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## TELESP HOLDING COMPANY

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Federative Republic of Brazil

(Address of principal executive office)

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*December 31, 2005 and 2004*

*with Report of Independent Auditors*

*(A free translation of the original report in Portuguese containing  
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**TELECOMUNICAÇÕES DE SÃO PAULO S.A. - TELESP**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS**

Board of Directors and Shareholders

**Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. - TELESP**

São Paulo - SP

1. We have audited the accompanying individual (Company) and consolidated balance sheets of Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005, and the related statements of income, shareholders' equity and changes in financial position for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements.
2. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Brazil which comprised: (a) the planning of our work, taking into consideration the materiality of balances, the volume of transactions and the accounting and internal control systems of the Company, (b) the examination, on a test basis, of the documentary evidence and accounting records supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, and (c) an assessment of the accounting practices used and significant estimates made by management of the Company and subsidiaries, as well as an evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.
3. In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the individual and consolidated financial position of Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. - TELESP and subsidiaries at December 31, 2005, the related result of their operations, changes in their shareholders' equity and changes in their financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with the accounting practices adopted in Brazil.
4. The individual (Company) and consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2004, presented for comparison purposes, were reviewed by other independent auditors, who issued an unqualified opinion dated February 2, 2005.

São Paulo, January 31, 2006

ERNST & YOUNG

Audidores Independentes S.S.

CRC-2SP015199/O-6/S

Luiz Carlos Marques

Accountant CRC-1SP147693/O-5

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## BALANCE SHEETS

December 31, 2005 and 2004

(In thousands of reais)

|                                    | Company           |            | Consolidated      |            |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
|                                    | 2005              | 2004       | 2005              | 2004       |
| <b>Assets</b>                      |                   |            |                   |            |
| Current assets                     | <b>5,065,553</b>  | 4,098,160  | <b>5,112,898</b>  | 4,161,865  |
| Cash and cash equivalents          | <b>440,166</b>    | 172,293    | <b>463,456</b>    | 238,577    |
| Trade accounts receivable, net     | <b>2,757,297</b>  | 2,681,644  | <b>2,783,268</b>  | 2,696,000  |
| Deferred and recoverable taxes     | <b>1,591,214</b>  | 897,546    | <b>1,622,774</b>  | 907,819    |
| Inventories                        | <b>74,896</b>     | 91,462     | <b>75,101</b>     | 93,002     |
| Other recoverable amounts          | <b>46,316</b>     | 91,212     | <b>47,465</b>     | 92,830     |
| Other                              | <b>155,664</b>    | 164,003    | <b>120,834</b>    | 133,637    |
| Non-current assets                 | <b>948,564</b>    | 703,092    | <b>1,046,075</b>  | 805,119    |
| Deferred and recoverable taxes     | <b>429,716</b>    | 325,560    | <b>458,106</b>    | 354,382    |
| Escrow deposits                    | <b>481,266</b>    | 333,407    | <b>481,790</b>    | 333,893    |
| Other                              | <b>37,582</b>     | 44,125     | <b>106,179</b>    | 116,844    |
| Permanent assets                   | <b>12,786,496</b> | 13,884,589 | <b>12,690,169</b> | 13,784,783 |
| Investments                        | <b>479,409</b>    | 509,745    | <b>253,565</b>    | 284,574    |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | <b>12,241,492</b> | 13,261,463 | <b>12,358,023</b> | 13,369,391 |
| Deferred charges                   | <b>65,595</b>     | 113,381    | <b>78,581</b>     | 130,818    |
| <b>Total assets</b>                | <b>18,800,613</b> | 18,685,841 | <b>18,849,142</b> | 18,751,767 |

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|   | Company           |            | Consolidated      |            |
|---|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
|   | 2005              | 2004       | 2005              | 2004       |
| <b>Liabilities and shareholders' equity</b> |                   |            |                   |            |
| Current liabilities                         | <b>5,402,917</b>  | 4,138,548  | <b>5,431,401</b>  | 4,163,806  |
| Loans and financing                         | <b>244,856</b>    | 526,132    | <b>246,755</b>    | 529,930    |
| Trade accounts payable                      | <b>1,476,235</b>  | 1,172,604  | <b>1,506,971</b>  | 1,194,781  |
| Taxes payable                               | <b>1,778,152</b>  | 1,155,720  | <b>1,794,138</b>  | 1,165,734  |
| Dividends and interest on capital           | <b>903,356</b>    | 506,116    | <b>903,356</b>    | 506,116    |
| Reserve for contingencies                   | <b>67,733</b>     | 52,806     | <b>67,791</b>     | 52,847     |
| Payroll and related charges                 | <b>155,627</b>    | 138,628    | <b>162,161</b>    | 143,312    |
| Temporary losses on derivatives             | <b>294,255</b>    | 235,918    | <b>294,255</b>    | 235,918    |
| Other                                       | <b>482,703</b>    | 350,624    | <b>455,974</b>    | 335,168    |
| Non-current liabilities                     | <b>3,191,875</b>  | 3,147,047  | <b>3,194,450</b>  | 3,170,245  |
| Loans and financing                         | <b>2,150,853</b>  | 2,205,762  | <b>2,150,853</b>  | 2,226,313  |
| Taxes payable                               | <b>22,709</b>     | 26,007     | <b>22,709</b>     | 26,007     |
| Reserve for contingencies                   | <b>931,907</b>    | 800,244    | <b>932,078</b>    | 800,382    |
| Other                                       | <b>86,406</b>     | 115,034    | <b>88,810</b>     | 117,543    |
| Deferred income                             |                   |            | <b>17,470</b>     | 17,470     |
| Shareholders' equity                        | <b>10,204,207</b> | 11,398,632 | <b>10,204,207</b> | 11,398,632 |
| Capital                                     | <b>5,978,074</b>  | 5,978,074  | <b>5,978,074</b>  | 5,978,074  |
| Capital reserves                            | <b>2,686,973</b>  | 2,745,272  | <b>2,686,973</b>  | 2,745,272  |
| Legal reserves                              | <b>659,556</b>    | 659,556    | <b>659,556</b>    | 659,556    |
| Retained earnings                           | <b>879,604</b>    | 2,015,730  | <b>879,604</b>    | 2,015,730  |
| Funds for capitalization                    | <b>1,614</b>      | 1,614      | <b>1,614</b>      | 1,614      |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity  | <b>18,800,613</b> | 18,685,841 | <b>18,849,142</b> | 18,751,767 |

See accompanying notes.



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## STATEMENTS OF INCOME

Years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

(In thousands of reais, except earnings per share)

|   | Company            |             | Consolidated       |             |
|---|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|   | 2005               | 2004        | 2005               | 2004        |
| Gross operating revenue   | <b>20,068,302</b>  | 18,327,071  | <b>20,350,920</b>  | 18,425,674  |
| Telecommunications services   | <b>20,068,302</b>  | 18,327,071  | <b>20,350,920</b>  | 18,425,674  |
| Revenue deductions  | <b>(5,852,413)</b> | (5,102,017) | <b>(5,955,819)</b> | (5,117,044) |
| Net operating revenue   | <b>14,215,889</b>  | 13,225,054  | <b>14,395,101</b>  | 13,308,630  |
| Cost of services provided   | <b>(7,600,605)</b> | (7,449,067) | <b>(7,716,723)</b> | (7,496,010) |
| Gross profit  | <b>6,615,284</b>   | 5,775,987   | <b>6,678,378</b>   | 5,812,620   |
| Operating expenses  | <b>(2,786,991)</b> | (2,511,773) | <b>(2,842,551)</b> | (2,543,294) |
| Selling   | <b>(1,789,100)</b> | (1,528,467) | <b>(1,810,377)</b> | (1,606,645) |
| General and administrative  | <b>(814,258)</b>   | (763,222)   | <b>(863,920)</b>   | (746,802)   |
| Equity in subsidiaries  | <b>(32,486)</b>    | (84,932)    | <b>(17,829)</b>    | (461)       |
| Other, net  | <b>(151,147)</b>   | (135,152)   | <b>(150,425)</b>   | (189,386)   |
| Income from operations before financial expenses, net               | <b>3,828,293</b>   | 3,264,214   | <b>3,835,827</b>   | 3,269,326   |
| Financial expenses, net   | <b>(1,431,155)</b> | (1,285,753) | <b>(1,440,332)</b> | (1,292,808) |
| Operating income  | <b>2,397,138</b>   | 1,978,461   | <b>2,395,495</b>   | 1,976,518   |
| Non-operating income, net   | <b>37,310</b>      | 39,982      | <b>37,799</b>      | 40,102      |
| Income before taxes   | <b>2,434,448</b>   | 2,018,443   | <b>2,433,294</b>   | 2,016,620   |
| Income tax and social contribution                                  | <b>(872,501)</b>   | (725,894)   | <b>(871,347)</b>   | (724,071)   |
| Reversal of interest on capital                                     | <b>980,000</b>     | 888,600     | <b>980,000</b>     | 888,600     |
| Net income  | <b>2,541,947</b>   | 2,181,149   | <b>2,541,947</b>   | 2,181,149   |
| Number of shares outstanding at the balance sheet date in thousands | <b>492,030</b>     | 493,592,279 |                    |             |
| Earnings per share - R\$  | <b>5.1662</b>      | 0.0044      |                    |             |

See accompanying notes

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## STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

Years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

(In thousands of reais)

|   | Capital reserves |                  |                 |                   |                |                | Retained earnings  | Total shareholders equity |
|---|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
|   | Capital          | Share premium    | Treasury stock  | Investment grants | Tax incentives | Legal reserve  |                    |                           |
| Balances at December 31, 2003                             | 5,978,074        | 2,737,087        |                 | 6,756             | 188            | 550,498        | 2,996,457          | 12,269,060                |
| Investment grants   |                  |                  |                 | 1,241             |                |                |                    | 1,241                     |
| Unclaimed dividends and interest on capital, net of taxes |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | 45,472             | 45,472                    |
| Net income for the year                                   |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | 2,181,149          | 2,181,149                 |
| Proposed allocation of income:                            |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                |                    |                           |
| Dividends   |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | (2,209,690)        | (2,209,690)               |
| Legal reserve   |                  |                  |                 |                   |                | 109,058        | (109,058)          |                           |
| Interest on capital                                       |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | (755,310)          | (755,310)                 |
| Income tax on interest on capital                         |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | (133,290)          | (133,290)                 |
| Balances at December 31, 2004                             | <b>5,978,074</b> | <b>2,737,087</b> |                 | <b>7,997</b>      | <b>188</b>     | <b>659,556</b> | <b>2,015,730</b>   | <b>11,398,632</b>         |
| Investment grants   |                  |                  |                 | <b>593</b>        |                |                |                    | <b>593</b>                |
| Unclaimed dividends and interest on capital, net of taxes |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | <b>91,927</b>      | <b>91,927</b>             |
| Purchase of own shares after reverse split of shares      |                  |                  | <b>(58,892)</b> |                   |                |                |                    | <b>(58,892)</b>           |
| Net income for the year                                   |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | <b>2,541,947</b>   | <b>2,541,947</b>          |
| Proposed allocation of income:                            |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                |                    |                           |
| Dividends   |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | <b>(2,790,000)</b> | <b>(2,790,000)</b>        |
| Interest on capital                                       |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | <b>(833,000)</b>   | <b>(833,000)</b>          |
| Income tax on interest on capital                         |                  |                  |                 |                   |                |                | <b>(147,000)</b>   | <b>(147,000)</b>          |
| Balances at December 31, 2005                             | <b>5,978,074</b> | <b>2,737,087</b> | <b>(58,892)</b> | <b>8,590</b>      | <b>188</b>     | <b>659,556</b> | <b>879,604</b>     | <b>10,204,207</b>         |

See accompanying notes.

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## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION

Years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

(In thousands of reais)

|  | Company   |           | Consolidated |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|  | 2005      | 2004      | 2005         | 2004      |
| <b>Sources of funds</b>  |           |           |              |           |
| From operations  |           |           |              |           |
| Net income for the year  | 2,541,947 | 2,181,149 | 2,541,947    | 2,181,149 |
| Items not affecting working capital  | 2,709,789 | 2,907,531 | 2,733,321    | 2,884,509 |
| Depreciation and amortization  | 2,646,025 | 2,718,013 | 2,675,136    | 2,736,811 |
| Monetary and exchange variations of noncurrent receivables and payables, net | (86,551)  | 1,435     | (89,811)     | 1,445     |
| Interest on loans and financing  | 12,677    | 6,702     | 18,923       | 12,049    |
| Equity pickup  | 32,486    | 84,932    | 17,829       | 461       |
| Loss (income) on disposal of fixed assets and investment                     | 6,420     | (6,372)   | 6,569        | (6,359)   |
| Reserve for contingencies  | 101,937   | 135,006   | 101,995      | 135,170   |
| Tax credits  | (44,872)  | 22,315    | (44,439)     | 5,258     |
| Amortization of investment goodwill  | 41,355    | 32,043    | 41,355       | 32,043    |
| Provision for pension plans Resolution CVM 371/2000                          | 312       | (37,743)  | 312          | (37,658)  |
| Provision for losses Barramar credits  |           | (48,800)  | 5,452        | 5,173     |
| Other  |           |           |              | 116       |
| Total funds from operations  | 5,251,736 | 5,088,680 | 5,275,268    | 5,065,658 |
| Increase in noncurrent liabilities   | 335,332   | 1,738,731 | 336,327      | 1,729,399 |
| Loans and financing  | 325,683   | 1,738,700 | 325,683      | 1,725,635 |
| Related parties  |           |           | 609          |           |
| Other liabilities  | 9,649     | 31        | 10,035       | 3,764     |
| Other sources  | 271,702   | 294,259   | 271,292      | 301,675   |
| Investment grants  | 593       | 1,241     | 593          | 1,241     |
| Transfer from noncurrent to current assets                                   | 146,233   | 232,997   | 144,864      | 240,264   |
| Proceeds from sale of fixed assets   | 28,379    | 14,549    | 29,299       | 14,549    |
| Unclaimed dividends  | 91,927    | 45,472    | 91,927       | 45,472    |
| Other  | 4,570     |           | 4,609        | 149       |
| Total sources of funds   | 5,858,770 | 7,121,670 | 5,882,887    | 7,096,732 |
| <b>Uses of funds</b>   |           |           |              |           |
| Increase in noncurrent assets  | 321,101   | 112,438   | 321,124      | 115,006   |
| Escrow deposits  | 127,516   | 38,187    | 127,539      | 38,337    |
| Recoverable ICMS (State VAT)   | 189,266   | 62,141    | 189,266      | 62,141    |
| Other  | 4,319     | 12,110    | 4,319        | 14,528    |
| Increase in permanent assets   | 1,661,141 | 1,517,033 | 1,674,482    | 1,456,580 |
| Investments  | 21,055    | 189,824   |              | 115,879   |

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|   |                  |             |                  |             |
|---|------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Property, plant and equipment                   | <b>1,640,086</b> | 1,327,209   | <b>1,674,482</b> | 1,340,697   |
| Deferred charges                                |                  |             |                  | 4           |
| <b>Other uses of funds</b>                      | <b>4,173,504</b> | 3,664,957   | <b>4,203,843</b> | 3,690,272   |
| Interest on capital and dividends               | <b>3,770,000</b> | 3,098,290   | <b>3,770,000</b> | 3,098,290   |
| Treasury stock - Capital reserve                | <b>58,892</b>    |             | <b>58,892</b>    |             |
| Merged working capital                          |                  |             |                  | 2,944       |
| Transfer from noncurrent to current liabilities | <b>344,612</b>   | 566,667     | <b>369,225</b>   | 589,038     |
| Other   |                  |             | <b>5,726</b>     |             |
| <b>Total uses of funds</b>                      | <b>6,155,746</b> | 5,294,428   | <b>6,199,449</b> | 5,261,858   |
| Increase (decrease) in funds                    | <b>(296,976)</b> | 1,827,242   | <b>(316,562)</b> | 1,834,874   |
| <b>Current assets</b>                           |                  |             |                  |             |
| At beginning of year                            | <b>4,098,160</b> | 4,053,622   | <b>4,161,865</b> | 4,121,165   |
| At end of year                                  | <b>5,065,553</b> | 4,098,160   | <b>5,112,898</b> | 4,161,865   |
|   | <b>967,393</b>   | 44,538      | <b>951,033</b>   | 40,700      |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>                      |                  |             |                  |             |
| At beginning of year                            | <b>4,138,548</b> | 5,921,252   | <b>4,163,806</b> | 5,957,980   |
| At end of year                                  | <b>5,402,917</b> | 4,138,548   | <b>5,431,401</b> | 4,163,806   |
|   | <b>1,264,369</b> | (1,782,704) | <b>1,267,595</b> | (1,794,174) |
| <b>Changes in working capital</b>               | <b>(296,976)</b> | 1,827,242   | <b>(316,562)</b> | 1,834,874   |

See accompanying notes.

