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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 May, 2006

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ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC.
(Translation of Registrant's Name into English)

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INFORMATION AND RESULTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER 2006

(São Paulo, Brazil, May 10, 2006)

Several cost reduction management initiatives and the first benefits of Ultragaz's distribution structure review have resulted in an increase of 23% in Ultrapar EBITDA, when compared to 4Q05.

- Ø CONSOLIDATED EBITDA IN 1Q06 AMOUNTED TO R\$ 107 MILLION, UP 23% ON 4Q05, AND DOWN 37% COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD IN 2005
- Ø ULTRAGAZ'S EBITDA AMOUNTED TO R\$ 55 MILLION, UP 22% AND 61%, COMPARED TO 1Q05 AND 4Q05, RESPECTIVELY
- Ø OXITENO'S EBITDA AMOUNTED TO R\$ 40 MILLION, DOWN 64% AND 4%, COMPARED TO 1Q05 AND 4Q05, RESPECTIVELY

□ *In this first quarter of the year, some of the initiatives taken to improve company performance have already shown concrete results at Ultragaz. At Oxiteno, we have moved ahead with the implementation of our growth strategy based on increased scale and technology, with the construction of the fatty alcohol plant, expanding production capacity of specialty chemicals and expanding production capacity of ethylene oxide at our Mauá plant, which will have a positive effect on Ultrapar's performance as from 2007. With the growth path of our businesses in Brazil clearly identified, we are reinforcing our focus on the company's expansion in international markets.*

Paulo G. A. Cunha □ CEO

Ultrapar Participações S.A.

UGPA4 = R\$ 38.00 / share

UGP = US\$ 17.76 / ADR

(03/31/06)

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Summary of the 1st Quarter 2006

Ultrapar, a company engaged in the distribution of LPG (Ultragas), the production of chemicals (Oxiteno), as well as logistics for chemical products and fuels (Ultracargo), hereby reports the following results for the first quarter 2006:

| Profit and Loss Data | | | | $\Delta(\%)$ | $\Delta(\%)$ |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| Ultrapar Consolidated | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 | 1Q06x1Q05 | 1Q06x4Q05 |
| Net Sales and Services | 1,098 | 1,137 | 1,126 | (3%) | (2%) |
| Gross Profit | 199 | 259 | 181 | (23%) | 10% |
| Operating Profit | 59 | 123 | 38 | (52%) | 57% |
| EBITDA | 107 | 168 | 87 | (37%) | 23% |
| Net Earnings | 57 | 101 | 42 | (44%) | 36% |
| Earnings per share* | 0.70 | 1.31 | 0.51 | (47%) | 37% |

Amounts in R\$ million (except EPS)

* Calculated based on the weighted average of the number of shares during the period

| Operational Data Ultragas | | | | $\Delta(\%)$ | $\Delta(\%)$ |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 | 1Q06x1Q05 | 1Q06x4Q05 |
| Total Volume (□000 tons) | 355 | 355 | 377 | 0% | (6%) |
| Bottled | 240 | 239 | 261 | 0% | (8%) |
| Bulk | 115 | 116 | 116 | 0% | (1%) |

| Operational Data Oxiteno | | | | $\Delta(\%)$ | $\Delta(\%)$ |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 | 1Q06x1Q05 | 1Q06x4Q05 |
| Total Volume (□000 tons) | 129 | 120 | 121 | 7% | 7% |
| Sales in Brazil | 86 | 84 | 94 | 3% | (8%) |
| Sales outside Brazil | 42 | 36 | 27 | 18% | 57% |

| Operational Data Ultracargo | | | | $\Delta(\%)$ | $\Delta(\%)$ |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 | 1Q06x1Q05 | 1Q06x4Q05 |
| Effective Storage (□000 m ³) ¹ | 225 | 218 | 232 | 3% | (3%) |
| Total Kilometrage (million) | 12.6 | 12.8 | 13.1 | (2%) | (4%) |

¹ monthly average

| Macroeconomic Indicators | | | | $\Delta(\%)$ | $\Delta(\%)$ |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 | 1Q06x1Q05 | 1Q06x4Q05 |
| Exchange rate - average (R\$/US\$) | 2.1959 | 2.6652 | 2.2509 | (18%) | (2%) |
| Brazilian interest rate (CDI) | 4.0% | 4.2% | 4.3% | | |
| Inflation in the period (IPCA) | 1.4% | 1.8% | 1.7% | | |

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Quarterly Highlights

- Ø **Progress made on the Rio de Janeiro petrochemical complex project** □ In April the location of the Rio de Janeiro Petrochemical Complex was decided on and announced; it is to be built in the municipalities of São Gonçalo and Itaboraí. The Rio de Janeiro Petrochemical Complex was conceived by Ultrapar, which in view of the growth prospects of the Brazilian economy in the next few years with a potential shortage of petrochemical raw materials, has developed an innovative project for the production of these materials, based on the heavy oil abundant in Brazil. Ultrapar carries out the feasibility studies for this project together with Petrobras.
- Ø **Award** □ For the fourth year running, Ultrapar was elected as one of the "Most connected companies in Brazil", in a survey carried out by Info Exame magazine. Disregarding the companies in which the use of technology is intrinsic to the business, such as banks and technological/communication companies, Ultrapar was considered by Info Exame magazine to be the fifth most connected company in Brazil in 2005.

