

# **ASX Announcement**

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# AWAC Secures First Major Export Contract to Supply Bauxite From Western Australia Mine

Alcoa Corporation (NYSE: AA), today announced that Alcoa World Alumina and Chemicals (AWAC), the world's largest bauxite miner, has secured its first major third-party contract to supply approximately 400,000 bone dry metric tons (bdmt) of bauxite from its Huntly mine in Western Australia (WA), furthering AWAC's strategy to grow its third-party bauxite business.

The WA State Government has also granted approval for Alcoa to export up to 2.5 million metric tons per annum of bauxite for five years to third-party customers.

A statement by Alcoa regarding the contract is attached for reference.

AWAC is a joint venture 60% owned by Alcoa Inc and 40% owned by Alumina Limited.

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# Alcoa Secures First Major Export Contract to Supply Bauxite From Western Australia Mine

Western Australia State Government approves additional Alcoa third-party bauxite exports

New York, December 19 and Perth, Australia, December 20, 2016 – Alcoa Corporation (NYSE: AA), the world's largest bauxite miner, today announced that Alcoa World Alumina and Chemicals (AWAC) has secured its first major third-party contract to supply approximately 400,000 bone dry metric tons (bdmt) of bauxite from its Huntly mine in Western Australia (WA), furthering Alcoa's strategy to grow its third-party bauxite business.

"This Western Australian contract comes just months after our first trial bauxite shipment from WA to China in mid-2016, which successfully introduced our WA product to the global market," said Garret Dixon, President of Alcoa Bauxite, who is based in Perth.

The WA State Government has also granted approval for Alcoa to export up to 2.5 million metric tons per annum of bauxite for five years to third-party customers.

"Bauxite exports have the potential to generate greater value from our WA mineral lease, creating additional revenue streams for Alcoa and the State of Western Australia, while maintaining supply to our three WA refineries," Mr Dixon said.

The WA contract is one of three bauxite agreements recently signed worth a total of \$US126 million to deliver approximately 2.2 million bdmt of bauxite to customers in China in 2017. In addition to the WA contract, Alcoa will supply bauxite from its two mines in Brazil—Juruti and Mineração Rio do Norte, where Alcoa and AWAC hold an 18.2 percent equity investment. The two supply agreements for Brazil bauxite replace 2016 contract volume.

The contracts increase the total value of Alcoa's 2016 and 2017 third-party bauxite supply agreements to nearly \$US600 million.

Alcoa, the world's largest bauxite miner with 45.3 million bdmt of production in 2015, has mines in proximity to major markets and holds a first quartile cost curve position. Alcoa projects that the market for third-party bauxite demand will double between 2015 and 2024, with China as the biggest importer of bauxite.

The AWAC group of companies is owned 60 percent by Alcoa Corporation and 40 percent by Alumina Limited of Australia.

On November 1, Alcoa Corporation <u>announced</u> it had completed the separation from its parent company Alcoa Inc. (now named Arconic Inc.) and began operating as an independent, publicly-traded company.

## **About Alcoa Corp.**

Alcoa (NYSE: AA) is a global industry leader in bauxite, alumina and aluminum products, with a strong portfolio of value-added cast and rolled products and substantial energy assets. Alcoa is built on a foundation of strong values and operating excellence dating back nearly 130 years to the world-changing discovery that made aluminum an affordable and vital part of modern life. Since inventing the aluminum industry, and throughout our history, our talented Alcoans have followed on with breakthrough innovations and best practices that have led to efficiency, safety, sustainability and stronger communities wherever we operate. Visit us online on <a href="https://www.alcoa.com">www.alcoa.com</a>, follow @Alcoa on Twitter and on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Alcoa">www.facebook.com/Alcoa</a>.

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Alcoa Corporation intends to make future announcements regarding company developments and financial performance through its website at <a href="https://www.alcoa.com">www.alcoa.com</a>.

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