# 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 OCTOBER 17, 2005** 

(Commission File No. 1-14477)

### BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### BRAZIL TELECOM HOLDING 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 Regristrant's principal executive offices)

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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 \_\_\_X\_\_ 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 the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_X\_\_\_

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

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#### **BRASIL TELECOM S.A.**

Publicly Held Company Corporate Taxpayer Registration 76.535.764/0001-43 Board of Trade 53 3 0000622 9

# BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

Publicly Held Company Corporate Taxpayer Registration 02.570.688/0001-70 Board of Trade 53 3 0000581 8

#### **MATERIAL FACT**

**BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.** (NYSE: BRP; BOVESPA: BRTP3/BRTP4) and **BRASIL TELECOM S.A.** (NYSE: BTM; BOVESPA: BRTO3/BRTO4), in compliance with Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission - CVM (*Comissão de Valores Mobiliários*) Instruction 358, dated January 3, 2002, inform to the market in general that **BRASIL TELECOM S.A.** recognized in the third quarter of 2005 (3Q05), an addition of R\$83.3 millions to the pension funds provision, affecting its operating results.

Such provision is a result of an actuarial revision made by an independent actuary on August 31, 2005, which demonstrated the need of adjustments regarding the facts below:

- (i) correction of the pension benefits data base, referring to the breakdown of the families; and
- (ii) revision of the purchasing power regarding the benefits granted, according to the inflation index from January to September 2004, referred to the last wage readjustment.

Brasília, October 17, 2005.

## Charles Laganá Putz

Investor Relations Officer
Brasil Telecom Participações S.A.
Brasil Telecom S.A.

# **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: October 17, 2005

# BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

By: /s/ Charles Laganá Putz

Name: Charles Laganá Putz Title: Chief Financial

Officer