

Alumina Limited - ABN 85 004 820 419 Six Months ended 30 June 2011 ("Current Period") Results for Announcement to the Market

		% change	\$US million	
Net profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members of Alumina Limited	Up	53%	67.7	
Net profit for the period attributable to members of Alumina Limited (Refer Note below)	Up	53%	67.7	

Dividends

	Current Period Six months ended 30 June 2011	Previous Corresponding Period Six months ended 30 June 2010
Interim dividend per share	US\$0.03¢	US\$0.02¢
Franked amount per share	US\$0.03¢	US\$0.02¢
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Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend is 22 August 2011

Note on underlying earnings within net profit for the period

Included in the calculation of net profit for the period is the Company's equity share of non-cash entries related to the revaluation, under current market conditions, of AWAC's future benefits and obligations arising from certain energy purchase contracts and retirement benefit obligations. In order to analyse the Company's net profit it is important to understand those entries and the reasons for them.

Some AWAC long term energy purchase contracts include an aluminium price component in the energy price so that costs are partially linked to the price of aluminium. This results in an embedded derivative, which is revalued at period end. This is a non-cash entry and does not relate to operations during the current reporting period, and accordingly is removed from net profit after tax to arrive at underlying earnings.

AWAC has a number of defined benefit schemes. Certain non-cash actuarial adjustments do not relate to operations during the current reporting period, and accordingly are removed from net profit after tax to arrive at underlying earnings.

The impact of these items in the Company's result for the six months to 30 June 2011 has been to decrease net profit after tax by net US\$10.0 million (1H10: US\$22.0 million increase) as shown in the following table. Net profit after tax before these items is referred to in the Directors' Report as 'Underlying Earnings'.

	Six months ended 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months ended 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months ended 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Net profit/(loss) for the period, after tax	67.7	(9.6)	44.2
Non-operating non-cash items:			
Equity share of AWAC retirement benefit obligations	14.2	(12.9)	21.0
Equity share of AWAC embedded derivatives	(4.2)	37.0	(43.0)
Underlying earnings for the period, after tax	77.7	14.5	22.2

This half yearly report is to be read in conjunction with the most recent annual financial report.



Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Six months to 30 June 2011	Six months to 31 Dec 2010	Six months to 30 June 2010
	US\$ million	US\$ million	US\$ million
Revenue from continuing operations	0.1	0.9	0.5
General and administrative expenses	(8.4)	(7.2)	(7.5)
Change in fair value of derivatives/foreign exchange gains/(losses)	(1.0)	2.5	(0.4)
Finance costs	(15.3)	(18.9)	(19.8)
Share of net profit of associates accounted for using the equity method	93.3	13.1	71.4
Profit/(loss) before income tax	68.7	(9.6)	44.2
Income tax expense from continuing operations	(1.0)	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the half year	67.7	(9.6)	44.2
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
Share of reserve movements accounted for using the equity method	4.9	7.7	(6.9)
Foreign exchange translation difference	183.3	319.6	(89.6)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year, net of tax	188.2	327.3	(96.5)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year attributable to the owners of Alumina Limited	255.9	317.7	(52.3)

Earnings per share (EPS)

	Six months ended 30 June 2011	Six months ended 31 Dec 2010	Six months ended 30 June 2010
Basic EPS		Negative	
	US cents	US cents	US cents
	2.8¢	0.4¢	1.8¢
Diluted EPS		Negative	
	US cents	US cents	US cents
	2.8¢	0.4¢	1.8¢



Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

	30 June 2011 US\$ million	31 December 2010 US\$ million	30 June 2010 US\$ million
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	55.9	112.1	268.5
Derivative financial instruments	8.3	5.0	-
Receivables	0.1	0.2	-
Other assets	8.0	9.4	7.5
Total current assets	72.3	126.7	276.0
Non-current Assets			
Investments accounted for using the equity method	3,636.5	3,415.6	3,120.8
Property, plant and equipment	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total non-current assets	3,636.7	3,415.8	3,121.0
Total assets	3,709.0	3,542.5	3,397.0
Current Liabilities			
Payables	3.7	5.9	6.4
Interest bearing liabilities	145.3	217.7	313.2
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	2.7
Provisions	0.2	0.2	0.2
Other	0.8	0.6	0.4
Total current liabilities	150.0	224.4	322.9
Non-current Liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	328.3	246.2	269.5
Provisions	0.5	0.4	0.3
Total non-current liabilities	328.8	246.6	269.8
Total liabilities	478.8	471.0	592.7
Net assets	3,230.2	3,071.5	2,804.3
Equity			
Contributed equity	2,154.1	2,154.1	2,154.1
Treasury shares	(1.5)	(1.5)	(1.0)
Reserves:			
- Group¹	185.7	4.3	(314.1)
- Associates	7.4	2.5	(5.2)
Retained profits:			
- Group	952.7	903.6	831.3
- Associates ¹	(68.2)	8.5	139.2
Total equity	3,230.2	3,071.5	2,804.3

