

Vale informs about U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC")

Rio de Janeiro, April 28th, 2022 - Vale S.A. ("Vale") confirms that today the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filed suit against the Company in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, alleging that certain Vale disclosures violated U.S. securities laws. The lawsuit focuses on disclosures related to Vale's dam safety management prior to the tragic dam failure in Brumadinho, Minas Gerais, Brazil in January 2019. Vale denies the SEC's allegations, including the allegation that its disclosures violated U.S. law, and will vigorously defend this case. The Company reiterates the commitment it made right after the rupture of the dam, and which has guided it since then, to the remediation and compensation of the damages caused by the event.

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Ever since the Covid-19 outbreak began, our highest priority is the health and safety of our employees. Our IR team adopted work-from-home, and as we continue to face these new circumstances, we strongly recommend you prioritize e-mail and online engagement.

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