

Focus on

South Africa and BHP Billiton



BHP Billiton operates three aluminium smelters in southern Africa: Bayside, Hillside and Mozal. On 24 January, the South African national power company, Eskom, determined that it had insufficient power to meet demand. An emergency 10 per cent reduction in power consumption by many large industrial users, including BHP Billiton, was mandated. BHP Billiton's contracts with Eskom specify that the power supply to its aluminium smelters can only be interrupted approximately one per cent of the time per calendar year. Despite this, and respecting the emergency situation faced by the country, BHP Billiton has reduced its demand by the requested 10 per cent. Power reductions were initially achieved by reducing power by approximately 10 per cent at all three Southern Africa smelters. This operating methodology is unsustainable, BHP reports in a recent press release. «As we understand that the ..read more

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Rio Tinto Alcan's figures

We report a series of data made public by the Rio Tinto Group. - Pro forma 2007 underlying EBITDA of \$4,813 million for Primary Metal and Bauxite & Alumina, making Rio Tinto Alcan the third major pillar of Group EBITDA along with iron ore and copper. - Pro forma 2007 underlying earnings for Primary Metal and Bauxite & Alumina of \$2,092 million, representing 23 per cent of Rio Tinto's pro forma underlying earnings before corporate items and interest. - Pro forma capital expenditure for Primary Metal and Bauxite & Alumina of \$2,296 million in ..read more

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Metal Prices

Non Ferrous Metal prices
LME official of 03/14/2008

	Cash (ASK)	3 months (ASK)
Aluminium	0	0
Aluminium alloy	0	0
Nickel	0	0
Lead	0	0
Copper	0	0
Tin	0	0
Zinc	0	0

Technical analysis: by Kauffmann & Sons



Aluminium QUOTATION (USD)

	3 MONTH		CASH		Support
	BID	ASK	BID	ASK	
Resistance					
3300	3045	3050	3005	3010	2950
3120					2900
	Totals		Movements		
STOCKS	963550		12325		
RSI	59,53				
Short period trend			UP		
Medium period trend			UP		

ASK : the quoted market selling price.
 BID: the quoted market buying price
 CASH: the current price in the market for cash/spot contracts
 3 MONTHS: the current price in the market for a delivery delayed of 3 months
 SUPPORT: a price area where new buying is likely to come in and stem any decline
 RESISTANCE: a price area where new selling will emerge to dampen a continued rise

News from the aluplanet.com archive

White latten consumption in 2006

As notified by ANFIMA (the Association which gathers the Italian producers of metal packaging), 2006 was characterised by satisfactory results as to the consumption of white latten in our Country. Universally known as tinfoil, white latten is a steel sheet coated on both sides

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The recycling of aluminium scrap

Donau Carbon, based in Guanzate (Como), is an engineering company producing plants for the environmental protection using the pyrolysis process to recycle aluminium scrap. Pyrolysis can be carried out through the direct or indirect heating inside a rotary furnace. The Siri-Donau

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An agreement to fight copper thefts

A memorandum of understanding has been recently signed that involves Assofermet and the Railway Police in preventing copper wires from being stolen along the Italian railway network. This agreement aims at analysing the situation and identifying the best initiatives to prevent this

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