Ultrapar in the Macroeconomic Scenario

The successive cuts in the interest rate bring good prospects for the general performance of the Brazilian economy this year. The first quarter has already shown signs of industrial recovery, with a pickup in the pace of production compared to the first quarter 2005, driven by more intense domestic demand. On the other hand, the continuous appreciation of the Brazilian Real has caused negative impacts in certain sectors, reducing competitiveness in exports and in face of imported products. The price per barrel of oil on the international market continued in a high level.

Ultrapar ended 1Q06 with EBITDA of R\$ 107 million, down 37% compared to 1Q05, but up 23% compared to 4Q05, due to the 61% increase in Ultragas's EBITDA and the EBITDA stability in the other businesses.

Specific market initiatives at Oxiteno enabled the company to report a good sales performance in the domestic market, with a rise of 3% in volume sold compared to 1T05, despite a reduction in sales volume to some sectors of the Brazilian economy, which suffered from competition from imported end-products -particularly in the textile and PET resin segments. EBITDA at Oxiteno amounted to R\$ 40 million in 1Q06, 64% below the EBITDA reported in 1Q05, basically due to the appreciation in the Real of 18%, the effect of high oil and naphtha prices and last year's drop in international petrochemical commodity prices.

At Ultragas, the start of the distribution structure review has already shown its first positive results □ despite a sales volume very similar to that seen in 1Q05, Ultragas's EBITDA amounted to R\$ 55 million in 1Q06, an increase of 22% compared to the same period a year earlier.

EBITDA at Ultracargo amounted to R\$ 9 million in 1Q06, compared to R\$ 10 million in 1Q05, principally affected by: (i) the temporary non-availability of certain tanks at Suape as a result of expansion work and (ii) the inter-harvest period, which reduces the operations' level at the Santos Intermodal Terminal.

Quarterly EBITDA (R\$ millions)

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Operational Performance

Ultragaz - In 1Q06, Brazil's LPG market expanded by 1.3% compared to the same period in 2005. In this same period, Ultragaz's sales volume totaled 355 thousand tons, flat compared to 1Q05. The level sales performance in relation to the market already reflects a number of initiatives taken as part of Ultragaz's distribution structure review. Compared to 4Q05, sales volume at Ultragaz saw a retraction of 6%, as a result of seasonal effects between the two periods.

Both the bottled and bulk segments remained flat in relation to 1Q05. In the large bulk segment, the reversal seen in falling sales volume reflects the revision of the use of LPG *vis à vis* the natural gas, driven by the uncertainties regarding natural gas supply from Bolivia.

Sales Volume □ Ultragaz (in thousand tons)

Oxitenó - Total sales volume at Oxitenó amounted to 129 thousand tons in 1Q06, up 7% in relation to 1Q05. In this same period, sales in the domestic market increased by 2.5 thousand tons, or 3%, compared to 1Q05, basically due to increased sales in the paints, varnishes, cosmetics and detergents segments. Export markets saw an increase of 6.4 thousand tons, or 18%, compared to 1Q05, as a consequence of (i) higher sales to China and (ii) a 27% increase in the volume sold by Canamex.

Compared to 4Q05, Oxitenó's sales volume increased by 7%, as a result of increased exports. In 4Q05, Oxitenó's exports were impacted by a stoppage to replace the catalysts in the Camaçari plant.

Sales Volume □ Oxitenó (in thousand tons)

Ultracargo □ The average storage levels of Ultracargo, measured in cubic meters, increased by 3% in 1Q06, compared to 1Q05, due to the start-up of operations at the Santos Intermodal Terminal □ TIS, in mid-2005. Compared to 4Q05, average storage levels saw a retraction of 3%, as a consequence of the temporary non-availability of various tanks at Suape, due to expansion works.

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Economic- Financial Performance

Net Sales and Services - Ultrapar's net consolidated sales and services in 1Q06 amounted to R\$ 1,097.7 million, down 3% compared to the same quarter in 2005 and down 2% in relation to 4Q05.

Net Sales and Services (in R\$ million)

Ultragaz □ Net sales at Ultragaz amounted to R\$ 694.2 million in 1Q06, up 3% compared to 1Q05, as a result of the market repositioning brought about by the company's distribution structure review. Compared to 4Q05, net sales decreased by 4%.

Oxitenó □ Oxitenó's net sales in 1Q06 amounted to R\$ 357.4 million, down 15% compared to 1Q05, basically due to: (i) the 18% stronger Real, partially offset by an increase of 7% in sales volume and (ii) the drop in the international glycol price in 2005. Compared to 4Q05, despite a stronger Real, Oxitenó's net sales were up 1%, due to a 7% increase in sales volume.

Ultracargo □ Ultracargo reported net services of R\$ 58.1 million in 1Q06, up 7% compared to 1Q05, due basically to (i) the additional revenue from TIS and (ii) contractual tariffs readjustments. Compared to 4Q05, net services saw a reduction of 3%, basically due to lower operational volume.

Cost of Sales and Services □ Ultrapar's cost of sales and services in 1Q06 amounted to R\$ 898.7 million, up 2% compared to 1Q05, but down 5% in relation to 4Q05.

