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(Mark One)

oREGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011

OR

o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

oSHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of event requiring this shell company report______

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission file number: 001-14475

TELEFÔNICA BRASIL S.A.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

TELEFÔNICA BRAZIL S.A.

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Federative Republic of Brazil (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which registered

Preferred Shares, without par value

New York Stock Exchange*

American Depositary Shares (as evidenced by American Depositary Receipts), each representing one share of

New York Stock Exchange

Preferred Stock

* Not for trading purposes, but only in connection with the registration on the New York Stock Exchange of American Depositary Shares representing those Preferred Shares.

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: None

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the annual report.

The number of outstanding shares of each class as of December 31, 2011 was:

Title of Class Number of Shares Outstanding

Shares of Common 381,347,371

Stock

Shares of Preferred 742,537,273

Stock

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. x Yes o No

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. o Yes x No

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. x Yes o No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer x

Accelerated Filer o

Non-accelerated Filer o

Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing:

U.S. GAAP o

International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board x

Other o

If "Other" has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

o Item 17 o Item 18

If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

o Yes x No

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INTRODUCTION

References in this annual report to "Telefônica Brasil," "we," "our," "us," "our company" and "the company" are to Telefônica Brasil S.A. and its consolidated subsidiaries (unless the context otherwise requires). All references in this annual report to:

- "ADRs" are to the American Depositary Receipts evidencing our ADSs;
- "ADSs" are to our American Depositary Shares, each representing one share of our nonvoting preferred stock;
- "ANATEL" are to Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações ANATEL, the Brazilian telecommunication regulatory agency;
- "BM&FBOVESPA" are to the BM&FBOVESPA S.A. Bolsa de Valores, Mercadorias e Futuros, the São Paulo stock exchange;
- "BNDES" are to Banco Nacional de Desenvolvimento Econômico e Social, the Brazilian Development Bank;
 - "Brazil" are to the Federative Republic of Brazil;
- "Brazilian Central Bank," "BACEN," "Central Bank of Brazil" or "Central Bank" are to the Banco Central do Brasil, the Brazilian Central Bank:
 - "Brazilian Corporate Law" are to Law No. 6,404 of December 15, 1976, as amended;
 - "CADE" are to Conselho Administrativo de Defesa Econômica, the Brazilian competition authority;
 - "CDI" are to Certificado de Depósito Interbancário, the Certificate for Interbank Deposits;
 - "Ceterp" are to Centrais Telefônicas de Ribeirão Preto;
- "Celular CRT" are to Celular CRT Participações S.A. and its consolidated subsidiary, formerly Vivo subsidiaries before Vivo's corporate restructuring;
 - "CMN" are to the Conselho Monetário Nacional, the Brazilian Monetary Council;
 - "Commission" or "SEC" are to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission;
- "Corporate Law Method" is the accounting practice to be followed in the preparation of our financial statements for regulatory and statutory purposes under Brazilian Corporate Law and accounting standards issued by the CVM;
 - "CTBC Telecom" are to Companhia de Telecomunicações do Brasil Central;
 - "CTBC Borda" are to Companhia Brasileira Borda do Campo CTBC;
 - "CVM" are to the Comissão de Valores Mobiliários, the Brazilian Securities Commission;
 - "D.O.U." are to the Diário Oficial da União, the Official Newspaper of the Brazilian Government;

- "Federal District" are to Distrito Federal, the federal district where Brasilia, the capital of Brazil, is located;
- "General Telecommunications Law" are to Lei Geral de Telecomunicações, as amended, the law which regulates the telecommunications industry in Brazil;

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- "Global Telecom" or "GT" are to Global Telecom S.A., formerly a Vivo subsidiary before Vivo's corporate restructuring;
 - "IASB" are to International Accounting Standards Board;
- "IBGE" are to Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics;
 - "IFRS" are to International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued by the IASB;
- "IOF" are to Imposto sobre Operações de Crédito, Câmbio e Seguros, or tax on credit, exchange and insurance;
- "IPCA" are to Índice Nacional de Preços ao Consumidor Amplo, the consumer price index, published by the Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística;
 - "IST" are to Índice Setorial de Telecomunicações, the inflation index of the telecommunications sector;
- "Number Portability" are to Portabilidade Numérica, the service mandated by ANATEL that provides customers with the option of keeping the same telephone number when switching telephone service providers;
 - "NYSE" are to the New York Stock Exchange;
 - "Oi" are to Oi S.A., the mobile operator branch of Telemar;
- "PTAX" or "PTAX rate" are to the weighted average daily buy and sell exchange rates between the real and U.S. dollar that is calculated by the Central Bank;
 - "Real," "reais" or R\$ are to the Brazilian real, the official currency of Brazil;
 - "Speedy" are to broadband services provided by us through asymmetric digital subscriber lines, or ADSL;
- "TCO" are to Tele Centro Oeste Celular Participações, which includes TCO's "B" band subsidiary and NBT, formerly Vivo subsidiaries before Vivo's corporate restructuring;
 - "TCP" are to TELESP Celular Participações S.A., Vivo's predecessor company;
- "TLE" are to Tele Leste Celular Participações S.A. and its consolidated subsidiaries, formerly Vivo subsidiaries before Vivo's corporate restructuring;
- "TSD" are to Tele Sudeste Celular Participações S.A. and its consolidated subsidiaries, formerly Vivo subsidiaries before Vivo's corporate restructuring;
 - "Telebrás" are to Telecomunicações Brasileiras S.A.–Telebrás;
 - "Telemar" are to Telemar Norte Leste S.A. (controlled by Tele Norte Leste Participações S.A.);
 - "Telemig" or "Telemig Participações" are to Telemig Celular Participações S.A.;
 - "Telemig Celular" are to Telemig Celular S.A.;

- "Telenorte" or "Tele Norte" are to Tele Norte Celular Participações S.A.;
- "TELESP Celular" and "TC" are to TELESP Celular S.A., formerly a Vivo subsidiary before Vivo's corporate restructuring;

