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Dear Amanda, Laura and Marti,

Thank you for your email dated 4 July 2018 giving us the opportunity to respond to material referenced in the Facing Finance Dirty Profits report. We appreciate your continued engagement with BHP regarding concerns raised about our operations and non-operated joint ventures (NOJVs).

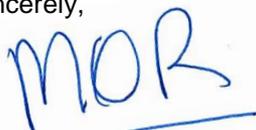
We note that Facing Finance invited BHP at the end of August 2017 to review references to BHP in early drafts of certain sections of its then upcoming Facing Finance Dirty Profits Report and we provided a detailed response dated 20 September 2017. We were not asked to update our response or review the full final Report prior to the reports publication in May 2018.

We would like to take this opportunity to provide an update on a recent development with Samarco. At the link below you will find an explanation of an agreement made in the late June 2018 between BHP, Vale, Samarco, other parties to the Framework Agreement, the Public Prosecutors Office and the Public Defense Office in Brazil (noting that this agreement is conditioned on the Federal Government signing the agreement, and also that it is subject to court ratification).

<https://www.bhp.com/media-and-insights/news-releases/2018/06/samarco-update-governance-agreement>

As we said in our letter last year, with the enhanced depth and analysis across our governance of NOJVs, our approach to human rights, Indigenous peoples and the environment, we continue to strengthen our approach to working with communities. We strive to ensure our assets are world class financially, environmentally and socially, and to encourage greater investment interest and community support to have us as a preferred operator in the respective regions.

Sincerely,



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