Ultragaz □ The cost of sales in the quarter increased by 2% compared to 1Q05, basically due to an increase in freight costs, as a result of fuel price increases during last year, and the rise in personnel costs, as a result of annual collective wage increase agreement in 2005. Compared to 4Q05, the cost of sales was down 8%, or R\$ 48.3 million, due to: (i) a reduction of 6% in sales volume and (ii) the initiatives taken as part of the company's distribution structure review, including the effect of non-recurring costs reported in 4Q05.

Oxitenó □ Oxitenó's cost of sales in 1Q06 amounted to R\$ 279.2 million, up 3% compared to 1Q05, due to (i) an increase in sales volume and the rise in the dollar cost of ethylene, partially offset by the appreciation in the Real, and (ii) an increase in fixed costs, as a result of a reduction in the finished goods inventory. Compared to 4Q05, the cost of sales increased by 2% as a result of a 7% increase in sales volume and the effect of the 2% appreciation in the Brazilian Real.

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Ultracargo □ The cost of services provided by Ultracargo in 1Q06 was up by 4%, compared to the same quarter in 2005, principally as a result of (i) the start-up of operations at the Santos Intermodal Terminal, (ii) the increase in fuel costs, and (iii) increased salaries as a result of the annual collective wage agreement. When compared to 4Q05, Ultracargo's cost of services was down by 9%, basically due to lower operational volume.

Sales, General and Administrative Expenses □ In 1Q06, Ultrapar's sales, general and administrative expenses amounted to R\$ 140.4 million, up 2% compared to 1Q05, and down 1% compared to 4Q05.

Ultragaz □ Sales, general and administrative expenses at Ultragaz amounted to R\$ 74.1 million, up 2% compared to 1Q05, principally due to an increase in personnel expenses, in accordance with the annual collective wage agreement. Compared to 4Q05, sales, general and administrative expenses were down by 2%, the result of a 12% drop in sales expenses □ in 4Q05 there were non-recurring expenses related to the company's distribution structure review.

Oxiteno □ Oxiteno's sales, general and administrative expenses amounted to R\$ 49.1 million in 1Q06, 6% lower than in 1Q05, due to a reduction in the provision for employee profit sharing, partially offset by an increase in freight expenses, in line with the rise in volume sold. Compared to 4Q05, there was a reduction of R\$ 0.4 million, or 1%.

Ultracargo □ Sales, general and administrative expenses at Ultracargo amounted to R\$ 18.4 million in 1Q06, a 36% increase compared to the same period in 2005, basically due to expansion in the size of the operational workforce (including truck drivers, vehicle maintenance staff and internal logistics operations staff), as a result of new operations, and the increase in staff salaries as a result of the annual collective wage agreement. Compared to 4Q05, there was an increase of R\$ 0.3 million, or 2%.

EBITDA □ Ultrapar's EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization) amounted to R\$ 106.6 million in 1Q06, 37% lower than in 1Q05, but 23% higher than in 4Q05.

Ultragaz □ EBITDA at Ultragaz amounted to R\$ 55.3 million in 1Q06, 22% and 61% higher than the respective figures reported in 1Q05 and 4Q05, as a result of market repositioning and operational efficiencies driven by the company's distribution structure review.

Oxiteno □ Oxiteno ended 1Q06 with EBITDA of R\$ 40.5 million, a 64% reduction compared to 1Q05, basically as a result of the appreciation in the Brazilian Real on the company's sales, the high oil price level and the drop in international petrochemical commodity prices in 2005. Compared to 4Q05, this reduction amounted to 4%, basically due to the appreciation in the Real.

Ultracargo □ EBITDA at Ultracargo amounted to R\$ 9.3 million, down 7%, or R\$ 0.7 million, compared to 1Q05, basically due to the new operations in the ramp up phase. However, compared to 4Q05, EBITDA saw an improvement of 16%.

EBITDA (in R\$ million)

Financial Result □ Ultrapar reported net financial revenues of R\$ 12 million in 1Q06 compared to net financial expenses of R\$ 9 million in 1Q05. This improvement in the financial result is explained by (i) the

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non-recurring positive effect of R\$ 16 million, the result of winning a court case in regard PIS and COFINS taxes, explained in further detail below and (ii) an increase in the company's net cash position, which amounted to R\$ 127 million at the end of 1Q06, compared to a net debt of R\$ 18 million at the end of 1Q05.

Through its subsidiaries, Ultrapar had filed lawsuits questioning the levy of PIS and COFINS taxes on sources of income other than revenues. In March 2006 the Federal Supreme Court decided one of the lawsuits favorable to Ultrapar. The amount of R\$ 16 million booked in the financial result refers only to the amount disputed by Ultragas. Ultrapar has other subsidiaries which are also disputing this issue, but which have yet to have their cases ruled on. Should these subsidiaries also obtain a favorable final court decision, Ultrapar estimates that the total effect on the financial result will be an additional R\$ 42 million, net of legal fees.

Benefit of tax holidays □ Ultrapar's operations generated R\$ 11.4 million in benefits of tax holidays in 1Q06, compared to R\$ 20.9 million generated in 1Q05. The drop in benefits of tax holidays reflects the company's lower pre-tax income and the increase in the proportion of income generated by Ultragas, which enjoys lower benefit of tax holidays.

