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BHP BILLITON LIMITED	BHP BILLITON PLC
(ABN 49 004 028 077)	**(REG. NO. 3196209)**
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)	**(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)**
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(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)	**(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)**

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BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc

Date: 21 October 2009	By:	/s/ Jane McAloon
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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2009

Record quarterly iron ore production, despite the impact of tie-in activities associated with Rapid Growth Project (RGP) 4 (Australia).

Record quarterly petroleum production achieved with the continued ramp up of commissioned projects and strong operating performance. On track to deliver 10 per cent compound annual growth for the 2010 financial year.

Quarterly production records achieved at North West Shelf, Hunter Valley Energy Coal (both Australia) and Zamzama (Pakistan).

Shenzi (USA) and Samarco (Brazil) operated above nameplate capacity during the quarter.

During the quarter repairs to the Laguna Seca mill at Escondida (Chile) were successfully completed, however quarterly production was impacted due to the plant repair downtime.

On 6 October 2009, one of the two haulage systems at Olympic Dam (Australia) was damaged. We anticipate that ore hoisting will be at approximately 25 per cent of capacity until full production resumes in the third quarter of the 2010 financial year.

Over the last three months there has been increasingly positive economic news across most economies. Chinese economic growth continues to be robust on the back of strong domestic focused consumption and infrastructure-based stimulus spending. China s re-stock of commodities is essentially complete and there is now evidence of higher than normal stockpiles across the supply chain. We continue to look for Chinese imports to more closely reflect real demand over the remainder of 2009 calendar year.

There are signs of stabilisation in the developed economies, with positive signs of improvement in Industrial Production, the Purchasing Managers Index and a turn in consumer confidence. However, unemployment in key developed economies, such as the US, Japan and Europe, continues to lag and may trend higher in the near term. We are starting to see some positive impact of re-stocking of pipelines, particularly in steel making raw materials, after a period where demand essentially disappeared.

Despite the low metal inventories in developed economies, there is little evidence yet of sustainable demand for metals emerging post the northern summer. We continue to stress that this developed economy improvement is not without volatility and is from a very low base. We maintain our view that real demand follow-through in developed economies may not be transparent until mid-2010 calendar year.

Petroleum

	SEPT 2009 QTR	**SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08**	**SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09**
Crude Oil, Condensate and Natural Gas Liquids (000 bbl)	24,670	30%	15%
Natural Gas (bcf)	99.24	4%	2%
Total Petroleum Products (million boe)	41.21	18%	10%

Total Petroleum Production Production hit an all time high due to the successful delivery of projects in the deepwater of Gulf of Mexico (USA) and Western Australia over the past two years. Operational performance was steady and benefited from the absence of weather related interruptions. This was partly offset by natural field decline.

Crude Oil, Condensate, and Natural Gas Liquids Production was significantly higher than the comparative period due to Shenzi operating above designed capacity, increased production from Atlantis (USA) and the absence of weather related interruptions. During the quarter, the operator commenced drilling water injection wells at Atlantis.

Natural Gas Record production was achieved due to stronger demand for gas in Pakistan and the contribution from Shenzi and Atlantis. Bass Strait (Australia) production was higher than the June 2009 quarter due to expected seasonal demand.

Aluminium

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Alumina (000 tonnes) (a)	841	-2%	-5%
Aluminium (000 tonnes)	313	1%	1%

Alumina Production was lower than the June 2009 quarter due to an unplanned calciner outage at Worsley (Australia). The stockpiled hydrate should be recovered over the remainder of the financial year.

Production at Alumar (Brazil) benefited from the recently expanded refinery, which will continue to ramp up gradually. However this increase was offset by planned and unplanned maintenance.

Aluminium Production across all operations was in line with comparative periods.