¹ Refer Note 16



Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

	Contributed Equity ¹ US\$ million	Reserves US\$ million	Retained Profits US\$ million	Total US\$ million
Balance as at 1 January 2010	2,153.1	(227.8)	993.0	2,918.3
Adjustment for prior period revision ²	_	23.9	(23.9)	-
Restated total equity at the beginning of the financial year	2,153.1	(203.9)	969.1	2,918.3
Profit/(loss) for the half year	-	-	44.2	44.2
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the half-year	-	(96.5)	-	(96.5)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:				
Dividends declared	-	-	(42.8)	(42.8)
Option premium on convertible bonds	-	(19.1)	-	(19.1)
Movement in share based payments reserve		0.2	-	0.2
Balance at 30 June 2010	2,153.1	(319.3)	970.5	2,804.3
Balance as at 1 July 2010	2,153.1	(319.3)	970.5	2,804.3
Profit/(loss) for the half year	-	-	(9.6)	(9.6)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year	-	327.3	-	327.3
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:				
Dividends declared	-	-	(48.8)	(48.8)
Option premium on convertible bonds	-	(1.4)	-	(1.4)
Movement in share based payments reserve	-	0.2	-	0.2
Movement in treasury shares	(0.5)	-	-	(0.5)
Balance at 31 December 2010	2,152.6	6.8	912.1	3,071.5
Balance as at 1 January 2011	2,152.6	6.8	912.1	3,071.5
Profit/(loss) for the half year	-	-	67.7	67.7
Other comprehensive income for the half-year	-	188.2	-	188.2
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:				
Dividends declared	-	-	(97.6)	(97.6)
Transfer capital reserve to retained earnings ³	-	(2.3)	2.3	-
Movement in share based payments reserve		0.4	-	0.4
Balance at 30 June 2011	2,152.6	193.1	884.5	3,230.2

¹ Treasury shares have been deducted from contributed equity.

² Refer Note 16

³ Westminer International (U.K.) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the group, was dissolved on the 10th May 2011.



Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Cash Flows Related to Operating Activities			
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of goods and service tax)	(8.2)	(5.1)	(7.0)
GST refund received	0.4	0.3	0.3
Dividends received from associates	165.9	139.5	94.9
Distributions received from associates	4.1	4.2	3.5
Interest received	0.1	0.4	0.5
Interest paid	(15.0)	(17.7)	(13.1)
Other	(0.2)	-	(0.1)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	147.1	121.6	79.0
Cash Flows Related to Investing Activities			
Payments for investment in associates	(126.7)	(98.0)	(63.6)
Proceeds from return of invested capital	17.3	-	13.8
Proceeds from derivatives	-	-	6.0
Net settlement of hedge contracts	-	-	(0.6)
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(109.4)	(98.0)	(44.4)
Cash Flows Related to Financing Activities			
Repurchase of convertible bond	(167.6)	(128.4)	(53.1)
Proceeds from borrowings	195.0	-	33.7
Repayment of borrowings	(24.0)	(1.1)	-
Dividends paid	(97.4)	(48.8)	(44.9)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(94.0)	(178.3)	(64.3)
Net Decrease in Cash and cash equivalents	(56.3)	(154.7)	(29.7)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	112.1	268.5	305.6
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	0.1	(1.7)	(7.4)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	55.9	112.1	268.5



Reconciliation of Cash

	As at 30 June 2011 US\$ million	As at 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	As at 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Reconciliation of cash at the end of the reporting period (as shown in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts is as follows:			
Cash on hand and at bank	4.9	3.3	12.0
Money market deposits (with maturity on investment three months or less)	51.0	108.8	256.5
Cash assets	55.9	112.1	268.5
Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	55.9	112.1	268.5



1. Basis of Preparation of Half-Year Report

This general purpose financial report for the interim half year reporting period ended 30 June 2011 has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This interim financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2010 and any public announcements made by Alumina Limited during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act* 2001.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous year and corresponding interim reporting period.

2. Consolidated Retained Profits

	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Retained profits at the beginning of the reporting period	912.1	970.5	969.1
Net profit/(loss) attributable to members of Alumina Limited	67.7	(9.6)	44.2
Transfer from capital reserve	2.3	-	-
Dividends paid	(97.6)	(48.8)	(42.8)
Retained profits at the end of the reporting period	884.5	912.1	970.5

3. Income Tax

	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before tax	68.7	(9.6)	44.2
Prima facie tax (expense)/credit for the period at the rate of 30%	(20.6)	2.9	(13.3)
The following items caused the total charge for income tax to vary from the above:			
Amounts (not assessable) for tax	(90.4)	(49.2)	(68.0)
Temporary differences not recognised	25.5	53.5	20.4
Non-deductible expense	0.8	5.3	3.4
Previously unrecognised tax losses now recouped to reduce current tax expense	(1.2)	-	-
Net movement	(65.3)	9.6	(44.2)
Consequent reduction/(increase) in charge for income tax	19.6	(2.9)	13.3
Aggregate Income tax expense for the reporting period	(1.0)	-	-



