

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA
Form 20-F
April 15, 2005

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 15, 2005

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 20-F

(Mark One)

REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 001-14493

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Tele Sudeste Cellular Holding Company
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

The Federative Republic of Brazil
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Praia de Botafogo, 501, 7º andar
22250-040 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
(Address of principal executive offices)

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|---|
| Preferred Shares, without par value American Depositary Shares (as evidenced by American Depositary Receipts), each representing 5,000 preferred shares | New York Stock Exchange* New York Stock Exchange |

* Not for trading purposes, but only in connection with the registration on the New York Stock Exchange of American Depositary Shares representing those preferred shares.

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act:

None

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report. The number of outstanding shares as of December 31, 2004 was:

| Title of Class | Number of Shares Outstanding |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 189,434,957,933 |
| Preferred Stock | 259,575,036,202 |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

Item 17 Item 18

[Back to Content](#)

Table of Contents

| | Page |
|--|-------------|
| PART I | |
| <u>ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS</u> | 1 |
| <u>ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE</u> | 1 |
| <u>ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION</u> | 1 |
| <u>ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY</u> | 12 |
| <u>ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS</u> | 27 |
| <u>ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES</u> | 39 |
| <u>ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS</u> | 47 |
| <u>ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u> | 48 |
| <u>ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING</u> | 53 |
| <u>ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u> | 58 |
| <u>ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK</u> | 72 |
| <u>ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES</u> | 73 |
| PART II | |
| <u>ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 16. [RESERVED]</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 16B. CODE OF ETHICS</u> | 74 |
| <u>ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES</u> | 75 |
| <u>ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES</u> | 75 |
| <u>ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS</u> | 75 |
| PART III | |
| <u>ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> | 76 |
| <u>ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u> | 76 |
| <u>ITEM 19. EXHIBITS</u> | 76 |

[Back to Contents](#)

INTRODUCTION

All references in this annual report to:

- “1xRTT” are to 1x Radio Transmission Technology, the CDMA 2000 1x technology, which pursuant to the ITU (International Telecommunications Union) and in accordance with the IMT-2000 rules, is the 3G (third generation) technology;
- “ADRs” are to the American Depositary Receipts evidencing our ADSs;
- “ADSs” are to our American Depositary Shares, each representing 5,000 shares of our non-voting preferred stock. On March 29, 2005 TSD approved a reverse split to occur at the ratio of five thousand (5,000) shares to one (1) share of the respective class. There will be no fractional ADRs resulting from the reverse split, contrary to the effect of the transaction on the Brazilian shares. As of May 4, 2005, each ADR issued by the Company will represent one (1) preferred share;
- “AMPS” are to Advanced Mobile Phone System, a radio interface technology for cellular networks based on spectral spreading of the radio signal and channel division in the frequency domain;
- “Anatel” are to *Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações* □ *ANATEL*, the Brazilian telecommunications regulatory agency;
- “Brazilian Central Bank,” “Central Bank of Brazil” or “Central Bank” are to the Banco Central do Brasil, the Brazilian central bank, known as BACEN as well;
- “Brazilian Corporate Law” are to Law No. 6,404 of December, 1976, as amended by Law No. 9,457 of May 1997 and by Law No. 10,303 of October 2001;
- “Brazilian government” are to the federal government of the Federative Republic of Brazil;
- “CDMA” are to Code Division Multiple Access, an aerial interface technology for cellular networks based on spectral spreading of the radio signal and channel division in the code domain;
- “Commission” are to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission;
- “Customers” are to number of wireless lines in service;
- “CVM” are to the *Comissão de Valores Mobiliários*, the Brazilian securities commission;
- “EV-DO” are to Evolution Data Optimized, a 3G technology, which provides data transmission at a speed up to 2.4 mbps in laptops or PDAs;
- “General Telecommunications Law” are to *Lei Geral de Telecomunicações*, as amended, which regulates the telecommunications industry in Brazil;
- “Net additions” are to the total number of new customers acquired in the period minus the reduction in the number of customers.
- “Real,” “reais” or “R\$” are to Brazilian *reais*, the official currency of Brazil;
- “SMC” are to *Serviço Móvel Celular* (Mobile Cellular Service), a service rendered pursuant to a concession granted by Anatel to provide mobile service in a specific frequency range;

- “SMP” are to *Serviço Móvel Pessoal* (Personal Cellular Service), a service rendered pursuant to an authorization granted by Anatel to provide mobile service in a specific frequency range;

Back to Content

- “SMS” are to text messaging services for cellular handsets, which allow customers to send and receive alphanumeric messages;
 - “TDMA” are to Time Division Multiple Access, a radio interface technology for cellular networks based on spectral spreading of the radio signal and channel division in the time domain;
 - “Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A.,” “Tele Sudeste,” “we,” “our” and “us” are to Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. and its consolidated subsidiaries (unless the context otherwise requires);
 - “Telebrás” are to *Telecomunicações Brasileiras S.A.* □ *TELEBRAS*;
 - “U.S.\$,” “dollars” or “U.S. dollars” are to United States dollars;
 - “Vivo” are to the brand used in Brazil in the operations of the companies that together constitute the assets of the joint venture between Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles, known as Brasilcel N.V., or Brasilcel; and
 - “WAP” are to Wireless Application Protocol, an open and standardized protocol started in 1997, which allows access to Internet servers through specific equipment, a WAP Gateway at the carrier, and WAP browsers in customers’ handsets;
- TSD’s subsidiaries are: Telerj Celular S.A., or Telerj Celular, and Telest Celular S.A., or Telest Celular.

Unless otherwise specified, data relating to the Brazilian telecommunications industry included in this annual report were obtained from Anatel.

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Our consolidated financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, have been prepared in accordance with the accounting practices adopted in Brazil, as prescribed by Brazilian Corporate Law, or the Brazilian Corporate Law Method, which differs in certain significant respects from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, or U.S. GAAP. Note 35 to our financial statements appearing elsewhere in this annual report describes the principal differences between the Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP as they relate to us, and provides a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of net income and shareholders’ equity. The consolidated financial statements have been audited by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes.

Prior to 2003, we presented financial information in our annual report on Form 20-F using the price-level accounting methodology prescribed by the Brazilian Federal Accountancy Council. Beginning with the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, we changed to the Brazilian Corporate Law Method because we do not primarily rely on price-level accounting in reporting to investors and regulatory authorities in Brazil. For consistency, we have presented all our financial information in this annual report, in accordance with the Brazilian Corporate Law Method. As a result, the financial information included in this annual report as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002 or for previous years is different from the information we presented in our annual report for the year ended December 31, 2002 or for previous years. See note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included herein.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information included in this annual report, principally in “Item 3D. Risk Factors,” “Item 4. Information on the Company” and “Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects,” contains information that is forward-looking, including, but not limited to:

- statements concerning our operations and prospects;
- the size of the Brazilian telecommunications market;

□ estimated demand forecasts;

ii

Back to Content

- our ability to secure and maintain telecommunications infrastructure licenses, rights-of-way and other regulatory approvals;
- our strategic initiatives and plans for business growth;
- industry conditions;
- our funding needs and financing sources;
- network completion and product development schedules;
- expected characteristics of competing networks, products and services;
- quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risks;
- other statements of management's expectations, beliefs, future plans and strategies, anticipated developments and other matters that are not historical facts; and
- other factors identified or discussed under "Item 3.D. Key Information□Risk Factors."

Forward looking statements may also be identified by words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "intend," "should," "seek," "estimate," "future" or similar expressions. Forward-looking information involves risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect expected results. The risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

- the short history of our operations as an independent, private-sector entity and the introduction of competition to the Brazilian telecommunications sector;
- the cost and availability of financing;
- uncertainties relating to political and economic conditions in Brazil;
- inflation, interest rate and exchange rate risks;
- the Brazilian government's telecommunications policy; and
- the adverse determination of disputes under litigation.

We undertake no obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements because of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks and uncertainties, the forward looking information, events and circumstances discussed in this annual report might not occur. Our actual results and performance could differ substantially from those anticipated in our forward-looking statements.

[Back to Contents](#)

PART I

ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

A. Selected Financial Data

The selected financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, included in this annual report have been derived from, and should be read in conjunction with, our audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this annual report and audited by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes. The selected financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2001 and 2000 included in this annual report have been derived from our audited financial statements and notes thereto audited by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes, which are not included in this annual report. See "Presentation of Financial Information" above for additional information.

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Brazilian Corporate Law Method, which differs in certain material respects from U.S. GAAP. See note 35 to our consolidated financial statements for a summary of the differences between the Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP as they relate to us and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of shareholders' equity as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and net income for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002.

The following tables present a summary of our selected financial data at the dates and for each of the periods indicated. You should read the following information together with our financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this annual report and with "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects."

[Back to Contents](#)

Year ended December 31,

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| (in thousands of reais except when indicated) | | | | | |
| Income Statement Data: | | | | | |
| <i>Brazilian Corporate Law Method</i> | | | | | |
| Net operating revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 | 1,703,299 | 1,516,715 |
| Cost of services and goods | (1,112,460) | (1,052,487) | (981,741) | (877,284) | (797,840) |
| Gross profit | 814,567 | 839,964 | 865,890 | 826,015 | 718,875 |
| Operating income (expenses) | | | | | |
| Selling expenses | (508,461) | (387,466) | (392,482) | (293,418) | (245,768) |
| General and administrative expenses | (187,832) | (224,408) | (229,947) | (233,479) | (206,760) |
| Other operating income (expenses), net | 16,981 | 13,309 | (16,954) | 5,413 | 12,906 |
| Operating income (loss) before interest | 135,255 | 241,399 | 226,507 | 304,531 | 279,253 |
| Financial expense, net | 5,727 | (15,017) | (15,112) | (83,222) | (72,263) |
| Operating income (loss) | 140,982 | 226,382 | 211,395 | 221,309 | 206,990 |
| Net non-operating income (expense) | (1) | (8,535) | (1,202) | (991) | (3,096) |
| Income (loss) before minority interests and taxes | 140,981 | 217,847 | 210,193 | 220,318 | 203,894 |
| Income and social contribution taxes benefit (expense) | (48,103) | (61,610) | (69,817) | (57,404) | (58,039) |
| Minority interests | □ | □ | □ | □ | (23,979) |
| Net income | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 | 162,914 | 121,876 |
| Net income per thousand shares | 0.21 | 0.36 | 0.34 | 0.41 | 0.31 |
| Operating income (loss) per thousand shares | 0.31 | 0.52 | 0.51 | 0.52 | □ |
| Dividends per thousand preferred shares □R\$ (a) | 0.051 | 0.089 | 0.255 | 0.108 | 0.119 |
| Dividends per thousand common shares □R\$ (a) | 0.046 | 0.081 | 0.232 | 0.108 | 0.119 |
| Dividends per thousand preferred shares □US\$ (a) (b) | 0.019 | 0.031 | 0.075 | 0.047 | 0.057 |
| Dividends per thousand common shares □US\$ (a) (b) | 0.017 | 0.028 | 0.068 | 0.047 | 0.057 |

(a) For the year 2000, there was an additional dividend for preferred and common shares issued as a result of the reorganization in the amount of R\$0.019 (U.S.\$0.009).

(b) U.S. dollar amount determined according to the applicable exchange rate at the date of the general shareholders' meeting that approved the dividend distribution.

Year ended December 31,

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| (in thousands of reais except when indicated) | | | | | |
| <i>U.S. GAAP</i> | | | | | |
| Net operating revenue | 2,619,351 | 2,446,136 | 2,220,491 | 2,017,644 | 1,749,607 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Operating income (loss) | 15,324 | 137,346 | 121,931 | 206,284 | 307,843 |
| Net income (loss) before cumulative effect of adoption of accounting principle | 13,708 | 116,823 | 4,021 | 129,860 | 166,069 |
| Cumulative effect of adoption of accounting principle (SFAS 133), net of income tax effects of R\$1,025 | □ | □ | □ | 2,081 | □ |
| Net income | 13,708 | 116,823 | 4,021 | 131,941 | 166,069 |
| Net income (loss) per thousand shares: | | | | | |
| Common shares□basic | 0.03 | 0.26 | □ | 0.33 | 0.49 |
| Common shares□diluted | 0.02 | 0.23 | □ | 0.25 | 0.35 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding □basic (thousands) | 188,067,310 | 168,375,242 | 148,443,147 | 136,479,679 | 125,390,242 |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding □diluted (thousands) | 230,876,784 | 227,501,934 | 222,297,796 | 225,110,055 | 221,471,887 |
| Preferred shares□basic | 0.03 | 0.28 | 0.01 | 0.33 | 0.49 |
| Preferred shares□diluted | 0.03 | 0.25 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.41 |
| Weighted average number of Preferred shares outstanding □basic and diluted (thousands) | 259,575,036 | 259,575,036 | 259,575,037 | 259,587,240 | 214,170,953 |

2

[Back to Contents](#)**Year ended December 31,**

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|

(in thousands of reais except when indicated)**Cash Flow Data:***Brazilian Corporate Law Method***Operating activities:**

| | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 437,190 | 737,400 | 756,910 | 597,607 | 523,115 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|

Investing activities

| | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total net cash used in investing activities | (240,842) | (255,635) | (370,544) | (408,342) | (428,173) |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

Financing activities:

| | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Total net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | (224,915) | (208,665) | (362,754) | (229,112) | (38,179) |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|

| | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (28,567) | 273,100 | 23,612 | (39,847) | 56,763 |
|--|----------|---------|--------|----------|--------|

| | | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 382,473 | 109,373 | 85,761 | 125,608 | 68,845 |
|--|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|

| | | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | 353,906 | 382,473 | 109,373 | 85,761 | 125,608 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|

At December 31,

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|

(in thousands of reais)**Balance Sheet Data:***Brazilian Corporate Law Method*

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 1,263,569 | 1,398,014 | 1,585,057 | 1,592,391 | 1,467,696 |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

| | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Total assets | 2,899,086 | 2,824,673 | 2,793,786 | 2,690,638 | 2,696,190 |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

| | | | | | |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net assets | 1,970,733 | 1,903,363 | 1,779,685 | 1,735,749 | 1,622,473 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Loans and financing—current portion | 50,250 | 165,802 | 200,922 | 189,726 | 305,002 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|

| | | | | | |
|---|---|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Loans and financing—non-current portion | □ | 53,153 | 259,597 | 294,939 | 263,499 |
|---|---|--------|---------|---------|---------|

| | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Shareholders' equity | 1,970,733 | 1,903,363 | 1,779,685 | 1,735,749 | 1,622,473 |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

| | | | | | |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Capital stock | 891,460 | 778,838 | 685,321 | 595,722 | 595,722 |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|

| | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Number of shares as adjusted to reflect changes in capital | 449,009,994 | 432,598,218 | 414,006,458 | 396,041,635 | 396,345,036 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|

U.S. GAAP

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 1,281,857 | 1,258,294 | 1,511,160 | 1,636,935 | 1,566,091 |
| Total assets | 2,953,506 | 2,960,940 | 2,996,686 | 3,098,880 | 3,153,941 |
| Loans and financing□current portion | 50,250 | 165,802 | 200,922 | 189,726 | 305,002 |
| Loans and financing□non-current portion | | 53,153 | 259,597 | 294,939 | 263,499 |
| Shareholders' equity | 1,991,309 | 2,001,746 | 1,921,296 | 2,007,812 | 1,935,512 |
| Capital stock | 891,460 | 778,838 | 685,321 | 595,722 | 595,722 |
| Number of shares as adjusted to reflect changes in capital | 449,009,994 | 432,598,218 | 414,006,458 | 396,041,635 | 396,345,036 |

3

[Back to Content](#)**Exchange Rates**

Before March 14, 2005, there were two principal foreign exchange markets in Brazil:

□ the commercial rate exchange market; and

□ the floating rate exchange market.

Most trade and financial foreign-exchange transactions were carried out on the commercial rate exchange market. The floating market rate generally applied to transactions to which the commercial rate did not apply. Prior to February 1999, the exchange rate in each market was established independently, resulting in different rates during some periods. Since February 1, 1999, the Central Bank placed the commercial rate exchange market and the floating rate exchange market under identical operational limits, and financial institutions operating in the commercial market were authorized to unify their positions in the two different markets, which led to a convergence in the pricing and liquidity of both markets and a reduction in the difference between their respective rates.

With the enactment of Resolution No. 3,265, dated March 4, 2005 by the National Monetary Council, both markets were consolidated into one single foreign exchange market, effective as of March 14, 2005. All foreign exchange transactions are now carried out this single consolidated market, through institutions authorized to operate in such market. The Brazilian government has yet to enact in its entirety the regulations applicable to the new foreign exchange market.

Foreign exchange rates continue to be freely negotiated, but may be influenced by Central Bank intervention. From March 1995 through January 1999, the Central Bank allowed the gradual devaluation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar. In January 1999, the Central Bank allowed the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate to float freely. Since then, the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate has been established mainly by the Brazilian interbank market and has fluctuated considerably. In the past, the Central Bank has intervened occasionally to control unstable movements in foreign exchange rates. We cannot predict whether the Central Bank or the Brazilian government will continue to let the *real* float freely or will intervene in the exchange rate market through a currency band system or otherwise, or that the exchange market will not be volatile as a result of political instability or other factors. In light of these factors, we cannot predict that the *real* will not depreciate or appreciate in value in relation to the U.S. dollar substantially in the future. In addition, exchange rate fluctuations may also affect our financial condition. For more information on these risks, see "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Brazil".

The following tables set forth the commercial selling rate, expressed in *reais* per U.S. dollar for the periods indicated as reported by the Central Bank.

Exchange Rate of R\$ per U.S.\$

| | Low | High | Average(1) | Year-End |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Year ended December 31, | | | | |
| 2000 | 1.723 | 1.985 | 1.830 | 1.955 |
| 2001 | 1.936 | 2.801 | 2.352 | 2.320 |
| 2002 | 2.271 | 3.955 | 2.931 | 3.533 |
| 2003 | 2.822 | 3.662 | 3.072 | 2.889 |
| 2004 | 2.654 | 3.205 | 2.917 | 2.654 |

Source: Central Bank of Brazil, PTAX.

(1) Represents the average of the exchange rates (PTAX) on the last day of each month during the relevant period.

**Exchange Rate of R\$
per U.S.\$**

| | Low | High |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Month Ended | | |
| October 31, 2004 | 2.824 | 2.885 |
| November 30, 2004 | 2.731 | 2.859 |
| December 31, 2004 | 2.654 | 2.787 |
| January 31, 2005 | 2.625 | 2.722 |
| February 28, 2005 | 2.562 | 2.632 |
| March 31, 2005 | 2.629 | 2.765 |
| April 30, 2005 (until April 13, 2005) | 2.562 | 2.660 |

Source: Central Bank of Brazil, PTAX.

[Back to Contents](#)

B. Capitalization and Indebtedness

Not applicable.

C. Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable.

D. Risk Factors

This section is intended to be a summary of more detailed discussions contained elsewhere in this annual report. The risks described below are not the only ones we face. Our business, results of operations or financial condition could be harmed if any of these risks materializes and, as a result, the trading price of the ADSs could decline.

Risks Relating to Brazil

The Brazilian government has exercised, and continues to exercise, significant influence over the Brazilian economy. Brazilian political and economic conditions have a direct impact on our business, operations and the market price of our preferred shares and our ADSs.

In the past, the Brazilian government has intervened in the Brazilian economy and occasionally made drastic changes in policy. The Brazilian government's actions to control inflation and affect other policies have often involved wage and price controls, currency devaluations, capital controls, and limits on imports, among other things. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and the market price of our preferred shares and ADSs may be adversely affected by changes in government policies, as well as general economic factors, including:

- currency fluctuations;
- exchange control policies;
- internal economic growth;
- inflation;
- price instability;
- energy policy;
- interest rates;
- liquidity of domestic capital and lending markets;
- tax policies (including reforms currently under discussion in the Brazilian Congress); and
- other political, diplomatic, social and economic developments in or affecting Brazil.

[Back to Contents](#)***Inflation and certain government measures to curb inflation may have adverse effects on the Brazilian economy, the Brazilian securities market and/or our business and operations.***

Brazil has historically experienced extremely high rates of inflation. Inflation and certain of the Brazilian government's measures taken in the attempt to curb inflation have had significant negative effects on the Brazilian economy. Since 1994, Brazil's inflation rate has been substantially lower than in previous periods. However, inflationary pressures persist, and actions taken in an effort to curb inflation, coupled with public speculation about possible future governmental actions, have contributed to economic uncertainty in Brazil and heightened volatility in the Brazilian securities market. In 2004, the general price index, or the IGP-DI (the *Índice Geral de Preços - Disponibilidade Interna*), an inflation index developed by the *Fundação Getúlio Vargas*, a private Brazilian foundation, reflected inflation of 12.13%, compared to 7.7% in 2003 and 26.4% in 2002. If Brazil experiences significant inflation, we may be unable to increase service rates to our customers in amounts that are sufficient to cover our increasing operating costs, and our business may be adversely affected. In addition, high inflation generally leads to higher domestic interest rates and, as a result, the cost of servicing our *real*-denominated debt may increase. Inflation and its effect on domestic interest rates can, in addition, lead to reduced liquidity in the domestic capital and lending markets, which could adversely affect our ability to refinance our indebtedness in those markets.

Fluctuations in the value of the real against the value of the U.S. dollar may adversely affect our ability to pay U.S. dollar-denominated or U.S. dollar-linked obligations and could lower the market value of our preferred shares and ADSs.

The Brazilian currency has historically experienced frequent devaluations. The *real* devalued against the U.S. dollar by 18.7% in 2001. During 2002, the *real* continued to undergo significant devaluation due in part to the political uncertainty in connection with the elections and the global economic slowdown. In 2002, the *real* devalued against the U.S. dollar by 52.3%. However, the economic policies initiated by the Brazilian government in 2003 have helped to restore confidence in the Brazilian market. This, coupled with the U.S. dollar devaluation in the international market, has resulted in an appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar of 18.2% in 2003 and 8% in 2004. However, there is no guarantee that this trend will continue or that the exchange rate will remain at current levels. Devaluations of the *real* would reduce the U.S. dollar value of distributions and dividends on preferred shares and the ADSs and may also reduce the market value of the preferred shares and the ADSs. See "Selected Financial Data-Exchange Rates" for more information on exchange rates.

As of December 31, 2004, we had R\$50.3 million in total debt, all of which was denominated in U.S. dollars. As of December 31, 2004, we had foreign currency derivatives in place to cover all of our U.S. dollar-denominated debt. Also, significant costs relating to our network infrastructure are payable or linked to payment by us in U.S. dollars. At the same time, while we may derive income from derivative transactions denominated in foreign currencies, all of our operating revenues are generated in *reais*. To the extent that the value of the *real* decreases relative to the U.S. dollar, our debt becomes more expensive to service and it becomes more costly for us to import the technology and the goods that are necessary to operate our business.

Deterioration in economic and market conditions in other countries, especially emerging market countries, may adversely affect the Brazilian economy and our business.

The market for securities issued by Brazilian companies is influenced by economic and market conditions in Brazil and, to varying degrees, market conditions in other Latin American and emerging market countries. Although economic conditions are different in each country, the reaction of investors to developments in one country may cause the capital markets in other countries to fluctuate. Developments or conditions in other emerging market countries have at times significantly affected the availability of credit in the Brazilian economy and resulted in considerable outflows of funds and declines in the amount of foreign currency invested in Brazil as well as limited access to international capital markets, which may adversely affect our ability to borrow funds at an acceptable interest rate or to raise equity capital when and if there should be a need for us to do so. Adverse developments in other emerging market countries could also lead to a reduction in both demand and the market price for our preferred shares and ADSs.

[Back to Contents](#)

Risks Relating to the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry and Us

Extensive government regulation of the telecommunications industry may limit our flexibility in responding to market conditions, competition and changes in our cost structure.

Our business is subject to extensive government regulation, including any changes that may occur during the period of our authorization to provide telecommunications services. Anatel, which is the main telecommunications industry regulator in Brazil, regulates, among other things:

- industry policies and regulations;
- licensing;
- tariffs;
- competition;
- telecommunications resource allocation;
- service standards;
- technical standards;
- interconnection and settlement arrangements; and
- universal service obligations.

The extensive regulation and the conditions imposed by our authorization to provide telecommunications services may limit our flexibility in responding to market conditions, competition and changes in our cost structure.

Our results may be affected in the medium or long term as a result of the new SMP rules.

In 2002, Anatel changed the SMP regime (first enacted in December 2000), thus encouraging companies operating under the SMC system to migrate to the SMP system. Under the SMP regime, we no longer receive payment from our customers for outbound long distance traffic, but we receive payment for the use of our network, in accordance with the network usage remuneration plan. Although the new regime has not had a significant impact on our operations to date, we cannot assure that in the future the interconnection fees that we will receive from long distance operators will compensate us for the revenues that we would have received from our customers for outbound long distance traffic.

Until June 30, 2004, SMP service providers could choose to establish a price cap or freely negotiate their interconnection charges. Since that date, free negotiation has been the rule, subject to Anatel regulations. In addition, under the SMP regime, an SMP cellular operator will pay for the use of another SMP cellular operator's network in the same registration area only if the traffic carried from the first operator to the second exceeds 55% of the total traffic exchanged between them. In that case, only those calls that have surpassed the 55% level will be subject to payment for network usage. This rule will remain in effect until June 30, 2005, after which no payments will be due for network usage between SMP networks, regardless of the amount of traffic. As a result, if the traffic we terminate for other SMP cellular operators exceeds the traffic they terminate for our company, our revenues and results of operations may be adversely affected.

Anatel submitted for public comment new regulations on interconnection rules for public comment. The public comment period ended on October 18, 2004 and we have presented our arguments against some of the proposals that may have adverse effects on our results. Anatel will decide whether to issue a new regulation and its content. If these regulations take effect, they may negatively affect our revenues and results of operations.

[Back to Contents](#)

If the inflation adjustment index now applied to our tariffs is changed, the new index may not be adequate.

The Brazilian government is considering replacing the IGP-DI, the monetary adjustment index currently used in connection with the tariffs applied in the telecommunications industry, with another index, which has not yet been identified. We cannot assure you that a new index, if any, would adequately reflect the effect of inflation on our tariffs.

We face substantial competition that may reduce our market share and harm our financial performance.

There is substantial competition in the telecommunications industry. We compete not only with companies that provide wireless services and trunking, but also with companies that provide fixed-line telecommunications and Internet access services, because of the trend toward the convergence and substitution of mobile services for these other services.

We expect competition to intensify as a result of the entrance of new competitors and the rapid development of new technologies, products and services. Our ability to compete successfully will depend on our marketing techniques, as well as on our ability to anticipate and respond to various competitive factors affecting the industry, including new services that may be introduced, changes in consumer preferences, demographic trends, economic conditions and discount pricing strategies by our competitors. To the extent that we do not keep pace with technological advances, or fail to timely respond to changes in competitive factors in our industry, we could lose a portion of our market share or experience a decline in our revenue. Competition from other mobile communications service providers in the region in which we operate may also affect our financial results by causing, among other things, the rate of our customer growth to decline, forcing us to decrease in tariff rates and increases in selling expenses. This could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

There has been consolidation in the Brazilian telecommunications market, and we believe this trend may continue. Consolidations may result in increased competitive pressures within our market. We may be unable to adequately respond to pricing pressures resulting from consolidation, which would adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our results of operations would be negatively affected by a high rate of customer turnover or a decrease in our customer growth.

A high rate of customer turnover and/or a decrease in our rate of customer growth could adversely affect our results of operations as well as our competitive position. The rate of customer turnover may be the result of several factors, including limited network coverage and lack of sufficient reliability of our services, as well as increased competition in the region in which we operate and the economic conditions in Brazil.

The industry in which we conduct our business is subject to rapid technological changes and these changes could have a material adverse effect on our ability to provide competitive services.

The telecommunications industry is subject to rapid and significant technological changes. Our success depends, in part, on our ability to anticipate and adapt in a timely manner to technological changes. We expect that new products and technologies will emerge and that existing products and technologies will be further developed.

The advent of new products and technologies could have a variety of consequences for us. These new products and technologies may reduce the price of our services by providing lower-cost alternatives, or they may be superior to, and render obsolete, the products and services we offer and the technologies we use, requiring investment in new technology. The cost of upgrading our products and technology in order to continue to compete effectively could be significant, and our ability to fund the upgrading may depend on our ability to obtain additional financing.

Our controlling shareholders have a great deal of influence over our business.

PT Móveis SGPS, S.A. and Telefónica Móviles, S.A., our principal shareholders, own, directly and indirectly, approximately 91.75% of our common shares and 90.89% of our total capital as of December 31, 2004. PT Móveis SGPS, S.A. is 100% controlled by Portugal Telecom SGPS, S.A. See "Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions" Major Shareholders." Due to their share ownership, our principal shareholders have the power to control us and our subsidiaries, including the power to elect our directors and officers and determine the outcome of any action requiring shareholder approval, including transactions with related parties, corporate

reorganizations and the timing and payment of our dividends. In addition, PT Móveis SGPS, S.A. and Telefónica Móviles, S.A. share their participation in us equally. Any disagreement or dispute between them may have an impact on the decision-making capabilities of our management.

[Back to Contents](#)

The wireless industry, including us, may be harmed by reports suggesting that radio frequency emissions cause health problems and interfere with medical devices.

Media and other reports have suggested that radio frequency emissions from wireless handsets and base stations may cause health problems. If consumers harbor health-related concerns, they may be discouraged from using wireless handsets. These concerns could have an adverse effect on the wireless communications industry and, possibly, expose wireless providers, including us, to litigation. We cannot assure you that further medical research and studies will refute a link between the radio frequency emissions of wireless handsets and base stations and these health concerns. Government authorities could increase regulation of wireless handsets and base stations as a result of these health concerns or wireless companies, including us, could be held liable for costs or damages associated with these concerns, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operation. The expansion of our network may be affected by these perceived risks if we experience problems in finding new sites, which in turn may delay the expansion and may affect the quality of our services. On July 2, 2002, Anatel published Resolution No. 303 that limits emissions from and exposure to fields with frequencies between 9 kHz and 300 GHz. Additionally, the Brazilian government is developing specific legislation for deployment of radio frequency transmission stations that will supersede the existing state and municipal laws. The new laws may create additional transmission regulations which, in turn, could have an adverse effect on our business.

Risks Relating to Our Preferred Shares and Our ADSs

Our preferred shares and our ADSs generally do not have voting rights.

In accordance with Brazilian Corporate Law and our by-laws, holders of our preferred shares, and therefore of our ADSs, are not entitled to vote at meetings of our shareholders, except in limited circumstances. See "Item 10.B. Memorandum and Articles of Association."

Holders of the ADSs may find it difficult to exercise even their limited voting rights at our shareholders' meetings.

Holders of our ADSs may exercise the limited voting rights with respect to our preferred shares represented by the ADSs only in accordance with the deposit agreement relating to the ADSs. There are practical limitations upon the ability of ADS holders to exercise their voting rights due to the additional steps involved in communicating with ADS holders. For example, we are required to publish a notice of our shareholders' meetings in certain newspapers in Brazil. To the extent that holders of our preferred shares are entitled to vote at a shareholders' meeting, they will be able to exercise their voting rights by attending the meeting in person or voting by proxy. By contrast, holders of the ADSs will receive notice of a shareholders' meeting by mail from the depositary following our notice to the ADR depositary requesting the ADR depositary to do so. To exercise their voting rights, ADS holders must instruct the depositary on a timely basis. This noticed voting process will take longer for ADS holders than for holders of preferred shares. If it fails to receive timely voting instructions for all or part of the ADSs, the depositary will assume that the holders of those ADSs are instructing it to give a discretionary proxy to a person designated by us to vote their ADSs, except in limited circumstances.

In the limited circumstances in which holders of the ADSs have voting rights, they may not receive the voting materials in time to instruct the depositary to vote our preferred shares underlying their ADSs. In addition, the depositary and its agents are not responsible for failing to carry out voting instructions of the holders of the ADSs or for the manner of carrying out those voting instructions. Accordingly, holders of the ADSs may not be able to exercise voting rights, and they will have no recourse if the preferred shares underlying their ADSs are not voted as requested.

[Back to Contents](#)

You might be unable to exercise preemptive rights with respect to our preferred shares unless there is a current registration statement in effect that covers those rights or unless an exemption from registration applies.

You will not be able to exercise the preemptive rights relating to our preferred shares underlying your ADSs unless a registration statement under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, is effective with respect to those rights, or unless an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act is available. We are not obligated to file a registration statement. Unless we file a registration statement or an exemption from registration applies, you may receive only the net proceeds from the sale of your preemptive rights by the depositary, or, if the preemptive rights cannot be sold, they will lapse and you will not receive any value for them. For more information on the exercise of your rights, see “Item 10. Additional Information.”

An exchange of ADSs for preferred shares risks loss of certain foreign currency remittance and Brazilian tax advantages.

The ADSs benefit from the certificate of foreign capital registration, which permits The Bank of New York, as depositary, to convert dividends and other distributions with respect to preferred shares into foreign currency, and to remit the proceeds abroad. Holders of ADSs who exchange their ADSs for preferred shares will then be entitled to rely on the depositary’s certificate of foreign capital registration for five business days from the date of exchange. Thereafter, they will not be able to remit non-Brazilian currency abroad unless they obtain their own certificate of foreign capital registration, or unless they qualify under Resolution 2,689 of the Central Bank of Brazil, dated January 26, 2000, known as Resolution 2,689, issued by BACEN, which entitles certain investors to buy and sell shares on Brazilian stock exchanges without obtaining separate certificates of registration.

If holders of ADSs do not qualify under Resolution 2,689, they will generally be subject to less favorable tax treatment on distributions with respect to our preferred shares. There can be no assurance that the depositary’s certificate of registration or any certificate of foreign capital registration obtained by holders of ADSs will not be affected by future legislative or regulatory changes, or that additional Brazilian law restrictions applicable to their investment in the ADSs may not be imposed in the future.

Holders of the ADSs may face difficulties in protecting their interests because we are subject to different corporate rules and regulations as a Brazilian company and our shareholders may have fewer and less well-defined rights.

Holders of the ADSs are not direct shareholders of our company and are unable to enforce the rights of shareholders under our by-laws and Brazilian Corporate Law.

Our corporate affiliates are governed by our by-laws and the Brazilian Corporate Law, which differ from the legal principles that would apply if we were incorporated in a jurisdiction in the United States, such as the State of Delaware or New York, or elsewhere outside Brazil. Even if a holder of ADSs surrenders its ADSs and becomes a direct shareholder, its rights as a holder of our preferred shares underlying the ADSs under the Brazilian Corporation Law to protect its interests relative to actions by our board of directors may be fewer and less well-defined than under the laws of those other jurisdictions.

Although insider trading and price manipulation are crimes under Brazilian law, the Brazilian securities markets are not as highly regulated and supervised as the U.S. securities markets or the markets in some other jurisdictions. In addition, rules and policies against self-dealing or for preserving shareholder interests may be less well-defined and enforced in Brazil than in the United States and certain other countries, which may put holders of our preferred shares and the ADSs at a potential disadvantage.

[Back to Contents](#)

Exchange controls and restrictions on remittances abroad may adversely affect holders of the ADSs and the underlying preferred shares.

Brazilian law provides that whenever there is a significant imbalance in Brazil's balance of payments or a significant possibility that such imbalance will exist, the Brazilian government may impose temporary restrictions on the remittance to foreign investors of the proceeds of their investment in Brazil (as it did for approximately six months in 1989 and early 1990) and on the conversion of Brazilian currency into foreign currencies. These restrictions could hinder or prevent the Brazilian custodian of the preferred shares underlying the ADSs or holders who have exchanged the ADSs for the underlying preferred shares from converting dividends, distributions or the proceeds from any sale of such shares into U.S. dollars and remitting such U.S. dollars abroad. In such an event, the Brazilian custodian for our preferred shares will hold the *reais* that it cannot convert for the account of holders of the ADSs who have not been paid. Neither the custodian nor the depository will be required to invest the *reais* or be liable for any interest.

Holders of the ADSs may face difficulties in protecting their interests because we are subject to different corporate rules and regulations as a Brazilian company and our shareholders may have fewer and less well-defined rights.

Holders of the ADSs are not direct shareholders of our company and are unable to enforce the rights of shareholders under our by-laws and the Brazilian Corporation Law. Our corporate affairs are governed by our by-laws and the Brazilian Corporation Law, which differ from the legal principles that would apply if we were incorporated in a jurisdiction in the United States, such as the States of Delaware or New York, or elsewhere outside Brazil. Even if a holder of ADSs surrenders its ADSs and becomes a direct shareholder, its rights as a holder of our preferred shares underlying the ADSs under the Brazilian Corporation Law to protect its interests relative to actions by our board of directors may be fewer and less well-defined than under the laws of those other jurisdictions.

Although insider trading and price manipulation are crimes under Brazilian law, the Brazilian securities markets are not as highly regulated and supervised as the U.S. securities markets or the markets in some other jurisdictions. In addition, rules and policies against self-dealing or for preserving shareholder interests may be less well-defined and enforced in Brazil than in the United States and certain other countries, which may put holders of our preferred shares and the ADSs at a potential disadvantage. Corporate disclosures also may be less complete or informative than for a public company in the United States or in certain other countries.

Holders of the ADSs may face difficulties in serving process on or enforcing judgments against us and other persons.

We are a corporation (*sociedade anônima*) organized under the laws of Brazil, and most of our directors and executive officers and our independent public accountants reside or are based in Brazil. Substantially all of our assets and those of these other persons are located in Brazil. As a result, it may not be possible for holders of the ADSs to effect service of process upon us or these other persons within the United States or other jurisdictions outside Brazil or to enforce against us or these other persons judgments obtained in the United States or other jurisdictions outside Brazil. Because judgments of U.S. courts for civil liabilities based upon the U.S. federal securities laws may only be enforced in Brazil if certain conditions are met, holders may face greater difficulties in protecting their interests in the case of actions by us or our directors or executive officers than would shareholders of a U.S. corporation.

Actual or anticipated sales of a substantial number of preferred shares could decrease the market prices of our preferred shares and the ADSs.

Sales of a substantial number of our preferred shares could negatively affect the market prices of our preferred shares and the ADSs. If, in the future, existing or future holders of preferred shares make substantial sales of shares, the market price of our preferred shares and, by extension, the ADSs may decrease significantly. As a result, holders of the ADSs may not be able to sell the ADSs at or above the price they paid for them.

[Back to Contents](#)

Holders of the ADSs could be subject to Brazilian income tax on capital gains from sales of ADSs.

Historically, any capital gain realized on a sale or other disposition of ADSs between non-Brazilian holders outside Brazil was not subject to Brazilian income tax. However, a new Brazilian law provides that, commencing on February 1, 2004, “the acquiror, individual or legal entity resident or domiciled in Brazil, or the acquiror’s attorney-in-fact, when such acquirer is resident or domiciled abroad, shall be responsible for the retention and payment of the income tax applicable to capital gains earned by the individual or legal entity resident or domiciled abroad who disposes of property located in Brazil.” The Brazilian tax authorities have recently issued a normative instruction confirming that they intend to assess income tax on capital gains earned by non-Brazilian residents whose assets are located in Brazil. It is unclear whether ADSs representing preferred shares, which are issued by the depository outside Brazil, will be deemed to be “property located in Brazil” for purposes of this law. Accordingly, we cannot determine whether Brazilian tax authorities will attempt to tax any capital gains arising from the sale or other disposition of ADSs, even when the transaction is consummated outside Brazil between non-Brazilian residents.

The relative volatility and illiquidity of the Brazilian securities markets may adversely affect holders of ADSs.

Investments in securities, such as the preferred shares or the ADSs, of issuers from emerging market countries, including Brazil, involves a higher degree of risk than investing in securities of issuers from more developed countries. The Brazilian securities market is substantially smaller, less liquid, more concentrated and more volatile than major securities markets in the United States. There is also significantly greater concentration in the Brazilian securities market than in major securities markets in the United States. These features may substantially limit the ability to sell the preferred shares underlying the ADSs at a price and time at which holders wish to do so.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

A. Our History and Development

General

We are incorporated under the laws of the Federative Republic of Brazil under the name Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. We have the legal status of a *sociedade por ações*, or a stock corporation, operating under Brazilian Corporate Law. Our principal executive offices are located at Praia de Botafogo, 501, Torre Corcovado, 7^o andar, 22250-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil. Our telephone number is 55-21-2586-6613, our facsimile number is 55-21-2586-6813 and our website is www.vivo.com.br. The information on our website is not part of this annual report. Our agent for service of process in the United States is CT Corporation System, located at 111 Eighth Avenue, New York, New York 10011.

According to market share data published by Anatel, we are a leading provider of cellular telecommunications services in Brazil through our subsidiaries Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. The following chart shows our corporate structure as of December 31, 2004:

[Back to Contents](#)

Telebrás and the Privatization

Tele Sudeste was created as a result of a restructuring of Telebrás in 1998. Before 1972, there were more than 900 telecommunications companies operating throughout Brazil. Between 1972 and 1975, Telebrás and its operating subsidiaries, known as the predecessor companies, collectively known as the Telebrás System, were created acquiring almost all of the telecommunications companies in Brazil, and creating a near monopoly over the provision of public telecommunications services in Brazil.

[Back to Contents](#)

In 1995, the federal government began a comprehensive reform of Brazil's telecommunications regulatory system. In July 1997, Brazil's national congress adopted the General Telecommunications Law, which provided for the establishment of a new regulatory framework, the introduction of competition and the privatization of the Telebrás System. In January 1998, in preparation for the restructuring and privatization of the Telebrás System, the cellular telecommunications operations of the Telebrás System were spun off into separate companies. In May 1998, the Telebrás System was restructured to form, in addition to Telebrás, 12 new holding companies. Virtually all of the predecessors companies' assets and liabilities were allocated to the new holding companies, which we refer to as the new holding companies. Tele Sudeste was one of the new holding companies. Tele Sudeste was allocated all of the share capital held by Telebrás in Telerj Celular and Telest Celular, the cellular operating companies that had provided cellular telecommunications service in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo, respectively, since 1993. The federal government's common shares of Tele Sudeste's capital stock were purchased by a consortium comprised of Telefónica Internacional S.A., Iberdrola Investimentos Sociedade Unipessoal Ltda., NTT Mobile Communications Network, Inc. and Itochu Corporation.

Purchase of Shares from Iberdrola

On April 5, 2001, Telefónica S.A. and Iberdrola S.A. signed an agreement through which Telefónica agreed to acquire all the Iberdrola group's shareholdings in the Brazilian telecommunications operators in which both groups held interests. Anatel authorized this transaction on August 22, 2001 and in December 2001 Telefónica S.A. acquired 7% of the capital stock of Sudestecel Participações S.A. (the holding company which controls Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A.). In exchange, Iberdrola received shares of Telefónica. In May 2002, Telefónica contributed these shares to its affiliated company, Telefónica Móviles S.A.

Brasilcel

On January 23, 2001, Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles entered into a strategic agreement to create a mobile services company in Brazil that would aggregate all of their investments in cellular telecommunications businesses to the extent permitted under Brazilian law. In December 2002, Anatel approved the joint venture between Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles. This joint venture, named Brasilcel N.V., or Brasilcel, with headquarters in the Netherlands, has 40.5% of the total market in Brazil, with 26.5 million users at December 31, 2004, according to market share data published by Anatel. Its operations cover an area of approximately 130 million inhabitants, or 73% of the Brazilian population, and approximately 83% of its GDP. Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles are managing the joint venture on an equal basis.