Base Metals

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Copper (000 tonnes)	283.9	-8%	-8%
Lead (tonnes)	61,370	5%	5%
Zinc (tonnes)	46,425	11%	5%
Silver (000 ounces)	10,769	5%	0%
Uranium Oxide Concentrate (Uranium) (tonnes)	1,130	2%	-2%

Copper Production during the September 2009 quarter was impacted by maintenance activities at Escondida and Olympic Dam (Australia). This was partially offset by higher production as Spence (Chile) operated at plant capacity during the quarter. The repairs to Escondida s Laguna Seca SAG mill were successfully completed in August 2009, however the repairs impacted production in the quarter. Escondida s production in the 2010 financial year is expected to increase by approximately five to 10 per cent due to the successful repairs to Laguna Seca mill and higher average grade.

On 6 October 2009, the haulage system in the Clark Shaft at Olympic Dam was damaged. A full investigation is underway to determine the extent of the damage. Hoisting is continuing at the secondary Whenan Shaft, but at this stage, we expect ore hoisting will be at approximately 25 per cent of capacity until full production resumes in the third quarter of the 2010 financial year.

Lead Production was higher than both comparative periods as a result of higher grade and improved recoveries at Cannington (Australia).

Zinc Production was higher than both comparative periods due to better grade and an increased proportion of ore containing zinc at Antamina (Peru).

Silver Production was higher than the September 2008 quarter due to higher grade at Cannington and Antamina. Production was in line with the June 2009 quarter.

Uranium Production was in line with all comparative periods. Production will be impacted by the Olympic Dam incident noted above.

Diamonds & Specialty Products

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09

Diamonds (000 carats)	780	1%	-14%

Diamonds Production decreased versus the June 2009 quarter mainly due to lower ore processed. Production continues to be influenced by variability of ore sources due to the mix of open pit and underground mining.

Stainless Steel Materials

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Nickel (000 tonnes) (b)	35.4	100%	-13%

Nickel Production for the quarter was impacted by a restriction in hydrogen supply at Kwinana Nickel Refinery (Australia) and planned maintenance at Cerro Matoso (Colombia). The September 2008 quarter included the major furnace rebuild at the Kalgoorlie Nickel Smelter (Australia).

Iron Ore

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Iron Ore (000 tonnes)	30,106	1%	11%

Iron Ore Production was higher than the June 2009 quarter reflecting improved performance at Western Australia Iron Ore (Australia) and all three pellet plants at Samarco (Brazil) operating since July 2009.

As RGP 4 is nearing completion, existing operations will continue to be impacted by tie-in activities in the next quarter.

Manganese

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Manganese Ore (000 tonnes)	1,156	-37%	131%
Manganese Alloy (000 tonnes)	63	-69%	152%

Manganese Ore Market conditions progressively recovered during the quarter. However, the September 2009 quarterly production was limited due to larger than optimal stockpiles at the start of the quarter. As a result of improved demand and depletion of stockpiles, we expect to be operating near full capacity towards the end of the December 2009 quarter.

Manganese Alloy As demand conditions improved, stockpiles were drawn down and furnaces were restarted during the September 2009 quarter. We expect to be operating at about 65 percent of capacity towards the end of the December 2009 quarter.

Metallurgical Coal

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Metallurgical Coal (000 tonnes)	9,404	2%	-1%

Metallurgical Coal Production was in line with previous periods. Shipments continued to increase during the quarter in response to stronger demand conditions.

Energy Coal

	SEPT 2009 QTR	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
Energy Coal (000 tonnes)	18,059	0%	2%

Energy Coal   Production was in line with previous periods. Record quarterly production at Hunter Valley Energy Coal due to improved plant utilisation.

(a) Excluding Suriname which was sold effective 31 July 2009.

(b) Excluding Yabulu which was sold effective 31 July 2009.

Throughout this report, unless otherwise stated, production volumes refer to BHP Billiton share and exclude suspended and sold operations.

This report together with the Exploration and Development Report represent the Interim Management Statement for the purposes of the UK Listing Authority s Disclosure and Transparency Rules. There have been no significant changes in the financial position of the Group in the quarter ended 30 September 2009.

