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**Securities and Exchange Commission** 

Attn: International Corporate Finance Division of Corporate Finance 100 F Street, NE

Washington D.C. 20549

**United States of America** 

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Re.: Hindalco Industries Limited Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption file No. 82-3428

Dear Sir,

Sub:- Publication of Unaudited Financial Results (Provisional) for the Second Quarter and Half Year ended on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2006.

We are sending herewith a Statement showing the "Unaudited Financial and Segment Results" (Provisional) of the Company for the Second Quarter and Half Year ended on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, which are approved at the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on Wednesday, the 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2006.

Also find enclosed a copy of the Press Release.

We hope you will find this in order.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, for HINDALCO INDUSTRIES LTD.

ANIL MALIK
GENERAL MANAGER &

COMPANY SECRETARY

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# UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2006

(Rupees in Million) Quarter Quarter Half year Half year Year ênded. ended : ended ended ended **Particulars** 30/09/2006 30/09/2005 30/09/2006 31/03/2006 30/09/2005 (Unaudited) % (Unaudited) (Upaudited) (Unaudited) (Audited) Net Sales & Operating Revenues 46,342 26,593 89,079 113,965 48,664 2 Other Income 2,439 1,108 928 1,884 1,263 Total Expenditure 36,478 21,715 69,881 37,741 87,914 (a): (Increase)/Decrease in Stock in Trade (6,207)(1,518)(15,866)(4,020)(10,338)(b). Consumption of Raw Materials 66,034 33:349 15,020 67:039 26,393 (c). Staff Cost 1,312 . 1,158 2,461 2,248 4,627 6,018 (d). Manufacturing and Operating Expenses 6,518 12,833 11,211 23,223 (e). Other Expenditure 1,037 2,794 - 1,909 4,368 1.506 Interest & Finance Charges 515 539 1,149 1,000 2,252 5 **Gross Profit** 10,457 5,267 19,933 11,186 26,238 6 Depreciation 2,080 1,285 3,421 2,454 5,211 Profit before Tax & Extraordinary Items 8.37.7 3,982 16,512 8,732 21,027 Extraordinary Items (30)8 Profit before Tax 3,982 8,732 21,057 8,377 16,512 Provision for Tax 844 4,521 1,802 2,401 4,502 2.533 (a). Provision for Current Tax 614 4,458 1.346 3,241 200 (b). Provision for Deferred Tax 412 19 1,160 (156) (c). Provision for Fringe Benefit Tax 30 101 44 **Net Profit** 10 976 3,138 11.991 6,930 16,555 Paid-up Equity Share Capital-11 (Face Value : Re 1/- per Share) 928 986 928 986 986 12 Reserves 95,077 13 Basic & Diluted EPS (Rs.) 3. 12. رد. 7. Aggregate of non-promoter shareholding 687,009,680 (a). Number of shares 848,720,228 847,818,402 Ç (b). Percentage of shareholding 74.05% 表表73.21% 73.13%

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SEGMENT-WISE REVENUE, RESULTS AND CAPITAL EMPLOYED  UNDER CLAUSE 41 OF THE LISTING AGREEMENT  (Rupces in Million							
Particulars		Quarter ended 30/09/2006 (Unaudited)	Quarter ended 30/09/2005 (Unaudited)	Half year ended 30/09/2006 (Unaudited)	Half year ended 30/09/2005 (Unaudited)	Year ended 31/03/2006 (Audited)	
1. Segment Revenue							
(a) Aluminium		》。18,520	14,126	35,062	27,526	60,42	
(b) Copper		27,825	12,464	€ ₹54,042	21,141	53,542	
-		46,345	26,590	89,104	48,667	113,96	
Inter Segment Revenue Adjustment		(3)	3	(25)	(3)		
Net Sales & Operating Revenues	•	46,342	26,593	89,079	48,664	113,96	
2. Segment Results (Profit/Loss bet Tax and interest from each Segn	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						
(a) Aluminium		6,710	4,345	:->: 13,835	8,729	21,28	
(b) Copper		1,233	(692)	2. 72,211.	(163)	19	
		7,943	3,653	16,046	8,566	21,47	
Less: Interest & Finance Charges		(515)	(539)	(1,149)	(1,000)	(2,25	
Add: Other un-allocable Income n	et	7,428	3,114	14,897	7,566	19,22	
of un-allocable expenses		949	868	1,615	1,166	1,80	
Profit before Tax & Extraordinary	Items	8,377	3,982	16,512	8,732	21,02	
3. Capital Employed (Segment Ass Segment Liabilities)	ets -						
(a) Aluminium		67;890	58,878	67,890	58,878	65,79	
(b) Copper		* 173,242	43,932	<i>¥.,.</i> ≛73,242	43,932	50,73	
`.		141,132	102,810	141,132	102,810	116,53	
Un-ailocable/ Corporate		65,024	34,714	65,024	34,714	40,84	

. Total Capital Employed

137,524

206,156

137,524

157,370



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#### Notes:

