

BRASIL TELECOM SA
Form 6-K
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

THROUGH FEBRUARY 1, 2006

(Commission File No. 1-15256)

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

BRAZIL TELECOM COMPANY

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**SIA Sul, Área de Serviços Públicos, Lote D, Bloco B
Brasília, D.F., 71.215-000
Federative Republic of Brazil**

(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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BRASIL TELECOM BEGINS THE MIGRATION FROM PULSES TO MINUTES

Brasília, January 31, 2006 Brasil Telecom has delivered today to Anatel a list containing the 2,860 locations within its concession area where it intends, as of August 1st, 2006, to charge minutes instead of pulses in local calls among fixed-line terminals. As of this date, the Company will also be capable of presenting bills, containing detailed information on local calls, when requested by its customers. The new billing system will reach, approximately, 9.3 million lines in service.

A list containing 857 locations where Brasil Telecom does not plan to change the billing system was also delivered to Anatel. This decision was taken because implementation costs were high, amounting a little over 190,000 lines in service (2% of the lines installed). Consequently, as of March 1st, 2006, local calls among fixed-line terminals will be provided for by the basic subscription fee.

The information delivered to Anatel and the actions taken by Brasil Telecom are in compliance with Anatel's resolutions 423 and 426, which regulate the new billing system for local calls between terminals of the PSTN, which will be in effect in 2006.

Brasil Telecom announced to Anatel that its strategy for the implementation of the new billing system (charged in minutes) foresees, in two stages - March 1st and August 1st - that the customers will be informed of the migration of the billing system from pulse to minute, 30 days in advance and during 60 days following the launch date, respectively.

In July, more than 1,300 switching centers will be updated and capable of billing minutes instead of pulses, indicating an estimated total investment of R\$ 250 million, which is included in Brasil Telecom's 2006 budget.

For further information, visit our website www.brasiltelecom.com.br.

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 1, 2006

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

By: /s/ Charles Laganá Putz

Name: Charles Laganá Putz
Title: Chief Financial
Officer
