



Q1 2014 IR PRESENTATION







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Aluminium Demand Still Healthy (Reference Period: January - March)

- World consumption up by 5.6% YoY
- Asian demand up by 8% YoY driven by China (+10% YoY) thanks to a strong move towards light weight vehicles
- MENA consumption up by 5% YoY on the back of major infrastructure spending in Saudi Arabia
- North America healthy demand (+2% YoY) with the new investments in extrusion industry and automotive sector
- Europe consumption up by 2% YoY driven by vehicle production as well as an increase in automotive body sheets (as a substitute for steel)







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#### **Production Evolution**

- World production up by 5.5% YoY and is expected to grow in the short-run with the fast ramp-up of Greenfield smelters in China (Shandong province) and India (Hindalco)
- Western producers continue to operate at a loss on the back of lower LME prices & high energy costs
- China output hit a record level at 6.6 million metric tonnes
- World market over-supplied (+723 Kt with China and −297 Kt without)







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#### **LME & Premiums**

- LME inventories at 5.2 million metric tonnes
- 1Q14 Cash-average was \$1,708/t with LME ranging between \$1,641 on February 04 and \$1,767 on January 20
- Physical premiums at elevated levels as physical tightness continues
- US Mid West premiums at \$381/t vs. \$256/t in 1Q13
- DDP Rotterdam at \$273/t vs. \$223/t in 1Q13







# **ALBA HIGHLIGHTS**





#### Q1 2014 - Operational Highlights/Achievements

- Alba was able to increase its sales figures (in metric tonnes) by 3.1% YoY while production figures went up by 2.1% YoY on the back of strong operational performance
- 1Q14 Sales of Value-Added Products represented 66% of total shipments – stable performance vs. 1Q13
- Significant uplift in physical premiums (38% YoY) on the back of sound physical demand

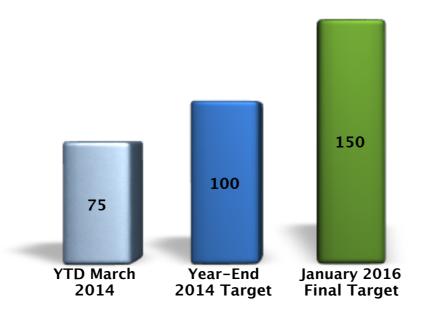






Project Titan - Improve Cash Cost of \$150/t by January 2016 Q1 2014: Project Titan on Track with Projected Savings of \$75/t

Project Titan - US\$ per MT



- 1. Savings from Project Titan represent the annual \$cost per mt improvement once all projects are fully implemented
- 2. Actual project implementation dates are on a project by project basis







Q1 2014 - Operational Highlights/Achievements

- **Raw Materials** 
  - 2014 supply requirements have been fully secured
- Alba Safety Program
  - 2,000,000 hours without Lost Time Injury (LTI) milestone
  - Continuous focus on Zero Accidents Principles plant wide
- **Future Growth** 
  - Bankable Feasibility Study (BFS) for Line 6 expansion project on stream







Q1 2014 - Financial Key Performance Indicators

- Adjusted EBITDA driven by lower LME prices
  - US\$94 million down by 25% YoY
- Adjusted Net Income driven by lower LME prices
  - US\$39 million down by 44% YoY
- Strong Free-Cash Flow thanks to sound working capital management despite low LME prices
  - US\$80 million up by 13% YoY
- **Dividends** 
  - Alba paid US\$82 million in March 2014 as the final dividend for 2013 bringing the total dividend to US\$135 million







# Q1 2014 RESULTS

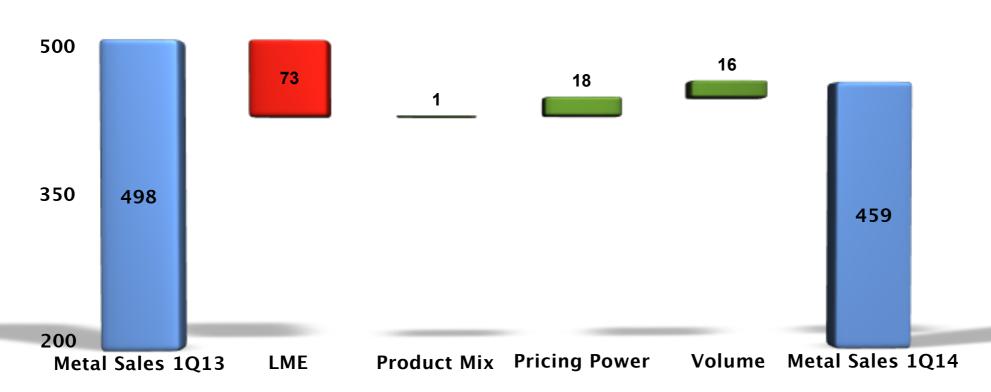




#### FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS

Sales Analysis 1Q14 vs. 1Q13 Lower LME Prices Partially Offset by Higher Premium & Sales Volume





