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## UNITED COMPANY RUSAL PLC

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# 4TH QUARTER AND 12 MONTHS 2014 TRADING UPDATE

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UC RUSAL announces its operating results for 4th quarter 2014 ("4Q14") and 12 months 2014 ("FY14")

### Key highlights:

- Total aluminium production amounted to 3,601 thousand tonnes in FY14 (-7% YoY) and 915 thousand tonnes in 4Q14 (+1% QoQ). Share of value-added products continued to grow and reached a record 45% of total aluminium production in 2014 in comparison with 42% for the previous year.
- UC RUSAL alumina output totaled 7,253 thousand tonnes in FY14 (-1% YoY) and remained flat at the level of 1,818 thousand tonnes in 4Q14.
- UC RUSAL bauxite production amounted to 12,108 thousand tonnes in FY14 (+2% YoY) and 2,932 thousand tonnes in 4Q14 (-11% QoQ). The management keeps focus on further increase of an efficient upstream vertical integration.

- The average aluminium realized price was US\$2,219/tonne (+3% YoY) in FY14. The average realized price kept positive momentum in 4Q14 growing 5% QoQ.
- UC RUSAL expects stable aluminium production volumes and favorable pricing environment in 2015. The company does not plan to restart the aluminium smelters idled in 2013/2014 due to the current market environment so to maintain production discipline.

|  |       | Change, |          |        |        |         |
|--|-------|---------|----------|--------|--------|---------|
| Key operating data <sup>1</sup> ('000 tonnes) unless otherwise indicated | 4Q14  | 3Q14 %  | (v (QoQ) | FY14   | FY13   | % (YoY) |
| Aluminium  | 915   | 903     | 1%       | 3,601  | 3,857  | (7%)    |
| Alumina  | 1,818 | 1,817   | 0%       | 7,253  | 7,310  | (1%)    |
| Bauxite  | 2,932 | 3,291   | (11%)    | 12,108 | 11,876 | 2%      |
| Nepheline  | 1,013 | 1,085   | (7%)     | 4,396  | 4,662  | (6%)    |
| Aluminium foil and   |       |         |          |        |        |         |
| packaging products   | 25    | 24      | 4%       | 94     | 89     | 5%      |

UC RUSAL assets also include two quartzite mines, one fluorite mine, two coal mines, one nepheline syenite mine and two limestone mines. The Company also has three aluminium powder metallurgy plants, cryolite, aluminium fluoride and cathodes plants. During 2013 the Company mothballed production of aluminium fluoride (including fluoride concentrate production facility), cryolite and cathodes.

|                         |       |            | Change, |            |         |
|-------------------------|-------|------------|---------|------------|---------|
| Sales price, US\$/tonne | 4Q14  | 3Q14 % (Qo | Q) F    | Y14 FY13   | % (YoY) |
| Realized price          | 2,425 | 2,299      | 5% 2.   | ,219 2,150 | 3%      |

• The realized price growth on YoY basis was driven by a further development of UC RUSAL's sales of value-added products.

### Aluminium production results

- Aluminium capacity curtailment program, performed by the Company in 2013 through mothballing such smelters as NkAZ (1st line), BAZ, UAZ, VgAZ, Alscon and partially NAZ, allowed the Company to decrease aluminium production volumes in 2014 as compared to 2013 by 256 thousand tonnes (-7% YoY).
- The aluminium production in 2015 is expected to be flat on YoY basis at approximately 3.6 million tonnes.

| ('000 tonnes) unless              |                       |      | Change, |               |             | Change, |         |  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------|---------|---------------|-------------|---------|---------|--|
| otherwise indicated <b>I</b>      | interest <sup>2</sup> | 4Q14 | 3Q14%   | $(Q \circ Q)$ | <b>FY14</b> | FY13 9  | % (YoY) |  |
| Russia (Siberia)                  |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| Bratsk aluminium                  |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | 253  | 252     | 1%            | 1,005       | 1,002   | 0%      |  |
| Krasnoyarsk                       |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| aluminium smelter                 | 100%                  | 254  | 252     | 1%            | 1,005       | 1,002   | 0%      |  |
| Sayanogorsk                       | 1000                  | 122  | 101     | 1.07          | 514         | 512     | 0.01    |  |
| aluminium smelter<br>Novokuznetsk | 100%                  | 133  | 131     | 1%            | 514         | 513     | 0%      |  |
| aluminium smelter                 | 100%                  | 52   | 52      | (1%)          | 207         | 248     | (16%)   |  |
| Irkutsk aluminium                 | 10070                 | 32   | 32      | (170)         | 207         | 210     | (10%)   |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | 101  | 99      | 6%            | 394         | 392     | 1%      |  |
| Khakas aluminium                  |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | 73   | 73      | 1%            | 287         | 279     | 3%      |  |
| Russia — Other                    |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| Bogoslovsk                        |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| aluminium smelter                 | 100%                  |      |         | _             |             | 41      | (100%)  |  |
| Volgograd aluminium               |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | _    |         |               | _           | 112     | (100%)  |  |
| Urals aluminium smelter           | 1000                  |      |         |               |             | 22      | (1000/) |  |
| Nadvoitsy aluminium               | 100%                  | _    |         | _             | _           | 32      | (100%)  |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | 3    | 3       | (1%)          | 12          | 29      | (60%)   |  |
| Kandalaksha                       | 10070                 | J    | J       | (170)         | 12          | 2)      | (0070)  |  |
| aluminium smelter                 | 100%                  | 17   | 16      | 5%            | 64          | 66      | (2%)    |  |
| Volkhov aluminium                 |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| smelter                           | 100%                  | _    | _       | _             |             | 8       | (100%)  |  |
| Sweden                            |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| Kubikenborg                       |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| Aluminium                         |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| (KUBAL)                           | 100%                  | 29   | 25      | 16%           | 113         | 131     | (14%)   |  |
| Nigeria                           |                       |      |         |               |             |         |         |  |
| ALSCON                            | 85%                   | _    | _       | _             |             | 2       | (100%)  |  |
| Total production                  |                       | 915  | 903     | 1%            | 3,601       | 3,857   | (7%)    |  |