"Telpart" are to Telpart Participações S.A.;

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- "TJLP" are to Taxa de Juros de Longo Prazo, or long-term interest rate;
- "UMBNDES" are to a monetary unit of the BNDES, consisting of a currency basket of BNDES debt obligations in foreign currencies, which are mostly denominated in U.S. dollars;
 - "U.S. dollar," "U.S. dollars" or "US\$" are to U.S. dollars, the official currency of the United States;
- "Vivo" are to Vivo S.A., a wholly owned subsidiary of Telefônica Brasil, that conducts cellular operations including SMP (as defined in the "Glossary of Telecommunication Terms"), in the following areas:
 - "Areas 1 and 2," the state of São Paulo (operations previously provided by TELESP Celular S.A.);
- "Area 3," the states of Rio de Janeiro and Espírito Santo (operations previously provided by Telerj Celular S.A., or Telerj, and Telest Celular S.A., or Telest);
 - "Area 4," the state of Minas Gerais;
 - "Area 5," the states of Paraná and Santa Catarina (operations previously provided by Global Telecom);
 - "Area 6," the state of Rio Grande do Sul (operations previously provided by Celular CRT);
- "Areas 7 and 8," the central western and northern regions, including the states of Goiás, Tocantins, Mato Grosso, Mato Grosso do Sul, Rondônia, Acre, Amapá, Amazonas, Maranhão, Para and Roraima and in the Federal District (operations previously provided by Telegoias Celular S.A., or Telegoias, Telemat Celular S.A., or Telemat, Telems Celular S.A., or Telems, Teleron Celular S.A., or Telecon, Teleacre Celular S.A., or Teleacre, Norte Brasil Telecom S.A., or NBT and TCO);
- "Area 9," the states of Bahia and Sergipe (operations previously provided by Telebahia Celular S.A., or Telebahia, and Telergipe Celular S.A., or Telergipe); and
 - "Area 10," the states of Pernambuco, Alagoas, Paraíba, Rio Grande do Norte, Ceará and Piauí.
- "Vivo Participações" are to Vivo Participações S.A. (formerly TELESP Celular Participações S.A.) and its consolidated subsidiaries (unless the context otherwise requires); and
 - "Vivo brand" are to the brand used in Brazil in the operations of Vivo;

Unless otherwise specified, data relating to the Brazilian telecommunications industry included in this annual report were obtained from ANATEL.

The "Glossary of Telecommunications Terms" that begins on page 144 provides the definition of certain technical terms used in this annual report.

On October 3, 2011, our Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting approved the merger, into the Company, of Vivo Participações S.A., with its subsequent extinguishment, as well as the modification of our corporate name from Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. – TELESP to Telefônica Brasil S.A.

As a result of such modification, the trade codes for our shares were also modified as of October 6, 2011 (inclusive), from TLPP3 (for the common shares) and TLPP4 (for the preferred shares) to VIVT3 and VIVT4, respectively, with

the subsequent change of trading name to TELEF BRAZIL. The trade code for the ADRs, VIV, on New York Stock Exchange was not changed.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENT

This Annual Report contains statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements in this Annual Report can be identified, in some instances, by the use of words such as "will," "expect," "aim," "hope," "anticipate," "intend," "believe" and similar language or the negative thereof or by the forward-looking nature of discussions of strategy, plans or intentions. These statements appear in a number of places in this Annual Report including, without limitation, certain statements made in "Item 3. Key Information—D. Risk Factors," "Item 4. Information on the Company," "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" and "Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" and include statements regarding our intent, belief or current expectations with respect to, among other things:

- statements concerning our operations and prospects;
- the size of the Brazilian telecommunications market;
 - estimated demand forecasts:
 - our capital expenditure plan;
- our ability to secure and maintain telecommunications infrastructure licenses, rights-of-way and other regulatory approvals;
 - our strategic initiatives and plans for business growth;
 - industry conditions;
 - our funding needs and financing sources;
 - network completion and product development schedules;
 - expected characteristics of competing networks, products and services;
 - the outcome of certain legal proceedings;
 - regulatory and legal developments;
 - quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk;
- other statements of management's expectations, beliefs, future plans and strategies, anticipated developments and other matters that are not historical facts; and
 - other factors identified or discussed under "Item 3. Key Information—D. Risk Factors."

Forward-looking information involves risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect expected results. The risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

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the short history of our operations as an independent, private-sector entity and the ongoing introduction of greater competition to the Brazilian telecommunications sector;

- the cost and availability of financing;
- uncertainties relating to political and economic conditions in Brazil as well as those of other emerging markets;
 - inflation, interest rate and exchange rate risks;
 - the Brazilian government's telecommunications policy;

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- the Brazilian government's tax policy;
- the Brazilian government's political instability; and
- the adverse determination of disputes under litigation.

We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Because of these risks and uncertainties, the forward-looking information, events and circumstances discussed in this annual report might not occur. Our actual results and performance could differ substantially from those anticipated in our forward-looking statements.

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

We maintain our books and records in reais. We prepared our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report in accordance with IFRS.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying our accounting policies. Those areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements, are disclosed in Note 3 to our consolidated financial statements.

Our financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS were those as of and for the years ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 which were filed with the CVM, the local securities regulator in Brazil and made publicly available. The selected financial information for the Company included in "Item 3. Key Information—A. Selected Financial Data" should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by, the IFRS financial statements of the Company and "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" appearing elsewhere in this annual report.

The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 are in compliance with the IFRS, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and also with the pronouncements, interpretations and guidance issued by Accounting Standards Committee (Comitê de Pronunciamentos Contábeis – "CPC") in place on December 31, 2011, which include the new pronouncements, interpretations and amendments issued by the IASB and IFRIC (IFRS Interpretations Committee) which entered into force as of January 1, 2011.