Net Earnings □ Ultrapar's net consolidated earnings in 1Q06 amounted to R\$ 57 million, down 44% compared to 1Q05, but up 36% compared to 4Q05.

Investments □ Total capital expenditure (CAPEX) in the quarter amounted to R\$ 54 million, distributed as follows:

- At Ultragas the main investments were made in the expansion of the small bulk segment (UltraSystem) and the replacement of cylinders.
- At Oxiteno, progress was made in the implementation of its growth strategy based on increased scale and technology, having invested R\$ 19 million of the total CAPEX in the quarter on its expansion projects, principally in the building of its fatty alcohols plant, expanding the production capacity of its specialty chemicals and expanding production capacity of ethylene oxide at its plant in Mauá.
- At Ultracargo, capital expenditure was mainly made in expanding tank storage capacity and the construction of a pipeline at the Suape terminal to receive imported raw material for a new plant located at the industrial complex of Suape, scheduled to begin construction in mid-2006.

**Consolidated capital expenditure and acquisitions, net
of disposals
R\$ million**

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Ultrapar In the Capital Markets

The first quarter of 2006 saw a significant upward move in Brazilian equity markets, with the Ibovespa appreciating by 13% and the IBX, by 14%, as well as the initial public offering of several companies on Bovespa. During this period, Ultrapar's shares appreciated by 17%, with an average daily traded volume of R\$ 5.9 million, up 6% compared to the same period in 2005.

Price Comparison: UGPA4 vs. Ibovespa vs. IBX
(base 100)

Average Daily Traded Volume
(R\$ million)

Outlook

Recent industrial production data for the first quarter of the year indicates that the economy is starting to pick up with the prospect of a balance between supply and demand, which is allowing Brazilian Central Bank to continue to reduce interest rates, without affecting the inflation rate. At Ultragaz, the implementation of the distribution structure review will continue to be carried out in a fast pace, improving profitability levels for the company. In the chemicals business, investments in expansion are proceeding as planned, which will bring more production volume on stream as from next year. In the short term, the behavior of macroeconomic indicators, such as the exchange rate and the oil price, are likely to continue to have a significant influence on Oxiteno performance. At Ultracargo we estimate that from mid-2006 onwards, benefits from the increased utilization of the Santos Terminal will start to become visible. Finally, we are continuing to examine acquisition opportunities in our three businesses, both in Brazil and internationally, always with a focus on generating value for our shareholders.

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Forthcoming Events

Conference Call/ Webcast for market analysts: May 12, 2006

Ultrapar will be holding a conference call for market analysts on May 12, 2006, to comment on the company's performance in the first quarter 2006 and the future outlook. A presentation will be available for download from the company web site one hour before the start of the conference calls.

Brazilian conference call : 11.00 a.m. (Brasília time)

Telephone number for registration (by May 11, 6 p.m.): **55 11 2103-1687**

Address for registration: conferencecall@wittel.com.br

Code: Ultrapar

For connection please call 5 minutes before the conference call on telephone number **55 11 2101-1490**.

International conference call: 12.00 midday (Brasília time) / 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Standard Time, New York)

Brazilian participants: 0-800-891-3951

US participants : 1-800-865-4415

International participants : +1 (973) 935-2402

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WEBCAST live via internet on site www.ultra.com.br. Please connect 15 minutes in advance.

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Operational and Market Information

| Financial focus | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Ultrapar - EBITDA margin | 10% | 15% | 8% |
| Ultrapar -Net Margin | 5% | 9% | 4% |
| Productivity | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 |
| Ultragaz - EBITDA R\$/ton | 10% | 15% | 8% |
| Oxitenno - EBITDA R\$/ton | 5% | 9% | 4% |
| Focus on Human Resources | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 |
| Number of employees: Ultrapar | 6,981 | 6,789 | 6,992 |
| Number of employees: Ultragaz | 4,377 | 4,423 | 4,424 |
| Number of employees: Oxitenno | 1,214 | 1,150 | 1,210 |
| Number of employees: Ultracargo | 1,178 | 1,011 | 1,151 |
| Focus on Capital Markets | 1Q06 | 1Q05 | 4Q05 |
| Quantity of Shares (million) | 81,325 | 80,145 | 81,325 |
| Market Value ⁽¹⁾ □ R\$ million | 2,791 | 3,614 | 2,818 |
| Bovespa | | | |
| Average Daily Volume (shares) | 73,065 | 81,615 | 64,515 |
| Average Daily financial Volume (R\$ □000) | 2,507 | 3,726 | 2,236 |
| Average share price (R\$ /share) | 34.3 | 45.1 | 34.7 |
| NYSE | | | |
| Quantity of ADRs ² (□000 ADRs) | 11,319 | 5,767 | 9,902 |
| Average Daily Volume (ADRs) | 96,398 | 45,124 | 50,841 |
| Average Daily Financial Volume (US\$ □000) | 1.528 | 775 | 775 |
| Average price (US\$ / ADRs) | 15.9 | 16.70 | 15.3 |
| Total ³ | | | |
| Average Daily Volume (shares) | 169,463 | 130,8464 | 115,356 |
| Average Daily Financial Volume (R\$ □000) | 5,851 | 5,5664 | 3,959 |

¹ Calculated based on the weighted average price in the period

² ADR = 1000 preferred shares

³ Total = BOVESPA + NYSE1

⁴ Retroactively adjusted for the stock dividend held on February 2005

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All financial information is presented according to the accounting principles laid down in Brazilian Corporate Legislation (BR GAAP). All figures are expressed in Brazilian *Reais*, except for the amounts on page 18, which are expressed in US dollars and were obtained using the average rate of exchange (commercial dollar rate) for the corresponding periods.

