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PECHINEY

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Enclosure: A press release dated July 29, 2003, announcing Pechiney's second quarter results for 2003.

July 29, 2003

PRESS RELEASE

For the second quarter of 2003, Pechiney announces earnings from operations of 67 million, down slightly from the 71 million in the previous quarter. Net income in the second quarter totals 12 million, after a net loss of 1 million in the first quarter of the year.

Highlights

The main trends in the Group's earnings from operations were as follows.

- As in previous quarters, the **Primary Aluminum** sector, which reported earnings from operations of 37 million, down from 42 million, was affected by the depreciation of the US dollar. The /\$ parity realized was 1.11 in the second quarter, compared with 1.04 in the first quarter and 0.90 in the second quarter of 2002. The recent stabilization of the US dollar observed in the markets is a positive factor for Pechiney with reference to its production capacities outside the dollar zone.
- In the second quarter, the **Aluminum Conversion** sector confirmed the recovery reported in the previous quarter, with earnings from operations of 14 million, versus 15 million in the first quarter and 9 million in the second quarter of 2002. Sales volume remained satisfactory particularly in aerospace in Europe, after the inventory depletion observed in 2002, and as additional orders for the A380 are only beginning their upward trend.
- At 26 million, the **Packaging** sector reported earnings from operations identical to the first quarter. Boosted by good performances in controllable costs reductions, this result was achieved in spite of the fact that the cost of the plastic resins used in flexible packaging reached a high point during the quarter before starting to slide downwards, reflecting the decline in the price of oil.

Pechiney actively continued to implement its strategy during the second quarter with:

- New gains generated by the Pechiney Continuous Improvement System, totaling the cumulated sum of 181 million since January 1, 2002;
- Two major acquisitions: that of the 65% equity interest held by the financial partners in the Aluminium Dunkerque smelter (effective as of December 30, 2003), which will increase the Group's attributable aluminum capacity by 17%, and the acquisition of Novacel, the Mexican leader in specialty flexible packaging, a transaction that is expected to be finalized during the summer.

Commentary and prospects At the announcement of Pechiney's 2003 second quarter results, Jean-Pierre Rodier declared: *2003 is another year in which Pechiney is moving forward. In an eroded economic environment, Pechiney continues to strengthen the Group's positions in terms of costs as well as of the preparation of the AP50 project and Pechiney's position as the main supplier for the A380 aircraft, which will lead to an acceleration of deliveries beyond 2003. Pechiney's uncontested technological leadership in aluminum, its leading positions in the aerospace and in European automotive, as well as the leadership of a good number of its businesses in packaging are the result of a strategy developed over a few years, which aims at maximizing the value of Pechiney for its shareholders and makes for a unique combination of key strong points designed, with the Pechiney Continuous Improvement System, to secure as many growth projects as possible that satisfy the Group's strict investment criteria.*

The Pechiney Board met on July 28, 2003 and confirmed its position as expressed on July 8, 2003.

Besides the uncertain nature of the unsolicited proposed offer by Alcan, the proposed price is grossly insufficient given the company's industrial, technological and immaterial assets, and in no way reflects its strategic value.

Statement of income (French GAAP)

<i>Millions of euros</i>	H1 2002	H1 2003	<i>Millions of euros</i>	Q2 2002	Q1 2003*	Q2 2003
Net sales	6,211	5,446	Net sales	3,397	2,820	2,626
Earnings from operations	241	138	Earnings from operations	137	71	67
Restructuring expense, other (expense) income	(70)	(76)	Restructuring expense, other (expense) income	(54)	(59)	(17)
Financial expense, net	(22)	(24)	Financial expense, net	(11)	(11)	(13)
Income tax expense	(59)	(15)	Income tax expense	(31)	5	(20)
Equity affiliates	4	5	Equity affiliates	3	2	3
Minority interests	0	(3)	Minority interests	4	(2)	(1)
Net Income before goodwill	94	25	Net Income before goodwill	48	6	19
Goodwill amortisation except. Goodwill amortisation	(17)	(14)	Goodwill amortisation except. Goodwill amortisation	(8)	(7)	(7)
	(31)	-		(31)	-	-
Net income	46	11	Net income	9	(1)	12
Net Income Per share "A" ()	0.57	0.14	Net Income Per share "A" ()	0.11	(0.02)	0.15
Adjusted Net Income **	123	60	Adjusted Net Income **	74	37	23
Adj. Net inc. / share** bef. GW	1.78	0.95	Adj. Net inc. / share** bef. GW	1.04	0.56	0.39
Adj. net income per share**	1.56	0.77	Adj. net income per share**	0.94	0.47	0.30