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**TELECOMUNICAÇÕES DE SÃO PAULO S.A. TELESP**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2005 and 2004

(In thousands of reais)

**1. Operations and Background**

a) Ownership control and operations

Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. - Telesp, hereinafter referred to as the Company or Telesp, is controlled by Telefónica S.A., which, on December 31, 2005, holds directly and indirectly 84.71% of the common shares and 88.90% of the preferred shares of the Company.

The Company is registered with the Brazilian Securities Commission (CVM) as a publicly held company and its shares are traded on the São Paulo Stock Exchange (BOVESPA). The Company is also registered with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and its American Depository Shares (ADSs - level II) are traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

The Company's activities are regulated by Brazil's telecommunications regulator (ANATEL), in accordance with the terms of the concession granted by the Brazilian Government.

The Company is a concessionaire of the fixed switch telephone service (STFC) in Region 3, which comprises the State of São Paulo, in Sectors 31, 32 and 34 established in the General Concession Plan (PGO).

The STFC Concession Agreement expired on December 31, 2005, and was renewed on December 22, 2005 for a period of 20 years, with the possibility of being amended on December 31, 2010, 2015 and 2020. This condition enables ANATEL to establish new requirements and universalization and quality targets, based on the conditions in force at the time of the renewal.

During the twenty years of the new period, publicly-traded companies must pay a renewal fee equivalent to 2% (two percent) of STFC revenues from the year previous to the payment, net of taxes and contributions.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

December 31, 2005 and 2004

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**1. Operations and Background (Continued)**

b) Telecommunications service providers and subsidiaries

A. Telecom S.A.: new corporate name of Assist Telefônica S.A., still a wholly-owned subsidiary and privately-held corporation, including in its business purpose the rendering of services related to: electronic monitoring, including sale, rent, installation, operation and maintenance; billing and collection of voice and data communication services; automated voice services, providing access to information and services through fixed telephones, mobiles or public telephones, using voice and text recognition and authentication; administration and exploration of service stores and other similar or related services, including administration of franchises; production of furniture for equipment, devices and telecommunications and IT networks in general, in addition to installation services already rendered; operation and maintenance of telephony, data and IT internal networks; value-added services, including services related to internet content, connection and access, technology services and all necessary support referring to worldwide computer network; installation, operation and maintenance of internet, intranet and extranet solutions; sale, rent and maintenance of telecommunications and IT equipment and devices in general.

Aliança Atlântica Holding B.V.: this company headquartered in Amsterdam, Netherlands, is a 50-50 joint venture formed in 1997 between Telebrás and Portugal Telecom. With the spin-off of Telebrás in February 1998, Telebrás equity interest in Aliança Atlântica was transferred to the Company. Currently, 50% of Aliança Atlântica is owned by the Company and 50% by Telefônica S.A.

Companhia AIX de Participações: this company is engaged in both direct and indirect development of activities related to the construction, conclusion and operation of underground fiber optic networks. Currently, Telesp holds 50% interest in this company.

Companhia ACT de Participações: on June 30, 2001, Telesp paid up an equity interest of 32% in this company. In November and December 2003, this company underwent a corporate restructuring process that increased Telesp equity interest to 50% in this company, whose business purpose is to participate in Refibra Consortium, render technical advisory services for preparation of projects for the conclusion of the Refibra Network, making the necessary studies to render them economically feasible, as well as monitoring of status of activities related to the Consortium.

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**1. Operations and Background** (Continued)

b) Telecommunications service providers and subsidiaries (continued)

Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.: on December 24, 2004, the Company acquired all the units of interest of Santo Genovese Participações Ltda., a limited liability company, which holds an equity interest in Atrium Telecomunicações Ltda., a company that provides telecommunication management services for corporate clients in Brazil (industries, companies and condominiums), internet and intranet services, and sale, rent and representation of telecommunication systems and related equipment.

**2. Presentation of the Financial Statements**

The financial statements as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 were prepared in accordance with accounting practices adopted in Brazil, rules applicable to concessionaires of public telecommunications services, and accounting procedures and standards established by the Brazilian Securities Commission (CVM).

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts and transactions of the subsidiaries A.Telecom S.A. and Santo Genovese Participações Ltda., and of the jointly-owned subsidiaries Aliança Atlântica Holding B.V., Companhia AIX de Participações and Companhia ACT de Participações, which were fully or proportionally consolidated in accordance with CVM Instruction No. 247/96.

In consolidation, all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses resulting from intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

Some accounts in the 2004 financial statements were reclassified for purposes of adequacy and consistency with the current year. However, the amounts of such reclassifications are not material to the financial statements and will therefore not be disclosed in detail.

**3. Summary of Significant Accounting Practices**

a) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash equivalents are temporary liquid investments, recorded at cost, increased by earnings accrued to the balance sheet date.

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**3. Summary of Significant Accounting Practices (Continued)**

b) Trade accounts receivable, net

These are stated at the tariff amounts on the date the services were provided. Services rendered to clients who had not been billed on the balance sheet date are also included. Allowance for doubtful accounts is set up in an amount considered sufficient to cover possible losses.

c) Balances and transactions in foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currency were translated using the exchange rate at the transaction date. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are recorded at the exchange rate on the balance sheet date. Exchange variations resulting from operations in foreign currency were recognized in income.

d) Inventories

Inventories are stated at average acquisition cost, net of adjustment to realization value, and segregated into plant expansion and inventories for consumption, maintenance or resale. Inventories for use in expansion are classified as Construction in progress, in property, plant and equipment, and those for consumption, maintenance or resale are classified as Inventories in current assets.

e) Investments

In the Company, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for under the equity method. Other investments are recorded at cost, less allowance for probable losses, when considered necessary. Subsidiaries are consolidated at the base date December 31 of each year, except the subsidiary Santo Genovese, acquired in December 2004 and consolidated on the base date November 30, 2004.



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**3. Summary of Significant Accounting Practices (Continued)**

f) Property, plant and equipment, net

Property, plant and equipment are stated at acquisition and/or construction cost, less accumulated depreciation.

Expenses incurred with maintenance and repair, when representing improvement (increase in the installed capacity or useful life), are capitalized, whereas other expenses are charged to income, observing the accrual method of accounting.

Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method. Depreciation rates adopted are in accordance with the useful life of assets and with the Public Telecommunications Service standards. The main rates applied are shown in Note 12.

g) Deferred charges

Deferred charges comprise: (i) pre-operating expenses stated at acquisition cost and amortized over a period of 5 years; (ii) goodwill on acquisition of merged investment, amortized over a period of 5 years, the last installment having been recorded in November 2005; and (iii) goodwill on acquisition of IP network, amortized over a period of 10 years (see Note 13).

h) Income tax and social contribution

Corporate income tax and social contribution are accounted for on the accrual basis. Deferred taxes attributable to temporary differences and income tax and social contribution losses are recorded in assets, based on the assumption of future realization within the parameters established by CVM Ruling No. 371/02.

i) Reserve for contingencies

These are recognized for those cases in which an unfavorable outcome is considered probable at the balance sheet date. Provisions were conservatively set up for claims initiated by the Company, even though liabilities for such claims have been considered possible (Note 18).

j) Revenue recognition

Revenues related to services rendered are recorded on the accrual basis. Unbilled revenue from the date of the last billing to the balance sheet date is recognized in the month in which the service is rendered. Revenue from the sale of public phone cards is deferred and recognized in income as the cards are used.

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**3. Summary of Significant Accounting Practices (Continued)**k) Financial expenses, net

These represent interest, monetary and exchange variations arising from financial investments, debentures, loans and financing obtained and granted, as well as the results of derivative operations (hedge).

Credited/debited interest on capital is included in this item. For presentation purposes, the amounts declared in the year were reversed from the statement of income and charged to retained earnings, in shareholders' equity.

l) Post-retirement benefit plans

The Company sponsors individual and multiemployer post-retirement and health assistance plans to its employees. Actuarial liabilities were calculated using the projected unit credit method, as provided for by CVM Ruling No. 371/00. Other considerations related to such plans are described in Note 30.

m) Derivatives

Gains or losses on derivatives are recorded monthly in income. Balances of derivative operations (exchange swaps) are described in Notes 25 and 32.

n) Earnings per share

Earnings per share are calculated based on the number of shares outstanding at the balance sheet date.

**4. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

|                            | Company        |         | Consolidated   |         |
|----------------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
|                            | 2005           | 2004    | 2005           | 2004    |
| Cash and banks             | 36,281         | 9,478   | 38,997         | 25,323  |
| Temporary cash investments | 403,885        | 162,815 | 424,459        | 213,254 |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>440,166</b> | 172,293 | <b>463,456</b> | 238,577 |

Temporary cash investments are liquid investments restated based on the Interbank Deposit Certificate (CDI) rate variation and are held with creditworthy banks.



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**5. Trade Accounts Receivable, Net**

|                                 | Company   |           | Consolidated |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|                                 | 2005      | 2004      | 2005         | 2004      |
| Billed amounts                  | 2,178,028 | 2,212,569 | 2,204,490    | 2,225,833 |
| Unbilled amounts                | 1,146,055 | 1,033,315 | 1,153,231    | 1,038,304 |
| Gross accounts receivable       | 3,324,083 | 3,245,884 | 3,357,721    | 3,264,137 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (566,786) | (564,240) | (574,453)    | (568,137) |
| Total                           | 2,757,297 | 2,681,644 | 2,783,268    | 2,696,000 |
| Current                         | 2,176,410 | 2,145,167 | 2,172,579    | 2,148,190 |
| Past-due 1 to 30 days           | 461,827   | 433,423   | 473,348      | 440,352   |
| Past-due 31 to 60 days          | 121,943   | 114,127   | 127,630      | 116,478   |
| Past-due 61 to 90 days          | 55,175    | 48,938    | 59,693       | 50,098    |
| Past-due 91 to 120 days         | 35,393    | 34,086    | 40,306       | 34,963    |
| Past-due more than 120 days     | 473,335   | 470,143   | 484,165      | 474,056   |
| Total                           | 3,324,083 | 3,245,884 | 3,357,721    | 3,264,137 |

Amounts receivable from Embratel in 2004, amounting to R\$68,258 were negotiated in 2005, with no effect on the Company's result of operations.

**6. Deferred and Recoverable Taxes**

|  | Company |         | Consolidated |         |
|--|---------|---------|--------------|---------|
|  | 2005    | 2004    | 2005         | 2004    |
| Withholding taxes                                    | 59,874  | 46,070  | 61,484       | 46,980  |
| Prepaid income tax                                   | 692,141 | 220,924 | 695,529      | 221,407 |
| Prepaid social contribution                          | 255,731 | 85,586  | 256,904      | 85,603  |
| Deferred taxes                                       | 770,392 | 619,279 | 809,647      | 654,103 |
| Tax loss carryforwards Income tax                    |         |         | 20,831       | 21,136  |
| Tax loss carryforwards Social contribution tax       |         |         | 7,500        | 7,610   |
| Reserve for contingencies                            | 326,442 | 276,602 | 326,520      | 276,662 |
| Post-retirement benefit plans                        | 15,287  | 15,182  | 15,288       | 15,211  |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts                      | 98,836  | 91,351  | 101,408      | 92,565  |
| Allowance for reduction of inventory to market value | 38,704  | 51,759  | 38,750       | 54,943  |
| Income tax on other temporary differences            | 214,060 | 135,577 | 220,110      | 136,747 |

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|  |                  |           |                  |           |
|--|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| Social contribution on other temporary differences | <b>77,063</b>    | 48,808    | <b>79,240</b>    | 49,229    |
| ICMS (state VAT) (*)                               | <b>227,694</b>   | 251,054   | <b>230,859</b>   | 253,360   |
| Other  | <b>15,098</b>    | 193       | <b>26,457</b>    | 748       |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>2,020,930</b> | 1,223,106 | <b>2,080,880</b> | 1,262,201 |
| Current  | <b>1,591,214</b> | 897,546   | <b>1,622,774</b> | 907,819   |
| Non current  | <b>429,716</b>   | 325,560   | <b>458,106</b>   | 354,382   |

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(\*) Refers mostly to tax credits derived from the purchase of fixed assets, available for offset in 48 months.

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**6. Deferred and Recoverable Taxes (Continued)***Deferred income tax and social contribution*

Considering the existence of taxable income in the last five fiscal years and the expected generation of future taxable income discounted to present value based on a technical feasibility study, approved by the Board of Directors on November 21, 2005, as provided for in CVM Instruction No. 371/2002, the Company estimates the realization of the deferred taxes as of December 31, 2005 as follows:

| Year       | Company | Consolidated |
|------------|---------|--------------|
| 2006       | 311,199 | 324,457      |
| 2007       | 119,165 | 124,716      |
| 2008       | 112,682 | 118,360      |
| 2009       | 81,243  | 87,487       |
| Thereafter | 146,103 | 154,627      |
| Total      | 770,392 | 809,647      |

The recoverable amounts above are based on projections subject to changes in the future.

**7. Other Recoverable Amounts**

|                           | Company |        | Consolidated |        |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|--------------|--------|
|                           | 2005    | 2004   | 2005         | 2004   |
| Advances to employees     | 5,246   | 5,710  | 5,498        | 6,085  |
| Advances to suppliers     | 24,632  | 29,344 | 25,144       | 29,881 |
| Other recoverable amounts | 16,438  | 56,158 | 16,823       | 56,864 |
| Total current             | 46,316  | 91,212 | 47,465       | 92,830 |

The balance of other recoverable amounts in 2004 comprises the amount of R\$42,597 referring to recoverable FUST Contribution for the Fund for Universal Access to Telecommunications Services, which was reversed in 2005 according to Pronouncement No. 7 issued by Anatel on December 15, 2005.

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**8. Inventories**

|  | Company          |           | Consolidated     |           |
|--|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|  | 2005             | 2004      | 2005             | 2004      |
| Consumption materials                                    | <b>84,888</b>    | 104,550   | <b>84,897</b>    | 104,599   |
| Resale items   | <b>90,010</b>    | 129,995   | <b>90,341</b>    | 140,850   |
| Public telephone prepaid cards                           | <b>13,200</b>    | 8,510     | <b>13,200</b>    | 8,510     |
| Scraps   | <b>634</b>       | 641       | <b>634</b>       | 641       |
| Allowance for reduction to market value and obsolescence | <b>(113,836)</b> | (152,234) | <b>(113,971)</b> | (161,598) |
| Total current  | <b>74,896</b>    | 91,462    | <b>75,101</b>    | 93,002    |

The allowance for reduction to market value and obsolescence takes into consideration timely analyses carried out by the Company.

**9. Other Assets**

|  | Company        |         | Consolidated   |         |
|--|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
|  | 2005           | 2004    | 2005           | 2004    |
| Prepaid expenses                               | <b>66,768</b>  | 56,163  | <b>65,443</b>  | 52,587  |
| Receivables from Barramar S.A. (*)             |                |         | <b>71,041</b>  | 76,503  |
| Intercompany receivables                       | <b>60,999</b>  | 115,921 | <b>54,043</b>  | 86,225  |
| Onlending of foreign currency loans            | <b>30,996</b>  | 4,184   | <b>1,584</b>   | 4,184   |
| Tax incentives, net of allowance               | <b>411</b>     | 411     | <b>411</b>     | 411     |
| Amounts linked to National Treasury securities | <b>9,028</b>   | 8,284   | <b>9,028</b>   | 8,284   |
| Receivables - sale of properties/scraps        | <b>11,607</b>  | 16,234  | <b>11,607</b>  | 16,234  |
| Other assets                                   | <b>13,437</b>  | 6,931   | <b>13,856</b>  | 6,053   |
| Total  | <b>193,246</b> | 208,128 | <b>227,013</b> | 250,481 |
| Current  | <b>155,664</b> | 164,003 | <b>120,834</b> | 133,637 |
| Non current                                    | <b>37,582</b>  | 44,125  | <b>106,179</b> | 116,844 |

(\*) Refer to receivables from Barramar S.A., recorded by Companhia AIX de Participações, net of allowance for doubtful accounts.

