 to U.S.\$ 10.57/bbl in the 1Q-2015.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The lower net income was mainly due to lower crude oil sales/transfer prices, reflecting the net effect of the reduction of international crude oil prices (50%) and the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (21%), partially offset by an increase in crude oil and NGL production in Brazil (12%), lower write-offs of dry and subcommercial wells and by the negative impact of the Company's Voluntary Separation Incentive Plan (PIDV) in the 1Q-2014.

The spread between the average domestic oil price (sale/transfer) and the average Brent price increased from US\$10.20/bbl in the 1Q-2014 to U.S.\$ 10.57/bbl in the 1Q-2015.

Jan-Mar

Exploration & Production - Brazil (Mbb/d)
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2,150	–	Crude oil and NGLs	2,149	1,922	12
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453	3	Natural gas ⁵	467	400	17
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2,603	-	Total	2,616	2,322	13
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Crude oil and NGL production remained relatively flat compared to the 4Q-2014. The increased production from the ramp-up of FPSOs Cidade de Mangaratiba (Iracema Sul) and Cidade de Ilhabela (Sapinhoá) was offset by the termination of the production of Marlim FPSO MLS in January 2015 (termination of the agreement) and by the preventive maintenance stoppage of P-58 platform (Parque das Baleias).

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Crude oil and NGL production increased by 12% as a result of the start-up of P-62 platform (Roncador), Cidade de Mangaratiba (Iracema Sul area) and Cidade de Ilhabela (Sapinhoá) FPSOs, along with the ramp-up of P-55 (Roncador), P-58 (Parque das Baleias) and P-63 (Papa-Terra) production systems, as well as Cidade de Paraty (Lula NE) and Cidade de São Paulo (Sapinhoá) FPSOs. The natural decline of certain fields partially offset these effects.

Natural gas production increased by 3% due to the ramp-up of FPSOs Cidade de Mangaratiba (Iracema Sul) and Cidade de Ilhabela (Sapinhoá).

The 17% increase in natural gas production is attributable to the production start-up of Cidade de Mangaratiba (Iracema Sul area) and Cidade de Ilhabela (Sapinhoá) FPSOs and to the higher productivity of P-58 (Parque das Baleias) and Mexilhão platforms and of Cidade de Paraty (Lula NE), Cidade de São Paulo (Sapinhoá), Cidade de Santos (Uruguá-Tambaú) and Cidade de Angra dos Reis (Lula) FPSOs. This increase was partially offset by the natural decline of certain fields.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

⁵ Does not include LNG. Includes gas reinjection.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Jan-Mar

Lifting Cost - Brazil (*)

U.S.\$/barrel:

14.21	(7)	Excluding production taxes	13.27	14.15	(6)
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25.72	(22)	Including production taxes	20.05	33.00	(39)
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R\$/barrel:

36.12	6	Excluding production taxes	38.13	33.14	15
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66.41	(12)	Including production taxes	58.73	76.86	(24)
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Lifting Cost - Excluding production taxes – U.S./barrel

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Lifting cost excluding production taxes in U.S./barrel decreased by 7%. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange variation, it increased 1% due to higher well intervention expenses.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Lifting cost excluding production taxes in U.S./barrel decreased by 6%. Excluding the impact of foreign exchange variation, it increased by 6% due to higher well intervention expenses and higher engineering and subsea maintenance costs in the Campos Basin, besides the start-up of the FPSO Cidade de Ilhabela (Sapinhoá), which have higher costs per unit produced during the start-up period.

Lifting Cost - Including production taxes – U.S./barrel

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The 22% decrease in lifting cost including production taxes is attributable to a decrease in the average reference price for domestic crude oil in U.S. dollars (33%), which is used to calculate production taxes in Brazil, resulting from lower international crude oil prices.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The 39% decrease in lifting cost including production taxes is attributable to lower average reference price for domestic crude oil in U.S. dollars (a 54% decrease), which is used as parameter to calculate production taxes in Brazil, as a result of lower international crude oil prices.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

REFINING, TRANSPORTATION AND MARKETING

Jan-Mar

Net Income

(21,333) 129

6,181 (4,808) 229

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The net income of the 1Q-2015 was due to lower crude oil acquisition/transfer costs and to the decreased oil product imports for resale, reflecting the net effect of the decreased international commodity prices (29%), the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (13%) and the price adjustments of diesel (5%) and gasoline (3%) occurred on November 7, 2014. The net loss of the 4Q-2014 was generated by impairment charges of refining and petrochemical assets.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The net income was due to a decrease in crude oil acquisition/transfer costs resulting from lower international prices (a 50% decrease), to the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar (21%), to the lower share of crude oil imports on feedstock processed and of oil product imports on our sales mix, and also to diesel (5%) and gasoline (3%) price increases occurred on November 7, 2014.

Jan-Mar

**Imports and Exports of Crude Oil and Oil
Products (Mbb/d) (*)**

371	(25)	Crude oil imports	277	359	(23)
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412	(16)	Oil product imports	345	424	(19)
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783 (21) **Imports of crude oil and oil products** **622** **783** (21)

270	4	Crude oil exports ⁶	281	195	44
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123	(6)	Oil product exports	116	171	(32)
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393	1	Exports of crude oil and oil products	397	366	8
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(390)	42	Exports (imports) net of crude oil and oil products	(225)	(417)	46
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2	(100)	Other exports	-	3	(100)
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The decreased feedstock processed generated higher crude oil exports and lower imports.

Decreased oil product imports due to domestic seasonal demand.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Higher crude oil production and lower feedstock processed on refineries generated higher crude oil exports and lower imports.

Decreased oil product imports due to lower domestic demand. Lower oil product exports due to decreased feedstock processed.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

⁶ It includes crude oil export volumes made both by our Refining, Transportation and Marketing segment and by our Exploration & Production segment.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Jan-Mar

Refining Operations (Mbb/d) (*)

2,171	(10)	Output of oil products	1,964	2,124	(8)
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2,176	–	Reference feedstock ⁷	2,176	2,102	4
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98	(12)	Refining plants utilization factor (%) ⁸	86	96	(10)
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2,085	(10)	Feedstock processed (excluding NGL) - Brazil ⁹	1,879	2,017	(7)
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2,127	(10)	Feedstock processed - Brazil ¹⁰	1,922	2,058	(7)
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84	2	Domestic crude oil as % of total feedstock processed	86	83	3
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Daily feedstock processed decreased 10% due to the scheduled stoppage of RLAM, partially offset by the start-up of RNEST.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Daily feedstock processed was 7% lower, due to the scheduled stoppage of RLAM distillation unit, partially offset by the operational return of REPLAN compared to the scheduled stoppage occurred in the 1Q-2014.