In December 2002, Portugal Telecom and Telefónica transferred to Brasilcel all of their direct and indirect interests in:

- Telesp Celular Participações S.A., which controls an A Band operator in the state of São Paulo and Global Telecom, a B Band operator in the states of Paraná and Santa Catarina and Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A.;
- Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A., which controls A Band operations in the states of Bahia and Sergipe;
- Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., which controls A Band operators in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo; and
- Celular CRT Participações S.A., which controls an A Band operator in the state of Rio Grande do Sul.

On April 25, 2003, Telesp Celular Participações S.A. acquired 64.03% of the voting stock of Tele Centro-Oeste Celular Participações S.A., or TCO. TCO is an A Band operator providing cellular telecommunications services in the Federal District of Brazil, as well as in the Brazilian states of Goiás, Mato Grosso do Sul, Mato Grosso, Rondônia, Acre and Tocantins and a B Band operator, which provides cellular telecommunications service in the Brazilian states of Amapá, Amazonas, Maranhão, Pará and Roraima. TCP acquired additional voting shares of TCO in a public tender offer, increasing TCP's share in TCO to 90.22%.

Vivo

All of the operating companies participating in the joint venture between Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles, named Brasilcel, have been operating under the brand name "Vivo" since April 2003. The consolidation provided a unified commercial model for the whole country centered on the Vivo brand, substituting the different brands under which the different companies offered their services in their respective states. The commercial strategy of Vivo is to increase its customer base as well as revenues by retaining customers as well as maintaining its distribution channels. The launching of the Vivo brand was accompanied by loyalty programs and other measures designed to contribute to the success of the commercial strategy.

[Back to Contents](#)**Sudestecel**

In June 2004, Anatel approved the purchase by Brasilcel of all the shares of Sudestecel Participações, S.A. held by NTT DoCoMo, Inc. and Itochu Corporation. These two companies are thus no longer shareholders of the group.

VTO □ Voluntary Public Tender Offer

On October 8, 2004, Brasilcel concluded its public tender offer (“VTO”) for the acquisition of up to 7,332,479,000 common shares and 12,699,707,000 preferred shares of TeleSudeste. The number of preferred shares tendered in the auction for the VTO exceeded the maximum number to be acquired by Brasilcel. Thus, each shareholder that tendered shares in the VTO received, for each share tendered, a *pro rata* allocation of 0.6284 preferred shares issued by TSD and acquired by Brasilcel. The number of common shares tendered in the auction for VTO was lower than the number to be acquired by Brasilcel; therefore there was no *pro rata* allocation. After the VTO, the number of shares of TSD held by Brasilcel represented 91.75% of the total common shares, 90.27% of the total preferred shares and 90.89% of the ownership interest of Brasilcel in the total capital stock of TSD.

Capital Expenditures

The primary focus of our capital expenditure program has been, and continues to be, the improvement of the capacity of the services we currently offer and the provision of new services as well as the development of information systems.

The following table sets forth our capital expenditures for the periods presented:

| | Year ended December 31, | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| | (in millions of reais) | | |
| Automatic switching equipment | 90.6 | 59.3 | 87.7 |
| Other equipment | 64.8 | 161.0 | 130.1 |
| Real estate | □ | 3.4 | 21.8 |
| Other assets (1) | 85.9 | 31.2 | 131.3 |
| Total capital expenditures | 241.3 | 254.9 | 370.9 |

(1) Consisting primarily of free handset rentals, network construction, furniture and fixtures, office equipment and store layouts.

We anticipate that our capital expenditures for 2005 will be approximately R\$286.1 million. We intend to fund these capital expenditures mostly with cash generated from operations. See “Item 5B. Liquidity and Capital Resources.”

The primary focus of our capital expenditure program has been, and continues to be the expansion of the capacity of the services we currently offer and the development of new services.

[Back to Content](#)**B. Business Overview****Overview**

We provide cellular telecommunications services in Brazil through our subsidiaries Telerj Celular and Telest Celular in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo, respectively, referred to in this annual report as our Region. We are the leading provider of cellular telecommunications services in our Region according to market share data published by Anatel. The table below sets forth the net operating revenues for Telerj Celular and Telest Celular for the periods presented:

| | Year ended December 31, | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | | |
| Telerj Celular | 1,595.9 | 1,623.7 | 1,614.1 |
| Telest Celular | 353.8 | 287.7 | 240.2 |
| Deductions from consolidation | (22.7) | (18.9) | (6.7) |
| Total | 1,927.0 | 1,892.5 | 1,847.6 |

Our Operations

The following table sets forth information on our cellular telecommunications base, coverage and related matters for the period indicated.

| | Year ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Cellular lines in service at year-end | 4,376,660 | 3,708,599 | 3,454,870 |
| Contract customers | 1,259,467 | 1,156,483 | 1,086,657 |
| Prepaid customers | 3,117,193 | 2,552,116 | 2,368,213 |
| Customer growth during the year | 18.0% | 7.4% | 14.1% |
| Prepaid lines in service at year-end | 3,117,193 | 2,552,116 | 2,368,213 |
| Churn (1) | 31.3% | 30.6% | 18.2% |
| Estimated population of Region at year-end (millions) (2) | 18.7 | 18.1 | 18.0 |
| Estimated covered population at year-end (millions) (3) | 18.1 | 17.4 | 15.8 |
| Percentage of population of Region covered at year-end (4) | 96.8% | 96.0% | 87.4% |
| Penetration at year-end (5) | 49.7% | 41.0% | 32.7% |
| Percentage of municipalities covered | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Average monthly minutes of use per customer (6) | 98 | 112 | 110 |
| Market share (7) | 47.7% | 49.6% | 57.3% |

(1) Churn is the number of customers that leave us during the year, calculated as a percentage of the simple average of customers at the beginning and the end of the year.

(2) Projections based on estimates of the *Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística* IBGE.

- (3) Number of people within our Region that can access our cellular telecommunications signal.
- (4) Percentage of the population in our Region that can access our cellular telecommunications signal.
- (5) Number of cellular lines in service in our Region, including those of our competitors, divided by the population of our Region.
- (6) Average monthly minutes of use per lines in service is the total minutes of calls received and made by our customers divided by the average of lines in service during the relevant year (includes roaming in and excludes roaming out).
- (7) Estimate based on all lines in service in our Region at year end.

Our Services

We provide cellular telecommunications services using both digital and analog technologies. Our network provides both CDMA digital service and AMPS, or analog services. All our services are provided in the frequency of 850 MHz. We provide voice and ancillary services, including voicemail and voicemail notification, call forwarding, three-way calling, caller identification, short messaging, limitation on the number of used minutes, cellular chat room, and data service such as wireless application protocol service through which clients can access WAP sites and portals. We offer direct access to the Internet through either PCMCIA cards (Personal Computer Memory Card International Association, an organization consisting of some 500 companies that has developed standardized small, credit card-sized devices, called PC Cards) designed to connect compatible PDA's (Personal Digital Assistant, a handheld device that combines computing, telephone/fax, Internet and networking features) and laptops or cellular phones by cable connection that offers to corporate subscribers secure access to their intranet and office resources. We also offer some new services including Multimedia Message Service, MExE (Mobile Execution Environment) that enable the handset to download applications and execute them at the mobile and a user interface with icons at the handset to identify the main services, such as Voice Mail, Downloads, and text messaging (SMS), for friendlier access to our services.

[Back to Contents](#)

In addition, in 2004 we launched:

- “Vivo Direto” service □ this service allows users to make individual and group calls;
- “Vivo Encontra” (LBS) □ a group of Location Based Services, including “Vivo Localiza,” using gpsOne as a location technology service that allows users to locate each other;
- “Vivo Aqui Perto” □ a city-guide application;
- “Vivo Agenda” (Synchronized Agenda) □ this service allows users to back up their contact lists and to recover any information lost in case of robbery or loss;
- “Vivo em Ação” □ an alternative-reality game that encourages the client to use different ancillary services;
- “Vivo Avisar” makes the client aware of calls missed when their phone is unavailable;
- “Olho Vivo” (video monitoring) □ (launched in March 2004), this was the first monitoring application in Brazil. Subscribers can see real-time images of a webcam connected to a PC through their personal mobile at a rate of 4 frames per second; and
- “TV no Celular” (video streaming) □ (launched in October 2004), this was the first application of streaming in Brazil. Subscribers can see real-time audio and television images through their personal mobiles.

We offer roaming services, through agreements with local cellular service providers throughout Brazil and other countries that allow our subscribers to make and receive calls while out of our concession areas. We also provide reciprocal roaming services to subscribers of those cellular service providers while they are in our concession areas.

Our Region

We provide mobile telecommunications services on the A Band frequency range in the States of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo, covering approximately 89,773.6 square kilometers representing approximately 1.1% of Brazil’s territory. This area includes more than 18 million people, representing 10.2% of Brazil’s population. TSD covers 100% of the municipalities in our Region and 96.8% of the population of our Region.

The following table sets forth population, gross domestic product (GDP) and per capita income statistics for each state in our Region at the dates and for the year indicated.

| Area | At December 31, 2004 | | Year ended December 31, 2004 | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Population (million) (1) | % of Brazil’s population (1) | GDP (millions of reais) (2) (3) | % of Brazil’s GDP (3) | Per capita income (reais) (2) (3) |
| Rio de Janeiro state | 15.3 | 8.4 | 223,596 | 12.6 | 14,707 |
| Espírito Santo state | 3.4 | 1.8 | 32,496 | 1.8 | 9,694 |
| Our Region | 18.7 | 10.2 | 256,092 | 14.4 | 13,801 |

Source: IBGE (*Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística* □ Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics). We calculated the GDP for the states based on the last available percentages published by IBGE in previous years.

(1) Estimates from IBGE for end of year 2004.

(2) Our estimates are expressed in nominal *reais*.

(3) Nominal Brazilian GDP was R\$1,769 billion as of December 2004, calculated by IBGE.

[Back to Contents](#)

Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects depend in part on the performance of the Brazilian economy. See "Item 3D. Risk Factors."

Marketing and Sales

We closely follow the developments in the markets where we operate and constantly launch new promotions and advertising campaigns.

A strong customer acquisition policy has been implemented across all the company's operators through aggressive mass sales promotions and segmented actions. Efforts to acquire new customers for prepaid and postpaid services have mostly been made through joint promotions designed to increase intranet traffic and stimulate the use of data services.

With the premise of keeping a sustainable customer base, the acquisition promotions have also been open to current customers who wished to change their cell phones. We are actively involved in a high-value customer loyalty program by offering aggressive discounts on cell phones through direct marketing actions.

TSD currently has 49 shops and kiosks of its own, and an authorized third-party network, on an exclusive or nonexclusive basis, with 887 service points capable of selling services and cell phones. The credit recharges are available for customers in more than 34,335 sites.

Customer Service

As part of the strategy for standardizing service provided by TSD operators to their customers, we have outsourced 100% of the customer services while keeping full management control. These services are available on a 24-hour basis from our call center and our website.

Satisfaction evaluation

Customer satisfaction is evaluated by regular satisfaction surveys. In 2004, 10,000 Vivo group customers, among them 1,666 TSD customers, were interviewed throughout Brazil. They were asked about customer assistance, technical assistance, and our products and services. The overall satisfaction rating was 8.3 on a range from 1 to 10. Several have since been taken in order to increase our customer satisfaction.

Assistance to customer claims

TSD has a qualified staff designed to assist and provide information to customers with respect to the services we provide.

Vivo operating companies' customer service, including TSD, was ranked first in 2003 and 2004 in a survey entitled "Companies That Most Respect Consumers", carried out by the IBRC (Brazilian Institute of Customer Relations) for the Consumidor Moderno (Modern Consumer).

In 2004, the Vivo operating companies, including TSD, received the following awards for consumer service:

- "Prêmio Consumidor Moderno de Excelência em Serviços ao Cliente" (Revista Consumidor Moderno, 2004) □ ("Excellence in Customer Services" awarded by the magazine *Consumidor Moderno*);

[Back to Contents](#)

- Guilherme Portela, VIVO operating company's Customer Vice-President was awarded "B2B Executive of The Year 2004" by *B2B* magazine;
- "*Melhor Sistema com Internet*" granted by ABT (Associação Brasileira de Telemarketing) □ "Best Internet System" awarded by ABT (the Brazilian Telemarketing Association); and
- "*Melhor Operação de Relacionamento em Call Center Próprio ou Terceirizado □ Ativo/Receptivo*" □ granted by ABT (Associação Brasileira de Telemarketing) □ "Best Call Center Service Operation" awarded by ABT (the Brazilian Telemarketing Association).

Our Network

Before November 1998, our network used only AMPS analog technology. After this privatization, we began to use CDMA digital technology. Digitalization offers certain advantages, such as greater network capacity and additional revenue through the sale of value-added services. Digital cellular telecommunications service also reduces the risk of fraud. We continue to increase network capacity and coverage to improve our quality of service and to meet customer demand.

As of December 31, 2004, our cellular telecommunications network covered 100% of the municipalities, or 96.77% of the population, of our Region. Our network provides both CDMA digital and AMPS analog services.

Our networks are connected primarily through a fiber-optic transmission capacity we lease from the incumbent wire line companies, consisting of cellular switches, base stations and other communication devices, such as voicemail, prepaid service, SMS, Home Location Registers, Signalling Transfer Point, PDSN and gateways. NEC do Brasil S.A., Nortel Networks □ Northern Telecom do Brasil and Lucent Technologies do Brasil, Ind. e Com. Ltda. are our principal suppliers. We continue to increase network capacity and coverage to improve quality of service and to meet consumer demand.

Our advanced network management technology ensures global management and supervision of our network process and performance. Our network management center is able to identify abnormalities in our network and in other networks, using the latest failure and signal monitoring systems. In addition, quality and service standards are constantly monitored. The network management center is integrated with the maintenance and operations center, which is designed to supervise our Network Elements, Infrastructure and Transmission divisions, as well as to operate the Radio Network Elements, Computing Centrals, Backbone and Service Platforms divisions.

Our network is equipped to provide continuity of service to our customers in the event of network interruptions. We have developed contingency plans for potential catastrophes in our switching centers, power supply interruptions and security breaches.

Telecommunications concessions or authorizations require companies to meet certain obligations for service quality and annual network expansion. See "□Regulation of the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry□Obligations of Telecommunications Companies." We have already met all of our network expansion obligations required under our authorization.

Sources of Revenue

We generate revenue from:

- usage charges, which include measured service charges for calls and other similar charges;
- interconnection charges (or network usage charges), which are amounts we charge other cellular and fixed-line service providers for the use of our network;
- monthly subscription charges, which are not charged to our prepaid customers;
- sale of cellular handsets and accessories; and

- other charges, including charges for call forwarding, call waiting, call blocking and data services, such as text messaging service, downloads and MMS services. They are charged only when the customer's plan does not include these services.

[Back to Contents](#)

Our rates are subject to approval by Anatel. See “Regulation of the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry” Rate Regulation.”

The table below sets forth our net operating revenues by category of activity for the periods presented:

| | Year ended December 31, | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | | |
| Usage charges | 1,127,752 | 1,077,461 | 925,973 |
| Interconnection charges | 792,513 | 809,860 | 795,067 |
| Monthly subscription charge | 138,599 | 198,496 | 281,613 |
| Sale of handsets and accessories | 584,077 | 394,577 | 348,635 |
| Other | 60,928 | 46,067 | 15,579 |
| | <u>2,703,869</u> | <u>2,526,461</u> | <u>2,366,867</u> |
| Gross operating revenue | 2,703,869 | 2,526,461 | 2,366,867 |
| Value-added and other indirect taxes | (553,302) | (511,435) | (417,649) |
| Discounts granted and return of goods | (223,540) | (122,575) | (101,587) |
| | <u>1,927,027</u> | <u>1,892,451</u> | <u>1,847,631</u> |
| Net operating revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 |

Contract Customers

Since October 1994, cellular telecommunications service in Brazil has been offered on a “calling-party pays” basis, under which the customer pays only for calls that it originates. In addition, customers pay roaming charges on calls made or received outside their home registration area.

Customer charges are calculated based on the customer’s calling plan, the location of the party called, the place from which the call originates and certain other factors, as described below. Our Region is divided into five areas, called registration areas, designated for payment purposes, comprised of the metropolitan area of Rio de Janeiro, two areas of upstate Rio de Janeiro and two areas in the state of Espírito Santo.

Interconnection Charges

We earn revenues from any call that originates from another cellular or fixed-line service provider network connecting one of our customers. We charge the service provider from whose network the call originates a network usage charge for every minute that our network is used in connection with the call. See “Item 4 Information on the Company Business Overview Operating Agreements Interconnection Agreements.” Tariff increases are subject to Anatel’s review and approval.

Bill and Keep

Anatel adopted “Bill & Keep” rules for interconnection charges in July 2003. The rules provide that companies under the SMP regime are not required to pay tariffs for the use of the local network of another SMP provider as long as customers use local service (i.e., make calls in the same registration area) and as long as there is a traffic balance between the providers. However, when traffic from the SMP provider that originates the call to the SMP provider that terminates the call represents more than 55% of the total local traffic between the two providers, the SMP provider who originates the higher traffic through the other provider’s network must pay to such other provider the local usage tariff for the portion of the traffic that exceeds 55%. This rule is in effect through June 30, 2005. Thereafter, SMP operators may adopt full Bill and Keep, by which no remuneration will be due for network usage among SMP networks, regardless of the amount of carried traffic.

[Back to Contents](#)

Roaming Fees

We receive revenue pursuant to roaming agreements with other cellular service providers. When a call is made from within our Region by a customer of another cellular service provider, that service provider pays us for the call at the applicable rate. Conversely, when one of our customers makes a cellular call outside our Region, we must pay the charges associated with that call to the cellular service provider in whose region the call originates. See "Item 4 Information on the Company Business Overview Operating Agreements Roaming Agreements."

Handset Sales

We sell dual-mode (800MHz CDMA-1xRTT/AMPS and 800MHz CDMA/AMPS) and tri-mode (1900MHz CDMA and 800MHz CDMA/AMPS) cellular handsets and PCMCIA boards through our own stores and dealers. Although we still have some customers using analog service (approximately 0.9% of our total customer base at December 31, 2004), we have provided a number of incentives to encourage our analog customers to switch to digital handsets by offering discounts on digital handsets and on monthly digital service fees so that our customers can take advantage of our services that require digital handsets. From time to time, we offer certain advantages or promotions to create incentives for customers to switch their existing handsets to more technologically advanced digital handsets. We also offer our individual contract customers the option of using their points to partially pay for the acquisition of new handsets or for a new line. See "Our Services."

Samsung, Motorola, LG and Nokia are, among others, our current suppliers.

Operating Agreements

We have an agreement with Telemar to share physical space, real estate, air conditioning, energy, security and cleaning services. We lease from Telemar transmission capacity necessary to complete the construction of our network infrastructure.

Interconnection Agreements

The terms of our interconnection agreements include provisions with respect to the number of connection points and traffic signals. See "Regulation of the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry Obligations of Telecommunications Companies" and "Interconnection."

We believe that our subsidiaries have adequate interconnection agreements with all the fixed line operators they need for the provision of their services. We also believe that our subsidiaries have all the necessary interconnection agreements with local distance carriers.

Roaming Agreements

We are a member of the Brazilian roaming committee, a group comprised of 21 companies providing cellular services in Brazil through either A and B bands. The committee was created to standardize roaming services in Brazil and elsewhere.

The roaming agreements require us and the other cellular service providers to provide service to roaming customers on the same basis that each member provides service to its own customers, and to carry out a monthly reconciliation of roaming customer usage charges.

We offer automatic international roaming in Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Dominican Republic and South Korea. Currently the markets of the United States, Mexico and Canada are offered to our customers through third-party partners, as well as Japan. Since 2000, we have provided international GSM services through the use of GSM handsets in most parts of Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania.

[Back to Contents](#)

Taxes on Telecommunications Services and Handset Sales

The cost of telecommunications services and handset sales to customers incorporates a variety of taxes, including:

- **ICMS.** *Imposto sobre Circulação de Mercadorias e Serviços*, or ICMS, is a state tax imposed at varying rates from 7% to 30% on certain revenues from the sale of goods and services, including telecommunications services.
- **COFINS.** *Contribuição para Financiamento da Seguridade Social*, or COFINS, is a federal social contribution tax imposed on the gross operating revenue, less discounts or returns. In December 2003, Law No. 10,833 was enacted, making such contribution noncumulative and increasing the rate from 3.0% to 7.60%, except in connection with telecommunications services, where the rate continues to be 3.0%.
- **PIS.** *Programa de Integração Social*, or PIS, is a federal social contribution tax which corresponds to 1.65% of the gross operating revenue, less discounts or returns, except in connection with telecommunications services, where the rate is 0.65%.
- **FUST.** *Fundo de Universalização dos Serviços de Telecomunicações*, or FUST, is a federal social contribution which corresponds to 1% of the net revenue generated by telecommunications services (other than interconnection charges). The purpose of the FUST is to fund a portion of the costs incurred by telecommunications service providers to meet the universal service targets required by Anatel, in case the service providers are unable to fund, in whole or in part, such costs.
- **FUNTEL.** *Fundo para Desenvolvimento Tecnológico das Telecomunicações*, or FUNTEL, is a federal social contribution which corresponds to 0.5% of the net revenue generated by telecommunications services (other than interconnection charges). The purpose of FUNTEL is to promote the development of telecommunications technology in Brazil and to improve competition.
- **FISTEL.** *Fundo de Fiscalização das Telecomunicações*, or FISTEL, is a federal tax applicable to telecommunications transmission equipment. The purpose of FISTEL is to provide financial resources for the Brazilian federal government to control and inspect the industry. This tax is divided in two parts: *Taxa de Fiscalização de Funcionamento* and *Taxa de Fiscalização de Instalação*. *Taxa de Fiscalização de Funcionamento* is based on the total number of customers at the end of the previous fiscal year. *Taxa de Fiscalização de Instalação* is based on (i) the net monthly additions (new customers less churn) and (ii) the total number of radio base stations.

Billing and Collection

Pursuant to Brazilian law, customers must receive a bill at least five days before the due date, and companies must allow customers at least 15 days from the due date to pay overdue accounts before suspending outgoing service for nonpayment. Customers may choose from a number of billing options, including traditional paper bills, direct withdrawal from the customer's bank account and some deferred payment options. We have also introduced a new billing service through which customers can receive and pay bills via the Internet. In 2004, we estimate that approximately 63% of our invoices were paid in full on a timely basis. Approximately 74% were paid before the first reminder was sent, and 92% were paid before the second reminder was sent.

We have established a uniform policy for dealing with delinquent customer accounts. If a subscriber's payment is more than 15 days past due, outgoing service may be suspended and if payment is more than 40 days past due, both outgoing and incoming services are suspended until full payment for all outstanding charges is received. If a customer's payment is more than 90 days past due, service is discontinued.

Our collection system has an excellent mechanism for tracking customers who are delinquent in making payments. Our collections department has had a continued success rate collecting payments from customers. In addition, we have employed eight outside collection agencies that recover payments that are more than 105 days past due. We provision for customer accounts over 90 days past due and write off customer accounts that are over 180 days past due. We wrote-off approximately R\$35.7 million for unpaid accounts in 2004. Our provisions for doubtful accounts amounted to 1.32%, 1.59% and 3.72% of our gross operating revenue in 2004, 2003 and

2002, respectively. These figures are calculated as dividing the total amount of provisions for the allowance for doubtful by gross operating revenues. See "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects [Operating Results]Results of Operations for 2004, 2003 and 2002[Operating Expenses." We offer an installment payment plan for those with overdue amounts.

[Back to Contents](#)

We receive roaming fees from other cellular service providers when their subscribers make cellular calls while within our Region, and pay roaming fees to other cellular service providers when our subscribers make cellular calls while outside of our Region. See “Item 4 □ Information on the Company □ Business Overview □ Sources of Revenue □ Roaming Fees.” We receive network usage fees from other service providers when their subscribers make calls that terminate on a cellular telephone within our Region, and we pay network usage fees when our subscribers make calls that terminate on the network of another service provider. See “Item 4 □ Information on the Company □ Business Overview □ Sources of Revenue □ Interconnection Charges.” At the end of each month, our company and the other service providers reconcile the amounts owed between them and settle on a net basis. For international and domestic long-distance calls made by its subscribers, our company forwards the amount registered on account of such calls to a clearinghouse operated by Embratel □ Empresa Brasileira de Telecomunicações S.A and charges the carriers a fee for the use of its cellular telecommunications network.

Fraud Detection and Prevention

We incur costs associated with the unauthorized use of our wireless networks, particularly our analog cellular networks. These costs include administrative and capital costs associated with detecting, monitoring and reducing the incidence of fraud. Fraud also affects interconnection costs, capacity costs, administrative costs and payments to other carriers for unbillable fraudulent roaming.

The two most prevalent types of fraud are cloning fraud and subscription fraud. Cloning fraud consists of duplicating the cellular signal of a bona fide customer, enabling the perpetrator of the fraud to make calls using the customer’s signal. We ultimately bear the costs of all fraudulent calls originating from our cell phone base. We have installed a fraud detection system that analyzes various aspects of customers’ usage in order to detect cloning fraud. In addition, the introduction of digital service is significantly reducing the incidence of cloning fraud.

Subscription fraud occurs when a person, typically using false or stolen documents, obtains cellular telecommunications service, and then incurs substantial charges that are billed to a customer who does not exist or who did not request the service. Nevertheless, it is difficult for us to control this type of fraud because of Anatel’s application of Rule 05/78, which prohibits suspension of service prior to an account being 15 days past due. We may, however, suspend service when the subscription is under suspicion and fraud has been confirmed by means of specific procedures. In such cases, the rules imposed by Anatel do not prevent the suspension of service.

In order to safeguard ourselves against these fraudulent activities, we review documentation provided by customers and conduct a credit check prior to initiating service. We use credit bureaus to enhance our reviews. We have implemented certain detection and prevention measures to reduce fraud-related losses, including the automatic review of call detail records in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo to identify abnormal calling patterns. Fraud prevention measures include restrictions on international calls from a given number, to certain high-risk destinations, automatic blocking of calls to certain high-risk destinations and restrictions on three-way calling by customers with international direct-dial access. We have installed, and are a part of, a nationwide fraud-detection system. This system aids in fraud detection in various ways, including identifying simultaneous usage by a single customer, call frequency and unusually high usage patterns. We are able to monitor usage by our customers even when they are located outside of our areas.

Competition

We face intense competition in all the areas in which we operate, principally from other cellular service providers and also from fixed line operators. Many of these competitors are part of large, national or multinational groups and therefore have access to financing, new technologies and other benefits that derives from being owned by such a group. Fixed line operators generally charge much lower tariffs than cellular service providers.

[Back to Contents](#)

Our principal cellular competitor is Claro (Algar Telecom Leste S.A. or ATL), which operates in the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo. ATL is controlled by a consortium led by the Telecom Américas Ltd. (controlled by América Móvil S.A. de C.V.). ATL began providing cellular telecommunications services in our Region at the end of 1998. The rights and obligations under ATL's license are substantially identical to our rights and obligations. Although ATL provides only digital service, its customers use TDMA dual mode cellular handsets that can operate on an analog network and GSM handsets. Telecom Américas launched a new trademark, known as Claro. The principal fixed line operator in its area is Telemar Norte Leste S.A. Oi is the third competitor and is integrated with Telemar (a fixed line operator).

We also compete with certain other wireless telecommunications services, such as mobile radio (including digital trunking technology, offered by Nextel), paging and beeper services, which are used by some in our areas as a substitute for cellular telecommunications services. Satellite services, which provide nationwide coverage, are also available in Brazil. Although satellite services have the benefit of covering a much greater area than cellular telecommunications services, they are considerably more expensive than cellular telecommunications services and do not offer comparable coverage inside buildings. We do not plan to offer mobile satellite services (other than pursuant to a roaming arrangement with a satellite service provider). Finally, we also face intra-company competition, when we offer services that may be used by our customers in substitution for mobile calls, such as SMS and Personal Digital Assistance.

Regulation of the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry

General

Our business, the services we provide and the prices we charge are subject to regulation under the General Telecommunications Law and various administrative enactments, which regulate the services provided by Brazilian telecommunications operators.

Anatel is the agency that regulates telecommunications under the General Telecommunications Law and the July 2001 Regulamento da Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações, known as the Anatel Decree. Anatel is financially and administratively independent of the Brazilian government. Anatel maintains a close relationship with the Ministry of Communications. Any regulation proposed by Anatel is subject to a period of public comment, which may include public hearings. Anatel's actions may be challenged in the Brazilian courts. On November 25, 1998, Anatel enacted Resolution 73 □ Regulation of Telecommunications Services, which regulates in detail the new comprehensive framework for the provision of telecommunications services in Brazil established by the General Telecommunications Law.

Concessions and Authorizations

Before January 2000, Anatel had only authorized two mobile service providers in each of the 10 franchise areas under "A Band" and "B Band." A Band and B Band mobile service providers were granted concessions pursuant to the *Lei Mínima*, or the Minimum Law. Each concession is a specific grant of authority to supply cellular telecommunications services, subject to certain requirements contained in the applicable list of obligations appended to each concession. If a mobile service provider wishes to offer any telecommunications service other than those authorized by its concession, it may apply to Anatel for an authorization to offer such other services.

In accordance with the General Telecommunications Law, a concession relates to the provision of telecommunications services under the public regime, as determined by the public administration. A concession may only be granted upon a prior auction bidding process. As a result, regulatory provisions are included in the relevant concession agreements and the concessionaire is subject to public service principles of continuity, changeability and equal treatment of customers. Also, Anatel is empowered to direct and control the performance of the services, to apply penalties and to declare the expiration of the concession and the return of assets of the concessionaire to the government authority upon termination of the concession. Another distinctive feature is the right of the concessionaire under the concession agreement to be able to maintain certain economic and financial standards. The concession is granted for a fixed period of time and is generally renewable only once.

[Back to Contents](#)

An authorization is a permission granted by the public administration under the private regime, which may or may not be granted upon a prior auction bidding process, to the extent that the authorized party complies with the objective and subjective conditions deemed necessary for the rendering of the relevant type of telecommunications service in the private regime. The authorization is granted for an indeterminate period of time. Under an authorization, the government does not guarantee to the authorized company the economic-financial equilibrium, as is the case under concessions.

SMP Regulation

In November 2000, Anatel adopted certain regulations for the issuance of new licenses, which are authorizations to provide wireless communication services through SMP, personal mobile service, to compete with the then existing cellular operators in the various regions of Brazil. These regulations divided Brazil into three main regions covering the same geographic areas as the concessions for the fixed-line telecommunications services. Anatel organized auctions for three new licenses for each region. The new licenses provided that the new services would be operated in the 1,800 MHz radio frequency bands, and they were denominated C Band, D Band and E Band. These new licenses were auctioned by Anatel and awarded during the first quarter of 2001, at the end of 2002 and in September of 2004.

Under these new licenses:

- services are to be provided using the 1,800 MHz frequency;
- each operator may provide domestic and international long distance services in its licensed area;
- existing cellular service providers, as long as they do not have partnerships with fixed-line operators, as well as new entrants into the Brazilian telecommunications market, can bid for C Band, D Band and E Band licenses. However, fixed-line operators, their controlling shareholders and affiliated cellular providers can only bid for D Band and E Band licenses;
- a cellular operator, or its respective controlling shareholders, may not have geographical overlap between licenses; and
- current A Band and B Band cellular service providers can apply for an extra frequency range.

Pursuant to the SMP services regulation, each of the three main regions is divided into registration areas, or tariff areas. In order to transfer our services to SMP, we were required to comply with several technical and operational conditions, including, among others, the adoption of a carrier selection code for long distance calls originating from our network.

Under the General Telecommunications Law, all mobile telecommunications service providers must provide interconnection upon the request of any other mobile or fixed-line telecommunications service provider. Until June 30, 2004, SMP service providers could opt to establish a price cap or freely negotiate their interconnection charges. Network usage fee negotiations are regulated by Anatel. The terms and conditions of interconnection are now freely negotiated between wireless and fixed-line operators, subject to compliance with regulations to be established by Anatel. Anatel submitted new regulations on interconnection rules for public. The public comment period ended on October 18, 2004 and we have presented arguments against some of the proposals that may have adverse effects on our results. Anatel will decide whether to publish a new regulation and, if so, its content. If the current regulations take effect, they may negatively affect our revenues and results of operations. If the parties cannot reach an agreement on the terms of interconnection, including with respect to the interconnection tariff, Anatel will act as the final arbiter. Because Anatel considers us to be affiliated with Telefónica, which already provides wireline long distance services in the state of São Paulo and was awarded a license to provide these services nationwide, Anatel will not award a wireline long distance license to us. Though we and other mobile operators have requested that Anatel revise the current SMP regime, there can be no assurance it will do so. Under the SMP regime, we will receive revenues from interconnection fees paid to us by wireline long distance operators due to long distance traffic originating and terminating on our network.

[Back to Contents](#)

The authorizations consist of two licenses – one to provide mobile telecommunications services, and another to use the frequency spectrum for a period of 15 years. The frequency license is renewable for another 15-year period upon the payment of an additional license fee. Telerj Celular and Telest Celular hold a national and international authorization for multimedia communication Services (*Serviços de Comunicação Multimídia*, or SCM).

Benefit of the SMP System

According to the General Telecommunications Law and Decree No. 2056/96, control of the concessionaire can only be transferred after five years from the date of the privatization in the case of A Band concessionaires or the commencement of services in the case of B Band concessionaires. On the other hand, under the SMP system, the authorization or control of the authorized party can be transferred through merger of the relevant cellular mobile service provider, whether it is providing services under the A Band or the B Band.

Obligations of Telecommunications Companies

As a telecommunications service provider, we are subject to regulations concerning quality of service and network expansion, as established in our authorizations and our original concession agreements.

Any breach by the companies of telecommunications legislation or of any obligation set forth in their authorizations may result in a fine of up to R\$50 million.

Our authorizations impose obligations to meet quality of service standards, such as the system's ability to make and receive calls, call failure rates, the network's capacity to handle peak periods, failed interconnection of calls and customer complaints. Anatel published the method for collecting data on these quality service standards on April 23, 2003 (Anatel Resolution No. 335/03).

Interconnection

Under the General Telecommunications Law, telecommunications service providers are classified as providers of either collective or restricted services. All cellular operators, including SMP service providers, are classified by Anatel as collective service providers. All providers of collective services are required to provide interconnection upon request to any other collective service provider. The terms and conditions of interconnection are freely negotiated between parties, subject to price caps and other rules established by Anatel. Providers must enter into interconnection agreements, regarding, among other things, tariffs, commercial conditions and technical issues, with all requesting parties on a nondiscriminatory basis. If the parties cannot agree upon the terms and conditions of interconnection, Anatel may determine terms and conditions by arbitration.

Interconnection agreements must be approved by Anatel and may be rejected if they are contrary to the principles of free competition and the applicable regulations.

Rate Regulation

In our Basic Plan and in certain roaming charges of determined alternative service plans, our authorizations continue to provide for a price cap mechanism to set and adjust rates on an annual basis. The cap is a maximum weighted average price for a package of services. The package consists of the services in our Basic Plan, including activation fees, monthly subscription fees, and certain roaming charges, which are charged for the use of mobile services under the SMP regime. The price cap is revised annually to reflect the rate of inflation as measured by the IGP DI. However, mobile operators are able to freely set the rates for alternative service plans.

The initial price cap agreed to by Anatel and us in our authorizations had been based on the previously existing or bidding prices, and was adjusted annually on the basis of a formula contained in our authorizations. The price cap has been revised to reflect the rate of inflation as measured by the IGP DI.

[Back to Contents](#)

Other telecommunications companies that interconnect with and use our network must pay certain fees, primarily an interconnection fee. The interconnection fee is a flat fee charged per minute of use. The interconnection fee charged by us and other A and B Band service providers was subject to a price cap stipulated by Anatel. This price cap was valid until June 30, 2004 and, thereafter, the terms and conditions of the interconnection are freely negotiated among the operators, effective as of 2005, subject to Anatel regulations. Anatel submitted to public consultation new regulations on interconnection rules. The public consultation period ended on October 18, 2004 and we presented our arguments against some of the proposals that may have an adverse effect on our results. Anatel will decide whether to publish a new regulation and on its content. If these regulations take effect, they may negatively affect our revenues and results of operations.

Internet and Related Services in Brazil

In Brazil, Internet service providers, or ISPs, are deemed to be suppliers of value-added services and not telecommunications service providers. Anatel's Resolution 190 requires cable operators to act as carriers of third-party Internet service providers. The Brazilian House of Representatives is considering a law that would penalize Internet service providers for knowingly providing services that allow illegal goods or services to be sold on the Internet, and would impose confidentiality requirements on Internet service providers regarding nonpublic information transmitted or stored on their networks.

C. Organizational Structure

As of December 31, 2004, our voting shares were indirectly controlled by two major shareholders: PT Móveis and Telefónica Móviles, through Brasilcel N.V., with 91.7% of our voting stock, 90.3% of our preferred shares and 90.9% of our total capital stock. Portugal Telecom and Telefónica Móviles share their participation in Brasilcel N.V. in equal percentages.

Our subsidiaries are Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. Substantially all our assets consist of shares in our subsidiaries. We rely very substantially on dividends from our subsidiaries to meet our needs for cash, including cash to pay dividends to our shareholders. See "Item 5 Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Liquidity and Capital Resources."

For a more detailed description of our ownership structure and the joint venture between PT Móveis and Telefónica Móviles, see "Our History and Development."

D. Property, Plant and Equipment

Our principal physical property consists of transmission equipment, switching equipment, base stations and other communication devices, such as voicemail, prepaid service, SMS, Home Location Registers, Signalling Transfer Point, PDSN and gateways. All switches, cell sites, administrative buildings, warehouse, administrative facilities and stores are insured against damages for policy operation risks.

At December 31, 2004, we had 22 cellular switches and other equipment installed in five owned spaces and five shared places. We lease almost all of the sites where our cellular telecommunications network equipment is installed. Our 2,168 base stations were installed in 1,504 cell sites, and the average term of these leases is five years. In addition, we have our own administrative buildings (approximately 11,732 square meters) and one store and also lease administrative facilities (approximately 7,917 square meters), warehouse space (approximately 9,700 square meters) and 44 retail stores throughout our Region.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes and other financial information included elsewhere in this annual report, and in conjunction with the financial information included under "Item 3A. Selected Financial Data."

[Back to Contents](#)**Critical Accounting Policies**

In preparing our consolidated financial statements, we have relied on estimates and assumptions derived from historical experience and various other factors that we deemed reasonable and relevant. “Critical accounting policies” are those that are important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results and utilize management’s most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, estimates and assumptions. The significant accounting policies that we believe are critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial position and results of operations reported under Brazilian Corporate Law Method are described in note 3 to our consolidated financial statements. A description of the differences in accounting policies between Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP is included in the notes to our consolidated financial statements. The application of these critical accounting policies often requires judgments made by our management regarding the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain on the carrying value of our assets and liabilities and the results of our operations. Our results of operation and financial condition may differ from those set forth in our consolidated financial statements, if our actual experience differs from management’s assumptions and estimates. The following is a discussion of our critical accounting policies, including some of the variables, assumptions and sensitivities underlying the estimates relating to:

- goodwill impairment;
- revenue recognition;
- depreciation of property, plant and equipment;
- valuation of property, plant and equipment;
- provisions for contingencies;
- deferred income taxes; and
- financial instruments.

Goodwill impairment

Under Brazilian Corporate Law Method, the amount of goodwill and other intangible asset impairment, if any, is measured based on projected undiscounted future operating cash flows. Under U.S. GAAP, pursuant to SFAS 142 □ “Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets” □ goodwill is no longer amortized and is subject to a yearly impairment test. In performing the yearly impairment test, we identify our reporting units and determine the carrying value of each reporting unit by assigning the assets and liabilities, including the existing goodwill and intangible assets. We then determine the fair value of each reporting unit and compare it to the carrying amount of the reporting unit. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, we would be required to perform the second step of the impairment test that involves the determination of the implicit fair value of the reporting unit by performing a hypothetical purchase accounting calculation. If the implicit value of the goodwill exceeds the book value, an impairment is recognized.

A determination of the fair value and the undiscounted future operating cash flows of our cellular business requires management to make certain assumptions and estimates with respect to projected cash inflows and outflows related to future revenues and expenditures and expenses. These assumptions and estimates can be influenced by different external and internal factors, such as economic tendencies, industry trends, and interest rates, changes in our business strategies and changes in the type of services we offer to the market. The use of different assumptions and estimates could significantly change our financial statements. If assumptions and estimates about the expected future net cash flows change in the future, we may have to recognize impairment charges on goodwill, which would decrease our results of operations and shareholders’ equity.

[Back to Contents](#)

Revenue recognition

Under Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP, we recognize revenues as the services are provided. Sales of handsets to dealers are recognized when the respective handset is activated by the end user. Prepaid service revenue is deferred and amortized based on subscriber airtime usage. Under U.S. GAAP, revenue from the sales of handsets along with the related costs of the handsets are deferred and amortized over their estimated useful life. The excess of the cost over the amount of deferred revenue is recognized on the date of sale. As from January 1, 2004, we began to segregate free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets and recharges on pre-paid phone plans. These minutes are recognized as used based on their respective estimated fair values.

We consider revenue recognition to be a critical accounting policy because of the uncertainties caused by different factors such as the complex information technology required, high volume of transactions, fraud and piracy, accounting regulations, management's determination of collectibility and uncertainties regarding our right to receive certain revenues (mainly revenues for usage of our network) and the estimation of fair value for certain transactions. Significant changes in these factors could cause us to fail to recognize revenues or to recognize revenues that we may not be able to realize in the future, despite our internal controls and procedures.

Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment is calculated on a straight-line method of the estimated useful lives of the underlying assets, which consider historical information available to us, as well as known industry trends. The sensitivity of an impact in changes in the useful lives of property, plant and equipment was assessed by applying a hypothetical decrease of 10% to the useful lives of switching and transmission equipment existing at December 31, 2004. This hypothetical change would result in an incremental increase in the annual depreciation expense of R\$31.4 million in the year of the change.

Valuation of long-lived assets

Under Brazilian Corporate Law Method, an impairment is recognized on long-lived assets such as property, plant and equipment and concession intangibles if the expected net cash flows generated by the respective asset is not sufficient to cover its book value. Under U.S. GAAP, in accordance with SFAS No. 144, long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to the estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized in the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the fair value of the asset.

A determination of the fair value of an asset requires management to make certain assumptions and estimates with respect to projected cash inflows and outflows related to future revenues and expenditures and expenses. These assumptions and estimates can be influenced by different external and internal factors, such as economic tendencies, industry trends, interest rates and changes in the marketplace. A change in the assumptions and estimates that we use could change our estimate of the expected future net cash flows and lead to the recognition of an impairment charge on our property, plant and equipment or concession intangibles, which would decrease our results of operations and shareholders' equity.

Provisions for contingencies

We are subject to proceedings, lawsuits and other claims related to tax, labor and civil matters. We are required to assess the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes to these matters as well as potential ranges of probable losses. A determination of the amount of reserves required, if any, for these contingencies is made after careful analysis of each individual issue, based on legal advice. The required reserves may change in the future due to new developments in each matter or changes in approach, such as a change in settlement strategy in dealing with these matters. Future possible changes in the recorded reserve amounts would impact our results of operations in the period that such changes are recorded.

