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**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the period ended

September 30, 2015

**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries**

In Thousands of United States Dollars

This document includes:

- Consolidated Classified Statements of Financial Position
- Consolidated Statements of Income by Function
- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
- Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
- Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity
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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Classified Statements of Financial Position**

Assets	Note	As of September 30, 2015	As of December 31, 2014
		ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7.1	482,476	354,566
Other current financial assets	10.1	798,510	670,602
Other current non-financial assets	25	35,005	43,736
Trade and other receivables, current	10.2	342,210	340,830
Trade receivables due from related parties, current	9.5	107,956	134,506
Current inventories	8	998,196	919,603
Current tax assets	28.1	63,076	47,975
Total current assets		2,827,429	2,511,818
Non-current assets			
Other non-current financial assets	10.1	486	427
Other non-current non-financial assets	25	34,779	32,171
Trade receivables, non-current	10.2	1,526	2,044
Investments in associates	11.1	50,322	49,723
Investments in joint ventures	12.3	21,789	26,055
Intangible assets other than goodwill	13.1	112,201	114,735
Goodwill	13.1	38,388	38,388
Property, plant and equipment	14.1	1,712,575	1,887,954
Deferred tax assets	28.4	354	340
Total non-current assets		1,972,420	2,151,837
Total assets		4,799,849	4,663,655

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

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Liabilities and Equity	Note	As of September 30, 2015	As of December 31, 2014
		ThUS\$	ThUS\$
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Other current financial liabilities	10.4	417,062	213,172
Trade and other payables, current	10.5	144,887	145,160
Trade payables due to related parties, current	9.6	-	231
Other current provisions	18.1	44,170	27,747
Current tax liabilities	28.2	61,953	28,983
Provisions for employee benefits, current	15.1	13,447	18,384
Other current non-financial liabilities	18.3	143,899	90,010
Total current liabilities		825,418	523,687
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Other non-current financial liabilities	10.4	1,351,689	1,574,225
Other non-current provisions	18.1	8,890	8,890
Deferred tax liabilities	28.4	207,285	223,349
Provisions for employee benefits, non-current	15.1	27,968	33,801
Total non-current liabilities		1,595,832	1,840,265
Total liabilities		2,421,250	2,363,952
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital	17	477,386	477,386
Retained earnings		1,859,901	1,775,612
Other reserves		(18,986 )	(13,162 )
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent		2,318,301	2,239,836
Non-controlling interests		60,298	59,867
Total equity		2,378,599	2,299,703
Total liabilities and equity		4,799,849	4,663,655

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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Income by Function**

		January to September		July to September	
		2015	2014	2015	2014
	<b>Note</b>	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Revenue	20	1,316,988	1,522,798	445,220	466,425
Cost of sales	27.2	(892,230 )	(1,080,198 )	(315,707 )	(323,996 )
Gross profit		424,758	442,600	129,513	142,429
Other income	27.3	11,928	6,863	4,637	1,593
Administrative expenses	27.4	(63,885 )	(67,841 )	(19,338 )	(23,000 )
Other expenses by function	27.5	(93,757 )	(41,760 )	(68,541 )	(11,865 )
Other gains (losses)	27.6	4,070	363	176	(101 )
Profit (loss) from operating activities		283,114	340,225	46,447	109,056
Finance income		8,619	11,655	2,606	4,949
Finance costs	22	(52,045 )	(45,673 )	(17,072 )	(14,816 )
Share of profit of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method		5,495	15,622	(1,348 )	6,780
Foreign currency translation differences	23	(9,904 )	(12,051 )	(6,695 )	(7,741 )
Profit (loss) before taxes		235,279	309,778	23,938	98,228
Income tax expense, continuing operations	28.4	(64,586 )	(87,053 )	(8,919 )	(29,347 )
Profit (loss) from continuing operations		170,693	222,725	15,019	68,881
Profit for the year		170,693	222,725	15,019	68,881
Profit attributable to					
Owners of the Parent		168,577	218,416	13,673	66,349
Non-controlling interests		2,116	4,309	1,346	2,532
Profit for the year		170,693	222,725	15,019	68,881

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**Consolidated Statements of Income by Function, (continued)**

		January to September		July to September	
		2015	2014	2015	2014
	<b>Note</b>	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Earnings per share					
Common shares					
Basic earnings per share (US\$ per share)	21	0.6405	0.8299	0.0519	0.2521
Basic earnings per share (US\$ per share) from continuing operations		0.6405	0.8299	0.0519	0.2521
Diluted common shares					
Diluted earnings per share (US\$ per share)	21	0.6405	0.8299	0.0519	0.2521
Diluted earnings per share (US\$ per share) from continuing operations		0.6405	0.8299	0.0519	0.2521

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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income**

	January to September		July to September	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Statements of comprehensive income				
Profit for the year	170,693	222,725	15,019	68,881
Components of other comprehensive income before taxes and foreign currency translation differences				
Gain (loss) from foreign currency translation differences, before taxes	(6,560 )	(2,138 )	(2,254 )	(1,651 )
Other comprehensive income before taxes and foreign currency translation differences	(6,560 )	(2,138 )	(2,254 )	(1,651 )
Cash flow hedges				
(Gain) loss from cash flow hedges before taxes	611	6,688	(606 )	1,478
Other comprehensive income before taxes and cash flow hedges	611	6,688	(606 )	1,478
Other comprehensive income before taxes and actuarial gains (losses) from defined benefit plans	(28 )	-	(685 )	-
Other components of other comprehensive income before taxes	(5,977 )	4,550	(3,545 )	(173 )
Income taxes associated with components of other comprehensive income				
Income taxes associated with cash flow hedges in other comprehensive income	(18 )	(1,258 )	364	(245 )
Income tax related to defined benefit plans in other comprehensive income	13	-	13	-
Income taxes associated with components of other comprehensive income	(5 )	(1,258 )	377	(245 )
Other comprehensive income	(5,982 )	3,292	(3,168 )	(418 )
Total comprehensive income	164,711	226,017	11,851	68,463
Comprehensive income attributable to				
Owners of the Parent	162,753	221,791	10,601	65,955
Non-controlling interests	1,958	4,226	1,250	2,508
Total comprehensive income	164,711	226,017	11,851	68,463

