

Santiago de Chile, November 25, 2016 - Corporación Nacional del Cobre (CODELCO) reported September 30, 2016 operational and financial results:

- Nine months ended September 30, 2016 revenues were US\$ 8.1 billion, 7.1% below the reported US\$ 8.7 billion for the nine months of 2015, due to the 17.1% decrease in the average LME copper price, partially offset by an increase in the copper volume sold.
- Adjusted EBITDA for the nine months of 2016 was US\$ 1.9 billion (23.7% margin) compared to US\$ 3.0 million (34.7% margin) in the same period of 2015 principally due to the decrease in the average copper price during 2016.
- Loss before taxes in the nine months of 2016 was US\$ 18.3 million (-0.2% of sales), compared to a profit of US\$ 1.2 billion (14.0% of sales) in the same period of 2015 basically due to a lower average copper price and the impact of the foreign exchange rate differences due to the strength of the Chilean peso to CLP 659 per dollar as of September 30, 2016 from CLP 707 per dollar as of December 30, 2015.
- Own copper mine production in the nine months of 2016, achieved a new record of 1.27 million tons despite having reached its historical lowest ore grade of 0.71% mainly due to higher production of Chuquicamata, Salvador and Mina Ministro Hales Divisions. Nonetheless, total production including El Abra and Anglo American Sur shares, decreased 0.9% in the nine months of 2016 to 1.37 thousand tons compared to 1.38 million tons for the same period of 2015, especially due to lower production coming from Anglo American Sur, El Abra and Andina division.
- Direct Cash Cost C1 per pound of copper was US¢ 127.1 in the nine months of 2016, compared to US¢ 138.2 in the same period of 2015. This decrease of 8.0% is primarily attributable to the control cost program reflected in savings in salaries and wages, materials and third party services, helped by the global decrease in the fuel price and the benefit of a weaker average exchange rate for the first half 2016 (CLP 680 per dollar) compared to the same period of 2015 (CLP 640 per dollar).
- Operating cash flows totaled US\$ 1.25 billion in the nine months of 2016 compared to US\$ 1.57 billion in the same period of 2015 principally due to the decrease in the income from sales of goods due to lower copper and molybdenum prices as well as lower income from other operational activities.
- Capex program has been adjusted to US\$18 billion for the five-year period ending in 2020, changing from a simultaneous project development plan to a sequential development strategy.



## **SUMMARY FINANCIAL AND OPERATING DATA**

September 30,

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	2016 2015	2016	Va	riation
		2015	Amount	%
Copper Production* ('000 mft)	1,366	1,379	(13)	(0.9)
Own Molybdenum Production ('000 mft)	23.0	20.2	2.8	13.9
Cash Cost (Usc/Pound)	127.1	138.2	(11.1)	(8.0)
Copper Sales ('000 mft)	1,367	1,257	110	8.8
Molybdenum Sales ('000 mft)	22	19	3	15.8
LME Copper Price (Usc/Pound)	214.3	258.5	(44.2)	(17.1)
Metals Week Molybdenum Price (US\$/Pound)	6.4	7.2	(0.8)	(11.1)
Average Exchange Rate (CLP/US\$)	680	640	40	6.3
Closing Exchange Rate (CLP/US\$)	659	705	(46)	(6.5)
Total Revenues (US\$ mn)	8,104	8,724	(620)	(7.1)
Gross Profit (US\$ mn)	1,062	1,553	(491)	(31.6)
Gross Margin (%)	13.1	17.8	(4.7)	(26.4)
Adjusted EBITDA (US\$ mn)	1,922	3,025	(1,103)	(36.5)
Adjusted Mining EBITDA Margin (%)	23.7	34.7	(11.0)	(31.7)
Net Financial Debt** (US\$ mn)	13,927	12,541	1,386	11.1
Net Interest Expense (US\$mn)	408	355	53	14.9
Net Debt to LTM Adjusted EBITDA	5.6	2.9	2.7	93.1
Adjusted EBITDA to Net Interest Expenses	4.7	8.5	(3.8)	(44.7)
Net Debt to total Capitalization (%)	58.2	48.4	9.8	20.2
Contribution to the Chilean Treasury	733	955	(222)	(23.2)

<sup>\*</sup>Includes El Abra and Anglo American Sur shares of production relative to Codelco

<sup>\*\*</sup>Net of cash and cash equivalents. Excludes Mitsui debt to acquire 20% of Anglo American Sur asset, because is non-recourse to CODELCO