(*) The accounting standard SFAS 143 Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations was adopted during the second quarter of 2003, effective January 1, 2003. This change, which affects essentially the Primary Aluminum sector, resulted in a decrease of Earnings from Operations for the first quarter of 2003 by 1 million and an improvement of net income for the first quarter of 2003 by 1 million (see Appendix)(**)

Published net income per share as adjusted to exclude the impact, after taxes, of restructuring expense, other (expense) income and other non-recurring items. Pechiney believes that presenting net income as adjusted is an additional measure of performance that investors can use to compare net income between reporting periods.

Principal indicators

	Q2 2002	Q1 2003	Q2 2003
Average euro/U.S. dollar	0.92	1.07	1.14
Realised /\$ (Primary Al.)	0.90	1.04	1.11
LME average price (\$/t)	1,377	1,392	1,380
Average realized price (\$/t)	1,385	1,368	1,390

Net Sales (Millions of euros)

Earnings from Operations (Millions of euros)

Recent developments

- April 28: **definitive creation of Techpack Asia**. Ninety-five percent of the Indonesian company is owned by Techpack, a subsidiary of the Pechiney Group and a world leader in plastic packaging for cosmetics and perfume, and 5% belongs to Nurtjahya Tanudisastro, who owns the Indonesian group Tiger.
- May 27: **adoption by a special general meeting of holders of Pechiney preferred shares B of the proposed conversion of preferred shares B into common shares A**. Pechiney's capital stock now totals 1,259,997,440.75, represented by 82,622,783 common shares of a single category.
- June 5: signing of an agreement for the **purchase by Pechiney Plastic Packaging Inc. (PPPI) of Novacel, the Mexican leader in specialty flexible packaging for USD 90 million**. This transaction implements the Group's strategy of international growth in targeted markets.
- June 12: **acquisition by Pechiney Capsules**, a Pechiney subsidiary specialized in capping and overcapping for fine wines, spirits, champagne and cordials, **of the Chilean company ENOCAP, a leader in the Chilean overcapping market**. This transaction allows the Group to develop in Chile, a country with high quality wines that are gaining worldmarket
- July 7: launch by the **Alcan Group of an unsolicited takeover bid for Pechiney**. At its July 8 meeting, Pechiney's Board of Directors declared that the proposed bid was uncertain, since it was subordinated to the Phase I approval of the European Commission, thereby creating a situation that is contrary to the interests of the company and its employees, industrial partners and shareholders. It then alerted the Group's shareholders that the price proposed by Alcan is grossly insufficient given the company's industrial, technological and immaterial assets, and that it in no way reflects its strategic value.
- July 9: **acquisition by Pechiney of the entire equity interest of the financial partners of Aluminium Dunkerque**. This agreement finalized the negotiations conducted in the first half of the year with the financial partners in order to anticipate the exercise of sale options that they had been granted in June 1990. This transaction will increase the Group's attributable aluminum capacity by approximately 17%.

share.

Main trends Q2 2003

Pechiney Continuous Improvement System Q2 2003

To cumulated gains, gross of inflation, of 154 million reported at the end of March 2003, 27 million can be added for the second quarter of 2003. Cumulated gains since January 1, 2002, thus total 181 million.