Our first adoption of IFRS to consolidated financial statements was for the year ended on December 31, 2010. Our financial statements as of the transition date for applying IFRS as of January 1, 2009 and the comparative period as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009 have been restated to reflect adjustments made as a result of the adoption of IFRS. These consolidated financial statements have been audited by Ernst & Young Terco Auditores Independentes S.S. ("E&Y" or "Ernst & Young").

We have made rounding adjustments to reach some of the figures included in this annual report. Accordingly, numerical figures shown as totals in some tables may not be an arithmetic aggregation of the figures that preceded them.

Vivo Participações S.A. and Vivo S.A. are included in our financial statements for only nine months in 2011, therefore our results of operations in 2010 and 2009 are not fully comparable with our results of operations in 2011.

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PART I

ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

A. Selected Financial Data

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

We maintain our books and records in reais.

Our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 are prepared in accordance with IFRS. The date for our first adoption of IFRS to our consolidated financial statements was December 31, 2010. As a result the financial information for the year ended December 31, 2009 have been restated from Brazilian GAAP to reflect the first adoption of IFRS.

The selected financial data presented below should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements, including the notes thereto. Our consolidated financial statements included herein as of and for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 have been audited by Ernst Young Terco Auditores Independentes S.S. The report of Ernst Young Terco Auditores Independentes S.S. on the consolidated financial statements appears elsewhere in this annual report.

On March 25, 2011, the Boards of Directors of Vivo Participações, our former subsidiary, and Telefônica Brasil approved the terms and conditions of the corporate restructuring of both companies, which was approved unanimously by the general meetings of shareholders of the two companies held on April 27, 2011.

The transaction consisted of the unification of the share base of fixed and mobile operators of the Telefônica group in Brazil through the merger of all shares of Vivo Participações into Telefônica Brasil, with Telefônica Brasil as the surviving entity. Telefônica Brasil exchanged each share of Vivo Participações held by shareholders of Vivo Participações for shares of Telefônica Brasil. The exchange of shares of Vivo Participações for shares of Telefônica Brasil was based on the exchange ratio of 1.55 shares of Telefônica Brasil for each share of Vivo Participações. Upon closing of the merger and the share exchange, Vivo S.A. remained our wholly owned direct subsidiary. The Company assessed the fair value of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed from Vivo Participações S.A. as of March 31, 2011 for purposes of applying the acquisition method to the transaction as a business combination, and we consolidated and included Vivo Participações S.A. in our results of operations as of April 1, 2011.

The Company acquired 100% of shares of Vivo Participações S.A., amounting to R\$31,222,630. See Note 1 and Note 4 to our consolidated financial statements. The Company's consolidated financial statements include Vivo Participações S.A. and Vivo S.A. as of April 1, 2011. Vivo Participações S.A. and Vivo S.A. were included in the Company's consolidated financial statements through the full consolidation method. Because Vivo Participações S.A. and Vivo S.A. are included in our financial statements for only nine months in 2011, our results of operations in 2010 and 2009 are not fully comparable with our results of operations in 2011.

In addition, Vivo Participações' Board of Directors meeting held on June 14, 2011 approved a proposal to group the authorizations for the provision of SMP services (at the time held by Vivo Participações in the state of Minas Gerais and by Vivo S.A. in the other states of Brazil), bringing together the operations and the Authorization Terms for SMP services at Vivo S.A.

This corporate restructuring took place on October 1, 2011 by the transfer of assets, rights and liabilities related to the operation of SMP services in Minas Gerais from Vivo Participações to Vivo S.A. Upon completion of this transfer, Vivo Participações became a holding company.

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In accordance with the provisions of Law No. 6,404/76, a specialized company was engaged to prepare a valuation study for the part of Vivo Participações' net assets corresponding to SMP operations in the state of Minas Gerais that were transferred to Vivo S.A., as well as for the net equity of Vivo Participações that was absorbed into the Company.

Accordingly, under the terms of article 226, paragraphs I and II of Law No. 6,404/76, shares held by the Company in Vivo Participações were cancelled. Upon conclusion of the corporate restructuring on October 3, 2011, Vivo Participações was merged into the Company and Vivo S.A. became the Company's full subsidiary, thus simplifying and rationalizing our corporate structure.

The following tables present a summary of our selected financial data at the dates and for each of the periods indicated. You should read the following information together with our audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this annual report and with "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects."

	Year ended December 31,				
Income Statement Data:	2011	2010		2009	
	(in mill	ions of reais	s, ex	cept for	
		share			
IFRS	aı	and per share data)			
Net operating revenue	29,129	15,798		15,852	
Cost of goods and services	(14,728) (8,845)	(9,236)
Gross profit	14,401	6,953		6,616	
Operating expenses, net	(8,603) (3,391)	(3,221)
Equity in earnings (losses) of associates	_	2.9		19.0	
Operating income before financial expense, net	5,797	3,566		3,414	
Financial expense, net	(140) (121)	(189)
Income before tax and social contribution	5,658	3,445		3,225	
Income tax and social contribution	(1,296) (1,046)	(1,021)
Net Income	4,362	2,399		2,204	
Attributable to:					
Controlling shareholders	4,355	2,398-		2,204	
Non-controlling shareholders	7	_		_	
Basic and diluted earnings per share:					
Common Shares	4.40	4.45		4.08	
Preferred Shares	4.84	4.89		4.49	
Cash Dividends per share in reais, net of withholding tax:					
Common Shares	4.78	3.62		2.56	
Preferred Shares	5.26	3.98		2.81	
	As of December 31,				
Balance Sheet Data:	2011	2010		2009	
	(in millions of reais, except where			•	
IFRS		indicated	1)	-	
Property, plant and equipment, net	17,154	10,201		9,672	
Total assets	65,490	19,966		20,643	
Loans and financing—current portion	988	420		1,768	
Loans and financing—noncurrent portion	3,959	1,405		1,752	
Shareholders' equity	43,331	11,667		11,300	

