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China Nonferrous Mining Corporation Limited **中國有色礦業有限公司**

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance)

(Stock Code: 1258)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GROUP

In 2013, the Group recorded revenue of US\$1,744.0 million, representing an increase of 13.8% from US\$1,532.3 million in 2012.

In 2013, the Group recorded net profit of US\$127.4 million, representing a decrease of 24.2% from US\$168.0 million in 2012.

In 2013, the Group recorded profit attributable to owners of US\$67.3 million, representing a decrease of 31.7% from US\$98.5 million in 2012.

In 2013, basic earnings per share attributable to owners of the Group was approximately US\$1.93 cents, representing a decrease of 40.2% from US\$3.23 cents in 2012.

The Board has recommended the payment of final dividend of US\$0.2 cent per share for the year of 2013.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The board of directors (“Board”) of China Nonferrous Mining Corporation Limited (the “Company”) is pleased to announce the audited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Group”) for the year ended 31 December 2013, together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2012.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		For the year ended 31 December	
		2013	2012
	Notes	US\$'000	US\$'000
Revenue	5,6	1,744,023	1,532,315
Cost of sales		<u>(1,469,766)</u>	<u>(1,249,365)</u>
Gross profit		274,257	282,950
Other income and gains		10,333	6,440
Distribution and selling expenses		(42,578)	(34,871)
Administrative expenses		(51,634)	(46,618)
Finance costs	7	(10,635)	(5,957)
(Loss)/gain arising on change in fair value of derivatives		(300)	937
Other expenses	8	<u>(3,264)</u>	<u>(10,131)</u>
Profit before tax		176,179	192,750
Income tax expense	9	<u>(48,819)</u>	<u>(24,706)</u>
Profit for the year	10	<u>127,360</u>	<u>168,044</u>
Profit and total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		67,257	98,544
Non-controlling interests		<u>60,103</u>	<u>69,500</u>
		<u>127,360</u>	<u>168,044</u>
Earnings per share			
— Basic (<i>US cents</i>)	12	<u>1.93</u>	<u>3.23</u>
— Diluted (<i>US cents</i>)		<u>1.93</u>	<u>3.23</u>

Details of the dividends proposed for the year are disclosed in note 11.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		As at 31 December	
		2013	2012
	Notes	US\$'000	US\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	13	1,185,068	1,006,959
Interest in an associate		2,143	2,143
Restricted bank balances		12,137	12,128
Other assets		12,870	12,916
Finance lease receivables		16,645	27,015
		<u>1,228,863</u>	<u>1,061,161</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories		370,175	330,415
Finance lease receivables		10,335	8,793
Trade receivables	14	143,386	120,306
Prepayments and other receivables		148,332	60,594
Financial assets available for sale		6,397	—
Restricted bank balances		4,573	2,281
Bank balances and cash		415,135	264,723
		<u>1,098,333</u>	<u>787,112</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	15	239,445	192,110
Other payables and accrued expenses		101,256	84,337
Income tax payable		31,356	5,021
Bank and other borrowings			
— due within one year	16	61,000	11,000
Derivatives, at fair value		614	—
		<u>433,671</u>	<u>292,468</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>664,662</u>	<u>494,644</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS			
CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,893,525</u>	<u>1,555,805</u>

		As at 31 December	
		2013	2012
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share Capital	17	447,901	447,901
Share premium		165,332	165,332
Retained profits		169,516	102,259
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		782,749	715,492
Non-controlling interests		137,441	135,546
TOTAL EQUITY		920,190	851,038
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank and other borrowings			
— due after one year	16	817,955	578,450
Deferred revenue		21,752	17,811
Provision for restoration, rehabilitation and environmental costs		20,043	15,272
Deferred tax liabilities		113,585	93,234
		973,335	704,767
		1,893,525	1,555,805

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Attributable to owners of the Company				Non-	
	Capital	Share	Retained	Sub-total	controlling	Total
	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
At 31 December 2011	333,333	35,256	3,715	372,304	117,046	489,350
Shares issued	114,568	137,626	—	252,194	—	252,194
Share issue expenses	—	(7,550)	—	(7,550)	—	(7,550)
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	98,544	98,544	69,500	168,044
Dividend declared by subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	(51,000)	(51,000)
At 31 December 2012	447,901	165,332	102,259	715,492	135,546	851,038
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	67,257	67,257	60,103	127,360
Capital contribution from non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary	—	—	—	—	3,600	3,600
Dividend declared by subsidiaries	—	—	—	—	(61,808)	(61,808)
At 31 December 2013	<u>447,901</u>	<u>165,332</u>	<u>169,516</u>	<u>782,749</u>	<u>137,441</u>	<u>920,190</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	136,156	176,348
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(258,803)	(187,760)
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	277,532	58,648
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	154,885	47,236
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	264,723	217,303
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(4,473)	184
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR		
represented by bank balances and cash	415,135	264,723

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

China Nonferrous Mining Corporation Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Its parent and ultimate holding company are China Nonferrous Mining Development Limited (“CNMD”), incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, and China Nonferrous Metal Mining (Group) Co., Ltd (“CNMC”), incorporated in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”), respectively. The registered office of the Company is located at Room 1201, Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, and its principal place of business is located at 32 Enos Chomba Road, Kitwe, Zambia.

The functional currency of companies comprising the Group is United States dollars (“US\$”) and the consolidated financial statements have been presented in US\$.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The subsidiaries of the Group are engaged in mining, ore processing, leaching, smelting and sales of copper in Zambia and Democratic Republic of the Congo (the “DRC”). The Group also produces sulfuric acid, a by-product in the smelting process of blister copper.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants as well as with the disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “Listing Rules”).

3. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”)

In the current year, the Group has applied the following new and revised HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“HKICPA”).

Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2009-2011 Cycle
Amendments to HKFRS 7	Disclosures - Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 11 and HKFRS 12	Consolidated Financial Statements, Joint Arrangements and Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities: Transition Guidance
HKFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements
HKFRS 11	Joint Arrangements
HKFRS 12	Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities
HKFRS 13	Fair Value Measurement
HKAS 19 (Revised in 2011)	Employee Benefits
HKAS 27 (Revised in 2011)	Separate Financial Statements
HKAS 28 (Revised in 2011)	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures
Amendments to HKAS 1	Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income
HK (IFRIC) - Int 20	Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine

Saved as disclosed above, the application of the above new and revised HKFRSs in the year has had no material effect on the amounts reported in these consolidated financial statements and/or disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

The Group has not early applied the following new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective in the financial year of which the consolidated financial statements were prepared:

Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27	Investment Entities ¹
Amendments to HKAS 19 (Revised in 2011)	Defined Benefit Plans — Employee Benefits ²
Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7	Mandatory Effective Date of HKFRS 9 and Transition Disclosures ³
Amendments to HKAS 32	Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities ¹
Amendments to HKAS 36	Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets ¹
Amendments to HKAS 39	Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting ¹
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2010-2012 Cycle ⁴
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2011-2013 Cycle ²
HKFRS 9	Financial Instruments ³
HKFRS 14	Regulatory Deferral Accounts ⁵
HK (IFRIC) - Int 21	Levies ¹

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014, with earlier application permitted.

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014, with earlier application permitted.

³ Available for application - the mandatory effective date will be determined when the outstanding phases of HKFRS 9 are finalised.

⁴ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014, with limited exceptions.

⁵ Effective for first annual HKFRS financial statements beginning on or after 1 January 2016.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values, as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Listing Rules and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

5. REVENUE

An analysis of the Group's revenue from sale of goods for the year is as follows:

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
Blister copper	1,412,390	1,321,923
Copper cathodes	267,790	147,102
Sulfuric acid	63,843	63,290
	<u>1,744,023</u>	<u>1,532,315</u>

6. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information reported to the President of the Company, being the chief operating decision maker, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of goods produced. Mining, leaching and smelting information was reported to the chief operating decision maker in the year.

