

Press Release

Anglo American increases copper production in Chile in 2007

- Copper production was 652,791 tonnes, 1.9% higher than in 2006.
- Net income was up 1.5% and amounted to US\$2.5 billion.

Santiago, February 20, 2008. Anglo American ended up the 2007 period with a 1.9% increase in the fine copper production in Chile, amounting to 652,791 tonnes against the 640,393 tonnes produced the previous year. This figure confirms the company as the third largest copper producer in Chile.

The Los Bronces division produced 231,216 tonnes of fine copper; the Mantos Blancos division, 90,630 tonnes; the El Soldado division, 72,768 tonnes; and the Mantoverde division, 61,001 tonnes. Compañía Minera Doña Inés de Collahuasi, in which Anglo American has a 44% interest, accounted for 198,899 tonnes.

Copper cathodes accounted for 190,949 tonnes of the total production and copper concentrates for 461,662 tonnes. The Chagres Smelter produced 164,107 tonnes of copper blister/anodes by processing the concentrates from the Los Bronces and El Soldado divisions. The production at the Chagres Smelter was 5.4% down on that of 2006, mainly due to the lower copper concentrate content. Molybdenum production increased by 8.2% to 4,359 tonnes, and sulphuric acid production was 493,382 tonnes.

Anglo American closed 2007 with a net income of US\$2.5 billion after tax from its mining operations in Chile. This was a 1.5% increase on that of 2006. Total revenue amounted to US\$4,507 billion.

The results were driven by the copper price, which averaged US\$3.23 a pound in the year. This was a 5.8% increase on the average copper price of US\$3.05 a pound the previous year.

The total average unit cost (C1)¹ of the divisions operated by Anglo American was US\$0.82 per pound of copper, which was higher than that of the previous year due to the trend of higher prices for the main raw materials in the mining industry.

The company paid total taxes of US\$924 million in 2007 for its mining operations in Chile. This included US\$410 million for first category tax, US\$367 million as an additional tax on profit remittances made in 2007, and US\$122 million for the mining royalty. All these figures include Anglo American's 44% stake in Minera Collahuasi.

¹ C1 Cost: mine cost + plant cost + overheads + smelting cost + refining cost + sales and freight cost.

Highlights of the Year

- Construction started in the Los Bronces Development Project after this received environmental approval last November. This initiative, which entails an investment of US\$1.744 billion, will raise the division's fine copper production to 400,000 tonnes by 2011, and molybdenum production will increase to 5,400 tonnes a year. It is estimated that this project will create 4,000 jobs during the construction stage and 400 permanent jobs once it is operating.
- Anglo American's Emerge Programme was awarded the Bicentenary Seal by the government of Chile. This project promotes and supports the business development of small and mid-sized entrepreneurs and its aim is to reach over 7,000 Chilean families for the Bicentenary.
- As part of its Energy Efficiency Programme, Anglo American Chile delivered 30,000 compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), which provide an energy saving of up to 80%. The light bulbs were distributed to employees, contractors and communities around its operations.
- Anglo American Chile was awarded a prize in the main category for the "Best Sustainability Report" by Acción RSE in recognition of the excellence of its reporting on its economic, social and environmental performance in 2006. Moreover, its 2006 Sustainable Development Report also won the prize in the specific category of the "Best Report on Environmental Performance."
- The Mantos Blancos and Mantoverde Divisions signed new collective agreements with their unions after successful collective bargaining processes.

RESULTS

Figures expressed in millions of US\$ (except cost)

	2007	2006
Revenue	4,507	4,537
Average Unit Cost C1 (US\$/lb) *	0.82	0.74
Total Taxes (including royalty)	924	1,140
Royalty	122	133
Net income after tax	2,500	2,462

* Excludes the costs of Minera Collahuasi.

The financial figures were calculated pursuant to the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

PRODUCTION (tonnes of fine copper)	2007	2006
Los Bronces Division	231,216	226,020
Mantos Blancos Division	90,630	91,745
El Soldado Division	72,768	68,697
Mantoverde Division	61,001	60,322
Minera Collahuasi (44%)	198,899	193,609
ANGLO AMERICAN TOTAL	652,791*	640,393

* Includes adjustment of – 1,724 tonnes produced in Mantos Blancos Division from processing copper sulphates produced in Los Bronces Division.

MOLYBDENUM PRODUCTION (tonnes)	2007	2006
Los Bronces Division	2,582	2,549
Minera Collahuasi (44%)	1,777	1,479
ANGLO AMERICAN TOTAL	4,359	4,028

Anglo American is a global leader in mining with its head office in London and is focused on adding value for shareholders, customers, employees and the communities in which the Group operates. It owns high quality mining assets, mainly covering platinum, diamonds, coal, and ferrous and base metals.

Anglo American started up its operations in Chile in 1980, and it currently owns and operates five productive divisions: Los Bronces, Mantos Blancos, Mantoverde, El Soldado and the Chagres Smelter. It also owns 44% of Compañía Minera Doña Inés de Collahuasi.

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