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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 May, 2008
(Commission File No. 1-14862)

BRASKEM S.A.

(Exact Name as Specified in its Charter)

N/A

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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**BRASKEM INTEGRATES THE PETROCHEMICAL ASSETS OF PETROBRAS
AND STRENGTHENS ITS BUSINESS STRATEGY**

New shareholders' agreement between Odebrecht and Petrobras consolidates strategic partnership

São Paulo, May 30, 2008 - Braskem (BOVESPA: BRKM3, BRKM5, BRKM6; NYSE: BAK; LATIBEX: XBRK), the leading company in the thermoplastic resins industry in Latin America and third-largest resin producer in the Americas, announces the approval, by resolution of the Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting held this Friday, of the integration of the interests held by Petroquisa in the capital of Copesul, Ipiranga Petroquímica, Ipiranga Química and Petroquímica Paulínia. As a result of this decision, Odebrecht, as Braskem's controlling shareholder, signed a new shareholders' agreement with Petrobras that further reinforces the strategic alliance between the two companies. The approval of this agreement represents the conclusion of yet another important step in the consolidation of the Brazilian petrochemical industry.

The petrochemical assets of Petrobras and Petroquisa that were integrated by Braskem comprise:

- 36.4% of the total capital of Copesul - Companhia Petroquímica do Sul (Copesul);
- 40% of the total capital of Ipiranga Química S.A. (IQ) and Ipiranga Petroquímica S.A. (IPQ);
- 40% of the total capital of Petroquímica Paulínia S.A. (PPSA);

The integration of the assets will allow for economies of scale, synergies gains, enhanced investment capacity in research and development and improved competitiveness in the petrochemical and plastics production chain. The conclusion of this step consolidates Braskem's position as a major competitor in the global petrochemical industry and strengthens its strategic alliance with Petrobras, said Braskem CEO José Carlos Grubisich. The approval of this agreement will enable us to accelerate our growth projects focused on value creation and is aligned with Braskem's strategic vision of becoming one of the world's ten largest petrochemical companies in terms of enterprise value".

With the incorporation of the equity interests, Braskem now owns 100% of the voting and total capital in Ipiranga Química, Ipiranga Petroquímica and Petroquímica Paulínia and 99.17% of the total and voting capital in Copesul. As part of the process, Petrobras will receive common and class A preferred shares in Braskem, increasing its interest in the company to 30% of the voting capital and 23.08% of the total capital and becoming a relevant minority shareholder.

Petrobras also has the option to integrate at Braskem its interest in Petroquímica Triunfo, receiving Braskem shares in exchange.

Simultaneously to the incorporation of the shares, a new Braskem Shareholders Agreement will be signed by Petrobras, Petroquisa and Odebrecht, which is based on the commitment of shareholders to the highest level of corporate governance practices. The new agreement provides for an increase from two to three Petrobras representatives on Braskem's board of directors, as well as for the company's participation in the Fiscal Council and on the board's support committees.

In April, the Secretariat for Economic Monitoring (SEAE) of the Ministry of Finance and the Secretariat for Economic Law (SDE) of the Ministry of Justice recommended to the Administrative Council of Economic Defense (CADE), Brazil's anti-trust and competition authority, the approval with no restrictions of the investment agreement between Petrobras and Braskem. The secretariats, which jointly conducted the analysis, stated that the operations provided for in the investment agreement promote fair competition and recommended approval with no restrictions. The next step will be the evaluation by CADE.

The investment agreement also provides for a capital increase at Braskem in the amount of R\$720.7 million through the issue of 46.9 million common shares and approximately 43 million class A preferred shares.

Braskem, a world-class Brazilian petrochemical company, is the leader in the thermoplastic resins industry in Latin America, and is the third-largest resins producer in the Americas. The company operates 19 manufacturing plants located throughout Brazil, and has annual production capacity of more than 11 million tons of petrochemical and chemical products.

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SIGNATURES

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: May 30, 2008

BRASKEM S.A.

By: /s/ Carlos José Fadigas de Souza Filho

Name: Carlos José Fadigas de Souza Filho

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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