

PETROBRAS - PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA

Form 6-K

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March, 2013

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PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Federative Republic of Brazil

(Address of principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F ☒ Form 40-F ☐

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

Yes ☐ No ☒

This report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Petróleo Brasileiro -- Petrobras (No. 333-163665).

**Fourth well in lara area confirms extension
of Santos Basin pre-salt discovery**

Rio de Janeiro, March 5th, 2013 – Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras, announces that has confirmed the presence of good quality oil in well 3-RJS-706 (3-BRSA-1132-RJS), located in the lara area, block BMS-11, in the Santos Basin pre-salt. The well is located 226 km off the coast of Rio de Janeiro, 6 km from the discovery well (1-RJS-656, lara), at a water depth of 2,197 meters.

This well, the fourth in the lara area, is still undergoing the drilling stage and will continue with the aim of defining the base of the oil reservoirs. Results have confirmed 28° API oil in good quality carbonate reservoirs, obtained by cable samples, starting at a depth of 5,260 meters.

The Consortium is going to proceed with the activities outlined in the evaluation plan approved by Brazil's National Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels Agency (ANP), which includes a formation test to assess the reservoir's productivity.

Petrobras is the operator of the consortium (65%) in partnership with BG E&P Brasil (25%) and Petrogal Brasil/Galp Energia (10%).

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: March 5, 2013

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:

/s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations
Officer

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