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Date: 4 February 2016**Disruption of port activities - Brazil****The Association has been advised of disruptions to port activities in Brazil.**

The Federal Police in the state of Espirito Santo has closed the port complex of Tubarão in Vitória.

All Vale (Shippers) terminals are inoperative, Pier 1/Pier 2 (iron ore), TPM (Coal), TPD 3/TPD 4 (grains and fertilizer).

However, the steel cargo Terminal at Praia Mole is working normally.

Further the state environmental board (CETESB) has, until further notice, closed the Caramuru grain terminal in Santos, which operates shed 38 Exporter corridor (see attached file: Terminal Exporter Corridor - A38).

The terminal in Santos uses two ship loaders and loads soy beans, soy bean meal and maize in bulk. Loading from this terminal will, therefore, be seriously affected.

The closure until further notice is related to the investigation of environmental problems arising from the emission of atmospheric pollutants above the normal accepted levels.

We will revert with further details, once available.

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