Attributable to:

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Controlling shareholders	43,326	_	_
Noncontrolling shareholders	5	_	_
Capital stock	37,798	6,575	6,575
Number of shares outstanding (in thousands)	1,123,884	505,841	505,841

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Year en			ended December 31,			
Cash Flow Data:	2011		2010		2009	
	(in milli	ions	of reais,	exc	ept where	•
IFRS	indicated)					
Operating activities:						
Net cash provided by operations	8,141		4,532		4,449	
Investing activities:						
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,029)	(1,659)	(2,296)
Financing activities:						
Net cash used in financing activities	(4,729)	(3,594)	(1,618)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,383		(720)	536	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,557		2,277		1,741	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	2,940		1,557		2,277	

Exchange Rates

The Brazilian Central Bank allows the real/U.S. dollar exchange rate to float freely and has intervened occasionally to control the exchange rate volatility. However, the exchange market may continue to be volatile, and the real may depreciate or appreciate substantially in relation to the U.S. dollar. The Brazilian Central Bank or the Brazilian government may intervene in the exchange rate market.

Since March 17, 2008, Brazilian exporters have been allowed to keep 100% of income from exports outside of Brazil. In addition, the foreign exchange mechanism was simplified to provide for the simultaneous purchase and sale of foreign currency through the same financial institution and using the same exchange rate.

In October 2009, the Brazilian government increased the tax rate related to foreign investments in the Brazilian financial and capital markets from 0% to 2%, including investments made pursuant the Brazilian Monetary Council (Conselho Monetário Nacional), or CMN, Resolution No. 2,689, dated January 26, 2000, as amended. The Tax on Financial Transactions (Imposto sobre Operações Financeiras), or IOF tax, applies upon conversion of foreign currency into Brazilian reais related to equity or debt investments by foreign investors in the Brazilian stock exchanges or the over-the-counter, or OTC, market, as well as private investment funds, Brazilian treasury notes and other fixed income securities.

On October 5, 2010, the Brazilian government announced measures to respond to the real appreciation by increasing the IOF tax rate to 4% on foreign exchange transactions related to foreign investments in the financial and capital markets, except for variable income investments traded on the stock exchange, which remained at 2%. However, the increase failed to achieve its intended goal of curbing the appreciation of the Brazilian currency in comparison to the U.S. dollar.

On October 18, 2010, new increases in the IOF tax rate were announced by the Brazilian government, which adopted a 6% tax rate for foreign exchange transactions and for the investments of foreign investors in accordance with the margin requirements for transactions with future instruments on the BM&FBOVESPA. The IOF tax rate remains at zero on exchange transactions for outflow of these funds as well as for proceeds received as a result of initial public offerings. The conversion of Brazilian currency into foreign currency for purposes of paying dividends for ADS programs is not subject to taxation.

On January 6, 2011, the Central Bank of Brazil published Circular 3,520, which imposes a 60% minimum reserve deposit for any financial operations exceeding US\$3 billion.

On July 26, 2011, the Brazilian government issued Decree 7,536, increasing the IOF tax rate to 1% on the acquisition, sale and maturity of derivative contracts that result in short positions in relation to the previous day, as a way to reduce short positions in foreign exchange rate.

The following tables set forth the exchange rate (rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent), expressed in reais per U.S. dollar (R\$/US\$) for the periods indicated, as reported by the Central Bank.

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Exchange Rate of R\$ per US\$

Year ended December 31,	Low	High	Average(1)	Period-End
2007	1.732	2.156	1.929	1.771
2008	1.559	2.500	1.833	2.337
2009	1.741	2.378	1.990	1.741
2010	1.655	1.880	1.759	1.665
2011	1.535	1.902	1.671	1.876

Source: Central Bank of Brazil, PTAX.

Exchange Rate of R\$ per US\$

Month	Low	High	Average(2)	Period-End
September 2011	1.604	1.902	1.729	1.854
October 2011	1.689	1.886	1.785	1.689
November 2011	1.727	1.894	1.781	1.811
December 2011	1.783	1.876	1.834	1.876
January 2012	1.739	1.868	1.804	1.739
February 2012	1.702	1.738	1.720	1.709
March 2012	1.715	1.833	1.774	1.822
April 2012 (through April 19)	1.826	1.887	1.856	1.887

Source: Central Bank of Brazil, PTAX.

On April 19, 2012, the exchange rate was R\$1.887 to US\$1.00. The real/dollar exchange rate fluctuates and, therefore, the exchange rate at April 19, 2012 may not be indicative of future exchange rates.

B. Capitalization and Indebtedness

Not applicable.

C. Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable.

D. Risk Factors

This section is intended to be a summary of more detailed discussions contained elsewhere in this annual report. The risks described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks that we do not presently consider material, or of which we are not currently aware, may also affect us. Our business, results of operations or financial condition could be impacted if any of these risks materializes and, as a result, the market price of our preferred shares and our ADSs could be affected.

⁽¹⁾ Represents the average of the exchange rates (PTAX) on the last day of each month during the relevant period.

⁽²⁾ Represents the average of the exchange rates (PTAX) of the lowest and highest rates in the month.

Risks Relating to Brazil

The Brazilian government has exercised, and continues to exercise, significant influence over the Brazilian economy. This influence, as well as Brazilian political and economic conditions, could adversely affect us and the trading price of our preferred shares and ADSs.

In the past, the Brazilian government has intervened in the Brazilian economy and made changes in policy and regulations. The Brazilian government's actions to control inflation and affect other policies have often involved wage and price controls, currency devaluations, capital controls, and limits on imports, among other things. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and the market price of our preferred shares and ADSs may be

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adversely affected by changes in government policies, especially those related to our sector, such as changes in telephone fees and competitive conditions, as well as general economic factors, including:

- currency fluctuations;
- exchange control policies;
- internal economic growth;
 - inflation;
 - energy policy;
 - interest rates;
- liquidity of domestic capital and lending markets;
 - tax policies; and
- other political, diplomatic, social and economic developments in or affecting Brazil.