4. Earnings Per Share (EPS)

		Six months to 30 June 2011	Six months to 31 Dec 2010	Six months to 30 June 2010
	Calculation of basic and fully diluted EPS in accordance with AASB 133: Earnings per Share			
	Earnings in cents per ordinary share (cps)			
	Basic EPS	US cents 2.8¢	Negative US cents 0.4¢	US cents 1.8¢
	Diluted EPS	US cents 2.8¢	Negative US cents 0.4¢	US cents 1.8¢
	Weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year used in the calculation of earnings per share			
	Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in the calculation of basic earnings per share	2,439,526,913	2,439,728,359	2,439,741,913
5.	Net Tangible Asset Backing Per Security			
	Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	US\$1.22	US\$1.15	US\$1.04

6. Details of Entities Over Which Control Has Been Lost or Gained

There was no loss or increased control of entities for the six months ended 30 June 2011, other than dissolution of the non-operating subsidiary Westminer International (UK) Limited.

7. Dividends

Since the half-year end the Directors have determined that a fully franked dividend of US 3 cents per share will be payable on 7 September 2011, amounting to US\$73.2 million. This amount has not been recognised as a liability at half-year end. Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend is 22 August 2011.

Directors have continued the suspension of the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan. The Dividend Reinvestment Plan will therefore not apply to the 2011 interim dividend.

Other than American Depositary Receipt holders (who are paid in US dollars) and UK resident shareholders (who are paid in GBP), shareholders will be paid the interim dividend in Australian dollars.

The franking account balance, which is maintained in Australian dollars, was A\$360.5 million as at 30 June 2011.

8. Dividend Per Share

	Six months to 30 June 2011	Six months to 30 June 2010
Interim dividend per share (US cents)		
Amount per share	3¢	2¢
Franked amount per share at 30% tax rate	3¢	2¢



9. Interim Dividend on All Shares

	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Interim dividend determined	73.2	48.8
Total	73.2	48.8

10. Details of Aggregate Share of Results of Associates

	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Alumina's share of associates:			
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax	145.3	23.1	117.3
Income tax expense on ordinary activities	(52.0)	(10.0)	(45.9)
Equity share of profit	93.3	13.1	71.4
Dividends received by Alumina Limited	(165.9)	(139.5)	(94.9)
Distributions received by Alumina Limited	(4.1)	(4.2)	(3.5)
Surplus of dividends/distributions received over equity share of profits	(76.7)	(130.6)	(27.0)

11. Material Interests in Entities which are Not Controlled Entities

Alumina has an interest in the following entities:

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	As at 30 June 2011	As at 31 Dec 2010	As at 30 June 2010	Six months to 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Six months to 30 June 2010 US\$ million
Equity accounted associates and joint venture entities						
AWAC	40%	40%	40%	93.3	13.1	71.4

12. Ratios

	Six months to 30 June 2011 %	Six months to 31 Dec 2010 %	Six months to 30 June 2010 %
Profit after tax/equity interests (annualised)			
Consolidated net profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members as a percentage of average members' equity	4.4	Negative 0.6	3.0



13. Issued and Quoted Securities at End of Current Reporting Period

 Category of Securities	Number issued	Number quoted	
Ordinary shares			
Fully paid ¹	2,440,196,187	2,440,196,187	
Partly paid	Nil	Nil	
Ordinary Shares -			
Changes during current reporting period:	Nil		

¹ Includes Treasury shares purchased through the Employee Share Plan Trust for Alumina Limited's long term incentive plan.

14. Financing Facilities

	Half year ended 30 June 2011 US\$ million	Year ended 31 Dec 2010 US\$ million	Half year ended 30 June 2010 US\$ million
The facilities available at end of reporting period were as follows:			
Total loan facilities	773.6	1,085.8	985.8
Used at end of reporting period	473.6	463.9	582.7
Unamortised finance costs	-	1.7	7.0*
Available at end of reporting period	300.0	620.2	396.1

Funding facilities include bilateral bank facilities, a syndicated loan and a development bank loan. The syndicated facility is available in US dollars. The bilateral facilities are available in both US and Australian dollars and one is available in EURO. The development bank loan is fully drawn in US dollars and Brazilian Reais. Funding facilities in currencies other than US dollars have been converted to US dollar equivalents at period end exchange rates. At 31 December 2010 the Group had \$167.6 million of convertible bonds outstanding which were fully repaid during the first half of 2011.

15. Segment Information

Business Segment

Alumina Limited's primary assets are its 40% interest in the series of operating entities forming Alcoa World Alumina & Chemicals (AWAC). Alumina Limited has one reportable segment, namely the investment in the alumina/aluminium business through its equity interest in AWAC. Alumina Limited participates in AWAC through The Strategic Council, which consists of three members appointed by Alcoa Inc. and two members appointed by Alumina Limited. Operational decisions are made by Alcoa Inc. Refer to Directors' Report for further explanation.