As the Group's sulfuric copper concentrate produced in the mining division has been solely used for the production of blister copper in the smelting division, in order to better reflect the nature and financial effects of the leaching and smelting businesses of the Group and the organisational structure of the Group, the previous mining and smelting segments are regarded as a single component of the Group for the year whose operating results are regularly produced and reviewed by the chief operating decision maker to make decisions about resources to be allocated to this component and assess its performance. Moreover, the Group continues to develop its oxide copper mines in the leaching division for the production of copper cathodes and leaching operating results are also regularly produced and reviewed by the chief operating decision maker.

Prior year segment information has been re-presented to conform to current year's presentation.

The Group's reportable and operating segments under HKFRS 8 are as follows:

- Leaching - Production and sale of copper cathodes (including exploration and mining of copper mines in Muliashi which supply copper ores solely for the leaching plant in Muliashi, collectively the "Muliashi Project") which are produced using the solvent extraction-electrowinning technology; and
- Smelting - Production and sale of blister copper and sulfuric acid which are produced using ISA smelting technology.

Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segment.

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(Re-presented)
<i>Segment revenue</i>		
Revenue from external customers		
— Leaching	267,790	147,102
— Smelting	1,476,233	1,385,213
	1,744,023	1,532,315
Inter-segment sales		
— Leaching	1,140	—
— Smelting	16,433	9,514
	17,573	9,514

For the year ended 31 December

	2013	2012
	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
		(Re-presented)
Total segment revenue		
— Leaching	268,930	147,102
— Smelting	1,492,666	1,394,727
	1,761,596	1,541,829
Elimination*	(17,573)	(9,514)
Revenue for the year	<u>1,744,023</u>	<u>1,532,315</u>

* Inter-segment sales were conducted at terms mutually agreed among the companies comprising the Group.

	2013	2012
	<i>US\$'000</i>	<i>US\$'000</i>
		(Re-presented)
Segment profit		
— Leaching	26,280	27,126
— Smelting	103,051	148,922
	129,781	176,048
Unallocated income*	13,102	11,232
Unallocated expenses [#]	(4,462)	(8,487)
Elimination	(11,061)	(10,749)
Profit for the year	<u>127,360</u>	<u>168,044</u>

* The unallocated income and expenses mainly represent the income and expenses of the Company and CNMH, an investment holding company of the Group.

[#] The accounting policies of the operating and reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies. Segment profit represents the profit for the year earned by each segment. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

Segment assets and liabilities

	As at 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(Re-presented)
Segment assets		
— Leaching	690,100	459,742
— Smelting	1,590,574	1,334,704
Total segment assets	2,280,674	1,794,446
Unallocated assets*	113,740	68,434
Elimination	(67,218)	(14,607)
Consolidated total assets	2,327,196	1,848,273
Segment liabilities		
— Leaching	628,904	420,044
— Smelting	1,112,320	827,252
Total segment liabilities	1,741,224	1,247,296
Unallocated liabilities*	148,766	689
Elimination	(482,984)	(250,750)
Consolidated total liabilities	1,407,006	997,235

* The unallocated assets and liabilities mainly represent those of the Company and CNMH.

7. FINANCE COSTS

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Interest on bank and other borrowings:		
— wholly repayable within five years	9,165	8,850
— wholly repayable beyond five years	6,408	6,067
Total borrowing costs	15,573	14,917
The unwinding of discount	330	298
Less: Borrowing costs capitalised in construction in progress	(5,268)	(9,258)
	10,635	5,957
The weighted average capitalisation rate on funds borrowed, generally (<i>per annum</i>)	2.2% - 2.3%	1.2% - 2.3%

8. OTHER EXPENSES

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Foreign exchange losses	471	2,938
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net	533	—
Listing expenses	—	5,864
Others	2,260	1,329
	3,264	10,131

9. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Current tax:		
— Zambia Income Tax	8,430	2,917
— DRC Income Tax	2,664	—
— Ireland Income Tax	17,374	4,844
	<u>28,468</u>	<u>7,761</u>
Deferred tax	<u>20,351</u>	<u>16,945</u>
Total income tax expense	<u><u>48,819</u></u>	<u><u>24,706</u></u>

Hong Kong profits tax is calculated at 16.5% (2012: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profit. No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as there was no assessable profit arising in Hong Kong during the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2013.

Income tax in Ireland is calculated at 12.5% (2012: 12.5%) on the estimated assessable income.

Income tax in the DRC is calculated at 30% (2012: 30%) on the estimated assessable income.

Income tax in Zambia is calculated at 35% (2012: 35%) on the estimated assessable income, except for that arising from mining activities which is 30% (2012: 30%) on the relevant assessable income.

The Group enjoyed the following income tax incentives:

- On 3 April 2009, CCS was granted ten-year income tax incentives for zero rate of income tax for the first five profitable years; 50% of income tax relief for the next three years thereafter; and 25% of income tax relief for the remaining 2 years. The first profitable year of CCS, for Income Tax purpose, is 2010.
- On 10 June 2011, SML was granted ten-year income tax incentives for zero rate of income tax for the first five profitable years; 50% of income tax relief for the next three years thereafter; and 25% of income tax relief for the remaining 2 years. The first profitable year of SML, for Income Tax purpose, is 2008.

10. PROFIT FOR THE YEAR

Profit for the year has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	88,676	71,045
Auditor's remuneration	1,122	895
Staff costs:		
Wages, salaries and benefits (including Directors' remuneration)	84,210	78,195
Retirement benefit schemes contributions	14,957	12,578
Total staff costs	99,167	90,773
Less: Amounts included in construction in progress	(2,593)	(5,046)
	96,574	85,727
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	1,469,766	1,249,365
Donations	425	497
Minimum lease payments in respect of		
— Land and buildings	6,234	6,567
— Machinery and equipment	19	21

11. DIVIDENDS

A final dividend of US\$0.2 cent per share (2012: Nil) in respect of the year ended 31 December 2013 has been proposed by the Board and is subject to the approval of the shareholders of the company in the forthcoming annual general meeting.

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
Profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share (<i>in US\$'000</i>)	<u>67,257</u>	<u>98,544</u>
Weighted average number of shares for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share (<i>'000</i>)	<u>3,489,036</u>	<u>3,050,453</u>

No diluted earnings per share is presented for the year ended 31 December 2013 as the Company and its subsidiaries did not have potential ordinary shares outstanding.

13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the year ended 31 December 2013, the Group had additions to property, plant and equipment (including construction in progress) amounting to approximately US\$267,773,000 (2012: US\$204,029,000).

14. TRADE RECEIVABLES

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables, presented based on the date of delivery of goods which approximated the respective recognised, net of allowance for doubtful debts:

	As at 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Within 1 month	137,043	108,236
More than 1 month, but less than 3 months	4,221	6,652
More than 3 months, but less than 6 months	1,382	1,566
More than 6 months, but less than 12 months	15	1,414
Over 1 year	725	2,438
	143,386	120,306

The Group sells blister copper and copper cathodes under provisional pricing arrangements where final grades of copper, gold and silver in copper products are agreed based on third-party examination and final prices are set at a specified date based on market prices. Revenues are recognised when title and risk pass to the customer using past history of grades of copper, gold and silver in copper products based on internal examination statistics and forward prices for the expected date of final settlement. The Group normally requires prepayments from customers before goods dispatch with the remainder to be settled not exceeding one month upon issuance of sales invoice. Allowances for doubtful debts are recognised against trade receivables based on estimated irrecoverable amounts determined by reference to past default experience of the counterparty and an analysis of the counterparty's current financial position.

