

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
Form 6-K
July 31, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of July, 2006

Commission File Number 1-13758

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Av. Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40
1069 - 300 Lisboa, Portugal
(Address of principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F Form 40-F _____

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

Yes _____ No

ANNOUNCEMENT

Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A.
Open Company
Registered Offices: Avenida Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40, Lisbon
Share Capital: Euro 1,467,513,450
Registered in the Conservatory of the Commercial Registry of Lisbon and
Collective Person under no. 503 215 058

Qualified Holding

Pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code, we hereby announce that following the acquisition of 3.437.494 shares of Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A. (PT) by Fundação José Berardo on 28 July 2006, a total of 23,357,466 PT shares, representing 2.07% of PT's share capital and voting rights, are currently attributed to such entity.

Additionally, we inform that of the total of 23,357,466 PT shares attributed to Fundação José Berardo, 21,556,895 shares are directly owned by Fundação José Berardo, 1,800,000 shares by its subsidiary Metalgest - Sociedade de Gestão, SGPS, S.A. and the remaining 571 shares are owned by the chairman of the Statutory Audit Board of this institution.

Lisbon, 31 July 2006

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 31, 2006

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: /s/ Nuno Prego

Nuno Prego
Investor Relations Director

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