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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY CONTINUING OPERATIONS

		QUARTER ENDED			QUARTER ENDED			
		SEPT 2008	JUNE 2009	SEPT 2009	SEPT 2009	SEPT 2008	SEPT Q09 vs SEPT Q08	SEPT Q09 vs JUNE Q09
PETROLEUM								
Crude oil & condensate	(000 bbl)	16,180	18,523	**21,648**	**21,648**	16,180	34%	17%

Natural gas	(bcf)	95.27	97.17	**99.24**	**99.24**	95.27	4%	2%
Natural gas liquid	(000 bbl)	2,740	2,840	**3,022**	**3,022**	2,740	10%	6%
Total Petroleum Products	(million boe)	34.80	37.56	**41.21**	**41.21**	34.80	18%	10%
ALUMINIUM								
Alumina (a)	(000 tonnes)	857	882	**841**	**841**	857	-2%	-5%
Aluminium	(000 tonnes)	309	310	**313**	**313**	309	1%	1%
BASE METALS								
Copper	(000 tonnes)	308.9	307.2	**283.9**	**283.9**	308.9	-8%	-8%
Lead	(tonnes)	58,252	58,542	**61,370**	**61,370**	58,252	5%	5%
Zinc	(tonnes)	41,761	44,187	**46,425**	**46,425**	41,761	11%	5%
Gold	(ounces)	41,751	46,993	**39,911**	**39,911**	41,751	-4%	-15%
Silver	(000 ounces)	10,300	10,796	**10,769**	**10,769**	10,300	5%	0%
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	1,110	1,154	**1,130**	**1,130**	1,110	2%	-2%
Molybdenum	(tonnes)	608	166	**241**	**241**	608	-60%	45%
DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS								
Diamonds	(000 carats)	773	903	**780**	**780**	773	1%	-14%
STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS								
Nickel (b)	(000 tonnes)	17.7	40.8	**35.4**	**35.4**	17.7	100%	-13%
IRON ORE								
Iron ore	(000 tonnes)	29,824	27,048	**30,106**	**30,106**	29,824	1%	11%
MANGANESE								
Manganese ore	(000 tonnes)	1,830	500	**1,156**	**1,156**	1,830	-37%	131%
Manganese alloy	(000 tonnes)	203	25	**63**	**63**	203	-69%	152%
METALLURGICAL COAL								
Metallurgical coal	(000 tonnes)	9,210	9,460	**9,404**	**9,404**	9,210	2%	-1%
ENERGY COAL								
Energy coal	(000 tonnes)	*18,064*	*17,662*	**18,059**	**18,059**	*18,064*	0%	2%

(a) Excluding Suriname which was sold effective 31 July 2009.
(b) Excluding Yabulu which was sold effective 31 July 2009.
Throughout this report figures in italics indicate that this figure has been adjusted since it was previously reported.

BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

	BHP Billiton Interest	QUARTER ENDED SEPT 2008	DEC 2008	MAR 2009	JUNE 2009	SEPT 2009	QUARTER ENDED SEPT 2009	SEPT 2008
PETROLEUM								
Production								
Crude oil & condensate (000 bbl)		16,180	16,012	15,613	18,523	**21,648**	**21,648**	16,180
Natural gas (bcf)		95.27	90.23	82.19	97.17	**99.24**	**99.24**	95.27
NGL (000 bbl) (a)		2,740	2,107	2,361	2,840	**3,022**	**3,022**	2,740
Total Petroleum Products (million boe)		34.80	33.16	31.67	37.56	**41.21**	**41.21**	34.80
ALUMINIUM								
ALUMINA								
Production (000 tonnes)								
Worsley	86%	733	756	688	747	**709**	**709**	733
Suriname (b)	45%	241	242	226	226	**78**	**78**	241
Alumar	36%	124	141	137	135	**132**	**132**	124
Total		1,098	1,139	1,051	1,108	**919**	**919**	1,098
ALUMINIUM								
Production (000 tonnes)								
Hillside	100%	175	176	174	177	**179**	**179**	175
Bayside	100%	25	25	24	25	**25**	**25**	25
Alumar	40%	45	44	44	44	**44**	**44**	45
Mozal	47%	64	65	62	64	**65**	**65**	64
Total		309	310	304	310	**313**	**313**	309
BASE METALS (c)								
COPPER								
Payable metal in concentrate (000 tonnes)								
Escondida	57.5%	116.8	102.7	86.6	111.5	**102.8**	**102.8**	116.8
Antamina	33.8%	28.4	28.6	25.7	26.3	**24.3**	**24.3**	28.4
Pinto Valley (d)	100%	14.2	14.7	4.4				14.2
Total		159.4	146.0	116.7	137.8	**127.1**	**127.1**	159.4
Cathode (000 tonnes)								
Escondida	57.5%	35.6	42.1	45.0	49.4	**47.9**	**47.9**	35.6
Cerro Colorado	100%	21.8	26.3	26.5	27.5	**18.6**	**18.6**	21.8
Spence	100%	35.7	44.5	47.7	44.8	**51.0**	**51.0**	35.7
Pinto Valley (d)	100%	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.4	**1.6**	**1.6**	1.6
Olympic Dam	100%	54.8	47.6	45.4	46.3	**37.7**	**37.7**	54.8
Total		149.5	162.2	166.1	169.4	**156.8**	**156.8**	149.5

LEAD								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Cannington	100%	57,768	65,622	46,259	57,145	**60,879**	**60,879**	57,768
Antamina	33.8%	484	400	976	1,397	**491**	**491**	484
Total		58,252	66,022	47,235	58,542	**61,370**	**61,370**	58,252
ZINC								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Cannington	100%	14,449	14,199	12,943	13,258	**15,190**	**15,190**	14,449
Antamina	33.8%	27,312	23,671	26,454	30,929	**31,235**	**31,235**	27,312
Total		41,761	37,870	39,397	44,187	**46,425**	**46,425**	41,761
GOLD								
Payable metal in concentrate (ounces)								
Escondida	57.5%	14,391	17,840	17,496	17,595	**13,905**	**13,905**	14,391
Olympic Dam (refined gold)	100%	27,360	27,950	23,331	29,398	**26,006**	**26,006**	27,360
Pinto Valley (d)	100%			920				
Total		41,751	45,790	41,747	46,993	**39,911**	**39,911**	41,751
SILVER								
Payable metal in concentrate (000 ounces)								
Escondida	57.5%	668	738	673	686	**512**	**512**	668
Antamina	33.8%	932	915	1,003	1,240	**1,039**	**1,039**	932
Cannington	100%	8,391	9,565	6,802	8,609	**9,013**	**9,013**	8,391
Olympic Dam (refined silver)	100%	244	234	200	259	**205**	**205**	244
Pinto Valley (d)	100%	65	63	52	2			65
Total		10,300	11,515	8,730	10,796	**10,769**	**10,769**	10,300
URANIUM OXIDE CONCENTRATE								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Olympic Dam	100%	1,110	860	883	1,154	**1,130**	**1,130**	1,110
Total		1,110	860	883	1,154	**1,130**	**1,130**	1,110
MOLYBDENUM								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Antamina	33.8%	514	365	318	166	**241**	**241**	514
Pinto Valley (d)	100%	94	46	19				94
Total		608	411	337	166	**241**	**241**	608
DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS								
DIAMONDS								
Production (000 carats)								
Ekati	80%	773	594	951	903	**780**	**780**	773
STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS								
NICKEL								
Production (000 tonnes)								
CMSA	99.9%	10.7	13.0	13.1	13.7	**12.0**	**12.0**	10.7
Yabulu (e)	100%	9.1	9.5	7.5	7.8	**2.8**	**2.8**	9.1
Nickel West	100%	7.0	27.7	26.9	27.1	**23.4**	**23.4**	7.0
Total		26.8	50.2	47.5	48.6	**38.2**	**38.2**	26.8