15. TRADE PAYABLES

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables, presented based on the purchase date:

	As at 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Within 1 month	116,728	117,613
More than 1 month, but less than 3 months	107,838	63,202
More than 3 months, but less than 6 months	10,063	8,955
More than 6 months, but less than 12 months	1,891	1,262
Over 1 year	2,925	1,078
	<u>239,445</u>	<u>192,110</u>

16. BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

	As at 31 December	
	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Bank borrowings		
— secured	170,000	170,000
— unsecured	686,350	419,450
Loan from a non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary, unsecured	22,605	—
	<u>878,955</u>	<u>589,450</u>

	2013	2012
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Carrying amount repayable:		
Within one year	61,000	11,000
More than one year, but not exceeding two years	290,000	11,000
More than two year, but not exceeding five years	250,505	290,000
More than five years	277,450	277,450
	<u>878,955</u>	<u>589,450</u>
Less: Amounts shown under current liabilities	<u>(61,000)</u>	<u>(11,000)</u>
	<u>817,955</u>	<u>578,450</u>

17. SHARE CAPITAL

	As at 31 December			
	Number of shares		Share capital	
	2013 (‘000)	2012 (‘000)	2013 HK\$’000	2012 HK\$’000
Ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each				
Authorised:				
At date of incorporation on 18 July 2011/beginning of the year	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>
At the end of the year	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:				
At date of incorporation on 18 July 2011/beginning of the year	3,489,036	2,600,000	3,489,036	2,600,000
Issued pursuant to the Global Offering	—	870,000	—	870,000
Issued pursuant to the over-allotment option granted to the international underwriters pursuant to the Global Offering	<u>—</u>	<u>19,036</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>19,036</u>
At the end of the year	<u>3,489,036</u>	<u>3,489,036</u>	<u>3,489,036</u>	<u>3,489,036</u>
			2013	2012
			US\$’000	US\$’000
Presented in the consolidated financial statements and the financial statements of the Company as			<u>447,901</u>	<u>447,901</u>

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW

In 2013, despite the adverse impact from decreased copper price and market fluctuations, the Group maintained a strong growth momentum in business development.

During the reporting period, the Group saw a further increase in its production and sales volume and achieved revenue of US\$1,744.0 million, representing an increase of 13.8% over the same period in the previous year. The profit attributable to owners of the Company amounted to US\$67.3 million, representing a decrease of 31.7% over the same period in the previous year.

Meanwhile, the heap leaching system of Mulishi Project of the Group commenced production during the reporting period while systems such as oxygen generator and converter of phase II of the expansion project of CCS were put into use in succession, improving the Group's competitiveness with significantly enhanced production capacities. Other construction projects of the Group, including the integrated exploration and construction project of the Chambishi Southeast Mine, the Mabende Leaching Plant of CNMC-Mabende Metal Leach SPRL ("CNMC-Mabende"), and SML's Mwambashi Strip Mine were also progressing smoothly, underpinning the Group's business growth in the future.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group is a leading, fast growing and vertically integrated copper producer, focusing on the mining, ore processing, leaching, smelting and sales of copper, based in Zambia and DRC. The Group also produces sulfuric acid, a by-product generated during the blister copper smelting process.

The businesses of the Group are carried out mainly through its four subsidiaries in Zambia: NFCA, Luanshya, CCS and SML as well as the three joint venture subsidiaries of SML, namely Kakoso Metals Leach Limited ("Kakoso Company") located in Zambia, and Huachin Metals Leach SPRL ("Huachin Metals") and CNMC-Mabende located in the DRC.

In 2013, blister copper and copper cathode produced by the Group amounted to 201,123 tonnes and 38,682 tonnes respectively, representing increases of 14.7% and 73.3% respectively, over the same period in the previous year; and the sulfuric acid generated increased by 23.6% over the same period in the previous year to 523,469 tonnes. These production growths have spurred a growth of 13.8% in revenue of the Group from US\$1,532.3 million in 2012 to US\$1,744.0 million in 2013.

RESOURCES AND RESERVES

Assumptions adopted for the annual update of resources and/or reserves

The same assumptions as those applied in the 2012 prospectus in accordance with the JORC Code were adopted for the annual update of resources and/or reserves in this report. Relevant updates were made according to our new exploration and based on the historical data used by technical consultants.

As confirmed by internal experts, resources and/or reserves had no material changes and the main changes were attributable to adjustment made upon production wastage and intensified exploration.

As at 31 December 2013, the Group's ore reserves and mineral resources reported in accordance with the JORC Code were as follows:

(1) Resources

Chambishi Main Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Ore (Mt)	Average grade		Cobalt	Ore (Mt)	Average grade		Cobalt
		Total copper	Oxide copper			Total copper	Oxide copper	
Measured	11.74	2.31%	—	—	13.57	2.28%	—	—
Indicated	5.58	2.43%	—	—	4.77	2.15%	—	—
Inferred	8.27	2.36%	—	—	6.06	2.25%	—	—
	<u>11.74</u>	<u>2.31%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>13.57</u>	<u>2.28%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

- Notes:*
1. Geological ore of 1,143,000 tonnes was consumed in mining activities in 2013.
 2. In 2013, 12 exploratory drilling holes were completed with a drilling footage of 4,192.31m at the deep section of the main ore body for development purpose while 36 pit drilling holes completed in the year with drilling footage of 3,337.94m for productive exploration purpose.

Chambishi West Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore (Mt)	Total copper	Oxide copper	Cobalt	Ore (Mt)	Total copper	Oxide copper	Cobalt
Oxide ore								
Measured	3.56	2.07%	1.11%	—	3.59	2.03%	1.06%	—
Indicated	1.36	2.22%	1.08%	—	1.35	1.86%	0.99%	—
Inferred	0.001	1.77%	0.64%	—	0.24	2.21%	1.33%	—
Sulfide Ore								
Measured	13.70	2.1%	—	—	10.69	2.01%	—	—
Indicated	10.63	2.08%	—	—	7.91	2.13%	—	—
Inferred	<u>8.24</u>	<u>2.18%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>14.32</u>	<u>2.20%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

- Notes:*
1. Geological ore of 979,000 tonnes at a grade of 2.25% was consumed in mining activities in 2013.
 2. In 2013, 14 surface drilling holes were completed with a drilling footage of 8,803.29m in Chambishi West Mine for development purpose while 17 pit drilling holes completed in the year with drilling footage of 1,693.96m for productive exploration purpose.
 3. Certain resources of the Chambishi West Mine were re-classified into the Chambishi Main Mine.

Chambishi Southeast Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	2.22	1.96%	—	0.11%	—	—	—	—
Indicated	28.00	1.88%	—	0.11%	47.41	2.19%	—	0.10%
Inferred	<u>119.86</u>	<u>1.84%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>0.10%</u>	<u>102.37</u>	<u>1.87%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>0.11%</u>

Note: 3 investigative drilling holes with drilling footage of 1,617.09m were completed for development purpose in 2013.

Mwambashi Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	2.50	2.15%	1.09%	2.50	0.82	2.22%	0.91%	—
Indicated	4.88	1.96%	0.68%	4.88	8.38	2.00%	0.75%	—
Inferred	<u>3.31</u>	<u>2.06%</u>	<u>0.48%</u>	<u>3.31</u>	<u>1.77</u>	<u>2.10%</u>	<u>0.26%</u>	<u>—</u>

Note: The Mwambashi Mine has two types of resources, namely high-grade and low-grade resources. Only high-grade resources are disclosed herein.

Kakoso Tailings

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Indicated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inferred	9.08	0.60%	0.47%	—	9.08	0.60%	0.47%	—
	<u><u>9.08</u></u>	<u><u>0.60%</u></u>	<u><u>0.47%</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>	<u><u>9.08</u></u>	<u><u>0.60%</u></u>	<u><u>0.47%</u></u>	<u><u>—</u></u>

Chambishi Tailings and Ore Piles

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Indicated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inferred	0.82	0.36%	0.25%	0.00%	1.27	1.33%	1.08%	0.02%
	<u><u>0.82</u></u>	<u><u>0.36%</u></u>	<u><u>0.25%</u></u>	<u><u>0.00%</u></u>	<u><u>1.27</u></u>	<u><u>1.33%</u></u>	<u><u>1.08%</u></u>	<u><u>0.02%</u></u>

Note: Approximately 450,000 tonnes of pile ores were processed in 2013.

