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REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16  
OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Includes the free translation of a material event sent by Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. to the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros de Chile on April 24, 2007.

SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

CHEMICAL AND MINING COMPANY OF CHILE INC.  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

El Trovador 4285, Santiago, Chile (562) 425-2000  
(Address and phone number of principal executive offices)

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Yes  o

No  x

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On April 24, 2007, the Registrant filed with the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros of Chile (the "SVS") a report that included information as to the Registrant's consolidated financial condition and results of operations for the three-month period ended on March 31, 2007. Attached is a summary of such consolidated financial information included in the summary and in the report filed with the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros of Chile. This financial information was prepared on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in Chile and does not include a reconciliation of such information to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

THIS REPORT IS AN ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF, AND A CHILEAN GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES PRESENTATION OF, A THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2007 REPORT FILED WITH THE SUPERINTENDENCIA DE VALORES Y SEGUROS (SVS) IN CHILE, AND UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, FIGURES ARE IN US DOLLARS.

*Consolidated Financial Statements*

***SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.***

*Santiago, Chile*

*March 31, 2007 and 2006*

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Consolidated Financial Statements

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**

As of March 31, 2007 and 2006  
and for the years ended March 31, 2007 and 2006  
(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))

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Ch\$ - Chilean pesos

ThCh \$ - Thousands of Chilean pesos

US\$ - United States dollars

ThUS\$ - Thousands of United States dollars

ThEuro - Thousands of Euros

UF - The UF is an inflation-indexed, Chilean peso-denominated monetary unit. The UF rate is set daily in advance, based on the change in the Consumer Price Index of the previous month.

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**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))

|  | Note     | As of March 31,<br>2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$   |
|--|----------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>  |          |                                   |                  |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                |          |                                   |                  |
| Cash   |          | 18,078                            | 19,457           |
| Time deposits  |          | 31,934                            | 45,966           |
| Marketable securities                                | 4        | 118,229                           | 63,360           |
| Accounts receivable, net                             | 5        | 167,180                           | 172,345          |
| Other accounts receivable, net                       | 5        | 10,341                            | 12,442           |
| Accounts receivable from related companies           | 6        | 75,029                            | 47,619           |
| Inventories, net                                     | 7        | 384,042                           | 376,208          |
| Recoverable taxes                                    |          | 34,042                            | 27,551           |
| Prepaid expenses                                     |          | 7,831                             | 7,313            |
| Deferred income taxes                                | 15       | -                                 | 6,519            |
| Other current assets                                 |          | 11,538                            | 8,686            |
| <b>Total current assets</b>                          |          | <b>858,244</b>                    | <b>787,466</b>   |
| <b>Property, plant and equipment, net</b>            | <b>8</b> | <b>932,544</b>                    | <b>867,160</b>   |
| <b>Other Assets</b>                                  |          |                                   |                  |
| Investments in related companies                     | 9        | 18,962                            | 21,045           |
| Goodwill, net  | 10       | 35,762                            | 46,387           |
| Negative goodwill, net                               | 10       | (1,928)                           | (17)             |
| Intangible assets, net                               |          | 4,353                             | 5,152            |
| Long-term accounts receivable, net                   | 5        | 390                               | 288              |
| Long-term accounts receivable from related companies | 6        | 2,118                             | 2,000            |
| Other long-term assets                               | 11       | 45,745                            | 50,043           |
| <b>Total Other Assets</b>                            |          | <b>105,402</b>                    | <b>124,898</b>   |
| <b>Total assets</b>                                  |          | <b>1,896,190</b>                  | <b>1,779,524</b> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))

|   | Note | As of March 31,<br>2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$   |
|---|------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>       |      |                                   |                  |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>                        |      |                                   |                  |
| Short-term bank debt                              | 12   | 32,133                            | 67,710           |
| Current portion of long-term debt                 | 12   | 1,966                             | 201,088          |
| Current portion of bonds payable                  | 13   | 9,574                             | 1,348            |
| Dividends payable                                 |      | 262                               | 227              |
| Accounts payable                                  |      | 85,220                            | 83,032           |
| Other accounts payable                            |      | 816                               | 1,085            |
| Notes and accounts payable to related companies   | 6    | 704                               | 2,852            |
| Accrued liabilities                               | 14   | 21,453                            | 19,203           |
| Withholdings                                      |      | 9,156                             | 14,078           |
| Income taxes                                      |      | 11,879                            | 29,348           |
| Deferred income                                   |      | 1,748                             | 6,580            |
| Deferred income taxes                             | 15   | 3,478                             | -                |
| Other current liabilities                         |      | 2,171                             | 392              |
| <b>Total current liabilities</b>                  |      | <b>180,560</b>                    | <b>426,943</b>   |
| <b>Long-term liabilities</b>                      |      |                                   |                  |
| Long-term bank debt                               | 12   | 180,000                           | 100,000          |
| Long-term Obligations with the Public (Bonds)     | 13   | 299,689                           | 102,119          |
| Other accounts payable                            |      | 790                               | 986              |
| Deferred income taxes                             | 15   | 48,530                            | 43,550           |
| Staff severance indemnities                       | 16   | 19,264                            | 17,753           |
| <b>Total long-term liabilities</b>                |      | <b>548,273</b>                    | <b>264,408</b>   |
| <b>Minority interest</b>                          | 17   | <b>39,034</b>                     | <b>34,950</b>    |
| <b>Shareholders' equity</b>                       |      |                                   |                  |
| Paid-in capital                                   | 18   | 477,386                           | 477,386          |
| Other reserves                                    | 18   | 154,601                           | 155,807          |
| Retained earnings                                 | 18   | 496,336                           | 420,030          |
| <b>Total shareholders' equity</b>                 |      | <b>1,128,323</b>                  | <b>1,053,223</b> |
| <b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b> |      | <b>1,896,190</b>                  | <b>1,779,524</b> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
 Consolidated Statements of Income  
 (A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))

|                                     |      | <b>For the years ended<br/>March 31,</b> |                        |
|-------------------------------------|------|--|------------------------|
|                                     | Note | <b>2007<br/>ThUS\$</b>                   | <b>2006<br/>ThUS\$</b> |
| <b>Operating results</b>            |      |  |                        |
| Sales                               |      | 237,149                                  | 219,136                |
| Cost of sales                       |      | (164,120)                                | (154,951)              |
| Gross margin                        |      | 73,029                                   | 64,185                 |
| Selling and administrative expenses |      | (14,232)                                 | (15,633)               |
| Operating income                    |      | 58,797                                   | 48,552                 |
| <b>Non-operating results</b>        |      |  |                        |
| Non-operating income                | 20   | 8,249                                    | 4,519                  |
| Non-operating expenses              | 20   | (12,973)                                 | (10,057)               |
| Non-operating loss                  |      | (4,724)                                  | (5,538)                |
| Income before income taxes          |      | 54,073                                   | 43,014                 |
| Income tax expense                  | 15   | (10,557)                                 | (8,391)                |
| Income before minority interest     |      | 43,516                                   | 34,623                 |
| Minority interest                   | 17   | (553)                                    | (387)                  |
| Net income before negative goodwill |      | 42,963                                   | 34,236                 |
| Amortization of negative goodwill   | 10   | -  | 51                     |
| Net income for the year             |      | 42,963                                   | 34,287                 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))

|   | For the years ended<br>March 31, |          |
|---|----------------------------------|----------|
|   | 2007                             | 2006     |
|   | ThUS\$                           | ThUS\$   |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>                                 |                                  |          |
| Net income for the year   | 42,963                           | 34,287   |
| <b>Charges (credits) to income not representing cash flows</b>              |                                  |          |
| Depreciation expense  | 8                                | 22,750   |
| Amortization of intangible assets   |                                  | 169      |
| Write-offs and accruals   |                                  | 6,944    |
| Gain on equity investments in related companies                             |                                  | (456)    |
| Loss on equity investments in related companies                             |                                  | -        |
| Amortization of goodwill  | 10                               | 558      |
| Amortization of negative goodwill   | 10                               | -        |
| (Profit) loss on sales of assets  |                                  | (2)      |
| Loss from sale of investments   |                                  | -        |
| Other credits to income not representing cash flows                         |                                  | (966)    |
| Other charges to income not representing cash flows                         |                                  | 26,599   |
| Foreign exchange difference, net  |                                  | 870      |
| <b>Net changes in operating assets and liabilities (Increase) decrease:</b> |                                  |          |
| Trade accounts receivable   |                                  | (3,766)  |
| Inventories   |                                  | (20,834) |
| Other assets  |                                  | (11,804) |
| Accounts payable  |                                  | (6,265)  |
| Interest payable  |                                  | 2,954    |
| Net income taxes payable  |                                  | (6,432)  |
| Other accounts payable  |                                  | (1,793)  |
| VAT and taxes payable   |                                  | (1,837)  |
| Minority interest   | 17                               | 553      |
| Net cash provided from operating activities                                 |                                  | 387      |
|   | 50,205                           | 39,821   |
| <b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>                                 |                                  |          |
| Proceeds from short term bank financing                                     |                                  | -        |
| Bonds payable   |                                  | 10,000   |
| Payment of dividends  |                                  | -        |
| Repayment of bank financing   |                                  | (56)     |
| Net cash used in financing activities                                       |                                  | (25,000) |
|   |                                  | (25,056) |
|   |                                  | 80,929   |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>                                 |                                  |          |
| Other investing income  | 24                               | 97       |
| Additions to property, plant and equipment                                  |                                  | (37,794) |
| Capitalized interest  |                                  | (3,038)  |
|   |                                  | -        |

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| Purchase of permanent investments                  | -              | (114,035)      |
| Other disbursements                                | (136)          | -              |
| Net cash used in investing activities              | (40,871)       | (140,169)      |
| Effect of inflation on cash and cash equivalents   | 20             | 464            |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents            | (15,702)       | (18,955)       |
| Beginning balance of cash and cash equivalents     | 183,943        | 147,956        |
| <b>Ending balance of cash and cash equivalents</b> | <b>168,241</b> | <b>129,001</b> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 1 - Company Background**

Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (the “Company”) was registered with the Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance (“SVS”) on March 18, 1983.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**a) Basis for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in U.S. dollars in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Chile (“Chilean GAAP”) and the regulations of the SVS. Certain accounting practices applied by the Company that conform with Chilean GAAP may not conform with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (“US GAAP”). For the convenience of the reader, the consolidated financial statements and their accompanying notes have been translated from Spanish into English.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (the “Parent Company”) and subsidiaries (companies in which the Parent Company holds a controlling participation, generally equal to direct or indirect ownership of more than 50%). The Parent Company and its subsidiaries are referred to as the “Company”.