16. Prior Period Revision

In May 2011 the Company identified an error related to the 2008 financial statements which resulted from differences between US GAAP and IFRS accounting regarding the joint venture's defined benefit plans. The impact of the error resulted in an overstatement of share of net profit of associates for the year 2008 by \$23.9 million. The error also understated equity reserves for the year ended 31 December 2008 by \$23.9 million. The comparative balance sheet at 31 December 2010 reflects these adjustments, as disclosed in the Statement of Changes in Equity for the half year to 30 June 2010.

17. Events Occurring After the Balance Sheet Date

There have been no significant transactions or events since 30 June 2011.

^{*}The value of the convertible bond option premium was adjusted to reflect the May 2011 put. There was no change to profit and loss.



Directors' Declaration

In the directors' opinion:

- a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 2 to 10 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2011 and of its performance, as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows, for the financial period ended on that date; and
- b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that Alumina Limited will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

John Bevan

Director

Melbourne

11 August 2011

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Independent Auditor's Review Report to the Members of Alumina Limited

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Alumina Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2011, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for Alumina Limited Group (the consolidated entity). The consolidated entity comprises both Alumina Limited (the company) and the entities it controlled during that half-year.

Directors' responsibility for the half-year financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of an Interim Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including: giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2011 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*. As the auditor of Alumina Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. It also includes reading the other information included with the financial report to determine whether it contains any material inconsistencies with the financial report. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our review was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.



Matters relating to the electronic presentation of the reviewed financial report

This review report relates to the financial report of the Company for the half-year ended 30 June 2011 included on Alumina Limited's web site. The Company's directors are responsible for the integrity of Alumina Limited's web site. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of this web site. The review report refers only to the statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements. If users of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communications they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the reviewed financial report to confirm the information included in the reviewed financial report presented on this web site.

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Alumina Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2011 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and *Corporations Regulations* 2001.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Chris Dodd Partner Melbourne 11 August 2011



DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors of Alumina Limited present their comments on the consolidated entity consisting of Alumina Limited and the entities it controlled (the Group) at the end of, or during, the half year to 30 June 2011.

Directors

The following persons were Directors of Alumina Limited during the half year and up to the date of this report.

D M Morley
J A Bevan
P A F Hay
G J Pizzey (Alternate J S Downes)
E Stein (appointed 3 February 2011)
R J McNeilly (resigned 3 March 2011)

Basis of Financial Report Preparation

This half-yearly general purpose financial report is for the interim half year reporting period ended 30 June 2011 and has been prepared in accordance with the Australian Stock Exchange Listing Rules as they relate to Appendix 4D and in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Act 2001.

This interim financial report does not include all of the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2010 and any public announcements made by Alumina Limited and its controlled entities (the Group) during the reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

Comments are for the six months ended 30 June 2011, with comparatives for the six months ended 30 June 2010 shown in parentheses.

The Company is of a kind referred to in Class Order 98/0100, issued by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that Class Order to the nearest hundred thousand dollars, or as otherwise indicated.



Alumina Limited Highlights

Underlying earnings increased to \$77.7 million from \$22.2 million in 1H 2010.

Net profit after tax increased to \$67.7 million from \$44.2 million in 1H 2010.

Alumina Limited received \$165.9 million of fully franked dividends compared to \$94.9 million in 1H 2010.

The Directors have determined to pay an interim dividend of US\$3 cents per share (1H 2010: US\$2 cents per share). The dividend will be paid on 7 September 2011, with the Australian dollar amount set on the record date of 22 August 2011. The dividend will be fully franked.

AWAC Highlights (US GAAP)

Alumina prices increased, with realised prices up 28% compared to 1H 2010.

Profit before tax up 73% on prior comparative period.

Alumina production of 7.8 million tonnes, up 0.4 million tonnes compared to 1H 2010.

AWAC free cash flow of \$158.7 million.

New mine and expanded refinery in Brazil operated steadily.

Move to Index Pricing of Alumina

In mid 2010, AWAC indicated it would seek to price its new third party alumina contracts on a new basis using alumina indices for 2011. The alumina price indices (there are at least three) track the spot price for alumina. Contracts based on the index are expected to replace contracts traditionally priced as a percentage of the aluminium price. AWAC has successfully based all new contracts entered into in the second half of 2010 on the alumina price indices. These contracts are for delivery in 2011 and beyond.

Alumina Limited Key Financials

Alumina Limited's functional currency is US dollars.