[Back to Contents](#)**Deferred income taxes**

We compute and pay income taxes based on results of operations under Brazilian Corporate Law Method. Under the Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP, we recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. We regularly review the deferred tax assets for recoverability and establish a valuation allowance if it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will not be realized, based on historical taxable income, projected future taxable income, and the expected timing of the reversals of existing temporary differences. When performing such reviews, we are required to make significant estimates and assumptions about future taxable income. In order to determine future taxable income, we need to estimate future taxable revenues and deductible expenses, which are subject to different external and internal factors, such as economic tendencies, industry trends, interest rates, changes in our business strategies and changes in the type of services we offer to the market. The use of different assumptions and estimates could significantly change our financial statements. A change in the assumptions and estimates with respect to our expected future taxable income could result in the recognition of a valuation allowance charge on deferred income tax assets, which would decrease our results of operations and shareholders' equity. If we operate at a loss or are unable to generate sufficient future taxable income, or if there is a material change in the actual effective tax rates, the time period within which the underlying temporary differences become taxable or deductible, or any change in our future projections, we could be required to establish a valuation allowance against all or a significant portion of our deferred tax assets resulting in a substantial increase of our effective tax rate and a material adverse impact on our operating results.

Financial instruments

With respect to financial instruments, we must make assumptions as to future foreign currency exchange and interest rates. For a discussion of the possible impact of fluctuations in the foreign currency exchange and interest rates on our principal financial instruments and positions, see "Item 11 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk."

A. Operating Results**Results of Operations for 2004, 2003 and 2002**

The following table sets forth certain components of our income, as well as the percent change of each year from the prior year, for the periods presented. The financial statements referring to December 31, 2003 and 2002 were reclassified, when applicable, for comparative purposes.

Statement of Operations

| | Year ended December 31, | | | Percent Change | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2004-2003 | 2003-2002 |
| (in thousands of reais) | | | | | |
| Net operating revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 | 1.8 | 2.4 |
| Cost of services and goods | (1,112,460) | (1,052,487) | (981,741) | 5.7 | 7.2 |
| Gross profit | 814,567 | 839,964 | 865,890 | (3.0) | (3.0) |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Selling | (508,461) | (387,466) | (392,482) | 31.2 | (1.3) |
| General and administrative | (187,832) | (224,408) | (229,947) | (16.3) | (2.4) |
| Other operating income (expense), net | 16,981 | 13,309 | (16,954) | 27.6 | 178.5 |
| Total operating expenses | (679,312) | (598,565) | (639,383) | 13.5 | (6.4) |
| Operating income before interest | 135,255 | 241,399 | 226,507 | (44.0) | 6.6 |
| Financial income (expense), net | 5,727 | (15,017) | (15,112) | (138.1) | (0.6) |
| Operating income | 140,982 | 226,382 | 211,395 | (37.7) | 7.1 |
| Net non-operating expense | (1) | (8,535) | (1,202) | (99.9) | 610.1 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | |
|---|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------|--------|
| Income before income taxes | 140,981 | 217,847 | 210,193 | (35.3) | 3.6 |
| Income and social contribution taxes (expense) | (48,103) | (61,610) | (69,817) | (21.9) | (11.8) |
| Net income | <u>92,878</u> | <u>156,237</u> | <u>140,376</u> | (40.6) | 11.3 |

30

[Back to Contents](#)**Net Operating Revenue**

Our operating revenue consists of the following:

- usage charges, which include charges for outgoing calls, roaming and similar services, and revenues from the sale of airtime for prepaid services;
- revenues from the sale of handsets and accessories (goods sold);
- monthly subscription charges paid by our contract customers;
- interconnection charges, which are amounts we charge other cellular and fixed-line service providers for the use of our network in order to complete calls originated outside our network; and
- other charges, including charges for the transfer of cellular lines, call forwarding, call waiting, additional voicemail services and call blocking, SMS and WAP services.

The composition of our operating revenues has been affected by the shift toward prepaid services (which generate usage charges and interconnection charges, but do not generate monthly subscription charges, and which have attracted lower income customers to our services). Net additions increased the number of contract customers by 26.7% to 4,376.7 thousand in 2004, and by 7.4% to 3,708.6 thousand in 2003, from 3,454.9 thousand in 2002. Net additions increased the number of prepaid customers by 22.1% to 3,117.2 thousand in 2004, and increased 7.8% to 2,552.2 thousand in 2003, from 2,368.2 thousand in 2002. Interconnection charges increased by 5.8% in February 2004 and 22.0% in February 2003. Anatel authorizes cellular operators to increase tariffs based upon the prior 12-month period's cumulative inflation, measured by the IGP variation from February to January of each year.

As of July 6, 2003, cellular telecommunications operators in Brazil were required by the SMP rules to implement long distance Carrier Selection Codes (*Códigos de Seleção de Prestadora*, or CSP) used by customers to choose their carrier for domestic long distance services (VC2 and VC3) and international cellular calls. As a result, TSD no longer receives revenues from (or pays costs related to) VC2 or VC3 calls or international calls.

Additionally, in accordance with Anatel regulations, "Bill & Keep" rules were adopted for interconnection charges in July 2003. The rules provide that companies under the SMP regime are not required to pay tariffs for the use of the local network of another SMP provider as long as customers use local service (i.e., make calls in the same registration area) and as long as there is a traffic balance between them. However, when traffic from the SMP provider that originates the call to the SMP provider that terminates the call represents more than 55% of the local traffic between the two providers, the SMP provider who originates the higher traffic must pay the other provider the local usage tariff for the portion of the traffic that exceeds 55%.

The composition of operating revenues by category of service is presented in our consolidated financial statements and discussed below. We do not determine operating revenues on a net basis (i.e., after deduction of taxes) by category of service.

The following table sets forth the components of our net operating revenues, as well as the percent change of each year from the prior year, for the periods presented.

| | Year ended December 31, | | | Percent change | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003-2004 | 2002-2003 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | | | | |
| Usage charges | 1,127,752 | 1,077,461 | 925,973 | 4.7 | 16.4 |
| Interconnection charges | 792,513 | 809,860 | 795,067 | (2.1) | 1.9 |
| Monthly subscription charge | 138,599 | 198,496 | 281,613 | (30.2) | (29.5) |
| Sale of handsets and accessories | 584,077 | 394,577 | 348,635 | 48.0 | 13.2 |
| Other | 60,928 | 46,067 | 15,579 | 32.3 | 195.7 |
| Gross operating revenue | 2,703,869 | 2,526,461 | 2,366,867 | 7.0 | 6.7 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|------|
| Value-added and other indirect taxes | (553,302) | (511,435) | (417,649) | 8.2 | 22.5 |
| Discounts granted and return of goods | (223,540) | (122,575) | (101,587) | 82.4 | 20.7 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | |
| Total net operating revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 | 1.8 | 2.4 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | |

31

[Back to Contents](#)

Net operating revenue increased 1.8% to R\$1,927.0 million in 2004 from R\$1,892.5 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 2.4% increase from R\$1,847.6 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 was principally due to increased local outgoing traffic. An increase of 18.0% in our customer base resulted in an increase in usage charges, a 48.0% increase in sales of cellular handsets and accessories and a 32.3% increase in revenues from other services, mainly due to nationwide campaigns aimed at users of SMS (Text Messaging Service), WAP and 1xRTT services.

The increases in 2004 and 2003 were partially offset by lower average monthly revenues per customer. The average number of customers, calculated as the number of customers at the beginning of the year plus the number of customers at the end of the year, divided by two, increased 12.9% to 4,043 thousand customers in 2004 from 3,582 thousand customers in 2003. Average monthly net revenues from services per user decreased principally as a result of an increase in the percentage of prepaid customers in relation to total customers as a result of new customers acquired and customers switching from contract plans to prepaid plans; and the introduction of new service plans directed at users with lower monthly subscription charges.

Usage charges. Usage charges increased 4.7% to R\$1,127.8 million in 2004, from R\$1,077.5 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 16.4% increase from R\$926.0 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 is mainly related to the increase in the customer base and in the outgoing traffic. The increase in revenues from customer usage charges in 2003, compared to 2002, resulted principally from higher usage of our services due to the increase in our customer base. Beginning in July 2003, this increase was partially offset by the impact of the new rules relating to the long distance Carrier Selection Code described above.

Interconnection charges. Our revenues from network usage charges decreased 2.1% to R\$792.5 million in 2004, from R\$809.9 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 1.9% increase from R\$795.1 million in 2002. The decrease in 2004 is due to a reduction in incoming traffic which was offset in part by an increase in tariffs. The increases in network usage revenues in 2003 compared to 2002, reflected the increase in our average interconnection charges, which were higher due to rate increases, partially offset by a reduction in the incoming calling traffic, despite the increase in our customer base of prepaid customers. The decrease in 2004 is mainly due to the reduction in incoming traffic offset by tariff increase in February.

Monthly subscription charges. Revenues from monthly subscription charges decreased 30.2% to R\$138.6 million in 2004, from R\$198.5 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 29.5% decrease from R\$281.6 million in 2002. The decreases in 2004 and 2003 resulted mainly from contract plan customers switching to plans with lower monthly subscription fees, which was partially offset by the increase of the monthly subscription fees charged to the contract plan customers.

Sale of handsets and accessories. Revenues from goods sold (cellular handsets) increased 48.0% to R\$584.1 million in 2004, from R\$394.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 13.2% increase from R\$348.6 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 was mainly due to an increase in the quantity of handsets sold, in respect to VIVO's strategy of increasing customer base. The increases in 2003 were a result of the increase in handset sale prices, as well as the increase in the quantity of medium and high-level handsets sold in comparison with the previous year. Revenues from handset sales are reported before commissions and promotional discounts, and include value-added taxes. In general, the purpose of handset sales is to encourage growth in customers and traffic, as opposed to generating profits on the sales, and we therefore subsidize portions of the costs of handsets. Although profit margins vary from one handset model to another and from time to time, on average profit margins are negative after taxes and discounts. The subsidy resulted in a gross loss (calculated as the difference from operating revenues from sales minus the cost of goods sold) of approximately R\$207.4 million, R\$121.3 million and R\$87.7 million on handsets sales in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

[Back to Contents](#)

Other. Revenues from other services increased 32.3% to R\$60.9 million in 2004, from R\$46.1 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 195.7% increase from R\$15.6 million in 2002. The increase in revenues from other services in 2004 resulted mainly from greater utilization of such supplementary services as SMS and other services (identification and data transmission) aimed principally at corporate customers and was due primarily to increases in the use of the SMS services and voicemail.

Value-added and other indirect taxes. Value-added and other indirect taxes were 20.5% of our gross operating revenues in 2004, 20.2% in 2003 and 17.6% in 2002. Value-added taxes and other indirect taxes increased 8.2% to R\$553.3 million in 2004, from R\$511.4 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 22.5% increase from R\$417.6 million in 2002. The effective rate of taxes on gross operating revenues varies depending upon the composition of our revenues. As the interconnection charges are not subject to ICMS, the increase in our interconnection charges as a result of the increase in the use of prepaid plans tends to reduce our effective tax rate. The increases in 2004 and in 2003 reflected the change in the composition of our gross operating revenues, not all of which have been subject to value-added and other indirect taxes over the entire period. See "Item 4B. Business Overview—Taxes on Telecommunications Services and Handset Sales." ICMS tax rates increased in 2003 related to 2002 from 25% to 30% on gross operating service revenues less discounts and also the COFINS tariff for revenues other than telecom increased from 3% to 7%.

Discounts granted and return of goods. Discounts granted and return of goods increased 82.4% to R\$223.5 million in 2004, from R\$122.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 20.7% increase from R\$101.6 million in 2002. Discounts granted vary depending on how competitive the company intends to be.

Cost of Services and Goods

The following table sets forth certain components of our cost of services and goods sold, as well as the percent change of each year from the prior year, for the periods presented.

| | Year ended December 31, | | | Percent change | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003-2004 | 2002-2003 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | | | | |
| Cost of services and goods sold: | | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | (272,687) | (325,786) | (288,519) | (16.3) | 12.9 |
| Handsets and accessories | (529,864) | (367,833) | (325,542) | 44.1 | 13.0 |
| Interconnection | (80,958) | (128,657) | (130,846) | (37.1) | (1.7) |
| Fixed-line network expenses | (55,383) | (74,764) | (84,332) | (25.9) | (11.3) |
| Materials and third-party services | (47,996) | (32,590) | (33,139) | 47.3 | (1.7) |
| Taxes | (61,759) | (59,616) | (60,624) | 3.6 | (1.7) |
| Rental and insurance | (43,913) | (44,013) | (40,493) | (0.2) | 8.7 |
| Personnel | (18,784) | (17,207) | (16,040) | 9.2 | 7.3 |
| Other supplies | (1,116) | (2,021) | (2,206) | (44.8) | (8.4) |
| Total | (1,112,460) | (1,052,487) | (981,741) | 5.7 | 7.2 |

Cost of services and goods sold increased 5.7% to R\$1,112.5 million in 2004, from R\$1,052.5 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 7.2% increase from R\$981.7 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 was principally due to a 44.1% increase in the cost of goods sold, principally due to an increase in the sales volume of handsets and accessories; a 47.3% increase in materials and third-party services, resulting from the maintenance and upkeep of facilities. Personnel costs were impacted by the renegotiation of the collective agreement. The gross profit margin (gross profit as a percentage of net revenues) was 42.3% in 2004, compared to 44.4% in 2003, and 46.9% in 2002.

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expenses decreased 16.3% to R\$272.7 million in 2004, from R\$325.8 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 12.9% increase from R\$288.5 million in 2002. The decrease in 2004 occurred because part of the analog equipment was completely depreciated, which offset the increase in plant expansion due to new services. The increase in 2003 was due to plant expansion.

[Back to Contents](#)

Handsets and accessories. The cost of handsets sold increased 44.1% to R\$529.9 million in 2004, from R\$367.8 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 13.0% increase from R\$325.5 million in 2002. The increase in 2004, compared to 2003, was principally due to an increase in the volume of handsets and accessories sold. The increase in 2003 was principally due to an increase in the cost of handsets due to the devaluation of the *real* and an increase in the sales of more sophisticated handsets and accessories.

Interconnection. Expenses from network usage charges include fees we paid to other telecommunications service providers for the use of their network to complete local, long distance and international calls originating in our network. Usage charges decreased 37.1% to R\$81.0 million in 2004, from R\$128.7 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 1.7% decrease from R\$130.9 million in 2002. The decrease in 2004 was due mainly to implementation of carrier selection codes in which the VC2 and VC3 calls are costs for the long distance companies and no longer for mobile companies. The decrease in 2003 was mainly due to a decrease in the usage of other networks by our subscribers, despite an overall increase in traffic and the implementation Carrier selection codes beginning in July 2003 on Tele Sudeste Celular's network, and also because of CSP implementation from July 2003 on.

Fixed-line network expenses. Fixed-line network expenses decreased 25.9% to R\$55.4 million in 2004, from R\$74.8 million in 2003, which in turn represented an 11.3% decrease from R\$84.3 million in 2002. The reduction in 2004 occurred because of the renegotiation of the prices of rental contracts and the decrease in circuits. The reductions in 2003 and 2002 occurred because of the decrease in circuits due to the entrance of backbone (our own circuits).

Materials and third-party services. Cost of materials and services increased by 47.3% to R\$48.0 million in 2004, from R\$32.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 1.7% decrease from R\$33.1 million in 2002. The increase in 2004, was due to the cost of materials and third-party services and other telecommunications services providers, such as services for network maintenance. The decrease in 2003 was due primarily to a decrease in the costs of third-party materials and services, partially offset by higher costs we incurred in connection with the expansion of our network.

Taxes. Fistel and other taxes were R\$61.8 million in 2004, a 3.6% increase from R\$59.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 1.7% decrease from R\$60.6 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 was due to growth in the customer base. The decrease in 2003 was principally due to the change in the assessment of this tax.

Rental and insurance. Rental and insurance includes equipment rental, insurance and other costs of providing our services and selling handsets. Rentals and insurance expense was consistent in 2004 and 2003 with a 0.2% decrease to R\$43.9 million in 2004, from R\$44.0 million in 2003, which in turn represented an 8.7% increase from R\$40.5 million in 2002. The increase in 2003 was due primarily to the expansion of our network, which led to an increase in the number of sites we rented in connection with an increase in the number of our radio base stations.

Personnel. Personnel expenses increased 9.2% to R\$18.8 million in 2004, from R\$17.2 million in 2003, which in turn reflected a 7.3% increase from R\$16.0 million in 2002. The increase in 2004, principally derived from adjustments to collective bargaining agreement. The increase in 2004 was principally resulted from the contract signed in December 2003, for a linear increase of 7.5% in salaries in line with inflation.

Operating Expenses

The following table sets forth certain components of our operating expenses, as well as the percent change of each component from the prior year, for the periods presented.

| | Year ended December 31, | | | Percent change | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003-2004 | 2002-2003 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | | | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Selling expenses | (508,461) | (387,466) | (392,482) | 31.2 | (1.3) |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|
| General and administrative expenses | (187,832) | (224,408) | (229,947) | (16.3) | (2.4) |
| Other net operating income (expense) | 16,981 | 13,309 | (16,954) | 27.6 | 178.5 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | |
| Total | (679,312) | (598,565) | (639,383) | 13.5 | (6.4) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | |

[Back to Contents](#)

Operating expenses increased 13.5% to R\$679.3 million in 2004, from R\$598.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 6.4% decrease from R\$639.4 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 resulted mainly from R\$121.0 in selling expenses. The decrease in 2003 resulted mainly from a R\$30.3 million increase in other net operating income, as well as a R\$5.6 million decrease in general and administrative expenses and a R\$5.0 million decrease in selling expenses.

Selling expenses. Selling expenses increased 31.2% to R\$508.5 million in 2004 from R\$387.5 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 1.3% decrease from R\$392.5 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 was due principally to the increase in personnel expenses, depreciation and third-party services. The decrease in 2003 was due principally to a R\$56.6 million decrease in the provisions for the allowance for doubtful accounts.

Provisions for the allowance for doubtful accounts and network usage charges, included in our selling expenses, decreased 11% to R\$35.7 million in 2004 from R\$40.2 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 58.4% decrease from R\$96.8 million in 2002. These decreases were primarily due to the adoption of more effective methods of evaluating customer credit and the growth of TSD's prepaid customer base.

General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses decreased 16.3% to R\$187.8 million in 2004, from R\$224.4 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 2.4% decrease from R\$229.9 million in 2002. The decrease in 2004 was due mainly to gains in the renegotiation of some contracts. The decrease in 2003, resulted mainly from a R\$18.8 million decrease in outsourced services and a R\$5.1 million decrease in taxes paid in 2003.

Other net operating income (expense). The increase in other net operating income of 27.6% to R\$17.0 million of income in 2004, from a net operating income of R\$13.3 million in 2003, which in turn represented a 178.5% decrease from a net operating expense of R\$17.0 million in 2002. The increase in 2004 and 2003, compared to 2002, resulted mainly from an increase in recovered expenses.

Net Financial Income (Expenses)

The following table sets forth certain components of our net financial expenses, as well as the percent change of each component from the prior year, for each of the years in the periods presented.

| | Year ended December 31, | | | Percent change | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003-2004 | 2002-2003 |
| (in thousands of reais) | | | | | |
| Financial income | 72,426 | 76,011 | 41,580 | (4.7) | 82.8 |
| Exchange gains and losses | 4,769 | 61,528 | (238,090) | (92.2) | 125.8 |
| Gains (losses) on foreign currency derivative contracts | (31,727) | (112,341) | 221,010 | (71.8) | (150.8) |
| Financial expenses | (39,741) | (40,215) | (39,612) | (1.18) | 1.52 |
| Financial income (expense), net | 5,727 | (15,017) | (15,112) | (138.1) | (0.6) |

Net financial expense reflects, among others, the net effect of interest income and expense, and net effect of exchange rate fluctuation affecting our loans, financings and derivative operations. See note 8 to our consolidated financial statements.

Our net financial expense in 2004 decreased 138.1% to an income of R\$5.7 million from an expense of R\$15.0 million in 2003. In 2003, our net financial expense did not show any relevant change when compared to 2002, remaining practically flat at R\$15.0 million in 2003 from R\$15.1 million in 2002. The increase in net financial income in 2004 was mainly due to a decrease in losses on foreign currency derivatives.

[Back to Contents](#)**Income and Social Contribution Taxes**

We incurred income and social contribution taxes in the amount of R\$48.1 million in 2004, which represented a 21.9% decrease from R\$61.6 million in 2003, which in turn represented an 11.8% decrease from R\$69.8 million in 2002. The effective income tax rate was approximately 34.1% in 2004, 28.3% in 2003, and 33.2% in 2002. The income and social contribution taxes vary proportionately to our net income (loss). In addition, the changes in our effective tax rate in 2004 and 2003 are principally a result of the distribution of interest on shareholders' equity, which was recorded in equity and reduced our tax expense. See note 10 to our consolidated financial statements.

B. Liquidity and Capital Resources**Sources of Funds**

We generated cash flow from operations of R\$437.2 million, R\$737.4 million, and R\$756.9 million in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. We did not have any long-term loans or financing as of December 31, 2004, but we did have R\$50.3 million in short-term loans and financing, consisted primarily of funding from financial institutions. At December 31, 2004, we had a working capital surplus (current assets minus current liabilities) of R\$466.7 million. Excluding financial items, working capital at December 31, 2004 was R\$176.0 million, representing an increase of R\$73.4 million compared to December 31, 2003, attributable primarily to (i) an increase of R\$62.1 million in accounts receivable from customers; (ii) an increase of R\$80.2 million in handset inventories and (iii) an increase of R\$58.4 million in deferred and recoverable taxes. These increases were partially offset by an increase of R\$138.7 million in accounts payable.

Our principal assets are the shares of Telerj Celular and Telest Celular, and we rely on dividends from our subsidiaries to meet our cash needs, including the payment of dividends to our shareholders. We control the payment of dividends by our subsidiaries, subject to limitations under Brazilian law. There are no contractual restrictions on the payment of dividends by our subsidiaries to us.

Uses of Funds

Our principal uses of funds are for capital expenditures, servicing our debt, and payments of dividends to shareholders. Acquisition of property, plants and equipment used funds in the amount of R\$241.3 million, R\$254.9 million, and R\$370.9 million, in 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. Dividends and interest on shareholders' equity payments consumed cash flows of R\$35.1 million, R\$16.3 million, and R\$116.3 million, in 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. Payment of debt consumed cash flows of R\$180.6 million, R\$200.1 million, and R\$246.5 million, in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

We believe that our available borrowing capacity, together with funds generated by operations, should provide sufficient liquidity and capital resources to pursue our business strategy for the foreseeable future, with respect to working capital, capital expenditures and other operating needs.

Capital Expenditures

The following table shows our capital expenditures for each year in the periods presented.

| | Year ended December 31, | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| | (in millions of reais) | | |
| Automatic switching equipment | 90.6 | 59.3 | 87.7 |
| Other equipment | 64.8 | 161.0 | 130.1 |
| Real estate | □ | 3.4 | 21.8 |
| Other ⁽¹⁾ | 85.9 | 31.2 | 131.3 |
| Total capital expenditures | 241.3 | 254.9 | 370.9 |

-
- (1) Consisting primarily of free handset rentals, network construction, furniture and fixtures, office equipment and store layouts.

[Back to Contents](#)

We made capital expenditures of R\$241.3 million, R\$254.9 million, and R\$370.9 million in 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively. These expenditures related primarily to the expansion of the capacity of the services we currently offer, investments in property, plant and equipment, the provision of new services and the development of our information systems. See "Item 4A. Our History and Development" Capital Expenditures."

We have budgeted R\$286.1 million for 2005 capital expenditures, mainly for investments in network expansion and introduction of new products and services that will make customers' lives easier and maximize the use of cellular telephony, besides improving the quality of our services. Our management expects to finance 2005 capital expenditures principally with cash generated from operations.

Payments of Dividends to Shareholders

See "Item 8 Financial Information Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information Payment of Dividends".

Debt

As of December 31, 2004, TSD's total debt position was as follows:

| Debt | Amount Outstanding as of December 31, 2004 |
|-------------------|---|
| | (in millions of reais) |
| Long-term debt | □ |
| Short-term debt | 50.3 |
| Total debt | 50.3 |

As of December 31, 2004, TSD's total debt was R\$50.3 million, all of which was denominated in U.S. dollars. Devaluation of the real results in exchange losses on foreign currency indebtedness. In order to protect against the risk of devaluation of the *real*, we have entered into over-the-counter derivatives transactions with international and domestic financial institutions. In 2004, our derivatives positions produced a loss of R\$31.7 million, which offset the R\$4.8 million of exchange gains from our foreign currency-denominated debt. In 2003, our derivatives positions produced a gain of R\$112.3 million, which was partially offset by R\$61.5 million of exchange loss on our foreign currency-denominated debt. At December 31, 2004, approximately 19.9% of our indebtedness bore interest at floating rates, primarily LIBOR, and 80.1% bore interest at fixed rates. Therefore, we have little exposure to interest rate risk.

U.S. GAAP Reconciliation

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with the Brazilian Corporate Law Method, which differs in significant respects from U.S. GAAP. Under U.S. GAAP, we recorded net income for 2004, 2003 and 2002 of R\$13.7 million, R\$116.8 million, and R\$4.0 million, respectively, compared to net income of R\$92.9 million, R\$156.2 million, and R\$140.4 million, respectively, under Brazilian Corporate Law method. Shareholders' equity at December 31, 2004 and 2003 was R\$1,991.3 million and R\$2,001.7 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP, compared to R\$1,970.7 and R\$1,903.4 million, respectively, under the Brazilian Corporate Law Method.

See note 35 to our audited consolidated financial statements for a description of the principal differences between the Brazilian Corporate Law Method and U.S. GAAP as they relate to us, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of net income/loss and total shareholders' equity.

[Back to Contents](#)

New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2003, the FASB issued a revision to Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51" ("FIN 46R" or the "Interpretation"). FIN 46R clarifies the application of ARB No. 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements," to certain entities in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support. FIN 46R requires the consolidation of these entities, known as variable interest entities ("VIEs"), by the primary beneficiary of the entity. The primary beneficiary is the entity, if any, that will absorb a majority of the entity's expected losses, receive a majority of the entity's expected residual returns, or both.

Among other changes, the revisions of FIN 46R (a) clarified some requirements of the original FIN 46, which had been issued in January 2003, (b) eased some implementation problems, and (c) added new scope exceptions. FIN 46R deferred the effective date of the Interpretation for public companies to the end of the first reporting period ending after March 15, 2004, except that all public companies must, at a minimum, apply the provisions of the Interpretation to entities that were previously considered "special-purpose entities" under the FASB literature prior to the issuance of FIN 46R by the end of the first reporting period ending after December 15, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46R did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position, cash flows and results of operations.

In November 2002, the Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF"), of the FASB reached a consensus on EITF 00-21. EITF 00-21 provides guidance on how to account for arrangements that may involve multiple revenue-generating activities, for example, the delivery of products or performance of services, and/or rights to use other assets. The requirements of EITF 00-21 will be applicable to agreements entered into for periods beginning after June 15, 2003 and will therefore first apply to the Company for any arrangements entered into from April 1, 2004. The adoption of this EITF had no impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations. The Company prospectively adopted the EITF relating to free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets as of January 1, 2004. See note 35 to the consolidated financial statements.

In July 2003, the EITF reached consensus in EITF Issue No. 03-11 that determining whether realized gains and losses on derivative contracts not held for trading purposes should be reported on a net or gross basis is a matter of judgment that depends on the relevant facts and circumstances and the economic substance of the transaction. In analyzing the facts and circumstances, EITF Issue No. 99-19, and Opinion No. 29, "Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions," should be considered. EITF Issue No. 03-11 is effective for transactions or arrangements entered into after September 30, 2003. The adoption of EITF Issue No. 03-11 did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 153, "Exchanges of Nonmonetary Assets—an amendment of APB Opinion No. 29" ("SFAS 153"), which amends Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 29, "Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions" to eliminate the exception for nonmonetary exchanges of similar productive assets and replaces it with a general exception for exchanges of nonmonetary assets that do not have commercial substance. SFAS 153 is effective for nonmonetary assets exchanges occurring in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company will apply this statement in the event that exchanges of nonmonetary assets occur in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005.

C. Research and Development

We did not make any contributions or incur any expenses related to research and development in 2004, 2003 and 2002. We rely primarily on the research and development of our third-party suppliers.

D. Trend Information

In 2005, the rate of growth in Brazil's cellular market is expected to exceed Brazil's economic growth. In addition, we expect continued strong competition from other operators, greater focus on data and value added services, and further enhancements related to customer service. We expect that we will maintain our leadership position in the Brazilian cellular market, focusing on differentiation in the development of integrated solutions and the application of new technologies. We plan to continue to offer services and products with high quality in

order to meet our clients' expectations.

[Back to Contents](#)**E. Off-balance sheet arrangements**

As of December 31, 2004 there were no off-balance sheet arrangements. We have no majority-owned subsidiaries that are not included in our consolidated financial statements, nor do we have any interests in, or relationships with, any special purpose entities that are not reflected in our consolidated financial statements.

F. Tabular disclosure of contractual obligations

The following table represents our contractual obligations and commercial commitments as of December 31, 2004:

| | Payments due by period | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| | Total | Less than 1 year | 1-3 years | 4-5 years | After 5 years |
| Contractual obligations: | (in millions of reais) | | | | |
| Long-term debt (1) | 50.2 | 50.2 | □ | □ | □ |
| Operating leases | 805.9 | 105.2 | 180.8 | 188.1 | 331.8 |
| Unconditional purchase obligations | 110.7 | 106.1 | 4.6 | □ | □ |
| Other long-term obligations (2) | 91.3 | 83.3 | 8.0 | □ | □ |
| Total contractual cash obligations (3) | 1,058.1 | 344.8 | 193.4 | 188.1 | 331.8 |

(1) Includes short-term portions of long-term debt.

(2) Contracted long-term suppliers or contracted short-term suppliers with penalties for early termination and exclusivity fees paid to dealers.

(3) Excludes pension fund obligations.

ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES**A. Directors and Senior Management****Board of Directors**

Our administration consists of a board of directors and a board of executive officers. Our shareholders elect the members of the board of directors. The board of directors must have between 8 and 12 members, each serving a three-year term. The board currently consists of 10 members. The terms of the current members of the board of directors will expire in March 2006. The board of directors holds regular quarterly meetings, and the chairman or two board members may call special meetings.

The following are the current members of our board of directors and their respective positions.

| Name | Position | Date Elected |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Felix Pablo Ivorra Cano | Chairman | March 25, 2003 |
| Shakhaf Wine | Director | March 16, 2004 |
| Fernando Xavier Ferreira | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Luis Miguel Gilpérez López | Director | March 16, 2004 |
| Ernesto Lopez Mozo | Director | |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | |
|---|----------|----------------|
| Ignacio Aller Malo | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Zeinal Abedin Mohamed Bava | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Carlos Manuel de Lucena e Vasconcellos Cruz | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Eduardo Perestrelo Correia de Matos | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Pedro Manuel Brandão Rodrigues | Director | March 25, 2003 |
| Kazuo Moriya (1) | Director | July 11, 2003 |

(1) Mr. Kazuo Moriya resigned on June 22nd, 2004. This position is currently vacant.

[Back to Contents](#)

Our directors will serve until the general shareholders' meeting to be held in 2006. Set forth below are brief biographical descriptions of the directors.

Félix Pablo Ivorra Cano, born on July 1, 1946, is the President of the board of directors and has been a member of the board of directors since February 1999. Mr. Ivorra currently is the President of the board of directors of Telefónica Móviles and serves on the board of directors of Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A., Brasilcel N.V., Celular CRT Participações, S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Telesp Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Telefónica Móviles SAC Perú, Telefónica Móviles Perú Holding, S.A.A and MobiPay International, S.A. He joined the Telefónica Group in July 1972 and served in the areas of Technical Specifications, Network Planning, Commercial Planning and as General Director of Advanced Communications. In 1993, he was appointed General Director of the team that founded Telefónica Servicios Móviles, where he held several positions including General Commercial Director and General Director of Business Development. During 1997 and part of 1998, he was chairman of the board of Telefónica Móviles group companies Mensatel, S.A. and Radiored, S.A. He has a degree in Telecommunications Engineering from Escola Técnica Superior de Engenharia □ ETSI in Madrid, and a post-graduate degree in Business Administration from the Instituto Católico de Administração de Empresas □ ICADE also in Madrid.

Shakhaf Wine, born on June 13, 1969, is currently an executive officer of Portugal Telecom S.G.P.S. and a member of the board of directors of Brasilcel N.V., Telesp Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., and Folha Universo Online S.A. Mr. Wine is also the President of the Audit Committee of Brasilcel N.V. Mr. Wine was a Director of Investment Banking and a Relationship Manager for European corporate clients in the Global Telecommunications Group of Merrill Lynch International from 1998 to 2003. Additionally, he was Senior Associate Director of the Latin American and Telecommunications groups of Deutsche Morgan Grenfell from 1993 until 1998. Previously Mr. Wine was a foreign exchange trader and dealer for the Brazilian Central Bank at Banco Icatu S.A. He holds a degree in Economics from the Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro.

Fernando Xavier Ferreira, born on February 13, 1949, is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the Telefónica Group in Brazil and member among others of the Board of Directors of Telefónica Móviles, Brasilcel, N.V. Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Celular CRT Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações, S.A. and Telesp Celular Participações, S.A. During 1998, Mr. Ferreira served as a member of ANATEL. From 1995 to 1998, he was General Director of Telebrás and President of the board of directors of Embratel and Telesp S.A. Mr. Ferreira was President of Telecomunicações do Paraná S.A. Telepar from 1997 to 1999 and Vice President of that company from 1979 to 1987. He is currently a member of the Latin-America Committee of the New York Stock Exchange and the Global Infrastructure Commission. He holds a degree in Electrical Engineering from the Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Luis Miguel Gilpérez López, born on December 7, 1959, is the Executive Director of the International Area of Telefónica Móviles. Mr. Gilpérez also serves on the board of directors of Medi Telecom, S.A., Telefónica Móviles México, S.A. de C.V., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Celular CRT Participações, S.A., Telesp Celular Participações, S.A. He is also Executive Chairman of MobiPay International, S.A. He began his career at an insurance company, where he worked for six years, in various departments. He joined the Telefónica group in 1981, where he has worked since then. He has particularly been involved with activities related to mobile telephony. He was in charge of the service's commercial activities from 1987 to 1993, when Telefónica Móviles España was created. At Telefónica Móviles España he has held management positions in virtually all its business areas. He has a post-graduate degree in Business Administration and holds a degree in Industrial Engineering.

[Back to Contents](#)

Ernesto Lopez Mozo, born on May 9, 1964, serves as Chief Financial Officer General Manager for Finance and Management Control of Telefónica Móviles S.A. Mr. Lopez is a member of the board of directors of Telefónica Móviles de España, S.A., Mobipay International, S.A., Telefónica Móviles México, S.A. de C.V., Brasilcel N.V, Telesp Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A. and Celular CRT Participações, S.A. He was previously a senior manager in the financing department of Telefónica, S.A., where he was also responsible for relationships with credit rating agencies. Before joining Telefónica in March 1999, Mr. Lopez worked for five years at J.P. Morgan. He holds a degree in Civil Engineering from ETSICCP in Madrid and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Wharton School.

Ignacio Aller Malo, who was born on December 1, 1945, is a member of the board of directors of Telefónica Móviles México, S.A. de C.V., Brasilcel N.V, Telesp Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A. and Celular CRT Participações, S.A. Mr. Aller has served as Chief Operating Officer of Telefónica Móviles S.A. by 2003 and has held several positions at Telefónica de España since 1967.

Zeinal Abedin Mohamed Bava, born on November 18, 1965, is currently the Chief Financial Officer of Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A. since 2000; Chief Executive Officer of TV Cabo Portugal, S.A. since March 2004, Executive Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Comunicações, S.A. since January 2004; Member of the Board of Directors of PT Corporate Soluções Empresariais de Telecomunicações e Sistemas, S.A. since June 2003; Chief Executive Officer of PT Multimedia Serviços de Telecomunicações e Multimedia, SGPS, S.A. since May 2003; Member of the Board of Directors of PT Compras Serviços de Consultoria e Negociação, S.A. since May 2003; Member of the Board of Directors of Fundação Portugal Telecom since March 2003; Chairman of the Board of Directors of Previsão Sociedade Gestora de Fundos de Pensões, S.A. since March 2003; Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Serviços de Gestão, S.A. since February 2003; Member of the Board of Directors of Brasilcel, N.V. since December 2002; Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Multimedia Serviços de Telecomunicações e Multimedia, SGPS, S.A. since November 2002; Member of the Board of Directors of Portugal Telecom Brasil, S.A. since July 2002; Member of the Board of Directors of BEST Banco Electrónico de Serviço Total, S.A. since May 2001; Member of the Board of Directors of Telesp Celular Participações S.A. since April 10, 2001; Member of the Board of Directors of Tele Centro Oeste Participações, S.A., CRT Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A. and Tele Leste Celular Participações, S.A. since 2003; Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Ventures, SGPS, S.A. (formerly Portugal Telecom Internacional, SGPS, S.A.) from 2000 until 2002; Director and Relationship Manager for Portugal of Merrill Lynch International from 1998 until 1999; Executive Director of Deutsche Morgan Grenfell from 1996 until 1998; Executive Director of Warburg Dillon Read from 1989 until 1996. He holds a degree in electronic and Electrical Engineering from the University of London B.S.C.

Carlos Manuel de Lucena e Vasconcellos Cruz, born on September 9, 1957, is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Portugal Telecom Investimentos Internacionais Consultoria Internacional S.A. and PT Ventures, SGPS, S.A. since April 2004; Member of the Board of Directors of PT Corporate Soluções Empresariais de Telecomunicações e Sistemas, S.A. since June 2003; Chief Executive Officer of PT Comunicações, S.A. from May 2002 until January 2004; Chief Executive Officer of PT Prime, SGPS, S.A. from 2002 until January 2004; Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Prime, SGPS, S.A. from 2002 until January 2004; Chairman of the Board of Directors of PT Contact Telemarketing e Serviços de Informação, S.A. from 2002 until January 2004; Chief Executive Officer of PTM.com, SGPS, S.A. from May 2003 until January 2004; Member of the Board of Directors of PT Compras Serviços de Consultoria e Negociação, S.A. since May 2003; Member of the Board of Directors of Fundação Portugal Telecom since March 2003; Member of the Board of Directors of Brasilcel, N.V. since December 2002; Member of the Board of Directors of Portugal Telecom Brasil, S.A. since July 2002; Member of the Board of Directors of TMN Telecomunicações Móveis Nacionais, S.A. from June 2002 until May 2003; Member of Board of Directors of Telesp Celular Participações S.A. since April 2001; Vice-Chairman of Telesp Celular Participações S.A. since 2001; Member of the Board of Directors of Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, S.A., CRT Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A. and Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A. since 2003; Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Telesp Celular S.A. from May 2001 until May 2002; President and Chief Executive Officer of Tradecom, SGPS, S.A. from 2000 until 2001; Executive Board Member of PT Prime, SGPS, S.A. from 2000 until 2001; Invited Professor of Universidade Católica Portuguesa and ISCTE for Post-Graduate Courses and MBA Program from 2000 until 2001; Member of World Board of Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, Executive Vice-President of Dun & Bradstreet Corporation, President and Chief Executive Officer of D&B GMC, Executive Vice President of D&B Europe, President and Chief Executive Officer of D&B Iberia, Vice-President of Trans Union España Credit Burear S/A from 1997 until 1999; Senior Vice-President of Dun &

Bradstreet Corporation, Senior Vice-President of Dun & Bradstreet Europe, President and Chief Executive Officer of D&B Iberia & Middle West, Vice-President of A.P.E.I.N. (Associação Portuguesa de Empresas de Informação de Negócio) in 1996; President & Chief Executive Officer of Dun & Bradstreet Ibéria in 1995; President and Chief Executive Officer of Dun & Bradstreet Portugal, Vice-President of Associação Portuguesa para a Qualidade from 1990 until 1993; President of "European Customer Service group" of Dun & Bradstreet in 1992; General Director of Dun & Bradstreet France in 1989; General Director of Sales of Dun & Bradstreet France in 1988; Commercial Director of Dun & Bradstreet Portugal in 1987; National Director of Sales of Dun & Bradstreet Portugal in 1986; Director of Sales Department of Dun & Bradstreet Portugal in 1985; Senior Economist of LEASEINVEST from 1983 until 1985; Economist of Finance Ministry of Portugal from 1978 until 1983. Mr. Cruz holds a degree in business from the I.S.C.T.E. (Instituto Superior de Ciências do Trabalho e da Empresa or Higher Education Institute for Labor and Corporate Sciences), Portugal, and a post-graduate degree in Management from D.S.E. (the German Foundation for International Development), Germany.

[Back to Contents](#)

Eduardo Perestrelo Correia de Matos, born on January 6, 1949, is currently the President of Portugal Telecom Brasil S.A. and a member of the board of directors of each of PT Móveis, Serviços de Telecomunicações, S.G.P.S., S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A., Telesp Celular Participações S.A. and Celular CRT Participações S.A. From 1976 to 1987, Mr. Matos held various operational positions in the planning and control areas of CTT □ Correios e Telecomunicações de Portugal S.A. and TLP-Telefones de Lisboa e Porto S.A. From 1987 to 1990 he was the Secretary of State for External Transportation and Communications in Portugal. In addition, he served as President at Marconi S.G.P.S. Comunicações, S.A. from 1990 to 1991 and at Mobitel S.A. from 1991 to 1996. Mr. Matos was also a member of the board of Portugal Telecom, S.G.P.S., S.A. from 1996 until May 2002. He holds a degree in Economics from the Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal.

Pedro Manuel Brandão Rodrigues, born on June 19, 1951, is currently also a member of the board of directors and of the Executive Committee of PT Móveis, S.G.P.S., S.A. and of Telecomunicações Móveis Nacionais □ TMN. He was elected for the Assembly of the Republic in March 2002, and he is a member of the National Council of Education of Portugal since July 2000. Mr. Brandão was a member of the board of directors of several Portuguese corporations and, from 1993 to 2000, a member of the Executive Committee of Banco Mello and Banco Mello de Investimentos. He holds a doctoral degree in engineering from the University of Birmingham, England, a Master's degree in Production Process and Management, and an Engineering degree from the Instituto Superior Técnico.

In accordance with the shareholders' agreement between Portugal Telecom SGPS, S.A., PT Movéis SGPS, S.A. and Telefónica Móviles S.A., PT Movéis is responsible for the appointment of our Chief Executive Officer and Telefónica Móviles is responsible to appoint the Chief Financial Officer.

Board of Executive Officers

The board of executive officers consists of eight members, each elected by the board of directors for a term of three years. The chief executive officer is the chairman and, in his absence or temporary inability to perform his duties, he will be replaced by the Vice President for finance, planning and control. In the case of a vacancy in any position in the board of executive officers, the respective replacement shall be appointed by the board of directors; in case of any inability, the chief executive officer shall choose a replacement for that officer among the remaining officers. One officer may be elected for more than one position on the board of executive officers, but the members of the board of executive officers cannot be elected to the board of directors. The board of directors may remove executive officers from office at any time.