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

In accordance SVS Circular No. 1,697 and Technical Bulletins Nos. 64 and 72 of the Chilean Association of Accountants, the consolidated financial statements include the following subsidiaries:

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**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)****Basis for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

|   | Direct or indirect ownership |           |
|---|------------------------------|-----------|
|   | 2007<br>%                    | 2006<br>% |
| <b>Foreign subsidiaries:</b>                              |                              |           |
| Nitrate Corp. of Chile Limited (United Kingdom)           | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Soquimich SRL - Argentina                                 | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Nitratos Naturais do Chile Ltda. (Brazil)                 | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Europe NV (Belgium)                                   | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM North America Corp. (USA)                             | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| North American Trading Company (USA)                      | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Peru S.A.   | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Corporation NV (Dutch Antilles)                       | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| S.Q.I. Corporation NV (Dutch Antilles)                    | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Soquimich European Holding BV (Holland)                   | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| PTM - SQM Ibérica S.A. (Spain)                            | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQMC Holding Corporation LLP (USA)                        | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Ecuador S.A.  | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Cape Fear Bulk LLC (USA)                                  | 51.00                        | 51.00     |
| SQM Investment Corporation NV (Dutch Antilles)            | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Brasil Ltda.  | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Royal Seed Trading Corporation AVV (Aruba)                | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Japon Co. Ltda.                                       | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Oceanía PTY Limited (Australia)                       | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM France S.A.   | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| RS Agro-Chemical Trading AVV (Aruba)                      | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V.                      | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Indonesia   | 80.00                        | 80.00     |
| SQM Virginia LLC (USA)                                    | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Agricolima S.A. de C.V. (Mexico)                          | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Venezuela S.A.  | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Italia SRL (Italy)                                    | 100.00                       | 95.00     |
| Comercial Caiman Internacional S.A. (Cayman Islands)      | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Mineag SQM Africa Limited (South Africa)                  | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| Fertilizantes Olmeca y SQM S.A. de C.V. (Mexico)          | 0.00                         | 100.00    |
| Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V. (Mexico) | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Lithium Specialties LLC (USA)                         | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V. (México)                 | 51.00                        | 51.00     |
| Fertilizantes Naturales S.A.                              | 66.67                        | 66.67     |
| Iodine Minera B.V.  | 100.00                       | 100.00    |
| SQM Dubai - SZCO.   | 100.00                       | 100.00    |

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**  
**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)****Basis for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

|   | <b>Direct or indirect ownership</b> |             |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------|
|   | <b>2007</b>                         | <b>2006</b> |
|   | %                                   | %           |
| <b>Domestic subsidiaries:</b>                                 |                                     |             |
| Servicios Integrales de Tránsitos y Transferencias S.A.       | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| Soquimich Comercial S.A.                                      | 60.64                               | 60.64       |
| Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.                                     | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.                                   | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| Ajay SQM Chile S.A.   | 51.00                               | 51.00       |
| SQM Nitratos S.A.   | 99.99                               | 99.99       |
| Proinsa Ltda.   | 60.58                               | 60.58       |
| SQM Potasio S.A.  | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| SQMC International Limitada.                                  | 60.64                               | 60.64       |
| SQM Salar S.A.  | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| SQM Industrial S.A.   | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| Minera Nueva Victoria S.A.                                    | 100.00                              | 100.00      |
| Exploraciones Mineras S.A.                                    | 100.00                              | 0.00        |
| Sociedad Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A. | 100.00                              | 0.00        |
| Comercial Hydro S.A.  | 60.64                               | 60,64       |

All significant inter-company balances, transactions and unrealized gains and losses arising from transactions between these companies have been eliminated in consolidation.

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**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**  
**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**b) Period**

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared as of March 31, 2007 and 2006 and for the years then ended.

**c) Reporting currency and monetary correction**

The financial statements of the Company are prepared in U.S. dollars. As a significant portion of the Company's operations are transacted in U.S. dollars, the U.S. dollar is considered the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates.

The Parent Company and those subsidiaries which maintain their accounting records in U.S. dollars are not required, or permitted, to restate the historical dollar amounts for the effects of inflation.

The financial statements of domestic subsidiaries, which maintain their accounting records in Chilean pesos have been restated to reflect the effects of variations in the purchasing power of Chilean pesos during the year. For this purpose, and in accordance with Chilean regulations, non-monetary assets and liabilities, equity and income statement accounts have been restated in terms of year-end constant pesos based on the change in the consumer price index during the year ( 0.2% and -0.3% in 2007 and 2006, respectively). The resulting net charge or credit to income arises as a result of the gain or loss in purchasing power from the holding of non-U.S. dollar denominated monetary assets and liabilities exposed to the effects of inflation.

Prior period financial statements presented for comparative purposes have not been restated to reflect the change in the purchasing power of the Chilean pesos during the most recent year-end. In accordance with Chilean GAAP, amounts expressed in U.S. dollars, including amounts included in the consolidated financial statements as determined in prior years from the translation of financial statements of those Chilean subsidiaries which maintain their accounting records in Chilean pesos, are not adjusted for price-level changes.

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**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**d) Foreign currency**

**i) Foreign currency transactions**

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in Chilean pesos and other currencies have been translated to U.S. dollars at the observed exchange rates determined by the Central Bank of Chile in effect at each year-end of Ch\$ 539.21 per US\$1 at March 31, 2007 and Ch\$ 526.18 per US\$1 at March 31, 2006.

**ii) Translation of non-U.S. dollar financial statements**

In accordance with Chilean GAAP, the financial statements of foreign and domestic subsidiaries that do not maintain their accounting records in U.S. dollars are translated from the respective local currencies to U.S. dollars in accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 64 and No. 72 of the Chilean Association of Accountants ("BT 64-BT 72") as follows:

**a)** For those subsidiaries and affiliates located in Chile which keep their accounting records in price-level adjusted Chilean pesos:

- Balance sheet accounts are translated to U.S. dollars at the year-end exchange rate without eliminating the effects of price-level restatement.

- Income statement accounts are translated to U.S. dollars at the average exchange rate each month. The monetary correction account on the income statement, which is generated by the inclusion of price-level restatement on the non-monetary assets and liabilities and shareholders' equity, is translated to U.S. dollars at the average exchange rate for each month.

- Translation gains and losses, as well as the price-level restatement to the balance sheet mentioned above, are included as an adjustment in shareholders' equity, in conformity with Circular No. 1,697 of the SVS.

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**b)** The financial statements of those foreign subsidiaries that keep their accounting records in currencies other than the U.S. dollar have been translated at historical exchange rates as follows:

- Monetary assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates between the US dollar and the local currency.
- All non-monetary assets and liabilities and shareholders' equity are translated at historical exchange rates between the US dollar and the local currency.
- Income and expense accounts are translated at average exchange rates between the US dollar and the local currency.
  - Any exchange differences are included in the results of operations for the period.

**d) Foreign currency (continued)**

Foreign exchange differences for the period ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 generated net earnings (loss) of ThUS\$ (870) and ThUS\$ 848 respectively, which have been charged to the consolidated statements of income in each respective period.

The monetary assets and liabilities of foreign subsidiaries were translated into US dollars at the exchange rates per US dollar prevailing at March 31, as follows:

|                    | <b>2007</b> | <b>2006</b> |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                    | US\$        | US\$        |
| Brazilian Real     | 2.06        | 2.19        |
| New Peruvian Sol   | 3.18        | 3.35        |
| Argentine Peso     | 3.10        | 3.08        |
| Japanese Yen       | 118.05      | 110.00      |
| Euro               | 0.75        | 0.83        |
| Mexican Peso       | 11.05       | 10.92       |
| Indonesian Rupee   | 9,830.04    | 9,290.00    |
| Australian Dollar  | 1.24        | 1.39        |
| Pound Sterling     | 0.51        | 0.57        |
| Ecuadorian Sucre   | 1.00        | 1.00        |
| South African Rand | 7.22        | 6.28        |

The Company uses the "observed exchange rate", which is the rate determined daily by the Chilean Central Bank based on the average exchange rates at which bankers conduct authorized transactions.

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**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

**(A translation of the original in Spanish- see note 2 (a))**

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**e) Cash and cash equivalents**

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a remaining maturity of less than 90 days as of the closing date of the financial statements to be cash equivalents.

**f) Time Deposits**

Time deposits are recorded at cost plus accrued interest.

**g) Marketable securities**

Marketable securities are recorded at the lower of cost plus accrued interest or market value.

**h) Allowance for doubtful accounts**

The Company records an allowance for doubtful accounts based on estimated probable losses.

**i) Inventories and materials**

Inventories of finished products and products in process are stated at average production cost, which is presented net of provisions. Provisions have been made based on a technical study which covers the different variances which affect our products (density, moist, among others).

Materials and supplies received are stated at average acquisition and inventories in transit are stated at cost incurred at the end of the period.

The cost of inventories does not exceed its net realizable value.

**j) Income taxes and deferred income taxes**

In conformity with current Chilean tax regulations, the Company recognizes the provision for corporate income tax expense and the income tax for the mining activity on an accrual basis.

Prior to 2000, income taxes were charged to results in the same period in which the income and expenses were recorded and were calculated in accordance with the enacted tax laws in Chile and the other jurisdictions in which the Company operated.

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**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**j) Income and deferred taxes (continued)**

Under Chilean law, the Parent Company and its subsidiaries are required to file separate tax declarations.

Beginning January 1, 2000, the Company records deferred income taxes in accordance with Technical Bulletin Nos. 60, 69, 71 and 73 of the Chilean Association of Accountants, and with Circular No. 1466 issued on January 27, 2000 by the SVS, recognizing the deferred tax effects of temporary differences between the financial and tax values of assets and liabilities, using the liability method. The effect of the temporary differences at March 31, 1999 were recorded in complementary asset and liability accounts, which are recognized in the statement of operations over the estimated period in which they reverse.

**k) Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant, equipment and property rights are recorded at acquisition cost, considering in general an average residual value of 5%, except for certain assets that were restated in accordance with a technical appraisal in 1989. Depreciation for the period is calculated according to the straight-line method based on the remaining technical useful lives of assets, estimated by management.

Property, plant and equipment acquired through financial lease agreements are accounted for at the present value of the minimum lease payments plus the purchase option based on the interest rate included in each contract. The Company does not legally own these assets and therefore cannot freely dispose of them.

In conformity with Technical Bulletin No. 31 and 33 of the Chilean Association of Accountants, the Company capitalizes interest cost associated with the financing of new assets during the construction period of such assets.

Maintenance costs of plant and equipment are charged to expenses as incurred.

The Company obtains property rights and mining concessions from the Chilean state. Other than minor filing fees, the property rights are usually obtained without initial cost, and once obtained, are retained by the Company as long as the annual fees are paid. Such fees, which are paid annually in March, are recorded as prepaid assets to be amortized over the following twelve months. Values attributable to these original mining concessions are recorded in property, plant and equipment.



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**l) Investments in related companies**

Investments in related companies over which the Company has significant influence, are included in other assets and are recorded using the equity method of accounting, in accordance with SVS Circulars Nos. 368 and 1,697 and Technical Bulletins Nos. 64 and 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants. Accordingly, the Company's proportional share in the net income or loss of each investee is recognized in the non-operating income and expense classification in the consolidated statements of income on an accrual basis, after eliminating any unrealized profits from transactions with the related companies.

The translation adjustment to U.S. dollars of investments in domestic subsidiaries that maintain their accounting records and are controlled in Chilean pesos is recognized in other reserves within shareholders' equity. Direct and indirect investments in foreign subsidiaries or affiliates are controlled in U.S. dollars.

Investments in which the Company has less than 20% participation and the capacity to exert significant influence or control over the investment, because SQM forms part of its Board of Directors, have been valued using the equity method.

**m) Goodwill and negative goodwill**

Goodwill is calculated as the excess of the purchase price of companies acquired over their net book value, whereas negative goodwill occurs when the net book value exceeds the purchase price of companies acquired. Goodwill and negative goodwill resulting from equity method investments are maintained in the same currency in which the investment was made and are amortized based on the estimated period of investment return, generally 20 and 10 years for goodwill and negative goodwill, respectively.

