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PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes No

Strategic Plan and Business and Management Plan 2017-2021

Rio de Janeiro, September 20, 2016 – Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. – Petrobras announces that its Board of Directors approved, at a meeting held yesterday, the new Strategic Plan and the Business and Management Plan 2017-2021.

The Strategic Plan and Business and Management Plan were drawn up in an integrated manner and had the direct involvement of the Senior Management and other company officers at all of the stages of its development.

Two main metrics were set, one concerning the safety aspect and other concerning the financial aspect, which guide the company's strategy:

- Reduce by 36% the Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate (TRIFR*)¹ from 2.2 in 2015 to 1.4 in 2018
- Reduce the leverage (net debt/EBITDA) of 5.3 in 2015 to 2.5 in 2018

Strategic Plan

The new Strategic Plan includes five crucial principles that establish what Petrobras wants to be:

"An integrated energy company focusing on oil and gas that evolves with society, generating high value and with a unique technical ability"; with the following values: respect for life, people and the environment; ethics and transparency; market driven; overcoming and confidence; and results.

1 TRIFR = number of reportable injuries per million man-hours

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These principles unfold into 21 strategies, as follows:

Integrated energy company

- Reduce the risk of Petrobras' operation in Exploration and Production, Refining, Transportation, Logistics, Distribution and Sales through partnerships and divestments
- Restructure the Energy Businesses, consolidating the thermoelectric assets and other businesses in this segment, seeking the alternative that maximizes value for the company.
- Review the positioning of the Lubricant business, in order to maximize the creation of value for Petrobras.

Focus on oil and gas

- Manage the exploratory portfolio in order to maximize cost effectiveness and ensure the sustainability of oil and gas production.
- Manage the portfolio of Exploration and Production portfolio in an integrated manner
- Optimize the business portfolio, withdrawing entirely from biofuel production, LPG distribution, fertilizer production and petrochemical interests, preserving technological competencies in areas with development potential.
- Maximize value creation in the gas chain, aligned with regulatory developments, ensuring the monetization of proprietary production and optimizing participation in the chain of natural

gas as a fuel of transition to the long term

Evolution with the society

- Strengthen internal controls and governance, ensuring transparency and an effective system for preventing and combating irregularities, without prejudice the agility in the decision- making process.
- Recover Petrobras' credibility and strengthen its relation and reputation with all its stakeholders, including control and supervisory bodies of the company.
- Maintain transparent, respectful and proactive dialogue with all stakeholders, through the use of the best and most up-to-date internal and external communication practices.
- Align social responsibility actions with the company`s projects.

Value generation

- Strengthen the reservoir management to maximize the value of E&P contracts in all the regulatory regimes, seeking opportunities to continuously incorporate reserves.
- Ensure disciplined use of capital and return to shareholders in all Petrobras projects, with high reliability and predictability in the delivery
- Continuously maximize the productivity and the reduction of costs in accordance with the best international practices

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- Promote a market price policy and maximize margins in the value chain
- Operate with an emphasis on partnerships and divestments as key value generation elements.
- Promote the management of our workforce in an environment of participatory culture and mutual trust, focused on results that add value, with safety, ethical conduct, responsibility, encouragement of argument, meritocracy, simplicity and conformity.
- Manage the process of contracting goods and services with a focus on value, aligned with international standards and metrics, meeting conformity requirements, maintaining flexibility in adverse and volatile demand scenarios and contributing to the development of the chain as a whole.

Technical capacity

- Ensure the constant development of technological competencies in areas with development potential, strengthening the performance of the current business and opening options for competitive operations with low-carbon and renewable energy technologies and refinery-petrochemical integration.
- Prioritize the development of deep-water production, with a focus on strategic partnerships, combining technical competencies and technologies.
- Enable the conception and implementation of projects with a low oil equilibrium price, with safety and compliance with environmental requirements

Based on the Company's new management system, each one of these strategies has particular associated initiatives, totaling 72. In turn, each initiative has goals, unfolded up to the level of supervision and with systematic monitoring, in order to ensure the discipline in its execution.

Business and Management Plan 2017-2021

Integrated with the Strategic Plan, the Business and Management Plan detailed the operational plan, focusing on safety, as well as the Company's financial plan for the next five years.

The Program Commitment to Life will have as its main goal the reduction of the Total Recordable Injury

Frequency Rate (TRIFR*) to 1.4 in 2018, based on the operational discipline and safety of processes. The program aims at improving the awareness to safety in the company, with the commitment of the leadership, continuous training focused on the knowledge on risks and processes, evaluation of the management and system of consequences.

Among the assumptions used for plan, we can point out:

- Competitive prices for oil products in Brazil;
- Brent's average price and average exchange rate, as follows;

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- Growth of the Brazilian oil products market by 5.2% in the period.

The investment portfolio of the Plan prioritizes exploration and production projects of oil in Brazil, with emphasis on deep water. In other business areas, investments are intended primarily to maintain operations and projects related to the flow of oil and natural gas. Total investments were reduced by 25% when compared to the last review of the Business and Management Plan 2015-2019, disclosed in January 2016, and are distributed according to the chart below:

Of the investments in the Exploration and Production area (US\$60.6 billion), 76% will be allocated to production development, 11% to exploration and 13% to operating support.

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A total of US\$12.4 billion will be invested in the Refining and Natural Gas area, 50% of which allocated to the assets' operational continuity and the remainder to projects related to the outflow of oil and gas production.

In addition to greater efficiency of the funds invested, which will allow reducing the volume of investments without much impact on operational goals, the Plan also provides for the adoption of new measures to reduce costs (manageable operating expenses). Among these initiatives, we can highlight the implementation of new management tools, such as the Zero-Based Budgeting and differentiated management of contracts and personnel. The aim is to reduce by 18% the manageable operating expenses, when compared to the value estimated if no initiative had been implemented.

Another important strategy is the expansion of partnerships and divestments, disseminating the successful experience in the exploration and production area to the other areas of the Company. A total of US\$19.5 billion in partnerships and divestments is estimated for 2017 and 2018.

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These initiatives, coupled with the operating cash flow estimated in US\$158 billion, net of dividends, will allow Petrobras to carry out its investments and reduce its debt, without the need of new net capital rising within the period of the Plan.

Oil, NGL and Natural Gas Production Curve

The Company expects to reach a total production of oil and gas, in Brazil and abroad, of 3.41 million boed in 2021, of which 2.77 million bpd of oil and NGL in Brazil, already taking into account the new level of investments, the partnerships and the divestments.

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Risk Management

Petrobras is adopting specific initiatives to enhance its risk management, including the identification and planning of mitigation initiatives, in order to allow for a timely and adequate response under any circumstances.

Within the identified risks, the highlights are:

- Material changes in market conditions
- Partnerships and divestments, subject to the market conditions prevailing at the time of the transactions;
- Legal disputes;
- Renegotiation of the Transfer of Rights;
- Impact of Local Content on costs and deadlines of projects;
- Delays in the construction of platforms;
- Higher than expected capex costs.

Execution Discipline and Management System

A meritocratic-based management system will be adopted, with goals being measured up to the supervisory level, systematic monitoring and correction of nonconformities, so as to ensure discipline in the execution of initiatives and in reaching the goals set forth in the Business and Management Plan.

Petrobras's employees will work towards a company that is operationally safe, financially solid, carries out its business in an ethical way, delivers, generates value, and learns and evolves with society as a whole.

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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 20, 2016

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A--PETROBRAS

By:

/s/ Ivan de Souza Monteiro

Ivan de Souza Monteiro
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations
Officer

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