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Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December 2014

Vale S.A.

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CAPEX 2015

VALE: CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR 2015

Rio de Janeiro, December 2, 2014 – Vale S.A. (Vale) announces that its Board of Directors approved the investment budget for 2015, with capital expenditures of US\$ 6.358 billion for project execution and US\$ 3.809 billion dedicated to sustaining existing operations.

This is the fourth consecutive year in which Vale reduces its capital expenditures, maintaining capital discipline and focusing only on world class projects.

Project execution

Our main growth initiatives in iron ore are responsible for 71% of the US\$ 6.358 billion budgeted for project execution in 2015. These initiatives include the:

- (a) Expansion of our integrated iron ore operations in Carajás (US\$ 3.696 billion) through the S11D and CLN S11D projects.

- (b) Completion of the Itabirites projects for the partial replacement of capacity, increase in production and quality improvement in the iron ore production from the Southern and Southeastern Systems (US\$ 659 million), including the Conceição Itabiritos II, Vargem Grande Itabiritos and Cauê Itabiritos projects.

Sustaining capital

The sustaining capital budget for 2015 totals US\$ 3.809 billion. Fundamentally, it will provide funding for five classes of initiatives: (i) operations, mainly equipment replacement; (ii) building and expanding waste dumps and tailings dams; (iii) health & safety; (iv) corporate social responsibility (CSR) and (v) administrative and others.

Keeping sustaining expenditures under control is a key priority and the budget for 2015 represents a decrease of 16.2% in relation to last year's budget.

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The budget for the ferrous minerals business is US\$ 1.929 billion and will be mainly directed to operations (US\$ 1.203 billion), health & safety (US\$ 344 million), waste dumps and tailings dams (US\$ 246 million), CSR (US\$ 108 million) and others (US\$ 28 million). Base metals sustaining investments will total US\$ 1.388 billion, composed primarily of operations (US\$ 1.039 billion), waste dumps and tailings dams (US\$ 70 million), health & safety (US\$ 56 million), CSR (US\$ 193 million), which includes US\$ 61 million for the clean AER project and others (US\$ 31 million).

Expenditures in sustaining the fertilizers business will be US\$ 290 million, mainly comprised of investments in operations (US\$ 198 million), CSR (US\$ 48 million), waste dumps and tailings dams (US\$ 16 million), health & safety (US\$ 12 million) and others (US\$ 16 million). The coal business budget of US\$ 78 million is mostly composed of US\$ 52 million for operations.

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2015 SUSTAINING CAPITAL ALLOCATION BY BUSINESS AREA

| US\$ million | Operations | Waste dumps and tailings dams | Health and safety | Corporate social responsibility | Administrative & others | Total |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Ferrous minerals | 1,203 | 246 | 344 | 108 | 28 | 1,929 |
| Base Metals | 1,039 | 70 | 56 | 1931 | 31 | 1,388 |
| Coal | 52 | 7 | | 9 | 10 | 78 |
| Fertilizers | 198 | 16 | 12 | 48 | 16 | 290 |
| Others | 6 | | 7 | 1 | 109 | 123 |
| Total | 2,498 | 339 | 420 | 360 | 194 | 3,809 |

(1) Includes Clean AER project.

Estimated output for 2015

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION FOR 2015

| | 000 metric tons |
|----------------|------------------------|
| Iron ore(1) | 340,000 |
| Pellets | 44,400 |
| Coal | 10,633 |
| Nickel | 303 |
| Copper | 449 |
| Potash | 476 |
| Phosphate rock | 8,508 |

(1) Includes third party ore purchases. Excludes Samarco's attributable production

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 2, 2014

By:

Vale S.A.
(Registrant)

/s/ Rogerio T. Nogueira
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