

BRASIL TELECOM SA
Form 6-K
May 13, 2008

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

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

THROUGH May 13, 2008

(Commission File No. 1-15256)

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

BRAZIL TELECOM COMPANY

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**SIA Sul, Área de Serviços Públicos, Lote D, Bloco B
Brasília, D.F., 71.215-000
Federative Republic of Brazil**

(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F Form 40-F

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information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the
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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

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If "Yes" is marked, indicated below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

2. **OPPORTUNITY EQUITY PARTNERS ADMINISTRADORA DE RECURSOS LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.761.273/0001 -11, headquartered at *Rua Manoel Duarte, nº 14, sala 102 (parte)*, Três Rios, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 29º andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Ana Carolina de Oliveira Silva Moreira Lima**, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 28º andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17º Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 108, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

3. **OPPORTUNITY FUND**, a company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, headquartered at UBS House, 227, Elgin Avenue, P.O. Box 852, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, West Indies, registered as a mutual fund on 06.15.1994 under the 1993 Mutual Funds Act, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n.07.703.638/0001 -38, herein represented according to its corporate documents by its attorneys-in-fact **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 28º andar (parte)* and **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 28º andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17º Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 093, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

4. **GLOBAL INVESTMENT AND CONSULTING, INC.**, a company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the British Virgin Islands, headquartered at Columbus Centre Building, Wickhams Cay, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, United Kingdom, herein represented according to its corporate documents by its officer **Arthur Joaquim de Carvalho**, Brazilian, married, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 3.749, issued by CRA/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 147.896.475 -87, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, and by its officer **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*;

5. **INVEST III, INC.**, a company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the British Virgin Islands, headquartered at East Asia Chambers, P.O. Box 901, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, United Kingdom, herein represented according to its bylaws by its officer **Arthur Joaquim de Carvalho**, Brazilian, married, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 3.749, issued by CRA/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 147.896.475 -87, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*;

6. **OPP I FUNDO DE INVESTIMENTO EM AÇÕES**, an equity investment fund for equity investments (*fundo de investimento em ações*) duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 00.083.181/0001 -67, headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904*, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, herein represented according to its corporate documents by its Administrator's representative **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal

Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Ana Carolina de Oliveira Silva Moreira Lima**, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 103, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

7. **OPPORTUNITY ASSET MANAGEMENT INC.**, a company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, headquartered at Walker House 87 Mary Street, Grand Cayman, KY1 9002, Cayman Islands, herein represented according to its corporate documents by its attorneys-in-fact **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)* and **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 94, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

8. **OPPORTUNITY ASSET MANAGEMENT LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 68.579.218/0001 -86, headquartered in the city of Três Rios, state of Rio de Janeiro, at *Rua Manoel Duarte, n° 14, salas 102, 104 e 106*, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av.*

Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte) and by its attorney-in-fact **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 104, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

9. OPPORTUNITY GESTORA DE RECURSOS LTDA., a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.608.570/0001 -21, headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, Downtown, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)* and by its attorney-in-fact **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the private power-of-attorney of 04/17/2008, a copy of which is filed in these Notes;

10. OPPORTUNITY INVEST II LTDA., a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.969.204/0001 -06, headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, herein represented, according to its articles of association, by its manager **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Ana Carolina de Oliveira Silva Moreira**

Lima, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 109, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

11. **OPPORTUNITY LÓGICA GESTÃO DE RECURSOS LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 07.263.709/0001 -29, headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, Downtown, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Ana Carolina de Oliveira Silva Moreira Lima**, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 106, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

12. **OPPORTUNITY LÓGICA II FIA**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), headquartered at *Rua Manoel Duarte, n° 14, sala 104*, in the city of Três Rios, state of Rio de Janeiro, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.909.405/0001 -00, herein represented according to its articles of association by its Manager s representative **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact **Ana Carolina de Oliveira**

Silva Moreira Lima, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 102, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

13. **OPPORTUNITY LÓGICA RIO CONSULTORIA E PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.909.405/0001 -00, headquartered at *Rua Manoel Duarte, n° 14, sala 104 (parte)*, Três Rios, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its attorneys-in-fact **Itamar Benigno Filho**, Brazilian, single, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 04.654.446 -6 issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 506.599.607 -53, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 29° andar, sala 2904 (parte)*, and **Ana Carolina de Oliveira Silva Moreira Lima**, Brazilian, married, lawyer, bearer of the identity card n. 108.473, issued by OAB/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 075.640.177 -16, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the terms of the power-of-attorney drafted in the Notes of the *17° Ofício Local*, in the Book 6834, page 100, in 04-18-2008, a copy of which was filed with these Notes;