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**10. Escrow Deposits**

|                  | Company |         | Consolidated |         |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|
|                  | 2005    | 2004    | 2005         | 2004    |
| Civil litigation | 71,474  | 36,509  | 71,511       | 36,546  |
| Tax litigation   | 308,462 | 225,651 | 308,828      | 226,008 |
| Labor claims     | 101,330 | 71,247  | 101,451      | 71,339  |
| Total noncurrent | 481,266 | 333,407 | 481,790      | 333,893 |

**11. Investments**

|   | Company  |          | Consolidated |          |
|---|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
|   | 2005     | 2004     | 2005         | 2004     |
| Investments carried under the equity method                                 | 297,607  | 313,607  |              |          |
| Aliança Atlântica Holding B.V.  | 55,583   | 75,704   |              |          |
| A. Telecom S.A.   | 159,386  | 166,195  |              |          |
| Companhia AIX de Participações  | 65,642   | 71,683   |              |          |
| Companhia ACT de Participações  | 26       | 25       |              |          |
| Companhia Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.                                | 16,970   |          |              |          |
| Goodwill and negative goodwill on acquisition of investments                | 90,368   | 102,350  | 107,838      | 119,820  |
| Negative goodwill on acquisition of shares - Companhia AIX de Participações | (17,470) | (17,470) |              |          |
| Goodwill on acquisition - Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.                | 119,820  | 119,820  | 119,820      | 119,820  |
| Amortization of goodwill - Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.               | (11,982) |          | (11,982)     |          |
| Investments carried at cost   | 91,434   | 93,788   | 145,727      | 164,754  |
| Portugal Telecom  | 75,362   | 75,362   | 129,655      | 146,329  |
| Other companies   | 26,795   | 29,149   | 26,795       | 29,148   |
| Other investments   | 3,360    | 3,360    | 3,360        | 3,360    |
| Tax incentives  | 15,164   | 15,164   | 15,164       | 15,164   |
| Allowance for losses  | (29,247) | (29,247) | (29,247)     | (29,247) |
| Total   | 479,409  | 509,745  | 253,565      | 284,574  |

The negative goodwill on the acquisition of shares of Companhia AIX de Participações recorded by the Company was allocated to Deferred Income in the consolidated balance sheet, according to Article 26 of CVM Instruction No. 247/96.

*Investment acquisition - Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.*



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On December 24, 2004, the Company acquired control of Santo Genovese Participações Ltda., parent company of Atrium Telecomunicações Ltda. ( Atrium ), which is engaged in telecommunication services management.

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**11. Investments** (Continued)*Investment acquisition Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.* (Continued)

Santo Genovese Participações Ltda. ( Santo Genovese ) is a holding company which holds 99.99% of Atrium as its only assets. The acquisition price was R\$113,440.

Such operation will allow extending the offer of higher value-added services in the domestic market, through the management of the rendering of telecommunication services.

Goodwill, based on Atrium's future profitability, is calculated as follows:

|                              | <b>Amounts</b> |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Acquisition price            | 113,440        |
| Acquisition costs            | 2,435          |
| (-) Book value of investment | (3,945)        |
| <br>Total goodwill           | <br>119,820    |

The goodwill is being amortized on a straight-line basis over 10 years, grounded on future profitability study.

The principal financial information on the subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 is as follows:

|   | <b>Aliança<br/>Atlântica</b> | <b>A. Telecom</b> | <b>2005<br/>Companhia<br/>AIX</b> | <b>Companhia<br/>ACT</b> | <b>Santo<br/>Genovese</b> |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Paid-up capital                         | 110,763                      | 254,000           | 460,929                           | 1                        | 76,850                    |
| Capital reserves                        |                              |                   |                                   |                          | 450                       |
| Retained earnings (accumulated deficit) | 403                          | (94,614)          | (329,644)                         | 50                       | (60,330)                  |
| Shareholders' equity                    | 111,166                      | 159,386           | 131,285                           | 51                       | 16,970                    |
| <b>Shares (million)</b>                 |                              |                   |                                   |                          |                           |
| Number of subscribed and paid-up shares | 88                           | 367,977           | 298,562                           | 1                        | 51,850                    |
| Number of common shares owned           | 44                           | 367,977           | 149,281                           | 0.5                      | 51,850                    |
| Ownership percentage                    | 50%                          | 100%              | 50%                               | 50%                      | 100%                      |

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|   | Aliança<br>Atlântica | A. Telecom | 2004<br>Companhia<br>AIX | Companhia<br>ACT | Santo<br>Genovese (a) |
|---|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Paid-up capital                         | 144,779              | 254,000    | 460,929                  | 1                | 51,850                |
| Capital reserves                        |                      |            |                          |                  | 450                   |
| Retained earnings (accumulated deficit) | 6,630                | (87,805)   | (317,563)                | 50               | (56,245)              |
| Shareholders' equity                    | 151,409              | 166,195    | 143,366                  | 51               | (3,945)               |
| <b>Shares (million)</b>                 |                      |            |                          |                  |                       |
| Number of subscribed and paid-up shares | 88                   | 367,977    | 298,562                  | 1                | 51,850                |
| Number of common shares owned           | 44                   | 367,977    | 149,281                  | 0.5              | 51,850                |
| Ownership percentage                    | 50%                  | 100%       | 50%                      | 50%              | 100%                  |

(a) Balance sheet as of 11/30/2004. The Company recorded a provision for shareholders' deficit in the amount of R\$3,945, under the caption Other liabilities.

The Company's equity in subsidiaries is as follows:

|                                | 2005     | 2004     |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Aliança Atlântica              | (15,551) | 1,415    |
| A. Telecom                     | (6,809)  | (26,670) |
| Companhia AIX de Participações | (6,041)  | (59,702) |
| Companhia ACT de Participações | 1        | 25       |
| Santo Genovese                 | (4,086)  |          |
| Total                          | (32,486) | (84,932) |

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**12. Property, Plant and Equipment, Net**

|  | Annual<br>depreciation<br>rate % | Company           |                             |                   |                   |                             |                   | Net book<br>value |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  |                                  | 2005              |                             |                   | 2004              |                             |                   |                   |
|  |                                  | Cost              | Accumulated<br>depreciation | Net book<br>value | Cost              | Accumulated<br>depreciation | Net book<br>value |                   |
| Property, plant and equipment in service   |                                  | <b>39,225,600</b> | <b>(27,289,214)</b>         | <b>11,936,386</b> | <b>37,962,793</b> | <b>(25,004,091)</b>         | <b>12,958,702</b> |                   |
| Switching and transmission equipment   | 12.50                            | <b>15,889,256</b> | <b>(12,376,889)</b>         | <b>3,512,367</b>  | <b>15,589,724</b> | <b>(11,434,121)</b>         | <b>4,155,603</b>  |                   |
| Transmission equipment, overhead,<br>underground and building cables,<br>teleprinters, PABX, energy equipment and<br>furniture | 10.00                            | <b>11,544,458</b> | <b>(8,394,522)</b>          | <b>3,149,936</b>  | <b>11,299,344</b> | <b>(7,786,228)</b>          | <b>3,513,116</b>  |                   |
| Transmission equipment - modems  | 20.00                            | <b>577,114</b>    | <b>(428,013)</b>            | <b>149,101</b>    | <b>540,040</b>    | <b>(375,265)</b>            | <b>164,775</b>    |                   |
| Underground and undersea cables, poles<br>and towers   | 5.00 to 6.67                     | <b>394,124</b>    | <b>(214,528)</b>            | <b>179,596</b>    | <b>387,765</b>    | <b>(199,272)</b>            | <b>188,493</b>    |                   |
| Subscriber, public and booth equipment   | 12.50                            | <b>1,951,363</b>  | <b>(1,184,643)</b>          | <b>766,720</b>    | <b>1,804,641</b>  | <b>(994,303)</b>            | <b>810,338</b>    |                   |
| IT equipment   | 20.00                            | <b>507,769</b>    | <b>(419,646)</b>            | <b>88,123</b>     | <b>466,266</b>    | <b>(386,296)</b>            | <b>79,970</b>     |                   |
| Buildings and underground cables   | 4.00                             | <b>6,429,365</b>  | <b>(3,392,523)</b>          | <b>3,036,842</b>  | <b>6,313,571</b>  | <b>(3,178,563)</b>          | <b>3,135,008</b>  |                   |
| Vehicles   | 20.00                            | <b>55,669</b>     | <b>(35,736)</b>             | <b>19,933</b>     | <b>49,465</b>     | <b>(36,623)</b>             | <b>12,842</b>     |                   |
| Land   |                                  | <b>253,802</b>    |                             | <b>253,802</b>    | <b>257,530</b>    |                             | <b>257,530</b>    |                   |
| Other  | 10.00 to 20.00                   | <b>1,622,680</b>  | <b>(842,714)</b>            | <b>779,966</b>    | <b>1,254,447</b>  | <b>(613,420)</b>            | <b>641,027</b>    |                   |
| Property, plant and equipment in progress  |                                  | <b>305,106</b>    |                             | <b>305,106</b>    | <b>302,761</b>    |                             | <b>302,761</b>    |                   |
| <b>Total</b>   |                                  | <b>39,530,706</b> | <b>(27,289,214)</b>         | <b>12,241,492</b> | <b>38,265,554</b> | <b>(25,004,091)</b>         | <b>13,261,463</b> |                   |
| Average annual depreciation rates - %  |                                  | <b>10,57</b>      |                             |                   | <b>10,49</b>      |                             |                   |                   |
| Assets fully depreciated   |                                  | <b>14,248,626</b> |                             |                   | <b>12,223,036</b> |                             |                   |                   |

|  | Annual<br>depreciation<br>rate % | Consolidated      |                             |                   |                   |                             |                   | Net book<br>value |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  |                                  | 2005              |                             |                   | 2004              |                             |                   |                   |
|  |                                  | Cost              | Accumulated<br>depreciation | Net book<br>value | Cost              | Accumulated<br>depreciation | Net book<br>value |                   |
| Property, plant and equipment in service   |                                  | <b>39,399,562</b> | <b>(27,358,785)</b>         | <b>12,040,777</b> | <b>38,106,748</b> | <b>(25,047,625)</b>         | <b>13,059,123</b> |                   |
| Switching and transmission equipment   | 12.50                            | <b>15,893,532</b> | <b>(12,377,428)</b>         | <b>3,516,104</b>  | <b>15,589,724</b> | <b>(11,434,120)</b>         | <b>4,155,604</b>  |                   |
| Transmission equipment, overhead,<br>underground and building cables,<br>teleprinters, PABX, energy equipment and<br>furniture | 10.00                            | <b>11,569,647</b> | <b>(8,397,114)</b>          | <b>3,172,533</b>  | <b>11,329,039</b> | <b>(7,795,144)</b>          | <b>3,533,895</b>  |                   |

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|   |                |                   |                     |                   |                   |              |            |
|---|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------|
| Transmission equipment - modems                   | 20.00          | <b>597,184</b>    | <b>(439,597)</b>    | <b>157,587</b>    | <b>540,040</b>    | (375,265)    | 164,775    |
| Underground and undersea cables, poles and towers | 5.00 to 6.67   | <b>407,157</b>    | <b>(215,923)</b>    | <b>191,234</b>    | <b>400,797</b>    | (199,737)    | 201,060    |
| Subscriber, public and booth equipment            | 12.50          | <b>1,951,370</b>  | <b>(1,184,646)</b>  | <b>766,724</b>    | <b>1,804,647</b>  | (994,305)    | 810,342    |
| IT equipment                                      | 20.00          | <b>519,422</b>    | <b>(423,607)</b>    | <b>95,815</b>     | <b>469,549</b>    | (388,256)    | 81,293     |
| Buildings and underground cables                  | 4.00           | <b>6,429,416</b>  | <b>(3,392,543)</b>  | <b>3,036,873</b>  | <b>6,313,622</b>  | (3,178,578)  | 3,135,044  |
| Vehicles  | 20.00          | <b>56,154</b>     | <b>(35,884)</b>     | <b>20,270</b>     | <b>49,731</b>     | (36,716)     | 13,015     |
| Land  |                | <b>253,802</b>    |                     | <b>253,802</b>    | <b>257,530</b>    |              | 257,530    |
| Other   | 10.00 to 20.00 | <b>1,721,878</b>  | <b>(892,043)</b>    | <b>829,835</b>    | <b>1,352,069</b>  | (645,504)    | 706,565    |
| Property, plant and equipment in progress         |                | <b>317,246</b>    |                     | <b>317,246</b>    | <b>310,268</b>    |              | 310,268    |
| <b>Total</b>                                      |                | <b>39,716,808</b> | <b>(27,358,785)</b> | <b>12,358,023</b> | <b>38,417,016</b> | (25,047,625) | 13,369,391 |
| Average annual depreciation rates - %             |                | <b>10,61</b>      |                     |                   | <b>10,57</b>      |              |            |
| Assets fully depreciated                          |                | <b>14,254,336</b> |                     |                   | <b>12,223,036</b> |              |            |

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**12. Property, Plant and Equipment, Net (Continued)***Returnable assets*

Pursuant to the Concession Agreement, all assets pertaining to the Company's equity and indispensable to the provision of the services described in said agreement are considered returnable and are part of the concession assets. These assets will be automatically returned to ANATEL upon expiration of the Concession Agreement. As of December 31, 2005, the net book value of such returnable assets is estimated at R\$9,129,592 (R\$10,295,779 in 2004), comprised of switching and transmission equipment, public use terminals, external network equipment, energy equipment, and system and operation support equipment.

**13. Deferred Charges**

Deferred charges as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

|   | Company       |           | Consolidated  |           |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
|   | 2005          | 2004      | 2005          | 2004      |
| Pre-operating expenses                    | <b>14,877</b> | 26,034    | <b>20,416</b> | 32,527    |
| Cost                                      | 55,788        | 55,788    | 65,279        | 65,279    |
| Accumulated amortization                  | (40,911)      | (29,754)  | (44,863)      | (32,752)  |
| Merged goodwill - Ceterp S.A.             |               | 29,298    |               | 29,298    |
| Cost                                      | 187,951       | 187,951   | 187,951       | 187,951   |
| Accumulated amortization                  | (187,951)     | (158,653) | (187,951)     | (158,653) |
| Goodwill on acquisition of the IP network | <b>50,718</b> | 58,049    | <b>50,718</b> | 58,049    |
| Cost                                      | 72,561        | 72,561    | 72,561        | 72,561    |
| Accumulated amortization                  | (21,843)      | (14,512)  | (21,843)      | (14,512)  |
| Other                                     |               |           | <b>7,447</b>  | 10,944    |
| Cost                                      |               |           | 12,059        | 14,243    |
| Accumulated amortization                  |               |           | (4,612)       | (3,299)   |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>65,595</b> | 113,381   | <b>78,581</b> | 130,818   |

Pre-operating expenses refer to costs incurred in the pre-operating stage of long-distance services; amortization began in May 2002, over a period of 60 months.

The goodwill paid on the acquisition of Ceterp S.A. is presented in deferred charges due to that company's merger on November 30, 2000. This goodwill, based on the expectation of future profitability, was amortized over 60 months, having been concluded in November 2005.



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**13. Deferred Charges (Continued)**

The goodwill on acquisition of the IP network in December 2002 refers to the acquisition of the assets for the Switched IP and Speedy Link services of Telefônica Empresas S.A. The portion considered as goodwill and recorded in deferred charges corresponds to the customer portfolio of the business. According to an appraisal report, the economic grounds of the goodwill are the expected future profitability, for an amortization period of 120 months.

