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FORM 6-K

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 July, 2018

Brazilian Distribution Company (Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

Av. Brigadeiro Luiz Antonio, 3142 São Paulo, SP 01402-901 <u>Brazil</u> (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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São Paulo, July 24, 2018 - GPA [B3: PCAR4; NYSE: CBD] announces its results for the 2nd quarter of 2018. Due to the ongoing divestment of the interest held by GPA in Via Varejo S.A., as announced in the material fact notice of November 23, 2016, the operations of Via Varejo are treated as discontinued operations. Accordingly, net sales and other profit or loss accounts were adjusted retrospectively, as required by IFRS 5/CPC 31, approved by CVM Resolution 598/09 – Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations. The following statements are related to the results of continuing operations. All comparisons are with the same period in 2017, except where stated otherwise.

2Q18 RESULTS

GPA Food:

Gross sales revenue of R\$12.8 billion, up 9.9%, driven by the accelerated growth at Multivarejo and the solid performance of Assaí, despite a relevant food deflation;

Adjusted EBITDA^(*) reached R\$679 million (+25.5% vs. 2Q17), with margin expanding from 5.1% to 5.8%, maintaining a strong pace of growth;

□ Net income attributed to controlling shareholders of R\$462 million 2.4 times higher than 2Q17 profit. Ex-tax credits, profit reached R\$ 185 million, reversing the loss of the same period of the previous year;

Maintenance of solid financial structure, with a leverage ratio of around 1 time EBITDA.

Multivarejo:

§ Gross sales revenue of R\$7.0 billion, with solid same-store sales growth excluding the calendar effect of 5.3%. Sales improved significantly across all banners, supporting a market share gain of 100 bps in the quarter;

§ **Gross margin**^(*) remained stable at 28.1%, striking a good balance between successful promotional campaigns and price competitiveness;

§ **Operating expenses** as a percentage of net revenue decreased from 23.9% to 23.1% in 2Q18, due to the ongoing efficiency gains, led by productivity gains in stores;

§ **Adjusted EBITDA**^(*) of R\$358 million, up 18.6%, as a result of the significant evolution of sales and greater operational efficiency. EBITDA margin^(*) stood at 5.6%, expanding 90 bps.

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Assaí:

Gross sales revenue of R\$5.7 billion, up 22.8%, maintaining the banner's strong performance. This growth translated into a market share gain of around 200 bps in the quarter;

Gross margin^(*) **reached 16.4%**, mainly due to the successful organic expansion and the consequent rapid maturation of the stores opened in recent years;

Adjusted EBITDA margin^(*) reached 6.1%, expanding a robust 50 bps;

Net income reached R\$412 million (R\$ 168 million ex tax credits), registering strong growth of 4.3 times vs 2Q17 (or 1.8 times ex tax credits)

(R\$ million) ⁽¹⁾	2Q18	2Q17	Δ	2Q18	2Q17	Δ	2Q18	2Q17	
Gross Revenue	12,772	11,623	9.9%	12,772	11,623	9.9%	7,030	6,945	
Net Revenue Ex. tax credits(*)	11,730	10,663	10.0%	11,730	10,663	10.0%	6,452	6,390	
Gross Profit Ex. tax credits ^(*)	2,684	2,489	7.8%	2,684	2,489	7.8%	1,816	1,812	
Gross Margin Ex. tax credits ^(*)	22.9%	23.3%	-40 bps	22.9 %	23.3%	-40 bps	28.1%	28.3%	-2
Adjusted EBITDA Ex. tax credits ^{(2)(3)(*)}	648	505	28.3%	679	541	25.5%	358	302	
Adjusted EBITDA Margin Ex.	5.5%	4.7%	80 bps	5.8%	5.1%	70 bps	5.6%	4.7%	d
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Net Income - Controlling									
Shareholders - continuing operations	431	160	169.9%	462	196	136.1%	50	99	
Net margin - continuing operations	3.7%	1.5%2	220 bps	3.9 %	1.8%	210 bps	0.8%	1.6%	-8
Net Income (Loss) - Controlling									
Shareholders - continuing	153	(177)	n.a	185	(141)	n.a	16	(237)	
operations ex. tax credits ^(*)									
Net Margin - continuing operations ex. tax credits (*)			300 bps			290 bps		-3.7%	40
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⁽¹⁾ Sums and percentages may present discrepancies due to rounding. All margins were calculated as a percentage of net sales. ⁽²⁾ Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. ⁽³⁾ EBITDA adjusted by Other Operating Income and Expenses.

(*) Excluding tax credits, as detailed in the section "Tax Credits" on page 4.

Outlook:

GPA's performance in **2Q18** enabled it to reaffirm its **guidance for 2018**:

§ **Same-store sales growth:** above inflation at Assaí and in line with food inflation at Multivarejo, with continued market share gains;

§ Adjusted EBITDA margin: 5.5%-5.6% at Multivarejo and 5.8%-5.9% at Assaí;

§ Financial Result: around 1% of net sales;

§ **LATAM synergies:** should surpass US\$85 million in savings for the Brazil perimeter.

"We closed the second quarter of the year with great prospects for the GPA business. Driven by the assertiveness of the new promotional dynamics and adjustments made in the operation of the Multivarejo business, we registered a significant acceleration of the sales level, with gains in market share and improved profitability in all brands. This result reaffirms a new trend of revenue for the business. Assaí continues to deliver consistent sales growth, with market share evolution, coupled with a solid result."

Peter Estermann – Chief Executive Officer, GPA

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Selling, General and Adm. Expenses	(2,037)	(1,969)	3.5%	(2,037)	(1,969)	3.5%
% of Net Revenue	17.4%	18.5% ·	-110 bps	17.4%	18.5% ·	•110 bps
Other Operating Revenue (Expenses)	(90)	(307)	0.0%	(90)	(307)	-7057.7%