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
Underlying earnings US\$m	77.7 ¹	14.5	22.2
NPAT US\$m	67.7	(9.6)	44.2
Average AUD/USD	1.03	0.95	0.89
Average 3 month LME aluminium price US\$ per tonne	2,573	2,235	2,161
Average alumina spot price ² US\$ per tonne	\$399	N/A	N/A
Net Debt ³ US\$m	418	353	321
Gearing⁴	11.3%	10%	9.5%
EPS (US cps)	2.8	(0.4)	1.8
Underlying EPS (US cps)	3.2	0.6	0.9
Return on Equity (ROE)	4.4%	(0.6)%	3.0%
ROE based on underlying earnings	5.1%	1.0%	1.5%
Dividends declared	US\$3¢	US\$4¢	US\$2¢

Definitions and notes

- Underlying earnings calculated by adjusting net profit after tax by \$10.0 million from reported net profit after tax, being the impact of embedded derivatives for energy contracts and non-cash adjustments for certain actuarial movements in defined benefit pension plans.
- 2. Based on Platts index, spot FOB Australia average for 1H 2011.
- 3. Includes unamortised finance costs of convertible bond.
- 4. Calculated as (debt cash)/(debt + equity).



AWAC Business Review (US GAAP)

Bauxite: Significant Deposits Meeting AWAC Need

AWAC has operating bauxite mines in five countries, which meet the production needs of the AWAC refineries. The Juruti mine in Brazil is operating at 3.3 million tonnes per annum, above its initial capacity target.

Work commenced on moving the mine crusher at the Huntly mine in Australia. This last occurred ten years ago.

Alumina Production

Production of alumina was 7.8 million tonnes in the first half of 2011, up from 7.4 million tonnes in first half of 2010. Output from the Alumar refinery in Sao Luis, Brazil has continued to increase, with the plant operating consistently throughout the half. Production increased in Australia, notwithstanding additional scheduled maintenance, and in Suriname and Jamaica, compared to 1H 2010.

Continued Improvement in Realised Alumina Prices

Realised alumina prices increased 28% compared to 1H 2010. This reflects a transition to pricing third party alumina sales with reference to alumina price indices, and an increase in aluminium prices which also flowed through to an improvement in realised alumina prices.

AWAC has approximately 20% of third party contracts priced on spot or index prices this year. Sales of alumina from AWAC to Alcoa continue to be priced based on the average of third party prices, which include spot/index sales to third parties.

Alumina revenue increased by 31% on first half 2010. Price movements accounted for 91% of the revenue increase, compared to 1H 2010, with volume increase driving the remaining 9%.

Alumina Margins Continue To Improve

Operating margins¹, at \$76 per tonne, improved by \$21 per tonne on the prior comparative period, and \$36 per tonne on second half 2010, with higher realised prices offsetting the impact of a stronger Australian dollar and higher raw material and energy costs.

The average cash cost of alumina production increased \$39 per tonne compared to 1H 2010.

The major influence on costs of production was the weakness of the US dollar, compared to the Australian dollar and the Brazilian Reais. Compared to first half 2010, management estimates that the foreign exchange impact on cost of production was an increase of \$19 per tonne across total production.

In addition to the impact of a weak US dollar, input costs for oil and caustic soda rose.

Global oil prices increased approximately 30% compared to 1H 2010, contributing to an increase in costs of approximately \$12 per tonne. Global caustic soda prices also increased compared to 1H 2010, increasing costs by approximately \$5 per tonne.

Labour price rises, and higher scheduled maintenance costs, mainly in Australia, contributed to a rise in production costs. Enterprise Bargaining Agreements with Australian employees covering the next three years were finalized during the half.

AWAC Production and Shipments

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
Alumina production	7.8mt	7.8mt	7.4mt
Aluminium production	177kt	181kt	175kt
Alumina shipments	7.6mt	7.8mt	7.4mt

AWAC Profit and Loss (US GAAP)

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Sales revenue	2,088.1	1,788.4	1,664.0
Related party revenue	1,291.2	1,014.0	990.1
Total Revenue	3,379.3	2,802.4	2,654.1
COGS and operating expenses Selling, Admin, R&D	(2,697.6) (65.7)	(2,370.1) (56.6)	(2,153.2) (57.8)
Depreciation and Amortisation	(225.8)	(214.6)	(209.9)
Other	(4.1)	(12.7)	(9.8)
Total Expenses	(2,993.2)	(2,654.0)	(2,430.7)
Profit before Tax	386.1	148.4	223.4
Income Tax	(107.5)	61.5	(98.0)
Net Profit after Tax	278.6	209.9	125.4

AWAC One-off Items

The first half AWAC profit after tax includes the following one-off items:

- an equity profit of \$14 million from the Dampier Bunbury pipeline;
- provision for remediation in St Croix, a refinery no longer operated by AWAC (\$20 million).

Smelters

Aluminium production of approximately 177,000 tonnes was in line with 1H 2010 production levels with production from the Portland smelter remaining partially curtailed. In Australian dollar terms, cost of aluminium production rose 10% as a result of higher alumina prices, and increases in energy, coke and pitch costs.