This document may contain forecasts of future events. Such predictions merely reflect the expectations of the Company's management. Words such as: "believe", "expect", "plan", "strategy", "prospects", "envisage", "estimate", "forecast", "anticipate", "may" and other words with similar meaning are intended as preliminary declarations regarding expectations and future forecasts. Such declarations are subject to risks and uncertainties, anticipated by the Company or otherwise, which could mean that the reported results turn out to be significantly different from those forecast. Therefore, the reader should not base investment decisions solely on these estimates.

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S/A
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 |
| ASSETS | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 1,085.1 | 152.6 | 1,250.9 |
| Trade accounts receivable | 335.0 | 365.5 | 343.3 |
| Inventories | 208.4 | 245.9 | 191.7 |
| Other | 100.6 | 122.9 | 102.4 |
| Total Current Assets | 1,729.1 | 886.9 | 1,888.3 |
| Investments | 32.4 | 34.2 | 32.3 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 1,070.2 | 1,051.5 | 1,072.7 |
| Deferred charges | 102.5 | 96.7 | 98.3 |
| Long term investments | 382.1 | 347.7 | 372.7 |
| Other long term assets | 165.1 | 112.0 | 160.8 |
| Total Long Term Assets | 1,752.3 | 1,642.1 | 1,736.8 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 3,481.4 | 2,529.0 | 3,625.1 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Loans and financing | 129.7 | 290.0 | 135.9 |
| Debentures | 4.2 | - | 17.9 |
| Suppliers | 94.4 | 78.2 | 90.9 |
| Payroll and related charges | 56.3 | 63.2 | 66.1 |
| Taxes | 14.8 | 17.0 | 12.0 |
| Other accounts payable | 21.1 | 21.5 | 117.4 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 320.5 | 469.9 | 440.2 |
| Loans and financing | 905.9 | 227.9 | 978.6 |
| Debentures | 300.0 | - | 300.0 |
| Income and social contribution taxes | 24.5 | 32.5 | 24.1 |
| Other long term liabilities | 46.3 | 68.4 | 62.4 |

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|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Total Long Term Liabilities | 1,276.7 | 328.8 | 1,365.1 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 1,597.2 | 798.7 | 1,805.3 |
| STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | |
| Capital | 946.0 | 898.8 | 946.0 |
| Capital reserve | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Revaluation reserves | 14.6 | 16.0 | 15.0 |
| Profit reserves | 829.0 | 685.3 | 828.9 |
| Retained earnings | 63.4 | 101.1 | - |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 1,853.4 | 1,701.4 | 1,790.2 |
| Minority Interests | 30.8 | 28.9 | 29.6 |
| TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY & M.I. | 1,884.2 | 1,730.3 | 1,819.8 |
| TOTAL LIAB. AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | 3,481.4 | 2,529.0 | 3,625.1 |
| Cash and Long term investments | 1,467.2 | 500.3 | 1,623.6 |
| Debt | 1,339.8 | 517.9 | 1,432.4 |
| Net cash (debt) | 127.4 | (17.6) | 191.2 |

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S/A
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
In millions of reais (except per share data) - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | | ACCUMULATED | |
|--|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC | MAR | MAR |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net sales and services | 1,097.7 | 1,137.0 | 1,125.5 | 1,097.7 | 1,137.0 |
| Cost of sales and services | (898.7) | (878.2) | (944.5) | (898.7) | (878.2) |
| Gross profit | 199.0 | 258.8 | 181.0 | 199.0 | 258.8 |
| Operating expenses | | | | | |
| Selling | (46.0) | (43.7) | (49.0) | (46.0) | (43.7) |
| General and administrative | (63.8) | (62.2) | (60.8) | (63.8) | (62.2) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (30.6) | (31.4) | (32.0) | (30.6) | (31.4) |
| Other operating income (expenses) | 0.6 | 1.2 | (1.4) | 0.6 | 1.2 |
| Income before equity and financial results | 59.2 | 122.7 | 37.8 | 59.2 | 122.7 |
| Financial results | 12.4 | (8.8) | 0.9 | 12.4 | (8.8) |
| Financial expenses | (32.3) | (15.8) | (24.5) | (32.3) | (15.8) |
| Financial income | 33.7 | 13.1 | 31.3 | 33.7 | 13.1 |
| Taxes on financial activities | 11.0 | (6.1) | (5.9) | 11.0 | (6.1) |
| Equity in earnings (losses) of affiliates | | | | | |
| Affiliates | - | (0.1) | 0.2 | - | (0.1) |
| Nonoperating income (expense) | (2.1) | (1.8) | 1.5 | (2.1) | (1.8) |
| Income before taxes and profit sharing | 69.5 | 112.0 | 40.4 | 69.5 | 112.0 |
| Provision for income and social contribution tax | (23.0) | (31.4) | (7.4) | (23.0) | (31.4) |
| Benefit of tax holidays | 11.4 | 20.9 | 9.1 | 11.4 | 20.9 |
| Income before minority interest | 57.9 | 101.5 | 42.1 | 57.9 | 101.5 |
| Minority interest | (1.1) | (0.7) | (0.4) | (1.1) | (0.7) |
| Net Income | 56.8 | 100.8 | 41.7 | 56.8 | 100.8 |
| EBITDA | 106.6 | 168.2 | 86.5 | 106.6 | 168.2 |