Cumulated Continuous Improvement Gains at the end of June 2003

Market environment

In the **Primary Aluminum market**, the latest estimates of the balance between supply and demand show a significant revision of the data for 2002. With a world demand higher than estimated, with an increase of 6.9%, and a level of production that was slightly below previous estimates, the excess supply of primary aluminum vis-à-vis demand in 2002 can now be estimated at approximately 320,000 metric tons, instead of the almost 800,000 metric tons previously reported. In 2003, the planned increases in production capacity should be scaled back by pressure on the spot market price of alumina, while demand remains strong, boosted in particular by the consumption of aluminum in China, up 29% in the first five months of 2003.

In the **Aluminum Conversion markets**, Pechiney's European activities benefit from the upturn in shipments to Airbus after inventory depletion in 2002. Conversely, markets for extrusions in Europe and for standard rolled products in the United States remain depressed.

In **Packaging**, the trend in markets linked to food products remains steady, whereas the beauty market remains depressed without sign of a recovery.

In addition, the main external factors that influence Pechiney's results seem to have hit a low point in the second quarter in several areas:

- **the fall of the US dollar seems to have been stopped** and for the first time in a year, the dollar's current exchange rate is at a slightly higher level than the average recorded in the previous quarter;
- **the price of aluminum on the LME showed good resistance at a level of approximately 1,400 US dollars per metric ton** and fears of a decrease in the price of aluminum seem to be on the wane;
- **the rise in the price of plastic resins marked a high point in the second quarter**, since prices have since decreased twice, once in May and again in June.

Net Sales (new organization¹)

<i>Millions of euros</i>	Q2 2002	Q1 2003	Q2 2003
Primary Aluminium	488	473	460
Aluminium Conversion	703	659	618
Packaging	614	559	549
Net sales from industrial operations	1,805	1,691	1,627
International Trade	1,592	1,129	999
Total	3,397	2,820	2,626

Earnings from operations (new organization¹)

<i>Millions of euros</i>	Q2 2002	*Q1 2003	Q2 2003
Primary Aluminium	93	42	37
Aluminium Conversion	9	15	14
Packaging	40	26	26
International Trade	18	14	14
Holdings	(23)	(26)	(24)
Total	137	71	67

(*) Restated for the application of FAS 143

Segment breakdown - Second quarter 2003**Primary Aluminum (Aluminum Metal, Bauxite Alumina and Ferroalloys)****Good operating performance and stabilization of external factors**

At 37 million, earnings from operations in the second quarter of 2003, were down 5 million from the previous quarter, and down 56 million from the second quarter of 2002.

This decline was mainly due to the depreciation of the US dollar, whose parity realized vis-à-vis the euro fell 23%, from 0.90 to 1.11 US dollars for 1 euro since the second quarter of 2002. This negative trend has, however, recently stabilized. This occurred in an environment in which the price of aluminum remained not very high, at a level slightly less than 1,400 US dollars per metric ton, in

European activities ensured earnings from operations of 21 million, compared with 24 million in the second quarter of 2002.

The increase in aerospace shipments was thus confirmed. After a 15% rise in the first quarter, the Issoire facility reported 29% growth in shipments to aerospace in Europe compared with the second quarter of 2002, in part owing to the first shipments of parts for the assembly of Airbus A380 aircraft.

However, the environment remains depressed in extrusions and foil and thin foil.

In the United States (Ravenswood, Vernon and Aluminum Lithium), the operating loss totaled 7 million in the second quarter of 2003, a definite improvement over the first quarter of 2003 (loss of 11 million) and the second quarter of 2002 (loss of

expectation of signs of a world economic recovery and of a reduction in the excess supply of aluminum.

In this difficult environment, the sector reported very good manufacturing performance in the second quarter at almost all its production facilities, with the exception of PNL's Dutch smelter, whose difficulties should be resolved by the end of 2003.