Definitions and Notes

Operating margin is sales minus cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation), and selling, administration, research and other expenses



AWAC Cash Flow (US GAAP)

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Net income	278.6	209.9	125.4
Depreciation	225.8	214.6	209.9
Decrease (increase) in receivables	(134.1)	72.7	0.6
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(39.8)	(7.0)	60.8
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(23.8)	138.0	(148.8)
Other ¹	(14.5)	(203.8)	52.1
Cash from operations	292.2	424.4	300.0
Capital expenditure	(133.5)	(152.6)	(145.8)
Free cash flow 2	158.7	271.8	154.2
EBITDA ³	611.4	367.9	435.0

- ¹ Includes cumulative translation adjustment
- Free cash flow defined as cash from operations less capital expenditure.
- ³ Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation

AWAC Cash Flow (US GAAP)

AWAC earnings before interest, tax and depreciation continue to show the impact of improved prices and improved pricing policies, increasing by \$176 million this half compared to first half 2010 and by \$243 million compared to the second half. This represents a 40% improvement in earnings before interest, tax and depreciation compared to 1H 2010.

Cash flow from operations was negatively impacted by a \$134 million increase in receivables and a \$40 million increase in inventories in the period from the opening balance. The increase in receivables is mainly attributed to the timing of related party sales and higher prices for alumina sales. Accounts payable also decreased by \$24 million.

Capital expenditure, which was concentrated in Brazil and Australia, included further work at the AWAC mine in Juruti, and sustaining capital expenditure in Australia. The Australian operations have commenced work to move a mine crusher, and further develop residue storage areas. Movement of the mine crusher is expected to occur over a four year period for a total cost of approximately A\$285 million. Growth capital expenditure in the first half of 2011 was \$31 million, and sustaining capital expenditure was \$94 million.

AWAC has invested \$97 million in the period up to 30 June 2011 in the Ma'aden joint venture in Saudi Arabia, which has contributed to the rise in other assets. AWAC is a 25.1% shareholder in this mine and refinery project in Saudi Arabia. Funding of the project financing for the Ma'aden joint venture is almost complete. The mine and refinery are expected to cost \$3.6 billion, of which approximately 60% will be project financed. Commitment letters for \$1 billion of commercial loans were received for this project during June 2011 and another \$1 billion loan is expected to be received from Saudi Arabia's Public Investment Fund. Ma'aden has noted that the project may also receive \$160 million in funding from the Saudi Industrial Development Fund. The remaining \$1.4 billion for the project will be financed by Ma'aden, Alcoa and Alumina (Alumina's share \$140 million).

AWAC Balance Sheet (US GAAP)

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Cash, cash equivalents	190.2	331.6	207.5
Receivables	558.4	427.1	478.1
Related party note receivable	13.7	120.0	100.1
Inventories	785.5	717.3	648.1
Property plant & equipment	7,860.7	7,548.7	6,815.1
Other assets	2,307.3	2,043.9	1,613.5
Total Assets	11,715.8	11,188.6	9,862.4
Short term borrowings	36.3	253.9	254.0
Payables	819.4	792.5	619.8
Taxes payable and deferred	553.0	475.8	381.6
Other liabilities	1,057.5	1,031.6	932.2
Total Liabilities	2,466.2	2,553.8	2,187.6
Equity	9,249.6	8,634.8	7,674.8

AWAC Dividends Paid

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Dividends paid	414	349	238

AWAC Balance Sheet (US GAAP)

Property plant and equipment continued to rise with investment in improving operating plant facilities, plus additional expenditure on the social infrastructure at Juruti in Brazil. Depreciation increased slightly to \$226 million.

The AWAC entity NV Alcoa Minerals of Suriname loaned \$120 million to another AWAC entity, Alcoa of Australia, in January 2011.

AWAC continued to operate with minimal borrowings. With the exception of minor working capital facilities at individual sites, any external borrowing required by an AWAC entity is provided by the joint venture partners.

AIFRS Adjustments

The AWAC results are adjusted for differences between US GAAP and AIFRS prior to incorporation into the Alumina Limited results. These adjustments are non-cash book entries.

The main adjustments for 1H 2011 were:

- reversal of \$25 million tax credit in Brazil;
- recognition of \$36 million debit after tax for defined benefit pensions;
- recognition of \$11 million credit after tax for movements in embedded derivatives.

Alumina Limited's results include 40% of these adjustments.



Alumina Limited Reported Profit

Most of Alumina Limited's costs are incurred in Australian dollars. The translation of Australian dollar costs into US dollars has been impacted by the strength of the Australian dollar and this is a significant reason for the increase in corporate costs.

