

ULTRAPAR HOLDINGS INC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of October, 2003

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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.

Ultrapar announces signature of the definitive contract for the acquisition of CANAMEX

São Paulo, Brazil, October 15, 2003 ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A. (BOVESPA:UGPA4/NYSE:UGP), a company engaged in LPG distribution (Ultragas), chemical and petrochemical production (Oxiteno) as well as transportation and storage business (Ultracargo), announces that it has signed a final contract to acquire the chemical business of the Berci Group (CANAMEX), as anticipated in the material fact announced on July 18, 2003.

Over the past few months, we have conducted further environmental, accounting, business and financial due diligence, resulting in a final overall price of US\$ 10.25 million for the business (such price does not include assumption of any of CANAMEX's debt). Closing is subject to certain conditions precedent usually present in such contracts. We expect closing to take place during the month of November.

ULTRAPAR PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

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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.

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By: /s/ Fabio Schvartsman

Name: Fabio Schvartsman
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 15, 2003