Baluba Center Mine Sulfide

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Total		Oxide	Cobalt	Total		Oxide	Cobalt
	Ore (Mt)	copper	copper		Ore (Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	6.94	2.34%	0.08%	0.16%	7.36	2.18%	0.08%	0.15%
Indicated	6.29	2.19%	0.08%	0.15%	6.57	2.09%	0.10%	0.15%
Inferred	4.28	1.52%	0.07%	0.08%	4.28	1.52%	0.12%	0.08%

Note: Baluba Center Mine Sulfide consumed geological ore of approximately 1,180,000 tonnes with TCu grade of 2.05% in 2013.

Muliashi North Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Total		Oxide	Cobalt	Total		Oxide	Cobalt
	Ore (Mt)	copper	copper		Ore (Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	32.08	1.09%	0.49%	0.02%	37.89	1.07%	0.47%	0.02%
Indicated	20.16	1.03%	0.42%	0.02%	21.44	1.03%	0.42%	0.02%
Inferred	21.29	1.00%	0.34%	0.02%	21.29	1.00%	0.34%	0.02%

Note: Muliashi North Mine consumed geological ore of approximately 5,080,000 tonnes with TCu grade of 1.05% in 2013.

Muliashi South Oxidize

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Indicated	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inferred	4.40	1.73%	0.34%	0.02%	4.40	1.73%	—	—

Note: No exploration or mining activities were carried out in 2013.

Mashiba Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	3.17	1.89%	0.24%	0.02%	3.17	1.89%	0.24%	0.02%
Indicated	5.67	1.96%	0.22%	0.03%	5.67	1.96%	0.22%	0.03%
Inferred	4.97	1.67%	0.43%	0.04%	4.97	1.67%	0.43%	0.04%

Note: No exploration or mining activities were carried out in 2013.

Baluba East Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Measured	6.40	1.90%	1.00%	—	6.40	1.90%	1.00%	—
Indicated	27.64	0.77%	0.31%	—	27.64	0.77%	0.31%	—
Inferred	3.27	1.03%	0.37%	—	3.27	1.03%	0.37%	—

Note: No exploration or mining activities were carried out in 2013.

(2) Reserves

Chambishi Main Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	4.65	1.56%	—	—	4.06	1.68%	—	—
Probable	1.87	1.51%	—	—	4.19	1.68%	—	—

Note: The Chambishi Main Mine produced ore of 1,143,000 tonnes in 2013.

Chambishi West Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Oxidize								
Proved	0.77	2.01%	1.14%	—	0.31	1.90%	0.93%	—
Probable	2.35	1.90%	0.96%	—	2.76	1.74%	0.87%	—
Sulfide								
Proved	5.96	1.87%	—	—	4.94	1.78%	—	—
Probable	14.75	1.95%	—	—	15.40	1.81%	—	—

Note: The Chambishi West Mine produced ore of 979,000 tonnes in 2013.

Chambishi Southeast Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Probable	38.68	1.76%	—	0.08%	38.06	2.01%	—	0.10%

Baluba Center Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	3.49	1.55%	0.06%	0.11%	5.15	1.57%	0.06%	0.11%
Probable	<u>4.94</u>	<u>1.46%</u>	<u>0.07%</u>	<u>0.10%</u>	<u>4.60</u>	<u>1.50%</u>	<u>0.07%</u>	<u>0.11%</u>

Muliashi North Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	13.39	1.01%	0.45%	0.02%	36.75	1.04%	0.46%	0.02%
Probable	<u>28.11</u>	<u>1.09%</u>	<u>0.49%</u>	<u>0.02%</u>	<u>20.80</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>0.41%</u>	<u>0.02%</u>

Baluba East Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	6.38	1.81%	0.95%	0.02%	6.38	1.81%	0.95%	0.02%
Probable	<u>27.57</u>	<u>0.73%</u>	<u>0.30%</u>	<u>0.03%</u>	<u>27.57</u>	<u>0.73%</u>	<u>0.30%</u>	<u>0.03%</u>

Note: No exploration or mining activities were carried out in 2013.

Mashiba Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	2.66	1.35%	0.17%	—	2.66	1.35%	0.17%	—
Probable	<u>4.76</u>	<u>1.40%</u>	<u>0.16%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>4.76</u>	<u>1.40%</u>	<u>0.16%</u>	<u>—</u>

Note: No exploration or mining activities were carried out in 2013.

Mashiba B Mine

JORC category	31 December 2013				31 December 2012			
	Average grade				Average grade			
	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt	Ore	Total	Oxide	Cobalt
	(Mt)	copper	copper		(Mt)	copper	copper	
Proved	7.38	2.02%	0.82%	—	9.2	2.02%	0.76%	—
Probable	<u>3.31</u>	<u>2.06%</u>	<u>0.48%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1.77</u>	<u>2.10%</u>	<u>0.26%</u>	<u>—</u>

Note: No exploration activities were carried out in 2013 as its infrastructures were still in progress.

PRODUCTION OVERVIEW

NFCA

NFCA mainly operates two mines, namely the Chambishi Main Mine and the Chambishi West Mine, and the ancillary processing plant.

In 2013, contained copper in concentrate produced by the Chambishi Main Mine and the Chambishi West Mine amounted to 28,069 tonnes, representing an increase of 7.2% over the same period in the previous year. Such increase in production volume was primarily attributable to the increase in the production volume of the Chambishi West Mine since its commencement of production; and the relay ability gradually coming into being in the depth of the Chambishi Main Mine. In 2013, the production volume maintained steady growth at large.

The Chambishi Main Mine and West Mine of NFCA produced ore of 1,143,000 tonnes and 979,000 tonnes, respectively, during the year.

Luanshya

Luanshya operates two copper mines under production, namely the Baluba Center Mine and the Muliashi North Mine, and also operates Muliashi Leach Plant.

Contained copper in concentrate produced by the Baluba Center Mine in 2013 amounted to 16,184 tonnes, representing a decrease of 7.4% over the same period in the previous year, mainly due to the increasing difficulty in mining as the ore body became thinner. In addition, the crushing machines at 610m underground of Baluba Mine were shut down for overhaul during 21 to 30 June 2013, affecting the operation to certain extent. In order to extend its service life and maintain output, this mine lowered the cut-off grade of ore while residual ore recycle was enhanced.

The Muliashi Project involves copper cathode production. Its agitation leaching system has commenced production since 2012 and operated smoothly. It produced 21,551 tonnes of copper cathode in 2013, representing an increase of 107% over the same period in the previous year. The No.1 and No. 2 heaps of its heap leaching system was put into production in 2013 with an output of 2,561 tonnes.

The Baluba Mine and Muliashi North Mine produced ore of 1,180,000 tonnes and 5,080,000 tonnes, respectively, during the year.

CCS

CCS mainly operates the Chambishi Smelting Plant.

In 2013, blister copper and sulfuric acid produced by CCS amounted to 201,123 tonnes and 523,469 tonnes, respectively, representing increases of 14.7% and 23.6%, respectively, over the same period in the previous year. The increase of production volume was mainly because the series III oxygen generation system and convertor of Phase II of the expansion project was put into use in succession during the year while the series II sulfuric acid production and slag flotation system that commenced production in the end of 2012 maintained a smooth operation, which further improved the quality of our products and capability of comprehensive recovery, thereby increasing the production volume of sulfuric acid, a by-product generated during the production of blister copper.

SML

SML mainly operates the Chambishi Leach Plant, and the DRC Huachin Leach Project through CNMC Huachin Metals Leach SPRL.