Funding costs decreased to \$15.3 million from \$19.8 million in 1H 2010. The main reasons for the variations are:

 Commitment fees and amortisation of upfront fees increased to \$4.7 million; 1H 2010 \$4.3 million)

offset by:

- Interest expense decreased to \$8.9 million for the half (1H 2010: \$10.7 million), of which \$7.1 million related to BNDES.
- Amortisation of the convertible bond option decreased to \$1.7 million (1H 2010: \$4.8 million)

Note on calculation of underlying earnings

Alumina Limited shows underlying earnings in addition to profit after tax to provide a better understanding of the performance of the underlying operations. Underlying earnings are calculated by excluding the impact of mark to market valuations for embedded derivatives in energy contracts and actuarial gains and losses, net of investment returns, on pension plans. In the first half of 2011, revaluation of the embedded derivatives increased Alumina Limited's net profit after tax by \$4.2 million. Actuarial movements in defined benefit plans resulted in a decrease to net profit of \$14.2 million.

Alumina Limited Reported Profit

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Share of AWAC underlying profit	103.3	37.2	49.4
Corporate costs	(8.4)	(7.2)	(7.5)
Finance costs	(15.3)	(18.9)	(19.8)
Other & Tax	(1.9)	3.4	0.1
Underlying earnings	77.7	14.5	22.2
Retirement benefit			
obligations, AWAC	(14.2)	12.9	(21.0)
Embedded derivative, AWAC	4.2	(37.0)	43.0
Net profit/(loss) after tax	67.7	(9.6)	44.2



Alumina Limited Balance Sheet

Alumina Limited's gearing¹ remains at a conservative level of 11.3%. Board policy is to limit gearing to 15%. Net debt at 30 June 2011 was \$418 million.

During the half, \$168 million of convertible bonds were repurchased at face value, using existing facilities. The convertible bond is now fully repaid.

Current liabilities include \$90 million drawn under syndicated and bilateral facilities and \$55 million of repayments on the facility from the Brazil National Development Bank (BNDES) that are due before 30 June 2012.

Current liabilities of \$150 million exceed current assets of \$72 million, however directors are confident that the liabilities can be met using available cash and undrawn committed facilities whose maturities extend beyond 30 June 2012.

The Company has a fully drawn debt facility from BNDES. This facility amortises at approximately \$55 million per annum and its current interest rate is approximately 5.1%. Amounts outstanding at 30 June under the BNDES loan were \$279 million.

The Company also has further committed bank facilities of \$495 million.

Excluding BNDES, committed facilities expire as follows:

- \$175 million in 2012 (drawn to \$90 million)
- \$107 million in 2013 (drawn to \$105 million)
- \$213 million in 2015 (no amounts were drawn under this facility as at 30 June 2011)

Total available facilities have been reduced since the first half of 2010 reflecting the fact that the Brazilian expansion is nearly complete and it is no longer considered necessary to retain debt facilities at the higher level.

Alumina Limited Cash Flows

Alumina Limited's cash from operations primarily comprises the dividends received from the AWAC joint venture. Fully franked dividends of \$166 million were received from AWAC during the half, up \$71 million on 1H 2010.

Generally, the Board intends, on an annual basis, to distribute cash from operations after debt servicing and corporate cost commitments have been met. Dividends will be fully franked for the foreseeable future.

Cash payments for investments in Brazil decreased to \$39 million as the major capital investment in the Alumar refinery and Juruti mine draws to a close. Further amounts were invested in the San Ciprian refinery, to replace shareholder loans.

Alumina Limited Balance Sheet

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Cash and equivalents	55.9	112.1	268.5
Investments	3,636.5	3,415.6	3,120.8
Other	16.6	14.8	7.7
Total Assets	3,709.0	3,542.5	3,397.0
Payables	3.7	5.9	6.4
Interest bearing liabilities – current	145.3	217.7	313.2
Interest bearing liabilities – non-current	328.3	246.2	269.5
Other	1.5	1.2	3.6
Total Liabilities	478.8	471.0	592.7
Net Assets	3,230.2	3,071.5	2,804.3

Alumina Limited Cash Flow

	1H 11	2H 10	1H 10
	US\$m	US\$m	US\$m
Dividends received	165.9	139.5	94.9
Distributions received	4.1	4.2	3.5
Interest paid	(15.0)	(17.7)	(13.1)
Other	(7.9)	(4.4)	(6.3)
Cash from operations	147.1	121.6	79.0
Net payments for investment in associates	(109.4)	(98.0)	(49.8)
Free cash flow ²	37.7	23.6	29.2

Definitions and notes

- Calculated as (debt cash)/(debt + equity)
- 2. Free cash flow defined as cash from operations less net payments for investment in associates.



Guidance

The following guidance is provided to assist the understanding of the sensitivity of AWAC results to key external factors. The guidance cannot be expected to be predictive of exact results, rather it provides direction and approximate quantum of the impact on profit before tax of movements around a given base figure. Actual results will vary from those computed using the guidance. Guidance is not linear, hence significant movement away from the base rates used may result in different sensitivities. No attempt has been made to correlate sensitivity to one element of the guidance with movements in other elements of the guidance.