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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	09/30/2015	09/30/2014
	Note	
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
<b>Consolidated Statements of cash flows</b>		
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities		
Types of receipts from operating activities		
Cash receipts from sales of goods and rendering of services	1,340,797	1,453,590
Types of payments		
Cash payments to suppliers for the provision of goods and services	(816,586 )	(882,681 )
Cash payments to and on behalf of employees	(34,091 )	(31,498 )
Other payments related to operating activities	(14,872 )	(4,834 )
Dividends received	6,686	9,682
Interest paid	(44,229 )	(43,998 )
Interest received	8,619	11,655
Reimbursed (paid) income taxes	(56,575 )	(48,591 )
Other incomes (outflows) of cash	10,388	13,485
Net cash generated from (used in) operating activities	400,137	476,810
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities		
Other cash payments made to acquire interest in joint ventures	(59 )	185
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	7	132
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(87,306 )	(83,631 )
Proceeds from sales of intangible assets	3,960	2,123
Cash advances and loans granted to third parties	725	(2,545 )
Other incomes (outflows) of cash (*)	(121,917 )	(75,683 )
Net cash generated from (used in) investing activities	(204,590 )	(159,419 )

(\*) Includes other cash receipts (payments), investments and redemptions of time deposits and other financial instruments, which do not qualify as cash and cash equivalents in accordance with IAS 7.7 as they record a maturity date from their date of origin greater than 90 days.

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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (continued)**

	Note	09/30/2015 ThUS\$	09/30/2014 ThUS\$
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities			
Proceeds from short-term borrowings		137,000	80,000
Total proceeds from borrowings		137,000	80,000
Repayment of borrowings		(160,000 )	(110,000 )
Dividends paid		(42,372 )	(266,005 )
Other incomes (outflows) of cash		-	(201,757 )
Net cash generated from (used in) financing activities		(65,372 )	(497,762 )
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents before the effect of changes in the exchange rate		130,175	(180,371 )
Effects of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held		(2,265 )	(996 )
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		127,910	(181,367 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		354,566	476,622
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		482,476	295,255

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**Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity**

2015	Share capital	Foreign currency translation difference reserves	Cash flow hedge reserves	Actuarial gains (losses) from defined benefit plans	Other miscellaneous reserves	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent	Non-controlling interests	Total
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Equity at beginning of the year	477,386	(7,701 )	(1,881)	(1,903)	(1,677)	(13,162)	1,775,612	2,239,836	59,867	2,299,703
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	168,577	168,577	2,116	170,693
Other comprehensive income	-	(6,406 )	592	(10 )	-	(5,824 )	-	(5,824 )	(158 )	(5,982 )
Comprehensive income	-	(6,406 )	592	(10 )	-	(5,824 )	168,577	162,753	1,958	164,711
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	(84,288 )	(84,288 )	(1,527 )	(85,815 )
Increase (decrease) in equity	-	(6,406 )	592	(10 )	-	(5,824 )	84,289	78,465	431	78,896
Equity as of September 30, 2015	477,386	(14,107)	(1,289)	(1,913)	(1,677)	(18,986)	1,859,901	2,318,301	60,298	2,378,599

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## Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

2014	Share capital	Foreign currency translation difference reserves	Cash flow hedge reserves	Actuarial gains (losses) from defined benefit plans	Other miscellaneous reserves	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent	Non-controlling interests	Total
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Equity at beginning of the year	477,386	(3,817)	(3,766)	(1,231)	(1,677)	(10,491)	1,909,725	2,376,620	55,621	2,432,241
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	218,416	218,416	4,309	222,725
Other comprehensive income	-	(2,055)	5,430	-	-	3,375	-	3,375	(83)	3,292
Comprehensive income	-	(2,055)	5,430	-	-	3,375	218,416	221,791	4,226	226,017
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	(339,208)	(339,208)	(2,602)	(341,810)
Increase (decrease) in transfers and other changes (*)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(52,304)	(52,304)	-	(52,304)
Increase (decrease) in equity	-	(2,055)	5,430	-	-	3,375	(173,096)	(169,721)	1,624	(168,097)
Equity as of September 30, 2014	477,386	(5,872)	1,664	(1,231)	(1,677)	(7,116)	1,736,629	2,206,899	57,245	2,264,144

(\*) Mainly corresponds to the effect of tax rate (see note 28).

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## Note 1 Identification and activities of the Company and Subsidiaries

### 1.1 Historical background

Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. "SQM" is an open stock corporation organized under the laws of the Republic of Chile, Tax Identification No.93.007.000-9.

The Company was incorporated through a public deed dated June 17, 1968 by the notary public of Santiago MR. Sergio Rodríguez Garcés. Its existence was approved by Decree No. 1,164 of June 22, 1968 of the Ministry of Finance, and it was registered on June 29, 1968 in the Registry of Commerce of Santiago, on page 4,537 No. 1,992. SQM's headquarters are located at El Trovador 4285, Fl. 6, Las Condes, Santiago, Chile. The Company's telephone number is +56 2 2425-2000.

The Company is registered with the Securities Registry of the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance (SVS) under No. 0184 dated March 18, 1983 and is subject to the inspection of the SVS.

### 1.2 Main domicile where the Company performs its production activities

The Company's main domiciles are: Calle Dos Sur plot No. 5 - Antofagasta; Arturo Prat 1060 - Tocopilla; Administración Building w/n - Maria Elena; Administración Building w/n Pedro de Valdivia - María Elena, Anibal Pinto 3228 - Antofagasta, Kilometer 1378 Ruta 5 Norte Highway - Antofagasta, Coya Sur Plant w/n - Maria Elena, kilometer 1760 Ruta 5 Norte Highway - Pozo Almonte, Salar de Atacama (Atacama Saltpeter deposit) potassium chloride plant s/n - San Pedro de Atacama, potassium sulfate plant at Salar de Atacama s/n - San Pedro de Atacama, Minsal Mining Camp s/n CL Plant CL, Potassium - San Pedro de Atacama, formerly the Iris Saltpeter office S/N, Commune of Pozo Almonte, Iquique.

### 1.3 Codes of main activities

The codes of the main activities as established by the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance are as follows:



-1700 (Mining)

-2200 (Chemical products)

-1300 (Investment)

#### 1.4 Description of the nature of operations and main activities

Our products are mainly derived from mineral deposits found in northern Chile. We mine and process caliche ore and brine deposits. The ore deposit in northern Chile contains nitrate and iodine deposits. The brine deposits of the Salar de Atacama, in northern Chile, contain high concentrations of lithium and potassium as well as significant concentrations of sulfate.

