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October 11, 2007

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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
October 2007
Companhia Vale do Rio Doce
Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26
20030-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
(Address of principal executive office)**

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(Check One) Yes No

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

(Check One) Yes No

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Press Release

**CVRD: proposal for the payment of the second dividend
installment of 2007**

Rio de Janeiro, October 10, 2007 – Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) informs that on October 18, 2007 its Executive Committee will submit a proposal to the Company’s Board of Directors to distribute the second dividend installment of 2007.

If the proposal is approved by the Board of Directors, the record date for CVRD shares traded on the São Paulo Stock Exchange, BOVESPA, will be October 18, 2007. For the Company’s American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) traded on the New York Stock Exchange, NYSE, the record date will be October 23, 2007. All shareholders on these respective record dates will have the right to the dividend payment. The payment will take place from October 31, 2007 onwards. CVRD shares will trade ex-dividend in both markets, BOVESPA and NYSE, starting on October 19, 2007.

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This press release may contain statements that express management’s expectations about future events or results rather than historical facts. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements, and CVRD cannot give assurance that such statements will prove correct. These risks and uncertainties include factors: relating to the Brazilian and Canadian economy and securities markets, which exhibit volatility and can be adversely affected by developments in other countries; relating to the iron ore and nickel business and its dependence on the global steel industry, which is cyclical in nature; and relating to the highly competitive industries in which CVRD operates. For additional information on factors that could cause CVRD’s actual results to differ from expectations reflected in forward-looking statements, please see CVRD’s reports filed with the Brazilian Comissão de Valores Mobiliários and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Signatures

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: October 10, 2007

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco
Roberto Castello Branco
Director of Investor Relations