[Back to Contents](#)

The following are the current executive officers and their respective positions.

| Name | Position | Date appointed |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| Francisco José Azevedo Padinha | Chief Executive Officer | October 17, 2003 |
| Arcádio Luís Martínez García | Executive Vice President for Finance, Planning and Control and Investors Relations Officer | February 16, 2005 |
| Paulo Cesar Pereira Teixeira | Executive Vice President for Operations | April 16, 2003 |
| Luis Filipe Saraiva Castel-Branco de Avelar | Executive Vice President for Marketing and Innovation and Executive Vice President for IT and Product and Service Engineering | March 16, 2004 |
| Javier Rodríguez García | Executive Vice President for Technology and Networks | May 26, 2003 |
| Guilherme Silvério Portela Santos | Executive Vice President for Customers | October 17, 2003 |
| José Carlos de la Rosa Guardiola | Executive Vice President for Regulatory Matters and Institutional Relations | October 6, 2003 |

Set forth below is a brief biographical description of our executive officers.

Francisco José Azevedo Padinha, born on October 22, 1946, is currently the chief executive officer of each of Brasilcel N.V., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S/A, Telesp Celular Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A., Global Telecom S.A.; Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A., Telegoiás Celular S.A., Telemat Celular S.A., Telems Celular S.A., Teleacre Celular S.A., Teleron Celular S.A., Norte Brasil Telecom S.A., TCO-IP S.A., Avista Participações Ltda., Tagilo Participações Ltda. Sudestecel Participações S.A., TBS Celular Participações S.A., Ptelecom Brasil S.A. and Portelcom Participações S.A.; the chairman of the board of directors of each of PT Prime Tradecom Soluções Empresariais de Comércio Eletrónico, S.A., Megamedia Soluções Multimédia, S.A., PT Prime, SGPS, S.A., the vice chairman of the board of directors of PT Ventures S.A.; a member of the board of directors of PT Comunicações S.A.; and a member of the scientific committee of Taguspark Sociedade de Promoção Desenvolvimento do Parque da Ciência e Tecnologia da Área de Lisboa, S.A. He was also the chairman of the board of directors of Prymesys Soluções Empresariais S.A. From 1989 until 1992, Mr. Padinha was the manager of the central department for research and development of Companhia Portuguesa Rádio Marconi, S.A., and from 1992 until 1994 he was the chairman of the board of directors of Telecom Portugal, S.A. From 2000 to 2001, Mr. Padinha was the chief executive officer of PT Prime SGPS, S.A., and from 1994 until 2002, he was a member of the board of directors of Portugal Telecom. He holds a Telecommunications and Electronic Engineering degree from the Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal, a degree in Corporate Upper Management from AESE/University of Navarra, Spain, and a Master's degree in Innovation and Technology Management from the Sloan School of Management/MIT, United States.

Arcádio Luís Martínez García, born on April 5, 1957, is currently the Executive Vice-President for Finance, Planning and Control and Investor Relations Officer of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A., Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A., Global Telecom S.A. and Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A. From 2001 until 2003 Mr. Martinez was a Controller of European Operations at Telefonica Moviles S.A. in Madrid. From 1999 to 2001 he worked as European Controller for SBC Communications, based in Brussels, Belgium and from 1993 to 1999 he served in different positions in the financial organization of Ameritech International, based in Chicago, USA and Brussels, Belgium. He holds a degree in Economics from Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Spain and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Chicago, USA.

[Back to Contents](#)

Paulo Cesar Pereira Teixeira, born on June 18, 1957, is currently the Executive Vice-President for operations of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular participações S/A, Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A., Global Telecom S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A., Telegoiás Celular S.A., Telemat Celular S.A., Telems Celular S.A., Teleacre Celular S.A., Teleron Celular S.A., Norte Brasil Telecom S.A., TCO-IP S.A.; and director of Avista Participações Ltda., Tagilo Participações Ltda., Sudestecel Participações S.A., TBS Celular Participações S.A., Ptelecom Brasil S.A. and Portelcom Participações S.A. From 1980 until 1987, Mr. Teixeira performed several different managerial duties in Companhia Riograndense de Telecomunicações S.A.-CRT and was also a member of the board of directors (1985-1986). In 1987 and 1988, he served at several different positions in Telebrás or in the companies of the Telebrás Group. Mr. Teixeira holds an Electrical Engineering degree from the Catholic University of Pelotas, Brazil.

Luis Filipe Saraiva Castel-Branco de Avelar, born on April 15, 1954, is currently the Executive Vice-President for Marketing and Innovation of each of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações, Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A. and Global Telecom S.A. In 1989, 1991 and 1993, Mr. Avelar was respectively the corporate accounts director of Telefones de Lisboa e Porto, an expert in telecommunications services for the European Commission (DG XIII, Telecom Policy Unit) and a strategic planning director at Comunicações Nacionais. From 1993 to 1998 he was a consultant in privatization and regulation projects for the World Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the European Commission. From 1996 to 1998 he was a portfolio director of Portugal Telecom Group in the strategic marketing board of Portugal Telecom. From 1998 to 2000, Mr. Avelar was a special consultant to the President of Telesp Celular Participações S.A. for the areas of marketing, sales, strategy, regulation and special projects, and, from 2000 to 2001, he was a director of the Internet and E-commerce business unit at the same company. He holds an Electrical-Technical Engineering degree (specialized in Telecommunications and Electronics) from the Lisbon Higher Education Technical Institute.

Javier Rodríguez García, born on December 8, 1955, is currently Executive Vice-President for technology and networks of each Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A. and Global Telecom S.A. From 1986 until 1988, Mr. García worked at INDELEC □ Indústria Electrónica de Comunicaciones S.A., as the manager responsible for the implementation of an automatic mobile telecommunications project for Telefónica de España S.A. From 1988 until 1990, he worked at Rede Electrica de España S.A., as the person responsible for the project, installation and maintenance of radio mobile systems in Spain. From 1990 until 1992, Mr. García served as an engineering manager at Telcel S.A., where he was responsible for the implementation of automatic mobile telecommunication system for Telefónica de España S.A. in Barcelona, Madrid and Palma de Mallorca. From 1992 until 1996, he was an engineering manager responsible for the installation and maintenance of systems at Companhia Europeia de Radiobusqueda S.A., and from 1996 until 1998, he worked in cellular businesses for Telefónica Group in Spain and Peru, as a network quality manager and technical area sub-manager, respectively. From 1998 until 2000, Mr. García was the technology manager in the cellular business of Telefónica Group in Brazil and from 2000 until 2002 he was the network manager of Telerj Celular S.A. and Telest Celular S.A. He holds a degree in Technical Telecommunications Engineering from the Technical University of Madrid, Spain.

Guilherme Silvério Portela Santos, born on February 3, 1966, is currently the Executive Vice-President for customers of each of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A., Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A., Global Telecom S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A., Telegoiás Celular S.A., Telemat Celular S.A., Telems Celular S.A., Teleacre Celular S.A., Teleron Celular S.A., Norte Brasil Telecom S.A., TCO-IP S.A.; and an executive manager at PT Móveis, SGPS, S.A. From 1989 until 1993, Mr. Santos was a consultant at McKinsey & Co., and from 1994 until 1998 he worked as an officer for operations and an officer for special projects at Parque Expo'98, S.A. He was also a coordination officer at Companhia de Seguros Tranquilidade. Mr. Santos holds a civil engineering degree from the Higher Education Technical Institute, Portugal, and a Master's degree from INSEAD, France.

[Back to Contents](#)

José Carlos de la Rosa Guardiola, born on October 20, 1948, is currently the Executive Vice-President for regulatory matters and institutional relations of each of Telesp Celular Participações S.A., Tele Leste Celular Participações S/A, Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A., Celular CRT Participações S.A., Telerj Celular S.A., Telest Celular S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A. and Global Telecom S.A. From November 1998 until February 2002, Mr. Guardiola was engaged in the Regulation and Operations Departments of these companies, and occupied the function of Vice-President of Operations responsible for the commercial, administrative and operations activities of each of Telebahia Celular S.A. and Telergipe Celular S.A. He holds a degree in Telecommunications Engineering from Universidad Politecnica de Madrid, Spain.

Board of Auditors (*Conselho Fiscal*)

We have a permanent Board of Auditors with a minimum of three and a maximum of five members. They are elected annually at the annual general shareholders' meeting. The board currently consists of three members.

The Board of Auditors is responsible for overseeing our management. Its main duties are:

- to review and provide an opinion on the annual report of our management,
- to review and approve the proposals of the management bodies to be submitted to the shareholders' meeting regarding changes to share capital, issuance of debentures and subscription rights, capital investment plans and budgets, distributions of dividends, changes in corporate form, consolidations, mergers or split-up, and
- to review and approve the financial statements for the fiscal year.

The Board of Auditors holds regular meetings every three months and special meetings when called by the President or by any member of the Board of Auditors.

The following are the current members of our board of auditors and their alternates:

| Name | Position | Date Appointed |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Cláudio José Carvalho de Andrade (1) | Member | March 29, 2005 |
| Milton Shigueo Takarada (2) | Member | March 29, 2005 |
| Evandro Luís Pippi Krueel (2) | Member | March 29, 2005 |
| Daniel Vidal de Almeida(1) | Alternate | March 29, 2005 |
| José Ricardo de Souza Porpino(2) | Alternate | March 29, 2005 |
| Fabiana Faé Vicente Rodrigues(2) | Alternate | March 29, 2005 |

(1) Appointed by our preferred shareholders.

(2) Appointed by our controlling shareholders.

B. Compensation

For the year ended December 31, 2004, we paid compensation to our directors and executive officers in an aggregate amount of R\$4.1 million, including bonuses and profit sharing plans. This amount includes performance remuneration and profit sharing arrangements applicable to all employees. Furthermore, the members of our board of executive officers are eligible to participate in the same complementary retirement pension plan available to our employees. These amounts include Tele Sudeste Celular Participações, Telerj Celular and Telest Celular.

C. Board Practices

Our board of directors' duties and responsibilities are set forth by Brazilian law and our by-laws.

Our board of directors is comprised of a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 12 members, all shareholders, each serving a three-year term. Our directors are elected by our shareholders at the annual general shareholders' meeting. There are no service contracts between us or our subsidiaries and any of our directors providing for benefits upon termination of employment. The board of directors holds regular quarterly meetings, and the chairman or two board members may call special meetings.

[Back to Contents](#)

For more detailed information, see “Directors and Senior Management,” “Board of Executive Officers,” and “Board of Auditors,” above.

D. Employees

At December 31, 2004, we had 1,219 full-time employees and 15 temporary employees.

The following table sets forth the number of our employees and a breakdown of employees by main category of activity as of the dates indicated:

| | At December 31, | | |
|--|-----------------|-------|-------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Total number of employees (including trainees) | 1,219 | 1,668 | 1,972 |
| Number by category of activity: | | | |
| Technical and operations area | 365 | 398 | 482 |
| Sales and marketing | 376 | 704 | 790 |
| Finance and administrative support | 288 | 337 | 504 |
| Customer service | 190 | 229 | 196 |

Employees are represented by the *Sindicato dos Trabalhadores em Empresas de Telecomunicações e Transmissão de Dados e Correio Eletrônico, Telefonia Móvel Celular, Serviços Troncalizados de Comunicação, Rádio-Chamadas, Telemarketing, Contração, Instalação e Operação de Equipamentos e Meios Físicos de Transmissão de Sinal, Similares e Operadoras de Mesas Telefônicas no Estado de Rio de Janeiro* (SINTETEL). We negotiate new collective-bargaining agreements every year with the labor unions. The collective-bargaining agreements currently in force include a salary and benefit increase of approximately 12.36%, effective as of December 31, 2003.

Our management considers the relations between our work force and us to be satisfactory. We have not experienced any work stoppage that materially affected our operations.

Each of our subsidiaries negotiates a new collective-bargaining agreement every year with each local union. The collective-bargaining agreements now in force expire in October, 2006.

At the time of the privatization, employees had the right to maintain their rights and benefits in *Fundação Sistel de Seguridade Social*, or Sistel, a multi-employer defined benefit plan that supplements government-provided retirement benefits. Under the Sistel plan, we made monthly contributions to Sistel equal to a percentage of the salary of each employee who was a Sistel member. Each employee member also made a monthly contribution to Sistel based on age and salary. Members of Sistel qualified for pension benefits when they qualified for the government-provided retirement benefits. Sistel operates independently from us, and its assets and liabilities are fully segregated from us. Employees hired since January 1999 are not members of Sistel.

Before December 1999, the Sistel plan covered the employees of the former Telebrás System and we were contingently liable for all of the unfunded obligations of the plan. In January 2000, we and the other companies that formerly belonged to the Telebrás system agreed to divide the existing Sistel plan into 15 separate plans, resulting in the creation of private plans covering those employees already enrolled in the Sistel plan. These new private pension plans are still administered by Sistel and have retained the same terms and conditions of the Sistel plan. The division was carried out so as to allocate liability among the companies that formerly belonged to the Telebrás system according to each company’s contributions in respect of its own employees. Joint liability among the Sistel plan sponsors will continue with respect to retired employees who will necessarily remain members of the Sistel plan.

[Back to Contents](#)

In 2000, we established the *Plano de Benefícios Visão*, a new private pension plan for our employees. Unlike Sistel's defined benefits plan, the *Plano de Benefícios Visão* calls for defined contributions by our operating subsidiaries, as sponsors, and our employees, as participants. These contributions are credited to the participants' individual accounts. Those employees who were members of the Sistel plan had the option to transfer to the new pension plan by October 31, 2000. As of December 31, 2004, approximately 81.54% of our employees were members of the *Plano de Benefícios Visão*. We continue to have a contingent liability for the unfunded obligations of the plan with respect to all inactive employees of the former Telebrás and all post-retirement health care benefits for former Telebrás employees and current employees that have not changed to the new plan.

E. Share Ownership

As of December 31, 2004, each of the members of the board of directors and the board of executive officers owned, directly or indirectly, less than 0.01% of any class of our shares. We do not offer stock option plans to any of our directors or employees.

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

A. Major Shareholders

The following table sets forth the principal holders of common and preferred shares and their respective shareholdings as of December 31, 2004:

| Name | Number of Common Shares Owned | Percentage of Outstanding Common Shares | Number of Preferred Shares Owned | Percentage of Outstanding Preferred Shares |
|---|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|
| Sudestecel Participações S.A. | 108,974,602,160 | 57.53 | □ | □ |
| Brasilcel N.V. | 43,450,494,855 | 22.94 | 14,015,090,743 | 5.40 |
| Brasilcel N.V. □ ADRS (1) | □ | □ | 174,288,020,000 | 67.14 |
| Tagilo Participações Ltda. | 15,168,831,917 | 8.01 | 33,317,534,708 | 12.84 |
| Avista Participações Ltda. (2) | 6,191,329,955 | 3.27 | 12,699,707,000 | 4.89 |
| All directors and executive officers as a group | 2,802 | (a) | 130 | (a) |

(1) In the form of ADRs held by The Bank of New York as depository.

(2) Avista is owned 100% by Brasilcel

(a) Less than 1% of the aggregate.

The following table sets forth information concerning the control of Sudestecel Participações S.A.:

| Sudestecel Participações S.A. | Percentage of Outstanding Shares Owned |
|--|--|
| Brasilcel N.V. | 100% |
| Tagilo is a wholly-owned company of Brasilcel N.V. | |

We are not aware of any other shareholder owning more than 5.0% of the common shares.

For a description of Brasilcel N.V., see "Item 4A. Our History and Development" Brasilcel."

At December 31, 2004, there were approximately 137 record holders of ADSs in the United States, including Brasilcel, which holds ADSs representing approximately 67.1% of our preferred shares. The other ones hold ADSs representing approximately 2.8% of our preferred shares.

B. Related Party Transactions

The main transactions with unconsolidated related parties are as follows:

[Back to Contents](#)

- Use of network and long distance (roaming) cellular communications: These transactions involve companies owned by the same group. Part of these transactions were established based on contracts between Telebrás and the operating concessionaires before privatization and part are interconnection agreements. The terms of these transactions are regulated by Anatel. As of July 2003, users began to choose their long-distance carrier and the company established agreements that provide to long distance operators (including Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A.) co-billing services;
- Technical assistance provided to us by Telefónica Móviles S.A. or Telefonica International. We pay fees which correspond to a percent (up to 2%) of our net revenues from services, monetarily restated based on currency fluctuations;
- Corporate services provided by or to other companies under common control are transferred to the company at the cost actually incurred for these services; and
- Call center services provided by Atento to users of our subsidiaries telecommunication services. We have engaged in a number of other transactions with related parties. See note 29 to our consolidated financial statements.

C. Interests of Experts and Counsel

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information

See "Item 3A. Selected Financial Data" and "Item 18. Financial Statements"

Legal Matters

We are party to several administrative and legal proceedings that, if decided adversely to us, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We record provisions in our financial statements equivalent to the full amount of the estimated losses associated with those claims where the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome is deemed probable by our outside counsel. However, we do not record provisions in those instances where the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome is deemed possible or remote by our outside counsel. Below is a summary of our material pending administrative and legal proceedings:

Civil

Breakup of Telebrás

Telebrás, our legal predecessor, is a defendant in a number of administrative and legal proceedings and is subject to various claims and contingencies. Under the terms of the Telebrás breakup, the liability for any claims arising out of acts committed by Telebrás prior to the effective date of the breakup remains with Telebrás, except for labor and tax claims (for which Telebrás and the companies incorporated as a result of the breakup are jointly and severally liable by operation of law) and any liability for which specific accounting provisions have been assigned to us or one of the other companies incorporated as a result of the breakup of Telebrás. In addition, the legality of the breakup of Telebrás has been challenged in numerous legal proceedings, some of which have not been dismissed and are still pending. We believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to these claims is remote.

Tax Credits

Tele Sudeste Celular Participações and the other new holding companies incorporated in connection with the privatization of the telecommunications companies offset certain tax debts against the premiums paid by their controlling shareholders. A claim was filed against Tele Sudeste Celular Participações and the other new holding companies seeking relief in the form of the annulment of the administrative acts that recognized these offsets. Although we believe that the restructuring was implemented in accordance with Brazilian law, we believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is

possible. We would be required to pay all the taxes that were offset against goodwill. We are unable to determine at this time the extent of any potential liabilities with respect to this claim.

[Back to Contents](#)

Ownership of Caller ID

Lune Projetos Especiais Telecomunicação Comércio e Ind. Ltda., a Brazilian company, filed lawsuits against 23 wireless telecommunications operators, including Tele Sudeste Participações, Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. The lawsuits allege that those operators violated patent number 9202624-9, related to *Equipamento Controlador de Chamadas Entrantes e do Terminal do Usuário*, or Caller ID, granted to Lune by the Brazilian Intellectual Property Agency □ INPI, on September 30, 1997. Lune calls on the operators to cease to provide Caller ID services and seeks payment from them for the unauthorized use of the Caller ID system in an amount equivalent to the payment of fees received by such operators for use of the Caller ID system. However, Lune's right to use patent number 9202624-9 was suspended by a federal judge in the State of São Paulo in response to a lawsuit filed against Lune and INPI by Ericsson Telecomunicações S.A. Telesp Celular S.A. and Telerj Celular filed identical lawsuits against Lune and INPI and those lawsuits are still pending before the courts. We believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to Lune's claim against us is possible. We are unable to determine at this time the extent of any potential liabilities with respect to this claim.

Validity of Prepaid Plan Minutes

Telerj Celular and Telest Celular, together with other Brazilian wireless telecommunications operators, are defendants in various lawsuits brought by the federal public prosecutor's office and a consumer protection association challenging the imposition of a deadline for the use of purchased prepaid minutes. The plaintiffs allege that purchased prepaid minutes should not expire after any specified deadline. Conflicting decisions have been issued by the federal court reviewing this matter. Although we believe that our criteria for imposing the deadline is in compliance with Anatel's rules, we believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is possible.

Tax-Related

Application of ICMS

In June 1998, the *Conselho Nacional de Política Fazendária*, or CONFAZ, decided to apply the ICMS tax to certain service revenues, such as activation fees, and to make the application of the tax to such activation fees retroactive for the five years preceding June 30, 1998. This claim impacts Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. We believe the application of the ICMS tax to non-basic telecommunications services such as cellular activation is unlawful because it would subject to taxation certain services that are not telecommunications services. In addition, we do not believe new taxes may be applied retroactively. We believe based on the opinion of outside counsel (including certain judicial precedents) that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is remote. Moreover, we believe that the predecessor companies would be liable to our subsidiaries for any tax liability arising from the retroactive application.

Application of COFINS and PIS

On November 27, 1998, the method for calculating the amount of contribution required under PIS and COFINS was modified by Law No. 9,718, which increased the COFINS contribution rate from 2% to 3% and permitted the deduction of up to 1/3 of the amount due under COFINS from the amount due under CSLL. Since our subsidiaries had a negative tax calculation basis, they could not benefit from this deduction. In addition, Law No. 9,718 effectively increased the amounts of COFINS and PIS due from our subsidiaries by including financial revenues in the calculation methodology. This claim impacts Telerj Celular and Telest Celular.

[Back to Contents](#)

We believe that this increase is unconstitutional because: (1) Article 195 of the Brazilian Constitution, which was effective when Law No. 9,718 was enacted, provided that the PIS contribution could only be levied on compensation of employees, revenues and profits; (2) in order to increase the COFINS and PIS contributions, it would be necessary to enact a law requiring a greater quorum than the one required to approve Law No. 9,718; and (3) the law was made effective before the expiration of the required 90-day waiting period.

We believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is possible. However, we do not believe an unfavorable outcome would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Passing on of the COFINS and PIS to Customers

Several telecommunications carriers, including us, are defendants in a lawsuit brought by the federal public prosecutor's office challenging our policy of passing the COFINS and PIS expenses on to our customers by incorporating them into our charges. This claim impacts Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. We are challenging the lawsuit on the grounds that COFINS and PIS are cost components of the services provided to our customers and, as such, should be incorporated into the price of such services, as is the practice throughout the telecommunications industry. We believe based on the opinion of our outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is remote.

CIDE

We and our subsidiaries filed lawsuits challenging the application of *CIDE* [*Contribuição de Intervenção no Domínio Econômico*] on the remittances of payments owed to suppliers headquartered outside Brazil in accordance with technology transfer and technological assistance contracts or trademark and software licenses, in accordance with the terms of Law No. 10,168/2002. We believe based on the opinion of outside counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is possible.

Other Litigation

We are also party to certain legal proceedings arising in the normal course of business. We believe that our provisions are sufficient to cover our estimated losses due to adverse legal decisions. We believe that adverse decisions arising from these other legal proceedings would not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Dividend Policy and Dividends

We pay our shareholders both dividends and interest on shareholders' equity, which is a form of distribution that is tax deductible in Brazil. The following table summarizes our history of payments of dividends and interest on shareholders' equity for the years 2004, 2003 and 2002. The table sets forth amounts in *reais* per thousand common shares and preferred shares and amounts in U.S. dollars per ADS translated into U.S. dollars at the prevailing selling rate for Brazilian currency into U.S. dollars in the commercial rate exchange market on each of the respective dates of such payments.

| | Year ended December 31, | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| | 2004 | | 2003 | | 2002 | |
| | R\$ per thousand | U.S.\$ per ADS(1) | R\$ per thousand | U.S.\$ per ADS | R\$ per thousand | U.S.\$ per ADS |
| Common | 0.046442 | □ | 0.0812 | □ | 0.2315 | □ |
| Preferred | 0.051087 | □ | 0.0894 | 0.1555 | 0.2547 | 0.3503 |

(1) Dividend to be paid not later than December 22, 2005. U.S. dollar equivalent to be determined based on the applicable exchange rate on the payment date.

[Back to Contents](#)

Under our by-laws, we are required to distribute as dividends in respect of each fiscal year ending on December 31, to the extent amounts are available for distribution, an aggregate amount equal to at least 25% of adjusted net income on such date as mandatory dividend. Preferred shares are entitled to receive minimum non cumulative cash dividends of 10% higher than those attributed to common shares. The annual dividend distributed to our holders of our preferred shares has priority in the allocation of adjusted net income.

Under Brazilian Corporate Law, a company is permitted to suspend the payment of the mandatory dividend in respect of its common and preferred shares if:

- its board of directors, independent auditors and board of auditors report to the shareholders' meeting that the distribution would be incompatible with the financial conditions of that company; and
- the shareholders ratify this conclusion at the shareholders' meeting. In this case,
 - the board of executive officers would forward to the CVM, within five days of the shareholders' meeting, an explanation for the suspension of the payment of the mandatory dividend; and
 - the amounts which were not distributed are to be recorded as a special reserve, and, if not absorbed by losses in subsequent fiscal years, they must be distributed as dividends as soon as the financial condition of that company permits. Dividends may be distributed by us out of our retained earnings or accumulated profits in any given fiscal year.

Under our by-laws, we may pay dividends out of retained earnings or accumulated profits in any given fiscal year. For the purposes of Brazilian Corporate Law, accumulated profits are defined as net income after the provision of income tax and social contribution for the relevant fiscal year, net of any accumulated losses from prior fiscal years and any amounts allocated to warrants, income bonds, employees' and management's participation in a company's profits. Retained earnings are defined as the amount of our net income in prior years that was not paid out as dividends in the year in which it was earned, but rather was retained in accordance with a proposal of the board of directors duly approved by a shareholders' meeting.

At each annual shareholders' meeting, the board of directors is required to determine how net profits for the preceding fiscal year are to be allocated. Under Brazilian Corporate Law, we are required to maintain a statutory reserve, to which we must allocate 5% of our net profits for each fiscal year until the amount of such reserve equals 20% of our paid-in capital. Losses, if any, may be charged against the statutory reserve.

Brazilian Corporate Law also provides for two additional discretionary allocations of net profits that are subject to approval by the shareholders at the annual shareholders' meeting:

- first, a percentage of net profits may be allocated to the contingency reserve for anticipated losses that may be charged to it in future years. Any amount so allocated in a prior year must be either:
 - reversed in the fiscal year in which the loss was anticipated if such loss does not in fact occur; or
 - written off in the event that the anticipated loss occurs;
- second, if the amount of unrealized revenue exceeds the sum of (i) the statutory reserve and (ii) retained earnings, such excess may be allocated to the unrealized profit at the direction of the board of directors.

Allocations may not hinder the payment of mandatory dividends. Unrealized revenue reserve is defined under Brazilian Corporate Law as the sum of:

- the share of equity earnings of affiliated companies, which is not paid as cash dividends; and
- profits as a result of income from operations after the end of the next succeeding fiscal year.

[Back to Contents](#)

The amounts available for distribution are determined on the basis of financial statements prepared in accordance with Brazilian Corporate Law, which differs from other financial statements such as our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

Priority and Amount of Preferred Dividends

Our by-laws provide for a minimum noncumulative dividend of (i) only 10% per year of the value of our total share capital divided by the total number of shares or (ii) 10% higher than the amount distributed to the holders of our common shares. As a result of such provision, holders of our preferred shares are entitled to receive, in any year, distributions of cash dividends prior to the holders of our common shares receiving any distribution of cash dividends in such year. In addition, distributions of cash dividends in any year are made:

- first, to the holders of preferred shares up to the amount of the dividend that must be paid to the holders of preferred shares for such year;
- then, to the holders of common shares until the amount distributed in respect of each Preferred Share is 10% above the amount distributed in respect of each common share, according to our by-laws; and
- thereafter, to the holders of common shares and preferred shares, on the basis that the amount distributed in respect of each preferred share is 10% above the amount distributed in respect of each common share, according to our by-laws.

If the mandatory dividend in any year is less than or equal to the dividend that must be paid to the holders of preferred shares in that year, the holders of common shares will not be entitled to receive any cash dividends from us in that year, unless the holders of common shares approve dividends in excess of dividends that must be paid to preferred shares. In such circumstances, however, holders of preferred shares will be entitled to the amount available for payment of dividends up to an aggregate amount equal to:

- the minimum dividend to be paid to the holders of preferred shares; plus,
- in the event the minimum dividend to be paid to the holders of preferred shares is higher than the amount available for payment of dividends for that year, any retained earnings from previous years, which may be used to make up for such shortfall.

If the dividend to be paid to the holders of preferred shares is not paid for a period of three years, holders of preferred shares will be entitled to full voting rights until such time as that dividend is paid in full for any year.

Payment of Dividends

We are required by Brazilian law and by our by-laws to hold an annual shareholders' meeting by April 30 of each year, at which, among other things, an annual dividend may be declared by a decision of our shareholders on the recommendation of our board of directors. The payment of annual dividends in any given year is based on the financial statements prepared for the preceding fiscal year ending December 31. Under Brazilian Corporate Law, dividends are required to be paid within 60 days of the annual shareholders' meeting, or on the date determined at a shareholders' meeting, but in any case prior to the end of the fiscal year in which such dividend was declared. A shareholder has a three-year period from the dividend payment date to claim dividends in respect of its shares, after which time unclaimed dividends revert back to us. Because our shares are issued in book-entry form, dividends will be credited to the depository, which is responsible for the delivery of the dividends to their respective holders. We are not required to adjust the amount of paid-in capital for inflation. Annual dividends may be paid to shareholders on a *pro rata* basis according to the date when the subscription price is paid to us.

Our preferred shares underlying the ADSs are held in Brazil by a Brazilian custodian, Banco Itaú S.A., as the agent for the depository, which is the registered owner of our shares.

Payments of cash dividends and distributions, if any, will be made in *reais* to the Custodian on behalf of The Bank of New York, as depository, which will then convert those proceeds into U.S. dollars and will cause such U.S. dollars to be delivered to the depository for distribution to holders of ADRs. In the event that the Custodian is unable to immediately convert the *reais* received as dividends into U.S. dollars, the amount of U.S. dollars payable to holders of ADRs may be adversely affected by devaluations of the *real* that occur before such dividends are converted and remitted. Dividends in respect of our preferred shares paid to resident and non-resident shareholders, including holders of ADSs, are not currently subject to Brazilian withholding tax.

[Back to Contents](#)

B. Significant Changes

Reverse Stock Split

On March 29, 2005, TSD approved a reverse split of the 449,009,994,135 registered book-entry shares of capital stock of TSD, with no par value, of which 189,434,957,933 are common shares and 259,575,036,202 are preferred shares with such reverse stock split to occur at the ratio of five thousand (5,000) shares to one (1) share of the respective class, after which there will be 89,801,999 registered book-entry shares, with no par value, of which 37,886,992 will be common shares and 51,915,007 will be preferred shares.

The reasons for the reverse stock split are: (i) adjust the per share value of the shares to a more adequate level from a stock market perspective, since the trading of the shares in *reais* per share gives greater visibility as compared to the trading per lot of one thousand (1,000) shares; (ii) unify the basis for quoting the shares in the national market □ São Paulo Stock Exchange (“BOVESPA”), and in lots of five thousand (5,000) shares from each American Depositary Receipt (“ADR”) in the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”); (iii) reduce operational expenses and to increase the efficiency of the system for registering information regarding the shareholders of TSD; and (iv) reduce the possibilities of informational errors, improving services to the shareholders of TSD.

There will be no reverse stock split of ADRs. Only the ratio of shares to each ADR will be changed from the current ratio of five thousand (5,000) shares per ADR to one (1) share per ADR. Thus, there will be no fractional ADRs resulting from the reverse stock split.

ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING

A. Offer and Listing Details

Brazilian private equity and debt are principally traded on BOVESPA, which is the trading market for our common and preferred shares. Our preferred shares began trading on the Brazilian stock exchanges on September 21, 1998. In the United States, our preferred shares trade in the form of ADSs, each representing 5,000 preferred shares, issued by The Bank of New York as depositary, pursuant to a Deposit Agreement among us, the depositary and the registered holders and beneficial owners from time to time of ADRs. The ADSs commenced trading separately on the New York Stock Exchange on November 16, 1998 under the symbol “TSD”. At December 31, 2004, there were approximately 131 record holders of ADSs in the United States, including Brasilcel. The ADS holders represent approximately 68.35% of our preferred shares. The other ones hold ADSs representing approximately 1.2% of our preferred shares. The table below sets forth, for the indicated periods, the high and low closing prices of the ADSs on The New York Stock Exchange, in U.S. dollars, and the preferred shares on the São Paulo Stock Exchange, in *reais*:

[Back to Contents](#)

| | New York Stock Exchange U.S.\$ per ADS | | São Paulo Stock Exchange R\$ per 1,000 preferred shares | |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------|--|------|
| | High | Low | High | Low |
| Year ended | | | | |
| December 31, 2000 | 62.25 | 17.25 | 21.80 | 6.80 |
| December 31, 2001 | 26.25 | 10.60 | 10.50 | 5.10 |
| December 31, 2002 | 13.40 | 7.70 | 6.90 | 5.67 |
| December 31, 2003 | 12.80 | 7.95 | 7.40 | 5.10 |
| December 31, 2004 | 13.00 | 9.25 | 7.50 | 4.50 |
| Year ended December 31, 2003 | | | | |
| First quarter | 9.99 | 8.60 | 6.98 | 6.22 |
| Second quarter | 12.80 | 10.70 | 7.40 | 6.79 |
| Third quarter | 12.10 | 7.95 | 6.64 | 5.10 |
| Fourth quarter | 11.64 | 9.82 | 6.80 | 5.69 |
| Year ended December 31, 2004 | | | | |
| First quarter | 13.00 | 9.25 | 7.50 | 5.30 |
| Second quarter | 11.20 | 7.30 | 6.60 | 4.50 |
| Third quarter | 12.76 | 9.45 | 7.40 | 5.66 |
| Fourth quarter | 12.75 | 10.35 | 7.48 | 5.70 |
| Quarter ended | | | | |
| March 31, 2005 | 10.15 | 8.9 | 5.30 | 4.90 |
| Month ended | | | | |
| October 31, 2004 | 12.75 | 10.40 | 7.48 | 6.05 |
| November 30, 2004 | 11.27 | 10.00 | 6.40 | 6.00 |
| December 31, 2004 | 11.25 | 10.35 | 6.29 | 5.70 |
| January 31, 2005 | 11.15 | 10.02 | 6.30 | 5.21 |
| February 28, 2005 | 10.74 | 9.85 | 5.94 | 5.25 |
| March 31, 2005 | 10.15 | 8.90 | 5.30 | 4.90 |

B. Plan of Distribution

Not applicable.

C. Markets**Trading on the BOVESPA**

In 2000, the BOVESPA was reorganized through the execution of memoranda of understanding by the Brazilian stock exchanges. Under the memoranda, all securities are now traded only on the BOVESPA, with the

exception of electronically traded public debt securities and privatization auctions, which are traded on the Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange.

When shareholders trade in common and preferred shares on the BOVESPA, the trade is settled in three business days after the trade date without adjustment of the purchase price for inflation. The seller is ordinarily required to deliver the shares to the exchange on the second business day following the trade date. Delivery of and payment for shares are made through the facilities of the clearinghouse, *Companhia Brasileira de Liquidação e Custódia*, or CBLC.

The BOVESPA is a nonprofit entity owned by its member brokerage firms. Trading on the BOVESPA is limited to member brokerage firms and a limited number of authorized nonmembers. The BOVESPA has two open outcry trading sessions each day from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., São Paulo time, except during daylight savings time in the United States. During daylight savings time in the United States, the sessions are from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m., São Paulo time, to closely mirror the NYSE trading hours. Trading is also conducted between 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., or between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. during daylight savings time in the United States on an automated system known as the Computer Assisted Trading System (*Sistema de Negociação Assistida por Computador*) on the BOVESPA and on the National Electronic Trading System (*Sistema Eletrônico de Negociação Nacional*). This system is a computerized system that links electronically with the seven smaller regional exchanges. The BOVESPA also permits trading from 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on an online system connected to traditional and Internet brokers called the "after market." Trading on the after market is subject to regulatory limits on price volatility and on the volume of shares transacted through Internet brokers. Currently, there are no specialists or officially recognized market makers for our shares in Brazil. Upon the completion of this offering, we may contract specialists and/or market makers for the common shares.

[Back to Contents](#)

In order to better control volatility, the BOVESPA adopted a “circuit breaker” system, pursuant to which trading sessions may be suspended for a period of 30 minutes or one hour whenever the indices of the BOVESPA fall below the limits of 10% or 15%, respectively, in relation to the index registered in the previous trading session.

The BOVESPA is significantly less liquid than the NYSE or other major exchanges in the world. As of December 31, 2004, the aggregate market capitalization of the 358 companies listed on the BOVESPA was equivalent to approximately R\$904.9 billion (U.S.\$340.9 billion) and the 10 largest companies listed on the BOVESPA represented approximately 48.8% of the total market capitalization of all listed companies. By comparison, as of December 31, 2004, the aggregate market capitalization of the 2,768 companies listed on the NYSE was approximately U.S.\$19.8 trillion and the 10 largest companies listed on the NYSE represented approximately 18.0% of the total market capitalization of all listed companies. Although any of the outstanding shares of a listed company may trade on the BOVESPA, in most cases fewer than half of the listed shares are actually available for trading by the public, the remainder being held by small groups of controlling persons, by government entities or by one principal shareholder. See “Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Preferred Shares and Our ADSs—The relative volatility and illiquidity of the Brazilian securities markets may adversely effect holders of ADSs.”

Regulation of Brazilian Securities Markets

The Brazilian securities markets are regulated by the CVM, which has authority over stock exchanges and the securities markets generally, by the Conselho Monetário Nacional, or CMN, the National Monetary Council and by the Central Bank, which has, among other powers, licensing authority over brokerage firms and regulates foreign investment and foreign exchange transactions. The Brazilian securities market is governed by Law No. 6,385, as amended, known as the Brazilian Securities Law, and by Law No. 6,404, as amended, the Brazilian Corporate Law.

Law No. 10,303 of December 31, 2001 amended the Brazilian Corporate Law and the Brazilian Securities Law. Consequently, some major modifications resulted for the businesses of the publicly traded companies.

Among the changes, Law No. 10,303, along with Executive Order No. 8 and Decree No. 3.995, all dated October 31, 2001, altered and expanded the CVM’s authority and autonomy. The CVM, which is the agency in charge of regulating the market, now handles some functions that were reserved to the Central Bank, for example, the regulation and organization of the futures and commodities markets. Other modifications include changes in the proportion of common and preferred shares (these changes apply solely to companies incorporated after the enactment of the new law), new rules for the issuance of debentures and the exercise of the right of withdrawal, enhanced duties and powers for the members of the board of auditors and the board of directors, and the ability of publicly traded companies to make publications available over the Internet. Also provided is the pooling agreement, the so-called block voting by which the shareholders agree during a prior meeting on the direction of the votes that will be cast at the general meetings. The purpose of this type of vote is to prevent any possible individual dissidents or interests from harming corporate interests.

The period established for companies to adapt their by-laws was one year from the publication of the law on November 1, 2001. Our shareholders held a general shareholders’ meeting on December 30, 2002 and approved the necessary modifications to our by-laws.

Under Brazilian Corporate Law, a company is either public, a *companhia aberta*, such as our company, or private, a *companhia fechada*. All public companies are registered with the CVM and are subject to reporting requirements. A company registered with the CVM may have its securities traded either on the São Paulo Stock Exchange or on the Brazilian over-the-counter market. The shares of a public company may also be traded privately, subject to certain limitations. In order to be listed on the Brazilian stock exchanges, a company must apply for registration with the CVM and the stock exchange. Once the stock exchange lists a company and the CVM accepts its registration as a public company, its securities may start to be traded.

Trading of securities on the São Paulo Stock Exchange may be suspended at the request of a company in anticipation of a material announcement. Trading may also be suspended on the initiative of the São Paulo Stock Exchange or the CVM due to, among other reasons, a belief that the company has provided inadequate information regarding a material event or has provided inadequate responses to inquiries by the CVM or the São Paulo Stock Exchange.

The Brazilian Securities Law, the Brazilian Corporate Law and the regulations issued by the CVM, the CMN and the Central Bank provide, among other things, disclosure requirements and restrictions on insider trading, price manipulation and protection of minority shareholders. However, the Brazilian securities markets are not as highly regulated and supervised as the U.S. securities markets or markets in some other jurisdictions.

Principal Differences Between the Brazilian and the U.S. Corporate Governance Practices

The significant differences between our corporate governance practices and the NYSE corporate governance standards are as follows:

Independence of Directors and Independence Tests

Brazilian Corporate Law and our bylaws require that our directors be elected by our shareholders at a general shareholders meeting. All our directors are appointed by our controlling shareholders.

Neither our board of directors nor our management test the independence of the directors before such elections are made. However, both Brazilian Corporate Law and CVM establish rules in relation to certain qualification requirements and restrictions, investiture, compensation, duties and responsibilities of the companies' executives and directors. Although we believe these rules provide adequate assurances that our directors are independent, we believe such rules would permit us to have directors that would not otherwise pass the independence tests established by the NYSE.

Executive Sessions

According to Brazilian Corporate Law, up to 1/3 of the members of the board of directors can be elected into executive positions. The remaining non-management directors are not expressly empowered to serve as a check on management and there is no requirement that those directors meet regularly without management. Nevertheless, under our bylaws, the members of the board of executive officers cannot be elected to the board of directors.

Committees

We are not required under applicable Brazilian Corporate Law to have, and accordingly we do not have, a Nominating Committee, Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee. Pursuant to our bylaws our directors are elected by our shareholders at a general shareholders meeting. Compensation for our directors and executive officers is established by our shareholders.

Audit Committee and Audit Committee Additional Requirements

Brazilian Corporate Law requires us to have a board of auditors (*Conselho Fiscal*), which is composed of three to five members elected at the general shareholders meeting. The board of auditors operates independently from our management and from our external auditors. Its main function is to examine the financial statements of each fiscal year and provide a formal report to our shareholders. We have a board of auditors that consists of three members and three alternates and which meets once a quarter. In April 2003, the SEC stated that the listing of securities of foreign private issuers may be exempt from the audit committee requirements if the issuer meets certain requirements.

We also have an audit committee, whose members do not follow the independence requirements of Rule 10A-3(c)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, which are not applicable to us until July 31, 2005 according to Rule 10A-3(a)(5)(A) of the Exchange Act. See “Item 16D □ Exemptions from the Listing Standards for Audit Committees”.

Under Brazilian Corporate Law, an audit committee member may simultaneously serve on the audit committees of more than three public companies. In addition, our company does not impose limitations in this regard and our board is not required to affirmatively determine and disclose that the director’s ability to effectively serve is not impaired. We are aware that the members of our audit committee also serve on the audit committees of all of the other companies that have been operating under the brand name “Vivo”: Telesp Celular Participações, Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações S.A., Tele Sudeste Celular Participações and Celular CRT Participações S.A.

Policy for Disclosure and Disclosure Committee

The Policy for Disclosure of Relevant Act or Fact was set up by the Board of Directors of TSD in compliance with Article 16 of CVM Instruction No. 358, dated June 18, 2002.

The ultimate responsibility for the disclosure of relevant information, acts or facts is incumbent upon the CEO, the CFO and the Investor Relations Officer, the first two being responsible for authorizing information to be disclosed, while the Investor Relations Officer is responsible for the communication itself of the relevant information, under the terms of the provisions of the Relevant Act or Fact Policy and CVM Instructions 358/02 and 369/02. Disclosures are reviewed by the Disclosure Committee in support of the CEO and CFO. The Disclosure Committee is responsible for processing the disclosure of information and relevant Acts and Facts of the Company, and for ensuring quality disclosure of information, as well as for the implementation of the Disclosure Procedures and Controls.