Jan-Mar

Refining Cost - Brazil (*)

2.71	5	Refining cost (U.S.\$/barrel)	2.84	2.75	3
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6.90	18	Refining cost (R\$/barrel)	8.16	6.48	26
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Refining cost, in US\$/barrel, increased by 5%. Refining cost, in R\$/barrel, increased by 18% due to lower feedstock processed.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Refining cost, in US\$/barrel, increased by 3%. Refining cost, in R\$/barrel, increased by 26%, mainly attributable to higher employee compensation costs arising from the 2014 Collective Bargaining Agreement and to lower feedstock processed.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

⁷ Reference feedstock or Installed capacity of primary processing considers the maximum sustainable feedstock processing reached at the distillation units at the end of each period, respecting the project limits of equipment and the safety, environment and product quality requirements. It is lower than the authorized capacity set by ANP (including temporary authorizations) and by environmental protection agencies.

⁸ Refining plants utilization factor is the relation between the feedstock processed (excluding NGL) and the reference feedstock.

⁹ Feedstock processed (excluding NGL) – Brazil is the volume of crude oil processed in the Company's refineries and is factored into the calculation of the Refining Plants Utilization Factor.

¹⁰ Feedstock processed – Brazil includes crude oil and NGL processing.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

GAS & POWER

Jan-Mar

Net Income

357	285	1,376	515	167
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The higher net income was mainly due to a reversal of an allowance for impairment of trade receivables from electricity companies, besides lower LNG import costs, partially offset by the effect of a decrease in electricity average margins due to a reduction of electricity spot prices (47%).

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The higher income was mainly due to a reversal of an allowance for impairment of trade receivables from electricity companies, an increase in average natural gas sales margins (due to lower LNG import costs and to the higher domestic natural gas supply), partially offset by the effect of a decrease in electricity average margins due to a reduction of electricity spot prices (41%) and the gain on disposal of 100% of our interest in Brasil PCH S.A. (R\$ 646 million), recognized only in 2014.

Jan-Mar

Physical and Financial Indicators (*)

1,128	(19)	Electricity sales (Free contracting market - ACL) - average MW	911	1,252	(27)
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2,671	22	Electricity sales (Regulated contracting market - ACR) - average MW	3,263	1,891	73
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4,941	3	Generation of electricity - average MW	5,110	4,117	24
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724	(47)	Electricity price in the spot market -	387	651	(41)
		Differences settlement price (PLD) - R\$/MWh ¹¹			

190	(41)	Imports of LNG (Mbbbl/d)	113	119	(5)
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201	3	Imports of natural gas (Mbb/d)	208	204	2
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Electricity sales volumes were 19% lower on the Free Contracting Environment – ACL mainly resulting from the shift of the sale of a portion of our available capacity towards the Brazilian electricity regulated market (Ambiente de Contratação Regulada – ACR).

The 3% increase on electricity generation was due to higher thermoelectric availability in the period.

The 47% decrease on electricity prices in the spot market resulted from changes on ANEEL methodology as from December 27, 2014 that established a decreased amount for the calculation of the maximum limit of differences settlement price.

The 41% decrease on LNG imports was due to higher domestic natural gas supply to meet higher production.

The 3% increase in natural gas imports from Bolivia is due to a higher thermoelectric demand.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Electricity sales volumes were 27% lower resulting from the shift of the sale of a portion of our available capacity (1,049 average MW) towards the Brazilian electricity regulated market (Ambiente de Contratação Regulada – ACR).

Electricity generation was 24% higher due to increased government thermoelectric dispatch and to higher installed capacity of the Petrobras Thermoelectric Complex (leasing agreement of UTE Cuiabá and the termination of the cycle of UTE Baixada Fluminense).

The 41% decrease on electricity prices in the spot market resulted from the decreased of the maximum differences settlement price authorized by ANEEL as from December 27, 2014.

The 5% decrease on LNG imports was due to higher domestic natural gas supply to meet higher production.

Natural gas imports from Bolivia was 2% higher to meet a higher thermoelectric demand in Brazil.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

¹¹ Weekly weighed prices per output level (light, medium and heavy), number of hours and submarket capacity.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

BIOFUEL

Jan-Mar

Net Income

(67) 27

(49) (75) 35

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Net losses were lower, due to a decrease in the share of losses from ethanol and biodiesel investees and by improved biodiesel margin operations.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Biofuel losses were lower in 1Q-2015, when compared to 1Q-2014, due to a decrease in the share of losses from biodiesel investees and to improved biodiesel margin operations.

DISTRIBUTION

Jan-Mar

Net Income

432 28

555 484 15

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The higher net income was due to higher average sale fuel margins generated by increased prices, partially offset by lower sales volumes (8.6%).

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The higher net income was due to higher average fuel trading margins, to higher sales volumes (1%) and to the negative impact of the Company's Voluntary Separation Incentive Plan (PIDV) in 2014.

Jan-Mar

Market Share (*)¹²

36.9% —

36.7% 37.0% —

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The Company's market share was lower mainly due to the 10% decrease of diesel and fuel oil markets, in which BR Distribuidora has a significant share. BR Distribuidora increased its market share in diesel volumes and maintained its share in fuel oil sales, however, the change in the sales mix led to an overall decrease in its market share.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The Company's market share was lower mainly due to the 2% decrease in the total volume sold in the diesel market, in which BR Distribuidora has a significant share. BR Distribuidora increased its market share in diesel volumes, however, the change in the sales mix led to an overall decrease in its market share.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

¹² Beginning in 2015, our market share excludes sales made to wholesalers. Market share for prior periods was revised pursuant to the changes made by the Brazilian National Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels Agency (ANP) and by the Brazilian Wholesalers and Fuel Traders Syndicate (Sindicom). Prior periods are presented based on the new methodology.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

INTERNATIONAL

As an outcome of the creation of the position of Chief Governance, Risk and Compliance Officer, which replaced the position of Chief International Officer, the Company has recently approved the organizational structure adjustments in other business areas to allocate the international activities to other business segments. Considering the necessary steps to integrate the management of those activities, the Company is still presenting the results of international activities separately.

