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# 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

February, 2012

# Vale S.A.

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(Address of principal executive office)

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**Financial Statements** 

December 31, 2011

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## Vale S.A.

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#### Report of independent registered

public accounting firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders

Vale S.A.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of income, of comprehensive income, of cash flows and of changes in stockholders equity present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Vale S.A. and its subsidiaries (the Company) at December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company s management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements and on the Company s internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Rio de Janeiro, February 15, 2012

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Auditores Independentes

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#### Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The management of Vale S.A (Vale) is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting.

The company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that: (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, and that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Vale snanagement has assessed the effectiveness of the company s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 based on the criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission - COSO. Based on such assessment and criteria, Vale s management has concluded that the company s internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2011.

The effectiveness of the company s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

February 15, 2012

Murilo Ferreira

Chief Executive Officer

Tito Martins

Chief Financial Officer

### **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

Expressed in millions of United States dollars

	As of Decemb	As of December 31,	
	2011	2010	
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,531	7,584	
Short-term investments		1,793	
Accounts receivable			
Related parties	288	435	
Unrelated parties	8,217	7,776	
Loans and advances to related parties	82	96	
Inventories	5,251	4,298	
Deferred income tax	203	386	
Unrealized gains on derivative instruments	595	52	
Advances to suppliers	393	188	
Recoverable taxes	2,230	1,603	
Assets held for sale		6,987	
Others	946	593	
	21,736	31,791	
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment, net	88,895	83,096	
Intangible assets	1,135	1,274	
Investments in affiliated companies, joint ventures and others investments	8,093	4,497	
Other assets:			
Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries	3,026	3,317	
Loans and advances			
Related parties	509	29	
Unrelated parties	210	165	
Prepaid pension cost	1,666	1,962	
Prepaid expenses	321	222	
Judicial deposits	1,464	1,731	
Recoverable taxes	587	361	
Deferred income tax	594		
Unrealized gains on derivative instruments	60	301	
Deposit on incentive / reinvestment	229	144	
Others	203	249	
	106,992	97,348	
Total	128,728	129,139	

**Consolidated Balance Sheets** 

Expressed in millions of United States dollars

(Except number of shares)

	(Continued) As of December 31,	
	2011	2010
Liabilities and stockholders equity		
Current liabilities		
Suppliers	4,814	3,558
Payroll and related charges	1,307	1,134
Minimum annual remuneration attributed to stockholders	1,181	4,842
Current portion of long-term debt	1,495	2,823
Short-term debt	22	139
Loans from related parties	24	21
Provision for income taxes	507	751
Taxes payable and royalties	524	264
Employees postretirement benefits	147	168
Railway sub-concession agreement payable	66	76
Unrealized losses on derivative instruments	73	35
Provisions for asset retirement obligations	73	75
Liabilities associated with assets held for sale		3,152
Others	810	874
	11,043	17,912
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Non-current liabilities		

Employees postretirement benefits

2,446