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**Note 1 Identification and Activities of the Company and Subsidiaries (continued)**

**1.4 Description of the nature of operations and main activities, continued**

From our caliche ore deposits located in the north of Chile, we produce a wide range of nitrate-based products used for specialty plant nutrients and industrial applications, as well as iodine and iodine derivatives. At the Salar de Atacama, we extract brines rich in potassium, lithium and sulfate in order to produce potassium chloride, potassium sulfate, lithium solutions, and bischofite (magnesium chloride). We produce lithium carbonate and lithium hydroxide at our plant near the city of Antofagasta, Chile, from the solutions brought from the Salar de Atacama. We market all of these products through an established worldwide distribution network.

We sell our products in over 100 countries worldwide through our global distribution network and generate our revenue mainly from abroad.

Our products are divided into six categories: specialty plant nutrition, iodine and its derivatives, lithium and its derivatives, industrial chemicals, potassium and other products and services, described as follows:

**Specialty plant nutrition:** SQM produces and sells four types of specialty plant nutrition in this line of business: potassium nitrate, sodium nitrate, sodium potassium nitrate, and specialty mixes. This business is characterized by being closely related to its customers for which it has specialized staff who provide expert advisory in best practices for fertilization according to each type of crop, soil and climate. Within this type of business, potassium derivative products and specially potassium nitrate have had a leading role given the contribution they make to develop crops insuring an improvement in post-crop life in addition to improving quality, flavor and fruit color. The potassium nitrate, which is sold in multiple formats and as a part of other specialty mixtures, is complemented by sodium nitrate, potassium sodium nitrate, and more than 200 fertilizing mixtures.

**Iodine:** The Company is a major producer of iodine at worldwide level. Iodine is widely used in the pharmaceutical industry, technology and nutrition. Additionally, iodine is used as X ray contrast media and polarizing film for LCD displays.

**Lithium:** the Company's lithium is mainly used for manufacturing rechargeable batteries for cell phones, cameras and notebooks. Through the manufacturing of lithium-based products, SQM provides significant materials to face great

challenges such as the efficient use of energy and raw materials. Lithium is mainly not used for rechargeable batteries for small electrical appliances such as mobile phones, tablets and laptops. It is also used in industrial applications such as the manufacturing of glass, ceramics and lubricating greases. Other uses include the pharmaceutical and chemical industries.

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**Note 1 Identification and Activities of the Company and Subsidiaries (continued)**

**1.4 Description of the nature of operations and main activities, continued**

**Industrial Chemicals:** Industrial chemicals are products used as supplies for a number of production processes. SQM participates in this line of business during more than 30 years producing sodium nitrate, potassium nitrate and potassium chloride. Industrial nitrates have increased their importance over the last few years due to their use as storage means for thermal energy at solar energy plants, which are widely used in countries as Spain and the United States in their search for decreasing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

**Potassium:** The potassium is a primary essential macro-nutrient, and even though does not form part of the plant's structure, has a significant role for the developing of its basic functions, validating the quality of a crop, increasing post-crop life, improving the crop flavor, its amount in vitamins and its physical appearance. Within this business line, SQM has also potassium chlorate and potassium sulfate, both extracted from the salt layer located under the Salar de Atacama (the Atacama Saltpeter Deposit).

**Other products and services:** This business line includes revenue from commodities, services, interests, royalties and dividends.

1.5 Other background

**Staff**

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, staff was detailed as follows:

Employees	09/30/2015		Total	31/12/2014		Total
	SQM S.A.	Other subsidiaries		SQM S.A.	Other subsidiaries	

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Executives	27	76	103	29	76	105
Professionals	120	921	1,041	108	884	992
Technicians and operators	290	3,509	3,799	266	3,247	3,513
Foreign employees	-	202	202	-	190	190
Overall total	437	4,708	5,145	403	4,397	4,800

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**Note 1 Identification and Activities of the Company and subsidiaries (continued)****1.5 Other background, continued****Main shareholders**

The table below establishes certain information about the beneficial property of Series A and Series B shares of SQM as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. In respect to each shareholder which has interest of more than 5% of outstanding Series A or B shares. The information below is taken from our records and reports controlled in the Central Securities Depository and reported to the Superintendence of Securities and Insurance (SVS) and the Chilean Stock Exchange, whose main shareholders are as follows:

Shareholder as of September 30, 2015	No. of Series A with ownership	% of Series A shares		No. of Series B with ownership	% of Series B shares	% of total shares	
The Bank of New York Mellon, ADRs	-	-		61,000,744	50.67	%	23.18 %
Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A.(*)	44,869,841	31.42	%	6,742,688	5.60	%	19.61 %
Inversiones El Boldero Limitada	29,330,326	20.54	%	17,963,546	14.92	%	17.97 %
Inversiones RAC Chile Limitada	19,200,242	13.44	%	2,202,773	1.83	%	8.13 %
Potasios de Chile S.A.(*)	18,179,147	12.73	%	-	-		6.91 %
Inversiones PCS Chile Limitada	15,526,000	10.87	%	-	-		5.90 %
Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Limitada (*)	8,798,539	6.16	%	-	-		3.34 %
Banco de Chile on behalf of non-resident third parties	-	-		8,307,987	6.90	%	3.16 %
Banco Itau on behalf of investors	20,950	0.01	%	5,946,280	4.94	%	2.27 %
Inversiones La Esperanza Limitada	3,711,598	2.60	%	46,500	0.04		1.43 %

(\*) **Total Pampa Group 29.86%**

Shareholder as of December 31, 2014	No. of Series A with ownership	% of Series A shares		No. of Series B with ownership	% of Series B shares	% of total shares
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The Bank of New York Mellon, ADRs	-	-		61,894,725	51.42	%	23.52	%
Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A.(*)	44,803,531	31.37	%	7,007,688	5.82	%	19.69	%
Inversiones El Boldo Limitada	29,330,326	20.54	%	17,963,546	14.92	%	17.97	%
Inversiones RAC Chile Limitada	19,200,242	13.44	%	2,202,773	1.83	%	8.13	%
Potasios de Chile S.A.(*)	18,179,147	12.73	%	-	-		6.91	%
Inversiones PCS Chile Limitada	15,526,000	10.87	%	-	-		5.90	%
Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Limitada (*)	8,798,539	6.16	%	-	-		3.34	%
Banco de Chile on behalf of non-resident third parties	-	-		5,795,818	4.81	%	2.20	%
Banco Itau on behalf of investors	20,950	0.01	%	5,412,076	4.50	%	2.06	%
Inversiones La Esperanza Limitada	3,711,598	2.60	%	-	-		1.41	%

**(\*) Total Pampa Group 29.90%**

On September 30, 2015 the total number of shareholders had risen to 1,240.

