

NATIONAL STEEL CO  
Form 6-K  
April 02, 2012

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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, 2012**  
**Commission File Number 1-14732**

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**COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**National Steel Company**

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**Av. Brigadeiro Faria Lima 3400, 20º andar**  
**São Paulo, SP, Brazil**  
**04538-132**

(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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**MATERIAL FACT**

**Publicly-held Company**

COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL

Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ/MF): 33.042.730/0001-04

**COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL** ("Company"), pursuant to article 157, paragraph 4, of Law 6,404/76 and Rule 358 of the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission ("CVM") of January 3, 2002, hereby announces to its shareholders and the market that its Board of Directors has approved the first (1<sup>st</sup>) issuance of promissory notes ("Promissory Notes") of the Company for public distribution with restricted placement efforts, pursuant to CVM Rule 134, of November 1, 1990, CVM Rule 155 of August 7, 1991 and according to the provisions of CVM Rule 476 of January 16, 2009 ("Issuance").

The Issuance comprised 40 Promissory Notes with unit value of R\$20 million, totaling R\$800 million, fully subscribed and paid up on this date. The net amount raised by the Company through this Issuance will be fully allocated to extend the Company's debt profile, after the deduction of applicable commissions and expenses.

São Paulo, March 30, 2012.

**Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional**

David Moise Salama

Investor Relations Executive Officer

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: April 02, 2012

COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL

By:

/s/ Benjamin Steinbruch

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**Benjamin Steinbruch**  
Chief Executive Officer

By:

/s/ David Moise Salama

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**David Moise Salama**  
Investor Relations Executive Officer

**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This press release may contain forward-looking statements. These statements are statements that are not historical facts, and are based on management's current view and estimates of future economic circumstances, industry conditions, company performance and financial results. The words "anticipates", "believes", "estimates", "expects", "plans" and similar expressions, as they relate to the company, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Statements regarding the declaration or payment of dividends, the implementation of principal operating and financing strategies and capital expenditure plans, the direction of future operations and the factors or trends affecting financial condition, liquidity or results of operations are examples of forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current views of management and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. There is no guarantee that the expected events, trends or results will actually occur. The statements are based on many assumptions and factors, including general economic and market conditions, industry conditions, and operating factors. Any changes in such assumptions or factors could cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations.

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