Jan-Mar

Net Income

(4,131) 102

103

753

(86)

(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): The net income of the 1Q-2015 was due to the gain on the disposal of fields in Austral Basin in Argentina. The net loss of the 4Q-2014 was affected by impairment charges recognized on E&P activities in the United States and Bolivia and on Japanese refining, besides the inventory write-downs to net realizable value (market value) in December 2014, mainly in the United States and Japan, attributable to a decrease in international crude oil and oil product prices, partially offset by a gain on the disposal of the Company's interest in Petrobras Energia Peru S/A.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Net income was lower in the 1Q-2015 when compared to the 1Q-2014 due to a decrease in international crude oil prices and the lower share of earnings in African investees attributable to a decrease in international crude oil and oil product prices. Crude oil sales volumes were also lower, resulting from the disposal of onshore operations in Colombia and in Peru in 2014. The Company also recognized tax credits in the Netherlands in the 1Q-2014. These effects were partially offset by gains on the disposal of fields in the Austral Basin in Argentina in the 1Q-2015.

Jan-Mar

**Exploration & Production-International
(Mbb/d)¹³ (*)**

Consolidated international production

75	(8)	Crude oil and NGLs	69	87	(21)
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90 (3) Natural gas 87 91 (4)

165	(5)	Total consolidated international production	156	178	(12)
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31	–	Non-consolidated international production	31	31	–
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196	(5)	Total international production	187	209	(11)
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Crude oil and NGL production decreased by 8% due to the disposal of onshore assets in Peru concluded in November 2014, despite higher production generated by the start-up of Saint Malo fields in December 2014 and Lucius in January 2015 in the United States.

Natural gas production decreased by 3% mainly due to the disposal of onshore assets in Peru.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Consolidated crude oil and NGL production decreased by 21%, due to the disposal of onshore areas in Peru in November 2014 and in Colombia in April 2014. These effects were partially offset by an increase in production due to the start-up of Saint Malo field in December 2014 and Lucius in January 2015 in the United States.

Natural gas production decreased by 4%, mainly in Peru, due to the disposal of onshore assets.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

¹³ Some of the countries that comprise the international production are operating under the production-sharing model, with the production taxes charged in crude oil barrels.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Jan-Mar

Lifting Cost - International (U.S.\$/barrel)
(*)

10.40	(15)		8.86	7.85	13
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Lifting cost decreased by 15%, mainly due to lower maintenance expenses in Argentina and to the cleaning costs incurred in the 4Q-2014 of production lines in the Cottonwood field in the United States.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): International lifting cost was 13% higher, mainly in Argentina, resulting from higher operation and maintenance service charges, offset by the termination of disposal of assets in Peru and Colombia in 2014, which had higher operational costs.

Jan-Mar

**Refining Operations - International
(Mbb/d) (*)**

149	(15)	Total feedstock processed ¹⁴	127	165	(23)
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157	(1)	Output of oil products	155	175	(11)
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230 – Reference feedstock ¹⁵ 230 230 –

64	(10)	Refining plants utilization factor (%) ¹⁶	54	70	(16)
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Feedstock processed was 15% lower due to a decrease in the output of oil products and in the capacity utilization generated by the scheduled stoppage on the distillation unit in the United States in March 2015. This effect was partially offset in Japan, mainly attributable to the lower feedstock processed in the 4Q-2014 as a result of higher fuel oil inventory available in the period.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Our total international feedstock processed was 23% lower due to a decrease in oil product production and lower capacity utilization, mainly in the United States, due to a scheduled stoppage in the distillation unit during March 2015.

Jan-Mar

**Refining Cost - International
(U.S.\$/barrel) (*)**

5.25	(26)		3.90	3.66	7
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Refining cost per unit decreased by 26% mainly due to maintenances at the catalytic cracking unit in the United States refinery in the 4Q-2014.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): International refining cost per unit was 7% higher, mainly in Argentina, due to higher employee compensation costs and in Japan that had lower feedstock processed due to lower fuel oil demand.

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¹⁴ Total feedstock processed is the crude oil processed abroad at the atmospheric distillation plants, plus the intermediate products acquired from third parties and used as feedstock in other refining units.

¹⁵ Reference feedstock is the maximum sustainable crude oil feedstock reached at distillation plants.

¹⁶ Refining Plants Utilization Factor is the relation between the crude oil processed at the distillation plant and the reference feedstock.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Sales Volumes – (Mbb/d)^(*)

Jan-Mar

1,010	(10)	Diesel	907	947	(4)
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644	(11)	Gasoline	573	601	(5)
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126	(6)	Fuel oil	119	110	8
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152	(18)	Naphtha	124	178	(30)
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233	(4)	LPG	223	222	-
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113	-	Jet fuel	113	111	2
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209	(18)	Others	171	202	(15)
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2,487	(10)	Total oil products	2,230	2,371	(6)
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113	2	Ethanol, nitrogen fertilizers, renewables and other products	115	97	19
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455	(2)	Natural gas	448	427	5
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3,055	(9)	Total domestic market	2,793	2,895	(4)
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395	1	Exports	397	369	8
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560	(8)	International sales	518	560	(8)
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955	(4)	Total international market	915	929	(2)
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4,010	(8)	Total	3,708	3,824	(3)
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Our domestic sales volumes decreased by 9% when compared to the 4Q-2014, primarily due to:

- Diesel (a 10% decrease) – due to seasonal demand, considering the lower economic activity in the beginning of the year;
- Gasoline (a 11% decrease) – higher demand in the 4Q-2014 due to higher salaries as a result of Christmas bonuses;
- Naphtha (a 18% decrease) – due to lower demand by domestic customers, mainly Braskem; and
- Natural gas (a 2% decrease) – due to decreased demand on the non-thermoelectric sector.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): Our domestic sales volumes decreased by 4%, primarily due to:

- Diesel (a 4% decrease) – lower consumption by infrastructure construction projects in Brazil and a higher percentage of mandatory biodiesel content requirement in diesel (diesel/biodiesel mix). These effects were partially offset by an increase in the Brazilian diesel-moved light vehicle fleet (vans, pick-ups and SUVs) and higher thermoelectric consumption by thermoelectric plants that complement the Brazilian Integrated Electricity System;
- Gasoline (a 5% decrease) – an increase in the anhydrous ethanol content requirement for Type C gasoline (from 25% to 27%), a decrease in the automotive gasoline-moved fleet and higher share of gasoline sales of other players;
- Naphtha (a 30% decrease) – due to lower demand by domestic customers, mainly Braskem; and
- Natural gas (a 5% increase) – due to a higher demand on the electricity sector.