The Disclosure Committee reports directly to the CEO and to the CFO and is composed of one coordinator and 10 members (representing the Investor Relations, Controls, Corporate Communication, Accounting, Financial, Mergers and Acquisitions, Communication and Publicity and Compliance Officers, as well as the General Secretary and the Legal Officer), and has the duty of evaluating the need to outsource services (such as auditors, legal counsel and other independent consultants), in order to provide adequate support for the disclosure process.

Shareholder Approval of Equity Compensation Plans

Our shareholders do not have the opportunity to vote on all equity compensation plans. However, any issuance of new shares that exceeds the authorized capital is subject to shareholder confirmation.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

We have not adopted any corporate governance guidelines in addition to the rules imposed upon us by applicable Brazilian law. We believe that the corporate governance guidelines applicable to us under Brazilian law, such as those regarding insider trading, public disclosure of material information, and rules on the negotiation of equities by management and controlling shareholders, are consistent with some of the guidelines established by the NYSE.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

Although the adoption of a code of ethics is not required by Brazilian Corporate Law, we implemented in June 2003 our Code of Ethics regulating the conduct of our senior financial officers. See “Item 16B □ Code of Ethics”. We do not have a code of business conduct and ethics applicable to all our directors and employees.

[Back to Contents](#)

D. Selling Shareholders

Not applicable.

E. Dilution

Not applicable.

F. Expenses of the Issue

ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. Share Capital

Not applicable.

B. Memorandum and Articles of Association

The following summarizes certain material provisions of our by-laws and Brazilian law, the main bodies of regulation governing us. Copies of our by-laws have been filed as exhibits to this annual report on Form 20-F.

Register

Our by-laws were filed with the Public Registry of the state of Rio de Janeiro (“JUCERJ”) on April 29, 2004 under company number (NIRE) 3330026819-7. Article 5 of our by-laws will be amended as a result of the capital increase determined by the Board of Directors of Tele Sudeste at its March 30, 2004 meeting, which was registered with JUCERJ under n. 0000142142.

Objectives and Purposes

We are a publicly traded company duly registered with the Brazilian securities commission under No. 01771-0. Article 2 of our by-laws provides that our corporate purpose is to:

- exercise the control of operating companies which provide cellular mobile telecommunications services, personal mobile services and other services in conformity with the concessions, authorizations and permissions that have been granted to us;
- promote, through our subsidiaries or controlled companies, the expansion and implementation of the telecommunications services within our concessions, authorizations and permissions;
- promote, carry out and direct the financing of capital from internal or external sources to be used by us or our controlled companies;
- promote, carry out and encourage study and research activities aimed at the development of the telecommunications sector;
- perform, through our subsidiaries and affiliated companies, specialized technical services related to the telecommunications sector;
- promote, encourage, carry out and coordinate, through our subsidiaries or controlled companies, the development and training of personnel necessary to perform activities in the telecommunications

sector;

- carry out and promote the import of goods and services for the operations of our subsidiaries and controlled companies;

[Back to Contents](#)

- execute other activities connected or related to our objective;
- participate in the equity capital of other companies; and
- trade equipment and materials necessary or useful for providing telecommunications services.

Directors

Following is a description of some of the provisions of our by-laws concerning the members of our board of directors:

- the board of directors has the power to approve investments and acquisition of assets, assume any obligation and execute contracts not included in the budget for an amount exceeding R\$300 million, the public issuance of promissory notes, and the acquisition of our shares for cancellation or deposit with a custodian; and
- the board of directors has the power to apportion the global remuneration set forth by the shareholders' meeting between the directors and the executive officers.

Pursuant to Brazilian Corporate Law and our by-laws, each member of the board of directors must have at least one share of our capital stock to be elected as a director. There are no provisions in our by-laws with respect to:

- age limits for retirement of directors; and
- anti-takeover mechanisms or other procedures designed to delay, defer or prevent changes in our control.

Although there are no provisions in our by-laws with respect to the following, they are regulated by Brazilian Corporate Law and CVM regulations:

- a director's power to vote on proposals in which the director is materially interested;
- a director's power to vote compensation to him or herself in the absence of an independent quorum;
- borrowing powers exercisable by the directors;
- required shareholding for director qualification; and
- disclosure of share ownership.

Rights Attaching to Shares

Dividend Rights

See "Item 8A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information" Dividend Policy and Dividends," and "—Payment of Dividends."

Voting Rights

Each common share entitles the holder to one vote at meetings of shareholders. Our preferred shares do not entitle the holder to vote except as discussed in our by-laws in Articles 7, 9 and 10. Holders of our preferred shares are each entitled to attend or to address meetings of shareholders and to elect members of our board of directors according to Article 141, fourth paragraph, II, and Article 141, fifth paragraph, of Law No. 6,404/76, as amended by Article 8, fourth paragraph of Law No. 10,303/01.

One of the members of our board of auditors and his or her alternate are elected by the majority vote of the holders of our preferred shares present at the annual meeting of shareholders at which the members of the board of auditors are elected.

Brazilian Corporate Law provides that certain non-voting shares, such as our preferred shares, acquire voting rights in the event we fail for three consecutive fiscal years to pay the mandatory minimum dividend to which such shares are entitled, until such payment is made.

Our preferred shares are entitled to full voting rights in the event that we fail to pay the mandatory minimum dividends to which they are entitled for three consecutive years, and with respect to:

- the approval of any long-term contract between us and our controlled subsidiaries, on the one hand, and any controlling shareholder or that shareholder's affiliates and related parties, on the other hand; and
- changes/eliminations of certain rights and obligations as provided for in our by-laws.

Any change in the preference, benefits, conditions of redemption and amortization of our preferred shares, or the creation of a class of shares having priority or preference over our preferred shares, would require the approval of holders of a majority of our outstanding preferred shares at a special meeting of holders of our preferred shares. Such a meeting would be called by publication of a notice in the state's official gazette and two other Brazilian newspapers, as determined by the shareholders, at least thirty days prior to the meeting, but would not generally require any other form of notice.

In any circumstances in which holders of our preferred shares are entitled to vote, each preferred share will entitle the holder to one vote.

Meeting of Shareholders

According to Brazilian law, shareholders must be previously convoked in order for a general or extraordinary shareholders' meeting to be installed. The convocation must be published in the state official gazette and two other newspapers, as determined by the shareholders, at least 15 days prior to the meeting's scheduled date. If the first meeting is not installed for some reason, the second convocation must be published at least eight days before the second meeting date.

On the first call, meetings may only be installed with a minimum quorum of one-fourth of the holders of voting shares. Extraordinary meetings whose object is the amendment of the by-laws may only be installed on the first call with a minimum of two-thirds of the voting capital present. In addition, some decisions require the approval of at least one-half of the holders of voting shares (qualified quorum). On a second call, the meetings are installed regardless of quorum.

Preemptive Rights

Each of our shareholders has a general preemptive right to subscribe for shares in any capital increase in proportion to its shareholding. A minimum period of 30 days following the publication of notice of the capital increase is allowed for the exercise of the right.

In the event of a capital increase, which would maintain or increase the proportion of capital represented by our preferred shares, holders of ADSs, or of our preferred shares, would have preemptive rights to subscribe only to our newly issued preferred shares. In the event of a capital increase, which would reduce the proportion of capital represented by our preferred shares, holders of ADSs, or of our preferred shares, would have preemptive rights to subscribe to our preferred shares in proportion to their shareholdings and to our common shares only to the extent necessary to prevent dilution of their interest.

Preemptive rights to purchase shares may not be offered to U.S. holders of our ADSs unless a registration statement under the Securities Act is effective with respect to the shares underlying those rights, or an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act is available. Consequently, if you are a holder of our ADSs who is a U.S. person or is located in the United States, you may be restricted in your ability to participate in the exercise of preemptive rights.

[Back to Contents](#)

Right of Redemption

Brazilian Corporate Law provides for the right of redemption to minority shareholders under certain circumstances.

The right of a dissenting shareholder to seek redemption arises in case our shareholders representing more than 50% of the voting shares, common shares or preferred shares, as applicable, decide to:

- change the preference of our preferred shares or to create a class of shares having priority or preference over our preferred shares, except if such actions are expressly permitted in the by-laws at the time of their adoption by our shareholders;
- change the preference of our preferred shares, any right they carry, their amortization or redemption rights, or to create a class of shares having priority or preference over our preferred shares;
- reduce the mandatory distribution of dividends;
- change our corporate purposes;
- transfer all of our shares to another company in order to make us a wholly owned subsidiary of that company;
- approve the acquisition of another company, the price of which exceeds certain limits set forth in Brazilian Corporate Law;
- participate in a group of companies if certain liquidity standards are not met according to Brazilian Corporate Law as amended by Law No. 10,303/01;
- merge or consolidate us with another company if certain liquidity standards are not met according to Brazilian Corporate Law as amended by Law No. 10,303/01; and
- cisão*, or split-up, Tele Sudeste, according to Brazilian Corporate Law, as amended by Law No. 10,303/01, in any of the following situations: (i) reduction of minimum dividends; (ii) participation in a group of companies; or (iii) change of our corporate purposes, except in case the company receiving our assets has a corporate purpose substantially identical to ours.

The right to redemption lapses 30 days after publication of the minutes of the relevant shareholders' meeting or, whenever the resolution requires the approval of the holders of our preferred shares by vote taken in a special meeting of a majority of the holders of our preferred shares affected by the resolution, within 30 days from the publication of the minutes of that special meeting. We would be entitled to reconsider any action giving rise to redemption rights within 10 days following the expiration of those rights if the redemption of shares of dissenting shareholders would jeopardize our financial stability.

Unless otherwise provided in our by-laws, which is not the case, shares are redeemable at their book value, determined on the basis of the last annual balance sheet approved by the shareholders. If the shareholders' meeting giving rise to redemption rights occurs more than 60 days after the date of the last annual balance sheet, a shareholder may demand that its shares be valued on the basis of a new balance sheet that is as of a date within 60 days of such shareholders' meeting.

Form and Transfer

Our shares are maintained in book-entry form with a transfer agent, Banco ABN-AMRO Real S.A., and the transfer of our shares is made in accordance with the applicable provision of Brazilian Corporate Law, which provides that a transfer of shares is effected by an entry made by the transfer agent on its books, debiting the share account of the seller and crediting the share account of the purchaser against presentation of a written order of the seller or judicial authorization or order in an appropriate document which remains in the possession of the transfer agent. Our preferred shares underlying our ADSs are registered on the records of BOVESPA in the name of The Bank of New York, as depositary of the ADSs.

Transfers of shares by a foreign investor are made in the same way and executed by such investor's local agent on the investor's behalf except that, if the original investment was registered with the Central Bank of Brazil under the Brazilian foreign investment in capital markets regulations, the foreign investor should also seek amendment, if necessary, through its local agent, of the certificate of registration to reflect the new ownership.

BOVESPA operates a central clearing system. A holder of our shares may choose, at its discretion, to participate in this system. All shares elected to be put into the system will be deposited in custody with the relevant stock exchange through a Brazilian institution duly authorized to operate by the Central Bank of Brazil and having a clearing account with the relevant stock exchange. The fact that such shares are subject to custody with the relevant stock exchange will be reflected in our register of shareholders. Each participating shareholder will, in turn, be registered in our register of beneficial shareholders maintained by the relevant stock exchange and will be treated in the same way as registered shareholders.

Regulation of Foreign Investment and Exchange Controls

There are no restrictions on ownership of our preferred shares by individual or legal entities domiciled outside Brazil. However, the right to convert dividend payments and proceeds from the sale of our shares into foreign currency and to remit such amounts abroad is subject to restrictions under foreign investment legislation which generally require, among other things, that the relevant investment be registered with the Central Bank and the CVM. Foreign investors may register their investment in our shares under Law 4,131 of September 3, 1962 or Resolution 2,689 of January 26, 2000. Registration under Resolution 2,689 affords favorable tax treatment to non-Brazilian investors who are not residents in a tax haven jurisdiction (i.e. countries that do not impose income tax or where the maximum income tax rate is lower than 20%), as defined by Brazilian tax laws.

Under Resolution 2,689, non-Brazilian investors may invest in almost all financial assets and engage in almost all transactions available in the Brazilian financial and capital markets, provided that certain requirements are fulfilled. In accordance with Resolution 2,689, the definition of non-Brazilian investor includes individuals, legal entities, mutual funds and other collective investment entities, domiciled or headquartered abroad.

Under Resolution 2,689, a non-Brazilian investor must:

- appoint at least one representative in Brazil, with powers to perform actions relating to its investment;
- appoint an authorized custodian in Brazil for its investment;
- register as a non-Brazilian investor with the CVM; and
- register its foreign investment with the Central Bank.

Additionally, the investor operating under the provisions of Resolution 2,689 must be registered with the Brazilian internal revenue service ("Receita Federal") pursuant to the latter's Regulatory Instruction 200. This registration process is undertaken by the investor's legal representative in Brazil.

Securities and other financial assets held by non-Brazilian investors pursuant to Resolution 2,689 must be registered or maintained in deposit accounts or under the custody of an entity duly licensed by the Central Bank or the CVM. In addition, securities trading is restricted to transactions carried out in the stock exchanges or through organized over-the-counter markets licensed by the CVM, except for transfers resulting from a corporate reorganization, or occurring upon the death of an investor by operation of law or will. See "Item 10.E. Taxation—Brazilian tax considerations" for more information.

Resolution 1,927 of the National Monetary Council provides for the issuance of depositary receipts in foreign markets in respect of shares of Brazilian issuers. Accordingly, the proceeds from the sale of ADSs by holders of American Depositary Receipts outside Brazil are free of Brazilian foreign investment controls and holders of ADSs who are not resident in a tax haven jurisdiction will be entitled to favorable tax treatment.

The right to convert dividend payments and proceeds from the sale of our shares into foreign currency and to remit such amounts outside Brazil is subject to restrictions under foreign investment legislation which generally requires, among other things, that the relevant investment be registered with the Central Bank. Restrictions on the remittance of foreign capital abroad could hinder or prevent the custodian for the preferred shares represented by ADSs, or holders who have exchanged ADSs for preferred shares, from converting dividends, distributions or the proceeds from any sale of preferred shares, as the case may be, into U.S. dollars and remitting such U.S. dollars abroad. Delays in, or refusal to, granting the required government approval for conversions of Brazilian currency payments and remittances abroad could adversely affect holders of ADSs.

We have obtained a certificate of registration in the name of The Bank of New York, the depository. Pursuant to this certificate, the custodian and the depository are able to convert dividends and other distributions with respect to the preferred shares represented by ADSs into foreign currency and to remit the proceeds outside Brazil. If a holder exchanges ADSs for preferred shares, such holder may continue to rely on the depository's certificate of capital registration for only five business days after such exchange. After that, such holder must seek to register its investment directly with the Central Bank. Thereafter, unless the holder has registered its investment with the Central Bank, such holder may not convert into foreign currency and remit outside Brazil the proceeds from the disposition of, or distributions with respect to, such preferred shares. Such holder generally will be subject to less favorable Brazilian tax treatment than a holder of ADSs.

Before March 14, 2005, there were two principal foreign exchange markets in Brazil, in which notes were freely negotiated but could be strongly influenced by Central Bank intervention:

- the commercial rate exchange market dedicated principally to trade and financial foreign exchange transactions such as the buying and selling of registered investments by foreign entities, the purchase or sale of shares, or the payment of dividends or interest with respect to shares; and
- the floating rate exchange market that was generally used for transactions not conducted through the commercial foreign exchange market.

On March 4, 2005, the National Monetary Council enacted Resolution No. 3265, pursuant to which the commercial rate exchange market and the floating rate exchange market were unified in a sole exchange market, effective as of March 14, 2005. The new regulation allows, subject to certain procedures and specific regulatory provisions, the purchase and sale of foreign currency and the international transfer of reais by a person or legal entity, without limitation of the amount involved, provided, however, the legality of the transaction.

Under Brazilian law, whenever there is a serious imbalance in Brazil's balance of payments or reasons to foresee a serious imbalance, the Brazilian government may impose temporary restriction on the remittance of foreign currency abroad and on the conversion of Brazilian currency into foreign currencies. Such restrictions may hinder or prevent the custodian or holders who have exchanged ADSs for underlying preferred shares from converting distributions or the proceeds from any sale of such shares, as the case may be, into U.S. dollars and remitting such U.S. dollars abroad.

C. Material Contracts

On December 10, 2002, Telerj Celular entered into an authorization agreement with Anatel, acting as a representative of the Brazilian government, which enables it to provide personal cellular services (SMP) in the state of Rio de Janeiro. The authorization replaces the concession agreement entered into with Anatel on November 4, 1997, and authorizes Telerj Celular to provide SMP services until November 30, 2005. It may be renewed for an additional term of fifteen years upon payment of 2% of Telerj Celular's net revenues from usage charges in its region in the year prior to the year when payment is due, and every two years during the extension period. In consideration for the authorization, Telerj Celular was required to pay R\$9.0 thousand. The authorization is a legal requirement for providing telecommunications services in the region covered thereby.

On December 10, 2002, Telest Celular entered into an authorization agreement with Anatel, acting as a representative of the Brazilian government, which enables it to provide personal cellular services (SMP) in the state of Espiritio Santo. The authorization replaces the concession agreement entered into with Anatel on November 4, 1997, and authorizes Telest Celular to provide SMP services until November 30, 2008. It may be renewed for an additional term of fifteen years upon payment of 2% of Telest Celular's net revenues from usage charges in its region in the year prior to the year when payment is due, and every two years during the extension period. In consideration for the authorization, Telest Celular was required to pay R\$9.0 thousand. The authorization is a legal requirement for providing telecommunications services in the region covered thereby.

D. Exchange Controls

There are no restrictions on ownership of preferred shares or common shares by individuals or legal entities domiciled outside of Brazil.

The right to convert dividend or interest payments and proceeds from the sale of shares into foreign currency and to remit such amounts outside Brazil is subject to restrictions under foreign investment legislation which generally requires, among other things, that the investments have been registered with the Central Bank and the CVM. Such restrictions on the remittance of foreign capital abroad may hinder or prevent the custodian for our preferred shares represented by our ADSs or the holders of our preferred shares from converting dividends, distributions or the proceeds from any sale of these preferred shares into U.S. dollars and remitting the U.S. dollars abroad. Holders of our ADSs could be adversely affected by delays in, or refusal to grant any, required government approval to convert Brazilian currency payments on the preferred shares underlying our ADSs and to remit the proceeds abroad.

Resolution No. 1,927 of the National Monetary Council provides for the issuance of depositary receipts in foreign markets in respect of shares of Brazilian issuers. It restates and amends Annex V to Resolution No. 1,289 of the National Monetary Council, known as the Annex V Regulations. The ADS program was approved under the Annex V Regulations by the Central Bank and the CVM prior to the issuance of the ADSs. Accordingly, the proceeds from the sale of ADSs by ADR holders outside Brazil are free of Brazilian foreign investment controls, and holders of the ADSs are entitled to favorable tax treatment. See "TaxationBrazilian Tax Considerations."

Under Resolution 2,689 of the CMN, foreign investors registered with the CVM may buy and sell Brazilian securities, including the preferred shares, on Brazilian stock exchanges. Registration is available to qualified foreign investors, which principally include foreign financial institutions, insurance companies, pension and investment funds, charitable foreign institutions, legal entities and individuals. Resolution 2,689 also extends favorable tax treatment to registered investors. See "TaxationBrazilian Tax Considerations."

Pursuant to Resolution 2,689, foreign investors must: (i) appoint at least one representative in Brazil with the ability to perform actions regarding the foreign investment; (ii) complete the appropriate foreign investor registration form; (iii) obtain registration as a foreign investor with CVM; and (iv) register the foreign investment with the Central Bank.

The securities and other financial assets held by a foreign investor pursuant to Resolution 2,689 must be registered or maintained in deposit accounts or under the custody of an entity duly licensed by the Central Bank or by the CVM or be registered in register, clearing and custody systems authorized by the Central Bank or by the CVM. In addition, the trading of securities is restricted to transactions carried out on the stock exchanges or over-the-counter markets licensed by the CVM.

Registered Capital

Amounts invested in our preferred shares by a non-Brazilian holder who qualifies under Resolution 2,689 and obtains registration with the CVM, or by the depositary representing an ADS holder, are eligible for registration with the Central Bank. This registration, which must be done before the first investments on a Brazilian stock exchange (the amount so registered is referred to as registered capital) allows the remittance outside Brazil of foreign currency, converted at the market rate, acquired with the proceeds of distributions on, and amounts realized through, dispositions of our preferred shares. The registered capital per preferred share purchased in the form of an ADS, or purchased in Brazil and deposited with the depositary in exchange for an ADS, will be equal to its purchase price (stated in U.S. dollars). The registered capital per preferred share withdrawn upon cancellation of an ADS will be the U.S. dollar equivalent of (i) the average price of a preferred share on the Brazilian stock exchange on which the most preferred shares were traded on the day of withdrawal

or (ii) if no preferred shares were traded on that day, the average price on the Brazilian stock exchange on which the most preferred shares were traded in the fifteen trading sessions immediately preceding such withdrawal. The U.S. dollar equivalent will be determined on the basis of the average market rates quoted by the Central Bank on these dates.

A non-Brazilian holder of preferred shares may experience delays in effecting Central Bank registration, which may delay remittances abroad. This delay may adversely affect the amount in U.S. dollars, received by the non-Brazilian holder.

A certificate of registration has been issued in the name of the depositary with respect to the ADSs and is maintained by the custodian on behalf of the depositary. Pursuant to the certificate of registration, the custodian and the depositary are able to convert dividends and other distributions with respect to the preferred shares represented by our ADSs into foreign currency and remit the proceeds outside Brazil. In the event that a holder of ADSs exchanges such ADSs for preferred shares, such holder will be entitled to continue to rely on the depositary's certificate of registration for five business days after such exchange, following which such holder must seek to obtain its own certificate of registration with the Central Bank. Thereafter, any holder of preferred shares may not be able to convert into foreign currency and remit outside Brazil the proceeds from the disposition of, or distributions with respect to, such preferred shares, unless the holder is a duly qualified investor under Resolution 2,689 or obtains its own certificate of registration. A holder that obtains a certificate of registration will be subject to less favorable Brazilian tax treatment than a holder of ADSs. See "[Taxation]Brazilian Tax Considerations."

If the holder does not qualify under Resolution 2,689 by registering with the CVM and the Central Bank and appointing a representative in Brazil, the holder will be subject to less favorable Brazilian tax treatment than a holder of ADSs. Regardless of qualification under Resolution 2,689, residents in tax havens are subject to less favorable tax treatment than other foreign investors. See "[Taxation]Brazilian Tax Considerations."

Under current Brazilian legislation, the federal government may impose temporary restrictions on remittances of foreign capital abroad in the event of a serious imbalance or an anticipated serious imbalance of Brazil's balance of payments. For approximately six months in 1989 and early 1990, the federal government froze all dividend and capital repatriations held by the Central Bank that were owed to foreign equity investors, in order to conserve Brazil's foreign currency reserves. These amounts were subsequently released in accordance with federal government directives. There can be no assurance that the federal government will not impose similar restrictions on foreign repatriations in the future. See "Item 3D. Risk Factors[Risks Relating to Brazil]."

E. Taxation

The following discussion contains a description of the material Brazilian and U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of preferred shares or ADSs by certain holders. This summary is based upon the tax laws of Brazil and the United States as in effect on the date of this annual report, which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect, and to differing interpretations. You should consult your own tax advisors as to the Brazilian, U.S. federal or other tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of preferred shares or ADSs, including, in particular, the effect of any state, local or non-U.S., non-Brazilian tax laws.

Although there is presently no income tax treaty between Brazil and the United States, the tax authorities of the two countries have had discussions that may culminate in such a treaty. No assurance can be given, however, as to whether or when a treaty will enter into force or how it will affect the U.S. holders of preferred shares or ADSs.

[Back to Contents](#)

Brazilian Tax Considerations

The following discussion mainly summarizes the principal Brazilian tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of preferred shares or ADSs by a U.S. holder not deemed to be domiciled in Brazil for Brazilian tax purposes (a "U.S. holder"). This discussion does not address all the Brazilian tax considerations that may be applicable to any particular non-Brazilian holder, and each non-Brazilian holder should consult its own tax advisor about the Brazilian tax consequences of investing in preferred shares or ADSs.

Taxation of Dividends

Dividends paid by us in cash or in kind from profits generated on or after January 1, 1996 (i) to the depositary in respect of preferred shares underlying ADSs or (ii) to a U.S. holder or non-Brazilian holder in respect of preferred shares will generally not be subject to Brazilian withholding tax. We do not have any undistributed profits generated before January 1, 1996.

Distributions of Interest on Capital

Brazilian corporations may make payments to shareholders characterized as interest on capital as an alternative form of making dividend distributions. The rate of interest may not be higher than the federal government's long-term interest rate, or the TJLP, as determined by the Central Bank from time to time (11% per annum for the three month period beginning January 2003). The total amount distributed as interest on capital may not exceed the greater of (i) 50% of net income (before taking the distribution and any deductions for income taxes into account) for the year in respect of which the payment is made or (ii) 50% of retained earnings for the year prior to the year in respect of which the payment is made. Payments of interest on capital are decided by the shareholders on the basis of recommendations of the company's board of directors.

Distributions of interest on capital paid to Brazilian and non-Brazilian holders of preferred shares, including payments to the depositary in respect of preferred shares underlying ADSs, are deductible by us for Brazilian corporate income tax purposes. These payments to U.S. holders or non-Brazilian holders are subject to Brazilian withholding tax at the rate of 15%. If the recipient of the payment is domiciled in a tax haven jurisdiction (i.e., a country that does not impose any income tax or that imposes tax at a rate of less than 20%), the rate will be 25%.

No assurance can be given that our board of directors will not recommend that future distributions of profits will be made by means of interest on capital instead of by means of dividends.

Amounts paid as interest on capital (net of applicable withholding tax) may be treated as payments in respect of the dividends we are obligated to distribute to our shareholders in accordance with our by-laws (estatutos) and Brazilian Corporate Law. Distributions of interest on capital in respect of the preferred shares, including distributions to the depositary in respect of preferred shares underlying ADSs, may be converted into U.S. dollars and remitted outside of Brazil, subject to applicable exchange controls.

Taxation of Gains

Gains realized outside Brazil by a U.S. holder or a non-Brazilian holder on the disposition of property located in Brazil, including preferred shares, to another U.S. holder or non-Brazilian holder are subject to Brazilian tax, as of February 2004. In this case, gains would be subject to a 15% withholding tax rate, except if the beneficiary is located in a low-tax jurisdiction, as defined by Brazilian law, in which case the applicable rate would be 25%.

Our understanding is that ADSs do not qualify as property located in Brazil and, therefore, are not subject to Brazilian taxes upon disposition to other non-Brazilian or U.S. holders. Insofar as the regulatory norm referred to in Article 26 is recent and generic and has not been tested through the administrative or judicial courts, we are unable to evaluate what the final ruling on the matter will be.

Gains realized by a U.S. holder or a non-Brazilian holder on dispositions of preferred shares in Brazil or in transactions with Brazilian residents may be free of Brazilian tax, taxed at a rate of 25% or taxed at a rate of 15%, depending on the circumstances.

[Back to Contents](#)

- Gains on the disposition of preferred shares obtained upon cancellation of ADSs are not taxed in Brazil if the disposition is made and the proceeds are remitted abroad within five business days after cancellation, unless the investor is a resident of a jurisdiction that, under Brazilian law, is deemed to be a tax haven.
- Gains realized on preferred shares through transactions with Brazilian residents or through transactions in Brazil off of the Brazilian stock exchanges are generally subject to tax at a rate of 15%.
- Gains realized on preferred shares through transactions on Brazilian stock exchanges are generally subject to tax at a rate of 15%, as of January 2005, unless the investor is entitled to tax-free treatment for the transaction under Resolution 2,689 of the National Monetary Council Regulations, described immediately below.

Resolution 2,689, which as of March 31, 2000 superseded the Annex IV Regulations that previously provided tax benefits to foreign investors, extends favorable tax treatment to a U.S. holder or non-Brazilian holder of preferred shares who has (i) appointed a representative in Brazil with power to take action relating to the investment in preferred shares, (ii) registered as a foreign investor with the CVM and (iii) registered its investment in preferred shares with the Central Bank. Under Resolution 2,689 securities held by foreign investors must be maintained under the custody of, or in deposit accounts with, financial institutions duly authorized by the Central Bank and the CVM. In addition, the trading of securities is restricted under Resolution 2,689 to transactions on Brazilian stock exchanges or qualified over-the-counter markets. The preferential treatment generally afforded under Resolution 2,689 and afforded to investors in ADSs is not available to residents of tax havens. All preferred shares underlying ADSs qualify under Resolution 2,689.

There can be no assurance that the current preferential treatment for U.S. holders and non-Brazilian holders of ADSs and U.S. holders and non-Brazilian holders of preferred shares under Resolution 2,689 will be maintained.

Gain on the disposition of preferred shares is measured by the difference between the amount in Brazilian currency realized on the sale or exchange and the acquisition cost of the shares sold, measured in Brazilian currency, without any correction for inflation. Although there is controversy surrounding this issue, there are arguments to sustain the position that the acquisition cost of shares registered as an investment with the Central Bank is calculated on the basis of the foreign currency amount registered with the Central Bank. See "Registered Capital."

Gains realized by a U.S. holder and non-Brazilian holder upon the redemption of preferred shares will be treated as gains from the disposition of such preferred shares to a Brazilian resident occurring off of a stock exchange and will accordingly be subject to tax at a rate of 15%. In case the non-Brazilian holder is domiciled in a tax haven jurisdiction, the applicable rate would be 25%.

As of January 1, 2005, the purchase price of preferred shares sold on the Brazilian stock exchange is subject to withholding tax at a rate of 0.005%, except in the case of non-Brazilian holders that invest through Resolution No. 2,689. This tax may be offset against the 15% income tax due on the gains realized upon the sale of the shares.

Any exercise of preemptive rights relating to the preferred shares or ADSs will not be subject to Brazilian taxation. Gains on the sale or assignment of preemptive rights relating to the preferred shares will be treated differently for Brazilian tax purposes depending on (i) whether the sale or assignment is made by the depository or the investor and (ii) whether the transaction takes place on a Brazilian stock exchange. Gains on sales or assignments made by the depository on a Brazilian stock exchange are not taxed in Brazil, but gains on other sales or assignments may be subject to tax at rates up to 15%.

The deposit of preferred shares in exchange for the ADSs is not subject to Brazilian income tax if the preferred shares are registered under Resolution 2,689 and the respective holder is not in a tax haven jurisdiction. If the preferred shares are not so registered or the holder is in a tax haven jurisdiction, the deposit of preferred shares in exchange for ADSs may be subject to Brazilian capital gains tax at a rate of 15%.

The withdrawal of preferred shares in exchange for ADSs is not subject to Brazilian tax. On receipt of the underlying preferred shares, a U.S. holder or non-Brazilian holder entitled to benefits under Resolution 2,689 will

be entitled to register the U.S. dollar value of such shares with the Central Bank as described above, under "Registered Capital." If a U.S. holder or non-Brazilian holder does not qualify under Resolution 2,689, he will be subject to the less favorable tax treatment described above in respect of exchanges of preferred shares. Brazil's tax treaties do not grant relief from taxes on gains realized on sales or exchanges of preferred shares.

[Back to Contents](#)

1. Beneficiaries Residing or Domiciled in Tax Havens or Low Tax Jurisdictions

Law No. 9,779, dated as of January 19, 1999, states that, with the exception of limited circumstances, any income derived from operations by a beneficiary that resides or is domiciled in a country considered to be a tax haven is subject to income tax to be withheld by the source at a rate of 25%. Accordingly, if the distribution of interest attributed to shareholders' equity is made to a beneficiary residing or domiciled in a tax haven, the applicable income tax will be at a rate of 25% instead of 15%. The increased rate also applies for capital gains paid to residents of low-tax jurisdictions as of February 2004.

In accordance with Law No. 9,959, non-Brazilian holders of ADSs or preferred shares who are residents of tax havens have been excluded from the tax incentives granted to holders of ADSs and investors under Resolution No. 2,689 since January 1, 2000 and are subject to the same tax treatment applicable to holders that are residents of or domiciled in Brazil.

2. Other Brazilian Taxes

There are no Brazilian inheritance, gift or succession taxes applicable to the ownership, transfer or disposition of preferred shares or ADSs by a non-Brazilian holder except for gift and inheritance taxes levied by some states in Brazil on gifts made or inheritances bestowed by individuals or entities not resident or domiciled in Brazil or in the relevant state to individuals or entities that are resident or domiciled within this state in Brazil. There are no Brazilian stamp, issue, registration, or similar taxes or duties payable by holders of preferred shares or ADSs.

A financial transaction tax, or the IOF tax, may be imposed on a variety of transactions, including the conversion of Brazilian currency into foreign currency (*e.g.*, for purposes of paying dividends and interest). The IOF tax rate on such conversions is currently 0%, but the Minister of Finance has the legal power to increase the rate to a maximum of 25%. Any increase will be applicable only prospectively.

The IOF may also be levied on transactions involving bonds or securities, or IOF/Títulos, even if the transactions are effected on Brazilian stock, futures or commodities exchanges. The rate of the IOF/Títulos with respect to preferred shares and ADSs is currently 0%. The minister of finance, however, has the legal power to increase the rate to a maximum of 1.5% of the amount of the taxed transaction per each day of the investor's holding period, but only to the extent of gain realized on the transaction and only on a prospective basis.

In addition to the IOF tax, a second, temporary tax that applies to the removal of funds from accounts at banks and other financial institutions, the CPMF tax, will be imposed on distributions in respect of ADSs at the time these distributions are converted into U.S. dollars and remitted abroad by the Custodian. The CPMF tax is due to expire on December 31, 2007. It is currently imposed at a rate of 0.38%. Transactions conducted through the Brazilian stock exchanges in current accounts specified for stock exchange transactions have been exempt from the CPMF tax since July 13, 2002. Additionally, as of August 2004, Brazilian holders may elect to make investments through a special investment account, which is exempt from CPMF. In this case, the tax only applies upon the transfer of funds from the banking account to the investment account. Once deposited in this account, funds may be withdrawn without the CPMF. However, funds deposited in the investment account must only be used for investments.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our preferred shares or our ADSs by U.S. Holders, as defined below. This summary is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (referred to herein as the "Code"), final, temporary and proposed Treasury regulations, administrative pronouncements of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") and judicial decisions, all as currently in effect and all of which are subject to change (possibly with retroactive effect), and to different interpretations. It is also based in part on representations by the depository and assumes that each obligation under the Deposit Agreement and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms. This discussion deals only with preferred shares and ADSs held as capital assets (generally, for investment purposes). It does not discuss all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to a U.S. Holder in light of the U.S. Holder's particular circumstances or to U.S. Holders subject to special rules, such as financial institutions, insurance companies, tax-exempt entities, dealers in securities or foreign currencies, partnerships and other pass-through entities, investors liable for the alternative minimum tax, persons who hold preferred shares or ADSs as part of an integrated investment (including a hedge, straddle or

conversion transaction) comprised of a preferred share or ADS and one or more other positions for tax purposes, persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar or persons who actually or constructively own (directly or indirectly) 10% or more of our voting stock or persons who acquired preferred shares or ADSs pursuant to the exercise of any employee stock option or otherwise as compensation. Holders of preferred shares or ADSs should consult their own tax advisors with regard to the application of the U.S. federal income tax laws to their particular situations as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction.

As used herein, the term "U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of preferred shares or ADSs that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (1) a citizen or individual resident of the United States, (2) a corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) organized under the laws of the United States or of any political subdivision thereof or (3) an estate or trust the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source. The U.S. federal income tax treatment of a partner in a partnership that holds our preferred shares or ADSs will depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partners in such partnerships should consult their own tax advisors.

THE SUMMARY OF U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES SET OUT BELOW IS INTENDED FOR GENERAL INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF PREFERRED SHARES OR ADSs ARE URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF ACQUIRING, OWNING OR DISPOSING OF PREFERRED SHARES OR ADSs, INCLUDING THE APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT OF STATE, LOCAL, NON-U.S. AND OTHER TAX LAWS AND POSSIBLE CHANGES IN TAX LAWS.

General

In general, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, holders of American depositary receipts evidencing ADSs will be treated as the beneficial owners of the preferred shares represented by those ADSs. Deposits and withdrawals of preferred shares in exchange for ADSs will not result in the realization of gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The U.S. Treasury Department has expressed concerns that parties to whom depositary shares such as the ADSs are released may be taking actions that are inconsistent with the claiming of foreign tax credits by U.S. Holders of the ADSs. Such actions would also be inconsistent with the claiming of the reduced rate of tax, described below, applicable to dividends received by certain non-corporate holders. Accordingly, the analysis of the creditability of Brazilian taxes and the availability of the reduced tax rate for dividends received by certain non-corporate holders, each described below, could be affected by future actions taken by the U.S. Treasury.

Taxation of Dividends

Distributions made by us of cash or property (including distributions of interest on capital) generally will constitute a taxable dividend to the extent paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. The full amount of any dividend paid in respect of our preferred shares or ADSs (including the amount of Brazilian withholding taxes imposed on such dividend) will be included in the gross income of a U.S. Holder, as ordinary income from sources outside the United States, at the time that the dividend is received by the U.S. Holder, in the case of our preferred shares, or by the depositary, in the case of ADSs. If a distribution made by us exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles, such excess will be treated first as a nontaxable return of capital to the extent of the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in our preferred shares or ADSs, and thereafter as capital gain.

The amount of any dividend paid in *reais* generally will be measured by reference to the spot rate for converting *reais* into U.S. dollars in effect on the date that the dividend is received by the U.S. Holder, in the case of our preferred shares, or by the depository, in the case of ADSs. A U.S. Holder may recognize foreign currency gain or loss, which would be treated as ordinary gain or loss, upon a subsequent conversion of *reais* into U.S. dollars. U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the calculation and U.S. federal income tax treatment of foreign currency gain or loss. The amount of any distribution of property other than cash will be the fair market value of such property on the date of distribution. Dividends paid by us will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction allowed to corporations under the Code. The amount of a dividend will include any amounts withheld by us or our paying agent in respect of Brazilian taxes. Dividends paid by us will be treated as foreign source dividend income to you and will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction generally allowed to U.S. corporations under the Code.

Subject to certain exceptions for short-term and hedged positions, and subject to the discussion above regarding concerns expressed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. dollar amount of dividends received by an individual prior to January 1, 2009 with respect to the ADSs will be subject to taxation at a maximum rate of 15% if the dividends represent “qualified dividend income.” Dividends paid on the ADSs will be treated as qualified dividend income if (i) the ADSs are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States and (ii) we were not in the year prior to the year in which the dividend was paid, and are not in the year in which the dividend is paid, a passive foreign investment company (“PFIC”), foreign personal holding company (“FPHC”) or foreign investment company (“FIC”). The ADSs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, and may qualify as readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States so long as they are so listed. However, no assurances can be given that the ADSs will be or remain readily tradable.

Based on existing guidance, it is not entirely clear whether dividends received with respect to the preferred shares will be treated as qualified dividends, because the preferred shares are not themselves listed on a United States exchange. In addition, the United States Treasury Department has announced its intention to promulgate rules pursuant to which holders of ADSs or preferred stock and intermediaries through whom such securities are held will be permitted to rely on certifications from issuers to establish that dividends are treated as qualified dividends. Because such procedures have not yet been issued, we are not certain that we will be able to comply with them. U.S. Holders of ADSs and preferred shares should consult their own tax advisors regarding the availability of the reduced dividend tax rate in the light of their own particular circumstances.

Subject to certain limitations and restrictions, and subject to the discussion above regarding concerns expressed by the U.S. Treasury, a U.S. Holder will be entitled to a foreign tax credit against its U.S. federal income tax liability, or a deduction in computing its U.S. federal taxable income, for Brazilian income taxes withheld by us. The limitation on foreign taxes eligible for credit is determined separately with respect to specific classes of income. For this purpose, dividends paid by us with respect to our preferred shares or ADSs will generally constitute “passive income” or, in the case of certain U.S. Holders, “financial services income” from sources outside the United States. The rules relating to the calculation of foreign tax credits and the applicable limitations are complex. U.S. Holders should consult their own advisors concerning the implications of the foreign tax credit rules in light of their particular circumstances.

Taxation of Capital Gains or Losses

Upon a sale or other taxable disposition of preferred shares or ADSs, a U.S. Holder will recognize capital gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes equal to the difference, if any, between the amount realized on the sale or other taxable disposition and the U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in the preferred shares or ADSs. Such gain or loss will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder’s holding period in the preferred shares or ADSs exceeds one year at the time of the sale or other taxable disposition. Certain U.S. Holders (including individuals) may be eligible for preferential rates of U.S. federal income tax in respect of long-term capital gains. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations under the Code.

Gain or loss derived from the sale or other disposition of our preferred shares or ADSs generally will be treated as U.S. source income or loss for foreign tax credit purposes. Consequently, if a Brazilian withholding tax is imposed on the sale or disposition of preferred shares or ADSs, and a U.S. Holder does not receive significant foreign source income from other sources, such U.S. Holder may not be able to derive effective U.S. foreign tax credit benefits in respect of such Brazilian withholding tax. If a Brazilian tax is withheld on the sale or disposition of preferred shares or ADSs, a U.S. Holder’s amount realized will include the gross amount of the proceeds of such sale or disposition before deduction of the Brazilian tax. See “Brazilian Tax ConsiderationsTaxation of Gains” for a description of when a disposition may be subject to taxation by Brazil.

[Back to Contents](#)

Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules

We believe that we will not be considered a “passive foreign investment company,” or PFIC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. However, because the determination of whether the preferred shares or ADSs constitute shares of a PFIC will be based upon the composition of our income and assets, and entities in which we hold a 25% interest, from time to time, there can be no assurance that the preferred shares or ADSs will not be considered shares of a PFIC for any taxable year. If we were treated as a PFIC for any taxable year during which a U.S. Holder held a preferred share or ADS, certain adverse consequences could apply to the U.S. Holder, including the imposition of higher amounts of tax than would otherwise apply to a U.S. Holder and additional tax form filing requirements. U.S. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the consequences to them if we were considered to be a PFIC, as well as the availability and advisability of making an election to avoid the adverse United States federal income tax consequences of PFIC status should we be classified as a PFIC for any taxable year. Moreover, dividends on our ADSs would no longer be “qualified dividend income” subject to preferential rates of U.S. federal income tax, as described above. Based on our operations and business plans, we do not believe that we are currently a PFIC and do not expect to become a PFIC in the foreseeable future.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Payment of dividends and sales proceeds that are made within the United States or through certain U.S.-related financial intermediaries generally are subject to information reporting and to backup withholding unless (i) you are a corporation or other exempt recipient or (ii) in the case of backup withholding, you provide a correct taxpayer identification number and certify that you are not subject to backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to a U.S. Holder will be allowed as a credit against such U.S. Holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, and may entitle such U.S. Holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

U.S. HOLDERS AND PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF OUR PREFERRED SHARES OR ADSs SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE BRAZILIAN, U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE ACQUISITION, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR PREFERRED SHARES OR ADSs BASED UPON THEIR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES.