14. **TIMEPART PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 02.338.536/0001 -47, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Maria Amalia Delfim de Melo Coutrim**, Brazilian, married, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 12.944, issued by CORECON/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 654.298.507 -72, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*;

15. **OPPORTUNITY CONSULTORIA LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 01.608.569/0001 -05, headquartered at *Rua Manoel Duarte, n° 14, sala 102 (parte)*, Downtown, Três Rios, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Verônica Valente Dantas**, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)* and by its attorney-in-fact **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, according to the power-of-attorney of 04/17/2008;

16. **OPPORTUNITY INVESTIMENTOS LTDA.**, a limited liability company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 03.605.085/0001 -20, headquartered at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, Downtown, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, herein represented according to its articles of association by its manager **Maria Amalia Delfim de Melo Coutrim**, Brazilian, married, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 12.944, issued by CORECON/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 654.298.507 -72, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*;

17. **OPPORTUNITY EQUITY PARTNERS LTD.**, a company duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, headquartered at P.O. Box 309, Uglan House, South Church Street, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, BWI, herein represented according to its corporate documents by its officer **Arthur Joaquim de Carvalho**, Brazilian, married, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 3.749, issued by CRA/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 147.896.475 -87, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, and by its attorney-in-fact

Verônica Valente Dantas, Brazilian, divorced, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 1.083.309, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 262.853.205 -00, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*, according to the power-of-attorney of the *17° Ofício Local*, book 6839, page 104;

18. **PRIVTEL INVESTIMENTOS S.A.**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), headquartered at *Av. Rio Branco, 245, sala 3003 (parte)*, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 02.620.949/0001 -10, herein represented according to its bylaws by its officer **Eduardo Cintra Santos**, Brazilian, engineer, bearer of the identity card n. 00902893-58, issued by SSP/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 064.858.395 -34, resident and domiciled in the city of Simões Filho, in the state of Bahia, with commercial address at *Via Periférica I, n° 3431, Centro Industrial de Aratu*;

19. **TELECOM HOLDING S.A.**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), headquartered at *Av. Rio Branco, 245, sala 3003 (parte)*, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 02.621.133/0001 -00, herein represented according to its bylaws by its officers **Arthur Joaquim de Carvalho**, Brazilian, married, business administrator, bearer of the identity card n. 3.749, issued by CRA/BA, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 147.896.475 -87, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*; and **Danielle Silbergleid Ninio**, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*;

20. **TELEUNION S.A.**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), headquartered at *Av. Rio Branco, 245, sala 3003 (parte)*, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, state of Rio de Janeiro, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 02.605.026/0001 -99, by its Officers **Danielle Silbergleid**

Ninio, Brazilian, married, graduated in Law, bearer of the identity card n. 09.896.765 -6, issued by IFP/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 016.744.087 -06, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)* and **Maria Amalia Delfim de Melo Coutrim**, Brazilian, married, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 12.944, issued by CORECON/RJ, enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 654.298.507 -72, resident and domiciled in the city and state of Rio de Janeiro, with commercial address at *Av. Presidente Wilson, n° 231, 28° andar (parte)*; the **Parties from (1) to (20)** above hereinafter referred to as **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** ;

21. **BRASIL TELECOM S.A.**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 76.535.764/0001 -43, headquartered at *SIA/SUL ASP, Lote D, Bloco A*, in the city of Brasília, Distrito Federal, herein represented according to its bylaws by the officers **Paulo Narcélio Simões Amaral**, Brazilian, married, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 05798805-7, issued by IFP/RJ, and enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 790.422.877 -72, and **Francisco Aurélio Sampaio Santiago**, Brazilian, married, engineer, bearer of the identity card n. 244543, issued by SSP/SE, and enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 145.053.631 -04, both with temporary address in the city of Brasília, Distrito Federal, at *SIA/SUL ASP, Lote D, Bloco A*;

22. **BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.**, a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CNPJ/MF n. 02.570.688/0001 -70, headquartered at *SIA/SUL ASP, Lote D, Bloco A*, in the city of Brasília, Distrito Federal, herein represented according to its bylaws by the officers **Paulo Narcélio Simões Amaral**, Brazilian, married, economist, bearer of the identity card n. 05798805-7, issued by IFP/RJ, and enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 790.422.877 -72, and **Francisco Aurélio Sampaio Santiago**, Brazilian, married, engineer, bearer of the identity card n. 244543, issued by SSP/SE, and enrolled before the Federal Revenue Service under CPF/MF n. 145.053.631 -04, both with temporary address in the city of Brasília, Distrito Federal, at *SIA/SUL ASP, Lote D, Bloco A*;