Beginning on January 1, 2004, goodwill and negative goodwill represents the difference between the acquisition cost of the investment in a related company and the fair value of this investment at the acquisition date, which is amortized with a charge or credit to income in the expected period of return of the investment, which does not exceed 20 years.

**n) Intangible assets**

Intangible assets are stated at cost plus acquisition expenses and are amortized over a period of up to a maximum of 40 years, in accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 55 of the Chilean Association of Accountants.

**o) Mining development cost**

Mining development costs are recorded in other long-term assets and are amortized utilizing the unit of production basis.

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**p) Accrued employee severance**

The Company calculates the liability for staff severance indemnities based on the present value of the accrued benefits for the actual years of service worked assuming average employee tenure of 24 years and a real annual discount rate of 8%.

**q) Vacations**

The cost of employee vacations is recognized in the financial statements on an accrual basis.

**r) Saleback operations**

These operations are registered in Other Current Assets at the amount of the purchase. Starting at the purchase date, the respective interest is recorded in accordance with SVS Circular 768.

**s) Dividends**

Dividends are generally declared in U.S. dollars but are paid in Chilean pesos.

**t) Derivative Contracts**

The Company maintains derivative contracts to hedge against movements in foreign currencies, which are recorded in conformity with Technical Bulletin No. 57 of the Chilean Association of Accountants. Such contracts are recorded at fair value with net losses recognized on the accrual basis and gains recognized when realized.

**u) Reclassifications**

For comparison purposes, certain reclassifications have been made to the 2006 financial statements.

**v) Revenue recognition**

Revenue is recognized on the date goods are physically delivered or when they are considered delivered according to the terms of the contract.

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**w) Computer software**

Computational systems developed internally using the Company's personnel and materials are charged to income during the year in which the expenses are incurred. In accordance with Circular No. 981 dated December 28, 1990 of the SVS, computer systems acquired by the Company are recorded at cost.

**x) Research and development expenses**

Research and development cost are charged to the income statement in the period in which they are incurred. Property, plant and equipment that are acquired for use in research and development activities and determined to provide additional benefits to the Company are recorded in property, plant and equipment.

**y) Obligations with the public (Bonds payable)**

Bonds are stated at the principal amount plus interest accrued. The difference between the carrying value and the placement value is capitalized and amortized in the period of expiration of these.

**z) Provisions for mine closure costs**

The Company has made a provision to cover those costs associated with mine closure and mining facilities and mitigation of environmental damage, which has been recorded at its present value. The amount determined is presented under accrued expenses in long-term liabilities.

**aa) Deferred income**

Deferred income relate to the recognition of documented sales the delivery of which occurs subsequent to the closing date of the financial statements.

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**Note 3 - Changes in Accounting Principles**

During the period ended March 31, 2007, there were no other changes in the application of generally accepted accounting principles in Chile compared to the prior year.

**Note 4 - Marketable Securities**

As of March 31 marketable securities are detailed as follows:

|              | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Mutual funds | 118,229        | 63,360         |
| Total        | 118,229        | 63,360         |

Mutual funds consist of investments with Citibank in highly liquid funds invested in fixed-rate debt in the United States.

**Note 5 - Short-term and long-term Accounts Receivable**

a) Short term and long-term accounts receivable and other accounts receivable as of March 31 are detailed as follows:

|   | Up to 90 days  |                | Between 90 days<br>and 1 year |                | Total<br>Short-term (net) |                |
|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|
|   | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$                | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$            | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| <b>Short-term</b>                         |                |                |                               |                |                           |                |
| Trade accounts receivable                 | 120,934        | 128,459        | 17,065                        | 16,896         | 137,999                   | 145,355        |
| Allowance for doubtful<br>accounts        |                |                |                               |                | (7,208)                   | (7,969)        |
| Notes receivable                          | 32,393         | 32,914         | 7,281                         | 5,988          | 39,674                    | 38,902         |
| Allowance for doubtful<br>accounts        |                |                |                               |                | (3,285)                   | (3,943)        |
| <b>Accounts receivable, net</b>           |                |                |                               |                | 167,180                   | 172,345        |
| Other accounts receivable                 | 10,818         | 11,485         | 1,029                         | 1,655          | 11,847                    | 13,140         |
| Allowance for doubtful<br>accounts        |                |                |                               |                | (1,506)                   | (698)          |
| <b>Other accounts<br/>receivable, net</b> |                |                |                               |                | 10,341                    | 12,442         |
| <b>Long-term receivables</b>              |                |                |                               |                | 390                       | 288            |

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**Note 5 - Short-term and Long-term Accounts Receivable (continued)****Consolidated Short-term and Long-term Receivables - by Geographic Location**

|  | Chile          |                | Europe, Africa<br>and<br>the Middle East |                | Asia and<br>Oceania |                | USA, Mexico<br>and Canada |                | Latin America<br>and the<br>Caribbean |                | Total          |                |
|--|----------------|----------------|--|----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|  | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$                           | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$      | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$            | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$                        | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| Net short-term trade accounts receivable           |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 34,246         | 25,356         | 52,591                                   | 42,065         | 2,715               | 8,997          | 29,636                    | 33,999         | 11,603                                | 26,969         | 130,791        | 137,300        |
| % of total   | 26.18%         | 18.46%         | 40.21%                                   | 30.61%         | 2.08%               | 6.55%          | 22.66%                    | 24.75%         | 8.87%                                 | 19.63%         | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |
| Net short-term notes receivable                    |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 29,086         | 26,114         | 2,898                                    | 3,413          | 264                 | 654            | 475                       | 344            | 3,666                                 | 4,434          | 36,389         | 34,900         |
| % of total   | 79.93%         | 74.70%         | 7.96%                                    | 9.76%          | 0.73%               | 1.87%          | 1.31%                     | 0.99%          | 10.07%                                | 12.68%         | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |
| Net short-term other accounts receivable           |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 5,562          | 4,148          | 1,917                                    | 2,948          | 9                   | 98             | 2,647                     | 4,107          | 206                                   | 1,141          | 10,341         | 12,400         |
| % of total   | 53.79%         | 33.34%         | 18.53%                                   | 23.69%         | 0.09%               | 0.79%          | 25.60%                    | 33.01%         | 1.99%                                 | 9.17%          | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |
| Subtotal short-term accounts receivable, net       |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 68,894         | 55,618         | 57,406                                   | 48,426         | 2,988               | 9,749          | 32,758                    | 38,450         | 15,475                                | 32,544         | 177,521        | 184,700        |
| % of total   | 38.81%         | 30.10%         | 32.34%                                   | 26.20%         | 1.68%               | 5.28%          | 18.45%                    | 20.81%         | 8.72%                                 | 17.61%         | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |
| Long-term accounts receivable, net                 |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 376            | 273            | -  | -              | -                   | -              | -                         | -              | 14                                    | 15             | 390            | 200            |
| % of total   | 96.41%         | 94.79%         | -  | -              | -                   | -              | -                         | -              | 3.59%                                 | 5.21%          | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |
| Total short and long-term accounts receivable, net |                |                |  |                |                     |                |                           |                |                                       |                |                |                |
| Balance  | 69,270         | 55,891         | 57,406                                   | 48,426         | 2,988               | 9,749          | 32,758                    | 38,450         | 15,489                                | 32,559         | 177,911        | 185,000        |
| % of total   | 38.94%         | 30.20%         | 32.27%                                   | 26.17%         | 1.68%               | 5.27%          | 18.40%                    | 20.77%         | 8.71%                                 | 17.59%         | 100.00%        | 100.00%        |



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**Note 6 - Balances and Transactions with Related Parties**

Balances with related companies are generated by commercial transactions which accrue no interest under normal conditions in force for this type of operations in respect to term and market price.

Expiration conditions for each case vary depending on the transaction which generated it.

In addition, all those significant transactions with related parties with an amount exceeding 1% of net income for the year are disclosed.

a) Amounts included in balances with related parties as of March 31, 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

|                                     | Short-term     |                | Long-term      |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                     | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| <b>Accounts receivable</b>          |                |                |                |                |
| Doktor Tarsa -SQM Turkey            | 11,597         | 10,810         | -              | -              |
| Nutrisi Holding N.V.                | 1,626          | 1,468          | -              | -              |
| Generale de Nutrition Vegetale S.A. | -              | 132            | -              | -              |
| Ajay Europe S.A.R.L.                | 9,244          | 2,856          | -              | -              |
| Ajay North America LLC              | 3,135          | 2,747          | -              | -              |
| Abu Dhabi Fertilizer Ind. WLL       | 3,719          | 2,730          | 2,000          | 2,000          |
| Impronta SRL                        | -              | 4,520          | -              | -              |
| NU3 B.V.                            | 447            | 1,018          | -              | -              |
| Sales de Magnesio S.A.              | 133            | 52             | -              | -              |
| SQM Agro India                      | 221            | -              | -              | -              |
| Misr Specialty Fertilizers          | 319            | -              | 118            | -              |
| Soc.Inv.Pampa Calichera Ltda.       | 8              | 8              | -              | -              |
| Inversiones PCS Chile Ltda.         | 17             | -              | -              | -              |
| Kowa (Japan)                        | 11,433         | -              | -              | -              |
| NU3 N.V.                            | 454            | -              | -              | -              |
| PCS Sales Inc                       | -              | 44             | -              | -              |
| SQM East Med Turkey                 | 93             | -              | -              | -              |
| Yara AB                             | 99             | 59             | -              | -              |
| Yara Benelux B.V                    | 1,061          | 1,460          | -              | -              |
| Yara Hellas S.A.                    | 405            | 647            | -              | -              |
| Yara International Australia PTY.   | 265            | 408            | -              | -              |
| Yara Poland SP                      | 804            | 168            | -              | -              |
| Yara UK Ltd.                        | 361            | 480            | -              | -              |
| Yara CZECH Republic                 | 13             | 17             | -              | -              |
| Yara GMBH & CO KG                   | 192            | 187            | -              | -              |
| Yara Iberian S.A.                   | 1,598          | 1,706          | -              | -              |
| Yara Argentina S.A.                 | 40             | 611            | -              | -              |
| Yara Colombia Ltda.                 | 2,973          | 412            | -              | -              |
| Adubo Trevo S.A. (Yara)             | 252            | -              | -              | -              |
| Yara North America LLC              | 8,430          | 7,387          | -              | -              |
| Yara Fertilizantes Ltda (Brasil)    | 786            | 20             | -              | -              |
| Yara France BU Africa               | 1,088          | 1,115          | -              | -              |
| Yara Internacional ASA              | 4,207          | 3,898          | -              | -              |

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|  |               |               |              |              |
|--|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Yara International Asia Trade Pte Ltd            | 928           | 1,762         | -            | -            |
| Yara East Africa Limited                         | 514           | 724           | -            | -            |
| Yara Fertilizers (Philippines)                   | -             | 24            | -            | -            |
| Yara Fertilizers (New Zealand)                   | 110           | 74            | -            | -            |
| FOS (Yara)                                       | 2,832         | -             | -            | -            |
| Yara Italia SPA                                  | 626           | -             | -            | -            |
| Yara International Asia Trade Pte<br>(Singapore) | 2,693         | -             | -            | -            |
| Yara Norge AS                                    | 8             | -             | -            | -            |
| Yara France S.A.                                 | 2,298         | 75            | -            | -            |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>75,029</b> | <b>47,619</b> | <b>2,118</b> | <b>2,000</b> |

