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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For January 25, 2002

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Valley of the Doce River Company  
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Federative Republic of Brazil  
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Avenida Graca Aranha, No. 26  
20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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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

[If "Yes " is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):] Not applicable

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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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco

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Name: Roberto Castello Branco  
Title: Head of Investor Relations

Dated: January 25, 2002

Item 1

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Vale do Rio doce

Press Release

ALBRAS Resumes Production at Full Capacity

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Rio de Janeiro, January 24, 2002 - Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) informs that ALBRAS - Aluminio Brasileiro S. A. (Albras), a company in which its subsidiary Vale do Rio Doce S.A. - Aluvale (Aluvale) holds 51% of the total capital, resumed yesterday operation at full capacity, 406,000 tonnes. During the second half of 2001, Albras had to reduce production due to the energy rationing program in the North of Brazil.

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