

NATIONAL STEEL CO
Form 6-K
August 20, 2018

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 August, 2018
Commission File Number 1-14732

COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

National Steel Company

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Av. Brigadeiro Faria Lima 3400, 20º andar
São Paulo, SP, Brazil
04538-132

(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

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Publicly-Held Company

Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ MF): 33.042.730/0001-04

Company Registry (NIRE): 35-3.0039609.0

MATERIAL FACT

Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional ("CSN" or "Company") informs its shareholders and the market in general that its Board of Directors approved, on this date, the distribution of an extraordinary dividend in the amount of R\$ 890,000,000.00 ("Extraordinary Dividend"), to be paid as of August 29, 2018.

The payment of the Extraordinary Dividend is part of the Company's effort to extend its financial liabilities, and has concomitantly concluded the negotiation of the main terms of its short-term debt reprofiling with Banco Bradesco.

In addition, the Company was informed by its controlling shareholders that they also reached an agreement regarding the main commercial conditions for the structural and long-term extension of its debts.

The consummation of the above is subject to the signing of definitive instruments, as well as the fulfillment of certain precedent conditions and corporate approvals by the Company, its controllers and by the bank.

The payment of the Extraordinary Dividend is part of the Company's effort to reduce its leverage to reach its short and medium term schedules, as recently announced to the market through its current assets sale program and constant operational improvement.

São Paulo, Aug 17th 2018.

Marcelo Cunha Ribeiro

Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer

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: August 17, 2018

COMPANHIA SIDERÚRGICA NACIONAL

By: _____ /s/ Benjamin Steinbruch

Benjamin Steinbruch
Chief Executive Officer

By: _____ /s/ Marcelo Cunha Ribeiro

Marcelo Cunha Ribeiro
Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer

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