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Public Civil Claim filed by the Federal Prosecutors is suspended

The claim is related to Samarco's dam accident

As per our press release of 30 June 2017, Samarco Mineração S.A. and its shareholders, Vale and BHP Billiton Brasil Ltda. entered into a Preliminary Agreement with the Public Prosecutors in order to determine the process and timeline for negotiation of a final settlement of especially the Public Civil Claims filed by the Federal Government, States of MG and ES and other governmental authorities and by the Federal Public Prosecutors relating to the Samarco's Fundão dam failure and, on 30 June 2017, the 12^a Vara Federal Cível/Agrária de Minas Gerais (Federal Court of Minas Gerais) extended the final date for negotiation of a final settlement until 30 October 2017, allowing for continuation of the interim security arrangements and the provision of ongoing expert advice to the Public Prosecutors in respect of the Programs being implemented by Fundação Renova.

In addition to the previous decision mentioned before, on 17 July 2017, the judge decided to suspend for an indefinite period of time the Public Civil Claim filed by the Federal Prosecutors. The prior decision in connection with the negotiation of the final agreement is still valid and negotiations of the final agreement continues.

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