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2.3. This Agreement is autonomous and independent with respect to any other juristic acts or agreements entered into between the **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **TELEMAR** and/or their respective controlled companies, controlling shareholders and companies under common control and the validity and effectiveness of this Agreement shall not be conditional on or bound to the validity, effectiveness, compliance, fulfillment of the conditions of or any other event or circumstance relating to any other juristic acts or agreements entered into between such Parties and/or their respective controlled companies, controlling shareholders and companies under common control

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SECTION THREE SETTLEMENTS, COMMITMENT NOT TO FILE SUITS, RELEASES AND CONDITION PRECEDENT

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3.1. On the date on which the Condition Precedent set forth in item 3.2 below is implemented (Implementation Date):

3.1.1 **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their respective Affiliates) irrevocably agree and grant, through this instrument, full, general, comprehensive and unlimited release to **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (and their respective Affiliates) with respect to any and all Claims, including those listed in Exhibit III hereof, also encompassing, but not limited to, any acts or facts of control and/or management, known or unknown, also irrevocably waiving any right, action or intention to initiate, file, represent or claim, under any form, on any grounds, cause of action or under any title, new Claims, including before any Governmental Authority, in Brazil or abroad. For the sake of clarity of the provisions hereof, and in any way limiting their scope, it is clarified that the unlimited release hereby granted encompasses any Claims (including indemnity and/or recovery claims aiming at compensation, pecuniary damages, like actual damages and or loss of earnings, pain and suffering, unjust enrichment or any other form of legal liability of any nature) of **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their respective Affiliates) against **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (and their respective Affiliates).

3.1.2 **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their respective Affiliates) irrevocably agree and grant, through this instrument,

full, general, comprehensive and unlimited release to **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (and their respective Affiliates) with respect to any and all Claims, including those listed in Exhibit III hereof, also encompassing, but not limited to, any acts or facts of control and/or management, known or unknown, also irrevocably waiving any right, action or intention to initiate, file, represent or claim, under any form, on any grounds, cause of action or under any title, new Claims, including before any Governmental Authority, in Brazil or abroad. For the sake of clarity of the provisions hereof, and in any way limiting their scope, it is clarified that the unlimited release hereby granted encompasses any Claims (including indemnity and/or recovery claims aiming at compensation, pecuniary damages, like actual damages and or loss of earnings, pain and suffering, unjust enrichment or any other form of legal liability of any nature) of **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their respective Affiliates) against **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and their respective Affiliates).

3.1.2.1 **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their respective directly and indirectly controlled companies, and Affiliates) also irrevocably agree to grant, through this instrument, full, general, comprehensive and unlimited release to the Persons listed in Exhibit II hereof, with respect to the entering into and performance of this instrument and also to any and all Claims, including those listed in Exhibit III, also encompassing, but not limited to, any acts or facts of control and/or management, known or unknown, as long as related to the litigations involving the **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and their Affiliates. Within the limits defined in this item, **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** shall hold the Persons listed in Exhibit II fully harmless from and against any losses, injuries, damages, costs, penalties, disbursements or liabilities and also court costs and attorney fees, including pursuant to the provisions of article 404 of Brazilian Civil Code.

3.1.3 **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, themselves and on behalf of their respective Affiliates, undertake to, in the shortest possible term (but in any case within ten (10) days counted as of the Implementation Date), file before

3.3.2 It is hereby agreed that the Claims listed in Exhibit III shall be suspended by the joint initiative of **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) for the period of six (6) months for the purpose of the provisions of this Agreement. The suspension of the suits shall be requested through a petition to be filed within three (3) business days counted as of the entering into of this instrument, pursuant to the petitions contained in Exhibit III-2. If until the expiration of the term of stay of the suits the Required Approvals are not yet obtained, the referred Parties shall submit in all the suits new requests for suspension, for the additional period of six (6) months. If necessary, the Parties shall in good faith seek new extensions of the suspension of the suits until the Required Approvals are obtained.

3.3.3 If the suspension provided for in item 3.3.2 is not granted in a certain suit, and without prejudice to the Parties (and/or their Affiliates) seeking to reverse the decision denying the suspension, the Parties (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) agree that they shall only comply with the peremptory terms/deadlines, without prejudice to what is provided for in item 3.3.1.