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Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements

2.1 Accounting period

These consolidated financial statements cover the following periods:

- Consolidated Statements of Financial Position for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

- Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the periods between January and September 30, 2015 and 2014.

- Statements of Direct-Method Cash Flows for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014.

2.2 Financial statements

The consolidated financial statements of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Subsidiaries, have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (hereinafter "IFRS") and represent the full, explicit and unreserved application of the aforementioned international standards issued by the International Accounting Oversight Board (IASB). As of September the only instruction issued by the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance that contravenes IFRS refers to the particular recognition of the effect of deferred taxes.

On September 26, 2014, Law No.20,780 was enacted and published on September 29, 2014, which introduces amendments to the tax system in Chile referred to income taxes, among other matters. On October 17, 2014, the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance issued Circular No. 856 which required that the adjustment of deferred tax assets and liabilities generated as a direct effect of an increase in the corporate income tax rate provided by Law 20,780 (the Tax Reform) will be made against equity and not as required by IAS 12. Notes 3.38 and 28.4 provide a detail of criteria used and impacts related to the recording of the effects resulting from such tax reform and the application of the aforementioned Circular.



These consolidated financial statements reflect fairly the Company's equity and financial position and the results of its operations, changes in the statement of recognized revenue and expenses and cash flows, which have occurred during the periods then ended.

IFRS establish certain alternatives for their application. Those applied by the Company and its subsidiaries are included in detail in this Note.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of these consolidated annual and interim accounts comply with each IFRS in force at their date of presentation. Certain reclassifications have been made for comparative purposes.

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

2.3 Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following material items:

- Inventories are recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value.
- Other current and non-current asset and financial liabilities at amortized cost.
- Financial derivatives at fair value; and
- Staff severance indemnities and pension commitments at actuarial value.

2.4 Accounting pronouncements

**New accounting pronouncements**

a) The following standards, interpretations and amendments are mandatory for the first time for annual periods beginning on January 1, 2015:

<p>Amendments and improvements</p> <p>Amendment of IAS 19 “<i>Employee Benefits</i>” on defined benefit plans. – Issued in November 2013. This amendment applies to employee or third party contributions in defined benefit plans. Amendments are intended to simplify the accounting for contributions that are independent of the number of years of service of employees; e.g., contributions by employees that are calculated in accordance with a fixed percentage of the employee’s salary.</p> <p><i>Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2012) issued in December 2013</i></p>	<p>Mandatory for periods beginning on  01/01/2015   Mandatory for periods</p>
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IFRS 2 “Share-based Payment” – It clarifies the definition of “vesting conditions and “market conditions” and defines separately “performance conditions” and “service conditions.” Such an amendment should be applied prospectively on share-based payment transactions whose grant date is July 1, 2014 or after. Early adoption is permitted. beginning on 01/01/2015

IFRS 8 “Operating Segments” – The standard is amended to include the requirement to disclose the judgments made by management in the aggregation of operating segments. The standard was additionally modified to require a reconciliation of assets of the segments to assets of an entity, when assets are reported by segment. Early adoption is permitted. 01/01/2015

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

**2.4 Accounting Pronouncements, continued**

*Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2012) issued in December 2013* Mandatory for periods beginning on

IFRS 13 "Fair Value Measurement" – IASB has modified the basis for conclusions of IFRS 13 to clarify that it did not intend to eliminate the ability to measure short-term receivables and payables at nominal amounts if the effect of not adjusting is not significant. 01/01/2015

IAS 16, "Property, Plant and Equipment" and IAS 38, "Intangible Assets" – Both standards are amended to clarify the treatment of the gross carrying amount and accumulated depreciation when an entity uses the revaluation model. Early adoption is permitted. 01/01/2015

IAS 24, "Related party Disclosures" – The standard is modified to include, as related party, an entity that provides key management personnel services to the reporting entity of the Parent of the reporting entity ("the managing entity"). Early adoption is permitted. 01/01/2015

*Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2013) issued in December 2013* Mandatory for periods beginning on

IFRS 13 "Fair Value Measurement" – It clarifies that the portfolio exception in IFRS 13, that allows an entity to measure the fair value of a group of financial assets and financial liabilities as at their net amount, applies to all contracts (including non-financial contracts) within the scope of IAS 39 or IFRS 9. An entity must apply the amendments prospectively from the start of the first annual period in which IFRS 13 is applied. 01/01/2015

The adoption of the standards, amendments and interpretations indicated above has no significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

b) Standards, interpretations and amendments issued, not effective for the financial statements beginning on January 1, 2015, which the Company has not adopted early are as follows:

<i>Amendments and interpretations</i>	Mandatory for periods beginning on
<p><i>IFRS 9 “Financial Instruments”</i>- Issued in July 2014. The IASB has issued the full version of IFRS 9, which supersedes the application guidance in IAS 39. This final version includes requirements on the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities and an expected credit losses model that replaces the incurred loss impairment model used today. The final hedging accounting part of IFRS 9 was issued in November 2013. Early adoption is permitted.</p>	01/01/2018
<p><i>IFRS 15 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers”</i>-Published in May 2014. This standard establishes the principles that an entity shall apply to report useful information to users of financial statements about the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from a contract with a customer. For such purposes, the basic principle is that an entity will recognize revenue representing the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that the entity expects to receive in exchange for such goods or services. The application of this standard will replace IAS 11 Construction Contracts and IAS 18 Revenue, as well as IFRIC 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes, IFRIC 15 Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate, IFRIC 18 Transfers of Assets from Customers and SIC 31 Revenue-Barter Transactions Involving Advertising Services. Early application is permitted.</p>	01/01/2018