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|-------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Depreciation and amortization | 47.4 | 45.5 | 48.7 | 47.4 | 45.5 |
| Investments | 54.4 | 50.9 | 59.6 | 54.4 | 50.9 |

RATIOS

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Earnings / share - R\$ | 0.70 | 1.31 | 0.51 | 0.70 | 1.31 |
| Net debt / Stockholders' equity | Na | 0.01 | Na | | |
| Net debt / LTM EBITDA | Na | 0.03 | Na | | |
| Net interest expense / EBITDA | Na | 0.05 | Na | Na | 0.05 |
| Gross margin | 18% | 23% | 16% | 18% | 23% |
| Operating margin | 5% | 11% | 3% | 5% | 11% |
| EBITDA margin | 10% | 15% | 8% | 10% | 15% |

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S/A
CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT
In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | MAR | |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| | 2006 | 2005 |
| Cash Flows from operating activities | 52.2 | 70.3 |
| Net income | 56.8 | 100.8 |
| Minority interest | 1.1 | 0.7 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 47.4 | 45.5 |
| Working capital | (19.3) | (88.1) |
| Financial expenses (A) | (23.6) | 11.5 |
| Deferred income and social contribution taxes | (0.6) | (4.4) |
| Other (B) | (9.6) | 4.3 |
| Cash Flows from investing activities | (54.4) | (50.9) |
| Additions to property, plant, equipment and deferred charges (C) | (54.4) | (50.9) |
| Acquisition of minority interests (including treasury shares) | - | - |
| Cash Flows from (used in) financing activities | (154.1) | (116.2) |
| Short term debt, net | (78.4) | (39.3) |
| Issuances | 12.1 | 12.8 |
| Debt payments | - | (18.1) |
| Related companies | (1.3) | 0.2 |
| Dividends paid (D) | (86.5) | (71.8) |
| Increase of capital | - | - |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (156.3) | (96.8) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period (E) | 1,623.6 | 597.1 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period (E) | 1,467.3 | 500.3 |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information | | |
| Cash paid for interest (F) | 33.8 | 5.4 |
| Cash paid for taxes on income (F) | 1.7 | 8.0 |

- (A) Not including financial income. Comprised basically of financial expenses, in particular, exchange variations.
(B) Comprised mainly cost of permanent asset sold and noncurrent assets and liabilities net.
(C) Included ICMS on the Property, plant and equipment according to Law Complemental no. 102/2000.
(D) Including dividends paid by Ultrapar and its subsidiaries.
(E) Included Long term investments.
(F) Included in cash flow from operating activities.

1st Quarter 2006**ULTRAGAZ PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 |
| OPERATING ASSETS | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 155.7 | 156.1 | 160.3 |
| Inventories | 45.0 | 30.9 | 34.6 |
| Other | 14.7 | 34.1 | 20.6 |
| Property, plant & equipment | 411.0 | 441.2 | 423.1 |
| Deferred charges | 74.4 | 67.6 | 71.0 |
| TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS | 700.8 | 729.9 | 709.6 |
| OPERATING LIABILITIES | | | |
| Suppliers | 22.3 | 17.8 | 32.2 |
| Payroll and related charges | 28.6 | 31.3 | 30.3 |
| Taxes | 3.8 | 2.8 | 3.5 |
| Other accounts payable | 2.2 | 4.7 | 2.8 |
| TOTAL OPERATING LIABILITIES | 56.9 | 56.6 | 68.8 |

**ULTRAGAZ PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME**

In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | | ACCUMULATED | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC | MAR | MAR |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net sales | 694.2 | 672.3 | 724.2 | 694.2 | 672.3 |
| Cost of sales and services | (593.6) | (583.1) | (641.9) | (593.6) | (583.1) |

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|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Gross profit | 100.6 | 89.2 | 82.3 | 100.6 | 89.2 |
| Operating expenses | | | | | |
| Selling | (24.4) | (23.5) | (27.7) | (24.4) | (23.5) |
| General and administrative | (21.5) | (20.1) | (18.5) | (21.5) | (20.1) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (28.2) | (29.2) | (29.6) | (28.2) | (29.2) |
| Other operating results | 0.5 | (0.2) | (1.7) | 0.5 | (0.2) |
| EBIT | 27.0 | 16.2 | 4.8 | 27.0 | 16.2 |
| EBITDA | 55.3 | 45.4 | 34.4 | 55.3 | 45.4 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 28.2 | 29.2 | 29.6 | 28.2 | 29.2 |
| RATIOS | | | | | |
| Gross margin | 14% | 13% | 11% | 14% | 13% |
| Operating margin | 4% | 2% | 1% | 4% | 2% |
| EBITDA margin | 8% | 7% | 5% | 8% | 7% |