* Not reviewed by independent auditor.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows Data – Summary¹⁷

Jan-Mar

70,259

**Adjusted cash and cash equivalents 68,946 46,257
at the beginning of period ¹⁸**

(20,635)	Government bonds and time deposits at the beginning of period	(24,707)	(9,085)
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49,624

**Cash and cash equivalents at the
beginning of period ¹⁷**

44,239

37,172

14,974	Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	16,427	9,415
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(16,980)	Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(21,331)	(20,193)
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(22,189)	Capital expenditures and investments in operating segments	(17,680)	(20,336)
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8,043

Proceeds from disposal of assets
(divestment)

516

869

(2,834)	Investments in marketable securities	(4,167)	(726)
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(2,006)

(=) Net cash flow

(4,904)

(10,778)

(6,163)

Net financings

(10,306)

44,001

3,823

Proceeds from long-term financing

3,735

53,907

(9,986)

Repayments

(14,041)

(9,906)

14

Dividends paid to shareholders	–	–
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(194)	Acquisition of non-controlling interest	396	(109)
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2,964

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash 5,025 (1,819)
and cash equivalents

44,239

**Cash and cash equivalents at the end 34,450
of period ¹⁷**

68,467

24,707

Government bonds and time deposits at 33,732 10,011
the end of period

68,946

Adjusted cash and cash equivalents 68,182 78,478
at the end of period ¹⁸

As of March 31, 2015, the balance of cash and cash equivalents decreased by 22% when compared to the balance as of December 31, 2014 and the balance of adjusted cash and cash equivalents¹⁸ decreased by 1%. Our principal uses of funds in the 1Q-2015 were for capital expenditures and repayment of long-term financing. We met these requirements with cash provided by operating activities of R\$ 16,427 million and with the decrease in our balance of adjusted cash and cash equivalents. The balance of adjusted cash and cash equivalents was positively impacted in 2015 by the effect of the foreign exchange rate variation over financial investments abroad.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased by 74% in 1Q-2015 when compared to 1Q-2014 mainly due to a higher gross profit and a decrease in the level of inventories and trade receivables.

Capital expenditures and investments were 13% lower in the 1Q-2015, mainly due to a decrease in capital expenditures in our Refining, Transportation and Marketing (RTM) segment. We also repaid long-term financings in the 1Q-2015, mainly because of our inability to access new sources in the capital markets.

Due to the limitations on funding sources, complications due to contractor insolvency and the lack of availability of qualified suppliers, mainly as a result of the Lava Jato investigation, the Company has recently decided to postpone certain projects for an extended period of time.

The Company intends to use different funding sources (banking markets, export credit agency - ECAs and capital markets) in 2015 to obtain the necessary funding to repay debt and fund its capital expenditures. In addition, the Company's divestment program (of US\$ 13.7 billion) will contribute to its funding needs.

¹⁷ For more details, see the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows Data on page 20.

¹⁸ Our adjusted cash and cash equivalents include government bonds and time deposits from highly rated financial institutions abroad with maturities of more than 3 months from the date of acquisition, considering the expected realization of those financial investments in the short-term. This measure is not defined under the International Financial Reporting Standards – IFRS and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for cash and cash equivalents computed in accordance with IFRS. It may not be comparable to adjusted cash and cash equivalents of other companies, however management believes that it is an appropriate supplemental measure that helps investors assess our liquidity and supports leverage management.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Capital expenditures and investments

Jan-Mar

Exploration & Production	13,995	78	13,243	65	6
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Refining, Transportation and Marketing	1,809	10	4,985	24	(64)
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Gas & Power	652	4	1,147	6	(43)
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International

985

6

711

3

39

Exploration & Production	851	87	548	77	55
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Refining, Transportation and Marketing	117	12	150	21	(22)
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Gas & Power	3	-	2	-	50
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Distribution

13

1

7

1

86

Other	1	-	4	1	(75)
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Distribution

175

1

218

1

(20)

Biofuel

5

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2

–

150

Corporate

222

1

278

1

(20)

Total capital expenditures and investments	17,843 100	20,584 100	(13)
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Pursuant to the Company's strategic objectives, it operates through joint ventures in Brazil and abroad, as a concessionaire of oil and gas exploration, development and production rights.

In the 1Q-2015, we invested a total of R\$ 17,843 million, primarily aiming at increasing production capacity and modernizing and expanding our refineries.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Consolidated debt

Current debt ¹⁹	39,721	31,565	26
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Non-current debt ²⁰	360,918	319,470	13
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Total	400,639	351,035	14
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Cash and cash equivalents	34,450	44,239	(22)
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Government securities and time deposits (maturity of more than 3 months)	33,732	24,707	37
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Adjusted cash and cash equivalents	68,182	68,946	(1)
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Net debt ²¹

332,457

282,089

18

Net debt/(net debt+shareholders' equity)	52%	48%	4
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Total net liabilities ²²	763,766	724,429	5
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Capital structure

(Net third parties capital / total net liabilities)	60%	57%	3
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Net debt/Adjusted EBITDA ratio	3.86	4.77	(19)
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Current debt ¹⁹	12,382	11,884	4
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Non-current debt ²⁰	112,506	120,274	(6)
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Total	124,888	132,158	(6)
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Net debt ²¹

103,634

106,201

(2)

Summarized information on financing

Floating rate debt	201,320	173,977	16
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Fixed rate debt	199,113	176,868	13
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Total	400,433	350,845	14
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Reais

63,223

62,223

2

US Dollars

299,087

252,787

18

Euro

26,853

25,820

4

Other currencies	11,270	10,015	13
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Total	400,433	350,845	14
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2015

29,967

31,523

(5)

2016

38,797

33,397

16

2017

37,078

31,742

17

2018

54,508

47,254

15

2019

75,348

64,252

17

2020 and thereafter

164,735

142,677

15

Total	400,433	350,845	14
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Consolidated net debt in Reais increased by 18% when compared to December 31, 2014 as a result of the 20.8% impact from the depreciation of the Real against the U.S. dollar.