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**Note 6 - Balances and Transactions with Related Parties (continued)**

a) Amounts included in balances with related parties as of March 31, 2007 and 2006, continued:

| <b>Accounts payable</b>      | <b>Short-term</b>            |                              |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                              | <b>2007</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> |
| NU3 N.V.                     | -                            | 653                          |
| Charlee SQM Thailand Co      | 223                          | 196                          |
| Adubo Trevo S.A.             | -                            | 877                          |
| Inversiones PCS Chile Ltda.  | -                            | 1,000                        |
| Yara France BU Latin America | 81                           | 126                          |
| Yara Nederland B.V.          | 400                          | -                            |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>704</b>                   | <b>2,852</b>                 |

There were no outstanding long-term accounts payable with related parties as of March 31, 2007 and 2006

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**Note 6 - Balances and Transactions with Related Parties (continued)**

b) During 2007 and 2006, principal transactions with related parties were as follows:

| <u>Company</u>                         | <u>Relationship</u> | <u>Type of transaction</u> | <u>Amount of Transaction</u> |                              | <u>Impact on income (charge) credit</u> |                              |
|--|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
|  |                     |                            | <u>2007</u><br><u>ThUS\$</u> | <u>2006</u><br><u>ThUS\$</u> | <u>2007</u><br><u>ThUS\$</u>            | <u>2006</u><br><u>ThUS\$</u> |
| NU3 N.V. (Belgium)                     | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 1,614                        | 1,640                        | 622                                     | 547                          |
| Doktor Tarsa                           | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 3,065                        | 3,259                        | 1,115                                   | 1,123                        |
| Abu Dhabi Fertilizer WLL               | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 835                          | 563                          | 150                                     | 125                          |
| Impronta SRL                           | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 0                            | 913                          | 0                                       | 254                          |
| Ajay Europe S.A.R.L.                   | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 4,630                        | 2,642                        | 2,995                                   | 1,097                        |
| NU3 B.V.                               | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 1,879                        | 2,084                        | 734                                     | 463                          |
| Ajay North America LLC                 | Indirect            | Sales of products          | 3,555                        | 3,464                        | 1,843                                   | 1,508                        |
| Yara AB Sueden                         | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 0                            | 178                          | 0                                       | 36                           |
| Yara Benelux B.V.                      | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 2,223                        | 2,875                        | 409                                     | 482                          |
| Yara UK Ltd.                           | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 0                            | 480                          | 0                                       | 102                          |
| Yara International Asia Trade Pte Ltd. | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 3,264                        | 1,893                        | 1,040                                   | 621                          |
| Yara France BU Africa                  | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 560                          | 736                          | 104                                     | 151                          |
| Yara Business Support                  | Shareholder         | Services                   | 1,091                        | 1,100                        | -1,091                                  | -1,100                       |
| Yara International Australia Pty Ltd.  | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 539                          | 282                          | 175                                     | 52                           |
| Yara Iberian S.A.                      | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 1,704                        | 1,947                        | 650                                     | 712                          |
| Yara Colombia Ltda.                    | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 1,651                        | 662                          | 664                                     | 192                          |
| Yara Poland SP                         | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 708                          | 273                          | 271                                     | 63                           |
| Yara GMBH & Co Kg                      | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 0                            | 293                          | 0                                       | 74                           |
| Yara France                            | Shareholder         | Sales of products          | 2,194                        | 1,651                        | 634                                     | 480                          |

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|                              |             |                   |        |        |        |       |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Yara China Ltd.              | Shareholder | Sales of products | 1,358  | 0      | 200    | 0     |
| Yara Hellas S.A.             | Shareholder | Sales of products | 0      | 641    | 0      | 175   |
| Yara France BU Latin America | Shareholder | Sales of products | 2,014  | 0      | 595    | 0     |
| Yara Argentina S.A.          | Shareholder | Sales of products | 0      | 615    | 0      | 216   |
| Adubo Trevo S.A.             | Shareholder | Sales of products | 0      | 1,573  | 0      | 670   |
| Yara East Africa Ltd         | Shareholder | Sales of products | 516    | 313    | 138    | 20    |
| Yara Internacional ASA       | Shareholder | Sales of products | 6,461  | 5,108  | 1,146  | 1,905 |
| Yara North America           | Shareholder | Sales of products | 12,752 | 10,317 | 3,069  | 3,356 |
| Yara Italia                  | Shareholder | Sales of products | 608    | 0      | 204    | 0     |
| Kowa (Japan)                 | Shareholder | Sales of products | 15,438 | 0      | 10,092 | 0     |

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**Note 7 - Inventories**

Net inventories are summarized as follows:

|                   | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                   | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Finished products | 228,842       | 242,853       |
| Work in process   | 135,565       | 115,332       |
| Supplies          | 19,635        | 18,023        |
| Total             | 384,042       | 376,208       |

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**Note 8 - Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are summarized as follows:

|                                     | <b>2007</b>    | <b>2006</b>    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                     | <b>ThUS\$</b>  | <b>ThUS\$</b>  |
| <b>Land</b>                         |                |                |
| Land                                | 82,383         | 59,947         |
| Mining Concessions                  | 30,086         | 45,096         |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>112,469</b> | <b>105,043</b> |
| <b>Buildings and infrastructure</b> |                |                |
| Buildings                           | 163,470        | 167,596        |
| Installations                       | 273,830        | 206,998        |
| Construction-in-progress            | 187,775        | 169,664        |
| Other                               | 190,682        | 172,694        |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>815,757</b> | <b>716,952</b> |
| <b>Machinery and Equipment</b>      |                |                |
| Machinery                           | 484,114        | 452,484        |
| Equipment                           | 126,247        | 123,794        |
| Project-in-progress                 | 11,525         | 11,570         |
| Other                               | 19,244         | 18,104         |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>641,130</b> | <b>605,952</b> |
| <b>Other fixed assets</b>           |                |                |
| Tools                               | 8,950          | 8,804          |
| Furniture and office equipment      | 14,951         | 14,572         |
| Project-in-progress                 | 12,982         | 17,173         |
| Other                               | 18,525         | 8,616          |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>55,408</b>  | <b>49,165</b>  |

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**Note 8 - Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)**

|  | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|--|---------------|---------------|
|  | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| <b>Amounts relating to technical revaluation of fixed assets</b> |               |               |
| Land   | 7,839         | 7,839         |
| Buildings and infrastructure                                     | 41,439        | 41,439        |
| Machinery and equipment  | 12,048        | 12,091        |
| Other assets   | 53            | 53            |
|  | 61,379        | 61,422        |
| Total property, plant and equipment                              | 1,686,143     | 1,538,534     |
| <b>Less: Accumulated depreciation</b>                            |               |               |
| Buildings and infrastructure                                     | (318,886)     | (282,361)     |
| Machinery and equipment  | (368,178)     | (330,410)     |
| Other fixed assets   | (29,275)      | (22,710)      |
| Technical appraisal  | (37,260)      | (35,893)      |
| Total accumulated depreciation                                   | (753,599)     | (671,374)     |
| Net property, plant and equipment                                | 932,544       | 867,160       |
|  | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
| <b>Depreciation for the year ended March 31:</b>                 | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Buildings and infrastructure                                     | (10,622)      | (8,982)       |
| Machinery and equipment  | (10,297)      | (10,232)      |
| Other fixed assets   | (1,546)       | (1,459)       |
| Technical revaluation  | (285)         | (352)         |
| Total depreciation   | (22,750)      | (21,025)      |

The Company has capitalized assets obtained through leasing, which are included in other fixed assets and are as follows:

|                                 | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                 | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Administrative office buildings | 1,988         | 2,086         |
| Accumulated depreciation        | (497)         | (545)         |
| Total assets in leasing         | 1,491         | 1,541         |

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The administrative office buildings were acquired for 230 installments of UF 663.75 each and an annual, contractually established interest rate of 8.5%.

The vehicles were acquired for 36 installments of ThUS\$ 98 each.

**Note 9 - Investments in and Receivables from Related Parties**

**a) Information on foreign investments**

There are no plans for the foreign investments to pay dividends, as it is the Company's policy to reinvest those earnings.

The Company has not designated their foreign investments as net investment hedges.

**b) Transactions executed in 2007**

\* On March 2, 2007, the subsidiary SQM Industrial S.A. made a capital increase of ThUS\$ 130 in its subsidiary SQM Brasil Ltda. In accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants and Circular No. 1,697 issued by the Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance (SVS), the Company performed the valuation in consideration of the carrying value of equity of SQM Brasil Ltda. as of March 31, 2006, which does not significantly differ from its fair value determined at that date.

**c) Transactions executed in 2006**

\* At the First General Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of SQM Industrial S.A. held on January 9, 2006, the shareholders approved the merger of SQM Procesos S.A. (dissolved) to the successor company SQM Industrial S.A., which acquires all the rights, shares, exceptions, assets, liabilities, obligations, shareholders' equity, shareholders and remaining assets and expectations of SQM Procesos S.A. This merger generates each and every of its effects beginning on January 1, 2007.

\* On January 19, 2006, Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and SQM Potasio S.A. acquired 7,021,169 and 70,921 shares, respectively of DSM Minera S.A. and its subsidiary Exploraciones Minera S.A. for the sum of ThUS\$100,067 in cash (equivalent to ownership of 99% and 1%, respectively).

This investment has been stated using the equity method under the acquisition method in accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants and the standards established in Circular No. 1,697 issued by the SVS. Accordingly, the Company conducted a preliminary evaluation of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements of DSM Minera S.A. as of December 31, 2005. This generated goodwill of ThUS\$1,928, which will be amortized over a period of 20 years.

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**Note 9 - Investments in and Receivables from Related Companies (continued)**

The Company will continue to review the valuation at fair value using the term allowed to refine the adjustment as provided in paragraph No. 66 in Technical Bulletin No. 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants.

In this manner, assets and liabilities and shareholders' equity included in consolidation at their respective fair values as of December 31, 2006 are as follows:

|                               | Minera Nueva<br>Victoria S.A.<br>ThUS\$ | Exploraciones<br>Mineras S.A.<br>ThUS\$ |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Current assets                | 66,951                                  | 400                                     |
| Property, plant and equipment | 23,327                                  | 31,567                                  |
| Other assets                  | 7,220                                   | -                                       |
| Current liabilities           | 4,516                                   | 7,126                                   |
| Long-term liabilities         | 5,718                                   | -                                       |
| Shareholders' equity          | 112,105                                 | -                                       |

\* On January 19, 2006, Soquimich European Holding B.V. acquired 100% of the 20,403 shares of DSM Minera BV. For a sum of ThUS\$13,840 in cash.

This investment has been stated using the equity method under the acquisition method in accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants and the standards established in Circular No. 1,697 issued by the SVS. Accordingly, the Company conducted a preliminary evaluation of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements of DSM Minera B.V. as of December 31, 2006. This generated goodwill of ThUS\$11,373, which will be amortized over a period of 20 years.

The Company will continue to review the valuation at fair value using the term allowed to refine the adjustment as provided in paragraph No. 66 in Technical Bulletin No. 72 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants.

In this manner, assets and liabilities and shareholders' equity included in consolidation at their respective fair values as of December 31, 2007 are as follows:

|                      | ThUS\$ |
|----------------------|--------|
| Current assets       | 4,581  |
| Current liabilities  | 1,153  |
| Shareholders' equity | 3,428  |

\* On January 31, 2006, DSM Minera S.A. changed its name to Minera Nueva Victoria S.A.