IRON ORE								
Production (000 tonnes) (f)								
Mt Newman Joint Venture	85%	7,210	7,006	6,440	5,781	**6,231**	**6,231**	7,210
Goldsworthy Joint Venture	85%	232	346	558	280	**428**	**428**	232
Area C Joint Venture	85%	9,209	8,716	9,181	8,407	**9,189**	**9,189**	9,209

Yandi Joint Venture	85%	8,961	10,026	9,370	9,461	**10,194**	**10,194**	8,961
Jimblebar	85%	1,461	1,040	1,070	1,342	**1,318**	**1,318**	1,461
Samarco	50%	2,751	2,221	1,569	1,777	**2,746**	**2,746**	2,751
Total		29,824	29,355	28,188	27,048	**30,106**	**30,106**	29,824
MANGANESE								
MANGANESE ORES								
Saleable production (000 tonnes)								
South Africa (g)	60%	929	755	351	156	**428**	**428**	929
Australia (g)	60%	901	657	382	344	**728**	**728**	901
Total		1,830	1,412	733	500	**1,156**	**1,156**	1,830
MANGANESE ALLOYS								
Saleable production (000 tonnes)								
South Africa (g) (h)	60%	133	112	51	5	**30**	**30**	133
Australia (g)	60%	70	69	53	20	**33**	**33**	70
Total		203	181	104	25	**63**	**63**	203
METALLURGICAL COAL								
Production (000 tonnes) (i)								
BMA	50%	6,384	6,781	5,165	6,378	**5,822**	**5,822**	6,384
BHP Mitsui Coal (j)	80%	1,633	1,771	549	1,482	**1,597**	**1,597**	1,633
Illawarra	100%	1,193	1,598	1,882	1,600	**1,985**	**1,985**	1,193
Total		9,210	10,150	7,596	9,460	**9,404**	**9,404**	9,210
ENERGY COAL								
Production (000 tonnes)								
South Africa	100%	*8,277*	*7,484*	*6,453*	*7,682*	**8,099**	**8,099**	*8,277*
USA	100%	4,005	3,017	2,907	4,207	**4,162**	**4,162**	4,005
Australia	100%	2,975	2,993	2,768	3,039	**3,173**	**3,173**	2,975
Colombia	33%	2,807	2,435	2,618	2,734	**2,625**	**2,625**	2,807
Total		*18,064*	*15,929*	*14,746*	*17,662*	**18,059**	**18,059**	*18,064*

(a) LPG and Ethane are reported as Natural Gas Liquid (NGL). Product-specific conversions are made and NGL is reported in barrels of oil equivalent (boe).
(b) Suriname was sold effective 31 July 2009.
(c) Metal production is reported on the basis of payable metal.
(d) The Pinto Valley operations were placed on care and maintenance in February 2009.
(e) Yabulu was sold effective 31 July 2009.
(f) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis.
(g) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.
(h) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.
(i) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
(j) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT

	QUARTER ENDED	QUARTER ENDED

	SEPT 2008	DEC 2008	MAR 2009	JUNE 2009	SEPT 2009	SEPT 2009	SEPT 2008
PETROLEUM							
BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated.							
CRUDE OIL & CONDENSATE (000 barrels)							
Bass Strait	3,412	3,230	3,057	3,744	**3,501**	**3,501**	3,412
North West Shelf (a)	2,115	2,434	2,150	2,178	**2,305**	**2,305**	2,115
Stybarrow	3,376	2,720	1,843	1,538	**1,328**	**1,328**	3,376
Other Australia (b)	206	185	158	150	**172**	**172**	206
Atlantis (c)	2,232	2,319	2,449	3,333	**4,630**	**4,630**	2,232
Shenzi (d)	186		49	2,788	**5,001**	**5,001**	186