Uncertainty over the possibility of the Brazilian government implementing changes in policy or regulation affecting these or other factors in the future may contribute to economic uncertainty in Brazil and heightened volatility in the Brazilian securities markets and securities issued abroad by Brazilian companies. In addition, possible political crises may affect the confidence of investors and the public in general, which may result in economic deceleration and affect the trading prices of shares issued by companies listed on the stock exchange, such as us.

Our business may be vulnerable to the current disruptions and volatility in the global financial markets.

The international economy remains subject to risks and adjustments arising from the international financial crisis. The international financial system remains susceptible to unfavorable credit and liquidity conditions. Foreign and national financial institutions, including some of the largest commercial banks, investment banks, mortgage lenders, guarantors and mortgage insurance companies, could continue to experience significant difficulties, including runs on their deposits and inadequate liquidity. Therefore, the prices of financial assets are likely to continue to reflect risk aversion, with increased volatility.

In an attempt to increase liquidity in the financial markets and prevent the failure of the financial system, various governments may continue to intervene in their financial systems, and perform tax adjustments. There is no assurance, however, that these measures will be successful in stabilizing conditions in international financial markets.

Despite the extent of the above-mentioned interventions, global investor confidence could remain low, the global financial markets could remain volatile and access to credit could still be lacking. The continuation or worsening of disruption and volatility in the global financial markets may have a material adverse effect on our ability to access the capital markets under appropriate financial conditions, which may adversely affect our operations. Furthermore, an environment of economic downturn may negatively affect the financial stability of our customers, which could result in a general reduction in Brazil's economic activity and the consequent loss of income for us.

Political instability may have an adverse impact on the Brazilian economy and on our business.

Political crisis in Brazil can affect the trust of investors and the public in general, as well as the development of the economy. Political crises may have an adverse impact on the Brazilian economy, our business, financial condition, results of operations and the market price of our preferred shares and ADSs.

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Inflation and government efforts to curb inflation may contribute to economic uncertainty in Brazil, adversely affecting our business and results of operations.

Brazil has historically experienced high rates of inflation. Inflation and certain of the government's measures taken in the attempt to curb inflation have had significant negative effects on the Brazilian economy. In 2011, inflation measured by the Consumer Index (Índice de Preços ao Consumidor), or IPCA, reached 6.50%, in line with the upper limit established by the National Monetary Council, but above the central inflation target of 4.50%. In 2012, the Brazilian monetary policy will continue to use the IPCA for establishing the inflation target. The inflation target for 2012 is set at 4.50%, similar to 2011. If inflation rises beyond this target, the basic interest rates may rise, directly affecting the cost of our debt and indirectly reducing the demand for products and services related to telecommunications. In 2012, factors that may adversely affect consumer inflation are, among others, the international commodities prices, the impact of buoyant domestic economic activity on domestic prices and the indexation of prices and tariffs.

Since 2006, telephone fees for fixed line services have been indexed to the Index of Telecommunication Service, or IST, reduced by a productivity factor. The IST is a basket of national indexes that reflects the industry's operating costs. As a result, this index serves to reduce potential discrepancies between our industry's revenue and costs, and thus reduce the apparent adverse effects of inflation upon our operations.

The fee rate increase authorized by ANATEL, which references the IST, is reduced by a factor of productivity and applied cumulatively after a period of 12 months. This can cause increases in costs and salaries above and below that of our revenue, with adverse impacts on our profitability. Increases in interest rates may have a material adverse effect on our business.

The Monetary Policy Committee of the Brazilian Central Bank (Comitê de Política Monetária do Banco Central do Brasil), or COPOM, sets the target of the basic interest rate for the Brazilian financial system based on an expectation of convergence between the future inflation rate and the central inflation target. On December 31, 2011, the basic interest rate was 11.0% per year, compared to 10.75% per year on December 31, 2010. Further increases in the basic interest rate may occur throughout 2012 with adverse effects on our business. According to current market consensus, inflation measured by the IPCA will be higher than the established inflation target of 4.50% for 2012. As a result, the Central Bank may increase the SELIC rate (the Central Bank's overnight rate) in 2012 to align inflation with the inflation target, which may adversely effect our business.

Fluctuations in exchange rates may adversely affect our ability to meet liabilities denominated or linked to foreign currencies or reduce our income in foreign currency, and may have a material adverse effect on the market value of our preferred shares and ADSs.

The exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Brazilian real has experienced significant fluctuations in recent years. Between 2000 and 2003, the real was devalued 67% against the U.S. dollar and gained 40% between 2004 and 2010, considering the annual average exchange rates. Between 2001 and 2011, the real appreciated by 29% against the U.S. dollar.

As of December 31, 2011, 19.32% of our R\$6.20 billion total financial debt was denominated in U.S. dollars and UMBNDES. As of December 31, 2011, we had currency hedges in place to cover all of our financial foreign currency-denominated bank debt.

Part of the costs relating to our network infrastructure and services provided by outside vendors is payable or linked to payment by us in U.S. dollars. By contrast, our revenue is generated in reais, except income derived from hedging transactions, international long-distance interconnection and services to customers outside of Brazil.

To the extent that the value of the real decreases relative to the U.S. dollar or euro, our commitments linked to fluctuations in exchange rates or payable in foreign currencies becomes more expensive and in return our accounts receivable denominated in foreign currencies appreciate, which could adversely affect our revenue and expenses. However, 99.9% of the net balance of the transactions denominated in foreign currencies is covered by hedge transactions. Since May 2010, the Company began using net balance coverage, which is the coverage for net positions in foreign exchange exposures generated by invoices issued or received in foreign currencies, substantially reducing the Company's risk to fluctuations in exchange rates. By periodically receiving invoices for the net balance

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coverage and determining the coverage of exposures, the Company's corporate market risk department monitors its foreign exchange exposure and commitments linked to foreign currencies so as not to achieve a significant amount of exposure.