**14. Loans and Financing**

|                           | Consolidated |                      |              | Balance in 2005 |            |           |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
|                           | Currency     | Annual interest rate | Maturity     | Current         | Noncurrent | Total     |
| Mediocrédito              | US\$         | 1.75%                | 2014         | 7,471           | 52,802     | 60,273    |
| Loans in local currency   |              | 6% + 3.75% spread    |              |                 |            |           |
| Loans in foreign currency | R\$          |                      | through 2006 | 1,898           |            | 1,898     |
| Debentures                |              |                      | through 2009 | 215,642         | 598,051    | 813,693   |
|                           | R\$          | 103.50% of CDI       | through 2007 | 21,744          | 1,500,000  | 1,521,744 |
| Total                     |              |                      |              | 246,755         | 2,150,853  | 2,397,608 |

|                           | Consolidated |                                      |              | Balance in 2004 |            |           |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
|                           | Currency     | Annual interest rate                 | Maturity     | Current         | Noncurrent | Total     |
| Mediocrédito              | US\$         | 1.75%                                | 2014         | 8,528           | 67,862     | 76,390    |
| CIDA                      | CAN\$        | 3.00%                                | 2005         | 1,565           |            | 1,565     |
| Loans in local currency   |              | 6% + 3.75% spread and CDI + 0.40% pm |              |                 |            |           |
| Loans in foreign currency | R\$          |                                      | through 2006 | 3,599           | 2,119      | 5,718     |
| Debentures                |              |                                      | through 2009 | 494,279         | 656,332    | 1,150,611 |
|                           | R\$          | 103.50% of CDI                       | through 2007 | 21,959          | 1,500,000  | 1,521,959 |
| Total                     |              |                                      |              | 529,930         | 2,226,313  | 2,756,243 |

Loans in foreign currency are as follows:



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| <b>Consolidated</b> | <b>Currency</b> | <b>Interest rate</b> | <b>Principal</b> | <b>Interest</b> | <b>Balance in 2005</b> |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Resolution 2770     | US\$            | 5.70% to 6.90%       | 105,523          | 9,451           | <b>114,974</b>         |
| Resolution 2770     | US\$            | 4.80%                | 292,928          | 9,983           | <b>302,911</b>         |
| Untied Loan JBIC    | JPY             | Libor + 1.25%        | 393,520          | 2,288           | <b>395,808</b>         |
| Total               |                 |                      | 791,971          | 21,722          | <b>813,693</b>         |

| <b>Consolidated</b>       | <b>Currency</b> | <b>Interest rate</b> | <b>Principal</b> | <b>Interest</b> | <b>Balance in 2004</b> |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Resolution 2770           | US\$            | 2.00% to 6.90%       | 310,640          | 10,415          | 321,055                |
| Resolution 2770           | JPY             | 1.40%                | 79,736           | 34              | 79,770                 |
| Debt assumption           | US\$            | 8.62% to 27.50%      | 61,119           | 23,081          | 84,200                 |
| Untied Loan JBIC          | JPY             | Libor + 1.25%        | 643,242          | 3,713           | 646,955                |
| DEG Deutsche Investitions | US\$            | Libor + 6%           | 18,432           | 199             | 18,631                 |
| Total                     |                 |                      | 1,113,169        | 37,442          | 1,150,611              |

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Loans and financing with Mediocrédito are guaranteed by the Federal Government.

The loan from Japan Bank for International Cooperation - JBIC includes restrictive covenants related to the maintenance of certain financial indices, which to date have been met.

*Consolidated long-term debt maturities*

| <b>Year</b>  | <b>Amounts</b>   |
|--------------|------------------|
| 2007         | 1,605,420        |
| 2008         | 408,332          |
| 2009         | 105,420          |
| Thereafter   | 31,681           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,150,853</b> |

*Debentures*

On September 3, 2004, the Company announced a Securities Distribution Program ( Program ) and, under the Program, the first issue of Telesp debentures ( Offering ).

The Program amounts to R\$3.0 billion for a period of two years from the filing with the CVM and contemplates the issuance of simple nonconvertible debentures, unsecured or subordinated, and/or promissory notes.

The Offering consisted of the issue of 150,000 simple nonconvertible unsecured debentures, with a face value of R\$10 (ten thousand reais), in the total amount of R\$1,500,000 (one billion, five million reais), of a single series, maturing on September 1, 2010 (six years). The debentures bear interest with quarterly payments, equivalent to 103.5% of the DI (interbank deposit) average daily rate calculated and published by the CETIP (Clearing House for the Custody and Financial Settlement of Securities).

The adjustment to the interest rate of debentures is estimated for September 1, 2007. On a conservative basis, the Company included, in the consolidated schedule of long-term debt maturities shown above, the principal of the debentures in the year 2007, date of adjustment of interest rates.

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**15. Taxes Payable**

|                                   | Company          |           | Consolidated     |           |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|                                   | 2005             | 2004      | 2005             | 2004      |
| Taxes on income                   |                  |           |                  |           |
| Income tax                        | <b>709,079</b>   | 330,756   | <b>711,037</b>   | 330,886   |
| Social contribution               | <b>257,569</b>   | 120,685   | <b>258,288</b>   | 120,738   |
| Deferred taxes                    |                  |           |                  |           |
| Income tax                        | <b>62,907</b>    | 20,875    | <b>62,907</b>    | 20,875    |
| Social contribution               | <b>22,645</b>    | 7,513     | <b>22,645</b>    | 7,513     |
| Indirect taxes                    |                  |           |                  |           |
| ICMS (state VAT)                  | <b>659,649</b>   | 612,047   | <b>665,993</b>   | 616,786   |
| PIS and COFINS (taxes on revenue) | <b>68,470</b>    | 72,910    | <b>72,944</b>    | 76,277    |
| Other                             | <b>20,542</b>    | 16,941    | <b>23,033</b>    | 18,666    |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>1,800,861</b> | 1,181,727 | <b>1,816,847</b> | 1,191,741 |
| Current                           | <b>1,778,152</b> | 1,155,720 | <b>1,794,138</b> | 1,165,734 |
| Noncurrent                        | <b>22,709</b>    | 26,007    | <b>22,709</b>    | 26,007    |

**16. Payroll and Related Charges**

|                         | Company        |         | Consolidated   |         |
|-------------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
|                         | 2005           | 2004    | 2005           | 2004    |
| Salaries and fees       | <b>19,722</b>  | 16,247  | <b>22,385</b>  | 16,836  |
| Payroll charges         | <b>68,234</b>  | 58,681  | <b>71,313</b>  | 61,605  |
| Accrued benefits        | <b>5,166</b>   | 4,853   | <b>5,221</b>   | 5,277   |
| Employee profit sharing | <b>62,505</b>  | 58,847  | <b>63,242</b>  | 59,594  |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>155,627</b> | 138,628 | <b>162,161</b> | 143,312 |

**17. Dividends and Interest on Capital**

|                     | Company/Consolidated |         |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------|
|                     | 2005                 | 2004    |
| Interest on capital | <b>473,912</b>       | 200,300 |

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|                                   |                |                |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Telefónica Internacional S.A.     | <b>216,403</b> |                |
| SP Telecomunicações Holding Ltda. | <b>67,342</b>  |                |
| Minority shareholders             | <b>190,167</b> | 200,300        |
| <b>Dividends</b>                  | <b>429,444</b> | <b>305,816</b> |
| Minority shareholders             | <b>429,444</b> | 305,816        |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>903,356</b> | <b>506,116</b> |

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**17. Dividends and Interest on Capital** (Continued)

Most of the interest on own shareholders' equity and total dividends payable to minority shareholders refer to declared but unclaimed amounts.

**18. Reserve for Contingencies**

The Company, as an entity and also as the successor to the merged companies, and its subsidiaries are involved in labor, tax and civil lawsuits filed with different courts. The Company's management, based on the opinion of its legal counsel, recognized reserves for those cases in which an unfavorable outcome is considered probable. The table below shows the breakdown of reserves by nature and activities during 2005:

| <b>Consolidated</b>              | <b>Labor</b>   | <b>Nature<br/>Tax</b> | <b>Civil</b>  | <b>Total</b>   |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Balances at 12/31/2004           | 271,839        | 539,594               | 41,796        | 853,229        |
| Additions                        | 59,768         | 23,421                | 26,952        | 110,141        |
| Write-offs                       | (43,065)       | (5,704)               | (14,464)      | (63,233)       |
| Monetary restatement             | 54,988         | 42,459                | 2,285         | 99,732         |
| <b>Balances as of 12/31/2005</b> | <b>343,530</b> | <b>599,770</b>        | <b>56,569</b> | <b>999,869</b> |
| Current                          | 34,462         | 20,847                | 12,482        | 67,791         |
| Noncurrent                       | 309,068        | 578,923               | 44,087        | 932,078        |

**18.1. Labor Contingencies**

The Company has various labor contingencies and recorded a provision of R\$343,530, consolidated, to cover probable losses. The amounts involved and respective risk levels are as follows:

| <b>Risk</b>  | <b>Amount involved</b> |                   | <b>Total</b>     |
|--------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
|              | <b>Telesp</b>          | <b>A. Telecom</b> |                  |
| Remote       | 2,003,548              | 4,469             | 2,008,017        |
| Possible     | 101,628                |                   | 101,628          |
| Probable     | 343,315                | 215               | 343,530          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,448,491</b>       | <b>4,684</b>      | <b>2,453,175</b> |

These contingencies involve a number of lawsuits, mainly related to salary differences, salary parity, overtime, employment relationship with employees of outsourced companies and hazardous duty premium, among others.



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**18. Reserve for Contingencies (Continued)****18.2. Tax Contingencies**

| Risk     | Amount involved |            |           |
|----------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
|          | Telesp          | A. Telecom | Total     |
| Remote   | 1,963,936       | 1,287      | 1,965,223 |
| Possible | 2,099,012       | 12,083     | 2,111,095 |
| Probable | 599,770         |            | 599,770   |
| Total    | 4,662,718       | 13,370     | 4,676,088 |

Based on the assessment of the Company's legal counsel and management, a reserve for tax contingencies amounting to R\$599,770 was recorded on December 31, 2005. The principal tax contingencies, assessed as remote, possible and probable risk, are as follows:

Claims by the National Institute of Social Security (INSS) referring to:

- a) Legal proceedings for the collection of Workers' Compensation Insurance (SAT) and joint liability of the Company for payment of social security contributions allegedly not made by contractors, considered possible risk, in the amount of R\$274,442. Based on a partially unfavorable court decision, management decided to provide for R\$99,818, relating to the portion of the total amount for which the likelihood of loss is probable.
- b) Discussion regarding social security contribution on certain amounts paid for compensation of salary losses resulting from economic plans (Plano Verão and Plano Bresser), in the approximate amount of R\$131,643 for which an unfavorable outcome is considered possible. Based on higher court decisions and an unfavorable court decision in a similar case involving another company of the group, the Company's management decided to provide for R\$92,004, to cover potential losses.
- c) Notification demanding social security contributions, SAT and amounts for third parties (National Institute for Agrarian Reform and Colonization (INCRA) and Brazilian Mini and Small Business Support Agency (SEBRAE)) on the payment of various salary amounts for the period from January 1999 to December 2000, in the amount of approximately R\$54,861, considered as possible risk. These lawsuits are in the 1st lower court and at the last administrative level, respectively. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.

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**18. Reserve for Contingencies (Continued)**

**18.2. Tax Contingencies (continued)**

Claims by the National Institute of Social Security (INSS) referring to: (Continued)

- d) Notification demanding social security contributions for joint liability in 1993, in the amount of approximately R\$179,301, for which the risk is considered possible. This process is at 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level. No provision was made based on the risk classification of this matter.
- e) Legal proceedings imposing fines of R\$161,982 for payment of dividends when the Company had allegedly a debt to the INSS. No provision was made for the balance, for which the likelihood of loss is deemed possible. This process is at 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level. No provision was made based on the risk classification of this matter.
- f) On December 20, 2005 notices were drawn concerning the period from May 1995 to December 1998 demanding the payment of social security contributions amounts, assessed under an estimated tax base and considering the existence of joint liability between the Company, general service providers and civil construction companies. The amounts of R\$224,825, which refers to the use of inadequate criteria for calculation of the arbitrated tax base, and of R\$ 169,642, corresponding to the wrong definition of civil construction for arbitration, as will be shown by means of technical reports requested to Engineering Institutes, were assessed as of remote risk of loss by the legal counsel. The amount of R\$750,722 is classified as of possible risk due to the existing judicial arguments that support the procedure adopted by the Company and the removal of the joint liability. The process is at the first lower court. No provision was made based on the risk classification of this matter.
- g) On December 20, 2005, notices were drawn concerning the period from January 1995 to December 1998, requiring the payment of social security contributions on amounts paid for Labor Claims of CETERP and CTBC, using the provision recorded in the Company's balance sheet as calculation base. As per legal counsel, the risk is classified as possible in view of the lack of legal grounds for arbitration of the contributions based on accounting provision. An administrative defense was presented, and the amount totals R\$5,053. No provision was made based on the risk classification of this matter.



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**18. Reserve for Contingencies (Continued)**

**18.2. Tax Contingencies (continued)**

Claims by the Finance Secretary of the State of São Paulo referring to:

- h) Tax assessments on October 31 and December 13, 2001, related to ICMS (state VAT) allegedly due on international long-distance calls, amounting to approximately R\$19,475 for November and December 1996 and amounting to R\$145,252 from January 1997 to March 1998, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level, assessed as possible risk, and R\$178,015 for the period from April 1998 to December 1999, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level, assessed as remote risk. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of these matters.
- i) Tax assessment on February 29, 2000 demanding payment of the ICMS allegedly due on cell phone activation tariff in the period from January 1995 to December 1997, plus fines and interest, amounting to approximately R\$278,899, assessed as remote risk. The claim is at the 1<sup>st</sup> administrative level. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.
- j) Tax assessment on July 2, 2001 demanding the difference in ICMS paid without late-payment fine, amounting to R\$5,771, assessed as possible risk. The claim is at the higher court. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.
- k) Tax assessment notice related to the untimely used credits in the period from January to April 2002, in the amount of R\$29,816, for which the risk is considered possible. The claim is at 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.
- l) Tax assessment notice related to the use of ICMS credits on acquisition of consumption materials, in the amount of R\$10,841, for which the risk is considered possible. The claim is at 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.

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**18.2. Tax Contingencies (continued)**

Claims by the Finance Secretary of the State of São Paulo referring to: (Continued)

- m) Tax assessment notices related to the non-reversal of ICMS credits in proportion to tax-exempt and non-taxed sales and services in the period from January 1999 to June 2000 and July 2000 to December 2003, in addition to an ICMS credit unduly taken in March 1999. The total amount involved is R\$102,267. The risk is considered possible by legal counsel. The claims are at the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> administrative level, respectively. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.
- n) Notifications of around R\$7,962 regarding the former Ceterp's loss of the tax benefit established by State Decree No. 48237/03, due to underpayment for an error in the calculation of the debt, assessed as possible risk. The claim is at the 2<sup>nd</sup> administrative level. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.
- o) Tax collection lawsuits demanding about R\$4,307 of ICMS differences for the period from May 1999 to June 2003. The Company is gathering the documents to prove that the amounts have been effectively paid. Guarantee is being provided and defense is being prepared for presentation in the lower court. The risk is assessed as possible. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification of this matter.

Litigation at the Federal and Municipal levels referring to:

- p) The Company filed a lawsuit challenging the increase in the COFINS and PIS (taxes on gross revenue) tax bases (COFINS until February 2004 tax basis and PIS until November 2002 tax basis), requiring the inclusion of financial and securitization income and exchange gains, instead of only operating revenues. Despite the injunction obtained suspending the change in the calculation method, the recent precedent from the Federal Supreme Court regarding unconstitutionality of the tax base increase and the risk being assessed as possible, the Company maintained the provision of R\$260,536, in case the outcome is unfavorable.

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**18.2. Tax Contingencies (Continued)**

Litigation at the Federal and Municipal levels referring to: (Continued)

- q) FINSOCIAL, currently COFINS, was a tax on gross operating revenues, originally established at a rate of 0.5% and gradually and subsequently raised to 2.0%. Such rate increases were judicially challenged with success by several companies, which resulted in tax credits from overpayments. These credits were offset by CTBC (company merged into the Company in November 1999) against current amounts of COFINS due. Claiming that those offsets made by CTBC were improper, the Federal Government made an assessment in the amount of R\$16,237, considered as a possible loss. The claim is at the higher court. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification.
- r) Litigation contesting the levy of corporate income tax, social contribution tax, PASEP and COFINS on telecommunications services of Centrais Telefônicas de Ribeirão Preto S.A. - CETERP, merged in November 2000, based on paragraph 3 of Article 155 of the Federal Constitution, according to which, with the exception of ICMS (state VAT) and taxes on exports and imports, no other taxation applies to services. The Company assesses this case as probable loss and has recorded a reserve of R\$70,882. The claim is in the higher court.
- s) Lawsuit seeking a court decision declaring the nonexistence of a legal tax relationship between Telesp and the Federal Government, the defendant, that would require the Company to pay the Federal Economic Intervention Contribution (CIDE) on remittances to be made based on contracts with foreign residents, since the unconstitutionality of said tax is clear. The lawsuit also seeks offset against other taxes payable, in the amount of R\$2,190, monetarily restated, related to the CIDE payment made in March 2002. The Company made an escrow deposit of R\$2,178 related to the remittance made on October 18, 2002. Despite the risk considered to be possible, the Company recognized a reserve for the unpaid amounts, in the amount of R\$14,043. The claim is at the lower court.
- t) Tax collection claim demanding differences regarding income tax, based on DCTF's (Federal Tax Debt and Credit Returns) for the first half of 1999, amounting to approximately R\$5,082, assessed as possible risk. These claims are at the 1<sup>st</sup> administrative level and no provision was recorded based on the risk classification.

