

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
Form 6-K
January 14, 2008

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 January 2008

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

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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

RELEASE

Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A.

Public Company

Registered Offices: Avenida Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40, Lisboa

Share Capital: Euro 30,774,000

Registered in the Commercial Registry Office of Lisbon

and Corporation no. 503 215 058

Qualified Holding

Pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code (Código dos Valores Mobiliários or CVM), we inform that Deutsche Bank AG, a company incorporated under the laws of Germany, with registered office in Taunusanlage 12, Frankfurt am Main (DB AG) has notified Portugal Telecom, SGPS, S.A. (PT), that it now holds less than 2% (two percent) of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of PT.

Such new qualified holding resulted from the sale of 3,812,216 (three million, eight hundred and twelve thousand, two hundred and sixteen) PT shares by Deutsche Bank AG London on 28 December 2007, through an over the counter transaction. As a result of this sale, DB AG now holds, together with entities in a control or group relationship with it, 19,135,812 (nineteen million, one hundred and thirty five thousand, eight hundred and twelve) PT shares representing 1.87% (one point eighty seven percent) of PT's share capital and corresponding voting rights.

Additionally, PT was informed that this qualified holding is attributable to DB AG, directly and through entities in a control or group relationship with it, in the following terms:

| Entities | No. of shares | % of capital | % of voting rights (according to article 16 of the CVM) |
|--|---------------|--------------|--|
| Deutsche Bank AG | 15,060,586 | 1.47 | 1.47 |
| Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas | 13,627 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Deutsche Bank Asset Management Investmentgesellschaft mbH | 27,638 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Deutsche Asset Management (Japan) Limited | 345 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Deutsche Investment Management Americas Inc | 120,083 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| DWS Investment GmbH | 3,680,011 | 0.36 | 0.36 |
| DWS (Austria) Investmentgesellschaft mbH | 24,723 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| DWS Investments (Spain) S.G.I.I.C., S.A. | 197,799 | 0.02 | 0.02 |

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| Tilney Investment Management | 11,000 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Total | 19,135,812 | 1.87 | 1.87 |

Lisbon, 11 January 2008

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: January 14, 2008

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: /s/ Nuno Prego
Nuno Prego
Investor Relations Director

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