



## Vale announces the release date for 1Q12 results

Rio de Janeiro, March 27, 2012 – Vale S.A. (Vale) will release its 1Q12 results on Wednesday, April 25, 2012, after markets close. Due to the different time zones, for Hong Kong 1Q12 results will be released on Thursday, April 26, before markets opening.

Vale will release simultaneously consolidated financial statements in US GAAP (generally accepted accounting principles in the United States) and BR GAAP/IFRS (generally accepted accounting principles in Brazil).

Vale will host two conference calls and webcasts on Thursday, April 26. The first, in Portuguese (non-translated), will begin at 10:00 a.m. Rio de Janeiro time. The second, in English, at 12:00 p.m. Rio de Janeiro time, 11:00 a.m. US Eastern Standard Time, 4:00 p.m. British Standard Time, and 11:00 p.m. Hong Kong time.

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