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3.4 Without any prejudice to the releases and obligations undertaken in the current instrument, **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) expressly agree, for all legal purposes, that the effects of these Agreements shall not reach or benefit third party service providers, maintaining the solidarity, except for the lawyers listed in Exhibits VII and VIII, who are granted full release by the referred Parties through this instrument, for acts practiced until the date hereof.

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3.5 It is hereby agreed between the Parties that the current transaction does not reach the suits listed in Exhibit III-3, so that the Parties are free to proceed with, pursue and also file any new initiative only within the Judiciary and as long as it refers to the causes of action and the facts mentioned in the suits indicated therein, except to what refers to trust, acts of management and/or control of **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** by **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and persons indicated by the latter, which is hereby expressly prohibited.

3.5.1 Without prejudice to the provisions of item 3.5, it is hereby agreed between **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** and **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** that with respect to the Claims listed in Exhibit III-3 no Claims shall be filed or maintained against the persons listed in Exhibit II in the case provided for in item 3.5.

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3.6 If as a result of the existence of other Persons as parties to the Claims listed in Exhibit III, other than those that participate in the current Agreement, any Claim is not dismissed after the settlement is informed in the Claims records, the respective suits may proceed against those other parties, who shall remain jointly liable between each other, subject to the terms of the petitions contained in Exhibit III-1.

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3.7 It is hereby agreed between the Parties that the Claims listed in Exhibit V of the current Agreement, which are not subject to the Required Approvals for their effectiveness and enforceability, are hereby immediately settled and ended, with full, general and irrevocable mutual release, within the same reach of the provisions of items 3.1.1, 3.1.2 and 3.1.2.1. As a result of what is provided for in this item, **TELEMAR** shall owe to Brasil Telecom S.A. the payment provided for in item 5.1 below, to be settled within the term agreed to therein.

3.7.1 **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, for themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates, undertake to, in the shortest possible term (but in any case within ten (10) days counted as of the entering into of this document), file before the competent Governmental Authority the petitions individualized in Exhibit V.

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SECTION FOUR ADDITIONAL COVENANTS

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4.1. **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, for themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates, hereby by mutual agreement provide that, with respect to all the Claims which, owing to their nature, cannot be settled and ended (as for instance administrative proceedings before CVM, CADE, Anatel, any other Governmental Authorities, inquisitions, investigations etc.), each of the **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, for themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates, undertakes not to practice any voluntary acts within such Claim.

4.1.1 It is hereby agreed between the Parties that the provisions of item 2.2 of this Agreement shall not apply to the Claims provided for by this Section Four, since they deal with rights that may not be waived.

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4.2. Each of **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, for themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates, hereby undertakes not to pursue the course of any kind of Claim to which the preceding item refers to.

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4.3. It is however observed that the provisions of items 4.1 and 4.2 above do not prevent any of the **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** and the **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** or their respective Affiliates, as the case maybe, from submitting a defense, provide information, clarifications, depositions or testimonies at any time in any Claim, when for that purpose they are formally requested or given notice. It is also hereby agreed that in the exercise of their right to legal defense (*ampla defesa*), any of the Parties (and their Affiliates) may raise any arguments that they deem proper, provided that they may not lie about the facts. Neither Party (for itself and its respective Affiliates) may initiate, file or pursue any Claim against the other Party (or its Affiliates) as a result of the exercise of right to legal defense pursuant to this item.

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SECTION FIVE PAYMENTS TO BRASIL TELECOM S.A. AND TO BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

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5.1 On the first business day following the date on which the settlements in connection with the Claims listed in Exhibit V are entered into, **TELEMAR** irrevocably undertakes to pay, as interested third party, to Brasil Telecom S.A., in local currency, through electronic transfer of free and immediately available funds, the aggregate amount of eighty million, eight hundred and fourteen thousand reais (R\$80,814,000.00), through deposit in the bank account indicated in Exhibit VI.

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5.2 In addition to the payment provided for above, within five (5) days counted as of the date of publication of the material fact relating to the obtaining of the Required Approvals by **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES**, **TELEMAR** irrevocably undertakes to pay, as interested third party, in local currency, through electronic transfer of free and immediately available funds, the aggregate amount of ninety four million, nine hundred and sixteen thousand reais (R\$94,916,000.00), provided that this aggregate amount shall be divided as follows: (i) eighty nine million and seventy one thousand reais (R\$89,071,000.00) to Brasil

OPPORTUNITY PARTIES (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) contained in Section Ten below and of any other provided for in this Agreement.