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

**2.4 Accounting Pronouncements, continued**

Amendments and improvements	Mandatory for periods beginning on
Amendment to <i>IFRS 11 "Joint Arrangements"</i> – on the acquisition of interest in a joint operation – Issued in May 2014. This amendment includes guidance relates to the method for accounting for an acquisition of an interest in a joint operation in which the activity constitutes a business, specifying the proper treatment for such acquisitions	01/01/2016
<i>IAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment"</i> and <i>IAS 38 "Intangible Assets"</i> on depreciation and amortization – Issued in May 2014. The amendments clarify that a depreciation method that is based on revenue that is generated by an activity that includes the use of an asset is not appropriate because revenue generated by such an activity in general reflects other factors other than the use of the economic benefits embedded in the asset. Likewise, the amendments clarify that a revenue-based amortization method is inappropriate to measure the use of the economic benefits embedded in the intangible asset.	01/01/2016
Amendments and improvements	Mandatory for periods beginning on
<i>IAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment"</i> and <i>IAS 41 "Agriculture"</i> on bearer plants. – Issued in June 2014. These amendments modify the financial information for “bearer plants”, such as vineyards, rubber wood tree and oil palm. The amendments define the concept of “bearer plant” and establish that they should be accounted for in the same way as property, plant and equipment because their operation is similar to that of manufacturing. Consequently, the amendments include them within the scope of <i>IAS 16</i> , instead of <i>IAS 41</i> . The produce growing on bearer plants will remain within the scope of <i>IAS 41</i> . Early adoption is permitted.	01/01/2016
Amendment of <i>IAS 27 "Separate Financial Statements"</i> on the equity method- Issued in August 2014. This amendment allows entities to use the equity method of accounting for the recognition of investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates in their separate financial statements. Early adoption is permitted.	01/01/2016
Amendment of <i>IFRS 10 "Consolidated Financial Statements"</i> and <i>IAS 28 "Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures"</i> . Issued in September 2014. This amendment addresses an inconsistency between the requirements of <i>IFRS 10</i> and <i>IAS 28</i> for the treatment of a sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The main consequence of this amendment is the recognition of	01/01/2016

a full gain or loss when the transaction involves a business (whether or not in a subsidiary) and a partial gain or loss when the transaction involves assets that are not a business, even if such assets are in a subsidiary

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

**2.4 Accounting Pronouncements, continued**

<p>Amendments and improvements</p> <p><i>Amendment to IFRS 10 “Consolidated Financial Statements” and IAS 28 “Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures.”</i> Issued in December 2014. The amendment clarifies the application of the exception from consolidation for investment entities and their subsidiaries. The amendment to IFRS 10 clarifies on the exception on consolidation available for entities in group structures that include investment entities. The amendment to IAS 28 allows an entity that is not an investment entity, but has an interest in an associated or joint venture that is an investment entity, an option of accounting policy in the application of the equity method. The entity may opt for maintaining measurement at fair value applied by the associate or joint venture that is an investment entity or, consolidating at investment entity level (associate or joint venture). Early adoption is permitted.</p> <p><i>Amendment to IAS 1 “Presentation of Financial Statements.”</i> Issued in December 2014. This amendment clarifies the application guidance of IAS 1 on materiality and aggregation, presentation of subtotals, structure of the financial statements and disclosure of accounting policies. The amendments are part of the IASB’s Initiative on Disclosures. Early adoption is permitted.</p>	<p>Mandatory for periods beginning on</p> <p>01/01/2016</p> <p>01/01/2016</p>
<p>Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2014) issued in September 2014.</p> <p><i>IFRS 7 “Financial Instruments: Disclosures.”</i> This includes two amendments of IFRS 7. (1) Service contracts: If an entity transfers a financial asset to a third party in conditions that allow the transferor to derecognize the asset, IFRS 7 requires the disclosure of any type of continuing involvement that the entity may still have in the transferred assets. IFRS 7 provides guidance on what is understood as continuing involvement within this context. The amendment is prospective and can be applied retrospectively. This also affects IFRS 1 to provide the same option to the first-time adopters of IFRS. (2) Interim financial statements: The amendment clarifies that the additional disclosure required by amendments of IFRS 7 “Offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities” is not specifically required for all interim periods unless required by IAS 34. Such amendment is retrospective.</p> <p><i>IAS 19, “Employee Benefits”</i> – This amendment clarifies that in order to determine the discount rate for post-employment benefit obligations, the important aspect is the currency in which liabilities are</p>	<p>Mandatory for periods beginning on</p> <p>01/01/2016</p>



denominated, not the country where they generate. The evaluation of whether a deep market exists for high-quality corporate bonds is based on corporate bonds in such currency, not in corporate bonds of a particular country. Likewise, where there is no deep market for high-quality corporate bonuses in such currency, government bonds in the related currency have to be used. Such amendment is retrospective but limited at the beginning of the first period presented.

*IAS 34, "Interim Financial Reporting"* – This amendment clarifies the meaning of disclosure of information ‘elsewhere in the interim financial report’ and to require the inclusion of a cross-reference from the interim financial statements to the location of the information. This amendment is retrospective 01/01/2016

The Company's management believes that the adoption of standards, amendments and interpretations described above are under evaluation and it is expected that they will not have a significant impact on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company.

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

2.5 Basis of consolidation

**(a) Subsidiaries**

Relate to all the entities on which Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. has control when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those variable returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries apply the same accounting policies of their Parent.

To account for the acquisition, the Company uses the acquisition method. Under this method the acquisition cost is the fair value of assets delivered, equity securities issued and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingencies assumed in a business combination are measured initially at fair value at the acquisition date. For each business combination, the Company will measure non-controlling interest of the acquiree either at fair value or as proportional share of net identifiable assets of the acquiree.

**Companies included in consolidation:**

TAX ID No.	Foreign subsidiaries	Country of origin	Functional currency	Ownership interest		09/30/2015 Total	12/31/2014 Total
				Direct	Indirect		
Foreign	Nitratos Naturais Do Chile Ltda.	Brazil	US\$	0,0000	100,0000	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign	Nitrate Corporation Of Chile Ltd.	United Kingdom	US\$	0,0000	100,0000	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign	SQM North America Corp.	USA	US\$	40,0000	60,0000	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign	SQM Europe N.V.	Belgium	US\$	0,5800	99,4200	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign	Soquimich S.R.L. Argentina	Argentina	US\$	0,0000	100,0000	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign		Netherlands	US\$	0,0000	100,0000	100,0000	100,0000

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Foreign	Soquimich European Holding B.V.						
Foreign	SQM Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	0,0002	99,9998	100,0000	100,0000
Foreign	SQI Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	0.0159	99.9841	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Comercial De México S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	0.0013	99.9987	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	North American Trading Company	USA	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Peru S.A.	Peru	US\$	0.9800	99.0200	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Ecuador S.A.	Ecuador	US\$	0.0040	99.9960	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Nitratos Mexico S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQMC Holding Corporation L.L.P.	USA.	US\$	0.1000	99.9000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Investment Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Brasil Limitada	Brazil	US\$	1.0900	98.9100	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM France S.A.	France	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Japan Co. Ltd.	Japan	US\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	US\$	1.6700	98.3300	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Oceania Pty Limited	Australia	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000