The project to build the first smelter using AP50 technology in South Africa is also being actively pursued in order to finalize the project's shareholding base.

Aluminum Conversion

Upturn in shipments to the aerospace sector confirmed, good operational performance of European facilities, slight decrease in demand in Europe and reduced losses in the United States

In the second quarter, with earnings from operations of 14 million, the Aluminum Conversion sector confirmed the recovery reported in the first quarter which generated 15 million, versus 9 million in the second quarter of 2002.

15 million). The reorganization of Aluminum Lithium activities made it possible to offset somewhat the difficulties at Ravenswood, where improved operating performance has been slowed by the continued depressed economic environment in the United States.

Packaging

A fast pace of cost reductions in the second quarter and the start of a decline in the price of resins after a high point during the period

Earnings from operations in Packaging totaled 26 million, stable compared with the previous quarter and down from the second quarter of 2002.

The sector reported good performances with regard to the Pechiney Continuous Improvement System, and managed to reduce its costs despite cost overruns of plans being shut down.

In the second quarter, the sector continued to suffer from a strong price/raw materials scissors effect and the depreciation of the US dollar vis-à-vis the euro, a movement that accelerated in comparison with the first quarter.

¹ 2002 numbers have been restated according to the new organization launched on February 1st 2003.

The sector also announced the signing of an agreement to acquire Novacel, the Mexican leader in specialty flexible packaging. This transaction creates major growth opportunities for Pechiney in both the Mexican and American markets. This acquisition, like the creation of Techpack Asia, illustrates the strategy that aims to expand in new markets and optimize labor costs.

In the second half, the sector should benefit from the impact of these acquisitions, the progressive recovery of activities currently being restructured and the recent trend to lower resin prices.

International Trade

At 14 million, earnings from operations in International Trade were in line with the figure reported in the first quarter, as the good performance of trading activities offset the negative influence of the US dollar.

Other statement of income items

Income from operations totaled 50 million in the second quarter of 2003, versus 83 million in the second quarter of 2002 and 12 million in the first quarter of 2003. This figure included 17 million of Restructuring expense and Other (expense) income.

Net financial expense totaled 13 million in the second quarter of 2003, up slightly from the second quarter of 2002 and from the previous quarter.

Calendar

Next consensus survey:

October 1, 2003

Third quarter results:

October 28, 2003

Pursuant to article 7 of the COB Rule book n° 2002-04, this press release was disclosed to the Commission des Opérations de Bourse before its release.

Certain statements in this press release that describe Pechiney's intentions, expectations or projections may constitute forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause Pechiney's actual results, performance or achievement to be materially different from its intentions, expectations or projections. The forward-looking statements in this press release speak only as of its date and Pechiney undertakes no obligation to update

Current and deferred income taxes represented a charge of 20 million in the second quarter of 2003, versus 31 million in the same period in 2002. The high effective tax rate during the quarter is owed to the impact on differed taxes of the USD/AUD parity evolution.

Amortization of goodwill

The Group continues the regular amortization of its goodwill on the basis of French accounting standards. A charge of 7 million was recorded in the second quarter of 2003.

Cash flow

The cash flow generated by operations totaled 268 million in the first half of the year. Net of investments and divestitures, the Group's cash flow was a negative 38 million, before 87 million of dividends paid.

Financial structure

As of June 30, 2003, net indebtedness totaled 1,526 million, up 89 million from December 31, 2002. Compared with shareholders' equity and minority interests of 3,024 million, the debt-to-equity ratio was 0.50, compared with 0.45 as of December 31, 2002.