6.1.1 For any event of default of any of the obligations, releases, representations and warranties provided for in this Agreement, each **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTY** shall be individually liable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is hereby agreed that: (i) the Party **OPPORTUNITY GESTORA DE RECURSOS LTDA.** shall be held jointly liable and without the benefit of order, pursuant to the provisions of article 275 of Brazilian Civil Code, for/with each Affiliate listed in Exhibit I, Item (A); and (ii) the Party **OPPORTUNITY LÓGICA GESTÃO DE RECURSOS LTDA.** shall be held jointly liable and without the benefit of order, pursuant to the provisions of article 275 of Brazilian Civil Code, for/with each Affiliate listed in Exhibit I, Item (B).

6.1.2 **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** hereby irrevocably represent that they do not know any Person under their control that have any Claim against **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (and their Affiliates) that may frustrate, hinder or make ineffective the object of this Agreement.

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SECTION SEVEN BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES OBLIGATION OF HOLDING OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES AND THEIR AFFILIATES HARMLESS

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7.1. **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) undertake to hold **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (and their respective Affiliates), fully harmless from and against any losses, injuries, damages, costs, penalties, disbursements or liabilities and also court costs of any nature and attorney fees, including pursuant to the provisions of article 404 of Brazilian Civil Code, that any of **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (and their respective Affiliates) may incur or suffer, individually or collectively, as a result of (i) the filing by any of **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (or respective Affiliates) of any Claims, including any Claim not listed in Exhibit III (even if based on the same causes of action of the Claims listed in the referred Exhibit); (ii) the violation of any of the releases and/or any of the obligations undertaken by **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) in the current Agreement and (iii) the breach of any of the representations

respective confirmation of sending, to the following addresses (or to any other address or numbers, as long as previously informed, pursuant to this Agreement, to the other Parties):

(i) IF to OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES (and Affiliates):

Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 28º andar (parte)
Rio de Janeiro, RJ 20030-021
Att.: Verônica Valente Dantas, Arthur Joaquim de Carvalho and Danielle
Silbergleid Ninio
Facsimile: + (55) (21) 3804-3480
E-mail: vdantas@opportunity.com.br; acarvalho@opportunity.com.br; dsilbergleid@opportunity.com.br.
Av. Presidente Wilson, nº 231, 29º andar (parte)
Rio de Janeiro, RJ 20030-021
Att.: Dório Ferman
Facsimile: + (55) (21) 3804-3480
E-mail: dferman@opportunity.com.br
Copy to:
Barbosa, Müssnich & Aragão Advogados
Av. Almirante Barroso, nº 52, 32º andar
Rio de Janeiro, RJ
Att.: Francisco Antunes Maciel Müssnich
Fac-símile: + (55) (21) 3824 6090
E-mail: famm@bmalaw.com.br

(ii) If to BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES (and Affiliates):

SIA/SUL ASP, Lote D, Bloco A, Brasília, Distrito Federal, Brasil
CEP 71.215 -000
Fac-símile: + (55) (61) 3415-9419
Att.: Darwin Corrêa
E-mail: darwin@brasiltelecom.com.br
Copy to:
Leoni Siqueira Advogados
Av. Rio Branco 138, 6º andar
Rio de Janeiro, RJ 20040-002, Brasil
Att.: Sérgio Ros Brasil
Facsimile: + (55) (21) 3077-3999

12.3 This Agreement may only be amended through the execution of the proper instrument by all the Parties.

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12.4 No amendment to the current Agreement may be entered into to the detriment of the Persons listed in Exhibits I and II, causing them any losses, burdens or duties of any nature, provided that the Parties hereby agree that the obligations undertaken in this instrument have the nature of irrevocable third party benefits (*estipulações em favor de terceiros*) with respect to the referred Persons. It is also hereby agreed between the Parties that those Persons may, in defending their own interests and rights, require and enforce the provisions of this Agreement.

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12.5 Neither of the Parties may assign its rights and obligations provided for in this Agreement without the prior and express consent, in writing, of the other Parties.

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12.6 The Parties, for themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates, hereby waive the right to challenge in any way, directly or indirectly, including before any Governmental Authority, the validity and/or effectiveness of this Agreement, its Exhibits and/or the covenants hereby provided for.

