



Vale clarifies media speculations

Rio de Janeiro, October 26 2010 – Vale S.A. (Vale) announces, according to its controlling shareholders orientation, that the substitution of its CEO Roger Agnelli was never considered among the referred shareholders neither was part of any Board of Directors minutes. The media speculations that attribute this information to "sources from the Board of Directors" do not reflect Vale's controlling shareholders position.

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