

BRAZIL TELECOM HOLDING CO

Form 6-K

September 17, 2003

**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 September 17, 2003

(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 Registrant's principal executive offices)

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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 ☒

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Clarification

Brasil Telecom considers important to be in the mobile market to avoid being exposed to obsolescence risks.

The telecommunications rules were created in order to stimulate the expansion of services. It is not possible to distort the interpretation of these rules just to argue for the containment of supply.

Telecom Italia hindered us to participate in the first PCS - Personal Communication System auction. We are arriving late in the mobile market.

We bid for the PCS license the equivalent to 20%, and also we will pay substantially less for the equipment than Telecom Italia invested to have competing operation. This save will not represent a benefit to Brasil Telecom, due to the delay in the beginning of the mobile operation.

Once we are arriving late, we will have to practice tariffs expressively lower than the current ones. And in this matter the interests of Brasil Telecom and our partner-competitor conflict.

Brasília, Brazil, September 17, 2003.

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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: September 17, 2003

BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

By: /s/ Paulo Pedrão Rio Branco

Name: Paulo Pedrão Rio
Branco
Title: Financial Executive
Officer