### **OPERATION: PRODUCTION, REVENUES & COST**

Consolidated Production.- Consolidated copper mine production, including El Abra and Anglo American Sur shares, decreased 0.9% in the nine months of 2016 to 1,366 thousand tons compared to 1,379 thousand tons for the same period of 2015, mainly due to lower production coming from El Abra, Anglo American Sur and Andina division, partially offset by higher production in Chuquicamata, Mina Ministro Hales and Salvador divisions. On the other hand, Codelco's own production increased 1.2% in the nine months of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015. Production increased due to higher mineral ore processed partially offset by lower ore grade. Lower production in Andina division is the direct consequence of a diminished ore grade in addition to a lower mineral ore processed due to its operational stabilization processes and environmental incidents during 2016. Furthermore, molybdenum production in the nine months of 2016 increased by 13.9% to 22,969 tons from 20,223 tons in the same period of 2015 especially due to higher production in Chuquicamata.

## **Codelco Total Copper Production**

	September 30,	
	2016	2015
Chuquicamata Division	229	209
Radomiro Tomic Division	235	234
Ministro Hales	184	172
Gabriela Mistral Division	92	91
El Teniente Division	353	356
Andina Division	141	167
Salvador Division	43	29
El Abra <sup>(1)</sup>	38	56
Anglo American Sur <sup>(2)</sup>	53	64
CODELCO Total Production	1,366	1,379

<sup>(1)</sup> CODELCO's figures presented for EI Abra include 49% of the mine's total production (the share of production which corresponds to CODELCO's 49% ownership interest in the mine).

CODELCO's figures presented for Anglo American Sur include 20% of the mine's total production (the share of production which corresponds to CODELCO's 20% ownership interest in the mine).

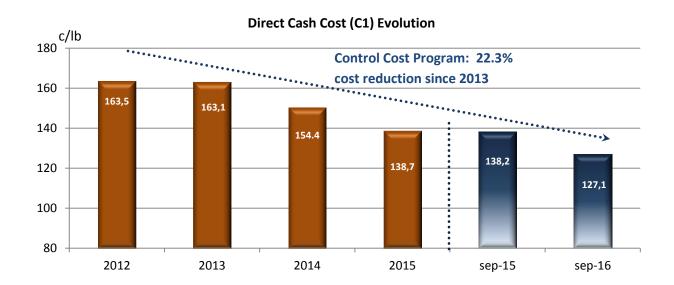


Consolidated Revenues.- The nine months of 2016 revenues decreased 7.1% to US\$ 8.1 billion compared to the same period of 2015. Revenues from own copper sales decreased 5.8% mainly due to the decline of the average LME copper price, 17.1%, partially offset by an increase in the volume sold during the first half of 2016 compared to the same period of 2015. Moreover, third-party copper sales decreased 14.5%.

Consolidated Costs.- Unit cash costs will vary with the fluctuations in payable production and average realized prices for by-products. In the nine months of 2016, CODELCO's cash cost was 127.1 cents per pound, compared to 138.2 cents per pound in the same period of 2015. A decrease of 8.0% primarily attributable to:

- 1) Lower operational costs: savings in wages, third party services, materials and fuel.
- 2) Favorable exchange rate movements (September 2016 average exchange rate of CLP 680 per dollar compared to CLP 640 per dollar for the same period of 2015)

The cash cost reduction trend evidence the consolidation of the control cost program.





### **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE: STRUCTURAL PROJECTS**

Capex program has been adjusted to US\$18 billion for the five-year period ending in 2020, changing from a simultaneous project development plan to a sequential development strategy that will allow:

- ✓ Better project management
- ✓ Resources availability
- ✓ Ensure solutions to technical problems
- ✓ Safeguarding production levels, among others

Chuquicamata Undergound.- Progressing as scheduled through the development of major mining contracts' works (37.2% as of September 2016).

Andina Plant Reallocation. - Progressing as scheduled (26.6% as of September 2016) and potential improvement of projected completion date.

El Teniente New Mine Level.- Significant progress in the tunnels strengthening, electrical infrastructure, ventilation tunnels and mine.

Projects under Prefeasibility Studies. - Codelco is close to completing Andina Expansion and Inca Pit projects prefeasibility studies.

North District Desalination Plant.- Detailed engineering developed and currently outsourcing options under evaluation.