As of June 30, 2003, the total number of outstanding shares was 82,622,783 of which 4,767,044 were owned by the Company.

or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Appendix

Comparison with American accounting standards (US GAAP)**Statement of Income Q2 2003**

<i>Millions of euros</i>	French GAAP	FAS 133 Impact	FAS 142 Impact	US GAAP
Net Sales	2,626	(1)	-	2,625
Earnings from operations	67	9	-	76
Restructuring expense, other (expense) income	(17)	-	-	(17)
Income from operations	50	9	-	59
Financial expense, net	(13)	(2)	-	(15)
Income tax benefit (expense)	(20)	(3)	-	(23)
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	3	1	-	4
Minority interests	(1)	-	-	(1)
Goodwill amortisation	(7)	-	7	-
Net Income	12	5	7	24

Balance Sheet as of 30/06/2003

<i>Millions of euros</i>	French GAAP	US GAAP Impact	US GAAP
Long-term assets	4,865	(28)	4,837
Current assets	3,344	228	3,572
Total assets	8,209	200	8,409
Shareholder's equity	2,877	(57)	2,820
Minority Interests	147	-	147
Long-term liabilities	2,674	55	2,729
Current liabilities	2,511	202	2,713
Total liabilities and			
Shareholder's equity	8,209	200	8,409

Impact of the initial application of SFAS 143 on the statement of income Q1 2003

Millions of euros

	French GAAP			SFAS 133, 142 & 143	US GAAP
	Before FAS 143	SFAS 143 Impact	After FAS 143		
Earnings from operations	72	(1)	71	(5)	66
Restructuring expense, other (expense) income	(61)	2	(59)	-	(59)
Income from operations	11	1	12	(5)	7
Financial expense, net	(11)	-	(11)	3	(8)
Income tax benefit (expense)	6	(1)	5	1	6
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	1	1	2	2	4
Minority interests	(2)	-	(2)	-	(2)
Goodwill amortisation	(7)	-	(7)	7	-
Net income before cumulative effect of accounting change	(2)	1	(1)	8	7
Cumulative effect of accounting change	-	-	-	36	36
Net Income	(2)	1	(1)	44	43

The accounting principles applied by the Group in the preparation of its financial statements differ in certain points from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (US GAAP). The impact of these differences is presented in the accompanying tables.

Accounting for derivatives and hedging operations

Pechiney's US GAAP financial statements reflect the application of SFAS 133, which requires that derivative instruments (foreign exchange, interest rates, commodities) be recognized in the balance sheet at fair value, and sets criteria to define transactions that may be accounted for as hedging operations.

On the basis of these criteria, certain hedging operations, although efficient from an economic point of view, are not recognized as hedging activities. As a result, gains and losses due to the mark to market of certain hedging instruments are recorded in net income or in equity, with no recognition of the inverse effect of the mark to market of the hedged items. For this reason, the impact of this standard on results varies according to market conditions and is difficult to forecast. The application of SFAS 133 generated a net accounting gain (with no impact on cash flow) of 5 million in the second quarter of 2003.

Amortisation of goodwill

In Pechiney's US GAAP financial statements reflect the application of SFAS 142, which requires that goodwill be not amortised on a recurring basis, but be regularly tested for impairment, leading, if necessary to non-recurring amortisation. The application of SFAS 142 led to the cancellation of recurring amortisation in the second quarter of 2003.

Cumulative effect of initially applying SFAS 143

In Pechiney's US GAAP financial statements and French GAAP financial statements, the accounting standard SFAS 143, Accounting for asset retirement obligation, was adopted during the second quarter of 2003, effective January 1, 2003. In the US GAAP financial statements, the cumulative effect adjustment at January 1, 2003 is presented on a specific line, at the bottom of the statement of income for the first quarter of 2003. In the French GAAP financial statements, the cumulative effect adjustment is directly recognized in equity.

SFAS 143 requires that legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets and resulting from normal activities be recognized as liabilities, at fair value, when incurred. These asset retirement costs are capitalized by increasing the carrying amount of the related asset and are depreciated over the useful life of the asset. For Pechiney, the main change relates to the cost of disposal of spent pot lining of aluminum pots in operation, which is now recognized as a liability and capitalized from the time the lining is placed into service. As a consequence, since January 1, 2003, the cost of replacing pot lining, which was previously charged to income, has also been capitalized and depreciated over the useful life of the lining, including for pots in operation at January 1, 2003.

