



Vale obtains operating permit for railway terminal at the Ponta da Madeira

Rio de Janeiro, April 29, 2013 – Vale S.A. (Vale) informs that it has been granted the operating license (LO) for the railway terminal at Ponta da Madeira (PDM) in the state of Maranhão, Brazil, issued by the state environmental authority. The railway terminal is part of the CLN 150 project.

The LO issued allows the operation of the new infrastructure, which encompasses loading yards, access line to car dumpers 5 and 6, passenger train rail loop and new facility buildings.

Vale had already been granted the LO for Pier IV of CLN 150, including onshore and offshore areas. The CLN 150 enables the expansion of the logistic capacity of Carajás to 150 million metric tons per year. Besides the construction of the railway terminal and Pier IV, CLN 150 also involves expansion of part of the Carajás railway (EFC).

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