It should be noted that the IST, the current index applicable to telecommunication fees for fixed-line services, does not adequately reflect the true effect of exchange rate fluctuations. Thus, since 2006, telecommunication revenue, when converted to U.S. dollars, does not adequately reflect the true effect of exchange rate fluctuations, so that our results of operations could be adversely affected. See "—A. Selected Financial Data—Exchange Rates" for more information on exchange rates.

Political, economic and social developments and the perception of risk in other developed and emerging countries may adversely affect the Brazilian economy, our business, and the market price of Brazilian securities, including our preferred shares and ADSs.

The market for securities issued by Brazilian companies may be influenced, to varying degrees, by economic conditions in both emerging and developed market countries. The reaction of investors to developments in other countries may have an adverse impact on the market value of securities of Brazilian companies. Crises in other emerging countries or the economic policies of other countries may reduce investor demand for securities of Brazilian companies, including our preferred shares. Any of the foregoing developments may adversely affect the market value of our preferred shares and hinder our ability to access the capital markets and finance our operations in the future on acceptable terms and costs, or at all.

Exchange controls and restrictions on remittances abroad may adversely affect holders of our preferred shares and ADSs.

Brazilian law allows that, whenever there is a significant imbalance in Brazil's balance of payments or a significant possibility that such imbalance will exist, the Brazilian government may impose temporary restrictions on capital outflows. Such restrictions could hinder or prevent the holders of our preferred shares or the custodian of our shares in Brazil, Banco Itaú Unibanco S.A. (acting as the agent for the depositary), from remitting dividends abroad. The Brazilian government imposed restrictions on capital outflows for a six-month period at the end of 1989. If similar restrictions are introduced in the future, they would likely have an adverse effect on the market price of our preferred shares and ADSs.

Risks Relating to the Brazilian Telecommunications Industry and Us

Extensive government regulation of the telecommunications industry and our concession may limit, in some cases, our flexibility in responding to market conditions, competition and changes in our cost structure or impact our fees.

Our business is subject to extensive government regulation, including any changes that may occur during the period of our authorization to provide telecommunication services. ANATEL, which is the main telecommunications industry regulator in Brazil, regulates, among other things:

industry policies and regulations;

licensing;

fees and tariffs;

• competition, including, therefore, our ability to grow by acquiring other telecommunications businesses;

telecommunications resource allocation;
 service standards;
 technical standards;

quality standards;

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- interconnection and settlement arrangements; and
 - universal service obligations.

Brazil's telecommunications regulatory framework is continuously evolving. The interpretation and enforcement of regulations, the assessment of compliance with regulations and the flexibility of regulatory authorities are all marked by uncertainty. We operate under authorization from the Brazilian government, and our ability to retain this authorization is a precondition to our success. However, because of the regulatory framework, we cannot provide assurances that ANATEL will not adversely modify the terms of our authorization. Furthermore, according to the terms of our operating authorizations, we are obligated to meet certain requirements and to maintain minimum quality, coverage and service standards. Failure by us to comply with these requirements may result in the imposition of fines or other government actions, including the termination of our operating authorizations. Any partial or total revocation of any of our operating authorizations would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, revenues, results of operations and prospects. In recent years, ANATEL has also been reviewing and introducing changes in the applicable regulation, especially regarding the interconnection fees among telecommunications service providers in Brazil. Interconnection fees, which are fees charged by telecommunications service providers to each other to interconnect to each others' networks, are an important part of our revenue base. To the extent that changes to the rules governing interconnection fees reduce the amount of interconnection fees we are able to collect, our businesses, financial conditions, revenues, results of operations and prospects could be materially adversely affected.

Therefore, our businesses, results of operations, revenues and financial conditions could be negatively affected by the actions of the Brazilian authorities, including, in particular, the following:

- the introduction of new or stricter operational and/or service requirements;
 - the granting of operating licenses in our areas;
- delays in the granting of, or the failure to grant, approvals for rate increases; and
 - antitrust limitations imposed by ANATEL and the CADE.

Brazilian antitrust regulation is based on Law No. 8,884 of June 11, 1994, which prohibits any practice or transactions aimed at restricting free competition, dominating the relevant market of goods or services, arbitrarily increasing profits, or abusively exercising a dominant market position. The Economic Law Office (Secretaria de Direito Econômico), or SDE, and the Secretariat for Economic Monitoring (Secretaria de Acompanhamento Econômico), or SEAE, also act towards promoting the principle of free, ample and fair competition among all providers, as well as toward correcting the effects of imperfect competition and repressing violations against economic order. We cannot continue to expand our growth through acquisition of other service providers given the antitrust objections of ANATEL along with the fact that we currently already render SMP service all over the country. Consolidation of other competitors in the telecommunications market will increase the competitive pressure on us due to the increase in their economies of scale and reduction of operational costs, and we may be unable to respond adequately to pricing pressures resulting from consolidation, which would adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our concession may be terminated by the Brazilian government under certain circumstances.

We operate our business under a concession granted by the Brazilian government. According to the terms of the concession, we are obligated to meet certain universal service requirements and to maintain minimum quality and service standards. For example, ANATEL requires that we satisfy certain conditions with respect to, among other

things, expansion of our network to provide public pay-phone service for all locations with populations in excess of 100, expansion of our network to provide private individual telephone service for all locations with populations in excess of 300, and, with respect to quality of service, targets for the number of call completions. Our ability to satisfy these terms and conditions, as well as others, may be affected by factors beyond our control. Our failure to comply with the requirements of our concession may result in the imposition of fines up to R\$50.0 million or other government actions, including the termination of our concession. Any partial or total revocation of our concession would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, the concession

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agreements establish that all assets owned by the Company and which are indispensable to the provision of the services described in such agreements are considered reversible assets and are deemed to be part of the concession assets. The assets will be automatically returned to ANATEL upon expiration of the concession agreements, according to the regulation in force at that time. On December 31, 2011, the net book value of reversible assets is estimated at R\$6.7 billion, which is comprised of switching and transmission equipment and public use terminals, external network equipment, energy equipment and system and operation support equipment.