¹⁹ Includes Finance lease obligations (R\$ 46 million on March 31, 2015 and R\$ 42 million on December 31, 2014).

²⁰ Includes Finance lease obligations (R\$ 160 million on March 31, 2015 and R\$ 148 million on December 31, 2014).

²¹ Net debt is not a measure defined in the International Standards -IFRS and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for total long-term debt calculated in accordance with IFRS. Our calculation of net debt may not be comparable to the calculation of net debt by other companies. Management believes that net debt is an appropriate supplemental measure that helps investors assess our liquidity and supports leverage management.

²² Total liabilities net of adjusted cash and cash equivalents.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Income Statement - Consolidated ²³

Jan-Mar

85,040

Sales revenues

74,353

81,545

(63,025)

Cost of sales

(51,943)

(62,382)

22,015

Gross profit

22,410

19,163

(3,744)	Selling expenses	(1,724)	(2,725)
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(3,376)	General and administrative expenses	(2,710)	(2,560)
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(1,493)	Exploration costs	(983)	(1,525)
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(731)	Research and development expenses	(564)	(592)
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(609)

Other taxes

(753)

(327)

(44,888)	Other income and expenses, net (*)	(2,341)	(3,857)
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(54,841)

(9,075)

(11,586)

(32,826)	Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	13,335	7,577
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1,660

Finance income

734

1,042

(2,882)	Finance expenses	(3,691)	(1,848)
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(592)	Foreign exchange and inflation indexation charges	(2,664)	632
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(1,814)	Net finance income (expense)	(5,621)	(174)
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(540)	Share of earnings in equity-accounted investments	173	522
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(270)

Profit-sharing

(336)

(336)

(35,450)	Net income (loss) before income taxes	7,551	7,589
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8,488	Income taxes	(3,023)	(1,803)
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(26,962)	Net income (loss)	4,528	5,786
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Net income (loss) attributable to:

(26,600)

Shareholders of Petrobras

5,330

5,393

(362)

Non-controlling interests

(802)

393

(26,962)

4,528

5,786

(*) Includes impairment charges of R\$ 44,345million in the 4Q-2014, R\$ 3 million in the 1Q-2015 and a reversal of R\$ 15 million in the 1Q-2014.

²³ Beginning in 2014, the amount of inventory write-downs to net realizable value (market value) was reclassified from Other Income and Expenses to Cost of Sales.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Statement of Financial Position – Consolidated

Current assets	137,565	135,023
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Cash and cash equivalents	34,450	44,239
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Marketable securities	33,828	24,763
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Trade and other receivables, net	20,737	21,167
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Inventories

32,031

30,457

Recoverable taxes	9,674	10,123
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Assets classified as held for sale

10

13

Other current assets	6,835	4,261
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Non-current assets

694,383

658,352

Long-term receivables

54,911

50,104

Trade and other receivables, net	16,010	12,834
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Marketable securities

294

290

Judicial deposits	7,613	7,124
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Deferred taxes	2,937	2,673
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Other tax assets	10,681	10,645
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Advances to suppliers

7,055

6,398

Other non-current assets	10,321	10,140
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Investments

15,856

15,282

Property, plant and equipment

611,378

580,990

Intangible assets	12,238	11,976
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Total assets

831,948

793,375

Current liabilities

90,359

82,659

Trade payables	25,068	25,924
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Current debt	39,721	31,565
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Taxes payable	11,416	11,453
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Employee compensation (payroll, profit-sharing and related charges)	6,168	5,489
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Pension and medical benefits	2,244	2,115
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Other current liabilities	5,742	6,113
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Non-current liabilities

435,877

399,994

Non-current debt	360,918	319,470
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Deferred taxes	840	8,052
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Pension and medical benefits	44,977	43,803
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Provision for decommissioning costs	21,676	21,958
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Provisions for legal proceedings	4,798	4,091
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Other non-current liabilities	2,668	2,620
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Shareholders' equity

305,712

310,722

Share capital	205,432	205,432
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Profit reserves and others	98,326	103,416
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Non-controlling interests

1,954

1,874

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	831,948	793,375
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FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Statement of Cash Flows Data – Consolidated

Jan-Mar

(26,600)

**Net income (loss) attributable to the
shareholders of Petrobras**

5,330

5,393

41,574

(+) Adjustments for:

11,097

4,022

8,808

Depreciation, depletion and amortization 8,516

7,123

2,954

Foreign exchange and inflation indexation 6,294
and finance charges

1,417

(362)

Non-controlling interests

(802)

393

540	Share of earnings in equity-accounted investments	(173)	(522)
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1,392	Allowance for impairment of trade receivables	(863)	32
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(3,025)	(Gains) / losses on disposal / write-offs of non-current assets, returned areas and cancelled projects	(404)	(524)
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(10,213)	Deferred income taxes, net	2,044	682
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786

Exploration expenditures written-off

576

1,057

45,694

Impairment of property, plant and
equipment, intangible and other assets

292

276

1,612	Pension and medical benefits (actuarial expense)	1,684	1,041
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1,189

Inventories

(1,024)

(2,470)

(1,324)	Trade and other receivables, net	73	(2,549)
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(1,832)	Trade payables	(2,275)	(487)
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(651)

Pension and medical benefits

(415)

(335)

(2,883)	Taxes payable	323	(1,274)
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(1,111)	Other assets and liabilities	(2,749)	162
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14,974

**(=) Net cash provided by (used in)
operating activities**

16,427

9,415

(16,980)	(-) Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(21,331)	(20,193)
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(22,189)	Capital expenditures and investments in operating segments	(17,680)	(20,336)
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8,043

Proceeds from disposal of assets
(divestment)

516

869

(2,834)	Investments in marketable securities	(4,167)	(726)
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(2,006)

(=) Net cash flow

(4,904)

(10,778)

(6,343)	(-) Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(9,910)	43,892
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3,823