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**Note 9 - Investments in and Receivables from Related Companies (continued)**

\* On January 24, 2006, Soquimich European Holding B.V. and Nutrisi Holding N.V. acquired 334 and 666 shares, respectively of Fenasa S.A. for a sum of ThEuro 75,100, thereby increasing their ownership to 33.35% and 66.65%, respectively.

\* During February 2006, DSM Minera B.V. changed its name to Iodine Minera BV.

\* On May 9, 2006, SQM Industrial S.A. and SQM Potasio S.A. formed Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.

The company's capital amounts to Ch\$50,000,000 divided into 5,000 single shares with no par value, no privileges or preferences, which are paid in full upon subscription of shares and through subscription and payment by SQM Industrial S.A. of 4,950 shares for a sum of Ch\$49,500,000 paid upon subscription in cash and the subscription and payment by SQM Potasio S.A. of 50 shares for a sum of Ch\$500,000 paid upon subscription in cash. The Company's share capital and the total number of shares in which capital is divided is subscribed and paid in full in the company's social fund.

\* On September 14, 2006, Soquimich European Holding B.V.(SQH) sold to Yara Italia SPA all the rights that SQH had in Impronta SRL for a sum of ThUS\$ 902, thereby generating a loss from sale of investments of ThUS\$ 308.

\* On October 27, 2006, SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V. and SQM Industrial S.A. sold all the shares they had in SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V. to Yara Nederland B.V. and Yara Holdings Netherlands B.V. for a sum of ThUS\$ 4,888 and obtained a gain from this sale of 1,040.

\* On December 19, 2006, SQM Salar S.A., distributed dividends for a sum of ThUS\$ 68,000 to its shareholders SQM Potasio S.A.(81.82%) and SQM S.A.(18.18%).

\* On December 19, 2006, SQM Potasio S.A. distributed dividends for a sum of ThUS\$ 60,000 to its shareholders SQM S.A.(99.9974%) and Inversiones Pascuala S.A.(0.0026%)

**d) Investments with less than 20% participation**

Investments in which the Company has less than 20% participation and the capacity to exert significant influence or control over the investment, because SQM forms part of its Board of Directors, have been valued using the equity method.

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d) Detail of investments in related companies

| Tax<br>Registration<br>Number | Company                                      | Country<br>of<br>origin | Controlling<br>currency | Number Ownership<br>of interest |                   | Equity of<br>companies |                              | Book value of<br>investment  |                              | Net income<br>(loss)         |       | Equity<br>particip<br>in net in<br>(los |    |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|---|----|
|                               |  |                         |                         | Shares                          | 2007<br>2006<br>% | 2007<br>2006<br>%      | 2007<br>2006<br>ThUS\$ThUS\$ | 2007<br>2006<br>ThUS\$ThUS\$ | 2007<br>2006<br>ThUS\$ThUS\$ | 2007<br>2006<br>ThUS\$ThUS\$ |       |   |    |
| 0-E                           | Ajay North<br>America LLC                    | USA                     | US\$                    | -49.00                          | 49.00             | 11,282                 | 13,024                       | 4,461                        | 6,057                        | -                            | 445   | -                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | Nutrisi<br>Holding N.V.                      | Belgium                 | US\$                    | -50.00                          | 50.00             | 8,861                  | 6,814                        | 4,305                        | 3,285                        | 505                          | (6)   | 247                                     |    |
| 0-E                           | Doktor Tarsa                                 | Turkey                  | Euros                   | -50.00                          | 50.00             | 5,759                  | 5,556                        | 2,880                        | 2,778                        | 369                          | 522   | 185                                     |    |
| 0-E                           | Ajay Europe<br>S.A.R.L.                      | France                  | US\$                    | 36,700                          | 50.00             | 50.00                  | 6,640                        | 5,210                        | 1,825                        | 2,353                        | -     | -                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | Misr Specialty<br>Fertilizers                | Egypt                   | US\$                    | -47.00                          | 47.00             | 4,312                  | 4,653                        | 2,048                        | 2,187                        | -                            | (198) | -                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | Abu Dhabi<br>Fertilizer<br>Industries<br>WLL | UAE                     | US\$                    | 1,961                           | 50.00             | 37.00                  | 3,968                        | 3,630                        | 1,984                        | 1,815                        | 48    | 200                                     | 24 |
| 0-E                           | Impronta SRL                                 | Italia                  | Euros                   | -50.00                          | 50.00             | -                      | 2,088                        | -                            | 1,044                        | -                            | 268   | -                                       |    |
| 77557430-5                    | Sales de<br>Magnesio<br>Ltda.                | Chile                   | Pesos                   | -50.00                          | 50.00             | 934                    | 804                          | 467                          | 402                          | -                            | (18)  | -                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | SQM Eastmed<br>Turkey                        | Turkey                  | Euros                   | -50.00                          | 50.00             | 187                    | 476                          | 93                           | 238                          | -                            | -     | -                                       |    |
| 81767200-0                    | Asoc.<br>Garantizadora<br>Pensiones          | Chile                   | Pesos                   | -                               | 3.00              | 3.00                   | 671                          | 1,000                        | 22                           | 30                           | -     | -                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | SQM Thailand<br>Co. Ltd.                     | Thailand                | US\$                    | -                               | -40.00            | 2,167                  | 2,000                        | 867                          | 800                          | 3                            | -     | 1                                       |    |
| 0-E                           | Agro India<br>Limitada                       | India                   | US\$                    | -49.00                          | -                 | 19                     | 114                          | 10                           | 56                           | -                            | -     | -                                       |    |
| <b>Total</b>                  |  |                         |                         |                                 |                   |                        |                              | <b>18,962</b>                | <b>21,045</b>                |                              |       |   |    |

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**Note 10 - Goodwill and Negative Goodwill**

Goodwill and negative goodwill and the related amortization is summarized as follows:

| a)                            |  | <b>Goodwill</b>                                       |                                   |   |                                   |
|-------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
|                               |  | March 31, 2007  |                                   | March 31, 2006  |                                   |
| Tax<br>Registration<br>Number | Company                                | Amount<br>amortized<br>during the<br>period<br>ThUS\$ | Goodwill<br>Balance<br><br>ThUS\$ | Amount<br>amortized<br>during the<br>period<br>ThUS\$ | Goodwill<br>balance<br><br>ThUS\$ |
| 96864750-4                    | SQM Potassium S.A.                     | 36  | 1,409                             | 36  | 1,554                             |
| 96801610-5                    | Comercial Hydro S.A.                   | 43  | 1,045                             | 43  | 1,217                             |
| 79947100-0                    | SQM Industrial S.A.                    | 278   | 19,751                            | 318   | 20,865                            |
| 78602530-3                    | Minera Nueva Victoria<br>S.A.          | -   | -                                 | 92  | 7,259                             |
| 0-E                           | SQM México S.A. de<br>C.V.             | 28  | 864                               | 14  | 877                               |
| 0-E                           | Comercial Caiman<br>Internacional S.A. | 6   | 125                               | 6   | 148                               |
| 0-E                           | Fertilizantes Olmeca<br>S.A. de C.V.   | -   | -                                 | 14  | 98                                |
| 0-E                           | SQM Dubai- Fzco                        | 25  | 1,858                             | 25  | 1,959                             |
| 0-E                           | Iodine Minera B.V.                     | 142   | 10,710                            | 157   | 12,410                            |
| Total                         |  | 558   | 35,762                            | 705   | 46,387                            |

| b)                            |                               | <b>Negative Goodwill</b>                              |   |  |   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                               |                               | March 31, 2007  |   | March 31, 2006                                     |   |
| Tax<br>Registration<br>Number | Company                       | Amount<br>amortized<br>during the<br>period<br>ThUS\$ | Negative<br>goodwill<br>Balance<br><br>ThUS\$ | Amount<br>amortized<br>during the period<br>ThUS\$ | Negative<br>goodwill<br>balance<br><br>ThUS\$ |
| 96575300-1                    | Minera Mapocho S.A.           | -   | -   | 51   | 17  |
| 78602530-3                    | Minera Nueva Victoria<br>S.A. | -   | 1,928   | -  | -   |
| Total                         |                               | -   | 1,928   | 51   | 17  |

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**Note 11 - Other Long-term Assets**

Other long-term assets are summarized as follows:

|  | <b>2007</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Engine and equipment spare-parts, net (1)                                  | 11,342                       | 18,760                       |
| Termination of agreement bonus   | 275                          | 375                          |
| Mine development costs   | 25,592                       | 23,516                       |
| Income taxes recoverable   | 299                          | 283                          |
| Healthcare institution guarantee in the National Healthcare Service Fonasa | 252                          | 258                          |
| Pension plan   | -                            | 1,133                        |
| Construction of Salar-Baquedano road                                       | 1,260                        | 1,380                        |
| Deferred loan issuance costs (2)   | 476                          | 3,561                        |
| Cost of issuance and placement of bonds (3)                                | 5,620                        | -                            |
| Other  | 629                          | 777                          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>45,745</b>                | <b>50,043</b>                |

(1) According to analyses conducted, at each year-end, this item includes non-current warehouse spare-parts and materials. In addition, an allowance for obsolescence has been made and included in this item.

(2) Relates to the portion to be accrued of negotiation costs of long-term loans.

(3) Refer to the explanation of these expenses in Note 23.

**Note 12 - Bank Debt**

a) Short-term bank debt is detailed as follows:

| <b>Bank or financial institution</b> | <b>2007</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Banco de Crédito e Inversiones       | 30,022                       | 65,784                       |
| Other                                | 2,111                        | 1,926                        |
| <b>Total</b>                         | <b>32,133</b>                | <b>67,710</b>                |
| <br>                                 |                              |                              |
| Annual average interest rate         | 5.25%                        | 4.68%                        |

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**Note 12 - Bank Debt (continued)**

b) Long-term bank debt is detailed as follows:

| <b>Bank or financial institution</b>     | <b>2007<br/>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006<br/>ThUS\$</b> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Union Bank of Switzerland (1)            | -                      | 200,727                |
| BBVA Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria (2) | 100,415                | 100,361                |
| ING Bank (3)                             | 81,551                 | -                      |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>181,966</b>         | <b>301,088</b>         |
| <b>Less: Current portion</b>             | <b>(1,966)</b>         | <b>(201,088)</b>       |
| <b>Long-term portion</b>                 | <b>180,000</b>         | <b>100,000</b>         |

(1) U.S. dollar-denominated loan without guarantee, interest rate of 7.7% per annum, paid semi-annually. The principal was due on September 15, 2006.

(2) U.S. dollar-denominated loan without guarantee, interest rate of Libor + 0.325% per annum, quarterly payment. The principal is due on March 3, 2010.

(3) U.S. dollar-denominated loan without guarantee, interest rate of Libor + 0.300% per annum, semi-annually payment. The principal is due on November 28, 2011.

c) The maturity of long-term debt is as follows:

| <b>Years to maturity</b> | <b>2007<br/>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006<br/>ThUS\$</b> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Current portion</b>   | <b>1,966</b>           | <b>201,088</b>         |
| 1 to 2 years             | -                      | -                      |
| 2 to 3 years             | 100,000                | -                      |
| 3 to 5 years             | 80,000                 | 100,000                |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>181,966</b>         | <b>301,088</b>         |

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**Note 13 - Short and Long-term Obligations with the Public (Promissory Notes and Bonds Payable)**

## Additional Information

On January 25, 2006, the Company made a placement of Series C bonds for an amount of UF 3,000,000 at an annual rate of 4.00%. This placement achieved collection equivalent to 100% of par value.

