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Subject: - Production release for the second quarter and half year ended 30th
September 2013.

Dear All,

We are enclosing herewith Hindustan Zinc Limited production release for the second
quarter and half year ended 30th September 2013 for your information and needful.

Yours faithfully,

For Hindustan Zinc Limited,



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Hindustan Zinc Limited Production Release for the Second Quarter and Half Year Ended 30 September 2013

Highlights

- Mined metal production up by 16% and 22% in Q2 and H1 respectively
- Record refined zinc metal production of 196kt in Q2

Operational Performance

Mined metal production was 222kt in Q2 and 459kt in H1 FY 2013-14, as compared with 190kt and 377kt in the corresponding prior periods. We expect to deliver approximately 950kt of mined metal production during the year.

Integrated production of refined zinc was the highest ever at 195kt in Q2 and 368kt in H1 FY 2013-14, up by 28% and 19% respectively from a year ago. The increase was due to higher smelter utilization rate, driven by higher operational efficiencies and improved raw material availability.

Integrated production of refined lead was 31kt in Q2 and 60kt in the six months, up 29% and 13% respectively from a year ago. Integrated saleable silver production was 83 tonnes in Q2 and 160 tonnes in the half year, up by 14% and 12% as compared to corresponding prior periods.

The Kayad and Rampura Agucha underground mine projects are progressing well to deliver commercial production in this fiscal year.

Production Summary (Unaudited)

(in '000 MT, except as stated)

Particulars	Q2			Q1	H1		
	2014	2013	Change	2014	2014	2013	Change
Mined Metal Production	222	190	16%	238	459	377	22%
Refined Metal Production							
Refined Zinc - Total	196	163	21%	174	370	324	14%
Refined Zinc - Integrated	195	153	28%	173	368	310	19%
Refined Lead ¹ - Total	32	27	17%	33	64	58	11%
Refined Lead - Integrated	31	24	29%	29	60	53	13%
Refined Saleable Silver ^{2,3} - Total (in MT)	90	84	7%	96	186	157	18%
Refined Saleable Silver - Integrated	83	73	14%	77	160	144	12%
Wind Power (in million units)	151	188	(20%)	162	313	370	(15%)

- (1) Including captive consumption of 1,700 MT in Q2 and 3,344 MT in H1, as compared with 1,435 MT and 3,076 MT respectively in corresponding prior periods.
(2) Excluding captive consumption of 8.996 MT in Q2 and 17.840 MT in H1, as compared with 7.523 MT and 16.166 MT in corresponding prior periods.
(3) Silver occurs in Lead & Zinc ore and is recovered in the smelting and silver-refining processes

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About Hindustan Zinc

HZL is one of the world's largest integrated producers of Zinc-Lead and a leading producer of Silver globally. It has a metal production capacity of over one million tonnes per annum with its key Lead-Zinc mines in Rampura Agucha and Sindesar Khurd; and modern smelting complexes in Chanderiya and Dariba. HZL is focused on growth and long-term term sustainability on the back of its high-quality assets, long mine life of over 25 years and low cost base. The Company is a subsidiary of the NYSE listed, Sterlite Industries (India) Limited (NYSE: SLT) and London listed FTSE 100 diversified metals and mining major, Vedanta Resources plc.

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