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12.7 The fact that any Party fails to demand, at any time, the compliance with any of the provisions of this Agreements or fails to exercise any option, privilege or right that is granted to it pursuant to this Agreement, shall be deemed neither a waiver by such Party of any right deriving from the current Agreement, nor a cancellation or alteration of any of the obligations undertaken herein, nor shall release the other Party from complying with or performing its obligations deriving herefrom, unless otherwise expressed in this Agreement.

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12.8 The legally obliged Parties shall disclose to the market the transactions provided for in this Agreement through a material fact, pursuant to the law.

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12.9 This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted according to the laws of Brazilian Federal Republic (*República Federativa do Brasil*), subject to the section of election of jurisdiction and the arbitration provided for in Section Thirteen.

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12.10 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement, its Exhibits and the legislation in force, the Parties hereby agree that the current Agreement constitutes an

extrajudicial execution instrument for the legal effects of articles 461, 466-A and following articles of the Brazilian Code of Civil Procedure, without prejudice to the payment of any applicable damages and losses, and that the obligations provided for in this Agreement and in other instruments agreed to between the Parties may be subjected to specific performance, including the obligations deriving and/or resulting, any compensation for damages and losses not constituting sufficient recovery.

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12.11 Each Party (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) shall bear its own expenses in connection with the negotiation, preparation and performance of this Agreement and with the implementation of any measures relating to it, including attorney fees of any nature in connection with or resulting from the Claims listed in Exhibit III and any other Claims, expenses, fees and disbursements of any nature, including with advisors and service providers of any kind.

12.11.1 In case any of the Parties (and/or their Affiliates) is subject to a collection suit or execution of attorney fees filed by lawyers of the counterparts in a certain lawsuit, the respective Party who hired the lawyer undertakes to fully settle the amounts that are under collection or execution, holding the other Party free and harmless from any payment, burden, expense or duty of any kind.

12.11.2 **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates), always subject to the provisions of item 6.1.1 above, and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) undertake to hold **TELEMAR** harmless from any expenses, costs, and defeat fees provided for in this item 12.11 and sub-items.

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SECTION THIRTEEN ARBITRATION

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13.1 Any and all disputes resulting from this Agreement shall be settled by arbitration.

13.1.1 It is hereby agreed between the Parties that the specific performance of the payments provided for in Section Five is not subject to arbitration and accordingly **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** may file the applicable lawsuit in the venue of the Circuit Court of the Capital of the State of Rio de Janeiro, in case of default by **TELEMAR**.

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up and request the dismissal, without adjudication on the merits, of any preparatory judicial measure filed, pursuant to what is decided by the arbitral tribunal. As of the institution of the arbitral tribunal, the granting of any urgent remedies shall fall to the arbitrators.

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13.8 The execution of the arbitral award shall be carried out in any court that has jurisdiction over the Parties and their assets.

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13.9 Each Party shall make its best efforts in order to ensure the fast and efficient conclusion of the arbitral proceeding and to comply with it.

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13.10 The Parties agree that the arbitration shall be treated as confidential and its elements (including without limitation the allegations of the Parties, evidences, experts reports and other expressions of third parties and any other documents submitted or exchanged within the arbitral proceeding) shall be disclosed only to the arbitral tribunal, the Parties, their lawyers and any person necessary to the development of the arbitration, except if the disclosure is required for the compliance of the obligations imposed by law or by any regulatory authority.

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SECTION FOURTEEN - TERM

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14.1 The current Agreement is entered into between the Parties (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) in an irrevocable manner and shall be in force on the date on which it is entered into, but the effectiveness and enforceability of the releases and waivers of Section Three (except for item 3.7) and of the payment provided for in item 5.2 shall be exclusively subject to the fulfillment of the Condition Precedent defined in item 3.2. For the sake of clarity, all the provisions of Section Three that do not constitute releases and waivers shall be in force on the date of the entering into of this Agreement.

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SECTION FIFTEEN ENTIRE AGREEMENT

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15.1 This Agreement, including its Exhibits, constitutes the entire agreement entered into between **OPPORTUNITY/BANCO OPPORTUNITY PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) and **BRASIL TELECOM PARTIES** (themselves and on behalf of their Affiliates) with respect to the matters hereof, revoking and replacing, definitively and with no penalties, any other agreement, document,

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José Luís Magalhães Salazar

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: May 13, 2008

BRASIL TELECOM S.A.

By: /s/ Paulo Narcélio Simões
 Amaral

Name: Paulo Narcélio Simões
Amaral
Title: Chief Financial
Officer

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