The expiration date of the original concession agreements was December 31, 2005, but it has since been renewed as of December 22, 2005 for an additional 20-year term. The current concession agreements contain a provision allowing ANATEL to review the concession terms in 2015 and 2020. This provision permits ANATEL to update the renewed concession agreements with respect to network expansion, modernization and quality of service targets in response to changes in technology, competition in the marketplace and domestic and international economic conditions. On December 30, 2010, ANATEL amended the Company's concession agreements to allow further amendments on May 2, 2011, December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2020. These further amendments may establish new conditions and targets for universal access and quality, taking into consideration the conditions prevailing at the time, including complementary resources.

Important mergers and acquisitions in the market should increase competition in the upcoming years.

In 2011, we faced a strong growth in the Brazilian mobile telecommunication market, considering the number of costumers and revenue, due to new marketing strategies targeted at stimulating clients to use more voice (local and long-distance calls) and data services. In the fixed market, however, we experienced weak growth. Our competitors have also started to bundle services and integrate their fixed and mobile operations to sell complete service pack to their clients and improve operational efficiency.

Some of the most important telecommunication groups in Brazil experienced a degree of merger and acquisition (M&A) activity in 2011. These have included TIM, a subsidiary of Telecom Italia, and Oi, which acquired a medium-size company that provides Wi-Fi services in public indoor areas, and the largest shareholder of which is Portugal Telecom.

Mergers and acquisitions may change the market dynamic, cause competitive pressure and force small competitors to find partners and may impact our business, in terms of operations, financial condition, marketing strategies and offering of products and promotions.

We face increasing competition from telecom service providers.

The cellular industry is growing fast, mainly because of increased competition. Our competitors have been using aggressive promotions to increase their client base and, as a result, market share (in particular TIM, which reassumed the second position in the mobile market and is challenging our leadership in the prepaid market). New marketing strategies stimulate clients to use more voice (unlimited minutes within the provider's network, including long-distance calls) and mobile Internet (with the launch of prepaid and daily offers).

The increase in competition and the related potential loss in market share could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our results of operations may be negatively affected by the application of the SMP rules.

Under the SMP regime, our cellular subsidiaries receive payments for the use of their networks in accordance with a network usage payment plan, which includes outbound long-distance calls. Until June 30, 2004, SMP service

providers were able to opt to establish a price cap or freely negotiate our interconnection charges. In early 2005, ANATEL began permitting free negotiations for mobile interconnection, or VU-M, fees and by July 2005, local-fixed concessionaires and mobile operators had reached a provisional agreement with respect to VU-M fees for local calls, or VC1 (the agreement guaranteed a 4.5% increase in mobile operators' fees). ANATEL approved that provisional agreement and, in March 2006, approved another provisional agreement of a 4.5% increase for VU-M fees for long-distance calls, or VC2, VC3, and international calls, among the same operators that had made the VC1 agreement in July 2005. The current rule is the free negotiation of fees, subject to ANATEL regulations. In July 2007, ANATEL approved a provisional agreement among us and the fixed-line operators Telemar, Brasil Telecom,

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CTBC Telecom and Sercomtel and the mobile operators for interconnection fees for VC1, VC2 and VC3 calls that provides for an annual adjustment of approximately 1.97% to interconnection fees in Region I (Telemar's Region) and an annual adjustment of approximately 2.25% in Region II (Brasil Telecom's Region) and Region III (Telefônica's Region).

ANATEL also issued Regulation No. 460/2007 regarding Number Portability, implementing and developing fixed and wireless Number Portability in Brazil effective as of March 2009, with most costs being borne by the operators. For SMP, Number Portability is applied for wireless codes of access of the same registration area. As of December 2011, there were 242.2 million cell phones in Brazil. From the period beginning in September 2008, when Number Portability became effective, until December 31, 2011, 2,240,949 people changed out and 2,248,418 people changed into our subsidiaries as their mobile operator. For fixed operators, Number Portability is applied for fixed codes of access of the same local area. There can be no assurance that this new regulation will not have material adverse effects on the results of our operations.

We cannot predict whether the current regulatory regime will remain in place or whether any future regulatory change will have an adverse effect on our results of operations. We cannot assure you that the interconnection rates we negotiated will be upheld or that future negotiations will be as favorable as those that were previously set by ANATEL. If the readjustments that we negotiated are cancelled or if freely negotiated interconnection fees in the future are less favorable to us, our business, financial condition, revenues, results of operations and prospects will be adversely affected.

If the inflation adjustment index now applied to our prices is changed, the new index may not adequately reflect the true effect of inflation on our prices, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

The Brazilian government currently uses the General Price Index, or the IGP-DI (the Índice Geral de Preços Disponibilidade Interna), an inflation index developed by the Fundação Getúlio Vargas, a private Brazilian economic organization, in connection with the prices charged in the wireless telecommunications industry. Starting in 2010, the Brazilian government began regulating the telecommunications industry based on an economic model (FAC, or "Fully Allocated Costs") that analyzes companies' total costs based on a theoretical company's costs and other factors. In connection with this model, the Brazilian government used a different inflation adjustment mechanism, the IST index. Under Resolution No. 438/2006, ANATEL will determine the reference cost of using mobile networks (RVU-M) for SMP providers who have significant market power, which will be used in the arbitration case by ANATEL to determine the VU-M fee. The inflation adjustment of the RVU-M value uses the IST index. In the auctions by SMP of new radio frequency bands, ANATEL has been using the IST index for determining the value of the installments to be paid for the licenses. If this new inflation adjustment mechanism, or any other mechanism chosen by the Brazilian government in the future, does not adequately reflect the true effect of inflation on our prices, our results of operations could be adversely affected.