Copper cathode produced by SML in 2013 increased by 22.1% to 14,571 tonnes over the same period of last year while copper cathode produced by the Chambishi Leach Plant decreased by 23.1% to 4,002 tonnes as compared with that in the corresponding period of last year, primarily due to the significant decline in output as the Company suspend the production to overhaul the electrolytic cells in January 2013, self-owned tailing resources ran out and the West Mine of NFCA encountered difficulty in mixed mine supply. Therefore, it maintains its production by means of increasing acquisition of oxidizes as well as crecovering and processing tailing ores and pile ores of lower grade in a comprehensive way. This situation will be gradually improved after the operation of Mwambashi Strip Mine in 2014. The copper cathode produced by DRC Huachin Leach Project amounted to 10,569 tonnes, representing an increase of 57.1% over the same period of the previous year. The project commenced its production in February 2012, which achieved an overall annual production capacity of 10,000 tonnes of copper cathode in 2013 and greatly increased the production volume of SML.

Meanwhile, the contained copper in concentrate produced by SML Chambishi Processing Plant in 2013 decreased to 195 tonnes as compared with that in the corresponding period of last year, mainly attributable to the fact that the West Mine of NFCA has stopped the supply of ores due to the nature of ores since June 2013. Currently, the production of such system relies on outsourcing ores.

The table below sets forth the production volume of the products of the Group and the year-on-year growth for the periods indicated.

	Production volume for 2013 (Tonnes)	Production volume for 2012 (Tonnes)	Year-on -year growth /(decrease) (%)
Copper concentrate	44,448	44,649	(0.4)%
Blister copper	201,123	175,280	14.7%
Copper cathode	38,682	22,315	73.3%
Sulfuric acid	523,469	423,494	23.6%

Note: The production volumes of all the products are on a contained-copper basis, except for sulfuric acid.

EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT AND MINING COST OF THE GROUP

Expenses of exploration, development, and mining activities of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2013 are set out below:

	NFCA			Luanshya		SML	
	Chambishi	Chambishi	Chambishi	Baluba	Muliashi	Mwambashi	Total
	Main	West	Southeast	Center	North		
<i>Unit: Million US dollars</i>	Mine	Mine	Mine	Mine	Mine		
Exploration activities							
Drilling and analysis	12.75	238.32	41.65	0.61	0.34	0.90	294.57
Others			11.15				11.15
Sub-total	12.75	238.32	52.80	0.61	0.34	0.90	305.72
Development activities (including mine construction)							
Purchases of assets and equipment				8.37	11.75	3.78	23.90
Civil work for construction of tunnels and roads		7.00	0.28	10.66	16.18	0.40	34.52
Staff cost				2.04			2.04
Others					14.09	4.87	18.96
Sub-total		7.00	0.28	21.07	42.02	9.05	79.42

	NFCA			Luanshya		SML	
	Chambishi	Chambishi	Chambishi	Baluba	Muliashi	Mwambashi	Total
	Main	West	Southeast	Center	North		
<i>Unit: Million US dollars</i>	Mine	Mine	Mine	Mine	Mine		
Mining activities							
(excluding ore processing)							
Staff cost				25.54	0.35		25.89
Consumables				23.13	2.57		25.70
Fuel, electricity, water and other services			0.85	18.04	0.04		18.93
On-site and remote system management							
Non-income taxes, royalties and other governmental charges				6.95	8.70		15.65
Others			7.65				7.65
Sub-contracting charges					45.96	1.27	47.23
Depreciation				9.07	5.03	0.18	14.28
Sub-total			8.50	82.73	62.65	1.45	155.33

MINING EXPLORATION, MINING DEVELOPMENT AND ORE MINING ACTIVITIES

Mining Exploration

During the year, NFCA and Luanshya, subsidiaries of the Company, conducted mining exploration for production and exploration purposes, respectively. SML conducted mining exploration activities. In particular:

In the Chambishi Main Mine of NFCA, 36 pit drilling holes were completed for production purposes with drilling footage of 3,337.9m while 12 surface drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) was completed for exploration purpose with drilling footage of 4,192.3m. In the Chambishi West Mine, 17 pit drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) for production purposes were completed with drilling footage of 1,693.9m while 14 surface drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) were completed for exploration purposes with drilling footage of 8,803.2m. In the Chambishi Southeast Mine, 3 investigative drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) were completed for surface exploration purposes with drilling footage of 1,617.1m.

Luanshya conducted drilling in Baluba Mine and Muliashi Open-pit Mine (North Mine) for production and exploration purposes. In particular, 270 drilling holes (48 mm end hole caliber) for production purposes were completed in Baluba Mine with drilling footage of 9,244m. In Muliashi Open-pit Mine, a total of 33 pit drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) for production and exploration purposes were completed with drilling footage of 2,268m. In addition, 29 platform trenches (1m × 1m) were completed with a total length of 1,172m and a total capacity of 1,172 m³.

SML completed 7 drilling holes (75mm end hole caliber) for Mwambashi Mine with an aggregate drilling footage of 936.2m and 1 section of geophysical magnetotelluric sounding and survey (EH4) with a total of 46 measuring points (point distance of 40m, profile distance of 200m).

Mining Development

For details of mining development please refer to “projects under progress” on page 38.

Mining Activities

For details of mining activities please refer to “production overview” on page 32.

Infrastructure projects, subcontracting arrangements and procurement of equipment

During the year, the new contracts entered into and commitments undertaken by the Group are as follows:

NFCA

The new infrastructure contracts engaged in the year amounted to US\$650,000. As of 31 December 2013, there was US\$523,000 of capital commitments in relation to infrastructure projects.

SML

The new infrastructure contracts engaged in the year amounted to US\$1,071,000. As of 31 December 2013, there was US\$863,000 of capital commitments in relation to infrastructure projects.

No subcontracting arrangements were entered into by the Group during the year.

PROJECTS UNDER PROGRESS

CCS

Phase II of the Expansion Project

The Group is facilitating with the construction of phase II of the expansion project of CCS with designed production capacity of 250,000 tonnes of blister copper and 600,000 tonnes of sulfuric acid per annum upon completion. The major construction of phase II of the expansion project was basically completed by 31 December 2013, provided that the furnace body of the anode furnace was at its final stage, i.e. load commissioning. The tail-in work of phase II of the expansion project and certain new modification projects will be completed in 2014.

The Integrating Exploration and Construction Project of the Chambishi Southeast Mine

The Chambishi Southeast Mine Project under development is one of the key mine projects under development of the Company with a designed ore processing capacity of 3,300,000 tonnes per annum and a production capacity of contained copper in concentrate of approximately 63,000 tonnes per annum. By the end of 2013, in terms of shaft construction: 422m of main shaft was completed with a capacity of 19,243m³/4,824m³; 110m of auxiliary shaft was completed with a capacity of 6,403m³/2,000m³. It is now in the grouting process at the second aquifer to prevent water plugging. It is expected that the grouting will be completed and normal construction work will resume in mid January 2014. In terms of drift exploitation: the ingate, return air access road and 56m of the measure project at the north air shaft were completed with a capacity of 1,141m³/52m³; as for the south air drift, the ingate, return air access road and 87m of the measure project were completed with a capacity of 2,254m³/143m³ while 30m of ramp was completed with a drilling volume of 444m³; The office of public auxiliary facilities supply department commenced construction on 15 November 2012 and received acceptance on 10 September 2013. The supply storage commenced construction on 10 November 2012 and was completed at the end of November 2013. The construction of certain roads in the mining area was completed while the preparation for relocation of residents in mining area was finished in 2013. For the surface project, the preliminary work for construction of the 220KV/11KV power and distribution substation and site formation was finished. The civil engineering and installation of auxiliary storage were completed and certain portions have put into use. The aggregate project investments amounted to US\$830 million, among which, a total of US\$151.4 million of investments had been completed as of the end of December 2012, representing 18.19% of the total amount. The entire project is expected to be completed in 2016.

Construction project of paste backfilling system

The aggregate investments in the paste backfill system was US\$12.01 million. The system will play an essential role in the sustainable and balanced operation of West Mine. By the end of 2013, the completed investments was up to US\$6.8 million. At present, the system has completed the general construction and commenced equipment commissioning.

