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**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16
OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of December, 2010
(Commission File No. 1-14862)

BRASKEM S.A.
(Exact Name as Specified in its Charter)

N/A
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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CARLOS FADIGAS BECOMES BRASKEM'S NEW CEO

São Paulo, Brazil, December 7, 2010 --- BRASKEM S.A. (BM&FBOVESPA: BRKM3, BRKM5 and BRKM6; NYSE: BAK; LATIBEX: XBRK), the leading company in the thermoplastic resins industry in the Americas, announces its business succession plan.

Giving continuity to the planned succession process for Braskem's business leadership, the Board of Directors approved on today's date the appointment of Carlos Fadigas as Braskem's new CEO, succeeding Bernardo Gradin.

Under Gradin's leadership, Braskem has concluded a virtuous cycle that included the consolidation of its presence in the Brazilian and regional markets, in which the acquisition of Quattor played a key role, and the launch of its international operations, with the acquisition of the polypropylene assets of Sunoco Chemicals in the United States (today Braskem America). These two transactions have led Braskem to become the largest producer of thermoplastic resins in the Americas and to define a new strategic vision for 2020 of becoming the global leader in sustainable chemicals. In 2010, when Braskem began producing green polyethylene made from sugarcane ethanol, it became the world's largest biopolymer producer.

Carlos Fadigas participated actively in the negotiations that culminated in the acquisitions of Quattor and Sunoco Chemicals and had headed the operations at Braskem America since the beginning of this year. With a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Salvador (Unifacs) in Brazil and an MBA from the International Institute for Management Development (IMD) in Switzerland, Fadigas has worked in the petrochemical industry since 1992, initially at OPP and Trikem, which are two of the companies that later became Braskem. Between 2002 and 2006, he served as the chief financial officer of contractor Construtora Norberto Odebrecht, until he returned to Braskem as Vice-Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer, a position he held until the start of this year.

Fadigas will continue to implement Braskem's growth strategy, focusing on the 2020 Vision of becoming the global leader in sustainable chemistry and on its robust program of investments in Brazil and internationally. Today, the main new-capacity projects under development involve the integrated polyethylene plant in Mexico and the doubling of capacity at the PVC plant in the Brazilian state of Alagoas. The Company's plans also include investments in Peru and Venezuela, and the evaluations of participation in the Comperj and Suape projects in Brazil.

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The selection of Fadigas as Braskem's new CEO is part of the leadership renewal and succession process of the Odebrecht Organization, where these processes are continuous and occur naturally as the result of new business challenges and dynamics. The decision also is aligned with the need to constantly improve corporate governance processes.

In this newly launched cycle, Braskem reaffirms its permanent commitment to the competitiveness of its Clients and of Brazil's entire chemical and petrochemical chain, which is of strategic importance to the country.

Braskem is the largest thermoplastic resin producer in the Americas. With 31 industrial plants in Brazil and the United States, Braskem produces annually over 15 million tons of thermoplastic resins and other petrochemical products.

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