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TAX ID No.	Foreign subsidiaries	Country of origin	Functional currency	Ownership interest		09/30/2015 Total	12/31/2014 Total
				Direct	Indirect		
Foreign	Rs Agro-Chemical Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	US\$	98.3333	1.6667	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Indonesia S.A.	Indonesia	US\$	0.0000	80.0000	80.0000	80.0000
Foreign	SQM Virginia L.L.C.	USA	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Italia SRL	Italy	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	Comercial Caimán Internacional S.A.	Panama	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Africa Pty.	South Africa	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Lithium Specialties LLC	USA	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Iberian S.A.	Spain	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Agro India Pvt. Ltd.	India	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Beijing Commercial Co. Ltd.	China	US\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
Foreign	SQM Thailand Limited	Thailand	US\$	0.0000	99.996	99.996	99.996

TAX ID No.	Domestic subsidiaries	Country of origin	Functional Currency	Ownership interest		09/30/2015 Total	12/31/2014 Total
				Direct	Indirect		
96.801.610-5	Comercial Hydro S.A.	Chile	US\$	0.0000	60.6383	60.6383	60.6383
96.651.060-9	SQM Potasio S.A.	Chile	US\$	99.9999	0.0000	99.9999	99.9999
96.592.190-7	SQM Nitratos S.A.	Chile	US\$	99.9999	0.0001	100.0000	100.0000
96.592.180-K	Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	Chile	US\$	51.0000	0.0000	51.0000	51.0000
86.630.200-6	SQMC Internacional Ltda.	Chile	Ch\$	0.0000	60.6381	60.6381	60.6381
79.947.100-0	SQM Industrial S.A.	Chile	US\$	99.0470	0.9530	100.0000	100.0000
79.906.120-1	Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.	Chile	Ch\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000	100.0000
79.876.080-7	Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.	Chile	Ch\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000	100.0000
79.770.780-5		Chile	US\$	0.0003	99.9997	100.0000	100.0000

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79.768.170-9	Soquimich Comercial S.A.	Chile	US\$	0.0000	60.6383	60.6383	60.6383
79.626.800-K	SQM Salar S.A.	Chile	US\$	18.1800	81.8200	100.0000	100.0000
78.053.910-0	Proinsa Ltda.	Chile	Ch\$	0.0000	60.5800	60.5800	60.5800
76.534.490-5	Sociedad Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.	Chile	Ch\$	0.0000	100.0000	100.0000	100.0000
76.425.380-9	Exploraciones Mineras S.A.	Chile	US\$	0.2691	99.7309	100.0000	100.0000
76.064.419-6	Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	Chile	Ch\$	0.0000	42.4468	42.4468	42.4468
76.145.229-0	Agrorama S.A.	Chile	Ch\$	0.0000	60.6377	60.6377	60.6377
76.359.919-1	Orcoma Estudios SPA	Chile	US\$	51.0000	-	51.0000	100.0000
76.360.575-2	Orcoma SPA	Chile	US\$	100.0000	-	100.0000	100.0000

Subsidiaries are consolidated using the line-by-line method, adding the items that represent assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses of similar content, and eliminating those related to intragroup transactions.

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**Note 2 Basis of presentation for the consolidated financial statements (continued)**

**2.5 Basis of consolidation, continued**

Profit or loss of depending companies acquired or disposed of during the year are included in profit or loss accounts consolidated from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as applicable.

Non-controlling interest represents the equity of a subsidiary not directly or indirectly attributable to the Parent.

**2.6 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions**

Management of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and its subsidiaries is responsible for the information contained in these consolidated financial statements, which expressly indicate that all the principles and criteria included in IFRSs (except for the Circular 856 of the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), have been applied in full.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and its subsidiaries, Management has made judgments and estimates to quantify certain assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and commitments included therein. Basically, these estimates refer to:

- The useful lives of property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets and their residual value;
- Impairment losses of certain assets, including trade receivables;

- Assumptions used in calculating the actuarial amount of pension-related and severance indemnity payment benefit commitments;

- Provisions for commitments assumed with third parties and contingent liabilities;

Provisions on the basis of technical studies that cover the different variables affecting products in stock (density and moist, among others), and allowance for slow-moving spare-parts in stock;

- Future cost for closure of mining sites;

- The determination of the fair value of certain financial assets and derivative instruments;

- The determination and assignment of fair values in business combinations.

Despite the fact that these estimates have been made on the basis of the best information available on the date of preparation of these consolidated financial statements, certain events may occur in the future and oblige their amendment (upwards or downwards) over the next few years, which would be made prospectively, recognizing the effects of the change in estimates in the related future consolidated financial statements.

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Note 3 Significant accounting policies

3.1 Classification of balances as current and non-current

In the attached consolidated statement of financial position, balances are classified in consideration of their remaining recovery (maturity) dates; i.e., those maturing on a date equal to or lower than twelve months are classified as current and those with maturity dates exceeding the aforementioned period are classified as non-current.

The exception to the foregoing relates to deferred taxes, which are classified as non-current, regardless of the maturity they have.

3.2 Functional and presentation currency

The Company's consolidated financial statements are presented in United States dollars ("U.S. dollars" or "US\$"), which is the Company's functional and presentation currency and is the currency of the main economic environment in which it operates.

Consequently, the term foreign currency is defined as any currency other than the U.S. dollar.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in thousands of United States dollars without decimals.

3.3 Foreign currency translation

(a) **Group entities:**



The revenue, expenses, assets and liabilities of all entities that have a functional currency other than the presentation currency are converted to the presentation currency as follows:

- Assets and liabilities are converted at the closing exchange rate prevailing on the reporting date.
- Revenues and expenses of each profit or loss account are converted at monthly average exchange rates.

All resulting foreign currency translation gains and losses are recognized as a separate component in translation reserves.