Luanshya

Slag copper recovery project

The slag copper recovery project commenced construction in October 2013 with expected total investment of US\$20.13 million. The total amount invested by the end of 2013 reached US\$0.83 million, representing 4.14% of the total investment. As of the end of December, the project design and general allocation, geological exploration, consulting and order of major equipment were completed. At present, efforts were put into construction design while construction and project supervision contracts were entered into. With the completion of thickener's basic construction, it now proceeds to the installation of steel structure and the basic construction of crushing system. Relevant crushing equipment had arrived in Zambia, the installation of which is expected to carry out in the late February 2014. The flotation equipment was delivered and expected to arrive at the site in late March 2014. The project is scheduled to take one year to finish the construction and commence operation in the second half of 2014.

CNMC-Mabende

The 20,000-tonne Mabende Project of Huachin Metals in the DRC

SML is undertaking a project to construct and operate a leaching plant with annual output of 20,000 tonnes of copper cathode through CNMC-Mabende (the “Mabende Project”). The Mabende Project basically completed its infrastructure construction by the end of 2013 and has commenced individual trial running.

Mwambashi Strip Mine project

The project comprises a strip mine with designed capacity of 600,000 tonnes of ores per annum and a process plant with a capacity of 2,000 tonnes. The construction will commence in September 2013, with a construction period of one year. The total investment amount is US\$71,570,400. The total amount invested by the end of December 2013 amounted to US\$18.41 million, representing 26.95% of total investment. The project is expected to complete construction and commence operation in the second half of 2014.

The 3,000-tonne Kakoso Tailings Development Project

Kakoso Company is undertaking the development of tailing resources in an area approximately 25 kilometers north to Chingola, Zambia (the “Kakoso Tailings Development Project”). Application for relevant land certificates has been submitted and is pending approval from relevant governmental authorities.

In addition, the feasibility study report for cobalt recovery project of CCS and Luanshya has obtained approval and the preliminary design is in process. The Group currently carries out development of certain new resource projects such as mining activities in the south Muliashi mine of Luanshya, aiming at actively expanding our reserve projects to secure a continuous growth of the Company.

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Results of Operations

The following table sets forth sales volume, average selling price, revenue and percentage contribution to total revenue of the products of the Group during the years indicated.

	For the year ended 31 December							
	2013				2012			
	Sales	Average		% of Total	Sales	Average		% of Total
	Volume ⁽¹⁾	Selling	Revenue	Revenue	Volume	Selling	Revenue	Revenue
		Price				Price		
		(US\$ per				(US\$ per		
	(Tonnes)	tonne)	(US\$'000)	(%)	(Tonnes)	tonne)	(US\$'000)	(%)
Blister copper	199,057	7,095	1,412,390	81.0%	166,143	7,957	1,321,923	86.3%
Copper cathode	38,891	6,886	267,790	15.3%	20,337	7,233	147,102	9.6%
Sulfuric acid	400,827	159	63,843	3.7%	359,678	176	63,290	4.1%
Total			1,744,023	100.0%			1,532,315	100.0%

Note: (1) The sales volumes of all the products (except for sulfuric acid) are on a contained-copper basis.

Revenue

The revenue of the Group increased by 13.8% from US\$1,532.3 million in 2012 to US\$1,744.0 million in 2013. The Company's business was impacted to some extent by the continuous decrease in international copper prices since 2013. However, due to the noticeable growth in the sales volume of blister copper and sulfuric acid of CCS, together with the increase in production and sales volume of copper cathode as a result of the commencement of production of the DRC Huachin Leach Project as well as the agitation leaching system and heap leaching system of Muliashi Project, the Company was still able to maintain an impressive growth in revenue in 2013. In 2013, the Group's revenue from blister copper, copper cathode and sulfuric acid accounted for 81.0%, 15.3% and 3.7%, respectively, of the total revenue.

The revenue from blister copper increased by 6.8% from US\$1,321.9 million in 2012 to US\$1,412.3 million in 2013. Due to the decline in international copper prices, the average selling price of blister copper decreased by 10.8% from US\$7,957 per tonne in 2012 to US\$7,095 per tonne in 2013. Notwithstanding this, the Group managed to increase the production volume of blister copper through internal management and technological renovation in 2013, ensuring the increase of revenue from blister copper. In addition, the expansion projects of CCS commenced operation one after another, which also led to the increase in the production volume of blister copper of CCS in 2013 as compared with 2012. The sales volume of blister copper of CCS in 2013 amounted to 199,057 tonnes, representing an increase of 19.8% from 2012.

The revenue from copper cathode increased significantly by 81.89% from US\$147.1 million in 2012 to US\$267.7 million in 2013. The sales volume of copper cathode increased by 91.2% from 20,337 tonnes in 2012 to 38,891 tonnes in 2013, which was attributable to the significant increase in production volume of copper cathode as the DRC Huachin Leach Project met its production target and the agitation leaching system and heap leaching system of Muliashi Project commenced production, partially offset by the decrease in production volume of SML due to the lack of high-grade ores and the suspension of the electrolytic cells for maintenance. Although the average selling price of copper cathode, due to the decline in international copper prices, decreased by 4.8% from US\$7,233 per tonne in 2012 to US\$6,886 per tonne in 2013, the revenue from copper cathode still increased significantly due to the significant increase in the production volume of copper cathode. In addition, the heap construction in heap leaching system of Muliashi Project continued, further bolstering the growth potential of the Group's production capacity of copper cathode in the future.

The revenue from sulfuric acid increased by 1.0% from US\$63.3 million in 2012 to US\$63.8 million in 2013, primarily attributable to:

- (1) the increase in the production volume of blister copper in 2013 as compared with that in 2012, which in turn increased the production volume and the sales volume of sulfuric acid, a by-product generated during the production of blister copper, by 11.4% from 359,678 tonnes in 2012 to 400,827 tonnes in 2013; and
- (2) a decrease in average selling price of sulfuric acid of the Group from US\$176 per tonne in 2012 to US\$159 per tonne in 2013, which is in line with the decrease in local market price of sulfuric acid, the rate of decrease is 10.6%.

Cost of sales

The following table sets forth the cost of sales, unit cost of sales, gross profits and gross profit margins of the products of the Group during the years indicated.

	For the year ended 31 December							
	2013				2012			
	Cost of Sales	Unit Cost of Sales	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin	Cost of Sales	Unit Cost of Sales	Gross Profit	Gross Profit Margin
	(US\$'000)	(US\$ per tonne)	(US\$'000)	(%)	(US\$'000)	(US\$ per tonne)	(US\$'000)	(%)
Blister copper	1,270,403	6,382	141,987	10.1%	1,144,335	6,888	177,588	13.4%
Copper cathode	189,601	4,875	78,189	29.2%	94,501	4,647	52,601	35.8%
Sulfuric acid	9,762	24	54,081	84.7%	10,529	29	52,761	83.4%
Total	1,469,766		274,257	15.7%	1,249,365		282,950	18.5%

The cost of sales increased by 17.6% from US\$1,249.4 million in 2012 to US\$1,469.8 million in 2013, primarily due to the increased total costs as a result of the growth in sales volume of blister copper, partially offset by the decrease in international copper prices.

The cost of sales of blister copper increased by 11.0% from US\$1,144.3 million in 2012 to US\$1,270.4 million in 2013, primarily due to the increase in the sales volume, partially offset by a decrease of 7.3% in unit cost of sales of blister copper from US\$6,888 per tonne in 2012 to US\$6,382 per tonne in 2013 as a result of the lower price of copper concentrate purchased from external suppliers attributable to the decrease in international copper prices.

The cost of sales of copper cathode increased by 100% from US\$94.5 million in 2012 to US\$189.6 million in 2013, primarily due to an increase of 91.2% in the sales volume of copper cathode, coupled with an increase in the unit cost of sales of copper cathode from US\$4,647 per tonne in 2012 to US\$4,875 per tonne in 2013 as a result of a higher proportion of materials purchased from external supplier for the agitation leaching system of Muliashi Project which was newly put into production.