Proceeds from long-term financing

3,735

53,907

(6,334)

Repayment of principal

(8,441)

(6,135)

(3,652)	Repayment of interest	(5,600)	(3,771)
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(194)	Acquisition of non-controlling interest	396	(109)
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2,964

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash 5,025
and cash equivalents (1,819)

(5,385)	(=) Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the period	(9,789)	31,295
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49,624	Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period	44,239	37,172
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44,239

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period 34,450 68,467

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

SEGMENT INFORMATION

Consolidated Income Statement by Segment – 1Q-2015

Sales revenues	25,717	54,265	10,638	156	24,054	6,593	–	(47,070)	74,353
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Intersegments	25,294	19,347	1,665	151	500	113	-	(47,070)	-
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Third parties	423	34,918	8,973	5	23,554	6,480	-	-	74,353
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Cost of sales	(19,102)	(42,968)	(8,952)	(164)	(22,001)	(5,658)	–	46,902	(51,943)
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Gross profit	6,615	11,297	1,686	(8)	2,053	935	-	(168)	22,410
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Expenses	(1,728)	(1,951)	416	(37)	(1,200)	(531)	(4,212)	168	(9,075)
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Selling, general and administrative expenses	(330)	(1,645)	639	(27)	(1,244)	(570)	(1,428)	171	(4,434)
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Exploration costs	(877)	-	-	-	-	(106)	-	-	(983)
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Research and development expenses	(220)	(95)	(43)	(6)	(1)	(2)	(197)	–	(564)
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Other taxes	(33)	(166)	(195)	–	(13)	(85)	(261)	–	(753)
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Other income and expenses, net	(268)	(45)	15	(4)	58	232	(2,326)	(3)	(2,341)
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Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	4,887	9,346	2,102	(45)	853	404	(4,212) –	13,335
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Net finance income	–	–	–	–	–	–	(5,621)	–	(5,621)
(expense)									

Share of earnings in – equity-accounted investments	73	76	(20)	2	42	–	–	173
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Profit-sharing	(124)	(89)	(14)	–	(15)	(5)	(89)	–	(336)
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Net income (loss) before income taxes	4,763	9,330	2,164	(65)	840	441	(9,922) –	7,551
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Income taxes	(1,619)	(3,147)	(710)	16	(285)	(238)	2,960	—	(3,023)
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Net income (loss)	3,144	6,183	1,454	(49)	555	203	(6,962) –	4,528
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Net income (loss)
attributable to:

Shareholders of Petrobras	3,148	6,181	1,376	(49)	555	103	(5,984) –	5,330
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Non-controlling interests	(4)	2	78	-	-	100	(978)	-	(802)
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Consolidated Income Statement by Segment – 1Q-2014²⁴

Sales revenues	39,573	64,146	9,552	115	23,499	8,321	–	(63,661)	81,545
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Intersegments	39,382	22,165	837	110	670	497	-	(63,661)	-
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Third parties	191	41,981	8,715	5	22,829	7,824	-	-	81,545
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Cost of sales	(19,679)	(69,111)	(8,539)	(136)	(21,485)	(7,324)	–	63,892	(62,382)
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Gross profit	19,894	(4,965)	1,013	(21)	2,014	997	-	231	19,163
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Expenses

(3,648) (2,455) (382) (45) (1,257) (543) (3,379) 123 (11,586)

Selling, general and administrative expenses	(210)	(1,734)	(689)	(30)	(1,091)	(425)	(1,224)	118	(5,285)
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Exploration costs	(1,476)	-	-	-	-	(49)	-	-	(1,525)
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Research and development expenses	(313)	(98)	(41)	(6)	(1)	(1)	(132)	–	(592)
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Other taxes	(31)	(37)	(68)	(1)	(12)	(55)	(123)	–	(327)
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Other income and expenses, net	(1,618)	(586)	416	(8)	(153)	(13)	(1,900)	5	(3,857)
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Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	16,246	(7,420)	631	(66)	757	454	(3,379)	354	7,577
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Net finance income	-	-	-	-	-	-	(174)	-	(174)
(expense)									

Share of earnings in 7 equity-accounted investments	146	127	(31)	–	269	4	–	522
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Profit-sharing	(118)	(92)	(12)	(1)	(23)	(6)	(84)	—	(336)
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Net income (loss) before income taxes	16,135	(7,366)	746	(98)	734	717	(3,633)	354	7,589
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Income taxes	(5,483)	2,555	(211)	23	(250)	103	1,582	(122)	(1,803)
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Net income (loss)	10,652	(4,811)	535	(75)	484	820	(2,051)	232	5,786
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Net income (loss)
attributable to:

Shareholders of Petrobras	10,654	(4,808)	515	(75)	484	753	(2,362)	232	5,393
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Non-controlling interests	(2)	(3)	20	–	–	67	311	–	393
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²⁴ Beginning in 2014, the amount of inventory write-downs to net realizable value (market value) was reclassified from Other Income and Expenses to Cost of Sales.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Other Income and Expenses, Net by Segment - 1Q-2015

Pension and medical benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-	(947)	-	(947)
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Unscheduled stoppages and pre-operating expenses	(615)	(251)	(58)	—	—	(11)	(6)	—	(941)
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(Losses)/gains on legal, administrative and arbitral proceedings	(45)	(86)	20	—	(10)	(3)	(709)	—	(833)
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Institutional relations and cultural projects	(19)	(17)	(1)	–	(19)	(5)	(320)	–	(381)
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Health, safety and environment(17) (10) (5) - - (1) (38) - (71)

Voluntary Separation Incentive Plan - PIDV	(3)	(5)	(15)	(2)	–	–	(1)	–	(26)
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Gains / (losses) on decommissioning of returned/abandoned areas	(5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5)
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Impairment	(3)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3)
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E&P areas returned and cancelled projects	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1)
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Government Grants	4	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	6
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(Expenditures)/reimbursements	141	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	141
from operations in E&P									
partnerships									

Gains / (losses) on disposal/write-offs of assets	(40)	192	14	—	2	241	(3)	—	406
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Others	335	131	60	(2)	85	11	(303)	(3)	314
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Other Income and Expenses, Net by Segment - 1Q-2014²⁵

