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FORM 6-K REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

July 2011

Commission File Number: 333-153452

ECOPETROL S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Carrera 7 No. 37 – 69

BOGOTA – COLOMBIA (Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

Form 40-F

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

Yes 🛛 No 🗵

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Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes 🛛 No 🗵

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- N/A

Relevant Fact

On July 22, 2011, Ecopetrol S.A. announced that its Board of Directors approved a plan to offer for sale in Colombia up to 675,675,676 new ordinary shares of the company, representing approximately 1.67% of its existing share capital.

The offering will be directed exclusively to investors in Colombia pursuant to Law 1118 of 2006. According to regulatory requirements in Colombia, the offering will be open from July 27, 2011 to August 17, 2011. The ordinary shares being offered have not been, and will not be, registered under the Securities Act, and no offer of shares may be made in the U.S. or to U.S. persons.

This announcement does not constitute, or form part of an offer or solicitation of an offer to purchase or subscribe for securities in the United States or any other jurisdiction. The securities referred to herein have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and may not be offered or sold in the United States or to or for the benefit of U.S. persons, except pursuant to an available exemption from registration. No public offering of securities is being made in the United States.

Bogotá D.C., July 26, 2011

Ecopetrol is Colombia's largest integrated oil & gas company, where it accounts for 60% of total production. It is one of the top 40 oil companies in the world and the fourth largest oil company in Latin America. The Company is also involved in exploration and production activities in Brazil, Peru and the United States Gulf Coast, and owns the main refineries in Colombia, most of the network of oil and multiple purpose pipelines in the country, petrochemical plants, and it is entering into the biofuels business.

This release contains forward-looking statements relating to the prospects of the business, estimates for operating and financial results, and those related to growth prospects of Ecopetrol. These are merely projections and, as such, are based exclusively on the expectations of management concerning the future of the business and its continued access to capital to fund the Company's business plan. Such forward-looking statements depend, substantially, on changes in market conditions, government regulations, competitive pressures, the performance of the Colombian economy and the industry, among other factors; therefore, they are subject to change without prior notice.

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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, thereto duly authorized.

Date: July 25, 2011

Ecopetrol S.A.

By: /s/ Adriana M. Echeverri

Name: Adriana M. Echeverri Title: Chief Financial Officer This fax cover sheet is <u>NOT</u> part of the official filing and is meant as a courtesy only. Please disregard this page if you plan to submit changes via email. Email is the preferred method for submitting changes.

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