- 1. Accounting Standard 15 (revised 2005) on "Employee Benefits" became effective on 1st April, 2006. In accordance with the provisions of the Standard, the Company has made an adjustment of Rs 898 million (net of deferred tax of Rs 456 million) against the opening balance of general reserve.
- 2. Depreciation for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2006 includes an amount of Rs 727 million being impairment loss recognized in respect of Smelter 2 of Copper unit at Dahei, Gujarat.
- 3. Upon allotment of 231,521,031 equity shares of Re 1 each at a premium of Rs 95 per share on rights basis on 15th February, 2006, paid-up capital of the Company has increased from Rs 928 million to Rs 986 million. The proceeds of the rights issue at 25% of the issue price amounting to Rs. 5,557 million have been utilized for the purpose of defraying related issue expenses amounting to Rs. 366 million and subscription of shares of a subsidiary company to the tune of Rs 459 million while the balance amount is temporarily invested in short term liquid securities. Basic and diluted EPS have been calculated taking into account the effect of this rights issue.
- 4. Provision for taxation for the quarter and half year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2005 have been restated in line with restatement of interim periods unaudited results done in the fourth quarter of previous financial year after considering the effect of favourable appellate decisions (received during the fourth quarter of the previous year) so as to convey the relevant information more meaningfully.
- 5. Disclosure relating to number of complaints from investors during quarter -

Pending as on 1" July, 2006	Received	Resolved	Pending as on 30th September, 2006
0	64	63	1

- 6. Figures of previous periods have been regrouped wherever found necessary.
- 7. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and have been taken on record at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on Wednesday, 18th October, 2006. Limited Review has been carried out by the statutory auditors of the Company as per clause 41 of the listing agreement with stock exchanges.

By and on behalf of the Board

D. Bhattacharya Managing Director

Place: Mumbai

Dated: 18th October, 2006



## PRESS RELEASE Q2 FY 2006-07

Date: 18.10.2006

## HINDALCO INDUSTRIES LTD.

Hindalco posts outstanding results for the second quarter.

Outstanding growth in Revenue - 74% YoY

EBIDTA grows 89% to Rs. 1097.2 Crores

Netiprofit at Rs. 597.6 Crores, up.90% YoY.

Financial Highlights

	Quarter			Half Year	HalfeYear	Change :
(In Rs. Crores)	ended 30 <sup>th</sup> September	5 (40 to 20	差(%)图	30° September	30	(%)》是
		2005		1 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	September:	
Net Sales & Op. Revenues	4,634.2	2,659.3	74%	8,907.9	4,866.4	83%
Other Income	110.8	92.8	19%	188.4	126.3	.49%
EBDITA	1,097.2	580.6	89%	2,108.2	1,218.6	73%
Depreciation .	208.0	128.5	62%	342.1	245.4	39%
Interest & Finance Charges	51.5	53.9	-4%	114.9	100.0	15%
Profit before Tax	837.7	398.2	110%	1,651.2	873.2	89%
Provision for Taxes	240.1	84.4	184%	452.1	180.2	151%
Net Profit	597.6	313.8	90%	1,199.1	693.0	73%
EPS (Basic & Diluted)	6.	3.18	91%	12.17	7:03	73%

Hindalco Industries Ltd., the flagship Company of the Aditya Birla Group, has posted an outstanding performance for the quarter ending September 30<sup>th</sup> 2006.

Net Sales & Operating Revenues grew by 74% from Rs. 2,659.30 Crores to Rs. 4,634.20 Crores. Net Profit rose by 90% to Rs. 597.60 Crores vis-à-vis Rs. 313.80 Crores.

Driven by strong Aluminium prices on the LME, *Aluminium Business* revenues increased 31% from Rs. 1412.60 Crores to Rs. 1,852.00 Crores. Even as increased raw material prices exerted pressure on margins, profit soared by 54% to Rs. Rs. 671.00 Crores, contributing 75% of the tota! Earnings before Interest & Taxes.

In the Copper business revenues rose 123% to Rs. 2,782.50 Crores, buoyed by the sustained high copper prices. However, the copper price is a complete pass-through for the Company's copper business. The business contributed Rs. 123.30 Crores in Earnings before Interest & Taxes vis-à-vis a loss of Rs. 69.2 Crores a year earlier gaining, from improved Tc/Re from its long term Copper Concentrate arrangements. However, high fuel prices continued to exert significant pressure on costs.

## **Operational Review**

## <u>Aluminium</u>

Aluminium continued to operate at high utilization levels. Alumina and Primary Aluminium production reached at 100% and 103% of installed capacities respectively. With the addition of a rolling mill at Mouda, Value Added Products (VAP) output stood at 57.3% of total Primary Metal production, rising 16% YoY from 53,935 MT to 62,642. Alloy wheels production was flat at 53,958 wheels.