Pension and medical benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-	(552)	-	(5
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Unscheduled stoppages and pre-operating expenses	(479)	(10)	(24)	-	-	(8)	(11)	-	(5)
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(Losses)/gains on legal, administrative and arbitral proceedings	(38)	(56)	(13)	–	(23)	(19)	(232)	–	(3
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Institutional relations and cultural projects	(39)	(19)	(3)	–	(20)	(3)	(375)	–	(4
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Health, safety and environment(13) (17) (5) - - (4) (44) - (8)

Voluntary Separation Incentive Plan - PIDV	(950)	(474)	(114)	(9)	(165)	(39)	(645)	-	(2
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Impairment

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E&P areas returned and cancelled projects	(60)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6
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Government Grants	8	22	37	-	-	-	4	-	7
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(Expenditures)/reimbursements	171	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
from operations in E&P									
partnerships									

Gains / (losses) on disposal/write-offs of assets	(90)	(22)	638	–	2	81	(25)	–	58
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Others

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Consolidated Assets by Segment - 03.31.2015

Total assets	433,498,186,362	78,200	2,822	19,993	40,030,85,295	(14,252)	831,948
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Current assets	19,235	39,823	10,952	182	8,804	6,493	63,202	(11,126)	137,565
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Non-current assets 414,263 146,539 67,248 2,640 11,189 33,537 22,093 (3,126) 694,383

Long-term receivables	19,732	9,462	5,661	9	4,429	5,146	13,432	(2,960)	54,911
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Investments	656	3,980	1,451	2,088	54	7,168	459	-	15,856
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Property, plant and equipment	386,120	132,469	59,273	543	6,094	19,535	7,510	(166)	611,378
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Operating assets	280,758	111,108	48,344	501	4,718	14,496	6,215	(166)	465,975
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Assets under construction	105,362	21,361	10,929	42	1,376	5,039	1,295	-	145,403
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Intangible assets	7,755	628	863	–	612	1,688	692	–	12,238
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Consolidated Assets by Segment - 12.31.2014

Total assets	402,478,186,033,753,350	2,947	19,180	34,553,86,024(13,190)793,375
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Current assets	15,959	39,111	10,570	173	9,246	6,229	64,174	(10,439)	135,023
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Non-current assets **386,519,146,922** **64,780,277** **9,934** **28,324** **21,850(2,751)** **658,352**

Long-term receivables	17,874	9,573	3,749	8	3,217	4,908	13,359	(2,584)	50,104
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Investments	531	4,800	1,393	2,221	39	5,912	386	-	15,282
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Property, plant and equipment	360,368	131,914	58,770	545	6,066	16,091	7,403	(167)	580,990
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Operating assets	263,794	108,747	47,460	502	4,595	9,870	5,562	(167)	440,363
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Assets under construction	96,574	23,167	11,310	43	1,471	6,221	1,841	-	140,627
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Intangible assets	7,746	635	868	–	612	1,413	702	–	11,976
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²⁵ Beginning in 2014, the amount of inventory write-downs to net realizable value (market value) was reclassified from Other Income and Expenses to Cost of Sales.

FINANCIAL AND OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA Statement by Segment – 1Q-2015

Net income (loss)	3,144	6,183	1,454	(49)	555	203	(6,962)	–	4,528
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Net finance	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,621	-	5,621
income (expense)									

Income taxes	1,619	3,147	710	(16)	285	238	(2,960)	–	3,023
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Depreciation, depletion and amortization	5,323	1,823	629	7	108	427	199	–	8,516
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EBITDA	10,086,111,532,793	(58)	948	868	(4,102)–	21,688
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Share of earnings –	(73)	(76)	20	(2)	(42)	–	–	(173)
in								
equity-accounted								
investments								

Impairment losses / (reversals)	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
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Adjusted EBITDA	10,089,110,802,717	(38)	946	826	(4,102)–	21,518
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Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA Statement by Segment - 1Q-2014

Net income (loss)	10,652	(4,811)	535	(75)	484	820	(2,051)	232	5,786
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Net finance	-	-	-	-	-	-	174	-	174
income (expense)									

Income taxes	5,483	(2,555)	211	(23)	250	(103)	(1,582)	122	1,803
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Depreciation, depletion and amortization	4,203	1,560	489	4	98	566	203	–	7,123
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EBITDA	20,338	(5,806)	1,235	(94)	832	1,283	(3,256)	354	14,886
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Share of earnings (7)	(146)	(127)	31	–	(269)	(4)	–	(522)
in								
equity-accounted								
investments								

Impairment losses / (reversals)	-	-	-	-	-	(15)	-	-	(15)
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Adjusted EBITDA	20,331	(5,952)	1,108	(63)	832	999	(3,260)	354	14,349
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Consolidated Income Statement for International Segment

Income Statement - 1Q-2015

Sales revenues	1,320	3,295	355	3,104	5	(1,486)	6,593
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Intersegments	732	834	24	3	6	(1,486)	113
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Third parties	588	2,461	331	3,101	(1)	–	6,480
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Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	392	17	41	75	(147)	26	404
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Net income (loss) attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras	352	4	69	63	(411)	26	103
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Income Statement - 1Q-2014

Sales revenues	1,868	4,488	286	2,878	15	(1,214)	8,321
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Intersegments	853	827	19	1	11	(1,214)	497
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Third parties	1,015	3,661	267	2,877	4	-	7,824
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Net income (loss) before finance income (expense), share of earnings in equity-accounted investments, profit sharing and income taxes	425	53	62	98	(159)	(25)	454
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Net income (loss) attributable to the shareholders of Petrobras	619	65	76	91	(73)	(25)	753
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Consolidated Assets for International Segment

Total assets on March 31,	30,920	5,126	1,493	2,856	3,176	(3,541)	40,030
2015							

Total assets on December 31, 2014	25,557	4,944	1,255	2,497	3,267	(2,967)	34,553
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APPENDIX

1. Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA

Jan-Mar

(26,962)	117	Net income (loss)	4,528	5,786	(22)
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1,814	210	Net finance income (expense)	5,621	174	3,130
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(8,488)	136	Income taxes	3,023	1,803	68
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8,808	(3)	Depreciation, depletion and amortization	8,516	7,123	20
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(24,828)	187	EBITDA	21,688	14,886	46
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540	(132)	Share of earnings in equity-accounted investments	(173)	(522)	67
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44,345	(100)	Impairment losses / (reversals)	3	(15)	120
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20,057	7	Adjusted EBITDA	21,518	14,349	50
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24	5	Adjusted EBITDA margin (%)	29	18	11
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Our adjusted EBITDA (according to CVM Instruction 527 of October 4, 2012) is the net income before net finance income (expense), income taxes, depreciation, depletion and amortization, share of earnings in equity-accounted investments and impairment, which provides an additional information about our ability to pay debt, carry out investments and cover our working capital needs. Adjusted EBITDA is not an IFRS measure and may not be comparable with the same measure as reported by other companies.