The cumulative effect at January 1, 2003 is an increase of net property plant and equipment, environmental reserves and minority interest by respectively 90, 30 and 3 million euros and a decrease of net deferred tax assets by 21 million euros resulting in a positive net effect of 36 million. The effect of the change on the results for the first quarter of 2003 is a decrease of Earnings from operations of the Primary Aluminum sector by 1 million and an improvement of Net income before cumulative effect of accounting change by 1 million. The effect of the change on the second quarter is a decrease of Earnings from operations by 1 million and a decrease of Net income by 1 million.

Balance-sheet The differences in the balance sheet as of June 30, 2003 included the impacts of

SFAS 133, SFAS 142 and SFAS 87 (reduction in shareholders' equity due to the different way complementary retirement provisions are recorded in US and in French GAAP). These differences amounted to a net reduction in shareholders equity of 57 million as of June 30, 2003 in US GAAP, down from 105 million as of December 31, 2002.

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Consolidated Statement of Income

French GAAP

(in millions of euros)	Q2 2002	Q2 2003
Net sales	3,397	2,626
Other operating revenues	41	51
Cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation)	(3,042)	(2,344)
Selling, general and administrative expense	(152)	(144)
Research and development expense	(20)	(24)
Amortisation (excluding goodwill)	(87)	(98)
Earnings from operations	137	67
Restructuring expense and Long-lived assets writedowns	(43)	(10)
Other (expense) income	(11)	(7)
Income from operations	83	50
Financial expense, net	(11)	(13)
Income before income taxes	72	37
Income tax benefit (expense)	(31)	(20)
Income from consolidated companies	41	17
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	3	3
Minority interests	4	(1)
Net Income before goodwill	48	19
Goodwill amortisation	(8)	(7)
Exceptional Goodwill amortisation	(31)	-
Net Income	9	12
Net Income per share "A" (€*)	0.11	0.15

(*) Computed on the average number of shares, i.e. 77,855,742 for the second quarter of 2003 (excluding treasury shares) and 78,927,067 A and B (which existed at the time) shares for the second quarter of 2002.

Adjusted Net Income per share Calculation

- Adjusted net Income (**)	74	23
- Adjusted net Income per share (€)	0.94	0.30

(**) Published net income per share as adjusted to exclude the impact, after taxes, of restructuring expense, other (expense) income and other non-recurring items. Pechiney believes that presenting net income as adjusted is an additional measure of performance that investors can use to compare net income between reporting periods. Net income as adjusted can provide a more relevant view of a company's financial performance.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow

(in millions of euros)	Q2 2002	Q2 2003
Resources from Operations	173	169
Change in working capital requirements	74	10
Utilisation of provisions and other	(127)	(90)
Cash provided by Operations	120	89
Capital expenditures	(122)	(162)
Financial investments	(5)	(27)
Divestitures and other	(6)	8
Net Cash-flow	(13)	(92)
Dividends paid	(98)	(87)
Purchase of treasury shares	(7)	(1)
Increase in capital	-	-
Increase (decrease) in Cash	(118)	(180)

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Consolidated Statement of Income

