

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce  
Form 6-K  
July 22, 2008

**United States  
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  
July 2008

**Companhia Vale do Rio Doce**  
Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26  
20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil  
(Address of principal executive office)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

(Check One) Form 20-F  Form 40-F

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

(Check One) Yes  No

(If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b). 82-  
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This report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into the prospectus that forms part of the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Companhia Vale do Rio Doce ( Vale ) (File No. 333-143857) and the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Vale Capital Limited (File No. 333-143857-01), each filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on June 18, 2007, and shall be deemed to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is furnished to the SEC, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished. It contains as an exhibit the following document:

Exhibit 5.1 Opinion letter of Mattos Filho, Veiga Filho, Marrey Jr. e Quiroga Advogados, dated July 22, 2008.

**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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE

Date: July 22, 2008

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco  
Roberto Castello Branco  
Director of Investor Relations

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