Presents the total production of the plants, each of which is a consolidated subsidiary of the Company.

## Alumina production results

• UC RUSAL demonstrated stable alumina production volumes in 2014. The modernization and organic growth projects on company's alumina refineries may bring FY15 alumina output to approximately 7.5 million tonnes.

| ('000 tonnes) unless                                |          |      |        | hange,           |       |       | Change, |
|---|----------|------|--------|------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| otherwise indicated                                 | Interest | 4Q14 | 3Q14 % | $(\mathbf{QoQ})$ | FY14  | FY13  | % (YoY) |
| <b>Ireland</b><br>Aughinish Alumina                 | 100%     | 477  | 499    | (4%)             | 1,951 | 1,935 | 1%      |
| Jamaica<br>Alpart<br>Windalco* (Ewarton             | 100%     | _    | _      | _                | _     | _     | _       |
| and Kirkvine<br>Works)                              | 100%     | 152  | 141    | 8%               | 559   | 549   | 2%      |
| <b>Ukraine</b><br>Nikolaev Alumina                  |          |      |        |                  |       |       |         |
| Refinery  | 100%     | 371  | 355    | 5%               | 1,455 | 1,494 | (3%)    |
| <b>Italy</b><br>Eurallumina                         | 100%     | _    | _      | _                | _     | _     | _       |
| <b>Russia</b><br>Bogoslovsk Alumina                 |          |      |        |                  |       |       |         |
| Refinery<br>Achinsk Alumina                         | 100%     | 216  | 240    | (10%)            | 911   | 958   | (5%)    |
| Refinery Urals Alumina                              | 100%     | 222  | 204    | 8%               | 891   | 926   | (4%)    |
| Refinery<br>Boxitogorsk Alumina                     | 100%     | 194  | 191    | 2%               | 770   | 775   | (1%)    |
| Refinery  | 100%     |      |        |                  |       | _     |         |
| <b>Guinea</b><br>Friguia Alumina                    |          |      |        |                  |       |       |         |
| Refinery  | 100%     |      |        |                  |       |       |         |
| Australia (JV) Queensland Alumina Ltd. <sup>3</sup> | 20%      | 186  | 187    | (0%)             | 716   | 674   | 6%      |
| Total production                                    |          |      | 1,817  |                  | 7,253 |       | (1%)    |

<sup>\*</sup> As of December 2014

Calculated based on the pro rata share of the Company's (and its subsidiaries') ownership in corresponding alumina refineries.

# **Bauxite production results**

- Bauxite production growth in 2014 as compared to 2013 was driven by third party sales and replacement of third party volumes with supply from own deposits.
- The decrease in volumes on QoQ basis in 4Q14 was caused by declining third party sales and seasonal factors.

| (Kt Wet) unless otherwise indicated | Interest | 4Q14  |       | Change, | FY14   |        | Change,<br>% (YoY) |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| Jamaica                             |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Alpart                              | 100%     |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Windalco*                           |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| (Ewarton and                        |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Kirkvine)                           | 100%     | 468   | 487   | (4%)    | 1,903  | 1,870  | 2%                 |
| Russia                              |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| North Urals                         | 100%     | 662   | 835   | (21%)   | 2,774  | 2,498  | 11%                |
| Timan**                             | 100%     | 652   | 878   | (26%)   | 2,815  | 2,824  | (0%)               |
| Guinea                              |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Friguia                             | 100%     |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Kindia                              | 100%     | 909   | 832   | 9%      | 3,379  | 3,326  | 2%                 |
| Guyana                              |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| Bauxite Company                     |          |       |       |         |        |        |                    |
| of Guyana Inc.4                     | 90%      | 242   | 258   | (6%)    | 1,237  | 1,358  | (9%)               |
| Total production                    |          | 2,933 | 3,290 | (4%)    | 12,108 | 11,876 | 2%                 |

Calculated based on pro rata share of the Company's ownership in corresponding bauxite mines and mining complexes. The total production of the Company's fully consolidated subsidiaries, Timan and Bauxite Company of Guyana Inc., are included in the production figures, notwithstanding that minority interests in each of these subsidiaries are held by third parties.

