



Vale resuming underground mining operations in Sudbury

Rio de Janeiro, February 14, 2012 – Vale S.A. (Vale) informs that, after implementing improvements in its safety standards, it is gradually resuming operations of its underground mines in Sudbury, Canada. This process is expected to be concluded by the end of this month. We do not foresee any impacts on the finished nickel annual production as a result of the temporary stoppage.

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