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Litigation at the Federal and Municipal levels referring to: (Continued)

- u) At the municipal level, the Company has contingencies related to the IPTU (municipal real estate tax), ISS (municipal service tax), fine and interest in the amount of R\$863, which have all been accrued due to the existence of favorable and unfavorable decisions regarding this matter.
- v) The Company filed an annulment action in order to obtain decision that fully annuls the tax credits resulting from tax delinquency notices drawn up by the São Paulo Municipal Government, alleging differences in the payment of the ISS (municipal service tax), a fine of 20% not paid in the amount of R\$18,426. No reserve has been recorded for this contingency, since the attorneys responsible for this case believe that the risk is possible. The claim is at the first lower court level.
- x) On December 15, 2005, ANATEL edited Pronouncement No. 1 (subsequently renumbered to Pronouncement No. 7), through which it confirmed the understanding that interconnection expenses are not excluded from the FUST basis, thus changing the previous position by which such exclusion was provided for. The Pronouncement is applied retroactively to January 2001. Thus, through ABRAFIX (Brazilian Association of Fixed Telephony Companies), on January 9, 2006, the Company petitioned a Security Mandate in order to ensuring the possibility of excluding interconnection expenses from the FUST calculation base. The process is at the first lower court level and the contingency was classified as of possible risk by the Company's legal advisors. The amount involved totals R\$88,067. No provision was recorded based on the risk classification.

There are other contingencies that have also been accrued, in the amount of R\$50.783, for which the risk is assessed by management as probable.

**18.3. Civil Contingencies**

| Risk     | Amount involved |            |           |
|----------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
|          | Telesp          | A. Telecom | Total     |
| Remote   | 862,092         | 11,828     | 873,920   |
| Possible | 791,714         | 156        | 791,870   |
| Probable | 56,554          | 15         | 56,569    |
| Total    | 1,710,360       | 11,999     | 1,722,359 |



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**18.3. Civil Contingencies (Continued)**

The contingencies assessed as possible risk involve various matters: unacknowledged title to telephone line, indemnity for material and personal damages, and other, in the amount of approximately R\$369,166.

In addition, the Company is also involved in civil class actions related to the Community Telephone Plan (PCT), where the telephone expansion plan buyers who did not receive shares in return for their financial investments seek an indemnity, in the municipalities of Diadema, São Caetano do Sul, São Bernardo do Campo, Ribeirão Pires and Mauá, involving a total amount of approximately R\$283,856. The risks involved were assessed as possible by legal counsel. The claims are in the higher court level.

The Association of the Participants of the Sistel in the State of São Paulo - ASTEL moved against the Company, Fundação Sistel de Seguridade Social and others, a class action questioning subjects related to the Plan of Medical Assistance for Retirees - PAMA, considering in synthesis: (i) prohibition of the collection of contribution of the retirees included in the PAMA; (ii) the registration in the PAMA of the retirees and assisted people whose registrations were suspended for insolvency; (iii) reevaluation of the economic necessities of the PAMA; (iv) restoration of the basis of incidence of the contributions on the total and gross amount of the payroll of all the employees of the company; (v) reaccreditation of all the hospitals, clinics, laboratories and doctors disaccredited by Sistel and (vi) review of the accounting distribution of shareholders' equity. Company Management, based on the opinion of its legal council, assess this suit as a possible risk, and the amount involved is estimated at R\$131,882. Based on the risk classification, no provision was recorded.

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**19. Other Liabilities**

|  | Company        |         | Consolidated   |         |
|--|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
|  | 2005           | 2004    | 2005           | 2004    |
| Consignments on behalf of third parties  | <b>194,405</b> | 177,690 | <b>182,622</b> | 168,637 |
| Deposit collaterals  | <b>1,848</b>   | 6,296   | <b>1,848</b>   | 6,296   |
| Amounts collected from users   | <b>102,298</b> | 101,833 | <b>89,712</b>  | 92,117  |
| Retentions   | <b>88,922</b>  | 67,987  | <b>89,725</b>  | 68,651  |
| Other consignments   | <b>1,337</b>   | 1,574   | <b>1,337</b>   | 1,573   |
| Provision for post-retirement benefit plans (Note 30)  | <b>44,963</b>  | 44,651  | <b>44,963</b>  | 44,738  |
| Payables to related parties  | <b>97,543</b>  | 95,622  | <b>76,048</b>  | 87,192  |
| Advances from clients  | <b>58,868</b>  | 55,403  | <b>58,868</b>  | 55,403  |
| Amounts to be refunded to subscribers  | <b>41,212</b>  | 39,294  | <b>39,874</b>  | 37,904  |
| Installments payable – acquisition of Santo Genovese Participações Ltda. (Atrium Telecomunicações Ltda.) (i) |                | 20,772  |                | 20,772  |
| Subsidiaries' shareholders' deficit (Santo Genovese Participações Ltda.)                                     |                | 3,945   |                |         |
| Accounts payable – sale of share fractions after the reverse split process (Note 20)                         | <b>99,860</b>  |         | <b>99,860</b>  |         |
| Other  | <b>32,258</b>  | 28,281  | <b>42,549</b>  | 38,065  |
| Total  | <b>569,109</b> | 465,658 | <b>544,784</b> | 452,711 |
| Current  | <b>482,703</b> | 350,624 | <b>455,974</b> | 335,168 |
| Noncurrent   | <b>86,406</b>  | 115,034 | <b>88,810</b>  | 117,543 |

(i) According to the Contract for Purchase and Sale of Units of Interest of Santo Genovese Participações Ltda. (Atrium Telecomunicações Ltda.), the Company paid the installments resulting from the acquisition on December 24, 2005.

**20. Shareholders Equity**a) Capital

Capital as of December 31, 2005 is R\$5,978,074. Subscribed and paid-up capital is represented by shares without par value, as follows:

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Common shares    | 165,320,206 |
| Preferred shares | 328,272,072 |
| Total shares     | 493,592,278 |

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Book value per share in R\$

20.67

Preferred shares are nonvoting but have priority in the reimbursement of capital and are entitled to dividends 10% higher than those paid on common shares, as per article 7 of the Company's articles of incorporation and clause II, paragraph 1, article 17, of Law No. 6404/76, with wording of Law No. 10303/01.



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a) **Capital** (Continued)

*Grouping of shares*

On February 22, 2005, the Company, represented by the Board of Directors, following Instruction CVM 358 dated January 3, 2002, published a significant event notice and on May 11, 2005, submitted a proposal for grouping the totality of the shares representing the Company's capital at the Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting, as provided for in article 12 of Law No. 6404, dated December 15, 1976.

The proposal for grouping the totality of the former 165,320,206,602 (one hundred and sixty-five billion, three hundred and twenty million, two hundred and six thousand, six hundred and two) common shares and 328,272,072,739 (three hundred and twenty-eight billion, two hundred and seventy-two million, seventy-two thousand, seven hundred and thirty-nine) preferred shares representing the Company's capital was unanimously approved in voting, as provided for in article 12 of Law No. 6404/76, at a ratio of 1,000 (one thousand) existing shares to 1 (one) of the related type, with no capital reduction, resulting in 493,592,278 shares, 165,320,206 of which are common and 328,272,072 preferred. The authorized capital limit will now be of 700,000,000 common or preferred shares.

The Company shareholders were granted the period from May 12, 2005 to June 24, 2005 to adjust, at their free and exclusive discretion, their shareholding positions, by type, in multiple lots of 1,000 (one thousand) shares, by means of negotiation via brokerage firms authorized to operate on the São Paulo Stock Exchange (BOVESPA), as well as so that the measures with the Securities and Exchange Commission SEC may be taken. As from June 27, 2005, the representative shares of the Company's capital are being traded exclusively by group and by unit quotation.

The shares of the remaining fractions of the grouping were sold in their entirety in a BOVESPA auction on July 15, 2005. The net value obtained with the sale of shares in the auction was made available to the related shareholder, after the conclusion of the auction, as per significant event notice published on July 21, 2005, and is recorded in other liabilities in the balance sheet.

As from June 27, 2005 each ADR represents 1 (one) preferred share.

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b) Capital reserves

*Share premium*

This reserve represents the amount exceeding book value of the shares arising from the issuance or capitalization on the date of issue.

*Donations and investment grants*

These represent amounts received as donations of property resulting from expansion of the telecommunications services plant.

*Tax incentives*

These are represented by tax incentive investments.

*Treasury stocks*

Treasury stocks result from the Company's participation in the auction of shares, through which the Company acquired 1,258,508 common and 303,879 preferred shares in the amount of R\$58,892, acquisition which allowed the necessary liquidity to pay shareholders. The average cost of acquisition was R\$37.68. At December 31, 2005, the market value of treasury stocks was R\$61.752.

c) Profit reserves

*Legal reserve*

According to article 193 of Law No. 6404/76, the Company chose not to set up the legal reserve, as such balance added to the capital reserve balance exceeded capital by 30%, as provided for in paragraph 1 of the referred to article.

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**20. Shareholders Equity (Continued)**d) Retained earnings

Net income for the year was fully allocated to dividends and interest on capital. As a result of such allocation, part of retained earnings from prior years, amounting to R\$1,228,053 was used.

Pursuant to Law No. 10303/01, net income for the year shall be fully allocated under the situations prescribed by Law No. 6404/76, which will be decided in shareholders meetings.

e) Dividends

According to the Articles of Incorporation, the Company is required to pay dividends at each year ending December 31, of a minimum of 25% of adjusted net income, provided earnings are available for distribution.

Dividends are calculated in accordance with the Company's articles of incorporation and with the Brazilian Corporation Law. Below you will find the calculation of dividends and interest on capital for 2005 and 2004:

|   | 2005      | 2004      |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Minimum mandatory dividends calculated based on adjusted net income |           |           |
| Net income for the year   | 2,541,947 | 2,181,149 |
| Allocation to legal reserve   |           | (109,058) |
| Adjusted net income   | 2,541,947 | 2,072,091 |
| Minimum mandatory dividends 25% of adjusted net income              | 635,487   | 518,023   |
| Interest on capital, net on income tax on minimum dividends         | 833,000   | 755,310   |
| Interim/supplementary dividends                                     | 2,790,000 | 2,209,690 |
| Total dividends declared  | 3,623,000 | 2,965,000 |

| Amounts in R\$                  | 2005     |          | 2004     |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                                 | Gross    | Net      | Gross    | Net      |
| Interest on capital - common    | 1.865213 | 1.585431 | 1.688007 | 1.434806 |
| Interest on capital - preferred | 2.051734 | 1.743974 | 1.856808 | 1.578286 |

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**20. Shareholders Equity (Continued)**e) Dividends (Continued)

| Amounts in R\$  | 2005            |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
|   | Common          | Preferred       |
| Interest on capital net of income tax                       | 1.585431        | 1.743974        |
| Ínterim dividends declared in April 2005                    | 2.849439        | 3.134382        |
| Ínterim dividends declared in September 2005                | 2.457954        | 2.703750        |
|   | <b>6.892824</b> | <b>7.582106</b> |
|   |                 |                 |
| Amounts in R\$  | 2004            |                 |
|   | Common          | Preferred       |
| Interest on capital net of income tax                       | 1.434806        | 1.578286        |
| Ínterim dividends declared in April 2004                    | 1.165553        | 1.282108        |
| Ínterim dividends declared in October 2004                  | 3.032030        | 3.335233        |
|   | 5.632389        | 6.195627        |
|   |                 |                 |
|   | 2005            | 2004            |
| Number of outstanding shares at the year end (in thousands) | <b>492,029</b>  | 493,592,279     |
|   |                 |                 |
| Common shares   | <b>164,061</b>  | 165,320,206     |
| Preferred shares  | <b>327,968</b>  | 328,272,073     |

f) Interest on capital

As proposed by management in December 2005 and 2004, interest on capital fully attributed to mandatory minimum dividends was credited, pursuant to Article 9 of Law No. 9249/95, net of withholding income tax.

The proposed interest on capital was determined as follows:

|                           | 2005           | 2004    |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------|
| Gross interest on capital | <b>980,000</b> | 888,600 |
|                           |                |         |
| Common shares             | <b>306,868</b> | 279,062 |
| Preferred shares          | <b>673,132</b> | 609,538 |

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|   |                |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| Withholding income tax                        | (147,000)      | (133,290) |
| Net interest on capital included in dividends | <b>833,000</b> | 755,310   |

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f) Interest on capital (Continued)

Tax-exempt shareholders received interest on capital in full, not subject to withholding tax.

Dividends and interest on capital credited in 2005 and 2004 are higher than the minimum mandatory dividend established by the Company's Articles of Incorporation and Article 202 of Law No. 6404/76. Additional dividends of 10% more than common shares are credited to preferred shareholders, as prescribed by Article 17 of Law No. 6404/76, amended by Law No. 10303/01.

g) Payment of dividends and interest on capital

On April 1, 2005, the Board of Directors approved the distribution of interim dividends in the amount of R\$1,500,000 based on retained earnings as of December 31, 2004 to shareholders included in the Company records at the end of April 1st, 2005, and interest on shareholders of R\$359,000 (R\$305,150 net of withholding income tax), referring to the financial year 2005, to shareholders included in the Company records at the end of the 29th April, 2005. Dividends were paid as from April 20, 2005 and interest on capital was paid as from October 24, 2005.

On September 19, 2005, the Board of Directors approved the payment of interim dividends based on the June 30, 2005 financial statements, in the amount of R\$1,290,000, and interest on capital referring to the financial year 2005 of R\$241,000 (R\$204,850 net of withholding income tax), to shareholders included in the Company records on September 19, 2005, which started being paid on October 24, 2005.

On December 12, 2005, the Board of Directors, following the General Shareholders Meeting, approved the credit of interest on capital referring to the financial year 2005, in the amount of R\$ 380,000 (R\$ 323,000 net of withholding income tax). The payment will be made on a date to be decided in the General Shareholders Meeting.

h) Unclaimed dividends

Dividends and interest on capital unclaimed by shareholders within three years from the beginning of payment, are expired and reversed to retained earnings, in conformity with article 287, item II, subitem a of Law No. 6404 dated December 15, 1976.

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**21. Net Operating Revenue**

|                                     | Company            |             | Consolidated       |             |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                                     | 2005               | 2004        | 2005               | 2004        |
| Subscription (i)                    | <b>5,691,717</b>   | 4,978,923   | <b>5,691,344</b>   | 4,978,923   |
| Installation fees                   | <b>97,681</b>      | 68,783      | <b>97,681</b>      | 68,783      |
| Local service                       | <b>3,224,180</b>   | 3,064,637   | <b>3,247,830</b>   | 3,064,637   |
| Domestic long distance              | <b>3,211,877</b>   | 3,059,331   | <b>3,238,818</b>   | 3,059,331   |
| Intraregional                       | <b>2,177,679</b>   | 2,327,057   | <b>2,194,168</b>   | 2,327,057   |
| Interregional                       | <b>1,034,198</b>   | 732,274     | <b>1,044,650</b>   | 732,274     |
| International long distance         | <b>155,782</b>     | 112,620     | <b>158,886</b>     | 112,620     |
| Network services                    | <b>4,190,572</b>   | 4,039,139   | <b>4,220,250</b>   | 4,039,139   |
| Use of network (i)                  | <b>754,492</b>     | 809,170     | <b>754,492</b>     | 809,170     |
| Public telephones                   | <b>443,166</b>     | 367,107     | <b>443,166</b>     | 367,107     |
| Business communication              | <b>1,321,189</b>   | 909,255     | <b>1,313,020</b>   | 909,255     |
| Cession of transmission network (i) | <b>414,508</b>     | 392,503     | <b>414,508</b>     | 392,503     |
| Other (i)                           | <b>563,138</b>     | 525,603     | <b>770,925</b>     | 624,206     |
| Gross operating revenue             | <b>20,068,302</b>  | 18,327,071  | <b>20,350,920</b>  | 18,425,674  |
| Taxes on gross revenue              | <b>(5,275,524)</b> | (4,872,406) | <b>(5,371,979)</b> | (4,901,797) |
| ICMS (state VAT)                    | <b>(4,508,532)</b> | (4,187,171) | <b>(4,574,420)</b> | (4,198,420) |
| PIS and COFINS                      | <b>(740,919)</b>   | (680,197)   | <b>(767,494)</b>   | (694,454)   |
| ISS (municipal service tax)         | <b>(26,073)</b>    | (5,038)     | <b>(30,041)</b>    | (8,918)     |
| IPI (federal VAT)                   |                    |             | <b>(24)</b>        | (5)         |
| Discounts                           | <b>(576,889)</b>   | (229,611)   | <b>(583,840)</b>   | (215,247)   |
| Net operating revenue               | <b>14,215,889</b>  | 13,225,054  | <b>14,395,101</b>  | 13,308,630  |

(i) For the better presentation of Operating Revenue to the market and regulating agency, ANATEL, the Company made reclassifications in the December 2004 amounts. The main reclassifications were made in the captions subscription, use of network, cession of transmission network and other.