The cost of sales of sulfuric acid decreased by 6.6% from US\$10.5 million in 2012 to US\$9.8 million in 2013.

Gross profit and gross profit margin

The Group recorded a gross profit of US\$274.3 million in 2013, representing a decrease of 3.1% from US\$282.9 million in 2012. The gross profit margin decreased by 2.8 percentage points from 18.5% in 2012 to 15.7% in 2013. The decrease in gross profit were mainly attributable to the increase in sales volumes of the Group's products, partially offset by the drop in international copper prices and increased volume of copper purchased from external suppliers.

The gross profit margin of blister copper decreased by 3.3 percentage points from 13.4% in 2012 to 10.1% in 2013, primarily attributable to the decline in international copper prices which led to decreased average selling price of the copper sales of the Group's own mines.

The gross profit margin of copper cathode decreased by 18.4% from 35.8% in 2012 to 29.2% in 2013, primarily due to the decline in international copper prices, coupled with the fact that the agitation leaching system of the Company's Muliashi Project was at the initial stage since it commenced production which lowered the overall gross profit margin of the Company's copper cathode. However, the Company expects an improved gross profit in the future margin of copper cathode as the Muliashi Project gradually achieve its designed capacity.

The gross profit margin of sulfuric acid increased by 1.5% from 83.4% in 2012 to 84.7% in 2013, similiar to last year.

Distribution and selling expenses

The distribution and selling expenses of the Group increased by 21.7% from US\$34.9 million in 2012 to US\$42.5 million in 2013, primarily due to an increase in transportation and freight expenses as well as insurance expenses as a result of the increase in sales of blister copper in 2013 as compared with that in 2012.

Administrative expenses

The administrative expenses increased by 10.7% from US\$46.6 million in 2012 to US\$51.6 million in 2013, primarily due to the increases in, among others, salary expenses and travel expenses as a result of the expansion of operations.

Finance costs

The finance costs of the Group increased by 78.5% from US\$6.0 million in 2012 to US\$10.6 million in 2013, primarily due to the decrease in interest expenses being capitalised during the reporting period of 2013 as compared with that of 2012.

Loss/gains from change in fair value of derivatives

The loss from change in fair value of derivatives was US\$0.3 million in 2013 while 2012 recorded gains from change in fair value of derivatives of US\$0.9 million. The Group entered into copper futures contracts to hedge its net exposure to the copper price fluctuations due to the timing difference between the time it expects to procure copper concentrate from external suppliers and the time it expects to sell blister copper to external customers. In 2013, the Group entered into less future contracts in light of market conditions and the copper price fluctuations were less volatile during the term of such future contracts, which led to a smaller loss from change in fair value of derivatives.

Other expenses

Other expenses of the Group decreased by 67.8% from US\$10.1 million in 2012 to US\$3.3 million in 2013, primarily due to a decrease in exchanges loss from US\$3.0 million in 2012 to US\$0.5 million, and no expenses related to the listing for the reporting period in 2013.

Income tax expense

The income tax expense of the Group increased by 97.6% from US\$24.7 million in 2012 to US\$48.8 million in 2013. Effective tax rate increased from 12.8% in 2012 to 27.7% in 2013, primarily due to the fact that the leach company had to pay tax since the year and the distributable profits of CCS at the end of year are subject to income tax of 12.5% in Ireland.

Profit and net profit margin attributable to owners of the Company

As a result of the foregoing, the profit attributable to owners of the Company decreased by 31.7% from US\$98.5 million in 2012 to US\$67.3 million in 2013. The profit margins attributable to owners of the Company (being the profit attributable to the owners of the Company as a percentage of revenue) were 6.4% in 2012 and 3.9% in 2013, respectively.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash flows

Net cash flows from operating activities

Cash inflows from operating activities are primarily attributable to the sales revenue of copper products and cash outflows are primarily attributable to various operating expenses. Net cash flows generated from the operating activities of the Group decreased by 22.8% from US\$176.3 million in 2012 to US\$136.1 million in 2013, primarily attributable to a decrease of 8.6% in the total profit before tax of the Company from US\$192.8 million in 2012 to US\$176.2 million in 2013, as well as the increase in inventories and account receivables in 2013.

Net cash flows used in investing activities

Cash outflows from investing activities are mainly for the purchase of properties, plants and equipment for copper production. The net cash flows used in investing activities of the Group increased by 37.8% from US\$187.8 million in 2012 to US\$258.8 million in 2013, primarily due to the relatively large-scale investment in the exploration and construction project of the Southeast Mine, Chambishi at NFCA in 2013. In addition, after the completion of investments in the Huachin Leach Project, the Muliashi Project, the Baluba Center Mine and others, investments in the reporting period declined comparatively. However, given that the new SML's Mabende project, slag copper recovery project and Mwambashi project are still under construction, the cash investments in fixed assets are expected to remain at a high level. The Group plans to continuously increase the investments in fixed assets, thus underpinning the long-term growth in the results of the Group.

Net cash flows from financing activities

The net cash flows generated from financing activities of the Group in 2013 were US\$277.5 million. The cash inflows from financing activities primarily consist of new bank and other borrowings as well as proceeds from capital increase. The cash outflows from financing activities primarily consist of repayments for bank and other borrowings, dividend payments and interest payments.

Bank balances and cash

The Group's bank balances and cash (including cash, time deposits and demand deposits) increased by US\$150.4 million from US\$264.7 million as at 31 December 2012 to US\$415.1 million as at 31 December 2013.

Trade receivables

The trade receivables of the Group increased by US\$23.0 million from US\$120.3 million as at 31 December 2012 to US\$143.3 million as at 31 December 2013, which is in line with the expansion of the Group's operations.

Inventory

The inventories held by the Group increased by US\$39.7 million from US\$330.4 million as at 31 December 2012 to US\$370.1 million as at 31 December 2013, primarily due to the inventories of raw materials and spare parts of the Group as at 31 December 2013 increased by US\$34.8 million as compared with that of 31 December 2012 to meet the production plan and changes in the market.

Trade payables

In line with the expansion of the Group's operations, trade payables of the Group increased by US\$47.3 million from US\$192.1 million as at 31 December 2012 to US\$239.4 million as at 31 December 2013.

Capital expenditure

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2013	2012
	(US\$'000)	(US\$'000)
Mining and ore processing facilities		
at Southeast Mine of NFCA	60,446	24,484
Other mining and ore processing facilities of NFCA	18,761	15,542
Mining and ore processing facilities		
at Luanshya (Baluba Center Mine)	19,228	15,874
Mining and leaching facilities at		
Luanshya (Muliashi Project)	42,989	63,313
Smelting facilities at CCS	36,787	70,750
Leaching facilities at SML	16,538	1,593
Leaching facilities at Huachin Metals Leach		
SPRL	5,624	8,494
Leaching facilities at CNMC Mabende	67,793	1,904
Total	268,166	201,954

The total capital expenditure of the Group increased by US\$66 million from US\$202 million in 2012 to US\$268 million in 2013. During the reporting period, the capital expenditure of the Group was primarily used in the Muliashi Project, Mabende Project and the expansion project of Southeast Mine.

Market risk disclosure

In the normal course of business, the Group's market risks mainly comprise commodity price risk, foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk.

Commodity price risk

The Group's commodity price risk is mainly the exposure to fluctuations in the market price of copper which affect the prices of the major commodities purchased, produced and sold by the Group. To mitigate this risk, the Group has entered into copper futures contracts and provisional price arrangement to manage its exposure in relation to forecasted sales of copper products, forecasted purchase of copper concentrate, inventories and the Group's commitment to sell its copper products.