<sup>\*</sup> As of December 2014

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## Nepheline production results

| (Kt Wet) unless     |          |              | (            | Change,  | Change,     |        |       |
|---------------------|----------|--------------|--------------|----------|-------------|--------|-------|
| otherwise indicated | Interest | 4Q14         | 3Q14%        | $(Q_0Q)$ | <b>FY14</b> | FY13 % | (YoY) |
|                     |          |              |              |          |             |        |       |
| Kiya Shaltyr        |          |              |              |          |             |        |       |
| Nepheline Syenite   | 100%     | <u>1,013</u> | <u>1,085</u> | (7%)     | 4,396       | 4,662  | (6%)  |
|                     |          |              |              |          |             |        |       |
| Total production    | 100%     | 1,013        | 1,085        | (7%)     | 4,396       | 4,662  | (6%)  |

### Foil and packaging production results

The aggregate aluminium foil and packaging material production from the Company's plants increased by 5% YoY to 94 thousand tonnes in FY14 and by 4% QoQ to 25 thousand tonnes in 4Q14, primarily due to increased production at Sayanal and Ural Foil sites in Russia and Armenal in Armenia.

| ('000 tonnes) unless |          | Change, % |      |            |      |      |       |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|------|------------|------|------|-------|
| otherwise indicated  | Interest | 4Q14      | 3Q14 | %<br>(QoQ) | FY14 | FY13 | (YoY) |
| Russia               |          |           |      |            |      |      |       |
| Sayanal              | 100%     | 11        | 10   | 3%         | 42   | 40   | 3%    |
| Ural Foil            | 100%     | 5         | 5    | 11%        | 19   | 18   | 5%    |
| Sayana Foil          | 100%     | 1.1       | 0.9  | 21%        | 3.4  | 2.8  | 20%   |
| Armenia              |          |           |      |            |      |      |       |
| Armenal              | 100%     | 8         | 8    | 0%         | 29   | 28   | 6%    |
| Total production     |          | 25        | 24   | 4%         | 94   | 89   | 5%    |

#### Other business

The Company's aggregate output from its non-core business has shown multidirectional dynamics:

- Secondary alloys output increased by 10% YoY to 22,664 tonnes in FY14 and decreased by 1% QoQ to 6,190 tonnes in 4Q14.
- Silicon volumes decreased by 1% YoY to 54,764 tonnes in FY14 and were up by 5% QoQ to 15,055 tonnes in 4Q14.

- Powder production increased by 7% YoY to 21,077 tonnes in FY14 but was down 13% QoQ to 5,273 tonnes in 4Q14.
- The cathodes and fluorides production facilities were mothballed as part of curtailment of inefficient production capacity in 2013.

|                              |        |        | Change, |        | (      | Change, |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| (tonnes) unless otherwise    |        |        | %       |        |        | %       |
| indicated                    | 4Q14   | 3Q14   | (QoQ)   | FY14   | FY13   | (YoY)   |
| Secondary alloys             | 6,190  | 6,262  | (1%)    | 22,664 | 20,627 | 10%     |
| Cathodes                     | 0      | 0      |         | 0      | 1,903  | (100%)  |
| Silicon                      | 15,055 | 14,293 | 5%      | 54,764 | 55,373 | (1%)    |
| Powder                       | 5,273  | 6,069  | (13%)   | 21,077 | 19,782 | 7%      |
| Fluorides                    | 0      | 0      |         | 0      | 28,606 | (100%)  |
| Coal (50%) (Kt) <sup>5</sup> | 5,966  | 4,978  | 20%     | 19,001 | 20,852 | (9%)    |
| Transport $(50\%)^6$         |        |        |         |        |        |         |
| (Kt of transportation)       | 1,875  | 1,671  | 12%     | 6,730  | 8,543  | (21%)   |

The aggregate coal production attributable to the Company's (and its subsidiaries') 50% share in LLP Bogatyr Komir

#### Coal production results

The aggregate coal production attributable to the Company's (and its subsidiaries') 50% share in LLP Bogatyr Komir decreased by 9% YoY to 19,001 thousand tonnes in FY14 and has increased by 20% QoQ to 5,966 thousand tonnes in 4Q14. The decrease in volume in 2014 as compared to 2013 was due to lower sales of coal to the Russian customers resulting from softening regional demand and higher competition. The demand softening on the Russian market was partially offset by an increased demand for thermal coal in Kazakhstan. The coal production increase in 4Q as compared to 3Q 2014 is largely driven by seasonal demand growth in Kazakhstan.

#### Transportation results

The aggregate coal, bauxite and limestone transported by the Company's 50% share in LLP Bogatyr Trans by railway decreased by 21% YoY to 6,730 thousand tonnes in FY14 and has increased by 12% QoQ to 1,875 thousand tonnes in 4Q14 replicating general coal business trends.

The aggregate coal, bauxite, limestone and iron ore transported by the Company's 50% share in LLP Bogatyr Trans

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By Order of the board of directors of
United Company RUSAL Plc
Aby Wong Po Ying
Company Secretary

30 January 2015

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