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Rio de Janeiro, July 1st, 2016 – Vale informs that the Superior Court of Justice in Brazil suspended the decision of the Federal Court of Appeal that ratified the agreement related to the public civil claim of R\$ 20.2 billion.

The Superior Court of Justice in Brazil issued an interim order, which suspends the decision of the Federal Regional Court, 1st Region, on 5 May 2016, which ratified the agreement reached between Samarco Mineração S.A. (Samarco) and its two shareholders, Vale S.A. (Vale) and BHP Billiton Brasil LTDA (BHPB Brasil) with the Union, the states of Espírito Santo and Minas Gerais and other public authorities (Brazilian Authorities). With this interim order, the public civil claim of R\$ 20.2 billion, made by the Brazilian Authorities, is reinstated.

Vale clarifies that it will continue to fulfill the actions of the agreement, supporting the recovery of the communities and the environment affected by the Samarco's tailing dam failure, and will take the necessary legal steps to confirm the ratification of the agreement.

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