

TELE SUDESTE CELULAR PARTICIPACOES SA
Form 6-K
December 29, 2003

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 December, 2003

Commission File Number 001-14485

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)

Praia de Botafogo, 501, 7o andar
22250-040 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 Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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

Yes No

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A Public Corporation
CNPJ 02.558.129/0001-45
NIRE 333.002681.9-7

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

We hereby notify all shareholders that the Company's Board has approved, *ad referendum* of the Annual Shareholders' Meeting, the interest credit on the shareholders' equity, pursuant to article 9 of Law No. 9,249/95 and Securities Commission Deliberation No. 207/96, in the amount of R\$ 42,500,000.00 (R\$ 0.098244 per lot of one thousand common and preferred shares), with 15% income tax withheld at the source, therefore resulting in a total net interest of R\$ 36,125,000.00 (R\$ 0.083507 per lot of one thousand common and preferred shares, except for the shareholders with proof of immunity or exemption).

The corresponding credit shall be made in the Company's accounting books on December 31st, 2003, individually to each shareholder, based on the shareholders position dated December 31st, 2003, i.e., the shares must be traded without interest as of January 2nd, 2004. Shareholders shall be notified of the payment date by Notice to Shareholders.

The amount of interest on shareholders' equity, net of income tax withheld at the taxable source, shall be added to the amount of the common and preferred share obligatory and statutory dividends with reference to the 2003 financial year, for all effects contemplated in corporate legislation.

Any shareholders that are immune or exempt from paying income tax, according to legislation in effect, must provide documented proof of this status, including, in the case of exemption by injunction, the certificate of the entire contents of the case documents of the legal case in which the injunction was granted, issued within 15 days of the date the proof is provided, and said proof must be presented by January 9th, 2004, together with the Management of Book-Entry Shares from Banco Real S.A., the institution that is trustee of the book-entry shares, located at Avenida Paulista, 1374, Térreo, Cerqueira César, São Paulo SP.

Rio de Janeiro, December 19th, 2003.

Fernando Abella Garcia
Director of Investor Relations