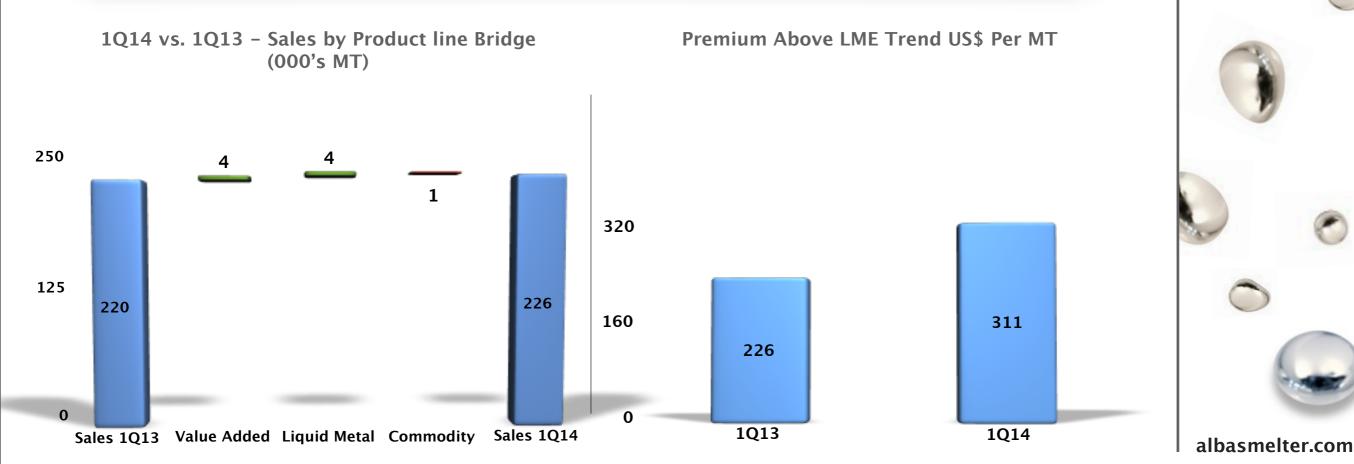
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#### FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS

Continuous Shift to Optimum Product Mix Maximize Value-Added Products and Leverage Pricing Power





**Direct Costs** 

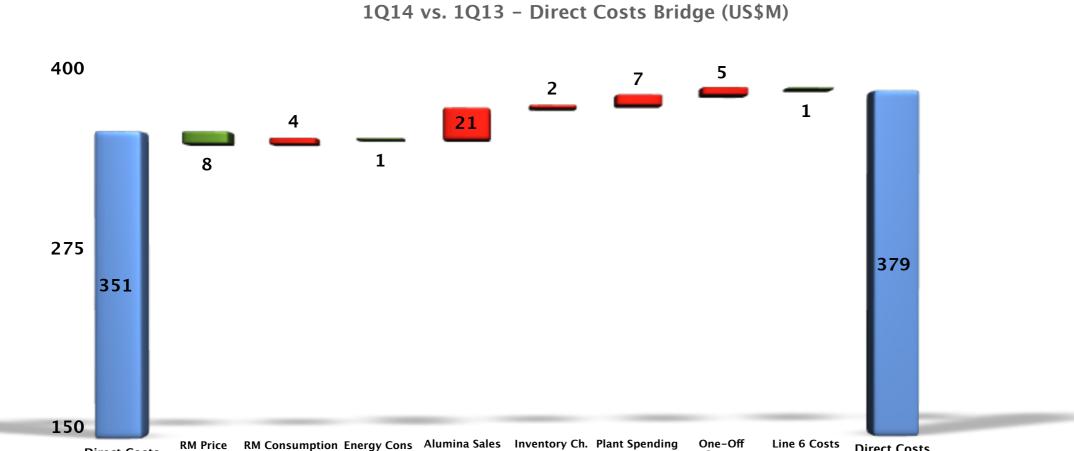
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### Q1 2014 Results

#### FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS

Cost Analysis 1Q14 vs. 1Q13: Higher Costs Due to Higher Production & Alumina Sales



Costs



**Direct Costs** 

1Q14

Costs





#### **FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS**

Adjusted EBITDA Bridge Gap Analysis 1Q14 vs. 1Q13 Lower EBITDA Margin due to Lower LME Levels





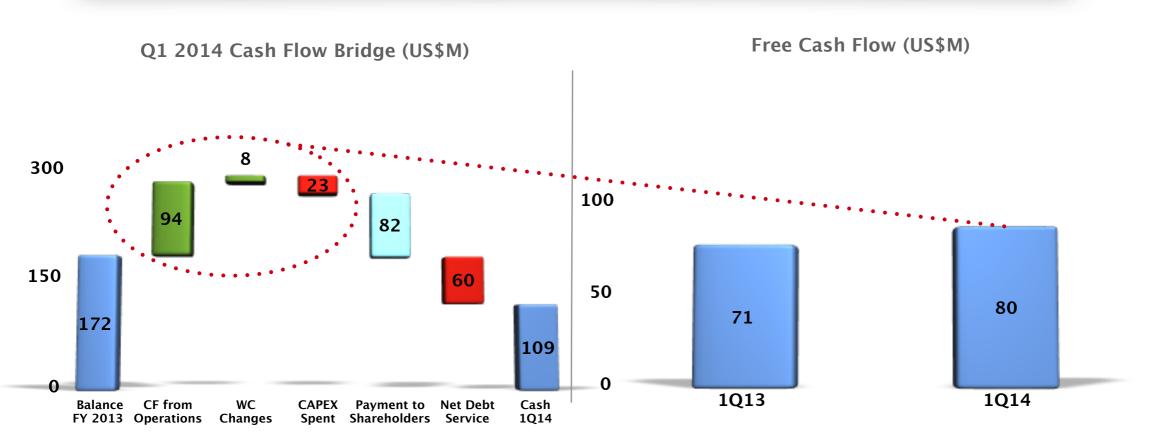






#### **FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS**

Cash Flow Bridge 1Q14 vs. Year-End 2013: Healthy Cash Generation Despite Low LME Prices









#### FAVORABLE MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE DESPITE LOW LME LEVELS

#### Sound Management Performance Partially Offset by Lower LME Prices

Financial Summary	Q1 2014	Q1 2013
Average Cash LME (US\$/MT)	1,708	2,001
Total Sales (US\$M)	486	498
EBITDA (US\$M)	94	126
EBITDA%	19.4%	25.2%
EBITDA (Excl. One-Off Costs) (US\$M)	95	122
EBITDA% (Excl. One-Off Costs)	19.5%	24.5%
Net Income/ (Loss) (US\$M)	46	108
Gain/ (Loss) Unrealised Derivatives (US\$M)	6	37
Adjusted Net Income/ (Loss) (US\$M)	39	70
Adjusted Net Income%	8.1%	14.1%

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted Net Income is calculated by taking Net Income less Unrealised Derivatives







### **INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES IN 2014**





# Industry Perspectives in 2014

Demand to Remain Healthy but with Strong Volatility

- **Well Example 2 Well Example 2 Well** 
  - → Global market expected to move into a deficit (last deficit was in 2006)
  - Physical premiums to remain high as physical tightness continues
  - MENA to remain bullish as construction and transport are expected to be the main drivers for aluminium consumption
  - North America to pick-up considerably driven by the transport sector (automotive body sheets)
  - Western Europe to pick-up, led by Germany
  - LME price is expected to range between \$1,650/t \$1,750/t







# Industry Perspectives in 2014

#### **Raw Materials Price Trends**

- Alumina prices expected to slightly soften on the back of lower LME prices
- Green Petroleum Coke prices to remain relatively low with smelters' production curtailments
- Aluminium Fluoride prices (ALF3) to remain stable in 2014
- Liquid Pitch prices expected to remain at the current levels following an initial decline in Q1 2014







### 2014 ALBA PRIORITIES





### 2014 Alba Priorities

**Continuous Improvement & Preparation for Future Growth** 

- © Continued Focus on Safety & Training
- **Deliver on Project Titan**
- **Leverage Physical Premiums**
- **Future Growth** 
  - © Complete Bankable Feasibility Study (BFS) within the first half of 2014





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