A \$100 movement in the LME aluminium price per tonne is expected to impact AWAC profit before tax in 2011 by approximately \$180 million. This sensitivity covers alumina sales that are priced as a percentage of aluminium, and aluminium sales. It excludes sales where the price is based on spot or alumina indices. Such sales are expected to be approximately 20% of third party sales in 2011.

A 1 cent movement in the AUD/USD rate is expected to impact AWAC profits in 2011 by \$24 million before tax.

AWAC cash costs per tonne of alumina production are expected to increase from 2010, with increases in the cost of fuel oil, coke and caustic. Significant movements in exchange rates or other inputs will impact costs beyond this guidance.

AWAC's estimated spend on sustaining capital expenditure in full year 2011 is up to \$350 million. This includes initial expenditure on moving a mine crusher site in Australia, in line with normal 10 year movements to minimise the haul distance in the mine. Further sustaining capital expenditure is focussed on residue storage areas.

Estimated AWAC growth capital expenditure on existing facilities for full year 2011 is \$120 million, mainly in Brazil. In addition, AWAC expects to invest \$125 million in 2011 in its greenfield refinery in Saudi Arabia.

Market Outlook

During the first half of 2011, the aluminium demand globally has been growing at a strong rate relative to 2010, with stocks stable and local premiums at a high level above improved LME prices. The alumina market has been balanced to tight.

China continues to grow, both in terms of demand and supply. This has led to improving alumina prices and strong demand for imported bauxite.

Changes in the global macro economics may lead to short term volatility, however the underlying long term demand picture is likely to remain positive.

Alumina Limited is in a solid position, with low levels of gearing, and a well managed balance sheet. We expect market conditions to favour AWAC's large, low cost assets and substantial bauxite footprint.

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Australian Carbon Pricing Scheme

The Australian Government released details of its proposed carbon pricing scheme on 10 July 2011. The scheme is proposed to operate in two phases: a fixed (but increasing) carbon permit price commencing 1 July 2012 to be followed by a floating price phase from 1 July 2015. This scheme is the result of negotiations within the Multi-Party Climate Change Committee and is proposed to be implemented in legislation that is to be introduced into Parliament later in 2011.

The scheme will cover emissions from the stationary energy, industrial processing, mining and waste sectors. Entities that have operational control of a facility that emits more than 25,000t CO₂-e per annum in greenhouse gas emissions from activities covered by the scheme will be required to surrender carbon permits to cover those emissions.

Emissions-intensive trade-exposed industries and coal-fired power generators will be eligible to receive assistance, primarily in the form of free carbon permits, under arrangements that are broadly similar to those that would have applied under the abandoned Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme. Contractual arrangements will govern the electricity and domestic gas pass through of carbon costs for indirect emissions. Under the details of the scheme announced aluminium smelting and alumina refining will receive a free allocation of permits for 94.5% of average industry emissions, per tonne of production. These allocations are based on the tonnes produced at an average emissions intensity. Allocation will reduce at a rate of 1.3% per annum with a floor at 90% if a sector can demonstrate that less than 70% of its competitors have introduced comparable carbon constraints.

The fixed price phase starts at A\$23.00 per tonne CO₂-e and increases to \$24.15 in year 2 and \$25.40 in year 3 (based on a 2.5% rise with 2.5% inflation). From 1 July 2015 there will be an emissions trading scheme based on a national emissions cap for the first five years to be announced in 2014. Banking of surplus permits will be allowed and fifty per cent of an entity's obligation may be met through international credits/permits.

In 2010 AWAC in Australia produced 7.3 million tonnes of emissions from smelting (0.7 million tonnes from direct and 6.6 million tonnes from indirect sources) and 5.1 million tonnes of emissions from mining and refining (4.4 million tonnes from direct and 0.7 million tonnes from indirect sources). Further details on Alumina Limited's share of emissions are available on our website. The financial impact of the scheme on AWAC will not be able to be reasonably determined until after the legislation is final and regulations are released and finalised. This process is expected to take place over the next few months.

Director

Melbourne 11 August 2011

John Bevan



Forward Looking Statements

Some statements in this report are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the US Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements also include those containing such words as "anticipate", "estimates", "should", "will", "expects", "plans" or similar expressions. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that may cause actual outcomes to be different from the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ from the forward-looking statements include: (a) material adverse changes in global economic, alumina or aluminium industry conditions and the markets served by AWAC; (b) changes in production and development costs and production levels or to sales agreements; (c) changes in laws or regulations or policies; (d) changes in alumina and aluminium prices and currency exchange rates; (e) constraints on the availability of bauxite; and (f) the risk factors and other factors summarised in Alumina's Form 20-F for the year ended 31 December 2010. Forward-looking statements that reference past trends or activities should not be taken as a representation that such trends or activities will necessarily continue in the future. Alumina Limited does not undertake any obligations to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements which speak only as of the date of the relevant document.



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Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Alumina Limited for the half year ended 30 June 2011, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Alumina Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

Chris Dodd Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Melbourne 11 August 2011