

COMPANHIA DE SANEAMENTO BASICO DO ESTADO DE SAO PAULO-SABESP

Form 6-K

April 29, 2005

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM 6-K

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

For April 29, 2005

(Commission File No. 1-31317)

Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo - SABESP
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Basic Sanitation Company of the State of Sao Paulo - SABESP
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**Rua Costa Carvalho, 300
São Paulo, S.P., 05429-900
Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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

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in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1) .

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

Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicated below the file number assigned to the
registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

COMPANHIA DE SANEAMENTO BÁSICO DO ESTADO DE SÃO PAULO SABESP
PUBLICLY HELD COMPANY
Corporate Taxpayer s ID (CNPJ) 43.776.517/0001-80

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON OWN CAPITAL

We hereby inform the Shareholders that, in a meeting held on April 28, 2005, the Board of Directors of Companhia de Saneamento Básico do Estado de São Paulo - SABESP pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 30 of its Bylaws, after hearing the Fiscal Council, deliberated to approve the Full Executive Board s proposal for the declaration of payment of dividends in the form of Interest on Own Capital, referring to the first quarter of 2005 to the shareholders on the reference date of May 9, 2005.

I AMOUNT, DATE AND CREDIT AND PAYMENT TERMS

The Dividends as Interest on Own Capital, totaling thirty-eight million and two hundred thousand reais (R\$38,200,000.00) corresponding to R\$ 1.34131202 per thousand common shares will be paid no later than sixty (60) days after the 2006 Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

II WITHHOLDING INCOME TAX

Withholding Income Tax will be deducted from the amount of payment of dividends as Interest on Own Capital, pursuant to current legislation, except for exempt shareholders who prove this condition prior to September 30, 2005, by submitting related documents to the Company at Rua Costa Carvalho, 300 - São Paulo - SP, CEP: 05429-900, in attention to the Superintendência de Captação de Recursos e Relações com Investidores, FI, sala 265.

III CONTRIBUTION TO DIVIDENDS

Said Interest on Own Capital will be declared and computed in the calculation of the mandatory minimum dividends, as provided in Article 30 item II, letter b of the Company s Bylaws and in Paragraph 7 of the Article 9 of the Law 9249/95.

IV INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CREDIT AND PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON OWN CAPITAL

a) The shareholders will have their credits available on the initial date of payment of such right, as set forth in above item I, in accordance with their checking account and domicile provided to Banco Itaú S.A..

b) To shareholders whose registry information does neither include their Individual/Corporate Taxpayer s Identification Number (CPF/CNPJ) nor completion of banking instructions (bank, branch and account number), the interest will be credited, pursuant to item I above, as of the third business day counted from the date of registry update in Banco Itaú S.A. s electronic files. This update may be carried out either at any of its branches or by mail sent to Banco Itaú S.A - Diretoria Serviços para o Mercado de Capitais Unidade de Ações e Debêntures at Avenida Engenheiro Armando de Arruda Pereira, 707, 9º andar - Jabaquara CEP: 04344-902 São Paulo SP.

V RECORD DATE

The shares now are traded ex-interest from May 10, 2005.

VI Further information may be obtained at any of Banco Itaú S.A. s branches, which are specialized in assisting shareholders, during banking hours.

São Paulo, April 28, 2005.

Rui de Britto Álvares Affonso

Economic - Financial Officer and Investor Relations Officer

