

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
Form 6-K
December 16, 2010

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 December 2010

Commission File Number 1-13758

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Av. Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40
1069 - 300 Lisboa, Portugal**

(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or 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

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Exceptional Dividend Payment

Following the sale of its shareholding in Brasilcel and in anticipation of the proposed investment in Oi, Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. (PT) announced to the market a proposal for a new shareholder remuneration policy. This includes an exceptional dividend of Euro 1.65 per share for the financial year 2010, of which Euro 1.00 per share to be paid in 2010.

Considering the foregoing, PT hereby announces that its Board of Directors has approved today, 16 December 2010, the payment of Euro 1.00 of the above mentioned exceptional dividend, which will be paid on 28 December 2010, as set out below:

Gross Amount	Euro	1.000
Withholding Tax (Generic rate IRS/IRC: 21.5%)	Euro	0.215
Net Amount	Euro	0.785

The ex-dividend date is 23 December 2010 and the record date is 27 December 2010.

Payment will be made through the Securities Clearing House pursuant to the terms of article 53 of the Regulation no. 3/2000 and Circular no. 1/2000 of Interbolsa.

Portugal Telecom, SGPS, SA
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Portugal

Public company
Share capital Euro 26,895,375
Registered in the Commercial
Registry Office of Lisbon
and Corporation no. 503 215 058

Portugal Telecom is listed on the Euronext and New York Stock Exchange. Information may be accessed on the Reuters under the symbols PTC.LS and PT and on Bloomberg under the symbol PTC PL.

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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: December 16, 2010

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: /s/ Nuno Vieira
Nuno Vieira
Investor Relations Director

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