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Vale informs about public civil action

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Rio de Janeiro, February 23, 2016 – Vale S.A. (Vale) informs that it was summoned in the public civil action in course before the 3rd Vara Cível da Comarca de Colatina, of the Tribunal de Justiça do Estado do Espírito Santo filed by the Public Ministry of Espírito Santo against Samarco Mineração S.A. (“Samarco”) and its shareholders, BHP Billiton Brasil Ltda. and Vale, claiming, among others, the injunction for the attachment of assets of the respondents and, in the end, the payment of indemnification for collective moral damages, due to alleged losses arising from the Fundão dam break, owned by Samarco. It was attributed to the cause a value of R\$ 2 billion.

Vale will adopt all the necessary measures to defend its rights.

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