

Vale S.A.  
Form 6-K  
September 21, 2009

**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  
September 2009  
Vale S.A.**

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

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(Check One) Yes  No

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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)

Date: September 18, 2009

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

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LISTED COMPANY

CORPORATE TAX CODE (CNPJ) # 33,592,510/0001-54

BOARD OF TRADE REGISTRATION (NIRE) # 33,300,019,766

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF VALE S.A.**

On September 17, 2009, at 10:30 am, Messrs. Sérgio Ricardo Silva Rosa Chairman, Jorge Luiz Pacheco, José Ricardo Sasseron, Renato da Cruz Gomes, Eduardo Fernando Jardim Pinto, Francisco Augusto da Costa e Silva and Sandro Kohler Marcondes, directors and Messrs. Wanderlei Viçoso Fagundes and Paulo Sérgio Moreira da Fonseca, alternates, met, ordinarily, at the Company's head office, at Avenida Graça Aranha, 26, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Rio de Janeiro, having unanimously resolved the following: **3.1.17 RESIGNATION AND REPLACEMENT OF ALTERNATE DIRECTOR** Considering that Mr. Hidehiro Takahashi presented a dismissal request on September 01, 2009, the Board of Directors resolved to nominate Mr. Hajime Tonoki as an alternate member of the Board of Directors of Vale, pursuant to article 150 of the Brazilian Corporate Law (Law # 6.404/1976) and §10° of article 11 of Vale's By-Laws. The nomination of Mr. Tonoki shall be confirmed by the shareholders in the first General Shareholders Meeting to be held. I hereby attest that the deliberations above were excerpted from the Minutes taken from the Registry of the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meetings of the Company.

Rio de Janeiro, September 17, 2009.

Fábio Eduardo de Pieri Spina

Secretary