New Emission Standards for Smelters (DS N°28).- Ventanas has already achieved 72% of the CAPEX program and projects will be completed by December 2016. In the cases of Chuquicamata, Salvador and El Teniente the accomplishment reached 10%, 42% and 7% respectively and the completions are scheduled for December 2018. Total CAPEX for the fulfillment of the new standards is US\$ 1.8 billion.



### **AVERAGE METAL PRICE**

	LME Copper (US\$/lb.)	COMEX Copper (US\$/lb.)	Molybdenum (US\$/lb.)
1Q 2016	2.12	2.11	5.27
2Q 2016	2.15	2.13	6.89
3Q 2016	2.17	2.16	6.94
9M 2016	2.14	2.13	6.37
1Q 2015	2.64	2.66	8.41
2Q 2015	2.75	2.77	7.45
3Q 2015	2.38	2.40	5.75
4Q 2015	2.22	2.20	4.75
9M 2015	2.59	2.61	7.20
Average 2015	2.50	2.51	6.59
Variation: 3Q 2016 vs. 3Q 2015	(8.8)%	(10.0)%	20.7%
Variation: 3Q 2016 vs. 2Q 2016	0.9%	1.4%	0.7%
Variation: 9M 2016 vs. 9M 2015	(17.4)%	(18.4)%	(11.5)%

### **CASH FLOWS**

For the nine months of 2016, net cash flow from operating activities decreased 20.4% totaling US\$ 1.25 billion in the nine months of 2016 compared to US\$ 1.57 billion in the same period of 2015 principally due to the decrease in the income from sales of goods due to lower copper and molybdenum prices as well as lower income from other operational activities.

### **CASH AND DEBT**

As of September 30, 2016, CODELCO had consolidated cash and cash equivalents for US\$ 576 million compared to US\$ 2.29 billion at the same date of 2015. As of September 30, 2016, CODELCO's financial debt achieved US\$ 14.5 billion compared to US\$ 14.8 billion at the same date of 2015. CODELCO's financial debt excludes the loan from Mitsui, non-recourse to CODELCO, to execute the Anglo American Sur option to acquire 20% of the asset. CODELCO's net financial debt\* reached US\$ 13.9 billion as of September 30, 2016 compared to US\$ 12.5 the year before. During the nine months of 2016 debt increase includes the issuance of CODELCO 2026 for UF 10 million (approximately US\$ 406 million) in August 2016 in the local capital markets. Regarding the bank market, since October 2015 CODELCO had paid bilateral loan maturities for US\$977 million and short-term lines of credit have increased in US\$ 153.5 million.

<sup>\*</sup> Net of cash and cash equivalents. Excludes Mitsui debt to acquire 20% of Anglo American Sur asset, because is non-recourse to CODELC



## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Profit (loss)	1/1/2016 9/30/2016	1/1/2015 9/30/2015	Var Amnt	%
Revenue	8,103,522	8,724,114	(620,592)	(7.1)
Cost of sales	(7,041,990)	(7,170,836)	128,846	(1.8)
Gross profit	1,061,532	1,553,278	(491,746)	(31.7)
Other Income, by function	95,150	70,006	25,144	35.9
Distribution costs	(8,764)	(7,370)	(1,394)	18.9
Administrative expenses	(257,237)	(306,550)	49,313	(16.1)
Other expenses	(814,715)	(878,753)	64,038	(7.3)
Other gains (losses)	21,602	20,143	1,459	7.2
Profit (losses) from operating activities	97,568	450,754	(353,186)	(78.4)
Finance income	18,157	11,778	6,379	54.2
Finance costs	(426,075)	(366,338)	(59,737)	16.3
Share of profit of associates and joint ventures				
accounted for using the equity method	(54,051)	48,369	(102,420)	(211.7)
Foreign exchange differences	(257,456)	434,217	(691,673)	(159.3)
Profit for the period before tax	(621,857)	578,780	(1,200,637)	(207.4)
Income tax expense	308,228	(620,912)	929,140	(149.6)
Profit for the period	(313,629)	(42,132)	(271,497)	644.4
Profit (loss) attributable to:				
Profit attributable to owners of the parent	(297,305)	(24,517)	(272,788)	1,112.6
Loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(16,324)	(17,615)	1,291	(7.3)
Profit for the period	(313,629)	(42,132)	(271,497)	644.4



## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

	9/30/2016	9/30/2015
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	576,024	2,288,978
Other current financial asset	4,517	26,412
Other current non-financial assets	46,551	50,658
Trade and other current receivables	1,712,169	1,810,063
Accounts receivables due from related companies, current	1,885	20,825
Inventory	1,935,590	2,501,521
Current tax asset	259,439	223,745
Total current assets	4,536,175	6,922,202
Non-current asset		
Non-current inventories	332,598	42,421
Other non-current financial assets	65,496	26,633
Other non-current non-financial assets	19,625	91,361
Non-current receivables	124,604	224
Accounts receivables due from related companies, non-current	22,915	6,664,270
Investment accounted for using the equity method	3,908,412	19,319
Intangible assets other than goodwill	195,921	22,858,137
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	23,123,025	5,766
Investment property	5,893	
Total non-current asset	27,798,489	29,708,131
TOTAL ASSETS	32,334,664	36,630,333



## Liabilities

	9/30/2016	9/30/2015
Current liabilities		
Other current financial liabilities	1,147,133	1,316,242
Trade and other current payables	919,579	1,032,102
Accounts payables to related companies, current	99,019	194,783
Other current provisions	200,051	326,515
Current tax liabilities	4,904	3,324
Current employee benefit accruals	368,736	390,550
Other current non- financial liabilities	124,404	90,029
Total current liabilities	2,863,826	3,353,545
Non-current liabilities		
Other non-current financial liabilities	14,462,546	14,639,958
Other non-current liabilities	68,160	-
Accounts payables to related companies, non-current	-	167,078
Other non-current provisions and accrued expenses	1,307,083	1,176,773
Deferred tax liabilities	2,925,062	4,627,672
Non-current employee benefit accruals	1,288,521	1,234,952
Other non-current non-financial liabilities	4,553	3,408
Total non-current liabilities	20,055,925	21,849,841
Total liabilities	22,919,751	25,203,386
Equity		
Issued Capital	2,524,423	2,524,423
Retained earnings	(47,689)	1,501,497
Other Reserves	5,912,201	5,540,162
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	8,388,935	9,566,082
Non-controlling interests	1,025,978	1,860,865
Total equity	9,414,913	11,426,947
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	32,334,664	36,630,333



## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

Cash flow provided by (used in) operating activities:	1/1/2016 9/30/2016	1/1/2015 9/30/2015
Cash income provided by operating activities		
Cash flows provided by sales of goods and rendering of services	8,427,151	8,611,238
Other cash flows provided by operating activities	1,118,562	1,340,579
Types of cash payments	1,110,302	1,340,373
Payments to suppliers for goods and services	(5,576,271)	(5,500,695)
Payments to and on behalf of employees	(1,237,992)	(1,304,668)
Other cash flows used in operating activities	(1,503,301)	(1,542,174)
Dividends received	49,509	180,446
Income taxes paid	(25,630)	(217,766)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	1,252,028	1,566,960
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities:	1,232,020	1,300,300
Other payments to acquire equity or debt instruments of other entities	(5,030)	(2,311)
Purchases of property plant and equipment	(2,486,471)	(2,231,437)
Interest received	10,246	4,904
Other inflows (outflows) of cash	138,787	(23,784)
Net cash flows from (used in) investing activities	(2,342,468)	(2,252,629)
Cash flows used in financing activities:	(2)3-12)-100)	(2)232,0237
Proceeds from current borrowings	856,682	2,648,169
Repayments of borrowings	(500,145)	(583,372)
Dividens paid	(300,113)	(303,372)
Interest paid	(437,049)	(385,197)
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(80,512)	1,679,600
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents before foreign		
exchange difference	(1,170,952)	993,931
Foreign Exchange Rate Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash	(= )	(
equivalents	(742)	(15,569)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,171,694)	978,362
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,747,718	1,310,616
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	576,024	2,288,978



### **COMPANY PROFILE**

CODELCO is the world's largest copper producer engaging primarily in the exploration, development and extraction of ores bearing copper and by-products, the processing of ore into refined copper and the international sale of refined copper and by-products. CODELCO is 100% owned by the Republic of Chile and controls approximately 7% of the world proven and probable copper reserves; as such term is defined by the U.S. Geological Survey. In 2015, CODELCO had an estimated 10% share of the total world copper production, with production of approximately 1.89 million metric tons (including CODELCO's share in the El Abra deposit, which is mined by Sociedad Contractual Minera El Abra and its share in Anglo American Sur) and an estimated 10% share of the world's molybdenum production with own production of approximately 27,684 metric tons.

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