

BRAZILIAN PETROLEUM CORP  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 April, 2008**

**Commission File Number 1-15106**

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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)

**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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### **Pre-Salt Executive Management Creation**

(Rio de Janeiro, April 4, 2008). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA, BCBA: APBR/APBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, announces that today, the Board of Directors approved the creation of the Pre-Salt Executive Management to coordinate, per matrices, all of the Exploration and Production activities carried out in the pre-salt layer. The Pre-Salt Executive Management will report to Petrobras Exploration & Production Executive Office.

In the next three years, the new Pre-Salt Executive Management will be in charge of coordinating the assessment plans that are already being undertaken by the Exploration & Production Executive Office, of deploying the Long Duration Test (LDT), and of the first production pilot in the Tupi accumulation, foreseen, respectively, for 2009 and 2010.

The board of directors also maintained the current composition of the company's board and presidency for the next three years, beginning in April 2008.

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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: April 4, 2008

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:           /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa          

**Almir Guilherme Barbassa**  
**Chief Financial Officer and**  
**Investor Relations Officer**

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