On April 5, 2006, the Company made a placement of single-series bonds for an amount of ThUS\$200,000 at an annual rate of 6.125%, under the regulations contained in "Rule 144 and regulation S of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933".

As of March 31, 2007 and 2006, the short-term portion includes a balance of ThUS\$9,574 and ThUS\$1,348 respectively, related to interest accrued at that date. The long-term portion includes an amount of ThUS\$299,689 and ThUS\$102,119 respectively, related to principal installments for Series C bonds.

| No. of Registration of the Instrument             | Series | Nominal Amount | Adjustment Unit | Interest Rate | Final Period | Payment of Interest | Payment of Amortization | 03/31/07<br>ThUS\$ | 03/31/06<br>ThUS\$ |
|---|--------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Current portion of long-term bonds payable</b> |        |                |                 |               |              |                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 446   | C      | 75,000         | UF              | 4.00%         | 06/01/2007   | Semi-annual         | Semi-annual             | 3,891              | 1,348              |
| 184   | Single | -              | US\$            | 6.125%        | 10/15/2007   | Semi-annual         | Semi-annual             | 5,683              | -                  |
| <b>Total Current Portion</b>                      |        |                |                 |               |              |                     |                         | <b>9,574</b>       | <b>1,348</b>       |
| <b>Long-term bonds payable</b>                    |        |                |                 |               |              |                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 446   | C      | 2,925,000      | UF              | 4.00%         | 12/01/2026   | Semi-annual         | Semi-annual             | 99,689             | 102,119            |
| 184   | Single | 200,000,000    | US\$            | 6.125%        | 04/15/2016   | Semi-annual         | Bullet                  | 200,000            | -                  |
| <b>Total Long-term</b>                            |        |                |                 |               |              |                     |                         | <b>299,689</b>     | <b>102,119</b>     |

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**Note 14 - Accrued Liabilities**

As of March 31, 2007 and 2006, accrued liabilities are summarized as follows:

|  | <b>2007</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Provision for royalties Corfo                          | 3,010                        | 2,141                        |
| Provision for employee compensation and legal costs    | 479                          | 498                          |
| Taxes and monthly income tax installment payments      | 3,524                        | 2,498                        |
| Expenses incurred for Long-term loans (additional tax) | 237                          | 369                          |
| External auditors' fees                                | 302                          | 125                          |
| Employee benefits                                      | 2,895                        | 2,121                        |
| Vacation accrual                                       | 7,779                        | 7,582                        |
| Marketing expenses                                     | 1,091                        | 1,100                        |
| Other accruals   | 2,136                        | 2,769                        |
| Total current liabilities                              | 21,453                       | 19,203                       |

**Note 15 - Income and Deferred Taxes**

a) At March 31, 2007 and 2006 the Company has the following consolidated balances for retained tax earnings, income not subject to taxes, tax loss carry-forwards and credit for shareholders:

|  | <b>2007</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>2006</b><br><b>ThUS\$</b> |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Accumulated tax basis retained earnings with tax credit    | 323,138                      | 237,084                      |
| Accumulated tax basis retained earnings without tax credit | 97,140                       | 93,732                       |
| Tax loss carry-forwards (1)                                | 162,026                      | 215,669                      |
| Credit for shareholders                                    | 65,898                       | 46,753                       |

(1) Income tax losses in Chile can be carried forward indefinitely.

The Company has recognized deferred income taxes for tax losses and the related valuation allowance, where applicable, in accordance with Technical Bulletin No. 60 issued by the Chilean Association of Accountants.

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**Note 15 - Income and Deferred Taxes (continued)**

The deferred taxes as of March 31, 2007 and 2006 represented a net liability of ThUS\$ 52,008 and ThUS\$ 37,031 respectively, and consisted of:

| 2007                                   | Deferred tax asset   |                     | Deferred tax liability |                     |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
|  | Short-term<br>ThUS\$ | Long-term<br>ThUS\$ | Short-term<br>ThUS\$   | Long-term<br>ThUS\$ |
| <b>Temporary differences</b>           |                      |                     |                        |                     |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts        | 1,956                | 594                 | -                      | -                   |
| Vacation accrual                       | 1,242                | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Unrealized gain on sale of products    | 14,656               | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Provision for obsolescence             | -                    | 2,647               | -                      | -                   |
| Production expenses                    | -                    | -                   | 18,432                 | -                   |
| Accelerated depreciation               | -                    | -                   | -                      | 61,242              |
| Exploration expenses                   | -                    | -                   | -                      | 4,623               |
| Capitalized interest                   | -                    | -                   | -                      | 7,395               |
| Staff severance indemnities            | -                    | -                   | -                      | 1,725               |
| Fair value recognition                 | -                    | 841                 | -                      | -                   |
| Capitalized expenses                   | -                    | -                   | -                      | 1,034               |
| Tax loss carry-forwards                | -                    | 30,366              | -                      | -                   |
| Accrued gain from exchange insurance   | 110                  | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Deferred revenues                      | 314                  | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Leased assets                          | -                    | 173                 | -                      | -                   |
| Provision for energy tariff difference | 1,360                | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Accrued interest                       | 119                  | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Other                                  | 516                  | 3,795               | -                      | 374                 |
| <b>Total gross deferred taxes</b>      | <b>20,273</b>        | <b>38,416</b>       | <b>18,432</b>          | <b>76,393</b>       |
| Total complementary accounts           | -                    | -                   | (500)                  | (19,602)            |
| Valuation allowance                    | (5,819)              | (30,155)            | -                      | -                   |
| <b>Total deferred taxes</b>            | <b>14,454</b>        | <b>8,261</b>        | <b>17,932</b>          | <b>56,791</b>       |



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**Note 15 - Income and Deferred Taxes (continued)**

| 2006                                | Deferred tax asset   |                     | Deferred tax liability |                     |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
|                                     | Short-term<br>ThUS\$ | Long-term<br>ThUS\$ | Short-term<br>ThUS\$   | Long-term<br>ThUS\$ |
| <b>Temporary differences</b>        |                      |                     |                        |                     |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts     | 1,876                | 18                  | -                      | -                   |
| Vacation accrual                    | 1,187                | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Unrealized gain on sale of products | 17,040               | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Provision for obsolescence          | -                    | 1,209               | -                      | -                   |
| Production expenses                 | -                    | -                   | 16,847                 | -                   |
| Accelerated depreciation            | -                    | -                   | -                      | 58,629              |
| Exploration expenses                | -                    | -                   | -                      | 5,345               |
| Capitalized interest                | -                    | -                   | -                      | 6,273               |
| Staff severance indemnities         | -                    | -                   | -                      | 2,782               |
| Fair value recognition              | -                    | 2,535               | -                      | -                   |
| Capitalized expenses                | -                    | -                   | -                      | 432                 |
| Tax loss carry-forwards             | -                    | 37,493              | -                      | -                   |
| Accrued interest                    | 78                   | -                   | -                      | -                   |
| Other                               | 1,374                | 2,514               | 20                     | 383                 |
| <b>Total gross deferred taxes</b>   | <b>21,555</b>        | <b>43,769</b>       | <b>16,867</b>          | <b>73,844</b>       |
| Total complementary accounts        | -                    | (1,219)             | (2,001)                | (23,191)            |
| Valuation allowance                 | (170)                | (35,447)            | -                      | -                   |
| <b>Total deferred taxes</b>         | <b>21,385</b>        | <b>7,103</b>        | <b>14,866</b>          | <b>50,653</b>       |

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**Note 15 - Income and Deferred Taxes (continued)**

c) Income tax expense is summarized as follows:

|   | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|---|---------------|---------------|
|   | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Current tax expense (income tax accrual)  | (9,586)       | (7,516)       |
| Tax expense adjustment ( prior year)  | (125)         | (96)          |
| Effect of deferred tax assets and liabilities                                       | 154           | 2,107         |
| Tax benefit for tax losses  | (1,568)       | (3,361)       |
| Effect of amortization of complementary accounts                                    | (1,037)       | 2,485         |
| Effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities due to changes in valuation allowance | 1,605         | (1,641)       |
| Other tax charges and credits   | -             | (369)         |
| Total income tax expense  | (10,557)      | (8,391)       |

**Note 16 - Staff Severance Indemnities**

Staff severance indemnities are summarized as follows:

|                         | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                         | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Opening balance         | 17,472        | 16,415        |
| Increases in obligation | 961           | 1,275         |
| Payments                | (884)         | (492)         |
| Exchange difference     | (222)         | (437)         |
| Other difference        | (55)          | -             |
| Balance as of March 31  | 17,272        | 16,761        |

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**Note 17 - Minority Interest**

Minority interest is summarized as follows:

|                                  | Equity         |                | Net Income/(Loss) |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
|                                  | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ | 2007<br>ThUS\$    | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| Soquimich Comercial S.A.         | 35,253         | 31,265         | (475)             | 32             |
| Ajay SQM Chile S.A.              | 3,449          | 3,335          | (60)              | (252)          |
| Cape Fear Bulk LLC               | 203            | 258            | (28)              | (166)          |
| SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V. | 28             | (28)           | 17                | (10)           |
| Fertilizantes Naturales S.A.     | 126            | 122            | (6)               | 9              |
| SQM Indonesia S.A.               | (31)           | (2)            | -                 | -              |
| SQM Potasio S.A.                 | 6              | -              | (1)               | -              |
| Total                            | 39,034         | 34,950         | (553)             | (387)          |

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**Note 18 - Shareholders' Equity**

a) Changes to shareholders' equity consisted of:

|  | Number<br>of shares | Paid-in<br>capital<br>ThUS\$ | Other<br>reserves<br>ThUS\$ | Accumulated<br>deficit of<br>subsidiaries<br>in<br>development<br>stage<br>ThUS\$ | Retained<br>earnings<br>ThUS\$ | Net<br>income<br>ThUS\$ | Total<br>ThUS\$ |
|--|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance as of January 1,<br>2006                                 | 263,196,524         | 477,386                      | 157,287                     | (8,370)   | 280,607                        | 113,506                 | 1,020,416       |
| Transfer 2005 net income to<br>retained earnings                 | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | 113,506                        | (113,506)               | -               |
| Declared dividends 2006  | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | -                              | -                       | -               |
| Accumulated deficit from<br>subsidiaries in development<br>stage | -                   | -                            | -                           | 8,370   | (8,370)                        | -                       | -               |
| Other comprehensive<br>income                                    | -                   | -                            | (1,480)                     | -   | -                              | -                       | (1,480)         |
| Net income for the year  | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | -                              | 34,287                  | 34,287          |
| Balance as of March 31,<br>2006                                  | 263,196,524         | 477,386                      | 155,807                     | -   | 385,743                        | 34,287                  | 1,053,223       |
| Balance January 1, 2007  | 263,196,524         | 477,386                      | 155,190                     | (8,370)   | 320,466                        | 141,277                 | 1,085,949       |
| Transfer 2006 net income to<br>retained earnings                 | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | 141,277                        | (141,277)               | -               |
| Declared dividends 2007  | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | -                              | -                       | -               |
| Accumulated deficit from<br>subsidiaries in development<br>stage | -                   | -                            | -                           | 8,370   | (8,370)                        | -                       | -               |
| Other comprehensive<br>income                                    | -                   | -                            | (589)                       | -   | -                              | -                       | (589)           |
| Net income for the year  | -                   | -                            | -                           | -   | -                              | 42,963                  | 42,963          |
| Balance as of March 31,<br>2007                                  | 263,196,524         | 477,386                      | 154,601                     | -   | 453,373                        | 42,963                  | 1,128,323       |

In compliance with the indications set forth in Form 1819 of the Securities and Insurance Superintendency, we have compensated the balance of US\$ 8,370 corresponding to the Development Period Deficit account as of December 31 with the Accumulated Utilities account.