ANATEL's new regulation regarding interconnection and network usage fees could have an adverse effect on our results.

Since the beginning of 2005, ANATEL published the following new regulations on interconnection and network usage fees of SMP providers, some of which could have an adverse effect on our results: (1) new General Regulation of Interconnection (Regulamento Geral de Interconexão–Resolution No. 410/2005, or RGI); (2) the Regulation of Separation and Allocation of Costs (Resolution No. 396/2005); (3) the Regulation for Network Usage Fees of SMP providers (Regulamento de Remuneração pelo Uso de Redes de Prestadoras do SMP–Resolution No. 438/2006 and Resolutions No. 480/2007, 483/2007, 503/2008 and 549/2010) and the Regulation on the Criteria for Adjustment of Tariffs for Calls from STFC involving SMP or SME No. 576/2011 (Resolution No. 576/2011); (4) the Regulation for Usage of Spectrum in the 800, 900, 1800, 1900 and 2100 MHz bands (Resolution No. 454/2006); (5) the Regulation

for Methodology of the Calculation of the WACC (Resolution No. 535/2009); (6) the Invitation Document No. 002/2007/SPV-ANATEL, relating to the auction organized by ANATEL of new 3G licenses, and stating that, in the maximum allowed period of eighteen months from April 30, 2008, the authorizations resulting from this auction must be combined with the existing SMP authorizations given to the bid winners when pertaining to the same region of the general authorization plan of SMP; and (7) the general plan for updating the Brazilian telecommunications regulation (Resolution No. 516/2008, or PGR). The following are some of the changes in the regulation that may adversely affect our results:

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- In the case of long-distance calls, two SMP providers controlled by the same economic group can receive only one instead of two interconnection charges (VU-M) for calls originated and terminated in their networks ((3) and (6) above).
- New negotiation rules for VU-M fees by which ANATEL will have a role in determining reference prices rather than the current free-market negotiation of prices. The reference prices will apply to SMP providers that have significant market power, which may be the case of Vivo (according to Resolution No. 549/2010, only the groups that include SMP operators with market share in mobile telephony lower than 20% combined in each one of the regions of the General Plan of Authorizations of SMP are considered groups without significant market power in the offer of mobile interconnection, in their respective areas of authorization) ((3) and (7) above (Resolution No. 549/2010 results of Public Consultation No. 5/2010).
- The free negotiation of the VU-M fee is the current rule. The reference price will only be used as a base in case of a conflict resolution related to the VU-M fee agreement. In the near future, ANATEL may issue a new regulation that will consider groups with significant market power those who have, among others: economies of scale and scope, market share within certain parameters and possibly for the providers that have integrated operation on the SMP and STFC.
- Reference prices were cost based commencing in 2008 in compliance with Resolution No. 483/2007. The prices are calculated according to the regulation on Costs Separation and Allocation (Resolution No. 396/2005) ((2) and (3) above).
- VU-M fees must follow the discounts granted to fixed telephony customers for out-of-business hours calls ((3) above).
- When receiving calls from public telephones, VU-M fees will adopt the same fee rules that apply to public telephones ((3) above).
- Creation of VU-M fee unification among SMP providers of the same economic group with significant market power ((3), (6) and (7) above).
- The interconnection payments between SMP operators for traffic in the same registration area may occur independently of the traffic balance between the operators (this regime is referred to as "full billing") ((1) and (3) above). Before the adoption of the above-mentioned regulation, payments between SMP operators for traffic in the same area only occurred when the traffic balance between any two companies was either less than 45% or in excess of 55% (this regime is referred to as "partial bill and keep").
- The Invitation Document 002/2007/SPV-ANATEL relates to the auction organized by ANATEL in December 2007 of new licenses (3G licenses) for the 1900-2100 MHz radio frequency bands denominated the "F," "G," "I" and "J" bands, and states that, in the maximum allowed period of eighteen months from the publication of the Terms of Authorization on April 30, 2008, the authorizations resulting from this auction will be combined with the existing SMP authorizations given to the bid winners when pertaining to the same region of the general authorization plan of SMP. Vivo and Vivo Participações acquired spectrum licenses for the "J" band in regions where we hold SMP licenses. In addition, the Invitation Document modifies the rule for the renewal of radio frequency licenses and includes in the calculation of operating profits the compensation received for the use of the SMP network together with the profits earned from the service plans. In accordance with this Invitation Document, in January 2010, ANATEL published an act determining the unification of our SMP authorizations in Regions II (states of Paraná, Santa Catarina, Rio Grande do Sul, Goiás, Tocantins Mato Grosso do Sul, Mato Grosso, Rondônia, Acre and the Federal District) and III (state of São Paulo) of the PGA-SMP, with only one SMP authorization for each one of

these Regions (Terms of Authorization Nos. 005/2010 and 006/2010, signed in January 2010, for Region II and III, respectively). Moreover, ANATEL also determined that, from November 1, 2009 (eighteen months from April 30, 2008), in each Region of the PGA-SMP, the VU-M fee must be unified for that Region (two SMP providers controlled by the same economic group can receive only one instead of two interconnection charges (VU-M) for calls originated and terminated in their networks), and freely negotiated. Until such date, the mobile operators charged a VU-M fee for authorization of the SMP. In February 2010, ANATEL

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defined the VU-M fee to be paid for Oi (fixed and mobile operators) and for Brasil Telecom (fixed and mobile operators) to Claro, TIM, Vivo and Vivo Participações, for the region of the PGA-SMP, as a result of the unification of the SMP authorizations ((1), (3) and (6) above). In October 2010, the Oi signed an agreement with Vivo recognizing these VU-M fees as a unified region. Even though it paid the amounts defined by ANATEL, Oi had filed for arbitration against Vivo, which became moot after this agreement.

• In 2008, ANATEL published the general plan for updating the Brazilian telecommunications regulation ("