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North American Coal Outlook

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start-up delays and production levels, Cliffs expects to incur equity losses in 2008. MMX expects Amapá to produce 1.1