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**Note 18 - Shareholders' Equity (continued)**

b) The composition of other comprehensive income as of March 31, 2007 is as follows:

| Detail   |     | <b>For the year<br/>ended<br/>March 31, 2007<br/>ThUS\$</b> | <b>As of<br/>March 31, 2007<br/>ThUS\$</b> |
|--|-----|---|--|
| Technical appraisal  |     | -   | 151,345                                    |
| Changes to other comprehensive income<br>from equity method investments: |     |   |  |
| Soquimich Comercial S.A.   | (1) | (570)   | 4,827                                      |
| Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.  | (1) | -   | (83)                                       |
| Inversiones Augusta S.A.   | (1) | -   | (761)                                      |
| SQM Ecuador S.A.   | (2) | -   | (270)                                      |
| Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.  | (1) | -   | 22   |
| Asociación Garantizadora de Pensiones                                    | (1) | (7)   | (18)                                       |
| Sales de Magnesio Ltda.  | (1) | (12)  | 40   |
| SQM North America Corp.  | (3) | -   | (1,218)                                    |
| Other Companies  | (1) | -   | 717  |
| Total other comprehensive income   |     | (589)   | 154,601                                    |

(1) Corresponds to translation adjustments and monetary correction

(2) Corresponds to the translation adjustment produced by the application of a new law implemented by the Ecuadorian Government

(3) Relates to valuation differences generated in the pension plans of the subsidiary SQM North America Corp.

c) Capital consists of 263,196,524 fully authorized, subscribed and paid shares with no par value, divided into 142,819,552 Series A shares and 120,376,972 Series B shares.

The preferential voting rights of each series are as follows:

Series A: If the election of the president of the Company results in a tied vote, the Company's directors may vote once again, without the vote of the director elected by the Series B shareholders.

Series B: 1) A general or extraordinary shareholders' meeting may be called at the request of shareholders representing 5% of the Company's Series B shares.

2) An extraordinary meeting of the Board of Directors may be called with or without the agreement of the Company's president, at the request of a director elected by Series B shareholders.

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**Note 19 - Derivatives Instruments**

Derivative instruments are recorded at their fair value at year-end. Changes in fair value are recognized in income with the liability recorded in other current liabilities. Losses from options relate to fees paid by the Company to enter into such contracts. As of March 31, 2007 the Company's derivative instruments are as follows:

| 2007<br>Type of<br>derivative | Notional<br>or<br>Notional<br>or<br>covered<br>amount | Expiration                           | Description of<br>the<br>contract<br>type | Position<br>purchase/sale | (Liability)Asset<br>amount | Income<br>(loss)<br>recorded | Income<br>(not)<br>recorded |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                               | ThUS\$  |                                      |   |                           | ThUS\$                     | ThUS\$                       | ThUS\$                      |
| US dollar<br>PUT              | 9,332   | 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester of<br>2007 | Exchange<br>rate                          | P                         | (33)                       | -                            | (33)                        |
| US dollar<br>Forward          | 6,770   | 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester of<br>2007 | Exchange<br>rate                          | P                         | (120)                      | -                            | (120)                       |
| US dollar<br>Forward          | 2,605   | 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester of<br>2007 | Exchange<br>rate                          | P                         | (19)                       | -                            | (19)                        |
| Swap                          | 102,630   | 1 <sup>st</sup> trimester of<br>2007 | Interest rate                             | P                         | 1,047                      | -                            | 1,047                       |
|                               | 121,337   |                                      |   |                           | 875                        |                              | 875                         |

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**Note 20 - Non-Operating Income and Expenses**

Amounts included in non-operating income and expenses are summarized as follows:

| a)   | <b>Non-operating income</b>   |               |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------|
|  | <b>2007</b>                   | <b>2006</b>   |
|  | <b>ThUS\$</b>                 | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Interest income  | 2,557                         | 1,889         |
| Reversal of allowance for doubtful accounts                                    | 143                           | 4             |
| Net foreign exchange   | -                             | 848           |
| Cross currency swap  | 4,000                         | -             |
| Rights of use of trademark   | 6                             | 98            |
| Insurance recoveries   | 77                            | 110           |
| Sales of services  | 20                            | -             |
| Rental of property, plant and equipment  | 240                           | 286           |
| Fines collected from third parties   | 34                            | 251           |
| Equity participation in net income of unconsolidated<br>Subsidiaries           | 456                           | 722           |
| Discounts obtained   | 145                           | 59            |
| Other income   | 571                           | 252           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>8,249</b>                  | <b>4,519</b>  |
|  |                               |               |
| b)   | <b>Non-operating expenses</b> |               |
|  | <b>2007</b>                   | <b>2006</b>   |
|  | <b>ThUS\$</b>                 | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Write-off of investments   | 101                           | 101           |
| Interest Expense   | 5,360                         | 5,628         |
| Equity participation in net losses of unconsolidated<br>Subsidiaries           | -                             | 105           |
| Amortization of goodwill   | 558                           | 705           |
| Net foreign exchange   | 870                           | -             |
| Consulting services  | 10                            | -             |
|  | 77                            | 50            |
| Training expenses and grants   | -                             | -             |
| Investment plan expenses and adjustment to the net realizable value of<br>PP&E | 3,713                         | 2,788         |
| Energy tariff difference   | 2,000                         | -             |
| Work disruption expenses   | 117                           | 317           |
| Non-recoverable taxes  | 85                            | 157           |
| Other expenses   | 82                            | 206           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>12,973</b>                 | <b>10,057</b> |





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**Note 21 - Price-level Restatement**

Amounts charged or credited to income relating to price-level restatement are summarized as follows:

|                               | (Charge) credit to income from<br>operations |                |
|-------------------------------|--|----------------|
|                               | 2007<br>ThUS\$                               | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| Property, plant and equipment | 13   | (20)           |
| Other assets and liabilities  | 37   | (176)          |
| Shareholders' equity          | (185)  | 257            |
| Net price-level restatement   | (135)  | 61             |

**Note 22 - Assets and Liabilities Denominated in Foreign Currency**

|                              | 2007<br>ThUS\$ | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                |                |                |
| Chilean pesos                | 73,420         | 57,747         |
| US dollars                   | 1,657,019      | 1,595,589      |
| Euros                        | 52,082         | 36,949         |
| Japanese Yen                 | 812            | 600            |
| Brazilian Real               | 343            | 301            |
| Mexican pesos                | 6,392          | 4,262          |
| UF                           | 74,613         | 61,985         |
| South African Rand           | 8,617          | 7,962          |
| Dirhams                      | 14,981         | 11,838         |
| Other currencies             | 7,911          | 2,291          |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>   |                |                |
| Chilean pesos                | 71,441         | 78,134         |
| US dollars                   | 86,874         | 324,014        |
| Euros                        | 10,554         | 14,384         |
| Japanese Yen                 | 40             | 18             |
| Brazilian Real               | 1,635          | 1,347          |
| Mexican pesos                | 3,238          | 2,915          |
| UF                           | 4,796          | 4,077          |
| South African Rand           | 1,335          | 1,244          |
| Dirhams                      | 620            | 671            |
| Other currencies             | 27             | 139            |
| <b>Long-term liabilities</b> |                |                |
| Chilean pesos                | 17,134         | 17,640         |
| US dollars                   | 430,498        | 143,535        |
| Japanese Yen                 | 153            | 126            |
| UF                           | 100,479        | 103,105        |
| Other currencies             | 9              | 2              |



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**Note 23 - Expenses Incurred in the Issuance Shares and Debt Titles**

Expenses incurred in the issuance and placement of bonds are presented under Other long-term assets, the portion to be amortized within one year is presented within Other current assets, which are amortized using the straight-line method, in accordance with the period for issuance of documents. This amortization is presented as interest expense. As of March 31, 2007, issuance expenses net of amortization amount to ThUS\$6,629. Issuance expenses include disbursements related to reports issued by risk classifiers, legal and financial advisories, taxes, printing and placement fees. Amortization for the three-month period ended March 31, 2007 amounted to ThUS\$117.

**Note 24 - Cash Flow Statement**

Amounts included in other investing income are summarized as follows:

|                                     | <b>2007</b>   | <b>2006</b>   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                     | <b>ThUS\$</b> | <b>ThUS\$</b> |
| Cash included in cash equivalents   | -             | 24,255        |
| Income from loans paid by employees | 97            | -             |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>97</b>     | <b>24,255</b> |

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**Note 25 - Commitments and Contingencies**

**I. Contingencies:**

(a) Material lawsuits or other legal actions of which the Company is party to:

- |    |                 |   |
|----|-----------------|---|
| 1. | Plaintiff       | : Compañía Salitre y Yodo Soledad S.A.                  |
|    | Defendants      | : Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A.               |
|    | Date of lawsuit | : December 1994   |
|    | Court           | : Civil Court of Pozo Almonte                           |
|    | Cause           | : Partial annulment of mining property, Cesard 1 to 29  |
|    | Instance        | : Evidence provided                                     |
|    | Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 211  |
|    |                 |   |
| 2. | Plaintiff       | : Compañía Productora de Yodo y Sales S.A.              |
|    | Defendants      | : SQM Químicos S.A.                                     |
|    | Date of lawsuit | : November 1999   |
|    | Court           | : Civil Court of Pozo Almonte                           |
|    | Cause           | : Partial annulment of mining property, Paz II 1 to 25  |
|    | Instance        | : Evidence provided                                     |
|    | Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 162  |
|    |                 |   |
| 3. | Plaintiff       | : Compañía Productora de Yodo y Sales S.A.              |
|    | Defendants      | : SQM Químicos S.A.                                     |
|    | Date of lawsuit | : November 1999   |
|    | Court           | : Civil Court of Pozo Almonte                           |
|    | Cause           | : Partial annulment of mining property, Paz III 1 to 25 |
|    | Instance        | : Evidence provided                                     |
|    | Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 204  |
|    |                 |   |
| 4. | Plaintiff       | : Compañía Salitre y Yodo Soledad S.A.                  |
|    | Defendants      | : Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A.               |
|    | Date of lawsuit | : November 1999   |
|    | Court           | : Civil Court of Pozo Almonte                           |
|    | Cause           | : Partial annulment of mining property, Paz IV 1 to 30  |
|    | Instance        | : Evidence provided                                     |
|    | Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 193  |



