

ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC
Form 6-K
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report Of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant To Rule 13a-16 Or 15d-16 Of
The Securities Exchange Act Of 1934

For the month of August, 2006

Commission File Number: 001-14950

ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC.

(Translation of Registrant's Name into English)

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

PUBLICLY LISTED COMPANY

CNPJ nº 33.256.439/0001- 39

MATERIAL NOTICE

Oxiteno closes new ethylene supply arrangement and accelerates its investments in production capacity expansion

São Paulo, August 17, 2006 - Ultrapar Participações S.A. (Ultrapar BOVESPA: UGPA4 / NYSE: UGP), announces the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Oxiteno Nordeste S.A. Indústria e Comércio (Oxiteno), Ultrapar s subsidiary, and Braskem S.A. (Braskem), for a 265 thousand ton/year supply of ethylene.

The Memorandum of Understanding is effective immediately and alters the ethylene supply contract between Braskem and Oxiteno, ruling the ethylene supply conditions for the next 15 years.

The 265 thousand ton/year volume of ethylene represents an addition of 68 thousand ton/year to the previous contractual volume, and will be totally available from 2009 on. Oxiteno will already have access to an additional 13 thousand ton/year of ethylene in 2007 and 2008. The new agreement also establishes a minimum purchase commitment.

The new supply price agreed will be referenced exclusively on ethylene prices in the international market and on the volume effectively purchased by Oxiteno.

With this additional ethylene volume, Ultrapar plans to expand its ethylene oxide and specialty chemicals production capacity in Oxiteno s plant located at Camaçari (BA), with investments estimated at US\$ 90 million and start-up programmed to the first quarter 2009. This expansion shall produce additional revenues of approximately US\$ 150 million/year when running at full capacity.

The investment in Camaçari plant is part of Oxiteno s expansion plan, with investments of US\$ 320 million from 2006 to 2009. This investment plan is already being implemented and includes the new fatty alcohol plant, the ethylene oxide production capacity expansion in Mauá plant and the specialty chemicals production capacity expansion, which had been previously announced by the company. When running at full capacity, these investments shall increase Oxiteno s revenues by US\$ 350 million.

Fabio Schwartsman

Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer

SIGNATURES

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

ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC.

Date: August 17, 2006

By: /s/ Fábio Schvartsman

Name: Fábio Schvartsman
Title: Chief Financial and Investor Relations
Officer

(Material Notice, August 17, 2006)