	Units		Q2\ TY06*	Change	HI EV07	HI FY06	Change
Alumina	MT	290,462	286,000	2%	589,911	586,055	1%
Primary Metal	MT	109,324	107,287	2%	216,480	213,368	1%
Wire Rods	MT	17,255	17,014	1%	34,273	33,628	2%
Rolled Products	MT	52,794	46,649	13%	104,766	94,372	, 11%
Extruded Products	MT	9,848	7,286	35%	18,393	14,913	23%
Foils	MT	6,715	7,140	-6%	13,321	13,225	1%
Wheels	Nos.	53,958	54,892	-2%	100,064	85,979	16%
Power	MU	2,095	1.942	8%	4,153	3,871	7%

## **Copper**

Although poor quality copper concentrate hampered utilization levels, the progressive ramp up of Copper Smelter III, improved performance of Copper Smelter II and a stable output from Copper Smelter I led to higher copper production.

Correspondingly, production of Sulphuric Acid witnessed a 57% rise, though DAP and Complexes output was lower by 10%.

### Expansion Projects

Muri: The brownfield expansion from 110,000 TPA to 450,000 TPA, at Muri Alumina Refinery is in its final stages of completion, and is expected to be commissioned by the first quarter of next fiscal.

Hirakud: The commissioning of Phase I (65,000 TPA to 100,000 TPA) of the expansion of Aluminium capacity has begun before time. Ten pots were energized on 28<sup>th</sup> September and the ramp up is underway. A total of 150 pots will be commissioned by the year end, ahead of schedule.

Phase II of the project, which entails raising capacity from 100,000 TPA to 143,000 TPA is moving smoothly and is slated for commissioning on schedule.

Belgaum: For the expansion of Alumina Refining capacity at Belgaum, Karnataka from 350,000 TPA to 650,000 TPA the leases for bauxite mining are yet to be allotted.

Utkal: Notwithstanding inclement weather, work at the site of the 1.5 million TPA greenfield Alumina Refinery project in Orissa is on track. Preparation of pile foundation and plant infrastructure is on track. Land acquisition is complete and detailed engineering has commenced.

Aditya Aluminium: The greenfield integrated 1.5 million TPA Alumina Refining and 325,000 TPA Aluminium smelting project in Orissa is on course. The project has received approval for SEZ status for the Smelter. The bauxite mining plan has been approved by the Indian Bureau of Mines, Bhubaneswar. Land acquisition and the R&R packages are progressing well.

Bargawan: The Company has signed an MoU with the Government of Madhya Pradesh, for setting up a 325,000 TPA Aluminium smelter and a 750 MW Power Plant at Bargawan, Sidhi District, Madhya Pradesh. This project has been granted SEZ status as well.

Mahan Coal block has been allotted to the Essar-Hindalco JV entity— Mahan Coal Company Limited. The key management personnel are being located here. Permissions have been obtained for additional drilling for assessment of coal reserves and the formulation of a mine plan. The Topographical Survey for contour mapping, identification of villages, number of houses and households, roads, mapping of land records etc has begun.

The Topographical Survey has been completed for Smelter. Applications for acquisition of appx. 5,000 acres of land shall be filed by next month. The project has received concurrence approval for sourcing 45 Cusecs of water p.a. from the nearby Gopad River.

Jharkhand: Hindalco had signed an MoU in 2005 with the Government of Jharkhand for a 325,000 TPA aluminium smelter and a 750 MW power plant. The Company is awaiting allotment of a coal block in line with the terms of the MoU.

Selection of land has been finalized. An application for the acquisition of 5,322 acres of land was submitted to JHDCO in July'06. Applications for water, construction power and other necessary infrastructure are being put up.

## **Industry Outlook**

#### Aluminium

Global primary aluminium consumption has witnessed strong demand growth of 7% in the April-September 2006 period.

US aluminium consumption growth is expected to slowdown with higher interest rates and weaker construction activity in the residential segment. Demand from Western Europe has been relatively stronger, while that from Japan continued to be unexciting. China remains the strongest driver of the demand for the metal with semis capacity mushrooming in the country. However as a fallout of the rapid development in semi-fabrication capacity in China of Primary Aluminium consumption in the East & South East Asian region may be impacted.

#### Copper

Copper prices continued to be underpinned by extremely tight physical supply. Disruptions at mines and low inventories situation have made most forecasts redundant. Concerns about slowing Chinese demand are abating as indicated by the narrowing discount on SHFE vis-àvis LME prices.

Increasing smelting output with addition of fresh capacities placed severe demands on the concentrate market. As a result of tight availability of concentrate, spot Tc/Rcs have fallen to the levels of 60/6.0. For the next one-two years, Tc/Rc is likely to be under immense pressure in view of the global concentrate supply scenario.

#### Company Outlook

Hindalco's excellent performance is a testimony to the high operating benchmarks that it has set for itself. The Company's fundamental strengths along with macroeconomic elements combined to deliver strong performance for the second quarter running. The Company's endeavour would be to keep up to the exacting standards set in the face of severe inflationary pressures and cost push in feed stocks.