Trinidad /Tobago	705	568	542	354	**445**	**445**	705
Other Americas (e)	1,561	2,025	2,016	1,860	**1,741**	**1,741**	1,561
UK	680	777	796	869	**629**	**629**	680
Algeria	1,624	1,664	2,457	1,611	**1,793**	**1,793**	1,624
Pakistan	83	90	96	98	**103**	**103**	83
Total	16,180	16,012	15,613	18,523	**21,648**	**21,648**	16,180
NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet) (d)							
Bass Strait	37.08	25.12	17.02	28.98	**31.31**	**31.31**	37.08
North West Shelf (a)	27.01	31.79	31.63	32.97	**32.86**	**32.86**	27.01
Other Australia (b)	7.33	6.35	6.75	6.11	**5.83**	**5.83**	7.33
Atlantis (c)	1.25	1.16	1.32	1.95	**2.85**	**2.85**	1.25
Shenzi (d)	0.04			0.73	**1.75**	**1.75**	0.04
Other Americas (e)	1.74	1.68	2.09	2.01	**2.10**	**2.10**	1.74
UK	7.51	9.70	8.95	8.11	**5.20**	**5.20**	7.51
Pakistan	13.31	14.43	14.43	16.31	**17.34**	**17.34**	13.31
Total	95.27	90.23	82.19	97.17	**99.24**	**99.24**	95.27
NGL (000 barrels)							
Bass Strait	2,149	1,352	982	1,875	**2,080**	**2,080**	2,149
North West Shelf (a)	364	402	416	437	**438**	**438**	364
UK	41	89	31	97	**53**	**53**	41
Algeria	186	264	932	431	**451**	**451**	186
Total	2,740	2,107	2,361	2,840	**3,022**	**3,022**	2,740
TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	34.80	33.16	31.67	37.56	**41.21**	**41.21**	34.80

(million barrels of oil equivalent) (f)

(a) North West Shelf LNG Train 5 was commissioned during the September 2008 quarter. North West Shelf Angel was commissioned during the December 2008 quarter.
(b) Other Australia includes Griffin and Minerva. Griffin will cease production on 22 October 2009.
(c) Atlantis North achieved first production on 5 June 2009.
(d) The Genghis Khan operation is reported in Shenzi. The Shenzi operation was commissioned during the March 2009 quarter.
(e) Other Americas includes Neptune, Mad Dog, West Cameron 76, Mustang, Genesis and Starlifter. The Neptune operation was commissioned during the September 2008 quarter.
(f) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions are based on 6000scf of natural gas equals 1 boe.

PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT

	QUARTER ENDED					QUARTER ENDED	
	SEPT 2008	**DEC 2008**	**MAR 2009**	**JUNE 2009**	**SEPT 2009**	**SEPT 2009**	**SEPT 2008**
ALUMINIUM							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.							
(000 tonnes)							
ALUMINA							
Production							
Worsley, Australia	733	756	688	747	**709**	**709**	733
Paranam, Suriname (a)	241	242	226	226	**78**	**78**	241
Alumar, Brazil	124	141	137	135	**132**	**132**	124
Total	1,098	1,139	1,051	1,108	**919**	**919**	1,098

Sales							
Worsley, Australia	781	763	683	731	**716**	**716**	781
Paranam, Suriname (a)	216	252	218	246	**74**	**74**	216
Alumar, Brazil	128	140	110	145	**154**	**154**	128
Total (b)	1,125	1,155	1,011	1,122	**944**	**944**	1,125

ALUMINIUM							
Production							
Hillside, South Africa	175	176	174	177	**179**	**179**	175
Bayside, South Africa	25	25	24	25	**25**	**25**	25
Alumar, Brazil	45	44	44	44	**44**	**44**	45
Mozal, Mozambique	64	65	62	64	**65**	**65**	64
Total	309	310	304	310	**313**	**313**	309
Sales							
Hillside, South Africa	160	185	173	189	**147**	**147**	160
Bayside, South Africa	24	24	26	22	**26**	**26**	24
Alumar, Brazil	37	50	48	47	**44**	**44**	37
Mozal, Mozambique	36	105	41	88	**67**	**67**	36
Total	257	364	288	346	**284**	**284**	257
Tolling Agreement (b)	31	27	40	31	**35**	**35**	31
	288	391	328	377	**319**	**319**	288