



CSV project is terminated

Rio de Janeiro, January 16, 2009 – Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (Vale) hereby informs that, after negotiations and analysis of alternatives involving the implementation of an integrated steel slab plant in the Anchieta complex, in the Brazilian state of Espírito Santo, in partnership with Baosteel Group Corporation (Baosteel), the latter proposed the termination of the project and the liquidation of Companhia Siderúrgica Vitória (CSV).

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