F. Dividends and Paying Agents

Not applicable.

G. Statement of Experts

Not applicable.

H. Documents on Display

We are subject to the information requirements of the Exchange Act (the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act), except that, as a foreign issuer, we are not subject to the proxy rules or the short-swing profit disclosure rules of the Exchange Act. In accordance with these statutory requirements, we file or furnish reports and other information with the Commission. Reports and other information filed or furnished by us with the Commission may be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and at the Commission’s Regional Offices at 233 Broadway, New York, New York 10279 and Northwestern Atrium Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661-2511. Copies of such materials may be obtained by mail from the Public Reference Section of the Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. You may also inspect these reports and other information at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 11 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005, on which our ADSs are listed.

In addition, the Commission maintains a website that contains information filed electronically, which can be accessed over the Internet at <http://www.sec.gov>.

We also file financial statements and other periodic reports with the CVM. Copies of our annual report on Form 20-F and documents referred to in this annual report and our by-laws will be available for inspection upon request at our offices at Praia de Botafogo, 501, 7^ª andar, 22250-040 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil.

I. Subsidiary Information

Not applicable.

ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to market risk from changes in both foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. We are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk because certain of our costs (mostly interest on debt, capital expenditures and the purchase of handsets) are all or partially denominated in currencies (primarily the U.S. dollar) other than those in which we earn revenues (primarily the *real*). Similarly, we are subject to market risk deriving from changes in interest rates, which may affect the cost of our financing.

We have entered into derivative instruments, such as foreign currency swaps, to manage the exchange rate risk. We do not hold or issue derivative or other financial instruments for trading purposes.

Exchange Rate Risk

The principal foreign exchange rate risk faced by us arises from our U.S. dollar-denominated indebtedness. At December 31, 2004, we had U.S.\$18.9 million of indebtedness and U.S.\$19.5 million of other liabilities denominated in U.S. dollars. Our revenues are earned almost entirely in *reais* and we have no material U.S. dollar-denominated assets, except for our hedge contracts. At December 31, 2004, all of our U.S. dollar-denominated indebtedness and other foreign exchange liabilities were covered by long positions in derivative agreements. Under those derivative agreements, our subsidiaries' U.S. dollar-denominated obligations are swapped for *real*-denominated obligations bearing interest at rates linked to the *Certificado de Depósito Interfinanceiro* (Interbank Deposit Certificate), or CDI. As such, on December 31, 2004, all of our U.S. dollar fixed- and floating-rate loans are converted to floating-rate loans through our derivative transactions. In addition, 100% of our other U.S. dollar liabilities, such as liabilities with suppliers and management fees, were also covered by derivative agreements. At December 31, 2004, we recorded financial expense from foreign currency derivative transactions of R\$31.7 million against financial income from monetary and foreign exchange variations of approximately R\$4.8 million.

Our foreign currency-denominated debt produced a gain of R\$4.8 million in 2004, a gain of R\$61.5 million in 2003 and a loss of R\$112.3 million in 2002. This was offset by our derivatives, which produced a loss of R\$31.7 million in 2004, a loss of R\$112.3 million in 2003 and a gain of R\$221.0 million in 2002. The unrealized costs, net of unrealized gains on foreign exchange derivatives contracts was R\$13.0 million and R\$10.8 million at December 31, 2004 and 2003 respectively. At December 31, 2002, the unrealized gain, net of unrealized costs on foreign exchange derivatives contracts was R\$137.7 million.

The potential loss to us over one year that would have resulted from a hypothetical, instantaneous and unfavorable change of 1000 basis points in the foreign exchange applicable to financial assets and liabilities at December 31, 2004 would be approximately R\$13.7 million. On the other hand, our derivative instruments would have a gross gain of R\$15.6 million. The net gain would be R\$1.9 million. Exchange rate sensitivity analysis was made by applying a 10% change to the Brazilian Central Bank exchange rate at December 31, 2004 of R\$2.6544 to U.S.\$1.00, which would represent a devaluation of the *real* of R\$0.2654. We then assumed that this unfavorable currency move would be sustained from December 31, 2004 through December 31, 2005. The foreign exchange loss that affects financial expenses was calculated by applying such devaluation to our indebtedness and foreign exchange purchase commitments (essentially handset purchases), net of derivative instruments.

[Back to Contents](#)

Interest Rate Risk

We are exposed to interest rate risk as a result of an investment of cash and cash equivalents, mainly in short-term *real*-denominated instruments. At December 31, 2004, this amount totaled R\$353.9 million.

Additionally, we are exposed to interest rate risk as a consequence of our floating rate debt in U.S. dollars and due to the nature of our derivative agreements, whereby our U.S. dollar-denominated obligations are swapped into *real*-denominated obligations bearing interest linked to the CDI. At December 31, 2004, we had R\$50.3 million in loans and financing outstanding, of which approximately 19.9% bore interest at floating rates and 80.1% bore interest at fixed rates. We have not entered into derivative contracts or made other arrangements to hedge against this risk. Thus, if interest rates rise, then our financing expenses will probably increase. We continuously monitor interest rates to determine whether we should enter into derivative arrangements to protect against this risk.

The potential gain to us over one year that would result from a hypothetical, instantaneous and unfavorable change of 100 basis points in the interest rate applicable to financial assets and liabilities at December 31, 2004 would be approximately R\$1.4 million. This sensitivity analysis is based on the assumption of an unfavorable 100 basis points increase in the interest rates applicable to each homogeneous category of financial assets and liabilities and sustained over a period of one year. A homogeneous category is defined according to the currency in which financial assets and liabilities are denominated, and assumes the same interest rate movement within each homogeneous category, such as U.S. dollars. As a result, our interest rate risk sensitivity model may overstate the impact of interest rate fluctuations for such financial instruments, as consistently unfavorable movements of all interest rates are unlikely.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis was made by applying a 10% increase to all floating-rate-denominated debt, assuming that the different indexes (CDI and LIBOR) would all rise by 10% instantaneously at December 31, 2004 and that this unfavorable shift would continue for one year.

ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

Not applicable.

[Back to Contents](#)

PART II

ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES

None.

ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we have evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2004. Based on that evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that these controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that all material information required to be filed in this annual report has been made known to them in a timely fashion.

Changes in internal controls. No significant changes in our internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of the evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses, were made as a result of the evaluation.

ITEM 16. [RESERVED]

ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

As of yet, we have not appointed an "audit committee financial expert" as defined by the SEC. Because we are not required to have an "audit committee" as defined in Exchange Act Rule 10A-3(a)(5)(A) until July 31, 2005, we have deferred the appointment and the determination thereof by our board of directors until such date.

ITEM 16B. CODE OF ETHICS

In June, 2003, we approved a code of ethics to regulate the conduct of our senior financial officers. Our code of ethics deals with the following issues:

- honest and ethical conduct, including the ethical handling of actual or apparent conflicts of interest between personal and professional relationships;
 - full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable disclosure in reports and documents that we file with, or submit to, the CVM and/or the SEC and in other public communications made by us;
 - compliance with applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations;
 - prompt internal reporting of violations of the code to the Internal Audit Officer who, after review, has to report them to the CEO and CFO; and
 - accountability for adherence to the code.
- A copy of this document is available on our website (www.vivo.com.br).

There have been no waivers to our code of ethics in 2004.

[Back to Contents](#)**ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes, or DTT, acted as our independent auditor for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003. The chart below sets forth the total amount billed to us by DTT for services performed in the years 2004 and 2003, and breaks down these amounts by category of service:

| | For Year ended December 31, | |
|--------------------|--|--------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| | (in thousands of reais) | |
| Audit Fees | 489.6 | 445.2 |
| Audit-Related Fees | 81.9 | □ |
| Tax Fees | 15.0 | 221.3 |
| All Other Fees | □ | □ |
| Total | 586.5 | 666.5 |

Audit Fees

Audit Fees are the aggregate fees billed by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes for the audit of our consolidated and annual financial statements, reviews of interim financial statements and attestation services that are provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.

Audit-Related Fees

Audit-related fees are fees charged by Deloitte for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements.

Tax Fees

Tax fees in 2004 and 2003 were related to services for tax compliance.

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

The audit committee approves all audit, audit-related services, tax services and other services provided by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes. Any services provided by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes that are not specifically included within the scope of the audit must be pre-approved by the audit committee prior to any engagement. The audit committee is permitted to approve certain fees for audit-related services, tax services and other services pursuant to a *de minimis* exception before the completion of the engagement. In 2004, none of the fees paid to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes were approved pursuant to the *de minimis* exception.

ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

Not required for the year ended December 31, 2004.

ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

The table below shows all repurchases by us or affiliated purchases of our preferred shares during 2004(1):

| Period | Total number of shares purchased | Average price paid per 1,000 shares in reais | Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans or | Maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased under the plans |
|---------------|---|---|--|---|
|---------------|---|---|--|---|

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | programs | or programs |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------------|------------------|
| January 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| February 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| March 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| April 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| May 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| June 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| July 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| August 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| September 2004 | | □ | □ | □ 20,032,186,000 |
| | | | 6.35 (common shares) | |
| | | | 7.80 (preferred shares) | |
| October 2004 | 18,891,036,955 | | 18,891,036,955 | □ |
| November 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| December 2004 | | □ | □ | □ |
| Total | 18,891,036,955 | | 18,891,036,955 | |

(1) Includes 7,332,479,000 common shares and 12,699,707,000 preferred shares.

[Back to Contents](#)

PART III

ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

See our consolidated financial statements beginning on Page F-1.

ITEM 19. EXHIBITS

- 1.1 By-laws (*Estatuto Social*) of Tele Sudeste, as amended (English Translation).
- 2.1 Deposit Agreement dated as of July 21, 1998 between TSD and The Bank of New York, previously filed on Form F-6 on April 21, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4.1 Authorization Term of the Personal Mobile Service entered by Anatel and Telerj (English translation), incorporated by reference to our annual report Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, filed on June 24, 2003.
- 4.2 Authorization Term of the Personal Mobile Service entered by Anatel and Telest (English translation), incorporated by reference to our annual report Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002 filed on June 24, 2003.
- 6.1 Statement regarding computation of per share earnings (incorporated by reference to note 35(i) to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report).
- 8.1 List of subsidiaries.
- 12.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 12.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 13.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 13.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

[Back to Contents](#)

There are omitted from the exhibits filed with or incorporated by reference into this annual report certain promissory notes and other instruments and agreements with respect to long-term debt of our company, none of which authorizes securities in a total amount that exceeds 10% of the total assets of our company. We hereby agree to furnish to the Securities and Exchange Commission copies of any such omitted promissory notes or other instruments or agreements as the Commission requests.

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003 AND FOR THE THREE YEARS IN THE PERIOD ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2004, 2003 AND 2002**

CONTENTS

| | |
|---|------------|
| <u>Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm</u> | <u>F-2</u> |
| <u>Consolidated Balance Sheets</u> | <u>F-3</u> |
| <u>Consolidated Statements of Income</u> | <u>F-5</u> |
| <u>Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity</u> | <u>F-6</u> |
| <u>Consolidated Statements of Changes in Financial Position</u> | <u>F-7</u> |
| <u>Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows</u> | <u>F-8</u> |
| <u>Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements</u> | <u>F-9</u> |

[Back to Contents](#)

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of
Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A.:

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil:

- (1) We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in financial position and changes in shareholders' equity for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.
- (2) We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatements. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- (3) In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, the results of their operations and the changes in their financial position and in shareholders' equity for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, in conformity with accounting practices adopted in Brazil.
- (4) Accounting practices adopted in Brazil vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Information relating to the nature and effect of such differences is presented in Note 34 to the consolidated financial statements.
- (5) Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The consolidated statements of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements under accounting practices adopted in Brazil. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.
- (6) As discussed in note 2.c, the Company changed the basis of presentation of the consolidated the financial statements from the Constant Currency Method to Brazilian Corporate Law Method in 2003.

DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU
Auditores Independentes

São Paulo, Brazil
April 1, 2005

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003
(In thousands of Brazilian reais)

| | | December 31, | |
|------------------------------------|------|------------------|------------------|
| | Note | 2004 | 2003 |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 12 | 353,906 | 382,473 |
| Trade accounts receivable, net | 13 | 407,748 | 345,688 |
| Deferred income taxes | 10 | 73,559 | 112,111 |
| Recoverable taxes | 14 | 254,394 | 157,464 |
| Inventories | 15 | 131,578 | 51,349 |
| Advances to suppliers | | 7,997 | 1,810 |
| Derivative contracts | 24.b | 1,477 | 1,237 |
| Prepaid expenses | 16 | 37,298 | 27,143 |
| Other current assets | 17 | 79,919 | 65,428 |
| Total current assets | | 1,347,876 | 1,144,703 |
| Noncurrent assets: | | | |
| Tax incentives investments | | 1,479 | 1,479 |
| Deferred income taxes | 10 | 186,430 | 183,962 |
| Recoverable taxes | 14 | 75,722 | 70,150 |
| Derivative contracts | 24.b | □ | 7,632 |
| Prepaid expenses | 16 | 15,416 | 12,372 |
| Other noncurrent assets | 17 | 7,582 | 5,337 |
| Total noncurrent assets | | 286,629 | 280,932 |
| Permanent assets: | | | |
| Investments | | 499 | 409 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 18.a | 1,263,569 | 1,398,014 |
| Deferred assets, net | | 513 | 615 |
| Total permanent assets | | 1,264,581 | 1,399,038 |
| Total assets | | 2,899,086 | 2,824,673 |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003
(In thousands of Brazilian reais)

| | | December 31, | |
|--|-------------|---------------------|------------------|
| | Note | 2004 | 2003 |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Payroll and related accruals | 19 | 28,197 | 27,030 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 20 | 564,917 | 426,248 |
| Taxes payable | 21 | 67,722 | 44,020 |
| Dividends payable | 22 | 37,708 | 50,723 |
| Loans and financing | 24 | 50,250 | 165,802 |
| Reserve for contingencies | 25 | 61,055 | 52,079 |
| Derivative contracts | 24.c | 14,512 | 19,629 |
| Other current liabilities | 23 | 56,858 | 58,308 |
| Total current liabilities | | 881,219 | 843,839 |
| Noncurrent liabilities: | | | |
| Loans and financing | 24 | □ | 53,153 |
| Pension and other postretirement benefit plans | 26 | 364 | 893 |
| Reserve for contingencies | 25 | 22,565 | 23,293 |
| Other noncurrent liabilities | 23 | 24,074 | 1 |
| Total noncurrent liabilities | | 47,003 | 77,340 |
| Shareholders' equity | | | |
| Capital stock | 28.a | 891,460 | 778,838 |
| Capital reserves | 28.b | 206,934 | 293,424 |
| Income reserves | 28.c | 235,207 | 193,969 |
| Retained earnings | | 637,132 | 637,132 |
| Total shareholders' equity | | 1,970,733 | 1,903,363 |
| Funds for capitalization: | | 131 | 131 |
| Shareholder's equity and funds for capitalization | | 1,970,864 | 1,903,494 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity and funds for capitalization | | 2,899,086 | 2,824,673 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004, 2003 AND 2002
(In thousands of Brazilian reais, except earnings per thousand shares data)

| | Note | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Net operating revenue | 4 | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 |
| Cost of services and goods sold | 5 | (1,112,460) | (1,052,487) | (981,741) |
| Gross profit | | 814,567 | 839,964 | 865,890 |
| Operating income (expenses): | | | | |
| Selling | 6.a | (508,461) | (387,466) | (392,482) |
| General and administrative | 6.b | (187,832) | (224,408) | (229,947) |
| Other, net | 7 | 16,981 | 13,309 | (16,954) |
| Operating income before financial expense | | 135,255 | 241,399 | 226,507 |
| Financial income (expense), net | 8 | 5,727 | (15,017) | (15,112) |
| Operating income | | 140,982 | 226,382 | 211,395 |
| Nonoperating expenses, net | 9 | (1) | (8,535) | (1,202) |
| Income before income tax and social contribution tax | | 140,981 | 217,847 | 210,193 |
| Income and social contribution taxes | 10 | (48,103) | (61,610) | (69,817) |
| Net income | | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 |
| Shares outstanding at December 31 (thousands) | | 449,009,994 | 432,598,218 | 414,006,458 |
| Earnings per thousand shares (Brazilian reais) | | 0.21 | 0.36 | 0.34 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004, 2003 AND 2002
(In thousands of Brazilian reais)

| | Capital Reserves | | | Income Reserves | | Treasury Stock | Retained Earnings | Total |
|---|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| | Share Capital | Tax Incentives | Special Premium Reserve | Legal Reserve | Reserve For Expansion and Modernization | | | |
| Balance at December 31, 2001 | 595,722 | 3,577 | 464,843 | 35,239 | □ | (764) | 637,132 | 1,735,749 |
| Treasury shares canceled □ | | | | | | | | |
| Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting on April 02, 2002 | (764) | □ | □ | □ | □ | 764 | □ | □ |
| Capital increase □ Board of Directors Meeting on April 29, 2002 | 90,363 | □ | (90,363) | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| Fiscal incentives | □ | 12 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 12 |
| Unclaimed dividends at holding Company Consolidation adjustments: | | | | | | | | |
| Tax incentives | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 94 | 94 |
| Unclaimed dividends at subsidiaries | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 3,146 | 3,146 |
| Net income | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 140,376 | 140,376 |
| Appropriations: | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to legal reserve. | □ | □ | □ | 7,181 | □ | □ | (7,181) | □ |
| Transfer to expansion reserve | □ | □ | □ | □ | 36,743 | □ | (36,743) | □ |
| Proposed dividends | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (90,379) | (90,379) |
| Interest on shareholders' equity | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (11,475) | (11,475) |
| Income tax on interest on shareholders' equity | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (2,025) | (2,025) |
| Balance at December 31, 2002 | 685,321 | 3,589 | 374,480 | 42,420 | 36,743 | □ | 637,132 | 1,779,685 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------------|------------------|
| Capital increase □ Board of Directors Meeting on March 31, 2003 | 93,517 | □ | (93,517) | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| Unclaimed dividends at holding Company Consolidation adjustments: | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 1,525 | 1,525 |
| Tax incentives | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 288 | 288 |
| Unclaimed dividends at subsidiaries | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 401 | 401 |
| Adjustment of Premium reserve | □ | □ | 8,872 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 8,872 |
| Net income for the year | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 156,237 | 156,237 |
| Appropriations: | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to legal reserve | □ | □ | □ | 7,846 | □ | □ | □ | (7,846) | □ |
| Transfer to expansion reserve | □ | □ | □ | □ | 106,960 | □ | □ | (106,960) | □ |
| Proposed dividends | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (1,145) | (1,145) |
| Interest on shareholders' equity | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (36,125) | (36,125) |
| Income tax on interest on shareholders' equity | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (6,375) | (6,375) |
| Balance at December 31, 2003 | 778,838 | 3,589 | 289,835 | 50,266 | 143,703 | □ | □ | 637,132 | 1,903,363 |
| Capital increase □ Board of Directors Meeting on March 31, 2004 | 112,622 | □ | (86,490) | □ | (26,132) | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| Net income for the year | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | 92,878 | 92,878 |
| Appropriations: | | | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to legal reserve | □ | □ | □ | 4,644 | □ | □ | □ | (4,644) | □ |
| Transfer to expansion reserve | □ | □ | □ | □ | 62,726 | □ | □ | (62,726) | □ |
| Proposed dividends | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (2,508) | (2,508) |
| Interest on shareholders' equity | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ | (23,000) | (23,000) |
| Balance at December 31, 2004 | 891,460 | 3,589 | 203,345 | 54,910 | 180,297 | □ | □ | 637,132 | 1,970,733 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004, 2003 AND 2002
(In thousands of Brazilian reais)

| | Years ended December 31 | | |
|--|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| SOURCES OF FUNDS: | | | |
| From operations: | | | |
| Net income | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 |
| Items not affecting working capital: | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 393,681 | 436,934 | 377,682 |
| Interest and exchange variations on noncurrent items | 1,533 | (11,148) | 111,043 |
| Gains on derivative contracts | 272 | □ | □ |
| Reserve for contingencies | (728) | 3,205 | 16,937 |
| Net book value of permanent asset disposals | 711 | 698 | 535 |
| Reserve for pension and other postretirement benefit plans | (529) | □ | □ |
| Shared system depreciation apportionment | 5,778 | 4,950 | □ |
| Total from operations | 493,596 | 590,876 | 646,573 |
| From third parties: | | | |
| Tax incentives | □ | 288 | 106 |
| Transfer from noncurrent assets to current assets | □ | 97,237 | □ |
| Premium reserve adjustment □ restructuring | □ | 8,872 | □ |
| Unclaimed dividends | □ | 1,925 | 7,333 |
| Total sources | 493,596 | 699,198 | 654,012 |
| USES OF FUNDS: | | | |
| Increase in noncurrent assets | □ | □ | 8,490 |
| Additions to investments | 90 | 76 | 83 |
| Additions to property, plant and equipment | 241,341 | 254,943 | 370,883 |
| Addition to deferred assets | 212 | 1,210 | □ |
| Transfer from noncurrent to current assets | 5,644 | □ | □ |
| Transfer from long-term to current liabilities | 55,008 | 196,928 | 167,378 |
| Interest on shareholders' equity and dividends | 25,508 | 43,645 | 103,879 |
| Total uses | 327,803 | 496,802 | 650,713 |
| INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL | 165,793 | 202,396 | 3,299 |

REPRESENTED BY:

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| CURRENT ASSETS AT YEAR END | 1,347,876 | 1,144,703 | 830,226 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES AT YEAR END | (881,219) | (843,839) | (731,758) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Working capital at year end | 466,657 | 300,864 | 98,468 |
| Working capital at beginning of the year | 300,864 | 98,468 | 95,169 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL | 165,793 | 202,396 | 3,299 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

F-7

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004, 2003 AND 2002
(In thousands of Brazilian reais)

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Operating activities: | | | |
| Net income | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 393,681 | 436,934 | 377,682 |
| Shared-system depreciation apportionment | 5,778 | 4,950 | □ |
| Monetary/exchange variation loans and financing | 564 | (39,494) | 189,088 |
| Loss (gains) on permanent asset disposals | □ | 180 | 196 |
| Provision for loss on tax incentives investments | □ | 7,917 | □ |
| Fiscal incentive investment credits | (90) | □ | □ |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | 35,693 | 40,239 | 96,810 |
| Increase in customer accounts receivable | (97,753) | (146,788) | (61,938) |
| (Increase) decrease in taxes receivable | (20,408) | 72,768 | 39,763 |
| (Increase) decrease in other current assets | (111,062) | 9,568 | (4,058) |
| (Increase) decrease in other noncurrent assets | (5,289) | (61,677) | 16,266 |
| (Increase) (decrease) in derivative contracts | 32,096 | 148,458 | (141,998) |
| Increase in payroll and related accruals | 1,167 | 6,829 | 10,331 |
| Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses | 138,669 | 45,648 | 84,222 |
| Decrease in taxes other than income taxes | (33,114) | (27,220) | (49,310) |
| Increase (decrease) in other current liabilities | (4,896) | 1,547 | 19,662 |
| Increase (decrease) in accrued interest | (9,250) | 59,165 | 9,938 |
| Increase (decrease) in income taxes payable | 10,807 | □ | (697) |
| Increase in reserve for contingencies | 8,248 | 27,370 | 28,476 |
| Increase (decrease) in pension and other post-retirement benefit Plans | (529) | (5,231) | 2,101 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 437,190 | 737,400 | 756,910 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Investing activities: | | | |
| Additions to property, plant and equipment | (241,341) | (254,943) | (370,883) |
| Additions to deferred charges | (212) | (1,210) | □ |
| Proceeds from asset disposals | 711 | 518 | 339 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (240,842) | (255,635) | (370,544) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Financing activities: | | | |
| Loans repaid | (160,020) | (200,124) | (246,502) |
| Net settlement on derivatives contracts | (29,821) | □ | □ |
| New loans obtained | □ | 7,830 | □ |
| Dividends and interest on shareholders' equity paid | (35,074) | (16,371) | (116,252) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (224,915) | (208,665) | (362,754) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (28,567) | 273,100 | 23,612 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | <u>382,473</u> | <u>109,373</u> | <u>85,761</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | <u>353,906</u> | <u>382,473</u> | <u>109,373</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

F-8

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

1. Operations and background

a. Incorporation

Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. was formed on May 22, 1998, through the spin-off of certain assets and liabilities of Telebrás, a state-owned company which held the monopoly for the telecommunication services in Brazil, including 70.7% and 85.2% of the share capital of Telerj Celular S.A. and Telest Celular S.A., respectively. Until August 4, 1998, these Companies were controlled by the Federal Government. On July 29, 1998, the Federal Government separated Telebrás into twelve newly formed holding companies (the “New Holding Companies”) and sold to twelve buyers (the “New Controlling Shareholders”) its rights to receive shares of the New Holding Companies. In connection with this sale, the Federal Government assigned to the New Controlling Shareholders substantially all its economic and voting rights with respect to the New Holding Companies and, as a consequence, effective August 4, 1998 the New Controlling Shareholders controlled the New Holding Companies.

Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. is a publicly held company whose controlling shareholders, on December 31, 2004, are Brasilcel N.V. (51.61% of the total capital stock) and Sudestecel Participações S.A. (24.27% of the total capital stock), Tagilo Participações Ltda. (10.80% of the total capital stock) and Avista Participações Ltda. (4.21% of the total capital stock). Sudestecel, Tagilo and Avista are wholly owned subsidiaries of Brasilcel N.V.

Brasilcel N.V. is owned by Telefónica Móviles S.A. (50.00% of total capital), PT Móveis Serviços de Telecomunicações, SGPS, S.A. (49.999% of total capital) and Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A. (0.001% of total capital).

b. Business and regulatory environment

On December 31, 2004, Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. (the “Holding Company,” or together with its subsidiaries, the “Company”) holds 100% of the capital of Telerj Celular S.A. (“Telerj”) and Telest Celular S.A. (“Telest”), collectively the “Subsidiaries” which are providers of cellular telecommunications services in the States of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo, respectively, and are also engaged in related activities required or useful for the performance of these services, in conformity with concessions and authorizations granted to them.

The authorizations granted to Telerj and Telest shall be in force up to November 30, 2005 and November 30, 2008, respectively, and may be renewed once for a 15- year term by means of the payment of a rate of approximately 1% of the respective operators annual revenues.

As of July 6, 2003, the operators implemented the Carriers Selection Code (Código de Seleção da Prestadora) (CSP), by which customers may choose their carrier for national and international long distance services, in compliance with the rules of Personal Mobile Service (Serviço Móvel Pessoal), or SMP. The subsidiaries no longer receive revenue from national and international long distance calls and shift; instead, they receive interconnection fees for the use of their network on these calls.

The Subsidiaries’ activities, including the services that they may provide and the tariffs they may charge, are regulated by *Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações* (“Anatel”), the regulatory authority for the Brazilian telecommunications industry pursuant to Law No. 9,472 of July 16, 1997 and relevant regulations, decrees, decisions and complementary plans.

In June 2004, Anatel approved the purchase by Brasilcel of all the shares of Sudestecel Participações S.A. held by NTT DoCoMo, Inc. and Itochu Corporation. These two companies are thus no longer shareholders of the group.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

2. Presentation of the financial statements

a. Presentation of consolidated financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002

The accompanying financial statements are a translation and adaptation from those originally issued in Brazil. Certain reclassifications, modifications and changes in terminology have been made in order to conform more closely to reporting practices in the United States.

b. Methods of presentation of the Financial Statements

Until December 31, 1995, publicly-traded companies in Brazil were required to prepare financial statements pursuant to two methods: (i) the corporate law method, which was and remains valid for all legal purposes, including the basis for determining income taxes and calculation of mandatory minimum dividends; and (ii) the constant currency method, to present supplementary price-level adjusted financial statements, pursuant to standards prescribed by the Brazilian Securities Commission (CVM).

(i) The Corporate Law Method

The corporate law method provided a simplified methodology for accounting for the effects of inflation until December 31, 1995. It consisted of restating permanent assets (property, plant and equipment, investments and deferred charges and shareholder's equity accounts using indexes mandated by the Federal Government. The net effect of these restatements was credited or charged to the statement of operations in a single caption, usually entitled "Monetary correction adjustments" or "Inflation adjustments".

(ii) The Constant Currency Method

Under the Constant Currency Method, all historical Brazilian real amounts in the financial statements and notes thereto are expressed in constant purchasing power as of latest balance sheet date, in accordance with standards prescribed by the CVM for publicly traded entities. Under the Constant Currency Method, financial statement are adjusted for inflation up to December 31, 2000.

c. Change in Basis of Presentation of Financial Statements

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with Brazilian corporate law, standards applicable to concessionaries of public telecommunications services, and accounting standards and procedures established by the Brazilian Securities Commission □ CVM, which includes monetary restatement of permanent assets and shareholder's equity through December 31, 1995 (hereinafter referred to as "BR CL").

In periods prior to the year ended December 31, 2003, the Company had prepared its financial statements for presentation in the United States in accordance with the Constant Currency Method. In order to conform the financial statements for the use of its shareholders in the United States to the same basis used in the primary market in Brazil, the Company elected to present its financial statements commencing in the year ended December 31, 2003 in accordance with BR CL.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

d. Summarized financial information for the year ended December 31, 2002 under Constant Currency Method

The following is summarized condensed financial information previously reported using the Constant Currency Method:

| | December 31, 2002 |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Statement of operations | |
| Net operating revenue | 1,847,631 |
| Cost of goods and services sold | (1,110,522) |
| Gross profit | 737,109 |
| Income before taxes and minority interest | 110,197 |
| Net income for the year | 74,378 |

Reconciliation of net income between BR CL and the Constant Currency Method is as follows:

| | December 31, 2002 |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Net income according to BR CL | 140,376 |
| (-) Realization of assets (depreciation, amortization and write-offs) | (99,997) |
| (+) Reversal of deferred taxes | 33,999 |
| (=) Net income according to the Constant Currency Method | 74,378 |

e. Principles of consolidation

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts operations of the Holding Company, Telerj and Telest as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 and for the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004. All inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

f. Reclassifications'

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior periods to conform to the 2004 presentation.

3. Summary of principal accounting policies

a. Cash and cash equivalents

Are considered to be all available balances in cash and banks and highly liquid temporary cash investments, stated at cost, plus accrued interest to the balance sheet date, with original maturity dates of three months or less.

b. Trade accounts receivable

Accounts receivable from cellular subscribers are calculated at the tariff rate on the date the services were rendered. Trade accounts receivable, net also include services provided to customers up to the balance sheet date, but not yet invoiced, as well as the accounts receivable from the sale of handsets and accessories.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

c. Provision for doubtful accounts

Provision is made for trade accounts receivable whose recoverability is not considered probable.

d. Foreign currency transactions

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the prevailing exchange rate at the date of the related transactions. Foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities are translated using the exchange rate at the balance sheet date. Resulting gains and losses related to exchange variations on foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities are recognized in the statements of operations, as part of financial expense, net.

Exchange variation and premiums related to foreign currency are calculated and recorded on an accrual basis regardless of the settlement period.

e. Inventories

Consist of handsets and accessories stated at the average cost of acquisition. A provision is recognized to adjust the cost of handsets and accessories to net realizable value for inventory considered obsolete or slow-moving.

f. Prepaid expenses

Are stated at amounts disbursed for expenses which have not been incurred.

g. Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at acquisition or construction cost less accumulated depreciation, restated for inflation until December 31, 1995. Cost incurred for maintenance and repair that increase installed capacity or useful life are capitalized. Other maintenance and repair costs are charged to income as incurred. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the underlying assets. Depreciation rates are shown in Note 18(b).

The present value of costs to be incurred to disassemble towers and equipment in leased property is capitalized and amortized over the related equipment's useful life, not to exceed the term of lease agreements.

Through 1998, capitalized interest was calculated at a rate of 12% per annum on construction-in-progress. In 2003 and 2002, the Company capitalized interest on construction-in-progress using the specific interest rates of the loans that financed the construction-in-progress. The Company did not capitalize interest in 2004.

h. Vacation payable accrual

Cumulative vacation payable due to employees is accrued as earned.

i. Accrual for rewards program

The Subsidiaries have implemented a rewards program that enables users to accumulate points based on cellular services used, which may be exchanged in the future for cellular handsets. An accrual is recorded based on points earned as of the balance sheet date which are calculated, considering the cost of the cellular handsets and the expected utilization based on the registered customer's consumption profile.

j. Income and social contribution taxes

Income and social contribution taxes are calculated and recorded based on the tax rates in effect on the balance sheet date, on an accrual basis. Deferred income taxes attributable to temporary differences and loss carryforwards are recorded as deferred tax assets or liabilities when it is more likely than not that the assets will be realized.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

k. Loans and financing

Loans and financing are updated for monetary and/or exchange variations and include accrued interest to the balance sheet date.

l. Fistel fee

Fistel (Telecommunication Inspection Fund) fee paid at activation of subscribers are deferred and amortized over the customers' estimated retention period, equivalent to 24 months.

m. Reserve for contingencies

A reserve is recorded based on the opinion of management and the Company's external legal counsel relating to cases in which the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome is considered probable.

n. Pension and postretirement benefits

The Subsidiaries, together with other companies of the Brazilian Telecommunications System, sponsor a private pension entity (SISTEL) to manage the pension funds (defined benefit and defined contribution) and other postretirement benefits to their employees. Actuarial liabilities are determined using the projected unit credit method and plan assets are stated at fair market value. Actuarial gains and losses are recorded in income (See Note 26).

o. Revenue recognition

Revenue from services is recognized when the services are rendered. Billing is on a monthly basis. Unbilled revenues are estimated and recognized as revenue as the services are rendered. Revenue from the sale of prepaid cellular handset cards is deferred and recognized in income when such cards are used, based on minute usage. Revenue from the sale of handsets and accessories is recorded at the moment of the sale to the final customer. Sales made through dealers are recorded as revenue when the handsets are activated.

p. Financial expense, net

Represents interest earned (incurred) during the period and monetary and exchange variation resulting from financial investments and loans and financing. Gains and losses on derivative contracts are also included in financial expense, net.

q. Derivatives

The Company enters into certain derivative contracts to manage exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations in relation to the Brazilian real. These derivative contracts are calculated and recorded based on contractual terms and the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. Resulting gains and losses, realized or unrealized, are recorded as "Financial expense, net". Premiums paid or received in advance are deferred and amortized over the period of the respective contracts.

r. Advertising expense

Advertising costs are charged to expense as incurred and amounted to R\$97,236, R\$77,246 and R\$69,360 for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

s. Employees' profit sharing

Accruals are made to recognize the estimated expenses for employee's profit sharing, for which payment is subject to approval at the annual Shareholders' Meeting.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

t. Earnings per thousand shares

Earnings per thousand shares are calculated based on the number of shares outstanding at the balance sheet date. uv. Segment information

The Subsidiaries operate solely in one segment for local and regional cellular telecommunications. All revenues are generated in relation to services provided in or routed through the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo.

u. Use of estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with BR CL requires management to make estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period reported. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

4. Net operating revenue

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Monthly subscription charges | 138,599 | 198,496 | 281,613 |
| Usage charges | 1,101,634 | 1,017,834 | 858,877 |
| Roaming charges | □ | 12,390 | 23,950 |
| Additional charges per call | 26,118 | 47,237 | 43,146 |
| Interconnection | 792,513 | 809,860 | 795,067 |
| Other services and data services | 60,928 | 46,067 | 15,579 |
| Gross operating revenue from services | 2,119,792 | 2,131,884 | 2,018,232 |
| Value-added tax on services and goods sold □ ICMS | (388,919) | (385,108) | (297,709) |
| PIS and COFINS | (76,597) | (77,588) | (73,480) |
| Service tax □ ISS | (834) | (79) | □ |
| Discounts granted | (48,921) | (23,236) | (30,050) |
| Net operating revenue from services | 1,604,521 | 1,645,873 | 1,616,993 |
| Goods sold (handsets and others) | 584,077 | 394,577 | 348,635 |
| Value-added tax on services and goods sold □ ICMS | (49,545) | (33,493) | (35,527) |
| PIS and COFINS | (37,407) | (15,167) | (10,933) |
| Discounts granted | (119,064) | (74,961) | (51,063) |
| Returns of goods | (55,555) | (24,378) | (20,474) |
| Net operating revenue from goods sold (handsets and others) | 322,506 | 246,578 | 230,638 |
| Net operating revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 |

There are no customers which contributed more than 10% of gross operating revenue during the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, except for Telemar Norte Leste S.A. Telemar Norte Leste S.A. a fixed line service

provider and contributed approximately 21%, 23% and 26% of total gross revenue for the years ended on December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, mainly in relation to interconnection.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

5. Cost of services and goods sold

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Depreciation and amortization, | (272,687) | (325,786) | (288,519) |
| Products sold | (529,864) | (367,833) | (325,542) |
| Interconnection/ interlinks | (80,958) | (128,657) | (130,846) |
| Leased lines | (55,383) | (74,764) | (84,332) |
| Outside services | (47,996) | (32,590) | (33,139) |
| Taxes and contributions, | (61,759) | (59,616) | (60,624) |
| Rent, insurance and condominium fees | (43,913) | (44,013) | (40,493) |
| Personnel | (18,784) | (17,207) | (16,040) |
| Other | (1,116) | (2,021) | (2,206) |
| | <u>(1,112,460)</u> | <u>(1,052,487)</u> | <u>(981,741)</u> |

6. Operating (expenses):
a. Selling

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Outsourced services (i) | (321,374) | (221,595) | (183,708) |
| Provision for doubtful accounts, | (35,693) | (40,239) | (96,811) |
| Personnel | (54,668) | (48,734) | (51,198) |
| Depreciation | (75,598) | (61,295) | (47,131) |
| Rent, insurance and condominium fees | (9,704) | (11,139) | (9,789) |
| Supplies | (9,008) | (3,295) | (3,211) |
| Taxes and contributions | (538) | (381) | (360) |
| Other | (1,878) | (788) | (274) |
| | <u>(508,461)</u> | <u>(387,466)</u> | <u>(392,482)</u> |

(i) Outsourced services include advertising in the amount of R\$97,236 (R\$77,246 in 2003 and R\$69,360 in 2002).

b. General and administrative

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|------|------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Outsourced services | (72,109) | (97,845) | (118,125) |
| Depreciation | (45,082) | (49,258) | (42,032) |
| Personnel | (48,533) | (54,751) | (42,370) |
| Rent, insurance and condominium fees | (13,223) | (13,949) | (11,408) |
| Taxes and contributions | (1,279) | (2,923) | (8,057) |
| Supplies | (5,488) | (4,328) | (3,837) |
| Other | (2,118) | (1,354) | (4,118) |
| | <u>(187,832)</u> | <u>(224,408)</u> | <u>(229,947)</u> |

F-15

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

7. Other operating income (expense), net

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Income | | | |
| Fines | 9,405 | 9,816 | 10,175 |
| Recovered expenses | 13,819 | 27,470 | 6,344 |
| Reimbursement of shared costs | 4,540 | 3,066 | 703 |
| Other | 35,623 | 17,177 | 17,930 |
| Expense | | | |
| Reserve contingencies | (18,157) | (20,467) | (28,527) |
| Taxes other than income taxes | (18,525) | (15,891) | (17,376) |
| Amortization of pre-operational expenses | (314) | (595) | □ |
| Other | (9,410) | (7,267) | (6,203) |
| | 16,981 | 13,309 | (16,954) |

8. Financial income (expense), net

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Financial income | | | |
| Interest income | 78,122 | 82,114 | 42,674 |
| Monetary/exchange variation on assets | 18,185 | 70,477 | 5,708 |
| PIS and COFINS on financial income | (5,696) | (6,103) | (1,094) |
| Total | 90,611 | 146,488 | 47,288 |
| Financial expenses | | | |
| Interest expense | (39,741) | (40,215) | (39,612) |
| Monetary/exchange variation on liabilities | (13,416) | (8,949) | (243,798) |
| Derivative contracts, net | (31,727) | (112,341) | 221,010 |
| Total | (84,884) | (161,505) | (62,400) |
| Financial income (expense), net | 5,727 | (15,017) | (15,112) |

In 2003 and 2002, financial expense is presented net of capitalized interest during the year in the aggregate amount of R\$40,443 and R\$30,411, respectively. No interest was capitalized during the year ended December 31, 2004.

9. Nonoperating expense, net**Years ended December 31,**

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|---|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Loss on permanent asset disposals | □ | (180) | (196) |
| Provision for loss on tax incentive investments | □ | (7,917) | □ |
| Other | (1) | (438) | (1,006) |
| | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(8,535)</u> | <u>(1,202)</u> |

F-16

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

10. Income and social contribution taxes

Brazilian income taxes comprise federal income tax and the social contribution tax. For the three-year period ended December 31, 2004, the income tax rate was 25% and the social contribution tax rate was 9%. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities related to temporary differences and tax loss carryforwards were calculated at the tax rate of 34%.

The composition of income tax expense is as follows:

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Current tax expense | (109,195) | (62,647) | (2,733) |
| Deferred income tax benefit (expense) | 61,092 | 1,037 | (67,084) |
| Total | (48,103) | (61,610) | (69,817) |

The following is a reconciliation of the reported income tax expense and the amount calculated by applying the combined statutory tax rates of 34% in 2004, 2003 and 2002:

| | Years ended December 31, | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Income before taxes as reported in the accompanying financial statements | 140,981 | 217,847 | 210,193 |
| Taxes charged at the combined statutory rate | (47,934) | (74,068) | (71,466) |
| Permanent additions: | | | |
| Non-deductible expenses | (5,498) | (27) | (347) |
| Other | (2,514) | (2,005) | (2,652) |
| Permanent exclusions: | | | |
| Interest on shareholders' equity (Note 28) | 7,820 | 14,450 | 4,590 |
| Other | 23 | 40 | 58 |
| Income and social contribution taxes as reported in the accompanying financial statements | (48,103) | (61,610) | (69,817) |
| Effective rate | 34.12% | 28.3% | 33.2% |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The composition of deferred tax assets is as follows:

| | Years ended December 31, | |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| Deferred tax assets: | | |
| Tax credit on amortization of goodwill (Note 27) | 73,608 | 168,351 |
| Accrual/ Allowance for: | | |
| Inventory obsolescence | 4,789 | 9,877 |
| Contingencies | 28,431 | 25,626 |
| Doubtful accounts | 13,644 | 10,773 |
| Rewards program | 5,744 | 6,718 |
| Income tax and social contribution tax losses carryforwards | 97,920 | 41,862 |
| Accelerated depreciation | 22,111 | 17,344 |
| Other | 13,742 | 15,522 |
| Total | 259,989 | 296,073 |
| Current | 73,559 | 112,111 |
| Noncurrent | 186,430 | 183,962 |

Deferred taxes have been recorded as it is more likely than not that they will be realized, as follows:

- a) Tax carryforwards, mainly from the Subsidiaries, will be compensated up to a limit of 30% limit of the tax basis for upcoming years. The Company estimates based on projected future taxable income that these tax carryforwards will be recovered within 4 years.
- b) Tax credits from corporate restructuring □ represented by the balance of goodwill net of the equity maintenance reserve (see Note 27) □ will be realized in the same proportion as the amortization of goodwill by the Subsidiaries.
- c) Temporary differences: The realization of temporary differences will occur by payment of provisions, the effective loss on allowance for doubtful accounts or provision for obsolescence.