French GAAP

(in millions of euros)	2002				2003			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Net sales	2,814	3,397	3,020	2,678	2,820	2,626		
Other operating revenues	30	41	35	38	30	51		
Cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation)	(2,473)	(3,042)	(2,717)	(2,379)	(2,513)	(2,344)		
Selling, general and administrative expense	(153)	(152)	(142)	(163)	(148)	(144)		
Research and development expense	(24)	(20)	(22)	(24)	(24)	(24)		
Amortisation (excluding goodwill)	(90)	(87)	(79)	(79)	(94)	(98)		
Earnings from operations	104	137	95	71	71	67		
Restructuring expense and Long-lived assets writedowns	(10)	(43)	(7)	(85)	(50)	(10)		
Other (expense) income	(6)	(11)	(40)	(41)	(9)	(7)		
Income from operations	88	83	48	(55)	12	50		
Financial expense, net	(11)	(11)	(16)	(11)	(11)	(13)		
Income before income taxes	77	72	32	(66)	1	37		
Income tax benefit (expense)	(28)	(31)	(19)	39	5	(20)		
Income from consolidated companies	49	41	13	(27)	6	17		
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	1	3	0	(1)	2	3		
Minority interests	(4)	4	(3)	3	(2)	(1)		
Net Income before goodwill	46	48	10	(25)	6	19		
Goodwill amortisation	(9)	(8)	(8)	(7)	(7)	(7)		
Exceptional Goodwill amortisation	-	(31)	(16)	(50)	-	-		
Net Income	37	9	(14)	(82)	(1)	12		

Adjusted Net Income per share Calculation

- Adjusted net Income (*)	49	74	38	50	37	23
	0.62	0.94	0.48	0.65	0.47	0.30

- Adjusted net Income per share
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(*) Published net income per share as adjusted to exclude the impact, after taxes, of restructuring expense, other (expense) income and other non-recurring items. Pechiney believes that presenting net income as adjusted is an additional measure of performance that investors can use to compare net income between reporting periods. Net income as adjusted can provide a more relevant view of a company's financial performance.

Earnings from operations (new organization)

	2002				2003			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Primary Aluminium	69	93	70	50	42	37		
Aluminium Conversion	4	9	0	0	15	14		
Packaging	33	40	32	24	26	26		
International Trade	19	18	16	20	14	14		
Holdings	(21)	(23)	(23)	(23)	(26)	(24)		
Total	104	137	95	71	71	67		
Total EBITDA (**)	194	224	174	150	165	165		
Consolidated primary Aluminium Prod. (kt)	215	219	221	222	217	210		
Average realised LME price (\$/t)(***)	1,354	1,385	1,360	1,334	1,368	1,390		
Realised /\$ Primary Aluminium	0.88	0.90	0.95	0.98	1.04	1.11		
Average euro/U.S. dollar	0.88	0.92	0.98	1.00	1.07	1.14		

(**) Earnings from operations before depreciation.

(***) Average actual selling price of a metric ton of primary aluminium (excluding premiums) negotiated by the Group during the quarter.

Appendix

Consolidated Balance Sheet

French GAAP

(in millions of euros)

	As of 31/12/2002	As of 30/06/2003
ASSETS		
Long-term assets		
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,832	2,927
Goodwill, net	637	625
Other intangible assets, net	163	135
Investments in equity affiliates	285	285
Long-term investments	139	100
Deferred income taxes	505	495
Other long-term assets	279	298
	4,840	4,865
Current assets		
Inventories, net	1,525	1,453
Accounts receivable Trade	1,281	1,414
Deferred income taxes	51	46
Prepaid expenses	72	66
Other receivables	29	14
Marketable securities	153	54
Cash	283	297
	3,394	3,344
Total assets	8,234	8,209
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Shareholder's equity		
Capital stock		
- Common shares "A"	1,242	1,260
- Preferred shares "B"	16	-
Treasury shares	(180)	(181)
Share premium	790	790
Retained earnings	1,297	1,242
Cumulative translation adjustment	(151)	(234)
	3,014	2,877
Minority interests	149	147
Long-term liabilities		
Deferred income taxes	195	184
Other long-term liabilities	1,142	1,162
	1,337	1,346

Long-term debt	1,465	1,328
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable Trade	1,456	1,576
Accrued liabilities	376	372
Other payables	8	6
Current portion of long-term debt	39	185
Short-term bank loans	390	372
	2,269	2,511
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	8,234	8,209
Net Debt	1,437	1,526
Shareholder's equity + Minority interests	3,163	3,024
Gearing	0.45	0.50

