

BRAZILIAN PETROLEUM CORP  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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 December, 2007**

**Commission File Number 1-15106**

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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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**20031-912 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ**  
**Federative Republic of Brazil**  
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes  No

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**Petrobras awarded for the third time as  
the most traded company at Bovespa**

(Rio de Janeiro, December 13, 2007). PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S/A - PETROBRAS, [Bovespa: PETR3/PETR4, NYSE: PBR/PBRA, Latibex: XPBR/XPBRA, BCBA: APBR/APBRA], a Brazilian international energy company, announces that, was granted, for the third time in a row, the PUBLICLY TRADED COMPANY CATEGORY THE MOST TRADED award in the 2007 Highlight Award held on December 11 by the São Paulo Stock Exchange Bovespa.

Petrobras shares have been showing increasing liquidity. Particularly the preferred shares have been the most liquid listed in the Stock Exchange, both per number of transactions and in financial volume. This liquidity is important, as it influences Petrobras participation in the calculation of the weights regarding the stock listed in Ibovespa's so-called theoretical portfolio. The shareholders' great interest in the company has turned Petrobras into the corporation with the biggest weight in this portfolio, a fact that is expected to be repeated next year, as shown by the first theoretical portfolio forecast for the period ranging from January to April 2008.

Winning the MOST TRADED award three times in a row is one of the facts that show Petrobras' ongoing efforts to boost its shareholder base, which grew by 52,385 new participants in the past two years, in part as a result of the September 2005 share split. It is also a sign of the market's acknowledgement of the equal treatment the company gives to all of its investors and is a retribution for the initiatives that were carried out to facilitate access by small and midsize investors to Petrobras-issued bonds. Furthermore, it also reflects the investors' trust in increasing their savings in the shares issued by a company whose investments are fully in line with the performance strategy it announced to the market.

The company's transparent performance, based on ethical principles and on respect for the environment and for the society was also reflected in Petrobras having been maintained on *Bovespa's Corporate Sustainability Index (CSI)* and on the main global index of this category, i.e., the Dow Jones Global Sustainability Index (DJSI). And Petrobras hopes to continue contributing to strengthening and democratizing the Brazilian capital market and to increasing the investors' trust in the company's performance even more.

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not base their expectations exclusively on the information presented herein.

## 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: December 14, 2007

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:           /s/ Almir Guilherme Barbassa          

**Almir Guilherme Barbassa**  
**Chief Financial Officer and**  
**Investor Relations Officer**

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