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The economic growth of Brazil, which increases the need for more energy, combined with the restrictions in economic and environmental matters for the use of fossil fuels, shows how renewable energy resources are an indispensable pillar in attending the energy demand. Brazil still has an immense potential for further exploration and development of clean and renewable energy generation. The energy sources with the greatest potential for development are: Small Hydro Power Plants (SHPs), Biomass (sugarcane), and Wind Energy Parks.

The legal process to offer more economically attractive benefits for the building of Renewable Energy plants in Brazil began in 1995 when government approved the Federal Law No. 9074, which granted cost-free authorizations to exploit the hydro power potential for SHPs. Later a series of laws were enacted bringing incentives and benefits toward all types of renewable energy, for instance, sugarcane and wind power. The most expressive incentive is the 50% discount on the charges for the use of the transmission and distribution systems.

The purpose of this presentation is to contribute to the discussion of the incentives and benefits policies provided by Brazilian federal regulation to support the growth of renewable energy install capacity in the country with focus on a sustainable development model.