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|-----------------|--|
| <b>I.</b>       | <b>Contingencies (continued):</b>  |
| 5.              |  |
| Plaintiff       | : Miguel Negrete Ubeda   |
| Defendants      | : Marco Antonio Ortiz Castillo y SQM Nitratos S.A. and its insurers  |
| Date of lawsuit | : May 2004   |
| Court           | : First Civil Court of Antofagasta   |
| Cause           | : Work accident  |
| Instance        | : First instance sentence. Fine of ThCh\$ 15,000 The appeal is pending.  |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 150   |
| 6.              |  |
| Plaintiff       | : Gabriela Véliz Huanchicay  |
| Defendants      | : Gilberto Mercado Barreda and subsidiary and jointly and severally SQM Nitratos S.A. and its insurers   |
| Date of lawsuit | : August 2006  |
| Court           | : 4 <sup>th</sup> Civil Court of Santiago  |
| Cause           | : Work accident  |
| Instance        | : Observations to the evidence   |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 1,350   |
| 7.              |  |
| Plaintiff       | : Electroandina S.A.   |
| Defendants      | : Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A.  |
| Date of lawsuit | : September 2005   |
| Court           | : Court of arbitration   |
| Cause           | : Early termination or partial modification or temporary suspension of the Electrical Supply Agreement entered on February 12, 1999 by virtue of supposedly unforeseen events that would result in an increase in the cost of or restricted the supply of natural gas from Argentina |
| Instance        | : Evidentiary stage  |
| Nominal amount  | : The amount has not been determined yet   |
| 8.              |  |
| Plaintiff       | : Juana Muraña Quispe  |
| Defendants      | : Intro Ingenieria Limitada and subsidiary and jointly and severally SQM S.A. and its insurers   |
| Date of lawsuit | : October 2005   |
| Court           | : 25 <sup>th</sup> Civil Court of Santiago   |
| Cause           | : Work accident  |
| Instance        | : Evidentiary stage  |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$1,500  |



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| <b>I.</b>       | <b>Contingencies (continued):</b>  |
|-----------------|--|
| 9. Plaintiff    | : Norgener S.A.  |
| Defendants      | : Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A.  |
| Date of lawsuit | : April 2006   |
| Court           | : Arbitration Court  |
| Cause           | : Modification of the price of energy sold and of the indexation system indicated in the Electrical Energy Supply Agreement entered on January 13, 1998, by Virtue of that indicated, in the plaintiff's opinion, in this agreement. |
| Instance        | : Rejoinder  |
| Nominal amount  | : Amount not determined.   |
| 10. Plaintiff   | : Marina Arnéz Valencia  |
| Defendant       | : SQM S.A. and its insurance companies   |
| Date of lawsuit | : May 2006   |
| Court           | : 2 <sup>nd</sup> Civil Court of Santiago  |
| Cause           | : Work accident  |
| Instance        | : Conciliation audience  |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 500   |
| 11. Plaintiff   | : Empresa de Servicios de Montaje Ltda.  |
| Defendants      | : SQM S.A.   |
| Date of lawsuit | : May 2006   |
| Court           | : 4 <sup>th</sup> Civil Court of Antofagasta   |
| Cause           | : Divergences related to the agreement for the improvement of compressors and of assembly of capacitors in Pedro de Valdivia crystallization plant and compensation For damage.  |
| Instance        | : Response   |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$ 270   |
| 12. Plaintiff   | : ESAOL Limitada   |
| Defendants      | : Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A.  |
| Date of lawsuit | : September 2006   |
| Court           | : Arbitration Court of Antofagasta   |
| Cause           | : Fees allegedly owed for urban cleaning services at Maria Elena   |
| Instance        | : Order for appearance, filing of commitment   |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$170  |





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**I. Contingencies (continued):**

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| 13. Plaintiff   | : Sociedad de Servicios Tacora Limitada  |
| Defendants      | : SQM Nitratos S.A.  |
| Date of lawsuit | : December 2006  |
| Court           | : 25 <sup>th</sup> Civil Court of Antofagasta  |
| Cause           | : Collection of securities which SQM Nitratos S.A., by virtue of a mandate conferred in its favor, used to pay the plaintiff's employees who have not received their salary pay and contributions for transportation and machinery services rendered indirectly to SQM Nitratos S.A. |
| Instance        | : Response.  |
| Nominal amount  | : ThUS\$266  |

(b)

Other

The Company and its subsidiaries are involved in litigation in the ordinary course of business. Based on the advice of counsel, management believes the litigation will not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

**II. Commitments:**

- (a) The subsidiary SQM Salar S.A. maintains an agreement with a government agency, whereby the Company must make annual payments until 2030 based on the Company's annual sales. This amount, which has been paid since the beginning of the agreement in 1996, was ThUS\$ 3,010 in 2007 (ThUS\$ 2,141 in 2006).
- (b) Bank loans assumed by SQM S.A. and its subsidiaries contain similar restrictions to loans of the same nature which have been effective at pertinent dates and which, among others, relate to maximum indebtedness and minimum shareholders' equity. In respect to this, main covenants in force are: i) shareholders' equity of SQM S.A. should not be lower than TH\$984,522.00, ii) the net financial debt to EBITDA ratio should not be greater than 3:1, and iii) the ratio between financial debt of operating subsidiaries and the consolidated current assets should not be greater than 0.3:1.

Except for this, SQM S.A. is not exposed to any restrictions to its management activities or financial indicator limits related to agreements or covenants with creditors.

- (c) Bank debt of SQM S.A. and its subsidiaries has no restrictions or terms other than those that might usually be found in identical debt in the financial markets, such as maximum indebtedness and minimum equity among others.

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**Note 26 - Third Party Guarantees**

As of March 31, 2007 and 2006 the Company has the following indirect guarantees outstanding:

| Beneficiary                             | Name                               | Debtor | Relationship | Balances outstanding |                |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|
|   |                                    |        |              | 2007<br>ThUS\$       | 2006<br>ThUS\$ |
| BBVA Banco Bilbao Vizcaya<br>Argentaria | Royal Seed Trading Corp.<br>A.V.V. |        | Subsidiary   | 100,415              | 100,361        |
| ING Bank                                | Royal Seed Trading Corp.<br>A.V.V. |        | Subsidiary   | 81,551               | -              |

**Note 27 - Sureties Obtained from Third Parties**

Joint and several guarantee of up to ThUS\$ 1,000 made by Tattersall Comercial S.A. to secure to Soquimich Comercial S.A. compliance with obligations contained in the commercial mandate agreement for the distribution and sale of fertilizers.

**Note 28 - Sanctions**

During 2007 and 2006, the SVS did not apply sanctions to the Company, its directors or managers.

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**Note 29 - Environmental Projects**

Disbursements incurred by the Company as of March 31, 2007 relating to its investments in production processes and compliance with regulations related to industrial processes and facilities are as follows:

| <b>Project</b>  | <b>2007<br/>ThUS\$</b> | <b>Future<br/>Disbursements<br/>ThUS\$</b> |
|---|------------------------|--|
| Dust emission control   | 76                     | -  |
| Light normalization   | 921                    | 90   |
| Enablement of money exchange and bathrooms  | 279                    | 21   |
| Environmental studies - Region I of Chile project                                 | 82                     | 936  |
| Maria Elena archeology  | 974                    | 26   |
| Waste water treatment plant, washing surface P. Valdivia. N. Victoria. P. Blanca. | 8                      | 232  |
| Equipment washing system  | 184                    | -  |
| Implementation of waste water line for María Elena Treatment Plant.               | 28                     | 22   |
| Infrastructure, equipment New Offices María Elena Environment                     | 14                     | -  |
| Hospital Monitoring Station Project   | 12                     | 9  |
| Tourist Support in Salt Deposit (Soncor)  | 62                     | 18   |
| EIA Salar   | 1,042                  | 2,211                                      |
| Energy backup for Church monitoring station                                       | 1                      | 20   |
| Environmental assessment for the KNO <sub>3</sub> Plant                           | 21                     | 4  |
| Environmental commitments Region I of Chile                                       | 161                    | 150  |
| Plumbing equipment at ME prilling plant   | 11                     | 29   |
| Normalization of lighting at FFCC yard, PV Mill                                   | 135                    | 30   |
| Improvements in M. Elena Camp - Streets   | 327                    | 123  |
| El Toco Fine copper deposit   | 8                      | 105  |
| The Environment MOP/SOP 2   | 228                    | 9  |
| Study of dust control at SOP-SC plant   | 30                     | -  |
| Waste dump for dangerous waste  | 16                     | 348  |
| Deputy Management of Environmental Matters  | 151                    | 906  |
| Equipment elimination using PCB   | 300                    | 208  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>5,071</b>           | <b>5,497</b>                               |

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**Note 29 - Environmental Projects (continued)**

Protecting the environment, both in regards to the Company's productive processes and the manufactured goods, is a constant concern for SQM.

SQM is currently implementing an Environmental Management System, which is based on the ISO 14000 standard, with which the Company will improve its environmental performance. The implementation program stipulates that all the operations maintained by the Company in Regions I and II of Chile, will have a fully implemented Environmental Management System by late 2006.

Processes where sodium nitrate is used as a raw material are carried out in geographical areas such as the desert with favorable weather conditions for drying solid materials and evaporating liquids used in solar energy. The extraction of minerals in open pit mines, given their low waste-to-mineral ratio, gives rise to waste deposits that have little impact on the environment. The extraction process and ore crushing produce particles that are consistent with the industry of operation.

On August 10, 1993, the Ministry of Health published a resolution under the Sanitary Code that established that the levels of breathable particles present at Maria Elena Plant exceeded the level allowed for air quality and, consequently, affected the nearby city of Maria Elena. Particles mainly come from dust that results from processing the sodium nitrate, particularly at the crushing process prior to leaching. The Company has implemented a series of measures that have shown notable improvement in air quality at María Elena. A new decontamination plan for this area, released on March 13, 2004, is intended to meet air quality standards by April 1, 2007. On December 31, 2004, the Company submitted a proposal entitled "Technological Change at María Elena", which intends to reduce particle emission, to the government's Environmental Impact Evaluation System. The project will commence its activities during 2007.

Ore treatment operations, as they are controlled processes, produce solid residual materials that are the non-soluble by product and a certain degree of moisture.

SQM entered into a contract with the National Forestry Corporation (CONAF) aimed at researching the activities of flamingo groups that live in the Atacama Salt Mine lagoons. Such research includes a population count of the birds and wildlife, breeding research, additional behavior research and the climate phenomena of the area.

Consistent with the Company's ongoing commitment with the environmental authorities, the Company actively participates in the Joint Monitoring Research project for the Atacama Salt Mine watershed along with other mining companies that make use of the water resources that supply the Atacama Salt Mine. To perform this study, SQM has involved diverse scientists from prestigious research institutions such as Dictuc of Pontificia Universidad Católica, the University of Nevada, Cornell University and the University of Binghamton in New York.

Together with this, SQM in its ongoing commitment with regional environmental management had active participation in the Joint Study of Monitoring of the Atacama Saltpeter Deposit Basin where other mining companies who use water resources in that basin were also involved.

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**Note 30 - Significant Events**

1. On March 21, 2007, the Company informed the Superintendency of Securities and Insurance (SVS) that the Board of Directors of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile (SQM) at their meeting held on March 20, 2007, unanimously agreed to propose the payment of a final dividend for a sum of US\$0.34874 per share to those shareholders of SQM who were registered with the Shareholders' Registry during the fifth business day prior to the date of payment of this dividend.

Upon approval of this proposal by the shareholders at the General Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting to be held on April 27, 2007, this proposal will allow that the Company effectively pays and distributes dividends in conformity with the respective dividend policy, an annual dividend equivalent to 65% of distributable net income obtained during 2006.

**Note 31 - Subsequent Events**

Management is not aware of any significant subsequent events that have occurred after March 31, 2007 and that may affect the Company's financial position or the interpretation of these financial statements, (April 24, 2007).

**SIGNATURES**

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

**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.**

Conf: /s/ Ricardo Ramos d  
Ricardo Ramos  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 29, 2007