*Occurrence of tariff adjustments affecting recorded revenue*

On June 30, 2005, through Official Announcements No. 51300 and 51301, ANATEL approved tariff adjustment percentages for fixed-switch telephone service (STFC), based on the criteria established in the local and domestic long-distance concession contracts, effective July 3, 2005. Average increases were as follows:

Local: 7.27%

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Long distance: 2.94%

Network usage fee for local interconnection (TU-RL): (-13.32%)

Network usage fee for long distance interconnection (TU-RIU): 2.94%



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On June 29, 2004, through Official Announcements No. 45011 and 45012, ANATEL approved tariff adjustment percentages for fixed-switch telephone service (STFC), based on the criteria established in the local and domestic long-distance concession contracts, effective July 2, 2004, except for Region 32 (former CETERP), effective July 3, 2004. On July 2, approved percentages were applied on tariff bases determined by injunction. Average adjustments were the following:

Local: 6.89%

Long-distance: 3.20%

Network usage fee for local interconnection (TU-RL): (-10.47%)

Network usage fee for long distance interconnection (TU-RIU): 3.20%

On June 26, 2003, through Official Announcements No. 37166 and 37167, ANATEL approved tariff adjustments for fixed-switch telephone service (STFC), based on the criteria established in the local and domestic long-distance concession contracts, effective June 30, 2003 and for the former CETERP's Region 33, July 3, 2003. The local basic plan had an average increase of 28.75%, including a productivity gain of 1%, while the net tariffs for the long-distance services basic plan had an average increase of 24.84%, including a productivity gain of 4%, as established in the concession contract. Net charges for other STFC services and products were increased by 30.05% on average. However, a preliminary court order annulled ANATEL's resolutions and stipulated the IPC-A (Extended Consumer Price Index), of approximately 17%, in lieu of the IGP-DI (General Price Index - Internal Availability) for the calculation set forth in clauses 11.1 and 11.2 of the public telephone service concession contracts.

After the judgment of the injunction by the Superior Court of Justice and reestablishment of IGP-DI as the index to be used in the calculation, the approved percentages, according to ANATEL's published announcement, were applied to the tariff bases approved in June 2003, without retroactive effects, divided in two amounts, the first of which becoming effective September 1, 2004. On September 1, 2004, the following tariff adjustment percentages were applied:

Pulse: on average 3.22%;

Domestic Long-distance service: on average 5.22%;

Non-residential subscription and branch exchange: on average 7.75%;

Residential subscription charges: 3.14%;

Activation: on average 14.14%

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The second amount was applied from November 1, 2004, with the following tariff adjustment percentages to Telefónica services:

Pulse: on average 3.13%;

Domestic long-distance service: on average 4.97%;

Non-residential subscription and branch exchange: on average 7.20%;

Residential subscription: 3.05%;

Activation: on average 12.40%

On July 6, 2003, wireless operators implemented the Carriers Selection Code (CSP) by which the client chooses the local (VP2 and VP3) and international long distance operator, according to Personal Mobile Service (SMP) rules. The Company began recognizing revenues from such services and is, in turn, paying the wireless operators for the use of their networks.

**22. Cost of Services Provided**

|                               | Company            |                    | Consolidated       |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                               | 2005               | 2004               | 2005               | 2004               |
| Depreciation and amortization | (2,380,380)        | (2,481,974)        | (2,396,179)        | (2,495,647)        |
| Personnel                     | (201,674)          | (185,603)          | (207,997)          | (188,186)          |
| Materials                     | (48,559)           | (41,062)           | (49,249)           | (41,347)           |
| Network interconnection       | (3,566,615)        | (3,511,690)        | (3,578,977)        | (3,511,690)        |
| Outside services              | (1,126,081)        | (1,028,199)        | (1,198,734)        | (1,059,384)        |
| Other                         | (277,296)          | (200,539)          | (285,587)          | (199,756)          |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>(7,600,605)</b> | <b>(7,449,067)</b> | <b>(7,716,723)</b> | <b>(7,496,010)</b> |

**23. Selling Expenses**

|                               | Company     |           | Consolidated |           |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|                               | 2005        | 2004      | 2005         | 2004      |
| Depreciation and amortization | (7,862)     | (7,509)   | (7,862)      | (7,509)   |
| Personnel                     | (239,068)   | (199,011) | (246,910)    | (204,014) |
| Materials                     | (71,715)    | (55,620)  | (71,851)     | (55,725)  |
| Outside services              | (1,013,353) | (820,357) | (1,016,120)  | (886,346) |

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|                                 |                    |             |                    |             |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | <b>(405,130)</b>   | (422,068)   | <b>(415,273)</b>   | (428,911)   |
| Other                           | <b>(51,972)</b>    | (23,902)    | <b>(52,361)</b>    | (24,140)    |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>(1,789,100)</b> | (1,528,467) | <b>(1,810,377)</b> | (1,606,645) |

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**24. General and Administrative Expenses**

|                               | Company   |           | Consolidated |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|                               | 2005      | 2004      | 2005         | 2004      |
| Depreciation and amortization | (257,783) | (228,530) | (271,095)    | (233,655) |
| Personnel                     | (135,440) | (144,419) | (153,904)    | (147,568) |
| Materials                     | (7,780)   | (13,391)  | (8,225)      | (13,487)  |
| Outside services              | (411,736) | (343,653) | (426,838)    | (318,225) |
| Other                         | (1,519)   | (33,229)  | (3,858)      | (33,867)  |
| Total                         | (814,258) | (763,222) | (863,920)    | (746,802) |

**25. Financial Expenses, Net**

|  | Company     |             | Consolidated |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
|  | 2005        | 2004        | 2005         | 2004        |
| Financial income                       | 717,402     | 459,945     | 722,191      | 457,895     |
| Income from temporary cash investments | 100,595     | 97,792      | 106,774      | 99,663      |
| Gains on derivative transactions       | 222,870     | 169,938     | 222,870      | 169,938     |
| Interests                              | 72,797      | 65,391      | 67,395       | 60,810      |
| Monetary/exchange variations           | 315,636     | 123,227     | 319,044      | 123,230     |
| Other                                  | 5,504       | 3,597       | 6,108        | 4,254       |
| Financial expenses                     | (2,148,557) | (1,745,698) | (2,162,523)  | (1,750,703) |
| Interest on capital                    | (980,000)   | (888,600)   | (980,000)    | (888,600)   |
| Interests                              | (418,473)   | (295,196)   | (425,357)    | (299,424)   |
| Losses on derivative transactions      | (632,315)   | (468,259)   | (637,591)    | (468,259)   |
| Expenses on financial transactions     | (85,871)    | (87,640)    | (87,555)     | (88,418)    |
| Monetary/exchange variations           | (31,898)    | (6,003)     | (32,020)     | (6,002)     |
| Total                                  | (1,431,155) | (1,285,753) | (1,440,332)  | (1,292,808) |

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**26. Other Operating Expenses, Net**

|  | Company          |           | Consolidated     |           |
|--|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|  | 2005             | 2004      | 2005             | 2004      |
| Income   | <b>395,792</b>   | 492,795   | <b>401,756</b>   | 444,617   |
| Technical and administrative services                      | <b>43,527</b>    | 59,367    | <b>40,643</b>    | 56,418    |
| Income from supplies                                       | <b>29,842</b>    | 29,506    | <b>29,842</b>    | 29,512    |
| Dividends  | <b>10,351</b>    | 5,915     | <b>12,675</b>    | 7,825     |
| Fines on telecommunication services                        | <b>114,625</b>   | 102,681   | <b>114,625</b>   | 102,735   |
| Recovered expenses   | <b>83,043</b>    | 95,095    | <b>88,921</b>    | 95,392    |
| Reversal of reserve for contingencies                      | <b>45,267</b>    | 54,213    | <b>45,450</b>    | 55,492    |
| Reversal of provision for post-retirement benefit plan     | <b>3,877</b>     | 37,743    | <b>3,964</b>     | 37,743    |
| Other  | <b>65,260</b>    | 108,275   | <b>65,636</b>    | 59,500    |
| Expenses   | <b>(546,939)</b> | (627,947) | <b>(552,181)</b> | (634,003) |
| Write-offs and adjustments to realizable value of supplies | <b>(7,164)</b>   | (9,607)   | <b>(7,518)</b>   | (9,626)   |
| Goodwill amortization Ceterp and Santo Genovese            | <b>(41,355)</b>  | (32,043)  | <b>(41,355)</b>  | (32,043)  |
| Donations and sponsorships                                 | <b>(14,567)</b>  | (16,670)  | <b>(14,634)</b>  | (16,677)  |
| Taxes (except income tax and social contribution)          | <b>(220,572)</b> | (223,293) | <b>(220,464)</b> | (223,196) |
| Reserve for contingencies                                  | <b>(98,588)</b>  | (134,409) | <b>(98,632)</b>  | (134,469) |
| Commissions on voice and data communication services(a)    |                  | (95,289)  |                  | (95,289)  |
| Other  | <b>(164,693)</b> | (116,636) | <b>(169,578)</b> | (122,703) |
| Total  | <b>(151,147)</b> | (135,152) | <b>(150,425)</b> | (189,386) |

- (a) Refers basically to commissions to Telefônica Empresas S.A., which, in 2005, are recorded as selling expenses for a better presentation of the information.

**27. Non-Operating Income, Net**

|   | Company         |         | Consolidated    |         |
|---|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
|   | 2005            | 2004    | 2005            | 2004    |
| Income  | <b>72,209</b>   | 48,202  | <b>73,807</b>   | 48,328  |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment and investments | <b>28,379</b>   | 14,556  | <b>29,322</b>   | 14,556  |
| Unidentified revenue  | <b>32,776</b>   | 28,628  | <b>32,838</b>   | 28,628  |
| Fines   | <b>11,054</b>   | 5,018   | <b>11,647</b>   | 5,144   |
| Expenses  | <b>(34,899)</b> | (8,220) | <b>(36,008)</b> | (8,226) |
| Cost of sale of property, plant and equipment and investments       | <b>(34,799)</b> | (8,178) | <b>(35,908)</b> | (8,184) |

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|       |               |        |               |        |
|-------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|
| Other | <b>(100)</b>  | (42)   | <b>(100)</b>  | (42)   |
| Total | <b>37,310</b> | 39,982 | <b>37,799</b> | 40,102 |

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**28. Income Tax and Social Contribution**

The Company recognizes income tax and social contribution monthly on the accrual basis and pays the taxes on an estimated basis, in accordance with the trial balance for suspension or reduction. The taxes calculated on income until the month of the financial statements are recorded in liabilities or assets, as applicable. Income tax and social contribution prepayments are recorded as deferred and recoverable taxes.

*Reconciliation of tax expenses and standard rates*

Reconciliation of the reported tax expenses and the amounts calculated by applying the total tax rate of 34% (25% income tax and 9% social contribution) 2005 and 2004 is shown in the table below.

|   | Company          |           | Consolidated     |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
|   | 2005             | 2004      | 2005             | 2004      |
| Income before taxes   | <b>2,434,448</b> | 2,018,443 | <b>2,433,294</b> | 2,016,620 |
| <b>Social contribution</b>  |                  |           |                  |           |
| Social contribution expense                                       | <b>(219,100)</b> | (181,660) | <b>(218,997)</b> | (181,496) |
| Permanent differences:  |                  |           |                  |           |
| Equity pick-up  | <b>(2,924)</b>   | (7,644)   | <b>(1,605)</b>   | (42)      |
| Unclaimed interest on capital                                     | <b>(6,557)</b>   | (4,054)   | <b>(6,557)</b>   | (4,054)   |
| Tax rate difference in transferred tax credit (Note 6)            |                  | 6,657     |                  | 6,657     |
| Tax credit on social contribution loss not set up by subsidiaries |                  |           |                  | (5,237)   |
| Nondeductible expenses, gifts, incentives and dividends received  | <b>(4,119)</b>   | (1,930)   | <b>(5,251)</b>   | (3,981)   |
| Social contribution expense in the statement of income            | <b>(232,700)</b> | (188,631) | <b>(232,410)</b> | (188,153) |
| <b>Income tax</b>   |                  |           |                  |           |
| Income tax expense  | <b>(608,612)</b> | (504,611) | <b>(608,324)</b> | (504,155) |
| Permanent differences:  |                  |           |                  |           |
| Equity pick-up  | <b>(8,121)</b>   | (21,233)  | <b>(4,457)</b>   | (115)     |
| Unclaimed interest on capital                                     | <b>(18,215)</b>  | (11,263)  | <b>(18,215)</b>  | (11,263)  |
| Tax credit on income tax loss not set up by subsidiaries          |                  |           |                  | (14,549)  |
| Nondeductible expenses, gifts, incentives and dividends received  | <b>(11,417)</b>  | (5,086)   | <b>(14,505)</b>  | (10,766)  |
| Other items   |                  |           |                  |           |
| Incentives (cultural, meals and transportation)                   | <b>6,564</b>     | 4,930     | <b>6,564</b>     | 4,930     |
| Corporate income tax expense in the statement of income           | <b>(639,801)</b> | (537,263) | <b>(638,937)</b> | (535,918) |
| Total (corporate income tax + social contribution)                | <b>(872,501)</b> | (725,894) | <b>(871,347)</b> | (724,071) |

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The components of deferred tax assets and liabilities on temporary differences are shown in Notes 6 and 15, respectively.

**29. Related-Party Transactions**

The principal balances with related parties are as follows:

|  | Atento<br>Brasil S.A. | Grupo<br>Brasilcel<br>(VIVO) | Telefônica<br>Public.<br>Inform.<br>Ltda. | Energia<br>Brasil Ltda. | Telefônica<br>S.A. | Cia<br>Telecomun.<br>de Chile<br>Transm.<br>Regionales<br>S.A. | Telefônica<br>de Argentina<br>S.A. | Telefônica<br>de España<br>S.A. | Telefônica<br>Empresas<br>S.A. |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Consolidated Assets</b>                 |                       |                              |   |                         |                    |  |                                    |                                 |                                |
| Current assets                             | 11,549                | 151,283                      | 6,087                                     | 172                     | 2,844              | 1,025  | 2,009                              | 2,005                           | 16,796                         |
| Trade accounts<br>receivable, net          | 6,777                 | 149,857                      | 279                                       | 60                      |                    | 836  | 2,009                              | 2,005                           | 14,273                         |
| Other recoverable<br>amounts               |                       |                              |   |                         |                    |  |                                    |                                 |                                |
| Other                                      | 4,772                 | 1,426                        | 5,808                                     | 112                     | 2,844              | 189  |                                    |                                 | 2,523                          |
| Noncurrent assets                          |                       |                              | 4   | 30                      | 256                |  |                                    |                                 | 3,181                          |
| Other                                      |                       |                              | 4   | 30                      | 256                |  |                                    |                                 | 3,181                          |
| <b>Total assets</b>                        | <b>11,549</b>         | <b>151,283</b>               | <b>6,091</b>                              | <b>202</b>              | <b>3,100</b>       | <b>1,025</b>   | <b>2,009</b>                       | <b>2,005</b>                    | <b>19,977</b>                  |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                         |                       |                              |   |                         |                    |  |                                    |                                 |                                |
| Current liabilities                        | 41,860                | 201,410                      | 2,046                                     | 7                       |                    | 886  | 2,125                              | 3,829                           | 20,077                         |
| Trade accounts payable                     | 41,858                | 201,410                      | 230                                       |                         |                    | 886  | 2,125                              | 3,829                           | 20,058                         |
| Interest on capital                        |                       |                              |   |                         |                    |  |                                    |                                 |                                |
| Consignments on behalf<br>of third parties |                       |                              | 665                                       |                         |                    |  |                                    |                                 |                                |
| Other                                      | 2                     |                              | 1,151                                     | 7                       |                    |  |                                    |                                 | 19                             |
| Noncurrent liabilities                     |                       |                              | 3   | 3,324                   |                    |  |                                    |                                 | 12,818                         |
| Other                                      |                       |                              | 3   | 3,324                   |                    |  |                                    |                                 | 12,818                         |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                   | <b>41,860</b>         | <b>201,410</b>               | <b>2,049</b>                              | <b>3,331</b>            |                    | <b>886</b>   | <b>2,125</b>                       | <b>3,829</b>                    | <b>32,895</b>                  |