Appendix**PECHINEY****Consolidated Statement of Income****US GAAP (*)**

(in millions of euros)	Q2 2002	Q2 2003
Net sales	3,408	2,625
Other operating revenues	41	51
Cost of goods sold (excluding depreciation)	(3,043)	(2,334)
Selling, general and administrative expense	(152)	(144)
Research and development expense	(20)	(24)
Amortisation (excluding goodwill)	(87)	(98)
Earnings from operations	147	76
Restructuring expense and Long-lived assets writedown	(43)	(10)
Other (expense) income	(11)	(7)
Income from operations	93	59
Financial expense, net	(13)	(15)
Income before income taxes	80	44
Income tax benefit (expense)	(34)	(23)
Income from consolidated companies	46	21
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	14	4
Minority interests	4	(1)
Net Income	64	24
Net Income per share "A" () (**)	0.81	0.31

(*) The US GAAP consolidated statement of income is prepared on the basis of the FR GAAP statement of income and incorporates the adjustments required to conform with US GAAP.

(**) Computed on the average number of shares, i.e. 77,855,742 for the second quarter of 2003 (excluding treasury shares) and 78,927,067 A and B (which existed at the time) shares for the second quarter of 2002.

Adjusted Net Income per share Calculation

- Adjusted net Income (***)	98	35
- Adjusted net Income per share ()	1.25	0.46

(***) Published net income per share as adjusted to exclude the impact, after taxes, of restructuring expense, other (expense) income and other non-recurring items. Pechiney believes that presenting net income as adjusted is an additional measure of performance that investors can use to compare net income between reporting periods. Net income as adjusted can provide a more relevant view of a company's

financial performance.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow

(in millions of euros)	Q2 2002	Q2 2003
Resources from Operations	188	176
Change in working capital requirements	53	15
Utilisation of provisions and other	(121)	(102)
Cash provided by Operations	120	89
Capital expenditures	(122)	(162)
Financial investments	(5)	(27)
Divestitures and other	(6)	8
Net Cash-flow	(13)	(92)
Dividends paid	(98)	(87)
Purchase of treasury shares	(7)	(1)
Increase in capital	-	-
Increase (decrease) in Cash	(118)	(180)

Appendix

Consolidated Balance Sheet

US GAAP

(in millions of euros)

As of 31/12/2002**As of 30/06/2003****ASSETS****Current assets**

Cash	283	297
Marketable securities	153	54
Other receivables	11	10
Prepaid expenses	309	334
Deferred income taxes	47	31
Accounts receivable Trade	1,269	1,392
Inventories, net	1,524	1,454

3,596**3,572****Long-term assets**

Other long-term assets	201	240
Deferred income taxes	499	488
Long-term investments	139	100
Investments in equity affiliates	285	287
Other intangible assets, net	163	135
Goodwill, net	659	660
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,832	2,927

4,778**4,837****Total assets****8,374****8,409****LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY****Short term debt**

Short term bank loans	392	372
Current portion of long term debt	39	185
Other payables	8	6
Accrued liabilities	579	578
Accounts payable Trade	1,451	1,572

2,469**2,713****Other long term liabilities****45****55****Long term Debt****1,465****1,328****Long term Liabilities**

Other long term liabilities	1,142	1,162
Deferred income taxes	195	184

1,337**1,346****Minority Interests****149****147****Shareholder's equity**

Fair value of derivative instruments	33	54
Cumulative translation adjustment	(151)	(233)
Additional minimum pension liability	(141)	(135)
Retained earnings	1,300	1,265
Share premium	790	790
Treasury shares	(180)	(181)
Capital stock	1,258	1,260
- Common shares "A"	1,242	1,260
- Preferred shares "B"	16	-
	2,909	2,820
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	8,374	8,409

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Pechiney has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 30, 2003

PECHINEY

By:

/s/ OLIVIER MALLET

Name: Olivier MALLET

Title: Chief Financial Officer