

Vale informs on resumption of operations at Salobo

Rio de Janeiro, October 22, 2021 - Vale SA ("Vale") informs, in continuity to the press release dated October 5, 2021, the resumption of conveyor belt operations at Salobo, that was halted for 18 days due to a fire that partially affected the conveyor. The causes of the fire are being investigated.

Processing plant operations will resume today, with ramp up of copper concentrates production by October 25. Vale estimates an impact of approximately 8kt on production, already incorporated in production estimates for the 4th quarter, as provided in the Production and Sales report released on October 19.

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