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Statement on Port of Tubarão

Read the statement that was sent to the press on January 21st, on the afternoon (Brazil time)

Vale announces that on the morning of Thursday, January 21, it surprisingly received a notice from the Brazilian Federal Police regarding a court ruling ordering “the temporary suspension of economic activities by Vale and Arcelor Mittal Brasil at Pier II (iron ore) and the Coal Pier (Praia Mole).” This measure has halted Vale’s import and export activities in Espírito Santo, causing a major impact on the state’s economy, and also affecting the state of Minas Gerais. Vale will take all appropriate legal measures to guarantee the reestablishment of its activities at the Port of Tubarão.

The company also stresses that it has worked and invested continuously in its environmental control systems and strictly complied with prevailing environmental legislation. Vale reiterates its commitment to the communities of the Greater Vitória region, the environment and its operations.

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