In consolidation, foreign currency differences arising from the translation of a net investment in foreign entities are recorded in equity (other reserves). At the date of disposal, such foreign currency translation differences are recognized in the statement of income as part of the gain or loss from the sale.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.3 Foreign currency translation, continued**

The exchange rates used to translate the monetary assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currency at the closing date of each period in respect to the U.S. dollar are detailed as follows:

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	US\$	US\$
Brazilian real	3.97	2.65
New Peruvian sol	3.22	2.97
Argentine peso	9.40	8.45
Japanese yen	119.96	120.55
Euro	0.90	0.82
Mexican peso	17.07	14.74
Australian dollar	0.70	0.82
Pound Sterling	0.65	0.64
South African rand	12.07	11.55
Ecuadorian dollar	1.00	1.00
Chilean peso	698.72	606.75
UF	36.28	40.59

**(b) Transactions and balances**

Non-monetary transactions in currencies other than the functional currency (U.S. dollar) foreign currencies are translated to the respective functional currencies of Group entities at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. All differences are recorded in the statement of income except for all monetary items that provide effective hedge for a net investment in a foreign operation. These items are recognized in other comprehensive income on the disposal of the investment; at the time they are recognized in the statement of income. Charges and credits attributable to foreign currency translation differences on those hedge monetary items are also recognize in other comprehensive income.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured at historical cost in a foreign currency are retranslated to the functional currency at the historical exchange rate of the transaction. Non-monetary items that are measured based on fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date on which the fair value is determined.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.3 Subsidiaries

SQM S.A. establishes, as basis, the control exercised in subsidiaries, to determine their share in the consolidated financial statements. Control consists of the Company's ability to exercise power in the subsidiary, exposure, or right, to variable performance from its share in the investee and the ability to use its power on the investee to have an influence on the amount of the investor's performance.

The Company prepares the consolidated financial statements using consistent accounting policies for the entire Group, the consolidation of a subsidiary commences when the Company has control over the subsidiary and stops when control ceases.

3.4 Consolidated statement of cash flows

Cash equivalents correspond to highly-liquid short-term investments that are easily convertible in known amounts of cash. They are subject to insignificant risk of changes in their value and mature in less than three months from the date of acquisition of the instrument.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and cash equivalents as defined above.

The statement of cash flows includes movements in cash performed during the year, determined using the direct method.

3.5 Financial assets

Management determines the classification of its financial assets at the time of initial recognition, on the basis of the business model for the management of financial assets and the characteristics of contractual cash flows from the financial assets. In accordance with IAS 39, financial assets are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs that may have been incurred and are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Subsequently, financial assets are measured at amortized cost or fair value.

The Company assesses, at each reporting date, whether there is objective evidence that an asset or group of assets is impaired. An asset or group of financial assets is impaired if and only if there is evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events occurring after the initial recognition of the asset or group of assets. For the recognition of impairment, the loss event has to have an impact on the estimate of future cash flows from the asset or groups of financial assets.

### **Note 3      Significant accounting policies (continued)**

#### **3.6      Financial liabilities**

Management determines the classification of its financial liabilities at the time of initial recognition. As established in IAS 39, financial liabilities at the time of initial recognition are measured at fair value, less transaction costs that may have been incurred and are directly attributable to the issue of the financial liability. Subsequently, these are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. For financial liabilities that have been initially recognized at fair value through profit or loss, these will be measured subsequently at fair value.

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3.7 Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Management will irrevocably determine, at the time of initial recognition, the designation of a financial instrument at fair value through profit or loss. By doing so, this eliminates and/or significantly reduces measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise have arisen from the measurement of assets or liabilities or from the recognition of gains and losses from them on different bases.

3.8 Financial instrument offsetting

The Company offsets an asset and liability if and only if it presently has a legally enforceable right of setting off the amounts recognized and has the intent of settling for the net amount of realizing the asset and settling the liability simultaneously.

3.9 Reclassification of financial instruments

At the time when the Company changes its business model for managing financial assets, it will reclassify the financial assets affected by the new business model.

For financial liabilities these could not be reclassified.

3.11 Derivative and hedging financial instruments

Derivatives are recognized initially at fair value as of the date on which the derivatives contract is signed and, subsequently, are assessed at fair value. The method for recognizing the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative has been designated as an accounting hedge instrument and, if so, it depends on the type of hedging, which may be as follows:

(a) Fair value hedge of assets and liabilities recognized (fair value hedges);

(b) Hedging of a single risk associated with an asset or liability recognized or a highly possible foreseen transaction (cash flow hedge).

At the beginning of the transaction, the Company documents the relationship existing between hedging instruments and those items hedged, as well as their objectives for risk management purposes and the strategy to conduct different hedging operations.

The Company also documents its evaluation both at the beginning and at the end of each period if derivatives used in hedging transactions are highly effective to offset changes in the fair value or in cash flows of hedged items.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.11 Derivative and hedging financial instruments, continued**

The fair value of derivative instruments used for hedging purposes is shown in Note 10.3 (hedging assets and liabilities). Changes in the cash flow hedge reserve are classified as a non-current asset or liability if the remaining expiration period of the hedged item is higher than 12 months, and as a current asset or liability if the remaining expiration period of the entry is lower than 12 months.

Investing derivatives are classified as a current asset or liability, and the change in their fair value is recognized directly in profit or loss.

*(a) Fair value hedge*

The change in the fair value of a derivative is recognized with a debit or credit to profit or loss, as applicable. The change in the fair value of the hedged entry attributable to hedged risk is recognized as part of the carrying value of the hedged entry and is also recognized with a debit or credit to profit or loss.

For fair value hedges related to items recorded at amortized cost, the adjustment of the fair value is amortized against profit or loss during the period, through maturity. Any adjustment to the carrying value of a hedged financial instrument, for which the effective rate is used, is amortized with a debit or credit to profit or loss at its fair value, attributable to the risk being covered.

If the hedged entry is derecognized, the fair value not amortized is immediately recognized with a debit or credit to profit or loss.

*(b) Cash flow hedges*



The effective portion of gains or losses from the hedge instrument is initially recognized with a debit or credit to other comprehensive income, whereas any ineffective portion is immediately recognized with a debit or credit to profit or loss, as applicable.

Amounts taken to equity are transferred to profit or loss when the hedged transaction affects profit or loss, as when the hedged interest income or expense is recognized when a projected sale occurs. When the hedged entry is the cost of a non-financial asset or liability, amounts taken to other reserves are transferred to the initial carrying value of the non-financial asset or liability.

Should the expected firm transaction or commitment no longer be expected to occur, the amounts previously recognized in equity are transferred to profit or loss. If a hedge instrument expires, is sold, finished, or exercised without any replacement, or if a rollover is performed or if its designation as hedging is revoked, the amounts previously recognized in other reserves are maintained in equity until the expected firm transaction or commitment occurs.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.12 Derecognition of financial instruments

In accordance with IAS 39, the Company derecognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred; and the control of the financial assets has not been retained.

