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Vale updates on potential resumption of Samarco's operation

In view of the current stage of the process and the next steps required for obtaining the license

Vale informs that Samarco filed, on June 23rd 2016, the Environmental Impact Study and the Environment Impact Report (EIA / RIMA) in the State Department of Environment and Sustainable Development of Minas Gerais (SEMAD). These studies are part of the licensing process for the use of exhausted pits for tailings disposal.

In view of the current stage of the process and the next steps required for obtaining the license, Samarco cannot precise a date for resuming operations with a reasonable accuracy. However, Samarco understands that the probability of resuming operations in 2016 is very unlikely.

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