Foreign currency exchange risk

The Group operates business in Zambia and the DRC and most of its sales and purchases in the past were denominated in US dollar, its functional currency, while certain sales and purchases were settled in currencies other than its functional currency (mainly Zambia Kwacha, or ZMK, and Reminbi, or RMB), which exposed the Group to foreign currency risk. In addition, according to the latest policies of Zambian government, all sales and purchases in Zambia are required to be quoted and paid in ZMK, which affects the Group's business operation. During the reporting period, the Group did not engage in any foreign currency hedging activities. The Group minimized the effect of such risk primarily through fixing the transactions price at the same timing.

Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk of cash flow under the impact of interest rates changes of interest-bearing financial assets and liabilities which mainly include interest-bearing restricted bank balances, bank balances and bank and other borrowings at variable interest rates. The Group currently does not have any interest rate hedging policy. However, the Directors of the Group will consider hedging significant interest rate risk should the need arise.

Human resources

As of 31 December 2013, the Group employed a total of 6,482 employees (as of 31 December 2012: 6,159 employees). The total cost of employees reflected in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income amounted to approximately US\$96.5 million (in 2012: US\$85.7 million). The increase in the cost of employees was attributable to the increase in the number of and benefits for employees.

2014 OUTLOOK

Looking into 2014, the effect of European debt crisis and the uncertainties in world economic environment will persist. The quantitative easing monetary policy adopted by the United States increased pressure on emerging economies' structural adjustments. China has set a lower growth rate for its economy and adopted a moderately tighter monetary policy. All these factors make the economic environment in 2014 more complicated and volatile. As the demand for base metals, particularly copper, has been dampened, a substantial price recovery is unlikely. However, from a long-term perspective, with the further development of industrialisation and urbanisation in China, the region development still has room to recover, which lay a foundation and creates opportunities for economy to maintain moderate and rapid development in the near future. As the vigorous development of Chinese economy, we may see gradual recovery in the global market and increase in demand for copper. Therefore, it is optimistic in copper price in the long run.

In 2014, the Group will continue to increase investments in geological exploration and development, pay great attention to and more efforts in expanding the exploration area, as well as exploration in the surrounding areas and in the depth of the existing mines. Meanwhile, the Group will continue to identify suitable acquisition targets in regions with rich copper resources such as Zambia and the DRC, with an aim to increase the Group's resources.

The Group will continue to optimise internal management, intensify cost control and improve operation efficiency, so as to secure its profitability. The Group will continue to pay due efforts in its mining activities at Chambishi Main Mine, Chambishi West Mine and Baluba Center Mine, so as to increase the production volume of copper concentrate from its own mines. Great efforts will be put to the management of the technology of CCS, Muliashi Leaching and Smelting, SML, Huachin Metals and CNMC-Mabende to improve the output and quality of blister copper, copper cathode and sulfuric acid, with a view to further increase the existing production capacity and returns.

Meanwhile, by facilitating the completed projects, i.e. the 40,000-tonne Muliashi project, 20,000-tonne Mabende Project and the phase II of the the 250,000-tonne (600,000 tonnes sulfuric acid) copper smelting project, to achieve their designed capacity, the Group will continue to carry out the construction of Chambishi Southeast Mine, vigorously speed up the development of new mines such as the Mwambashi Mine and Muliashi South Oxidize, accelerate the implementation of the slag copper recovery project and the cobalt smelting project, so as to increase the self-sufficiency rate of our smelting plants, expand the leaching and smelting capacity, and thus leverage the advantages of vertical integration to improve profitability. The capacity and benefit of the completed projects will be further stimulated while the construction of Chambishi South Mine will be facilitated. In addition, Mwambashi Strip Mine and the slag copper recovery project commence production while the Muliashi South Oxidize and the cobalt smelting project will commence substantial implementation.

OTHER INFORMATION

DIVIDEND

The Board recommends the payment of a final dividend of US\$0.2 cent per ordinary share in respect of the year (“Final Dividend”). The proposed final dividend is subject to the approval of the Company’s shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting and payable in Hong Kong dollars which will be calculated at the market exchange rate on or before 30 June 2014 to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on 29 May 2014 (the “Record Date”).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It is proposed that the annual general meeting of the Company (“AGM”) will be held on Friday, 23 May 2014. Notice of the AGM will be published and issued to shareholders in due course.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

For Annual General Meeting

The share register of the Company will be closed from Monday, 19 May 2014 to Friday, 23 May 2014 (both days inclusive), during which no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to be entitled to attend the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company, all completed share transfer forms accompanying with the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited of Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 16 May 2014.

For Final Dividend

The distribution of the Final Dividend recommended by the Board shall be approved by Shareholders in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. The Register of Members of the Company will be closed on Thursday, 29 May 2014 during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. To be qualified to the Final Dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Share Registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited of Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on 28 May 2014.

CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings as set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("Model Code") as contained in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules.

The Company had made specific enquiry to all the Directors and confirmed that all of them have complied with the Model Code for the year ended 31 December 2013.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2013, none of the Directors or chief executive had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance of Hong Kong (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the “SFO”)) which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) pursuant to Division 7 and 8 at the Part XV of the SFO; or interest or short positions required to be recorded in the register kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO; or interests or short positions which fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES

At no time during the period were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares of the Company granted to any director or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company, or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable those persons to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As of 31 December 2013, so far as it is known to the Director and chief executive of the Company, interests or short positions which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the provisions of Division 2 and 3 at the Part XV of the SFO is as follows:

Substantial Shareholder	Capacity/Nature of interest	Long/short position	Number of shares	Approximate percentage of shareholdings
China Nonferrous Mining Development Limited (Note)	Registered owner	Long position	2,600,000,000	74.52%
CNMC	Interest in a controlled corporation	Long position	2,600,000,000	74.52%

Note: China Nonferrous Mining Development Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CNMC and therefore, by virtue of the SFO, CNMC is deemed or taken to be interested in all the shares which are owned by China Nonferrous Mining Development Limited.

As at 31 December 2013, each of the following entities were directly or indirectly interested in 10% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meeting of any other members of the Group:

Member of the Group	Entity with 10% or more interest (other than member of the Group)	Percentage of that entity's interest
NFCA	Zambia Consolidated Copper Mines Investments Holdings Plc ("ZCCM-IH")	15%
Luanshya	ZCCM-IH	20%
CCS	Yunnan Copper Group	40%
SML	Hainan Sino-Africa Mining Investment Ltd	30%
Huachin Metals	Huachin SPRL	37.5%
Kakoso Company	Shenzen Resources Limited	12%
CNMC-Mabende	Huachin SPRL	40%

Save as disclosed above and in the paragraph headed "Directors' and chief executive's interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares", as at 31 December 2013, no person had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that was required to be recorded pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Group has complied with the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules as at 31 December 2013.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has an Audit Committee which was established with written terms of reference in compliance with Rules 3.22 of the Listing Rules and paragraph C3 of the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report at Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules. The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to supervise the financial reporting process and internal control system of the Group. The Audit Committee consists of three members being Mr. Tao Luo (non-executive Director), Mr. Jingwei Liu (independent non-executive Director) and Mr. Shuang Chen (independent non-executive Director). The Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013 have been reviewed by the committee, who were of the opinion that such statements complied with the applicable accounting standards, the Listing Rules and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures had been made.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year ended 31 December 2013.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL RESULTS AND ANNUAL REPORT

The annual results announcement is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange (<http://www.hkexnews.hk>) and the Company (<http://www.cnmcl.net>). The annual report will be despatched to the shareholders and will be available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By Order of the Board
China Nonferrous Mining Corporation Limited
Tao LUO
Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 March 2014

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of the Company comprises Mr. Xinghu Tao, Mr. Chunlai Wang, Mr. Xingeng Luo, Mr. Xinguo Yang, Mr. Kaishou Xie, as executive Directors; Mr. Tao Luo as non-executive Director; Mr. Chuanyao Sun, Mr. Jingwei Liu and Mr. Shuang Chen as independent non-executive Directors.