

Vale clarifies on the Fábrica mine

Rio de Janeiro, January 26, 2026 – Vale S.A. (“Vale” or the “Company”) clarifies that, in the early hours of last Sunday, an overflow of water with sediments occurred from a pit at the Fábrica mine, located in Ouro Preto, Minas Gerais. The Company reports that there were no injuries, and no impact on local residents or surrounding communities. The flow reached areas owned by a third-party company in the region.

In line with regulatory requirements and internal protocols, Vale immediately informed the competent authorities and has initiated an assessment to determine the causes of the incident. Vale reiterates that the event is not connected to any of its dams in the region, all of which maintain normal stability conditions and remain under continuous monitoring, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Finally, Vale reaffirms that its guidance remain unchanged, as disclosed in the Company’s Reference Form.

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