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OXITENO S/A - INDÚSTRIA E COMÉRCIO
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
 In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 |
| OPERATING ASSETS | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 160.4 | 189.5 | 163.8 |
| Inventories | 159.9 | 212.4 | 153.6 |
| Other | 44.6 | 37.2 | 34.2 |
| Property, plant & equipment | 457.2 | 408.5 | 446.7 |
| Deferred charges | 10.5 | 5.4 | 8.7 |
| TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS | 832.6 | 853.0 | 807.0 |
| OPERATING LIABILITIES | | | |
| Suppliers | 67.1 | 52.6 | 54.4 |
| Payroll and related charges | 19.1 | 22.6 | 26.6 |
| Taxes | 7.1 | 7.0 | 5.3 |
| Other accounts payable | 2.3 | 18.4 | 11.1 |
| TOTAL OPERATING LIABILITIES | 95.6 | 100.6 | 97.4 |

OXITENO S/A - INDÚSTRIA E COMÉRCIO
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME
 In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | | ACCUMULATED | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC | MAR | MAR |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net sales | 357.4 | 422.8 | 354.2 | 357.4 | 422.8 |
| Cost of goods sold | | | | | |
| Variable | (242.9) | (241.7) | (236.3) | (242.9) | (241.7) |
| Fixed | (26.9) | (20.7) | (28.4) | (26.9) | (20.7) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (9.4) | (8.4) | (9.1) | (9.4) | (8.4) |

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|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Gross profit | 78.2 | 152.0 | 80.4 | 78.2 | 152.0 |
| Operating expenses | | | | | |
| Selling | (21.2) | (20.1) | (21.0) | (21.2) | (20.1) |
| General and administrative | (25.9) | (30.1) | (26.6) | (25.9) | (30.1) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (2.0) | (1.9) | (1.9) | (2.0) | (1.9) |
| Other operating results | - | 1.3 | 0.3 | - | 1.3 |
| EBIT | 29.1 | 101.2 | 31.2 | 29.1 | 101.2 |
| EBITDA | 40.5 | 111.4 | 42.2 | 40.5 | 111.4 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 11.4 | 10.2 | 11.0 | 11.4 | 10.2 |
| RATIOS | | | | | |
| Gross margin | 22% | 36% | 23% | 22% | 36% |
| Operating margin | 8% | 24% | 9% | 8% | 24% |
| EBITDA margin | 11% | 26% | 12% | 11% | 26% |

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**ULTRACARGO PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**
In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 |
| OPERATING ASSETS | | | |
| Trade accounts receivable | 23.9 | 21.1 | 25.0 |
| Inventories | 3.5 | 2.6 | 3.5 |
| Other | 6.0 | 6.3 | 4.5 |
| Property, plant & equipment | 192.7 | 191.4 | 193.7 |
| Deferred charges | 8.0 | 6.5 | 7.7 |
| TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS | 234.1 | 227.9 | 234.4 |
| OPERATING LIABILITIES | | | |
| Suppliers | 10.3 | 8.9 | 9.8 |
| Payroll and related charges | 8.5 | 9.2 | 9.1 |
| Taxes | 2.8 | 4.3 | 2.5 |
| Other accounts payable | - | 2.0 | 0.1 |
| TOTAL OPERATING LIABILITIES | 21.6 | 24.4 | 21.5 |

**ULTRACARGO PARTICIPAÇÕES LTDA.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME**
In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | | ACCUMULATED | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC | MAR | MAR |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net sales | 58.1 | 54.3 | 59.8 | 58.1 | 54.3 |
| Cost of sales and services | (38.0) | (36.7) | (41.5) | (38.0) | (36.7) |

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|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Gross profit | 20.1 | 17.6 | 18.3 | 20.1 | 17.6 |
| Operating expenses | | | | | |
| Selling | (0.4) | (0.1) | (0.4) | (0.4) | (0.1) |
| General and administrative | (17.9) | (13.3) | (17.5) | (17.9) | (13.3) |
| Depreciation and amortization | (0.1) | (0.1) | (0.2) | (0.1) | (0.1) |
| Other operating results | - | - | - | - | - |
| EBIT | 1.7 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 4.1 |
| EBITDA | 9.3 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 9.3 | 10.0 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 7.6 | 5.9 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 5.9 |

RATIOS

| | | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Gross margin | 35% | 32% | 31% | 35% | 32% |
| Operating margin | 3% | 8% | 0% | 3% | 8% |
| EBTIDA margin | 16% | 18% | 13% | 16% | 18% |

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S/A
CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

