

FIRST HALF 2013 SALES

Sales down due to scheduled maintenance shutdowns in the first half of 2013

Suresnes, 25 July 2013: the Recylex Group (NYSE Euronext Paris: FR0000120388 - RX) today reported sales for the six months to June 30, 2013 totalling € 209.4 million, down 10% on the first half of 2012.

The breakdown of consolidated sales by business segment for the first half of 2013 was as follows:

Consolidated sales by business line (unaudited):

(In millions of euros)	First half	First half	Change
	2013	2012	(%)
Lead	150.7	174.8	-14%
Zinc	39.1	40.4	-3%
Special Metals	11.3	10.5	+7%
Plastics	8.3	6.7	+25%
Total	209.4	232.4	-10%

Yves Roche, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Recylex Group, commented:

"During the first six months of 2013, the Recylex Group's sales were 10% lower than in the same period of 2012, mainly due to scheduled maintenance shutdowns in Germany of the lead smelter in Nordenham and of the zinc dust treatment kiln in Oker. In addition, market conditions in the first half of 2013 were particularly difficult in the Lead business, especially on the supply side. Although initial signs of recovery in Special Metals require confirmation, the Plastics business maintained its strong sales momentum."

1. Metal price trends during the first half of 2013

Since January 1, 2013, lead and zinc prices have fallen. Despite this, the average lead price was slightly higher in the first half of 2013 than in the first half of 2012, while the average zinc price was slightly lower. Average prices for the half-year period were as follows:

(€ per tonne)	First half 2013	First half 2012	% change
Lead	1,657	1,568	+6%
Zinc	1,474	1,524	-3%

2. <u>Breakdown of consolidated sales in the first half of 2013 relative to the first half of 2012</u>

Consolidated sales in the first six months of 2013 totalled € 209.4 million, down 10% on the year-earlier period.

Lead: sales down 14%

In the first half of 2013, the Lead segment generated 72% of consolidated sales. Sales dropped by 14% at € 150.7 million, mainly due to lower sales volumes following the scheduled three-week maintenance shutdown of the main smelter in Nordenham in March 2013, whereas there were no major shutdowns in 2012. First-half 2013 sales were also affected by declining prices of silver and sulphuric acid, which are by-products of the smelting process.

Zinc: sales down 3%

Sales in the Zinc segment accounted for 19% of the consolidated total in the first six months of 2013. They were 3% lower than in the year-earlier period, as were zinc prices, and amounted to € 39.1 million.

Performance varied between business areas. The scrap zinc recycling business saw a slight increase in sales. Conversely, sales fell in Waelz oxide production, mainly due to the major sixweek scheduled maintenance shutdown at the Harz-Metall GmbH subsidiary in Germany during the second quarter of 2013.

Special Metals: sales up 7%

Special Metals sales accounted for 5% of consolidated sales in the first half of 2013. They were 7% higher than in the first half of 2012 and reached € 11.3 million. This increase was mainly the result of an upturn in germanium sales in the second quarter of 2013.

Plastics: sales up 25%

Plastics sales represented 4% of the consolidated total in the first six months of 2013. They showed strong year-on-year growth of 25% and reached € 8.3 million. In the second quarter of 2013, the Group saw a sharp rise in sales volumes in France, along with a slight increase in the average selling price.

3. Financial communication schedule

First-half 2013 results: Thursday August 29, 2013

Third-quarter 2013 sales: Thursday November 7, 2013

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With operations in France, Germany and Belgium, Recylex is a European group specializing in lead and plastics recycling (mainly from automotive and industrial batteries), zinc recycling (from electric arc furnace dust and scrap zinc) and the production of special metals, primarily for the electronics industry.

The Recylex Group has close to 675 employees and generated consolidated sales of €471 million in 2012.

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APPENDICES

1. Quarterly trends in metal prices

(€ per tonne)	First quarter 2013	Second quarter 2013	First quarter 2012	Second quarter 2012
Lead	1,741	1,572	1,597	1,536
Zinc	1,539	1,408	1,544	1,502

2. Consolidated sales by quarter

(In millions of euros)	First quarter 2013	Second quarter 2013	First quarter 2012	Second quarter 2012
Lead	69.4	81.3	90.1	84.7
Zinc	21.4	17.8	21.6	18.8
Special Metals	5.0	6.2	5.0	5.5
Plastics	4.0	4.2	3.3	3,4
Total	99.8	109.6	120.0	112.4

3. Recylex SA sales

(In millions of euros)	First half 2013	First half 2012	Change (%)
Lead segment	42.5	39.7	+7%
Services to Group companies	0.7	0.6	+17%
Total sales	43.2	40.3	+7%