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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
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Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of November, 2008

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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)

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Yes No

Discovery in the Jequitinhonha Basin

(Rio de Janeiro, November 25, 2008). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA, BCBA: APBR/APBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, announces that it has proved the presence of hydrocarbons in well 1-BRSA-669-BAS (1-BAS-147), located to the south of the Jequitinhonha Basin, in sandy reservoirs located above the salt layer. This discovery indicates the basin's good potential.

The well is located in concession BM-J-3, operated by Petrobras. Petrobras and StatoilHydro are partners in this concession, with 60% and 40% of the stakes, respectively. The block is located some 74 kilometers off the coast of the State of Bahia, at a depth of 2,354 m from the waterline (see the figure below).

The reservoirs that were discovered are arenite reservoirs and are at a depth of approximately 3,630 m. The extent of the field and its economicity will be assessed at a later time in an Assessment Plan (AP) to be proposed to the National Petroleum Association (NPA), as provided for by the concession agreement.

Drilling will continue to deeper horizons, giving continuity to the originally planned studies.

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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: November 25, 2008

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By: /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa

Almir Guilherme Barbassa
Chief Financial Officer and
Investor Relations Officer

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