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Form 6-K  
January 24, 2006

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**United States 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  
January 2006  
Companhia Vale do Rio Doce  
Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26  
20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil  
(Address of principal executive office)**

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

(Check One) Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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

(Check One) Yes  No

(If  Yes  is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b). 82-\_\_\_\_.)

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**Press Release**

**Companhia  
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**CVRD stock merger with Caemi clarification**

Rio de Janeiro, January 24, 2006 Regarding the press release issued on January 23, 2006, Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) clarifies that, according to paragraph 1, article 137 from Law 6,404/76, the shareholders that acquire common shares of CVRD from January 24 onwards, will not have withdrawal rights in the case of approval of the stock merger by CVRD's Board of Directors.

The withdrawal rights will take place according to the book value stated on the last balance sheet issued in September 2005, which is significantly inferior to market value.

The shareholders of preferred shares have no withdrawal rights.

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This press release may contain statements that express management's expectations about future events or results rather than historical facts. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements, and CVRD cannot give assurance that such statements will prove correct. These risks and uncertainties include factors: relating to the Brazilian economy and securities markets, which exhibit volatility and can be adversely affected by developments in other countries; relating to the iron ore business and its dependence on the global steel industry, which is cyclical in nature; and relating to the highly competitive industries in which CVRD operates. For additional information on factors that could cause CVRD's actual results to differ from expectations reflected in forward-looking statements, please see CVRD's reports filed with the Brazilian Comissão de Valores Mobiliários and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

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**Signatures**

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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE  
(Registrant)

Date: January 24, 2006

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco  
Roberto Castello Branco  
Director of Investor Relations