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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of September, 2008

Brazilian Distribution Company
(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

Av. Brigadeiro Luiz Antonio, 3126 São Paulo, SP 01402-901 Brazil

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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August/08 Same-store gross sales record growth of 13.8%

São Paulo, Brazil, September 15, 2008. Grupo Pão de Açúcar [NYSE: CBD; BOVESPA: PCAR4 (PN)] announces its August 2008 sales performance (unaudited preliminary figures). The information presented below was calculated based on consolidated figures and in Reais, in accordance with Brazilian Corporate Law.

In August, Grupo Pão de Açúcar s gross sales totaled R\$ 1,739.8 million, 25.4% up year-on-year, while net sales increased by 29.1% to R\$ 1,513.9 million.

In the same-store concept, gross sales moved up 13.8% y-o-y and net sales by 17.1%. Three factors contributed to this improved performance: (i) the calendar effect (one Saturday and Sunday more when compared to the same month last year), which had a positive impact of around 200 bps; (ii) the campaign to celebrate the Group s 60 anniversary, which began on August 28 with an all-store series of exclusive offers in an innovative format, including non-food products, which fueled end-of-month sales; and (iii) an increase in the number of customers and in the average ticket, even without the calendar effect.

Also under the same-store concept, food sales increased by 12.5% y-o-y, with both the grocery and perishable categories recording double-digit growth. Non-food sales moved up 17.9% y-o-y, led by general merchandise, electronics and textiles.

All formats posted a positive performance, led by Extra, CompreBem and Extra-Eletro, all of which recorded growth above the Company average.

Note: Same-store sales figures include only those stores with at least 12 months of operations.

Since November 2007, the "total stores" concept has included Assai's sales.

Statements included in this report regarding the Company s business prospects, the outlook for operating and financial results, and referring to the Company s growth potential are merely projections and were based on Management s expectations regarding the Company s future. Thesprojections are highly dependent on market changes and the performance of Brazil s economy, the industry and the international markets and are, therefore, subject to change.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement 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 BRASILEIRA DE DISTRIBUIÇÃO

Date: September 15, 2008 By: /s/ Enéas César Pestana Neto

Name: Enéas César Pestana Neto Title: Administrative Director

By: /s/ Daniela Sabbag

Name: Daniela Sabbag

Title: Investor Relations Officer

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