In millions of US dollars (except per share data) - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| (US\$ millions) | QUARTERS ENDED IN | | | ACCUMULATED | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | MAR | MAR | DEC | MAR | MAR |
| | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 |
| Net sales | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 499.9 | 426.6 | 500.0 | 499.9 | 426.6 |
| Ultragaz | 316.1 | 252.3 | 321.7 | 316.1 | 252.3 |
| Oxiteno | 162.8 | 158.6 | 157.4 | 162.8 | 158.6 |
| Ultracargo | 26.5 | 20.4 | 26.6 | 26.5 | 20.4 |
| EBIT | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 27.0 | 46.0 | 16.8 | 27.0 | 46.0 |
| Ultragaz | 12.3 | 6.1 | 2.1 | 12.3 | 6.1 |
| Oxiteno | 13.3 | 38.0 | 13.9 | 13.3 | 38.0 |
| Ultracargo | 0.8 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| Operating margin | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 5% | 11% | 3% | 5% | 11% |
| Ultragaz | 4% | 2% | 1% | 4% | 2% |
| Oxiteno | 8% | 24% | 9% | 8% | 24% |
| Ultracargo | 3% | 8% | 0% | 3% | 8% |
| EBITDA | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 48.6 | 63.1 | 38.4 | 48.6 | 63.1 |
| Ultragaz | 25.2 | 17.0 | 15.3 | 25.2 | 17.0 |
| Oxiteno | 18.4 | 41.8 | 18.7 | 18.4 | 41.8 |
| Ultracargo | 4.2 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 3.8 |
| EBITDA margin | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 10% | 15% | 8% | 10% | 15% |
| Ultragaz | 8% | 7% | 5% | 8% | 7% |
| Oxiteno | 11% | 26% | 12% | 11% | 26% |
| Ultracargo | 16% | 18% | 13% | 16% | 18% |
| Net income | | | | | |
| Ultrapar | 25.9 | 37.8 | 18.5 | 25.9 | 37.8 |
| Net income / share (US\$) | 0.32 | 0.49 | 0.23 | 0.32 | 0.49 |

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ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S/A
LOANS, DEBENTURES, CASH AND MARKETABLE SECURITIES
In millions of reais - Accounting practices adopted in Brazil

| Loans and debentures | Balance in March/2006 | | | | | Index/ Currency (*) | Inter Maximu |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | Ultragaz | Oxiteno | Ultracargo | Ultrapar Holding | Ultrapar Consolidated | | |
| Foreign Currency | | | | | | | |
| Syndicated loan | - | 132.2 | - | - | 132.2 | US\$ | 5 |
| Financings for Property Plant & Equipment | - | 9.2 | - | - | 9.2 | MX\$ + TIIE (*) | 1 |
| Working capital loan | - | 2.8 | - | - | 2.8 | MX\$ + TIIE (*) | 1 |
| Export prepayment, net of linked operations | - | 23.2 | - | - | 23.2 | US\$ | 4 |
| Foreign financing | - | 26.1 | - | - | 26.1 | US\$ + LIBOR | 2 |
| Notes | 554.0 | - | - | - | 554.0 | US\$ | 7 |
| National Bank for Economic and Social Development - BNDES | 13.7 | 3.3 | 4.0 | - | 21.0 | UMBNDDES(*)/US\$ | 8 |
| Advances on Foreign Exchange Contracts | - | 4.8 | - | - | 4.8 | US\$ | 4 |
| Subtotal | 567.7 | 201.6 | 4.0 | - | 773.3 | | |
| Local Currency | | | | | | | |
| National Bank for Economic and Social Development - BNDES | 79.9 | 41.3 | 48.4 | - | 169.6 | TJLP (*) | 1 |
| Agency for Financing Machinery and Equipment (FINAME) | 0.9 | 11.3 | 35.6 | - | 47.8 | TJLP (*) | 1 |
| Research and projects financing (FINEP) | - | 35.6 | - | - | 35.6 | TJLP (*) | (2 |
| Debentures | - | - | - | 304.2 | 304.2 | CDI (*) | 102 |
| Other | - | - | 0.3 | - | 0.3 | - | - |
| Subtotal | 80.8 | 97.1 | 84.3 | 304.2 | 566.4 | | |
| Total | 648.5 | 298.7 | 88.3 | 304.2 | 1,339.7 | | |
| Composition per Annum | | | | | | | |
| Up to 1 Year | 58.1 | 52.1 | 19.4 | 4.2 | 133.8 | | |
| From 1 to 2 Years | 26.4 | 39.8 | 24.5 | 300.0 | 390.7 | | |
| From 2 to 3 Years | 19.8 | 158.9 | 21.5 | - | 200.2 | | |
| From 3 to 4 Years | 6.3 | 40.1 | 18.4 | - | 64.8 | | |
| Thereafter | 537.9 | 7.8 | 4.5 | - | 550.2 | | |
| Total | 648.5 | 298.7 | 88.3 | 304.2 | 1,339.7 | | |

(*) TJLP - Long Term Interest Rate / IGPM - Market General Price Index / UMBNDDES - BNDES Basket of Currencies / TIIE - Interbank Interest Rate Even / CDI - interbank deposit rate

Balance in March/2006

| | Ultragaz | Oxiteno | Ultracargo | Ultrapar Holding | Other | Ultrapar Consolidated |
|---|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Cash and Long term investments | 44.0 | 1,020.2 | 29.0 | 373.5 | 0.5 | 1,467.2 |

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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.

ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC.

Date: May 10, 2006

By: /s/ Fábio Schvartsman

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

(1st quarter 2006 Earnings Results, May 10, 2006)
