VALLEY OF THE RIO DOCE CO Form 6-K August 06, 2003

United States 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 2003

Valley of the Rio Doce Company

(Translation of Registrant\s name into English)

Avenida Graca Aranha, No. 26 20005-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil (Address of principal executive office)

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

(Check One) 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 information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

(Check One) Yes No

(If [Yes] is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b). 82-____.)

CVRD 2Q03 Earnings Release

Rio de Janeiro, August 06th, 2003 Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD) will release 2Q03 earnings on Wednesday, August 13, 2003 after market closing. CVRD will release simultaneously quarterly consolidated financial statements in US GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles in the United States) and the Parent Company results in BR GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles in Brazil). There will be a conference call and webcast on Friday, August 15, 12:00 p.m., Rio de Janeiro time. The instructions to participate in these events are available on the enclosed invitation and also on CVRD website, www.cvrd.com.br, investor relations.

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This press release may contain statements that express management sexpectations about future events or results rather than historical facts. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements, and CVRD cannot give assurance that such statements will prove correct. These risks and uncertainties include factors: relating to the Brazilian economy and securities markets, which exhibit volatility and can be adversely affected by developments in other countries; relating to the iron ore business and its dependence on the global steel industry, which is cyclical in nature; and relating to the highly competitive industries in which CVRD operates. For additional information on factors that could cause CVRD is actual results to differ from expectations reflected in forward-looking statements, please see CVRD is reports filed with the Brazilian Comissão de Valores Mobiliários and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

CVRD cordially invites you to participate in a

CONFERENCE CALL AND WEBCAST PRESENTATION

to discuss its

SECOND QUARTER 2003 RESULTS

Date & Time

NYSE: RIOPR, RIO
Bovespa: VALE5, VALE3
Latibex: XVALP, XVALO

Stock options: BOVESPA,CBOE, PACIFIC EXCHANGE

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Friday, August 15, 2003

12:00 p.m. (Rio de Janeiro Time) 11:00 a.m. (New York Time)

Please dial

US Participants toll free: (1-866) 812-0442 International Participants: (1-703) 788-1236 Brazilian Participants: (11) 4613-0503

Pass code: 705

A simultaneous slide presentation will also be available.

To view the presentation:

- 1. log on to www.cvrd.com.br
- 2. Click on the Investor Relations button
- 3. click on the SECOND QUARTER 2003 RESULTS button
- 4. click on the Click Here for Webcast button

Please log on prior to the event to test your browser.

Speaker from CVRD

Fábio Barbosa - Chief Financial Officer

A replay of the conference call will be available from 1:00 p.m. New York Time on August 15, 2003 until midnight (12:00 a.m.) New York Time on August 26, 2003.

For the replay, please call:

US Participants (1-866) 812-0442 // International Participants (1-703) 788-1236 // Brazilian Participants (11) 4613-0502

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A replay of the synchronized slide presentation and conference call will also be available in the Investor Relations section of our website (www.cvrd.com.br).

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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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/ Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa</u> Fabio de Oliveira Barbosa Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 6, 2003