

Vale S.A.  
Form 6-K  
June 10, 2009

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**United States  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 6-K  
Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For the month of  
June 2009  
Vale S.A.**

Avenida Graça Aranha, No. 26  
20030-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil  
(Address of principal executive office)

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**Vale settles 2009 benchmark iron ore and pellet prices with Nippon Steel and Posco**

Rio de Janeiro, June 10, 2009 Vale S.A. (Vale) concluded the iron ore and pellet price negotiations for 2009 with Nippon Steel Corporation (NSC) and POSCO. The settlement was followed by the Japanese steelmakers Sumitomo Metal Industries Ltd. (SMI), Kobe Steel Ltd. (KSL) and Nisshin Steel Co. (NIS).

As an outcome of these negotiations, the iron ore prices for fines decreased by 28.2% and for lumps by 44.47% relatively to the 2008 benchmark prices.

Therefore, the new reference prices per dry metric ton Fe unit for 2009 are US\$0.8543 for Southeastern System fines (SSF), US\$0.8987 for Carajás sinter feed (SFCJ), US\$0.9942 for Southeastern System lump and US\$1.0094 for Southern System lump.

The blast furnace pellet price decreased by 48.3% relatively to 2008 and the new reference price per dry metric ton Fe unit for 2009 is US\$1.1043.

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**Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Vale S.A.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Roberto Castello Branco  
Roberto Castello Branco  
Director of Investor Relations

Date: June 10, 2009