2. Effect of weighted average cost flow on the cost of sales (R\$ million)

Products remain in inventory for an average of 60 days and, therefore, the changes on international crude oil and oil products prices and the effect of the exchange rate variation on imports and on production taxes do not fully impact the costs of sales for the period, fully impacting only the following period. The estimated effects on the cost of sales are set out in the table below:

Effect of the average cost on the cost of sales *

(1,951) (656)

* In the 1Q-2015, the effect of the average cost on the cost of sales was not favorable (but less unfavorable when compared to the 4Q-2014), due to the realization of unit costs of inventories acquired in periods of higher international prices, already considering the depreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar.

() The amount in parenthesis demonstrates the negative effect on the cost of sales.

²⁶ Adjusted EBITDA margin equals Adjusted EBITDA divided by sales revenues.

APPENDIX

3. Consolidated Taxes and Contributions

The economic contribution of Petrobras, measured by taxes and contributions, was R\$ 24,420 million.

Jan-Mar

**Economic Contribution -
Brazil**

12,934	(4)	Domestic Value-Added Tax (ICMS)	12,455	11,172	11
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4,649	29	PIS/COFINS	5,999	3,584	67
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(9,457)	121	Income Tax and Social Contribution	1,949	1,920	2
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2,194	(24)	Others	1,671	1,403	19
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10,320	114	Subtotal - Brazil	22,074	18,079	22
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1,903	23	Economic Contribution - International	2,346	1,039	126
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12,223	100	Total	24,420	19,118	28
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4. Production Taxes

Jan-Mar

Brazil

3,385	(25)	Royalties	2,529	4,125	(39)
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3,080	(43)	Special participation charges	1,764	4,034	(56)
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40	8	Rental of areas	43	41	5
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6,505	(33)	Subtotal - Brazil	4,336	8,200	(47)
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257	(15)	International	218	282	(23)
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6,762	(33)	Total	4,554	8,482	(46)
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(1Q-2015 x 4Q-2014): Production taxes in Brazil decreased 33% mainly due to the 24% decrease in the reference price for domestic oil in Reais that reached an average of R\$/bbl 126.33 (US\$/bbl 43.96) in the 1Q-2015 compared to R\$/bbl 165.40 (US\$/bbl 65.30) in the 4Q-2014, impacted by the variation of international crude oil prices, besides the effect of deductible expenses of great fields that pays special participation charges.

(1Q-2015 x 1Q-2014): The 47% decrease of production taxes in Reais in Brazil was mainly due to the 44% decrease in the reference price for domestic oil, that reached an average of R\$/bbl 126.33 (US\$/bbl 43.96) in Jan-Mar/2015 compared to R\$/bbl 226.84 (US\$/bbl 95.98) in Jan-Mar/2014.

5. Impact of Cash Flow Hedge on Exports

Jan-Mar

(10,166)	(197)	Total inflation indexation and foreign exchange variation	(30,141)	4,994	(704)
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10,185	178	Foreign Exchange Variation recognized in Shareholders' Equity	28,301	(3,892)	827
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(611)	(35)	Reclassification from Shareholders' Equity to the Statement of Income	(824)	(470)	(75)
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(592)	(360)	Net Inflation indexation and foreign exchange variation	(2,664)	632	(522)
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APPENDIX

6. Assets and Liabilities subject to Exchange Variation

The Company has assets and liabilities subject to foreign exchange rate variation, for which the main exposure is to the Real relative to the U.S. dollar and the U.S. dollar relative to the Euro. Beginning in mid-May 2013, the Company extended the use of the hedge accounting practice to hedge highly probable future exports.

The Company designates hedging relationships to account for the effects of the existing natural hedge between a portion of its long-term debt obligations (denominated in U.S. dollars) and its U.S. dollar denominated exports and to properly recognize that hedge in its financial statements. Approximately 70% of the total net debt exposed to changes in foreign exchange rate was designated as hedging instruments to hedge a seven-year period of highly probable future exports.

Through the extension of the hedge accounting practice, foreign exchange gains or losses from debt denominated in U.S. dollars will only affect the Company's statement of income when the future exports affect its statement of income. Until our future exports are realized, such foreign exchange variations will be recognized in our shareholders' equity.

The balances of assets and liabilities in foreign currency of controlling companies outside of Brazil are not included on the exposure below when transacted in a currency equivalent to their respective functional currencies. On March 31, 2015, the Company had a net liability position regarding foreign exchange exposure. Therefore, the appreciation of the Real relative to other currencies results in a foreign exchange variation income, while the depreciation of the Real results in a foreign exchange variation expense.

Assets	36,260	30,600
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Liabilities

(262,225) (222,279)

Hedge Accounting

167,047

135,088

Total

(58,918) (56,591)

Real/ U.S. Dollars

(20,970)

(20,844)

Real/ Euro

(7,063)

(6,860)

Real/ Pound Sterling

(2,239)

(1,919)

U.S. Dollars/ Yen

(2,078)

(1,728)

U.S. Dollars/ Euro

(19,282)

(18,562)

U.S. Dollars/ Pound Sterling

(6,026)

(5,376)

Peso/ U.S. Dollars

(1,260)

(1,302)

Total

(58,918) (56,591)

The main foreign exchange variation exposures from 2014 to 2015 were: Real x U.S. dollars – 20.77% depreciation of the Real; Real x Euro – 6.78% depreciation of the Real; U.S. dollars x Euro – 11.59% appreciation of U.S. dollars; U.S. dollars x Pound Sterling – 4.73% appreciation of U.S. dollars.

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: May 18, 2015

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:

/s/ Ivan de Souza Monteiro

Ivan de Souza Monteiro
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations
Officer

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