

VALLEY OF THE RIO DOCE CO

Form 6-K

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**United States
Securities and Exchange Commission
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of

April 2005

Valley of the Rio Doce Company

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26
20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
(Address of principal executive office)

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Change in the Executive Committee

Rio de Janeiro, April 1, 2005 Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) informs that, at the next Board of Directors meeting on April 20, Armando de Oliveira Santos will leave his position at CVRD as Executive Director for Ferrous Minerals. The executive, who has been working for CVRD for almost 35 years, will enjoy his planned retirement.

The Executive Committee will indicate to the Directors at the aforementioned Board Meeting the name of José Carlos Martins, current Executive Director of Holdings and Business Developments, to assume the position. Martins has wide experience in the metals and mining industry, having worked in several national and international companies. At the same meeting, the indication and election of the new Executive Director of Holdings and Business Developments will take place.

On behalf of the shareholders and the Executive Board, CVRD's CEO, Roger Agnelli, would like to thank Armando Santos for his efforts and important contributions to the Company's growth. Armando has been by my side since I became CVRD's CEO and his work contributed to generate the excellent results that we have been delivering during the last years. I wish him good health to enjoy the fruits of his long and productive work.

For Armando Santos, his exit from the Company is the evidence of CVRD's organizational maturity: I leave the Company where I worked for almost 35 years. Now I will commence a new phase in my life. I am confident that the guidelines of our strategic planning and excellent management team and asset base will be maintained.

Roger Agnelli and all members of the Executive Board wish success to Armando Santos in this new phase of his life.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE
(Registrant)

Date: April 7, 2005

By: /s/ Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa

Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa
Chief Financial Officer