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|                             |                  |                    |              |              |              |                |                |
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| Revenue                     | <b>10,121</b>    | <b>202,077</b>     | <b>485</b>   | <b>527</b>   | <b>594</b>   | <b>3,343</b>   | <b>120,365</b> |
| Telecommunications services | 10,121           | 164,204            | 485          | 312          | 594          | 3,343          | 120,365        |
| Financial income            |                  |                    |              |              |              |                |                |
| Other operating revenue     |                  | 37,873             |              | 215          |              |                |                |
| Costs and expenses          | <b>(238,140)</b> | <b>(1,755,319)</b> | <b>(833)</b> | <b>(235)</b> | <b>(447)</b> | <b>(4,047)</b> | <b>(3,783)</b> |
| Cost of services provided   | (56,960)         | (1,718,652)        |              | (235)        | (447)        | (4,047)        | (3,783)        |
| Selling                     | (180,383)        | (36,043)           | (833)        |              |              |                | (107,384)      |
| General and administrative  | (797)            | (624)              |              |              |              |                | (3,180)        |
| Other operating expenses    |                  |                    |              |              |              |                |                |

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**29. Related-Party Transactions (Continued)**

| Consolidated                               | Terra<br>Networks<br>Brasil S.A. | Telefônica<br>Gestão de Serv.<br>Comp. do Brasil<br>Ltda. | Telefônica<br>Internacional<br>S.A. | SP<br>Telecom. | Telefônica<br>Pesquisa e<br>Desenv. Ltda. | Other        | Total 2005     | 2004           |
|--|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------|---|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                              |                                  |   |                                     |                |   |              |                |                |
| Current assets                             | 6,512                            | 12,662  | 18,318                              |                | 173                                       | 1,225        | 232,660        | 363,993        |
| Trade accounts receivable                  | 5,571                            | 14  |                                     |                |   | 233          | 181,914        | 283,101        |
| Other recoverable amounts                  |                                  | 6,500   |                                     |                |   |              | 6,500          | 10,609         |
| Other                                      | 941                              | 6,148   | 18,318                              |                | 173                                       | 992          | 44,246         | 70,283         |
| Noncurrent assets                          | 22                               | 2,129   | 187                                 |                | 97  | 3,893        | 9,799          | 15,942         |
| Other                                      | 22                               | 2,129   | 187                                 |                | 97  | 3,893        | 9,799          | 15,942         |
| <b>Total assets</b>                        | <b>6,534</b>                     | <b>14,791</b>   | <b>18,505</b>                       |                | <b>270</b>                                | <b>5,118</b> | <b>242,459</b> | <b>379,935</b> |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                         |                                  |   |                                     |                |   |              |                |                |
| Current liabilities                        | 17,707                           | 8,682   | 277,436                             | 67,342         | 28,491                                    | 4,276        | 676,174        | 277,056        |
| Trade accounts payable                     | 17,689                           | 8,682   |                                     |                | 28,482                                    | 3,910        | 329,159        | 239,326        |
| Interest on capital                        |                                  |   | 216,404                             | 67,342         |   |              | 283,746        |                |
| Consignments on behalf of<br>third parties |                                  |   |                                     |                |   |              | 665            | 1,020          |
| Other                                      | 18                               |   | 61,032                              |                | 9   | 366          | 62,604         | 36,710         |
| Noncurrent liabilities                     | 8                                | 124   |                                     |                | 1   | 489          | 16,767         | 54,042         |
| Other                                      | 8                                | 124   |                                     |                | 1   | 489          | 16,767         | 54,042         |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                   | <b>17,715</b>                    | <b>8,806</b>  | <b>277,436</b>                      | <b>67,342</b>  | <b>28,492</b>                             | <b>4,765</b> | <b>692,941</b> | <b>331,098</b> |
| <b>Statements of income</b>                |                                  |   |                                     |                |   |              |                |                |
| Revenue                                    | 80,428                           | 2,552   |                                     |                |   | 3,259        | 423,751        | 378,101        |
| Telecommunications services                | 80,428                           | 902   |                                     |                |   | 3,259        | 384,013        | 332,361        |
| Financial income                           |                                  | 798   |                                     |                |   |              | 798            | 427            |
| Other operating revenue                    |                                  | 852   |                                     |                |   |              | 38,940         | 45,313         |
| Costs and expenses                         | (69,879)                         | (67,415)  | (25,835)                            |                | (8,654)                                   | (3,648)      | (2,412,476)    | (2,533,976)    |
| Cost of services provided                  | (44,740)                         | (172)   |                                     |                | (3,538)                                   | (2,387)      | (1,958,638)    | (2,044,841)    |
| Selling                                    | (24,700)                         | (374)   |                                     |                | (4,376)                                   | (876)        | (354,969)      | (296,487)      |
| General and administrative                 | (439)                            | (66,869)  | (25,835)                            |                | (740)                                     | (385)        | (98,869)       | (104,830)      |
| Other operating expenses                   |                                  |   |                                     |                |   |              |                | (87,818)       |



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Revenue from telecommunications services comprise mainly billings to Telefônica Empresas S.A. for subscriptions, rent of infrastructure and traffic payment; to Atento Brasil S.A. for subscriptions and others; to Terra Networks Brasil S.A. for subscriptions and Speedy; to Brasilcel Group companies (VIVO) for services related to subscriptions, use of network and others. Most of telecommunications services are subject to tariffs and conditions regulated by ANATEL. For services not subject to a regulated tariff, prices equivalent to those available to third parties are applied.

Other operating income includes principally IP Network and Speedy Link equipment rented to Telefônica Empresas S.A. since January 2004 and network infrastructure rented to Telesp Celular S.A.

Cost of services provided and selling expenses refer mainly to services provided by Atento Brasil S.A. for call center services related to client calls and sale of products and services, retention and collection of past due bills, etc.; by Telefônica Gestão de Serviços Compartilhados do Brasil Ltda., related to management of assets, logistics and transportation; and by Terra Networks Brasil S.A., related to placement of ads, sales commissions and others. Also worth mentioning are traffic services (mobile terminal) and commissions provided to Brasilcel Group companies (VIVO). Inputs related to telecommunications services are governed by ANATEL. Other inputs are acquired under conditions equivalent to those practiced by other companies in the respective sectors.

General and administrative expenses refer to management services provided by Telefônica Gestão de Serviços Compartilhados do Brasil Ltda. in the accounting, financial, human resources, IT, assets and logistics areas; and management fees calculated up to the limit of 0.2% on net revenue, payable to Telefônica Internacional S.A. The contracts and conditions related to management fees were negotiated on occasion of the Company's privatization auction.

Other operating expenses refer to commissions on voice and data communication services provided by Telefônica Empresas S.A.

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**30. Post-Retirement Benefit Plans**

Telesp, together with other companies of the former Telebrás System, sponsors private pension benefit plans and health care plans for retirees, managed by Fundação Sistel de Seguridade Social ( Sistel ). Until December 1999, the plans managed by Sistel were multiemployer benefit plans. On December 28, 1999, the sponsors of the plans managed by Sistel negotiated the conditions for the creation of plans separated by sponsor (PBS-Telesp) and the continuation of participation in the multiemployer plans only for participants who were already retired on January 31, 2000 (PBS-A), resulting in a proposal for restructuring the statutes and regulations of Sistel, which was approved by the Social Security and Supplementary Benefits Office on January 13, 2000.

In December 2004, the entity Visão Prev Sociedade de Previdência Complementar was formed to manage the Visão and PBS Telesp plans, which were transferred from Sistel to the new entity. The process of transfer was approved by the Social Security and Supplementary Benefits Office (currently Previc) through Official Letter No. 123, of October 7, 2004. The transfer of assets and liabilities of the plans was made on February 18, 2005.

The process of transfer of the Telesp Visão and Telesp PBS plans was approved by the Social Security and Supplementary Benefits Office through publication of Official Letters No. 49/DEPAT/SPC and 50/DEPAT/SPC, dated January 12, 2005, respectively.

The transfer of plans did not result in any charge to the plan participants, because the wording of the regulations and all rights of the participants were maintained. Sistel will continue to manage the PBS-A (assisted) and PAMA plans, and Telesp will continue to sponsor these plans jointly with other Sistel s sponsors.

Telesp individually sponsors a defined retirement benefit plan (PBS Telesp Plan), which covers less than 1% (0.92%) of the Company s employees. In addition to the supplemental pension benefit, health care (PAMA) is provided to retired employees and their dependents, at shared costs. Contributions to the PBS Telesp Plan are determined based on actuarial valuations prepared by independent actuaries, in accordance with the rules in force in Brazil. Costing is determined by the capitalization method and the sponsor s contribution is 6.93% of payroll of employees covered by the plan, of which 5.43% is allocated to fund the PBS Telesp Plan and 1.5% to the PAMA Plan.

In view of the favorable results from Telesp s PBS Plan, exceptionally in 2006 there will be not contributions for Past Service.

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For other Telesp employees, there is an individual defined contribution plan - Visão Telesp Benefit Plan, established by Sistel in August 2000. The Visão Telesp Plan is funded by contributions made by the participants (employees) and by the sponsor which are credited to participants individual accounts. Telesp is responsible for bearing all plan administrative and maintenance expenses, including participant's death and disability risks. The employees participating in the defined benefit plan (PBS Telesp Plan) were granted the option of migrating to the Visão Telesp Plan. The new Plan was also offered to the other employees who did not participate in the PBS Telesp Plan, as well as to new hires. The Company's contributions to the Visão Telesp Plan are equal to those of the employees, varying from 2% to 9% of the contribution salary, based on the percentage chosen by the participant.

Additionally, the Company supplements the retirement benefits of certain employees of the former CTB - Companhia Telefônica Brasileira.

During 2005, the Company made contributions to the BPS Telesp Plan in the amount of R\$444 (R\$285 in 2004) and to the Visão Telesp Plan in the amount of R\$23,585 (R\$20,657 in 2004).

A. Telecom individually sponsors a defined contribution plan similar to that of Telesp, the Visão Assist Benefit Plan, which covers about 49% of its employees. A. Telecom total contributions to this plan was R\$312 (R\$225 in 2004).

The actuarial valuation of the plans was made in December 2005 and 2004 based on the employees' data as of November 2005 and September 2004, respectively, and the projected unit credit method was adopted. Actuarial gains or losses for each year were immediately recognized in each of the periods. The plans assets relate to November 30, 2005 and 2004. For multiemployer plans (PAMA and PSB-A), apportionment of the plan assets was made based on the sponsoring entity's actuarial liabilities in relation to the plans' total actuarial liabilities.

The status of the plans as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, whose liabilities are recorded in the caption Other Liabilities (Note 19), is as follows:

| <b>Plan</b>                | <b>2005</b>   | <b>2004</b> |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| PBS / Visão Telesp / CTB   | <b>21,857</b> | 25,734      |
| PAMA                       | <b>23,106</b> | 18,917      |
| <b>Total Company</b>       | <b>44,963</b> | 44,651      |
| Liabilities - Visão Assist |               | 87          |
| <b>Total Consolidated</b>  | <b>44,963</b> | 44,738      |

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|   | 2005                     |             |                   |                 |
|---|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|   | PBS/Visão-<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA<br>(i) | PBS-A<br>(i) (ii) | Visão<br>Assist |
| Total actuarial liabilities               | 108,323                  | 77,961      | 831,651           | 195             |
| Fair value of assets                      | 109,948                  | 54,855      | 1,077,350         | 341             |
| Liabilities (assets), net                 | (1,625)                  | 23,106      | (245,699)         | (146)           |
| Unrecorded surplus                        | 23,482                   |             | 245,699           | 146             |
| Liabilities recorded in the balance sheet | 21,857                   | 23,106      |                   |                 |
|   |                          |             |                   |                 |
|   | 2004                     |             |                   |                 |
|   | PBS/Visão-<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA<br>(i) | PBS-A<br>(i) (ii) | Visão<br>Assist |
| Total actuarial liabilities               | 114,700                  | 75,388      | 768,752           | 257             |
| Fair value of assets                      | 98,606                   | 56,471      | 999,710           | 170             |
| Liabilities (assets), net                 | 16,094                   | 18,917      | (230,958)         | 87              |
| Unrecorded surplus                        | 9,640                    |             | 230,958           |                 |
| Liabilities recorded in the balance sheet | 25,734                   | 18,917      |                   | 87              |

- (i) Refers to the proportional share of Telesp in the assets and liabilities of the PAMA and PBS-A multiemployer plans.
- (ii) Despite the surplus of PBS-A as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, no asset was recognized by the sponsor in view of the legal impossibility of reimbursement of such surplus, in addition to the fact that this is a noncontributory plan, which does not enable reduction of the sponsor's contributions in the future.

b) Total expenses recognized in income

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|                                | 2005                     |         | Visão  |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------|
|                                | PBS /Visão<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA    | Assist |
| Current service cost           | 120                      | 41      | 32     |
| Interest cost                  | 8,875                    | 8,321   | 26     |
| Expected return on plan assets | (7,718)                  | (8,979) | (22)   |
| Employee contributions         | (229)                    |         |        |
|                                | 1,048                    | (617)   | 36     |



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|  | 2004                     |          | Visão  |
|--|--------------------------|----------|--------|
|  | PBS /Visão<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA     | Assist |
| Current service cost                       | 2,931                    | 77       | 17     |
| Interest cost                              | 13,006                   | 12,395   | 15     |
| Expected return on plan assets             | (9,855)                  | (6,860)  | (16)   |
| Employee contributions                     | (366)                    |          |        |
| Recognition of (gains) losses for the year | (11,258)                 | (35,665) | 90     |
|  | (5,542)                  | (30,053) | 106    |

c) Change in net actuarial liabilities (assets)

|   |                          |          | Visão  |
|---|--------------------------|----------|--------|
|   | PBS /Visão<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA     | Assist |
| Liabilities (assets), net 12/31/2003      | 33,398                   | 48,996   | 2      |
| Expenses for 2004                         | 5,716                    | 5,612    | 16     |
| Companies' contributions in 2004          | (2,122)                  | (26)     | (21)   |
| Recognition of (gains) losses in the year | (11,258)                 | (35,665) | 90     |
| Actuarial liabilities, net 12/31/2004     | 25,734                   | 18,917   | 87     |
| Expenses for 2005                         | 1,783                    | (617)    | 36     |
| Contributions from companies in 2005      | (6,579)                  | (20)     | (35)   |
| Recognition of (gains) losses in the year | 919                      | 4,826    | (234)  |
| Actuarial liabilities, net 12/31/2005     | 21,857                   | 23,106   | (146)  |
| Unrecognized actuarial liabilities        |                          |          | 146    |
| Liabilities recognized in balance sheet   | 21,857                   | 23,106   |        |



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|                                      | PBS /Visão-<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA     | PBS-A    | Visão Assist |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Actuarial liability 12/31/2003       | 120,699                   | 112,414  | 746,492  | 150          |
| Cost of current service              | 2,932                     | 77       |          | 17           |
| Interest on actuarial liabilities    | 13,006                    | 12,395   | 80,786   | 15           |
| Benefits paid during the year        | (6,283)                   | (4,673)  | (65,345) |              |
| Actuarial (gains) losses in the year | (15,654)                  | (44,825) | 6,819    | 75           |
| Actuarial liability 12/31/2004       | 114,700                   | 75,388   | 768,752  | 257          |
| Cost of current service              | 3,232                     | 41       |          | 32           |
| Interest on actuarial liabilities    | 12,099                    | 8,321    | 83,007   | 27           |
| Benefits paid during the year        | (9,313)                   | (5,845)  | (68,604) |              |
| Actuarial (gains) losses in the year | (12,395)                  | 56       | 48,496   | (121)        |
| Actuarial liability 12/31/2005       | 108,323                   | 77,961   | 831,651  | 195          |

e) Change in plan assets

|   | PBS /Visão-<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA    | PBS-A     | Visão Assist |
|---|---------------------------|---------|-----------|--------------|
| Fair value of plan assets at 12/31/2003 | 87,301                    | 63,418  | 891,936   | 148          |
| Benefits paid in the year               | (6,283)                   | (4,673) | (65,346)  |              |
| Sponsor's contributions in the year     | 2,440                     | 25      |           | 20           |
| Return on plan assets in the year       | 9,855                     | (2,299) | 173,120   | 17           |
| Gains/(losses) on assets                | 5,293                     |         |           | (15)         |
| Fair value of plan assets at 12/31/2004 | 98,606                    | 56,471  | 999,710   | 170          |
| Benefits paid in the year               | (9,314)                   | (5,845) | (68,604)  |              |
| Sponsor's contributions in the year     | 6,767                     | 20      |           | 36           |
| Return on plan assets in the year       | 13,141                    | 4,209   | 146,244   | 22           |
| Gains/(losses) on assets                | 748                       |         |           | 113          |
| Fair value of plan assets at 12/31/2005 | 109,948                   | 54,855  | 1,077,350 | 341          |