11. Supplemental cash flow informaton

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Income and social contribution tax paid | 137,036 | 2,120 | 37,740 |
| Interest paid | 14,534 | 34,373 | 47,651 |
| Non-cash transactions: | | | |
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Tax incentive investment credits received | □ | 288 | 106 |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

12. Cash and cash equivalents

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Banks | 45,841 | 11,102 |
| Temporary cash investments | 308,065 | 371,371 |
| Total | 353,906 | 382,473 |

Temporary cash investments refer principally to bank deposit certificates (CDBs) which are indexed to interbank deposit (CDI) rates.

13. Trade accounts receivable, net

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Unbilled services | 66,058 | 81,573 |
| Billed services | 135,125 | 93,157 |
| Interconnection | 99,782 | 95,900 |
| Products sold | 146,913 | 106,743 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (40,130) | (31,685) |
| Total | 407,748 | 345,688 |

There are no customers who account for more than 10% of accounts receivable, net at December 31, 2004 and 2003, except for amounts receivable from Telemar Norte Leste S.A., which represent approximately 14% and 16% of trade accounts receivable, net at December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, mainly in relation to interconnection.

The changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts were as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Beginning balance | 31,685 | 31,867 | 37,626 |
| Provision | 35,693 | 40,239 | 96,811 |
| Write-offs | (27,248) | (40,421) | (102,570) |
| Ending balance | 40,130 | 31,685 | 31,867 |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

14. Recoverable taxes

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Prepaid/recoverable income and social contribution taxes | 174,560 | 141,548 |
| Withholding income tax | 22,733 | 14,665 |
| Recoverable ICMS (State VAT) | 70,924 | 59,963 |
| Recoverable PIS and COFINS (revenue taxes paid on purchases of goods and services) | 42,086 | 1,450 |
| Other recoverable | 2,812 | 1,927 |
| | <u>313,115</u> | <u>219,553</u> |
| ICMS on deferred sales | 17,001 | 8,061 |
| | <u>330,116</u> | <u>227,614</u> |
| Current | 254,394 | 157,464 |
| Noncurrent | 75,722 | 70,150 |

15. Inventories

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Cellular handsets and accessories | 140,055 | 75,857 |
| Supplies | 5,610 | 4,542 |
| Reserve for obsolescence | (14,087) | (29,050) |
| | <u>131,578</u> | <u>51,349</u> |

Reserve for obsolescence is calculated for cellular handsets which are considered to be obsolete or for slow moving inventories.

16. Prepaid expenses

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Fistel fee | 17,609 | 9,553 |
| Rentals | 8,617 | 8,395 |
| Advertising | 18,962 | 13,076 |
| Employees benefits | 2,048 | 1,255 |
| Others | 5,478 | 7,236 |

| | | |
|------------|---------------|---------------|
| | <u>52,714</u> | <u>39,515</u> |
| Current | 37,298 | 27,143 |
| Noncurrent | <u>15,416</u> | <u>12,372</u> |

F-20

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

17. Other assets

| | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Judicial deposits | 13,409 | 9,759 |
| Advances to employees | 1,762 | 1,485 |
| Credit with suppliers | 9,236 | 10,914 |
| Related parties credits | 32,430 | 33,669 |
| Subsidies on handset sales | 16,821 | 5,899 |
| Other assets | 13,843 | 9,039 |
| | <u>87,501</u> | <u>70,765</u> |
| Current | 79,919 | 65,428 |
| Noncurrent | 7,582 | 5,337 |

18. Property, plant and equipment, net**a. Composition**

| | <u>2004</u> | | <u>2003</u> | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Accumulated Depreciation</u> | <u>Net Book Value</u> | <u>Net Book Value</u> |
| Construction-in-progress | 98,525 | □ | 98,525 | 158,357 |
| Automatic switching equipment | 674,528 | (463,774) | 210,754 | 230,890 |
| Transmission equipment | 1,519,769 | (1,085,981) | 433,788 | 449,566 |
| Land | 4,353 | □ | 4,353 | 4,353 |
| Terminal equipment (i) | 192,316 | (139,042) | 53,274 | 35,366 |
| Buildings | 33,647 | (4,242) | 29,405 | 62,699 |
| Infrastructure | 392,465 | (200,495) | 191,970 | 171,491 |
| Software | 283,024 | (168,747) | 114,277 | 154,909 |
| Other assets | 265,685 | (138,462) | 127,223 | 130,383 |
| | <u>3,464,312</u> | <u>(2,200,743)</u> | <u>1,263,569</u> | <u>1,398,014</u> |

(i) In March 2003, the Company changed its estimate of the useful life of handsets from 24 to 18 months to better reflect the impact of usage of these assets. The effect of this change in estimate in 2003 was to increase depreciation expense by R\$2,697 as compared with 2002 year.

b. Depreciation rates

The annual depreciation rates applied to property, plant and equipment for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 are as follows:

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Automatic switching equipment | 14.29 | 14.29 |
| Transmission equipment | 14.29 | 14.29 |
| Terminal equipment | 66.67 | 66.67 |
| Buildings | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Infrastructure | 4.00 □ | 5.00 □ |
| | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| Other assets | 10.00 □ | 0 □ 20.00 |
| | 20.00 | |

F-21

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

c. Rentals

The Company rents equipment and premises through a number of operating leases agreements that expire at different dates. Total annual rent expense under these agreements was R\$41,582, R\$67,102 and R\$55,565 for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The Company and the Subsidiaries lease equipment and property by means of a number of agreements with varying maturity dates. Future minimum rental payments under non-cancelable lease agreements with terms in excess of one year are as follows:

| Year ending December 31, | (Unaudited) Amount |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2005 | 38,858 |
| 2006 | 25,787 |
| 2007 | 22,161 |
| 2008 | 20,261 |
| 2009 and thereafter | 35,141 |
| Total minimum payments | 142,208 |

19. Payroll and related accruals

| | 2004 | 2003 |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wages and salaries | 753 | 76 |
| Accrued social security charges | 10,250 | 12,665 |
| Accrued benefits | 17,194 | 14,289 |
| | 28,197 | 27,030 |

20. Accounts payable and accrued expenses

| | 2004 | 2003 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Suppliers | 373,166 | 225,142 |
| Interconnection/connection (including related parties □ Note 29)) | 36,680 | 23,947 |
| Amounts due under SMP (including related parties □ Note 29) | 90,423 | 41,269 |
| Technical assistance □ related parties (Note 29) | 51,664 | 126,151 |
| Other | 12,984 | 9,739 |
| | 564,917 | 426,248 |

21. Taxes payable

| | 2004 | 2003 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| ICMS (State VAT) | 27,925 | 20,943 |
| Income and social contribution taxes | 14,552 | 3,746 |
| PIS and COFINS (taxes on operating revenues) | 16,618 | 12,519 |
| FISTEL fee | 6,886 | 5,612 |
| FUST and FUNTTEL (regulatory charges) | 1,189 | 1,101 |
| Other | 552 | 99 |

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| <u>67,722</u> | <u>44,020</u> |
|---------------|---------------|

F-22

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

22. Dividends payable

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Payable by the Company to: | | |
| Common shareholders | 8,798 | 14,063 |
| Preferred shareholders | 13,260 | 23,207 |
| Prior year dividends not claimed | 15,650 | 13,453 |
| | <u>37,708</u> | <u>50,723</u> |

Dividends payable as of December 31, 2004 include interest on shareholders' equity in the amount of R\$19,550, net of withholding income tax of R\$3,450, (R\$36,125 in 2003) and proposed dividends of R\$ 2,508 (R\$1,145 in 2003), which payments are subject to approval at the annual shareholders' meeting.

In accordance with the Company's by-law and in conformity to the Corporate Law 6.404/76, unclaimed dividends prescribe after 3 years as of the date payments commence.

23. Other liabilities

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Deferred revenues □ prepaid customers | 19,648 | 21,786 |
| Provision loyalty program | 16,894 | 19,760 |
| Other liabilities □ related parties | 19,282 | 15,850 |
| Other | 25,108 | 913 |
| | <u>80,932</u> | <u>58,309</u> |
| Current | 56,858 | 58,308 |
| Noncurrent | 24,074 | 1 |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

24. Loans and financing**a. Composition of Debt at December 31:**

| | Currency | Annual interest | Maturity | 2004 | 2003 |
|--------------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------|--------|----------|
| | (1) | | | | |
| Financial institutions | | | | | |
| Citibank □ OPIC | US\$ | 3.0% p.a. + libor | Nov/2004 | □ | 36,115 |
| Resolution no. 2770 (i) | US\$ | 10.8% to 11.0% p.a. | Ago/2005 to Oct/2005 | 30,526 | 80,898 |
| Resolution 4,131 (ii) | US\$ | 1.825% p.a.+ libor | Oct/2005 to Nov/2005 | 10,022 | 73,489 |
| NEC do Brasil S.A. (iii) | US\$ | 7,30% p.a. | Nov/2005 | 8,286 | 18,037 |
| Accrued Interest | | | | 1,416 | 10,416 |
| | | | | 50,250 | 218,955 |
| Current | | | | 50,250 | 165,802 |
| Noncurrent | | | | | □ 53,153 |

(1) At December 31, 2004 and 2003, 1(one) US dollar has equivalent to R\$2.6544 and R\$2.8892, respectively. Loans refer to financing obtained for the expansion and modernization of the cellular network.

(i) Resolutions 63 and 2770 issued by Central Bank of Brazil □ enables Brazilian financial institutions to re-lend loan proceeds from international borrowings to local borrowers.

(ii) Resolution 4,131 □ represents the assumption of debt originally contracted by an unrelated party and receipt of the corresponding proceeds thereof, intermediated by a Brazilian financial institution.

(iii) Loans from NEC do Brasil and Export Development Corporation of Japan refer to supplier credit for the financing of fixed assets purchased from NEC do Brasil.

b. Derivatives

On December 31, 2004, the Company has exchange contracts with notional amounts of US\$58,834 thousand (US\$126,563 thousand on December 31, 2003) to cover its obligations against exchange fluctuation. As of the date hereof, the Company recorded a net liability of R\$13,035 (R\$10,760 on December 31, 2003), on these contracts represented by a balance of R\$1,477 in current assets (R\$1,237 in current assets and R\$7,632 in noncurrent assets on December 31, 2003), and of R\$14,512 in current liabilities (R\$19,629 on December 31, 2003).

Under the terms of these arrangements, the Company is required to pay the counter parties the amount that the variation of the CDI (Brazilian bank certificates of deposit rate) on the notional value exceeds the variation of the U.S. dollar exchange rate. If the inverse occurs, the Subsidiaries are entitled to receive the difference from the counter parties. The gains and losses attributable to these instruments are calculated as if the contract were settled on the balance sheet date and accrued and recognized as an adjustment to financial income or expense in the period in which the change occurs.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

25. Reserve for contingencies

The Company is party to a number of lawsuits, with respect to labor, tax and civil claims. The Company's management, based on external legal counsel's opinion, has recognized a provision for those claims for which an unfavorable outcome is considered probable.

Components of the reserve are as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Labor claims | 10,177 | 8,042 |
| Civil claims | 25,882 | 15,403 |
| Disputed taxes | 47,561 | 51,927 |
| | <u>83,620</u> | <u>75,372</u> |
| Current | 61,055 | 52,079 |
| Long-term | 22,565 | 23,293 |

The changes in the reserve for contingencies are as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Beginning balance | 75,372 | 48,002 | 19,526 |
| Additional reserve | 18,157 | 20,467 | 28,527 |
| Reversal of provisions | (10,307) | (1,409) | (3) |
| Monetary variation | 5,087 | 8,677 | □ |
| Payments | (4,689) | (365) | (48) |
| Ending balance | <u>83,620</u> | <u>75,372</u> | <u>48,002</u> |

The main tax contingencies, in which the subsidiaries are involved, are as follows:

25.1. Tax claims

25.1.1. Probable losses

a) ICMS

Based on the opinion of its legal counsel, Telest recorded a reserve in the amount of R\$2,826 on December 31, 2004 (R\$12,097 on December 31, 2003) regarding ICMS delinquency notices issued in 2002, which are under discussion at administrative level.

25.1.2. Possible losses

Based on the opinion of its legal counsel, Management believes that an adverse settlement of the following cases is possible and consequently, the Company has not recognized any provisions in the financial statements as of December 31, 2004 and 2003.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

a) ICMS, ISS and other taxes

Telerj and Telest received delinquency notices in the aggregate amount of R\$66,219, which objects are: (i) R\$40,671 □ non payment of ICMS on certain services unrelated to telecommunication services; (ii) R\$6,244 □ ICMS on international calls, originated in Brazil; (iii) R\$1,733 □ ICMS on calls originated in administrative terminals and made by employees for tests; (iv) R\$4,947 □ ISS (Service Tax) on subscription; (v) R\$12,624 □ several delinquency notices of ICMS, ISS and other taxes, which have been challenged by the subsidiaries.

b) Social Contribution on net income (CSLL)

Telerj received a notification regarding the use, in 1997, of a portion of the Social Contribution on Net Income carryforwards appraised by the company (Telecomunicações do Rio de Janeiro S.A.) originated in the spin off. In year ended on December 31, 2004, the amount of the delinquency notice is equivalent to R\$4,065.

c) PIS and COFINS

On November 27, 1998, Law No. 9,718/98 changed the calculation of PIS and COFINS, as follows (i) increased COFINS rate from 2% to 3%, (ii) authorized the deduction of up to 1/3 of the amount of COFINS from the amount of the Social Contribution on Net Income □ CSLL, and also (iii) indirectly increased COFINS and PIS payable by subsidiaries, establishing the inclusion of surplus revenue in COFINS and PIS taxes basis.

In the opinion of the Company's legal counsel, this increase has non-constitutional grounds, considering that: (i) Art. 195 of the Brazilian Constitution, in force upon publication of Law 9.718, set forth that PIS and COFINS would only be levied on payroll, billing and profits; (ii) the Federal Government used an inadequate means to increase PIS and COFINS, an ordinary law instead of a complementary law; (iii) the period of ninety (90) days as of publication to enforce the law failed to be observed.

Both Telerj and Telest have been awarded favorable judicial decision authorizing the exclusion of surplus revenue from PIS and COFINS tax basis, as well as the collection of COFINS at a rate of two per cent (2%).

However, in August 2000, the decision rendered for the action filed by Telerj was partially reversed, and have exclusively maintained the authorization to exclude surplus revenue from tax basis. As a result, in September 2000, Telerj made a payment in the adjusted amount of R\$12,473. In relation to part of the decision that remains in force to the exclusion of surplus revenue from PIS and COFINS tax basis, the Company's management, maintained a reserve of R\$40,185 for the year ended on December 31, 2004 (R\$35,726 on December 31, 2003) in Telerj. Telest has a provision equivalent to R\$4,550 (R\$4,104 on December 31, 2003).

In view of the changes introduced by laws 10,637/02 and 10,833/03, the subsidiaries now include surplus revenue in PIS and COFINS tax basis.

d) CIDE

The Company filed lawsuits challenging the incidence of CIDE □ Contribuição de Intervenção no Domínio Econômico on the remittances of values for the payment of technology transference contracts, technical assistance contracts, trademark licencing contracts and software licences, on the terms of Law 10.168/2002, owed to suppliers with headquarters outside of Brazil.

Based on the opinion of external legal counsel, Management believes that the resolution of this issue will not have a material adverse effect on the Company. Nevertheless, the chances of an unfavorable decision in these cases are possible.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

25.1.3. Remote losses

a) ICMS

In June, 1998, the CONFAZ (*Conselho Nacional de Política Fazendária*) agreed to apply the ICMS tax to certain service revenues, such as activation fees, and to make the application to such activation fees retroactive for the five years preceding June 30, 1998.

The Company believes the extension of the ICMS tax to non-basic telecommunications services such as cellular activation is unlawful because it would subject to taxation certain services that are not telecommunications services and because new taxes may not be applied retroactively.

Based upon advice from external legal counsel and on precedents from *Superior Tribunal de Justiça*, the Company does not expect significant losses arising from this matter. The chances of an unfavorable decision on this case are remote. Therefore, no provision was made for the application of the ICMS tax on cellular activation. Moreover, Company believes that the predecessor companies would be liable for any tax liability arising from the retroactive application.

b) PIS and COFINS

The Company together with other telecommunication carriers, is defendant in a lawsuit brought by the federal public prosecutor's office challenging its policy of passing the COFINS and PIS costs to customers by incorporating them into rates charged. The Company is contesting the lawsuit on the basis that the COFINS and PIS are cost components of the services provided to customers and, as such, should be incorporated into the price of such services, as is the practice throughout the telecommunications industry.

The Company believes that the probability of success as defendant in this claim is high, being the chances of an unfavorable decision remote.

25.2. Labor and civil claims

Include several labor and civil claims, for which a reserve has been provided as shown above, in an amount considered to be sufficient to cover probable losses.

In the cases in which the chance of loss is classified as possible, the aggregate amount involved is R\$29,936 for civil claims and R\$5,772 for labor claims.

25.2.1 Possible losses

a) Litigation Related to Tax Credits.

Tele Sudeste Celular Participações and the other new holding companies incorporated in connection with the privatization of the telecommunications companies offset certain tax debts against the premiums paid by their controlling shareholders. A claim was filed against Tele Sudeste Celular Participações and the other new holding companies seeking relief in the form of the annulment of the administrative acts that recognized these offsets. Although the Company believes that the restructuring was implemented in accordance with Brazilian law. Based on the opinion of external legal counsel the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to this claim is possible. The Company would be required to pay all the taxes that were offset against goodwill. The Company is unable to determine at this time the extent of any potential liabilities with respect to this claim.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

b) Litigation Related to the Ownership of Caller ID

Lune Projetos Especiais Telecomunicação Comércio e Indústria Ltda., a Brazilian company, filed lawsuits against 23 wireless telecommunications operators, including Tele Sudeste Participações, Telerj Celular and Telest Celular. The lawsuits allege that those operators violated patent number 9202624-9, related to *Equipamento Controlador de Chamadas Entrantes e do Terminal do Usuário*, or Caller ID, granted to Lune by the Brazilian Intellectual Property Agency □ INPI, on September 30, 1997. Lune calls on the operators to cease to provide Caller ID services and seeks payment from them for the unauthorized use of the Caller ID system in an amount equivalent to the payment of fees received by such operators for use of the Caller ID system. However, Lune's right to use patent number 9202624-9 was suspended by a federal judge in the State of São Paulo in response to a lawsuit filed against Lune and INPI by Ericsson Telecomunicações S.A. Telesp Celular S.A. and Telerj Celular filed identical lawsuits against Lune and INPI and those lawsuits are still pending before the courts. The Company believes based on the opinion of external legal counsel that the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome with respect to Lune's claim against us is possible. The Company is unable to determine at this time the extent of any potential liabilities with respect to this claim.

c) Litigation Related to the Validity of the Minutes in the Prepaid Plans

Telerj Celular S.A. and Telest Celular S.A., together with other Brazilian mobile telecommunications operators, are defendants in various lawsuits brought by the federal public prosecutor's office and a consumer protection association which challenged the imposition of a deadline for the use of purchased prepaid minutes. The plaintiffs allege that any purchased prepaid minutes should not have a time limitation for usage.

Despite a few conflicting decisions, based on the opinion of external legal counsel, the Company believes that the criterium for imposing the deadline is in strict compliance with Anatel's rules. Based on the opinion of external legal counsel, the chances of an unfavorable decision in this case is possible.

25.2.2 Remote losses

a) Litigation Arising Out of Events Prior to the Breakup of Telebrás

Telebrás, the Company's legal predecessor, is a defendant in a number of legal proceedings and is subject to certain claims and contingencies. Under the terms of the Telebrás breakup, the liability for any claims arising out of acts committed by Telebrás prior to the effective date of the breakup remains with Telebrás, except for labor and tax claims (for which Telebrás and the resulting companies incorporated as a result of the breakup are jointly and severally liable by operation of law) and any liability for which specific accounting provisions have been assigned to the Company or one of the other resulting companies incorporated as a result of the breakup of Telebrás. Management believes that the chances of any of these claims materializing and having a material adverse financial effect on the Company's financial statements are remote.

b) Litigation Related to the Breakup of Telebrás

The legality of the breakup of Telebrás was challenged in numerous legal proceedings, some of which have not been dismissed and are still pending. Management believes that the final outcome of these proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business or financial condition and that the chances of any of these claims succeed is remote.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

26. Pension and other postretirement benefit plans

At the time of the privatization, employees had the right to maintain their rights and benefits in Fundação Sistel de Seguridade Social, or Sistel, a multi-employer defined benefit plan that supplements government-provided retirement benefits (the so called PBS) and a multi-employer post-retirement health-care plan (the so called PAMA). Under the PBS and PAMA plans, the Company made monthly contributions to Sistel equal to a percentage of the salary of each employee who was a Sistel member. Each employee member also made a monthly contribution to Sistel based on age and salary. Members of Sistel qualified for pension benefits when they qualified for the government-provided retirement benefits. Sistel operates independently from the Company, and its assets and liabilities are fully segregated from the Company. Employees hired since January 1999 are not members of Sistel.

Before December 1999, the Sistel plans covered the employees of the former Telebrás System and the Company was contingently liable for all of the unfunded obligations of the plans. In January 2000, the Company and the other companies that formerly belonged to the Telebrás system agreed to divide the existing Sistel plan into 15 separate plans, resulting in the creation of private plans covering those employees already enrolled in the Sistel plan. For the Company was created the PBS Tele Sudeste Celular Plan. This new private pension plan is still administered by Sistel and has retained the same terms and conditions of the Sistel plan. The division was carried out so as to allocate liability among the companies that formerly belonged to the Telebrás system according to each company's contributions in respect of its own employees. Joint liability among the Sistel plan sponsors will continue with respect to retired employees who will necessarily remain members of the Sistel plan (PBS-A and PAMA plans).

In 2000, the Company established the Plano de Benefícios Visão Celular, a new private pension plan. Unlike Sistel's defined benefits plan, the Plano de Benefícios Visão Celular calls for defined contributions by the operating subsidiaries, as sponsors, and the employees, as participants. These contributions are credited to the participants' individual accounts. Those employees who were members of the Sistel plan had the option to transfer to the new pension plan by October 31, 2000. As of December 31, 2004, approximately 81.54% of Company's employees were members of the Plano de Benefícios Visão Celular. The Company and its subsidiary continue to have a contingent liability for the unfunded obligations of the plan with respect to all inactive employees of the former Telebrás and all post-retirement health care benefits for former Telebrás employees and current employees of all the new holding companies.

The contributions to PBS Tele Sudeste Celular are determined based on actuarial studies conducted by independent actuaries pursuant to the rules in force in Brazil. The cost determination basis of capitalization and contribution paid by the sponsor is 13.5% on payroll of its employees who participate in the plan, of which 12% are allocated to PBS Tele Sudeste Celular plan cost and 1.5% to PAMA.

The contributions of the Company to Visão Celular are equal to participants', ranging between 2% and 9% on participation salary, pursuant to the percentage chosen by participant.

During 2004, the subsidiaries made contributions do PBS Tele Sudeste Celular Plan in the amount of R\$12 (R\$46 in 2003) and to Visão Celular Plan in the amount of R\$3,201 (R\$2,859 in 2003).

As of December 31, 2001, the Company chose to recognize actuarial liabilities pursuant to CVM Resolution 371, of December 13, 2000, directly in shareholders' equity, net of any corresponding tax effect. On December 31, 2004 and 2003, the Company immediately recognized the aggregate actuarial gains and losses in the income for the year. The projected unit cost method was used for actuarial appraisal of the plans, which relevant assets are positioned on November 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. For multi-sponsored plans (PAMA and PBS-A), proration of assets plans was made based on the actuarial liability of the company in relation to the aggregate actuarial liability of the plan.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

During the year ended on December 31, 2004, the Company recognized pro rata the estimate actuarial cost for year 2004, with the reversal of R\$531 relating to these costs.

The following table demonstrates the composition of the provision for retirement benefit plans and health care plans to retired employees as of December 31, 2004, in addition to other information required by CVM Resolution 371 on such plans.

| Plan | 2004 | 2003 |
|--|------|------|
| PAMA Telerj / Telest | 364 | 893 |
| Accrued pension and postretirement benefits □ noncurrent liabilities | 364 | 893 |

a) Reconciliation between assets and liabilities

| | 2004 | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|------------|----------|----------------|
| | PBS (ii) | Visão (ii) | PAMA (i) | PBS-A (i) (ii) |
| Present benefit obligation | 8,642 | 4,225 | 1,449 | 10,190 |
| Fair value of plan assets | (11,430) | (4,545) | (1,085) | (13,252) |
| Funded status | (2,788) | (320) | 364 | (3,062) |

| | 2003 | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|------------|----------|----------------|
| | PBS (ii) | Visão (ii) | PAMA (i) | PBS-A (i) (ii) |
| Present benefit obligation | 8,725 | 2,297 | 2,049 | 9,787 |
| Fair value of plan asset | (10,283) | (3,826) | (1,156) | (11,693) |
| Funded status | (1,558) | (1,529) | 893 | (1,906) |

(i) Refers to the proportional participation of the Company in multi-sponsored plan □ PAMA and PBS-A -assets and liabilities.

(ii) Although PBS, Visão and PBS-A show a surplus, on December 31, 2004 and 2003, the pension assets were not recognized since the surplus is legally not reimbursable, and the surpluses may not be used to reduce future contributions.

b) Net periodic cost for the year

| | 2004 | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA | PBS-A |
| Current service cost | 68 | 463 | 10 | □ |
| Interest cost | 952 | 237 | 227 | 1,063 |
| Total | 1,020 | 700 | 237 | 1,063 |

F-30

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

c) Changes in net actuarial liabilities (assets)

| | 2004 | | | |
|---|----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA | PBS-A |
| Net liabilities on December 31, 2003 | (1,558) | (1,529) | 893 | (1,906) |
| Recognized expense (income) in income statement for the last year | (264) | 223 | 111 | (215) |
| Recognized actuarial (gains) losses | (955) | 1,372 | (632) | (941) |
| Sponsor's contributions recorded | (11) | (386) | (8) | □ |
| Net liabilities recognized at December 31, 2004 | (2,788) | (320) | 364 | (3,062) |

d) Changes in benefit obligation

| | 2004 | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA | PBS-A |
| Benefit obligation at December 31, 2003 | 8,725 | 2,297 | 2,049 | 9,787 |
| Current service cost | 68 | 463 | 10 | □ |
| Interest on actuarial liabilities | 952 | 237 | 227 | 1,063 |
| Benefits paid | (657) | (17) | (82) | (794) |
| Actuarial (gains) losses | (446) | 1,245 | (755) | 134 |
| Benefit obligation at December 31, 2004 | 8,642 | 4,225 | 1,449 | 10,190 |

e) Changes in plan assets

| | 2004 | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA | PBS-A |
| Fair value of plan assets on December 31, 2003 | 10,283 | 3,826 | 1,156 | 11,693 |
| Benefits paid | (657) | (17) | (82) | (794) |
| Gains (losses) on assets | 599 | (161) | □ | □ |
| Sponsor's contributions | 17 | 444 | 8 | □ |
| Plan earnings | 1,188 | 453 | 3 | 2,353 |
| Fair value of plan assets on December 31, 2004 | 11,430 | 4,545 | 1,085 | 13,252 |

f) Estimate net periodic cost for 2005

| | 2004 | | | |
|--|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA | PBS-A |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Service cost | 52 | 843 | 9 | □ |
| Interest cost on actuarial liabilities | 940 | 439 | 160 | 1,105 |
| Estimate assets earnings | (1,536) | (626) | (173) | (1,567) |
| Employees contribution | (20) | (103) | □ | □ |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total | (564) | 553 | (4) | (462) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

F-31

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

g) Actuarial assumptions

| | 2004 | | | |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | PBS | Visão | PAMA (i) | PBS-A (ii) |
| Discount rate used at current value of actuarial liabilities (*) | 11.30% p.a. | 11.30% p.a. | 11.30% p.a. | 11.30% p.a. |
| Estimate return rate on plan assets (*) | 13.75% p.a. | 13.75% p.a. | 16.40% p.a. | 12.20% p.a. |
| Future salary growth rate (*) | 7.10% p.a. | 7.10% p.a. | 7.10% p.a. | 7.10% p.a. |
| Medical costs growth rate | □ | □ | 8.15% p.a. | □ |
| Benefits growth rate | 5.00% p.a. | 5.00% p.a. | 5.00% p.a. | 5.00% p.a. |
| Disabled mortality table | IAPB-57 | IAPB-57 | □ | □ |
| Mortality table | UP84+1 and gender-segregated | UP84+1 and gender-segregated | UP84+1 | UP84+1 |
| Disability table | Mercer Disability | Mercer Disability | Mercer Disability | □ |

(*) Including inflation rate.

27. Corporate restructuring

On November 30, 2000, the Company completed a corporate restructuring aimed to transfer the tax benefit related to the goodwill paid by the Company's shareholders in the privatization process. The transaction was affected, through the creation and subsequent merger of temporary entities; however, resulted only in the effective transfer of the tax benefit to the Company.

The transferred tax benefit is reported by the Company as a capital reserve, which is transferred to capital stock with the issuance of common shares to the Company's controlling shareholders as the related tax benefit is realized. The number of shares to be issued is determined at each issuance date based on the tax benefit realized and the market value of the shares. The Company's minority shareholders have preemptive rights to subscribe for additional shares at the then current market prices, if such shares are issued to the controlling shareholders.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

For statutory purposes, and in compliance with income tax legislation, the tax benefit is recorded in two separate components, comprised of the related goodwill transferred and the reserve for the maintenance and integrity of the merged company's equity, which are recorded net in the balance sheet as a deferred tax benefit. The related goodwill and the reserve is being amortized on a straight-line basis over a five years. This amortization, along with the related tax benefit, is recorded net in the consolidated statements of operations as part of income and social contribution taxes. This accounting results in no impact on net income nor on shareholders' dividends. The following summarizes the amounts recorded in the balance sheet and the net impact in the consolidated statements of operations as of and for the years indicated.:

| | Original Balances | At December 31, | |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| | | 2004 | 2003 |
| Balance sheets: | | | |
| Goodwill | 1,393,279 | 216,493 | 495,148 |
| Reserves | (928,437) | (142,885) | (326,797) |
| Net deferred tax benefit from corporate restructuring | 464,842 | 73,608 | 168,351 |

| Statements of operations: | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Goodwill amortization, | (278,656) | (278,656) | (278,656) |
| Reversal of reserve, | 183,913 | 183,913 | 183,913 |
| Tax benefit | 94,743 | 94,743 | 94,743 |
| Net effect on income | □ | □ | □ |

Shares to be issued related to realized tax benefits are made at the discretion of the Board of Directors, subject to approval by shareholders. The Company issued 16,411,775,401, 18,591,761,555, and 17,661,420,812 additional shares related to realized tax benefits in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

28. Shareholders' equity**a. Share capital**

The Company's authorized capital at December 31, 2004 was 700 billion shares. Capital subscribed and paid-up at the balance sheet date was represented by the following shares, without par value:

| Number of shares (in thousands) | Shares outstanding December 31, 2003 | Capital increase (a) | Shares outstanding December 31, 2004 |
|--|--|----------------------------|--|
| Common shares | 173,023,182 | 16,411,776 | 189,434,958 |
| Preferred shares, | 259,575,036 | □ | 259,575,036 |
| Total outstanding | 432,598,218 | 16,411,776 | 449,009,994 |
| In thousand of Brazilian reais □ Corporate law | 778,838 | 112,622 | 891,460 |

(a) Capitalization of tax credit approved by Board of Directors Meeting on March 31, 2004

At Extraordinary Meeting of the Administration Council held on March 31, 2004, an increase of capital stock by R\$ 112,622 was approved, through the issuance of 16,411,776 thousand new shares as a result of the financial realization of part of the capital reserve generated in the corporate restructuring.

The capital may be increased only by a decision taken at a shareholder's meeting or by the Board of Directors in connection with the capitalization of profits or reserves previously allocated to capital increases at a shareholder's meeting.

The preferred shares are non-voting except under limited circumstances, are entitled to receive cash dividends 10% higher than those attributed to common shares and have priority over the common shares in the case of liquidation of the Company.

b. Capital reserves*Special premium reserve*

This reserve represents the formation of a special reserve for the maintenance and integrity of the merged company's equity related to the tax benefit of goodwill transferred in the corporate restructuring (see Note 27). According to CVM Instruction No. 319, of December 3, 1999, this reserve shall be used in future capital increases on behalf of the controlling shareholders whenever the amortization of the goodwill paid in the acquisition of the Company results in a reduction of income tax and social contribution tax payable.

Tax Incentive

Comprised of income tax reduction incentives, which are converted into investment certificates.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

c. Income reserves*Legal reserve*

Brazilian corporations are required to appropriate 5% of annual net income to a legal reserve until that reserve reaches 20% of paid-in share capital, or 30% of nominal paid-in share capital plus capital reserves; thereafter, appropriations to this reserve are not mandatory. This reserve can be used only to increase share capital or offset accumulated losses.

Reserve for Expansion and Modernization

Based on the budget approved by the Board of Directors, which describes the resource needs for future investment projects, the balance of retained earnings was transferred to the special reserve for expansion and modernization, after distributions determined by Brazilian Corporate Law and the reversal of unclaimed dividends of 1999.

d. Dividends

Pursuant to its by-laws, the Company is required to distribute as dividends in respect of each fiscal year ending on December 31, to the extent amounts are available for distribution, an aggregate amount equal to at least 25% of Adjusted Net Income (as defined) on such date. The annual dividend distributed to holders of preferred shares (the “preferred dividend”) has priority in the allocation of Adjusted Net Income. Remaining amounts to be distributed are allocated first to the payment of a dividend to holders of common shares in an amount equal to the preferred dividend and the remainder is distributed equally among holders of preferred shares and common shares. Preferred shares have no voting right, but have priority in the reimbursement of capital, without premium, and are entitled to receive cash dividends 10% higher than those attributed to common shares.

For purposes of Brazilian Corporate Law, and in accordance with the Companies by-laws, the “Adjusted Net Income” is an amount equal to the Company’s net income adjusted to reflect allocations to or from (i) the legal reserve; (ii) the statutory reserve; (iii) a contingency reserve for anticipated losses, if any; (iv) a reserve for future investment projects, if any and (v) an unrealized income reserve, if any.

The proposed dividend was calculated as follows:

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Consolidated net income | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 |
| Add: | | | |
| Consolidation adjustments | □ | 689 | 3,240 |
| Net income at Holding Company level in accordance with Brazilian Corporate Law | 92,878 | 156,926 | 143,616 |
| Deduct: | | | |
| Appropriation to legal reserve | (4,644) | (7,846) | (7,181) |
| Adjusted net income | 88,234 | 149,080 | 136,435 |
| Minimum dividend (25% on adjusted net income) | (22,058) | 37,270 | 34,109 |
| Proposed dividend and interest on shareholders’ equity: | | | |
| Common shares | 8,798 | 14,063 | 35,751 |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | |
|------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Preferred shares | 13,260 | 23,207 | 66,103 |
| Total | 22,058 | 37,270 | 101,854 |

F-35

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

| Dividend and interest on equity per thousand shares (Brazilian reais) | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Common shares | 0.046442 | 0.081277 | 0.231506 |
| Preferred shares | 0.051087 | 0.089404 | 0.254657 |

The Holding Company has an option to pay interest on shareholders' equity, deductible for tax purposes, in lieu of paying dividends, which are not tax deductible.

In 2004, 2003 and 2002 the Holding Company decided to pay interest on shareholders' equity, which is subject to a 15% withholding tax. The amount of dividends declared, for payment as interest on shareholders' equity, included applicable withholding tax. Interest on shareholders' equity proposed by the Holding Company management was accounted for considering its approval by the Shareholders' Meeting.

Management proposed for the year ended December 31, 2003 that interest on shareholders' equity, net of withholding tax, in the amount of R\$36,125 (R\$0.083507 per thousand shares) payable to common and preferred shares. This interest on shareholders' equity was approved by Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on March 23, 2004. Management proposed for the year ended December 31, 2002 that interest on shareholders' equity, net of withholding tax, in the amount of R\$11,475 (R\$0.027717 per thousand shares) payable to common and preferred shares. This interest on shareholders' equity was approved by Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on March 25, 2003.

At the 56th. Extraordinary Meeting of the Board of Directors held on September 18, 2002 the proposal and payment of interim dividends was approved based on the financial statements as of June 30, 2002, to the holders of common and preferred shares, in the amount of R\$84,370, corresponding to R\$0.203789 per thousand shares. The payment was made on September 27, 2002. These dividends were approved by Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on March 25, 2003.

Also, management proposed supplementary dividends for the year ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 of R\$ 1,145 and R\$6,009 (R\$0.002647 and R\$0.023149 per thousand shares), respectively, exclusively to preferred shares. These dividends were approved by Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on March 23, 2004 and March 25, 2003, respectively.

In 2003, in accordance with the Corporation Law, the Company reversed dividends payable, in the amount of R\$1,525 related to unclaimed dividends of 1999 (R\$4,187 in 2002 related to 1998). Also, Subsidiaries reversed dividends payable of R\$401 related to unclaimed dividends of 1999 (R\$3,146 in 2002 related to 1998)

Dividends are calculated on the Holding Company's adjusted net income for the year, which is determined using the equity method to account for the participation in the Subsidiaries net results. Consequently, the items shown as "Consolidation adjustments" in the consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity, which are required to reconcile consolidated net income to the Holding Company's net income, become part of the basis for calculating dividends.

29. Transactions with related parties

The main transactions with unconsolidated related parties are as follows:

- Tele Sudeste Celular has entered into a Consulting Service Agreement with Telefónica Móviles S.A on account of telecommunication services, calculated based on a percentage applied on net service revenues adjusted for foreign currency variation.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

- The Company and its subsidiaries also carry out transactions with other companies controlled by our controlling shareholders, such as network use and long distance (roaming) cellular communication agreements. The counterparties to these agreements are Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A., Celular CRT S.A., Telesp Celular S.A., Global Telecom S.A., Telebahia Celular S.A., Telergipe Celular S.A., Tele Centro Oeste Celular, Telems Celular, Telecom Celular, Telemat Celular, Teleacre Celular, Telegoiás Celular, NBT and Telefónica Móviles de España S.A. The transactions relating between Telebrás and each relevant predecessor company to roaming agreements are based on contracts entered into prior to the Break-up of Telebrás. The terms of these agreements are regulated by Anatel.
- Call center services provided by Atento Brasil S.A. to users of subsidiaries telecommunications services, contracted for a period of 12 months, renewable for the same period.
- A summary of balances and transactions with unconsolidated related parties is as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Current assets: | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 10,357 | 12,833 |
| Other | 32,430 | 33,669 |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (125,049) | (154,441) |
| Other liabilities | (19,282) | (15,850) |
| | F-37 | |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

| STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Net Operating Revenue | | | |
| CRT Celular | □ | 298 | 2,207 |
| Tele Leste and subsidiaries | □ | 931 | 5,178 |
| Telesp Celular and subsidiaries | □ | 6,168 | □ |
| Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. □ TELESP | 63,605 | 55,338 | 3,820 |
| Total | 63,605 | 62,735 | 11,205 |
| Cost of Services | | | |
| CRT Celular | □ | (374) | (638) |
| Tele Leste and subsidiaries | □ | (1,033) | (1,589) |
| Telesp Celular and subsidiaries | □ | (4,870) | □ |
| Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. □ TELESP | (27,000) | (689) | (1,256) |
| Total | (27,000) | (6,966) | (3,483) |
| Selling Expenses | | | |
| Atento Brasil S/A | (60,961) | (45,707) | (35,319) |
| Total | (60,961) | (45,707) | (35,319) |
| General and Administrative Expenses | | | |
| Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. □ TELESP | (935) | (768) | (4,269) |
| Telefonica Móviles □ Technical assistance | □ | (21,123) | (17,367) |
| Total | (935) | (21,891) | (21,636) |
| Financial Income (Expense) | | | |
| Telefonica Internacional S.A | 2,130 | 10,728 | (28,377) |
| Telefonica Móviles Hold | 2,501 | 13,113 | (20,138) |
| Total | 4,631 | 23,841 | (48,515) |
| Recovered expenses from companies □ Joint Venture Brasilcel | | | |
| CRT Celular | 8,370 | 10,631 | □ |
| Tele Leste and subsidiaries | 3,800 | 4,987 | □ |
| Telesp Celular and subsidiaries | 54,395 | 53,882 | |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | |
|---|--------|--------|---|
| Total | 66,565 | 69,500 | □ |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Expenses distributed from companies □ Joint Venture Brasilcel | | | |
| CRT Celular | 1,859 | 1,821 | □ |
| Tele Leste and subsidiaries | 1,811 | 1,761 | □ |
| Telesp Celular and subsidiaries | 47,766 | 31,175 | □ |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Total | 51,436 | 34,757 | □ |
| <hr/> | | | |

30. Management Compensation

In 2004, 2003 and 2002 management compensation of R\$2,060, R\$3,672 and R\$2,400, respectively, were recorded as expenses.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

31. Insurance

The Company maintains a monitoring policy of risks inherent to its operations. Consequently, on December 31, 2004, the Company had insurance contracts in force to cover operating risks, general liability and health, etc. The Company's management is of the opinion that these values are sufficient to cover any losses. The main assets, liabilities or interest covered by insurance and respective amounts are as follows:

| Modality | Amounts insured |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Operating risks | R\$796,320 |
| General civil liability <input type="checkbox"/> RCG | R\$5,822 |
| Vehicle (officers fleet) | Fipe Table and R\$200 for DC/DM |
| Vehicle (operational fleet) | R\$200 for DC/DM |

32. Financial instruments and risk management**a. Risks considerations**

Tele Sudeste is the controlling shareholder of Telerj and Telest, which provide mobile telephone services in the States of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo, in accordance with the authorizations granted by the Federal Government. Both operators are also engaged in the purchase and sale of handsets through their own sales networks and distribution channels, thus fostering their essential activities.

The major market risks to which Telerj and Telest are exposed in exercising their activities include:

- Credit Risk: resulting from any difficulty in collecting telecommunications services provided to their customers and revenues from sale of handsets to distribution networks, as well as the risk relating to swap transactions.
- Interest Rate Risk: resulting from debt and premiums on derivative instruments contracted at floating rates and involving the risk of financial expenses as a result of an unfavorable upward trend in interest rates (mainly LIBOR and CDI).
- Currency risk: related to debt and premiums on derivative instruments contracted in foreign currency and associated to potential losses to the Company resulting from adverse exchange rate fluctuations.

Telerj and Telest have been actively managing and mitigating risks inherent to their operations by means of comprehensive operating initiatives, procedures and policies.

Credit Risk

Credit risk from providing telecommunications services is minimized by monitoring the customer portfolio and addressing delinquent receivables by means of clear policies relating to the concession of postpaid services. The subsidiaries' customers use 71.2% prepaid services that require pre-loading, thus not representing a credit risk.

Credit risk from the sale of handsets is managed by following a conservative credit granting which encompasses the use of advanced risk management methods that include applying credit scoring techniques, analyzing potential customer's balance sheet, and making inquiries of credit protection agencies' database. In addition, an automatic control system has been implemented with the distribution of SAP's software ERP for consistent transactions.

