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Alcoa to idle smelting operations in Italy



Alcoa announced last week it will temporarily idle production at its two aluminium smelters in Fusina and Portovesme, Italy. The curtailment is a result of uncertainty in obtaining future power supply for the smelters at competitive rates and the financial impact of today's European Commission (EC) decision that Italy's extension of the existing electricity tariff after 2005 did not comply with European Union (EU) state aid rules and that a portion of the benefit received by Alcoa must be refunded. Alcoa is appealing the decision. The tariff was in place for more than 10 years in Italy and approved by the EC in 1995, the year that Alcoa purchased the operations. It was designed to provide competitive power to energy-intensive industries in Italy, in line with similar energy costs in other EU countries. «This is a dark day for European heavy industry. The EC is sending a signal to investors

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Aluminium situation in Canada and USA

Aluminium demand in the United States and Canada (shipments by domestic producers plus imports) totaled an estimated 13,429 million pounds during nine months of 2009, 22.5% below a year ago. Demand for semi-fabricated (mill) products is off 20.6%, totaling 9,502 million

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Quarter century of service honoured by DUBAL

A group of 48 employees, each of whom joined the company in 1984, were honoured by DUBAL at a formal dinner, held recently at Grand Hyatt Dubai. The celebrants received certificates and gifts from DUBAL in appreciation of their dedicated 25 years' service to the company. This year's ceremony was the sixth of its kind, having been instituted in 2004 coincident with the 25th anniversary of DUBAL's commissioning in 1979. To date, a total of 364 employees have achieved their quarter century service milestone. Moreover, some 41 people celebrate 30

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Metal Prices

Non Ferrous Metal prices
LME official of 11/25/2009

	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		
Resistance	BID	ASK	BID	ASK	Support
2150	2060	2065	2027	2032	2000
2110					1870
	Totals		Movements		
STOCKS	4590350		-2500		
RSI	64,11				
Short period trend			UP		
Medium period trend			SIDE		

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

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Extrusion, how close is the recovery?

Drastic reduction of the demand in all the end sectors, consequent production cuts; price reduction and tightening of the margins, difficulty accessing credit in particular for smaller companies. These are just some of the issues faced in the last 12 months by the European extrusion

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Overcoming the crisis

On Friday the 29th of May the Palazzo Arzaga in Calvagese della Riviera, Brescia, hosted the 63rd Ordinary Assembly of Amafond, the Italian Foundry Machinery and Products Association. That event was followed by an interesting discussion entitled "Overcoming the crisis", with participants Luca

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A new anode slotting machine

T.T. Tomorrow Technology, the Italian-based engineering and manufacturing company, which specializes in design and construction of vehicles and equipment for the aluminium industry, has introduced its newly patented Anode Slotting Machine for cutting slots on different size carbon

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Dec 2009 Indonesia
- 19 - 21 Nuremberg, Euroguss 2010
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- 3 - 6 Milan, Italy Made Expo 2010
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