

## **Check out Samarco's clarification on the notices issued by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Minas Gerais**

Samarco informs that it has provided all required information to the Minas Gerais Public Prosecutor's Office (MPMG) during inspection carried out on July 1st, 2016. Regarding the public agency's statements to the press, Samarco clarifies that the Fundão Dam burst caused the deposition of material in an area of the Santarém stream's valley, inside its property, in Mariana. The company then moved part of this material to a landfill located in an area already affected by the accident. The intervention aimed to provide access in order to assist in the works of relocating the sediment carried by the stream to dike S3.

The volume of material moved by Samarco was about 800 m<sup>3</sup>, an amount much inferior to the one declared by the MPMG, and the intervention took place above dike S3 flooding level. Therefore, it does not interfere with the structure's storage capacity, which is of 2.1 million m<sup>3</sup>. The work is paralyzed since March 2016 and there is no need of an embargo.

With respect to vegetation suppression, Samarco reiterates the emergency nature of the intervention, duly communicated to the responsible authority, as provided for in the joint resolution Semad/IEF 1905/2013, and to the competent bodies in handling the issue in Minas Gerais. The necessary regularizations are being carried out, the appropriate environmental agencies still needing to manifest in regard to the documents presented.

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