The Company is also exposed to credit risk arising out of its financial investments and receivables from swap transactions. The Company makes efforts to diversify such exposure among first class financial institutions.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

Interest Rate Risk

Telerj and Telest are exposed to interest rate risk, due to exchange derivative transactions and borrowings contracted in Brazilian reais associated with the cost of CDI rates. However, the balance of those financial investments also indexed at CDI neutralizes such effect.

Foreign currency-denominated loans are also exposed to the risk of increase in floating interest rate (LIBOR). As of December 31, 2004, the principal amount of these transactions was R\$10,022 (R\$109,604 on December 31, 2003).

Exchange Rate Risk

Telerj and Telest utilize derivative instruments to protect themselves against the currency risk on foreign currency-denominated loans. The instruments usually used are swap, option and forward contracts.

Telerj and Telest's net exposure to currency risk as of December 31, 2004 is shown in the table below:

| | US\$ |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Loans and financing | (18,931) |
| Suppliers □ Technical Assistance | (19,464) |
| Derivative instruments | 58,834 |
| | 20,439 |

During 2004, the subsidiaries entered into derivative instruments to hedge other foreign currency commitments against exchange variations.

b. Derivative instruments

The table below shows book values and estimated market values of loans and financing and foreign currency liabilities, as well as derivative operations:

| | 2004 | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | Book value | Market value | Unrealized gain (loss) |
| Loans and financing | (50,250) | (52,359) | (2,109) |
| Suppliers □ Technical Assistance | (51,664) | (51,664) | □ |
| Derivative instruments | (13,035) | (11,755) | 1,280 |
| | (114,949) | (115,778) | (829) |

2003

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | <u>Book value</u> | <u>Market value</u> | <u>Unrealized gain (loss)</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Loans and financing | (218,955) | (228,237) | (9,282) |
| Other liabilities | (146,201) | (146,201) | □ |
| Derivative contracts | (10,760) | (113) | 10,647 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Total | (375,916) | (374,551) | 1,365 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

F-40

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The market value of loans and financing, as well as “derivative instruments”, were calculated based on discounted cash flows, using available interest rate projections.

The market values are calculated in a specific moment, based on available information and evaluation methodologies, therefore the indicated estimates do not necessarily represent market realization values. The use of different assumptions may significantly affect the estimates.

c. Fair value of other financial instruments

The fair values of the Company’s other financial instruments representing cash, trade accounts receivable, and accounts payable, approximate their book values because their short term nature.

33. Telefónica Móviles Stock Plan

In May 2001, Telefónica Móviles, S.A. (“Telefónica Móviles”) launched a stock option plan based on Telefónica Móviles’ stock (the “Plan”) that covered the employees of the Company. Pursuant to the Plan, between May 20 and July 20, 2002, Telefónica Móviles granted a total of 231,016 stock options to the Company’s employees, vesting over a four-year period. The options were granted in Series A, B and C, with strike prices of 11.00 Euros, 16.50 Euros and 7.23 Euros, respectively. The total options granted to each employee consisted of 25% Series A options, 25% Series B options, and 50% Series C options. The market price of Telefónica Móviles’ stock as traded at the Madrid Stock Exchange was 8.28 Euros on December 31, 2003 (6.20 Euros in 2002). The Plan also gives the Company’s employees the option to receive in cash, the appreciation in the market price of Telefónica Móviles’ stock over the respective strike price.

In accordance with the stock option plan conditions based on Telefónica Móviles S.A. stocks (Mos Program), the employees of the Companies did not comply with the basic assumption of the program, i.e. the control stock of the Companies in which they are participating by Telefónica Móviles S.A. As a result, on December 31, 2003, the existing options were settled. The settlement amount was calculated for 50% of Series C options, considering the Telefónica Moviles, S.A. stocks final bid price on January 2, 2004, converted average exchange at the date of payment.

In accordance with accounting practices followed in Brazil, the Companies is not required to account for any effect of the plan, therefore no effect in the financial statements of the Companies was recorded.

34. Subsequent event

Reverse split of shares

On March 29, 2005, the Company approved a reverse split of 449,009,994,135 registered book-entry shares of capital stock of the Company, with no par value, of which 189,434,957,933 are common shares and 259,575,036,202 are preferred shares with such reverse split to occur at the ratio of five thousand (5,000) shares to one (1) share of the respective class, after which there will be 89,801,999 registered book-entry shares, with no par value, of which 37,886,992 will be common shares and 51,915,007 will be preferred shares.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

35. Summary of the differences between BR CL and U.S. GAAP

The Company's accounting policies that comply with BR CL and that differ significantly from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") are described below:

As discussed in Note 2.c., the Company changed the basis of presentation of its financial statements from the Constant Currency Method to BR CL in 2003. Under the Constant Currency Method, the effects of monetary restatement were recorded until December 31, 2000. For previously issued financial statements prepared under the Constant Currency Method, the effects of monetary restatement were not eliminated for purposes of reconciliation to US GAAP because the application of inflation restatement represented a comprehensive measure of accounting for the effects of Brazilian price-level changes.

Under BR CL, however, the effects of monetary restatement are recorded only until December 31, 1995. Since Brazil was still considered a highly inflationary economy until 1997, the U.S. GAAP reconciliation presented herein includes an adjustment to record monetary restatement for periods up to and including December 31, 1997 (see Note 36.b.). The applicable US GAAP adjustments related to additional monetary restatement for 1996 and 1997 have are reflected for all periods presented herein.

The following is a reconciliation of net income under US GAAP as for the year ended December 31, 2002, as previously reported under the Constant Currency Method and that reported herein under BR CL..

| | Net income 2002 |
|--|--------------------------------|
| US GAAP as originally reported | (42,474) |
| Effect of change in monetary restatement on US GAAP: Adjustments | 62,303 |
| Deferred tax on above adjustments | (15,808) |
| US GAAP as restated | 4,021 |

a. Different criteria for capitalizing and amortizing capitalized interest

Until December 31, 1998, under BR CL interest attributable to construction-in-progress was computed at the rate of 12% per year on the balance of construction-in-progress interest incurred on third party loans was credited to interest expense and the excess interest capitalized was credited to capital reserves. For the three-year period ended December 31, 2004, the Company did not capitalize interest attributable to construction-in-progress at the rate of 12%; rather the actual effective interest related to construction was used to determine capitalized interest.

Under U.S. GAAP, in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 34, "Capitalization of Interest Costs," interest incurred on borrowings is capitalized to the extent that borrowings do not exceed construction-in-progress. The credit is a reduction of interest expense. Under U.S. GAAP, the amount of interest capitalized excludes monetary gains associated with local currency borrowings and the foreign exchange gains and losses on foreign currency borrowings.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The effects of these different criteria for capitalizing and amortizing capitalized interest are presented below:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Capitalized interest difference | | | |
| <i>U.S. GAAP capitalized interest:</i> | | | |
| Interest capitalized during the period | 9,037 | 13,887 | 16,079 |
| Capitalized interest on disposals | (177) | (108) | (90) |
| | <u>8,860</u> | <u>13,779</u> | <u>15,989</u> |
| <i>Less BR CL capitalized interest:</i> | | | |
| Interest capitalized during the period | □ | (40,443) | (30,411) |
| Capitalized interest on disposals | 162 | 82 | 59 |
| | <u>9,022</u> | <u>(26,582)</u> | <u>(14,363)</u> |
| Amortization of capitalized interest difference | | | |
| Amortization under BR CL | 27,355 | 29,279 | 18,872 |
| Capitalized interest on disposals | (122) | (49) | (36) |
| | <u>27,233</u> | <u>29,230</u> | <u>18,836</u> |
| Less amortization under U.S. GAAP | (30,355) | (33,117) | (27,896) |
| Capitalized interest on disposals | 133 | 64 | 55 |
| | <u>(30,222)</u> | <u>(33,053)</u> | <u>(27,841)</u> |
| U.S. GAAP difference | <u>(2,989)</u> | <u>(3,823)</u> | <u>(9,005)</u> |

b. Reversal of proposed dividends

Under BR CL proposed dividends are accrued for in the financial statements in anticipation of their approval at the shareholders' meeting. Under U.S. GAAP, dividends are not accrued until they are formally declared.

The interest on shareholders' equity is a legal liability from the date it is declared, therefore, these amounts are included as dividends in the year they are proposed for U.S. GAAP purposes.

c. Pension and other postretirement benefits

The Subsidiaries participate in two multiemployer benefit plans (PBS-A and PAMA) that are operated and administered by Sistel, and provide for the costs of pension and other postretirement benefits based on a fixed percentage of remuneration, as recommended annually by independent actuaries. For purposes of U.S. GAAP, multiemployer plans are accounted for similar to defined contribution plans and consequently, the Company is required to disclose its annual contributions and the funded status of those plans. The Subsidiaries also sponsor a single-employer defined pension benefit plan (PBS-Tele Sudeste). The provisions of FAS No. 87, "Employers'

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

Accounting for Pensions”, for the purposes of calculating the funded status, were applied with effect from January 1, 1992, because it was not feasible to apply them from the effective date specified in the standard (see Note 36).

On December 13, 2000, CVM issued Instruction No. 371, which provisions are very similar to SFAS No. 87 and SFAS No. 106, except for the following differences:

- A company that participates in a multiemployer defined benefit pension or postretirement benefit plan is required to recognize any assets or liabilities in respect to its participation in such plans, while SFAS Standards require only the disclosure of funded status of those plans.

F-43

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

- The unrecognized net obligation existing at the date of initial application of this standard shall be amortized over five years or remaining service period or remaining life expectancy, whichever is lower. Alternatively, companies were granted the option to recognize such initial transition obligation as of December 31, 2001, directly to shareholders' equity. Such option has been adopted by the Company. Under SFAS No. 87, the unrecognized net obligation existing at the date of its initial application is being amortized over the remaining service period.
- Under BR CL actuarial gains and losses are recorded in income when incurred up to the amount of pension liability recorded. Under U.S. GAAP, certain actuarial gains and losses are deferred and amortized over the remaining service period of the active employees expected to receive benefits under the plan.
- The effects of these different criteria for recognition of pension and other postretirement benefits on accrued pension (postretirement) benefit as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, are presented below:

| | 2004 | | | 2003 | | |
|---|--------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------|-------|---------------------------|
| | U.S. GAAP | BR CL | Accumulated Difference | U.S. GAAP | BR CL | Accumulated Difference |
| Active employees defined pension □ PBS Tele Sudeste | 1,104 | □ | 1,104 | 1,714 | □ | 1,714 |
| Multiemployer health care plan □ PAMA | □ | 364 | (364) | □ | 893 | (893) |
| Accrued pension (postretirement) benefit | 1,104 | 364 | 740 | 1,714 | 893 | 821 |

d. Interest income (expense)

BR CL requires interest to be shown as part of operating income. Under U.S. GAAP interest income (expense) would be shown after operating income.

e. Permanent assets

BR CL has a class of assets called permanent assets. This is the collective name for all assets on which indexation adjustments were calculated until December 31, 1995 in the corporate and fiscal law accounts of Brazilian companies. Under U.S. GAAP the assets in this classification would be noncurrent assets.

f. Monetary Restatement of 1996 and 1997

The amortization of the asset appreciation, which originated from the inflation accounting during 1996 and 1997, when Brazil was still considered as high inflationary economy for U.S. GAAP purposes, has been recognized as an adjustment to income in the reconciliation to U.S. GAAP. The loss related to monetary restatement on disposals of such assets is classified for U.S. GAAP purposes as a component of operating income.

g. Items posted directly to shareholders' equity

Under BR CL various items are posted directly to shareholder's equity, which under U.S. GAAP would be posted to the consolidated statements of operations. The posting of such items to shareholders' equity gives rise to adjustments in the consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity. Since the original postings to the equity accounts would, under U.S. GAAP, be made directly to the consolidated statements of income, the adjustment is included in the reconciliation of the income differences between US and BR CL. Tax incentives and

other items are adjusted in the Company's financial statements for U.S. GAAP purposes.

F-44

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

h. Income taxes

The Company fully accrues for deferred income taxes on temporary differences between tax and accounting records. The existing policies for providing for deferred taxes are consistent with SFAS No.109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", except with respect to social contribution rate adopted, as explained below:

□ Under BR CL, at December 31,1999 the Company recognized a change in the combined tax rate from 33% to 34% based on a provisional measure for an increase in the social contribution rate from 8% to 9% effective January 1, 2000. Provisional measures are temporary and must be re-approved every 30 days or they lapse. Under SFAS 109, the provisional measures discussed are not considered to be enacted law the provision measure was approved in law 10.637 as of December 30, 2002. Therefore, until 2002 the combined deferred tax effect calculated on temporary differences would be 33%, not 34%. For 2004 and 2003, no difference related to the social contribution tax rate. Under BR CL, the deferred taxes are presented gross. Under U.S. GAAP, the deferred taxes are presented net.

i. Earnings per share

Under BR CL, net income per share is calculated based on the number of shares outstanding at the balance sheet date. In these consolidated financial statements, information is disclosed per lot of one thousand shares, because this is the minimum number of shares that can be traded on the Brazilian stock exchanges. Each American Depositary Share ("ADS") is equivalent to five thousand shares.

In February 1997, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 128, "Earnings per Share". This statement became effective December 15, 1997, and provides computation, presentation and disclosure requirements for earnings per share.

Since the preferred and common stockholders have different dividend, voting and liquidation rights, basic and diluted earnings per share have been calculated using the "two-class" method. The "two-class" method is an earnings allocation formula that determines earnings per share for preferred and common stock according to the dividends to be paid as required by the Company's by-laws and participation rights in undistributed earnings.

Basic earnings per common share is computed by reducing net income by distributed and undistributed net income available to preferred shareholders and dividing net income available to common shareholders by the number of common shares outstanding. Net income available to preferred shareholders is the sum of the preferred stock dividends (10% higher than those attributed to common shares, as defined in the Company's by-laws for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003) and the preferred shareholders' portion of undistributed net income. Undistributed net income is computed by deducting total dividends (the sum of preferred and common stock dividends) from net income. Undistributed net income is allocated to preferred shares 10% higher than that attributed to common shares on a pro rata basis. Total dividends are calculated as described in Note 28, as adjusted for the reversal of proposed dividends as discussed in b. above. At December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company was obligated to issue shares to the controlling shareholders for the amount of the tax benefit realized on the amortization of the intangible related to concession transferred in the merger (See Note 27 and 28b). The number of shares issuable are considered dilutive as defined in SFAS No. 128 and have been included in the weighted average common shares □ diluted presented below. The number of shares issuable was computed considering the balance of the goodwill reserve (R\$203,345 in 2004, R\$289,835 in 2003 and R\$374,480 in 2002) by the average price of common shares traded on the São Paulo Stock Exchange ("Bovespa") during the last 20 trading days of each year.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The computation of basic and diluted earnings per share is as follows:

| | At December 31, 2004 | | At December 31, 2003 | | At December 31, 2002 | |
|--|---|-------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| | (in thousands, except per share data and percentages) | | | | | |
| | Common | Preferred | Common | Preferred | Common | Preferred |
| Basic numerator | | | | | | |
| Actual dividends declared | 7,798 | 12,897 | 14,063 | 23,207 | 35,751 | 66,103 |
| Basic allocated undistributed dividends (a) | (2,775) | (4,212) | 30,018 | 49,535 | (35,593) | (62,240) |
| Allocated net income available for common and preferred shareholders | 5,023 | 8,685 | 44,081 | 72,742 | 158 | 3,863 |
| Basic denominator | | | | | | |
| Weighted average shares outstanding | 188,067,310 | 259,575,036 | 168,375,242 | 259,575,036 | 148,443,147 | 259,575,037 |
| Basic earnings per share | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.26 | 0.28 | □ | 0.01 |
| Diluted numerator | | | | | | |
| Actual dividends declared | 7,798 | 12,897 | 14,063 | 23,207 | 35,751 | 66,103 |
| Diluted allocated undistributed dividends (a) | 3,124 | (3,863) | 37,157 | 42,396 | (45,132) | (52,701) |
| Allocated net income available for common and preferred shareholders | 4,674 | 9,034 | 51,220 | 65,603 | (9,381) | 13,402 |
| Diluted denominator: | | | | | | |
| Weight average shares outstanding | 188,067,310 | 259,575,036 | 168,375,242 | 259,575,036 | 148,443,147 | 259,575,037 |
| Dilutive effects of premium reserve | 42,809,474 | □ | 59,126,692 | □ | 73,854,649 | □ |
| Diluted weight average shares | 230,876,784 | □ | 227,501,934 | □ | 222,297,796 | 259,575,037 |
| | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.23 | 0.25 | □ | 0.01 |

Diluted earnings
per share

(a) Effective December 30, 2002, preferred shareholders are entitled to receive per-share dividends of at least 10% greater than the per-share dividends paid to common shareholders. Undistributed earnings, therefore, from December 30, 2002 forward have been allocated to common and preferred shareholders on a 100 to 110 basis, respectively, based upon the weight average number of shares outstanding during the period to total shares (allocation percentage). Because the allocation percentage for each class differs for basic and diluted earnings per share purpose, allocated undistributed earnings differ for such calculations.

The Holding Company's preferred shares are non-voting, except under certain limited circumstances and are entitled to a preferential, noncumulative dividend and to priority over the common shares in the event of liquidation of the Company. For 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Holding Company declared dividends of R\$0.051087, R\$0.89404 and R\$0.254657, respectively, per thousand preferred shares and R\$0.046442, R\$0.081277 and 0.231506 per thousand common shares, respectively. (see Note 28).

j. Revenue Recognition

Under BR CL, revenues and costs from sales of handsets, including applicable value-added and other sales taxes, are recognized at the moment of sale to the customer. Under U.S. GAAP, in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104 (SAB 104), revenues from sales of handsets along with the related costs, including applicable value-added and other sales taxes, are deferred and amortized based on the expected useful life of the handset, estimated by management to be 18 months. Any excess of the cost over the amount of deferred revenue related to handset sales is recognized on the date of sale (see below discussion under "Negative margins on sale of prepaid handsets"). As substantially all of the Company's handsets are sold below cost, this difference in accounting policy had no impact on net or shareholders' equity. The amount of unamortized deferred revenue and the related amounts of unamortized deferred costs was R\$185,428 , R\$293,400 and R\$321,518 at December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The impact of this difference under US GAAP was to decrease both net revenues and cost of services and goods by R\$107,972 in 2004, increase by R\$28,118 in 2003 and decrease by R\$44,788 in 2002.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

k. Value-added and other sales taxes

Under BR CL, these taxes are recorded as a reduction to revenues. Under US GAAP, these taxes are recorded gross as revenue and related costs of services and goods. Accordingly, this difference in accounting policy has no impact in net (loss) or shareholders' equity. The impact of this difference under US GAAP was to increase both net revenues and cost of services and goods by R\$552,468, R\$511,437 and R\$417,648 for 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

l. Roaming

The Company has roaming agreements with other cellular service providers. When a call is made from within one coverage area by a subscriber of another cellular service provider, that service provider pays the Subsidiaries for the service at the applicable rates. Conversely, when one of the Subsidiaries customers roams outside the coverage area, the Subsidiaries pay the charges associated with that call to the cellular service provider in whose region the call was originated and charges the same amount to its subscriber. Under BR CL, revenues for roaming charges are recorded net of the related costs when the services are provided. Under U.S. GAAP, revenues and costs for roaming charges should be recorded gross. Accordingly this difference in accounting policy has no impact on net (loss) shareholders' equity. The impact of this difference under U.S. GAAP was to increase both revenues and cost of goods and services by R\$58,188 for 2004 and R\$14,130 in 2003.

m. Free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets

Under U.S. GAAP, pursuant to Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") No. 00-21, "Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables," the Company began to separately account for free minutes given in connection with the sales of handsets. The adoption of EITF No. 00-21 is effective prospectively for transactions entered into as from January 1, 2004. Consequently, a portion of the revenue generated from the sale of handsets is allocated to the free minutes given and deferred based on the fair value of the minutes. The revenues associated with the free minutes are then recognized based on subscriber airtime usage.

n. Fistel fee

Beginning in 1999, under BR CL, the Fistel (Telecommunication Inspection Fund) fee, assessed on each activation of a new cellular line, is deferred and amortized over the customers' estimated subscription period. For US GAAP purposes, this tax would be charged directly to the consolidated statements of income. Therefore, the deferred Fistel taxes on activation fees at December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 is being adjusted in the reconciliation of the income differences between US GAAP and BR CL.

o. Derivative instruments

As mentioned in Note 24.b., the Company has entered into foreign currency swap and option contracts for long-term agreements at various exchange rates, in the notional amount of US\$58,834 thousand (US\$126,563 thousand at December 31, 2003). Under BR CL, foreign currency swap contracts are recorded in accordance with the terms of the contract as if they had been settled at the balance sheet date.

In 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," which was subsequently amended by SFAS Nos. 137, 138 and 149. SFAS No. 133 must be applied to all derivative instruments and certain derivative instruments embedded in hybrid instruments and requires that such instruments be recorded in the balance sheet either as an asset or liability measured at its fair value. Changes in the derivative's fair value are recognized currently in earnings unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

If the derivative is designated as a hedge, depending on the nature of the hedge, changes in the fair value of derivatives that are considered to be effective, as defined, will either offset the change in fair value of the hedged assets, liabilities, or firm commitments through earnings or will be recorded in other comprehensive income until the hedged item is recorded in earnings. Any portion of a change in a derivative's fair value that is considered to be ineffective, as defined, must be immediately recorded in earnings. Any portion of a change in a derivative's fair value that the Company has elected to exclude from its measurement of effectiveness, such as the change in time value of option contracts, will also be recorded in earnings.

At December 31, 2004 and 2003 for US GAAP purposes, the Company has not designated its derivative contracts as accounting hedges as defined SFAS No. 133, and consequently, the Company's derivative contracts are marked to market through earnings, for all periods presented.

p. Purchase Accounting

On November 30, 2000, in connection with the corporate restructuring described in Note 27, the Holding Company acquired the minority interests in the Subsidiaries in a transaction involving the exchange of shares. Under BR CL, this transaction was recorded at the book value of the minority interests acquired. Under US GAAP, the acquisition of minority interests was recorded using the purchase method of accounting pursuant to APB 16, "Business Combinations," and the related interpretations. Under US GAAP, the purchase price was determined based on the market price of the Holding Company's shares for a reasonable period before and after the date the terms of the acquisition were agreed to and announced publicly. The excess purchase price over the book value of the minority interests acquired was recorded based on management's estimate of the fair values of the underlying assets and liabilities as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Fixed assets | 31,522 |
| Subscriber base intangible asset | 135,518 |
| Concession | 216,648 |
| Deferred income tax effect | (126,617) |
| | <hr/> |
| Excess purchase price under US GAAP | 257,071 |
| | <hr/> |

The subscriber base intangible asset was completely in November, 2004 amortized over the estimated contractual relationship with subscribers, representing a period of 48 months.

Concession is being amortized over the remaining concession period of each operating Company (until November 2005 for Telerj Celular S.A. and November 2008 for Telest Celular S.A.).

q. Stock compensation □ Telefónica Móviles Stock Plan

In May, 2001, Telefónica Móviles, S.A. ("Telefónica Móviles") launched a stock option plan based on Telefónica Móviles' stock (the "Plan") that covered the employees of the Company. Pursuant to the Plan, between May 20 and July 20, 2002, Telefónica Móviles granted a total of 231,016 stock options to the Company's employees, vesting over a four-year period. The options were granted in Series A, B and C, with strike prices of 11.00 Euros, 16.50 Euros and 7.23 Euros, respectively. The total options granted to each employee consisted of 25% Series A options, 25% Series B options, and 50% Series C options. The market price of Telefónica Móviles' stock as traded at the Madrid Stock Exchange was 8.28 Euros on December 31, 2003. The Plan also gives the Company's employees the option to receive in cash, the appreciation in the market price of Telefónica Móviles' stock over the respective strike price.

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

In accordance with the Plan terms, the existing options are required to be settled in the event of a change in control of the Company. In December 2002, control of the Company was transferred to Brasilcel N.V. and consequently, on December 31, 2003, the options were settled.

The settlement amount was calculated for 50% of the Series C options based on the final bid price of Telefonica Moviles, S.A. stock on January 2, 2004, converted using the average exchange rate at the date of payment.

Under BR CL, the Company does not account for the effect of the Plan. Under US GAAP, equity instruments granted to an employee by a principal stockholder are accounted for by the employer company. Consequently, compensation expense was recorded under US GAAP for this settlement.

Reconciliation of the net income differences between US GAAP and BR CL

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|---|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Consolidated net income under BR CL | 92,878 | 156,237 | 140,376 |
| Add (deduct): | | | |
| Different accounting criteria for: | | | |
| Amortization of monetary restatement of 1996 and 1997 | (4,004) | (19,115) | (22,918) |
| Loss on disposal of assets monetarily restated in 1996 and 1997 | (42) | (31) | (12) |
| Capitalized interest. | 9,022 | (26,582) | (14,363) |
| Amortization of capitalized interest. | (2,989) | (3,823) | (9,005) |
| Purchase accounting: | | | |
| Depreciation of fixed assets adjustment | (7,274) | (7,274) | (7,274) |
| Amortization of subscriber base intangible asset | (31,055) | (33,880) | (33,880) |
| Amortization of concession | (40,288) | (40,288) | (40,288) |
| Deferred Fistel tax on activation fee. | (8,056) | 2,698 | 5,943 |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits | 81 | (312) | 2,858 |
| Derivative instruments | (9,045) | 73,546 | (87,527) |
| Stock option compensation (Plan MOS) | □ | (2,028) | □ |
| Free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets | (26,304) | □ | □ |
| Items posted directly to shareholders' equity: | | | |
| Tax incentive investment credits | □ | 288 | 106 |
| Deferred tax effect on GAAP adjustments | 40,784 | 17,387 | 68,134 |
| Reversal of deferred social contribution tax | □ | □ | 1,871 |
| US GAAP net income (loss) | <u>13,708</u> | <u>116,823</u> | <u>4,021</u> |

Net income per thousand shares in accordance with US GAAP (in thousands)

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Common shares □ Basic | | | |
| US GAAP net income | 0.03 | 0.26 | □ |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Weighted average common shares outstanding | 188,067,310 | 168,375,242 | 148,443,147 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Common shares□Diluted | | | |
| US GAAP net income | 0.02 | 0.23 | □ |
| Weighted average (thousand) common shares outstanding | 230,876,784 | 227,501,934 | 222,297,796 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| Preferred shares□Basic and diluted | | | |
| US GAAP net income | 0.03 | 0.28 | 0.01 |
| Weighted average (thousand) preferred shares outstanding | 259,575,036 | 259,575,036 | 259,575,037 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| US GAAP net income | 0.03 | 0.25 | 0.01 |
| Weighted average (thousand) preferred shares outstanding | 259,575,036 | 259,575,036 | 259,575,037 |
| <hr/> | | | |

F-49

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

Reconciliation of the shareholders' equity differences between US GAAP and BR CL

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Total shareholders' equity under BR CL | 1,970,733 | 1,903,363 |
| Add (deduct): | | |
| Different accounting criteria for: | | |
| Monetary restatement of 1996 and 1997 | 162,103 | 162,145 |
| Amortization of monetary restatement of 1996 and 1997 | (159,338) | (155,334) |
| Capitalized interest | 26,679 | 17,657 |
| Amortization of capitalized interest | (12,976) | (9,987) |
| Purchase accounting: | | |
| Fixed assets adjustment | 31,522 | 31,522 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (29,702) | (22,428) |
| Intangible assets | 352,166 | 352,166 |
| Accumulated amortization of intangible assets | (300,027) | (228,684) |
| Deferred Fistel tax on activation fees | (17,609) | (9,553) |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits | (740) | (821) |
| Derivative contracts | 1,602 | 10,647 |
| Reversal of proposed dividends | 2,508 | 1,145 |
| Free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets | (26,304) | □ |
| Deferred tax effects of GAAP adjustments | (9,308) | (50,092) |
| | <u>1,991,309</u> | <u>2,001,746</u> |
| Total shareholders' equity under US GAAP | 1,991,309 | 2,001,746 |

Changes in shareholders' equity under US GAAP

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Opening Balance | 2,001,746 | 1,921,296 | 2,007,812 |
| Adjustment on premium reserve | □ | 8,872 | □ |
| Unclaimed dividends at holding Company | □ | 1,525 | 4,187 |
| Consolidation adjustments □ unclaimed dividends at subsidiaries | □ | 401 | 3,146 |
| Stock option compensation (MOS Plan) | □ | 1,338 | □ |
| Net income for the year | 13,708 | 116,823 | 4,021 |
| Net income allocation | | | |
| Dividends paid | (1,145) | (6,009) | (84,370) |
| Interest on shareholders' equity | (23,000) | (42,500) | (13,500) |
| | <u>1,991,309</u> | <u>2,001,746</u> | <u>1,921,296</u> |
| Balance at December 31 | 1,991,309 | 2,001,746 | 1,921,296 |

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

(a) US GAAP supplementary information-

Reconciliation of operating income under BR CL
to operating income under US GAAP-

| | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| BR CL operating income as reported | 140,982 | 226,382 | 211,395 |
| Reversal of financial expense, net | (5,727) | 15,017 | 15,112 |
| US GAAP adjustments | | | |
| Amortization of monetary restatement of 1996 and 1997 | (4,004) | (19,115) | (22,918) |
| Loss on disposal of assets monetarily restated in 1996 and 1997 | (42) | (31) | (12) |
| Amortization on capitalized interest | (2,989) | (3,823) | (9,005) |
| Purchase accounting | | | |
| Depreciation of fixed assets adjustment | (7,274) | (7,274) | (7,274) |
| Amortization of subscriber base intangible asset | (31,055) | (33,880) | (33,880) |
| Amortization of concession | (40,288) | (40,288) | (40,288) |
| Deferred tax (Fistel) on activation fees | (8,056) | 2,698 | 5,943 |
| Stock compensation plan □ MOS Plan | □ | (2,028) | □ |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits | 81 | (312) | 2,858 |
| Free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets | (26,304) | □ | □ |
| US GAAP operating income | 15,324 | 137,346 | 121,931 |

F-51

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

Reconciliation of net revenue and costs under BR CL

| to revenue and costs under US GAAP- | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| BR CL net revenue | 1,927,027 | 1,892,451 | 1,847,631 |
| Reclassification to cost of services and goods | | | |
| Taxes on sales | 552,468 | 511,437 | 417,648 |
| Increase in roaming revenue | 58,188 | 14,130 | □ |
| US GAAP adjustments | | | |
| Deferred revenues on handset sales, net of amortization | 107,972 | 28,118 | (44,788) |
| Free minutes given in connection with sales of handsets | (26,304) | □ | □ |
| US GAAP net revenue | <u>2,619,351</u> | <u>2,446,136</u> | <u>2,220,491</u> |
| BR CL cost of services and goods | (1,112,460) | (1,052,487) | (981,741) |
| Reclassification to cost of services and goods | | | |
| Taxes on sales | (552,468) | (511,437) | (417,648) |
| Increase in roaming cost | (58,188) | (14,130) | □ |
| Reclassification from sales expense | | | |
| Rewards program expense | (1,073) | (2,429) | (14,127) |
| US GAAP adjustments | | | |
| Amortization of monetary restatement of 1996 and 1997 | (4,004) | (19,115) | (22,918) |
| Loss on disposal of assets monetarily restated in 1996 and 1997 | (42) | (31) | (12) |
| Amortization on capitalized interest | (2,989) | (3,823) | (9,005) |
| Purchase accounting' | | | |
| Depreciation of fixed assets adjustment | (7,274) | (7,274) | (7,274) |
| Amortization of subscriber base intangible asset | (31,055) | (33,880) | (33,880) |
| Amortization of concession | (40,288) | (40,288) | (40,288) |
| Deferred tax (Fistel) on activation fees | (8,056) | 2,698 | 5,943 |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits | 81 | (312) | 2,858 |
| Stock option compensation □ MOS Plan | □ | (2,028) | □ |
| Deferred costs on handset sales, including taxes on sales, net of amortization during the year | (107,972) | (28,118) | 44,788 |
| US GAAP cost of services and goods | <u>(1,925,788)</u> | <u>(1,712,654)</u> | <u>(1,473,304)</u> |
| US GAAP gross profit | <u>693,563</u> | <u>733,482</u> | <u>747,187</u> |

2004

2003

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | _____ | _____ |
| Total assets as of December 31 | 2,953,506 | 2,960,940 |
| | _____ | _____ |
| Property, plant and equipment | 3,684,616 | 3,145,620 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (2,402,759) | (1,887,326) |
| | _____ | _____ |
| Net property, plant and equipment | 1,281,857 | 1,258,294 |
| | _____ | _____ |

F-52

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

36. Additional disclosures required by US GAAP**a. Pension and postretirement benefits**

As described in Note 26, the Subsidiaries provide pension and postretirement benefits to employees and retirees through a combination of privately-sponsored defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans (PBS □ Tele Sudeste and VISÃO) and participation in multi-employer sponsored pension and postretirement plans (PBS-A and PAMA). The Company uses December 31 as the measurement date for the majority of its plans. Information regarding the Subsidiaries contributions PBS-A and PAMA are included in Note 26

While the VISÃO plan is a defined contribution plan, certain death and disability benefits provided to participants are defined benefits. A summary of the pension liability as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 for the Company's active employees defined benefit pension plan (including the defined benefit aspects of VISÃO) are as follows:

Reconciliation of Funded Status
Reconciliation of Funded Status

| <i>PBS □ Tele Sudeste</i> | 2004 | 2003 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Accumulated benefit obligation: | | |
| Vested | 8,118 | 7,726 |
| Nonvested | 3,069 | 2,264 |
| Total | 11,187 | 9,990 |
| Projected benefit obligation | 12,868 | 11,022 |
| Fair value of plan assets | 15,975 | 14,109 |
| Funded status | (3,107) | (3,087) |
| Unrecognized gains | 4,330 | 4,943 |
| Unrecognized net transition obligation | (119) | (142) |
| Net amount | 1,104 | 1,714 |

Disclosure of net periodic pension cost for 2004 and 2003

| | 2004 | 2003 |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Service cost (net of employee contributions) | 413 | 478 |
| Interest cost on PBO | 1,189 | 1,079 |
| Expected return on assets | (1,642) | (1,079) |
| Amortization of initial transition obligation | 23 | 23 |
| Amortization of losses (gains) | (196) | 18 |
| Net periodic pension cost | (213) | 519 |

Change in accrued pension liability as of December 31, 2004 and 2003

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Accrued pension liability at beginning of year | 1,714 | 1,642 |
| Net periodic pension cost | (213) | 519 |
| Actual contributions | (397) | (447) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Accrued pension under USGAAP | 1,104 | 1,714 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Pension liability and BRCL | (364) | (893) |
| USGAAP adjustment | 740 | 821 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |

F-53

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

Change in benefit obligation

| | Projected Benefit Obligation □ (PBO) | Unrecognized Gains (losses) | Unrecognized Initial Transition Obligation |
|---|---|--|---|
| Benefit obligation at December 31, 2002 | 10,955 | 1,401 | (165) |
| Service cost | 632 | □ | □ |
| Interest cost | 1,079 | □ | □ |
| Amortization | □ | 18 | 23 |
| Benefits payments and expenses | (595) | □ | □ |
| Actuarial losses on PBO | (1,049) | 1,049 | □ |
| Actuarial losses on plan assets | □ | 2,475 | □ |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Benefit obligation at December 31, 2003 | 11,022 | 4,943 | (142) |
| Service cost | 531 | □ | □ |
| Interest cost | 1,189 | □ | □ |
| Amortization | □ | (196) | 23 |
| Benefits payments and expenses | (673) | (53) | □ |
| Actuarial gains on PBO | □ | (798) | □ |
| Actuarial gains on plan assets | 799 | 434 | □ |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Benefit obligation at December 31, 2004 | 12,868 | 4,330 | (119) |

Expected Cash Flows

The expected employer contributions for 2005 are estimated to be R\$843.

Change in plan assets

| | 2004 | 2003 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Plan assets at beginning of year | 14,109 | 10,549 |
| Actual contributions | 461 | 519 |
| Actual distributions and expenses | (673) | (595) |
| Actual return on plan assets | 2,078 | 3,636 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Plan assets at end of year | 15,975 | 14,109 |

Employer contributions and benefits paid in the above table include only those amounts contributed directly to, or paid directly from, plan assets.

Asset allocation

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

The asset allocation for the Company's pension plans at the end of 2004 and 2003, and the target allocation for 2005, by asset category, are as follows.

| <i>Asset category</i> | Target Allocation for | Percentage of Plan Assets at Year End | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 |
| Equity securities | 17.5% | 18% | 19% |
| Loans | 2.5% | 1% | 1% |
| Fixed income | 80% | 81% | 80% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% |

F-54

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The plan investment strategy is based on a long-term macroeconomic scenario. This scenario presents low Brazil's risk, moderate economic growth, stable inflation and exchange rates, and moderate interest rates.

The devised asset mix is the same for both plans (PBS and Visão) and is composed by fixed income, equities and loans. The fixed income target allocation ranges from 65% to 100%, equities target allocation is up to 35% and loans, up to 5%.

The expected return on plan assets is the average after-tax return of each asset category weighted by target allocations. Asset categories returns are based on long-term macroeconomic scenarios.

The actuarial assumptions used in 2004 and 2003 were as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Discount rate for determining projected benefit obligations (*) | 11.30% | 11.30% |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels (*) | 7.10% | 7.10% |
| Benefit adjustments | 5.00% | 5.00% |
| Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets (*) | 13.75% | 11.83% |
| Inflation | 5.00% | 5.00% |
| Number of active participants □ PBS □ Tele Sudeste | 9 | 14 |
| Number of retirees and beneficiaries □ PBS □ Tele Sudeste | 18 | 14 |

(*) Including inflation rate

Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid:

| | PBS Tele Sudeste / VISÃO |
|-----------------|---|
| 2005 | 1,360 |
| 2006 | 1,475 |
| 2007 | 1,606 |
| 2008 | 1,755 |
| 2009 | 1,919 |
| Years 2010-2014 | 12,836 |

b. Intangible assets subject to amortization

Following is a summary of the Company's intangible assets subject to amortization under US GAAP:

| <u>2004</u> | | | <u>2003</u> | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Software</u> | <u>Concession</u> | <u>Subscriber base</u> | <u>Software</u> | <u>Concession</u> | <u>Subscriber base</u> |
| | | | | | |

Edgar Filing: TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA - Form 20-F

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Gross | 283,024 | 216,648 | 135,518 | 261,210 | 216,648 | 135,518 |
| Accumulated amortization | (168,747) | (164,509) | (135,518) | (106,300) | (124,221) | (104,463) |
| Net | 114,277 | 52,139 | □ | 154,910 | 92,427 | 31,055 |

Aggregate amortization expense for the above intangible assets amounted to R\$133,790, R\$125,929 and R\$105,137 for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

F-55

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

The estimated aggregate amortization expense for the next years is as follows:

| | <u>Amount</u> |
|------|---------------|
| 2005 | 93,958 |
| 2006 | 61,674 |
| 2007 | 6,136 |
| 2008 | 4,648 |

c. Concentration of risks

The credit risk with respect to trade accounts receivable is diversified. The Companies continually monitor the level of trade accounts receivable and limit the exposure to bad debts by cutting access to the handset network if any invoice is 15 days past due. Exceptions comprise handset services that must be maintained for reasons of safety or national security.

In conducting their businesses, Telerj Celular S.A. and Telest Celular S.A. are fully dependent upon the cellular telecommunications concession as granted by the Federal Government.

Approximately 35,68% of all employees are members of state labor unions associated with either the *Federação Nacional dos Trabalhadores em Telecomunicações* ("Fenattel"), or with the *Federação Interstadual dos Trabalhadores em Telecomunicações* ("Fittel"). The Companies negotiate new collective labor agreements every year with the local union. The collective agreements currently in force expire October, 31, 2006.

There is no concentration of available sources of labor, services, concessions or rights, other than those mentioned above, that could, if suddenly eliminated, severely impact the Companies' operations.

d. Commitments (Unaudited)

At December 31, 2004, the Company budgeted capital expenditure commitments amounting to R\$286.1 million, principally relating to infrastructure, information technology and transmission equipment.

The Company is subject to obligations concerning quality of services, network expansion and modernization, as established in our authorizations and our original concession agreements. The Company believes that it is currently in compliance with its quality of service and expansion obligations.

e. New accounting pronouncements

In December 2003, the FASB issued a revision to Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51" ("FIN 46R" or the "Interpretation"). FIN 46R clarifies the application of ARB No. 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements", to certain entities in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support. FIN 46R requires the consolidation of these entities, known as variable interest entities ("VIEs"), by the primary beneficiary of the entity. The primary beneficiary is the entity, if any, that will absorb a majority of the entity's expected losses, receive a majority of the entity's expected residual returns, or both.

Among other changes, the revisions of FIN 46R (a) clarified some requirements of the original FIN 46, which had been issued in January 2003, (b) eased some implementation problems, and (c) added new scope exceptions. FIN 46R deferred the effective date of the Interpretation for public companies, to the end of the first reporting period ending after March 15, 2004, except that all public companies must at a minimum apply the provisions of the Interpretation to entities that were previously considered "special-purpose entities" under the FASB literature

prior to the issuance of FIN 46R by the end of the first reporting period ending after December 15, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46R did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position, cash flows and results of operations.

F-56

[Back to Contents](#)

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Amounts expressed in thousands of reais, unless otherwise indicated)

In November 2002, the Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF"), of the FASB reached a consensus on EITF 00-21 (Accounting for Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables). EITF 00-21 provides guidance on how to account for arrangements that may involve multiple revenue-generating activities, for example, the delivery of products or performance of services, and/or rights to use other assets. The requirements of EITF 00-21 will be applicable to agreements entered into for periods beginning after June 15, 2003 and will therefore first apply to the Company for any arrangements entered into from April 1, 2004. The Company prospectively adopted this EITF relating to free minutes given in connection to sales of handsets as from January 1st 2004 (See note 34 (m)).

In July 2003, the EITF reached consensus in EITF Issue No. 03-11 that determining whether realized gains and losses on derivative contracts not held for trading purposes should be reported on a net or gross basis is a matter of judgment that depends on the relevant facts and circumstances and the economic substance of the transaction. In analyzing the facts and circumstances, EITF Issue No. 99-19, and Opinion No. 29, "Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions," should be considered. EITF Issue No. 03-11 is effective for transactions or arrangements entered into after September 30, 2003. The adoption of EITF Issue No. 03-11 did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 153, "Exchanges of Nonmonetary Assets" an amendment of APB Opinion No. 29 ("SFAS 153"), which amends Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 29, "Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions" to eliminate the exception for nonmonetary exchanges of similar productive assets and replaces it with a general exception for exchanges of nonmonetary assets that do not have commercial substance. SFAS 153 is effective for nonmonetary assets exchanges occurring in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company will apply this statement in the event that exchanges of nonmonetary assets occur in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005.

[Back to Contents](#)

SIGNATURES

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A.

By: /s/ Francisco José Azevedo Padinha

Name: Francisco José Azevedo Padinha
Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Arcádio Luis Martínez García

Name: Arcádio Luis Martínez García
Title: Executive Vice President for Finance,
Planning and
Control and Investor Relations Officer

Date: April 15, 2005