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|                                | PBS /Visão<br>Telesp/CTB | PAMA         | Visão -Assist |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Cost of current service        | 89                       |              | 35            |
| Interest cost                  | 9,296                    | 8,616        | 21            |
| Expected return on assets      | (9,059)                  | (6,846)      | (48)          |
| Employee contributions         | (47)                     |              |               |
| <b>Total expenses for 2005</b> | <b>279</b>               | <b>1,770</b> | <b>8</b>      |

g) Actuarial assumptions

|   | 2005  |                              |  |
|---|---|------------------------------|--|
|   | PBS/Visão   |                              |  |
|   | Telesp/Visão  |                              |  |
|   | Assist/CTB  | PAMA                         | PBS-A                                    |
| Rate used for present value discount of actuarial liabilities       | 11.30% p.a.   | 11.30% p.a.                  | 11.30% p.a.                              |
| Expected return rate on plan assets                                 | 13.98% p.a.   | 12.88% p.a.                  | 12.53% p.a.                              |
| Future salary increase rate   | 7.10% p.a.  | 7.10% p.a.                   | 7.10% p.a.                               |
| Long-term inflation rate  | 5.00% p.a.  | 5.00% p.a.                   | 5.00% p.a.                               |
| Medical cost increase rate  | Not applicable                                      | 8.15% p.a.                   | Not applicable                           |
| Increase in use of medical services for each additional year of age | Not applicable                                      | 4.00% p.a.                   | Not applicable                           |
| Benefit growth rate   | 5.00% p.a.  | 5.00% p.a.                   | 5.00% p.a.                               |
| Capacity factor salaries  | 98.00%  | Not applicable               | Not applicable                           |
| Capacity factor benefits  | 98.00%  | Not applicable               | Not applicable                           |
| Mortality table   | UP 94 forward 1 year -segregated by sex             | UP 94 forward 2 years        | UP 94 forward 2 years -segregated by sex |
| Disability mortality table  | IAPB-57   | Not applicable               | Not applicable                           |
| Disability table  | Mercer Disability                                   | Mercer Disability            | Not applicable                           |
| Turnover table  | 0.15/ (employment time + 1) from 50 years on - zero | Not applicable               | Not applicable                           |
| Retirement age  | Age at which participants are                       | Age at which social security | Not applicable                           |

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|   | <b>first entitled to one<br/>of the benefits</b>   | <b>retirement is<br/>eligible</b> |                       |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| % of active married participants on retirement date | <b>95.00%</b>                                      | <b>Not applicable</b>             | <b>Not applicable</b> |
| Age difference between participants and spouses     | <b>Wives 4 years<br/>younger than<br/>husbands</b> | <b>Not applicable</b>             | <b>Not applicable</b> |
| Number of active participants and dependents        |  |                                   |                       |

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|   | PBS/Visão<br>Telesp/Visão<br>Assist/CTB             | 2005                                    |  |
|---|---|---|--|
|   |   | PAMA                                    | PBS-A                                  |
| Number of assisted participants/beneficiaries                                 |   | 3,282                                   | 5,334                                  |
| Number of active participants of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan                        | 44  |   |  |
| Number of retired participants of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan                       | 350   |   |  |
| Number of dependent groups of retirees of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan               | 23  |   |  |
| Number of active participants of Visão Telesp plan (including self-sponsored) | 6,798   |   |  |
| Number of active participants of Visão Assist plan                            | 77  |   |  |
|   |   | 2004                                    |  |
|   | PBS/Visão<br>Telesp/Visão<br>Assist/CTB             | PAMA                                    | PBS-A                                  |
| Rate used for present value discount of actuarial liabilities                 | 11.30% p.a.   | 11.30% p.a.                             | 11.30% p.a.                            |
| Expected return rate on plan assets   | 13.75% p.a.   | 16.40% p.a.                             | 12.20% p.a.                            |
| Future salary increase rate   | 7.10% p.a.  | 7.10% p.a.                              | 7.10% p.a.                             |
| Long-term inflation rate  | 5.00% p.a.  | 5.00% p.a.                              | 5.00% p.a.                             |
| Medical cost increase rate  | Not applicable                                      | 8.15% p.a.                              | Not applicable                         |
| Increase in use of medical services for each additional year of age           | Not applicable                                      | 4.00% p.a.                              | Not applicable                         |
| Benefit growth rate   | 5.00% p.a.  | 5.00% p.a.                              | 5.00% p.a.                             |
| Capacity factor salaries  | 98.00%  | Not applicable                          | Not applicable                         |
| Capacity factor benefits  | 98.00%  | Not applicable                          | Not applicable                         |
| Mortality table   | UP 84 forward 1 year -segregated by sex             | UP 84 forward 1 year                    | UP 84 forward 1 year segregated by sex |
| Disability mortality table  | IAPB-57   | Not applicable                          | Not applicable                         |
| Disability table  | Mercer Disability                                   | Mercer Disability                       | Not applicable                         |
| Turnover table  | 0.15/ (employment time + 1) from 50 years on - zero | Not applicable                          | Not applicable                         |
| Retirement age  | Age at which participants are first                 | Age at which social security retirement | Not applicable                         |

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|   | entitled to one of<br>the benefits         | is eligible           |                       |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| % of active married participants on retirement date                           | <b>95.00%</b>                              | <b>Not applicable</b> | <b>Not applicable</b> |
| Age difference between participants and spouses                               | <b>Wives 4 years younger than husbands</b> | <b>Not applicable</b> | <b>Not applicable</b> |
| Number of active participants and dependents                                  |  | <b>78</b>             |                       |
| Number of assisted participants/beneficiaries                                 |  | <b>4,188</b>          | <b>5,378</b>          |
| Number of active participants of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan                        | <b>48</b>                                  |                       |                       |
| Number of retired participants of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan                       | <b>1,080</b>                               |                       |                       |
| Number of dependent groups of retirees of PBS-Telesp / CTB plan               | <b>23</b>                                  |                       |                       |
| Number of active participants of Visão Telesp plan (including self-sponsored) | <b>6,836</b>                               |                       |                       |
| Number of active participants of Visão Assist plan                            | <b>50</b>                                  |                       |                       |



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**31. Insurance (Unaudited)**

The Company and its subsidiaries' policies, as well as that of the Telefónica Group, includes the maintenance of insurance coverage for all assets and liabilities involving significant amounts and high risks based on management's judgment and following Telefónica S.A.'s corporate program guidelines. In this context, Telecomunicações de São Paulo S.A. - Telesp complies with the Brazilian legislation for contracting insurance coverage.

| Type                                      | Insurance coverage     |
|---|------------------------|
| Operating risks (with loss of profits)    | US\$7,262,620 thousand |
| Optional third-party liability - vehicles | R\$1,000               |
| ANATEL guarantee insurance                | R\$5,420               |

**32. Financial Instruments**

In compliance with the terms of CVM Instruction No. 235/95, the Company and its subsidiaries made a valuation of their assets and liabilities based on fair values, based on available information and appropriate valuation methodologies. However, the interpretation of market information, as well as the selection of methodologies, requires considerable judgment and reasonable estimates in order to produce adequate realizable values. As a result, the estimates presented do not necessarily indicate the amounts which might be realized in the current market. The use of different market approaches and/or methodologies for the estimates may have a significant effect on the estimated realizable values.

Carrying and fair values of financial instruments as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

|                           | Consolidated |             |             |             |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                           | 2005         |             | 2004        |             |
|                           | Book         | Market      | Book        | Market      |
|                           | value        | value       | value       | value       |
| Loans and financing       | (2,397,608)  | (2,404,200) | (2,756,243) | (2,783,035) |
| Derivatives               | (294,255)    | (224,681)   | (235,918)   | (124,457)   |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 463,456      | 463,456     | 238,577     | 238,577     |
|                           | (2,228,407)  | (2,165,425) | (2,753,584) | (2,668,915) |

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The Company has a direct interest of 0.71% (0.69% at December 31, 2004) and, through the subsidiary Aliança Atlântica, an indirect interest of 0.24% (0.23% at December 31, 2004) in Portugal Telecom, carried at cost. The investment, at market value, is based on the last quotation of December 2005 on the Lisbon Stock Exchange for Portugal Telecom, equivalent to 8.55 ( 9.10 in December 2004):

|                  |  | Consolidated   |                |          |         |
|------------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------|---------|
|                  |  | 2005           |                | 2004     |         |
|                  |  | Carrying       | Fair           | Carrying | Fair    |
|                  |  | value          | value          | value    | value   |
| Portugal Telecom | direct investment  | 75,362         | 189,267        | 75,362   | 263,309 |
| Portugal Telecom | indirect investment through the subsidiary Aliança Atlântica | 54,293         | 63,089         | 70,967   | 87,770  |
|                  |  | <b>129,655</b> | <b>252,356</b> | 146,329  | 351,079 |

The principal market risk factors that affect the Company's business are detailed below:

a) Exchange rate risk

This risk arises from the possibility that the Company may incur losses due to exchange rate fluctuations, which would increase the balances of loans, financing and purchase commitments denominated in foreign currency and the related financial expenses. To reduce this risk, the Company enters into hedge contracts (swaps) with financial institutions.

The Company's indebtedness and the result of loan, financing and purchase commitment liabilities denominated in foreign currency are significantly affected by the foreign exchange rate risk. As of December 31 2005, 36.45% (44.60% at December 31, 2004) of the debt was denominated in foreign currency (U.S. dollar, Canadian dollar and yen); 99.37% (98.50% on December 30, 2004) of this debt was covered by asset positions on currency hedge transactions (swaps for CDI). Gains or losses on these operations are recorded in income. As of December 31, 2005, these transactions generated a net loss of R\$ 414,721 (consolidated). As of December 31, 2005, the Company recorded a liability of R\$ 294,255 to reflect the existing temporary loss. As these concern coverage operations, part of the net consolidated negative result of R\$ 414,721 with derivatives is offset against exchange variation gains with debts, in the amount of R\$250,139.

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The carrying value and fair value of the Company's net excess (exposure) to the exchange rate risk as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

|                              | 2005            |                 | 2004           |            |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|
|                              | Carrying value  | Fair value      | Carrying value | Book value |
| <b>Liabilities</b>           |                 |                 |                |            |
| Loans and financing          | <b>873,966</b>  | <b>875,581</b>  | 1,228,566      | 1,237,400  |
| Purchase commitments         | <b>37,138</b>   | <b>37,138</b>   | 42,986         | 42,986     |
| Asset position on swaps      | <b>868,450</b>  | <b>879,560</b>  | 1,253,415      | 1,270,788  |
| <b>Net excess (exposure)</b> | <b>(42,654)</b> | <b>(33,159)</b> | (18,137)       | (9,598)    |

In view of the complexity of the process and insignificance of results, the Company decided not to renew the coverage of non-financial liabilities denominated in foreign currency. However, the exposure will continue to be monitored, and the Company may take out new coverages should the exposure become significant or be defined by the Company as material.

In the above table, the 2004 balances accounted for loans with DEG – Deutsche Investitions, obtained by the subsidiary Santo Genovese (Atrium), recorded as of November 30, 2004 in view of consolidation (see Note 3.e). At November 30, 2004, no derivative operations were carried out by the subsidiary in order to reduce exchange rate fluctuation risks. As per the Telefônica Group policy, in December 2004 the referred to subsidiary carried out derivative operations to cover 100% of its financial debt in foreign currency.

The valuation method used to calculate the fair value of loans, financing and hedge instruments (foreign exchange swaps) was the discounted cash flow method, considering expected settlement or realization of liabilities and assets, at market rates prevailing on the balance sheet date.

For purposes of accounting practices adopted in Brazil, hedge operations (swap) are valued on the accrual basis, considering the contractual provisions.

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b) Interest rate risk

This risk arises from the possibility that the Company may incur losses due to internal and external interest rate fluctuations affecting its results.

As of December 31, 2005, the Company had R\$ R\$873,966 (R\$1,228,566 as of December 31, 2004) of loans and financing in foreign currency, of which R\$478,158 (R\$562,980 as of December 31, 2004) was at fixed interest rates and R\$395,808 (R\$665,586 as of December 31, 2004) was at variable interest rates (Libor). To hedge against the exchange risk on these foreign currency debts (Libor), the Company has hedge transactions in order to peg these debts to local currency, at floating rates indexed to the CDI (interbank deposit rate), in a way that the Company's financial result is affected by the CDI variation. The balance of loans and financing also includes debentures issued in 2004 with interest based on the variation of the CDI of R\$1,521,744 (R\$1,521,959 as of December 31, 2004), as described in Note 14. On the other hand, the Company invests its excess cash (temporary cash investments) of R\$ R\$463,456 (R\$238,577 as of December 31, 2004) mainly in short-term instruments, based on the CDI variation, which also reduces this risk. The carrying values of these instruments approximate fair values, since they may be redeemed in the short term.

Another risk to which the Company is exposed is the non-matching of the monetary restatement indices for its debts and for accounts receivable. Telephone tariff adjustments do not necessarily match increases in local interest rates which affect the Company's debt.

b) Debt acceleration risk

As of December 31, 2005, the Company's loan and financing agreements contain restrictive covenants, typically applicable to such agreements, relating to cash generation, indebtedness ratios and other. These restrictive covenants have been complied with by the Company and did not restrict the Company's capacity to conduct its regular business.

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c) Credit risk

This risk arises from the possibility that the Company may incur losses due to the difficulty of receiving amounts billed to its customers. The credit risk on accounts receivable is dispersed. The Company constantly monitors the level of accounts receivable and limits the risk of past-due accounts, interrupting access to telephone lines in case the customer bill has been overdue for more than 30 days. Exceptions are made for telecommunication services that must be maintained for security or national defense reasons.

As of December 31, 2005, the Company's customer portfolio had no subscribers whose receivables were individually higher than 1% of the total trade accounts receivable.

The Company is also subject to credit risk related to temporary cash investments and receivables from swap transactions. The Company reduces this exposure by dispersing it among creditworthy financial institutions.

**33. Management Compensation**

The management compensation paid by the Company to its Board of Directors and Statutory Directors amounted to approximately R\$23,600 (twenty-three million, six hundred thousand reais) and R\$19,400 (nineteen million, four hundred thousand reais), for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Of these total amounts, R\$16,100 (sixteen million, one hundred thousand reais (R\$11,500 eleven million, five hundred thousand reais in 2004) correspond to salaries and benefits, and R\$7,500 (seven million, five hundred thousand reais (R\$7,900 seven million, nine hundred thousand reais in 2004) to bonus.

**34. Relevant Fact**

According to relevant fact published on November 22, 2005, during meeting held by the Company's Board of Directors on November 21, 2005, the proposal relating to the corporate reorganization involving the subsidiaries A. Telecom S.A. (former Assist), Santo Genovese Participações Ltda. and Atrium Telecomunicações Ltda. was approved.

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**34. Relevant Fact** (Continued)

The reorganization will take place in 2006 as follows: firstly, Atrium will be merged by Santo Genovese, and thus dissolved. The merger of Atrium will not imply capital increase in Santo Genovese. Secondly, Santo Genovese will be merged by A. Telecom, also being dissolved due to such operation. The quotas of Santo Genovese, held by Telesp, will be substituted for shares to be issued by A. Telecom in a capital increase resulting from Santo Genovese's equity incorporation. Shares to be issued by A. Telecom will be entirely attributed to Telesp, replacing the investment held in Santo Genovese. Other shareholders will not be admitted in A. Telecom, which will remain as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Telesp and will carry out the same activities previously executed by Atrium.

For purposes of takeover, the company assets will be valued at carrying value by experts appointed in accordance with the law.

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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.

**TELESP HOLDING COMPANY**

Date: March 31, 2006

By: /s/ Daniel de Andrade Gomes  
Name: Daniel de Andrade Gomes  
Title: Investor Relations Director