Companhia Vale do Rio Doce
Form 6-K
July 27, 2007

United States
Securities and Exchange Commission
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 6-K
Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the month of
July 2007
Companhia Vale do Rio Doce
Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26
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(Address of principal executive office)

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CVRD approves stock split

Rio de Janeiro, July 26, 2007   Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) informs that its Board of Directors approved a forward-stock split proposal.

The forward-stock split has to be approved by an Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting to be called soon and involves the exchange of each share, common or preferred class A, by two post-split shares.

The split also involves the maintenance of the current American Depositary Receipt ratio at 1/1. Each ADR (NYSE: RIO or NYSE: RIOPR) will continue to have one underlying share, common or preferred class A, respectively.

After a significant appreciation since the last forward-stock split in May 2006, CVRD intends to position the price of its shares in a range consistent with good liquidity conditions for its shareholders.

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This press release may contain statements that express management s expectations about future events or results rather than historical facts. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements, and CVRD cannot give assurance that such statements will prove correct. These risks and uncertainties include factors: relating to the Brazilian economy and securities markets, which exhibit volatility and can be adversely affected by developments in other countries; relating to the iron ore business and its dependence on the global steel industry, which is cyclical in nature; and relating to the highly competitive industries in which CVRD operates. For additional information on factors that could cause CVRD s actual results to differ from expectations reflected in forward-looking statements, please see CVRD s reports filed with the Brazilian Comissão de Valores Mobiliários and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE
(Registrant)

Date: July 26, 2007

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco
     Roberto Castello Branco
     Director of Investor Relations