

Vale eliminates three more upstream structures and completes 40% of its Decharacterization Program

Rio de Janeiro, September 29, 2022 - Vale S.A. ("Vale" or "Company") informs that it has completed the decharacterization of three more upstream structures, the Auxiliar Dike of Dam 5, located at Águas Claras Mine, in Nova Lima (MG), Dike 3 of the Pontal System, located at Cauê Mine, and the Ipoema Dam, situated at Meio Mine, both in Itabira (MG)¹.

With that, the Company has eliminated 40% of the structures included in the Decharacterization Program. Since 2019, Vale has eliminated 12 structures, five in 2022.

The engineering activities, preliminary actions, or works are already ongoing for all the remaining program structures. The complete timeline and further information on the program are available at www.vale.com/esq.

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¹ Vale will proceed with the formalization of the decharacterization at the competent bodies, which assess the Company's upstream dams on a technical and independent basis.