The Company derecognizes a financial liability when its contractual obligations or a part of these are discharged, paying to the creditor or its legally extinguished entity the primary responsibility for the liability.

3.13 Derivative financial instruments

The Company maintains derivative financial instruments to hedge its exposure to foreign currencies. Derivative financial instruments are recognized initially at fair value; attributable transaction costs are recognized when incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition, changes in fair value of such derivatives are recognized in profit or loss as part of gains and losses.

The Company permanently assesses the existence of embedded derivatives, both in its contracts and financial instruments. As of September 30, 2015 and 2014, there are no embedded derivatives.

3.14 Fair value measurements

From the initial recognition, the Company measures its assets and liabilities at fair value plus or minus transaction costs incurred that are directly attributable to the acquisition of a financial asset or issuance of a financial liability.

3.15 Leases

(a) *Lease - Finance lease*

Leases are classified as finance leases when the Company holds substantially all the risks and rewards derived from the ownership of the asset. Finance leases are capitalized at the beginning of the lease, at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset or the present value of minimum lease payments.

Each lease payment is distributed between the liability and the interest expenses to obtain ongoing interest on the pending balance of debt. The respective lease obligations, net of interest expense, are included in other non-current liabilities. The interest element of finance cost is debited in the consolidated statement of income during the lease period so that a regular ongoing interest rate is obtained on the remaining balance of the liability for each year.

(b) *Lease – Operating lease*

Leases in which the lesser maintains a significant part of the risks and rewards derived from the ownership are classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments (net of any incentive received from the lesser) are debited to the statement of income or capitalized (as applicable) on a straight-line basis over the lease period.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.16 Deferred acquisition costs from insurance contracts

Acquisition costs from insurance contracts are classified as prepayments and correspond to insurance contracts in force, recognized using the straight-line method and on an accrual basis, and are recognized under other non-financial assets.

3.17 Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables relate to non-derivative financial assets with fixed and determinable payments and are not quoted in any active market. These arise from sales operations involving the products and/or services, of which the Company commercializes directly to its customers.

These assets are initially recognized at their fair value and subsequently at amortized cost according to the effective interest rate method, less a provision for impairment loss. An allowance for impairment loss is established for trade receivables when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all the amounts which are owed to it, according to the original terms of receivables.

Implicit interest in installment sales is recognized as interest income when interest is accrued over the term of the operation.

3.18 Inventory measurement

The Company states inventories for the lower of cost and net realizable value. The cost price of finished products and products in progress includes the direct cost of materials and, when applicable, labor costs, indirect costs incurred to transform raw materials into finished products, and general expenses incurred in carrying inventories to their current location and conditions. The method used to determine the cost of inventories is weighted average cost.

Commercial discounts, rebates obtained, and other similar entries are deducted in the determination of the acquisition price.

The net realizable value represents the estimate of the sales price, less all finishing estimated costs and costs which will be incurred in commercialization, sales, and distribution processes.

The Company conducts an evaluation of the net realizable value of inventories at the end of each year, recording an estimate with a charge to income when these are overstated. When a situation arises whereby the circumstances, which previously caused the rebate to cease to exist, or when there is clear evidence of an increase in the net realizable value due to a change in the economic circumstances or prices of main raw materials, the estimate made previously is modified.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.18 Inventory measurement, continued**

The valuation of obsolete, impaired or slow-moving products relates to their net estimated, net realizable value.

Provisions on the Company's inventories have been made based on a technical study which covers the different variables which affect products in stock (density and humidity, among others).

Raw materials, supplies and materials are recorded at the lower of acquisition cost or market value. Acquisition cost is calculated according to the average price method.

**3.19 Investments in associates and joint ventures**

Interests in companies on which joint control is exercised (joint venture) or where an entity has significant influence (associates) are recognized using the equity method of accounting. Significant influence is presumed to exist when interest greater than 20% is held in the capital of an investee.

Under this method, the investment is recognized in the statement of financial position at cost plus changes, subsequent to the acquisition, and considering the proportional share in the equity of the associate. For such purposes, the interest percentage in the ownership of the associate is used. The associated goodwill acquired is included in the carrying amount of the investee and is not amortized. The debit or credit to profit or loss reflects the proportional share in the profit or loss of the associate.

Unrealized gains for transactions with affiliates or associates are eliminated considering the interest percentage the Company has on such entities. Unrealized losses are also eliminated, except if the transaction provides evidence of impairment loss of the transferred asset.

Changes in the equity of associates are recognized considering the proportional amounts with a charge or credit to “Other reserves” and classified considering their origin.

Reporting dates of the associate, the Company and related policies are similar for equivalent transactions and events under similar circumstances.

In the event that the significant influence is lost or the investment is sold or is held as available for sale, the equity method is discontinued, suspending the recognition of proportional share of profit or loss.

If the resulting amount according to the equity method is negative, the share of profit or loss is reflected at zero value in the consolidated financial statements, unless a commitment exists by the Company to reinstate the Company’s equity position, in which case the related provision for risks and expenses is recorded.

Dividends received by these companies are recorded by reducing the equity value, and the proportional share of profit or loss recognized in conformity with the share of equity are included in the consolidated profit or loss accounts in the caption “Equity share of profit (loss) of associates and joint ventures that are accounted for using the equity method of accounting”.

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**3.20 Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.20 Transactions with non-controlling interests

Non-controlling interests are recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position within equity separate from equity attributable to the owners of the Parent.

3.21 Related party transactions

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries are part of the Company's normal operations within its scope of business activities. Conditions for such transactions are those normally effective for those types of operations with regard to terms and market prices. Also, these transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Expiration conditions for each case vary by virtue of the originating transaction.

3.22 Property, plant and equipment

Tangible property, plant and equipment assets are stated at acquisition cost, net of the related accumulated depreciation, amortization and impairment losses that they might have experienced.

In addition to the price paid for the acquisition of tangible property, plant and equipment, the Company has considered the following concepts as part of the acquisition cost, as applicable:

1. Accrued interest expenses during the construction period which are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are those that require a substantial period prior to being ready for use. The interest rate used is that related to the project's specific financing or, should this not exist, the average financing rate of the investor company.



2. The future costs that the Company will have to experience, related to the closure of its facilities at the end of their useful life, are included at the present value of disbursements expected to be required to settle the obligation.

Construction-in-progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment in operation once the assets are available for use and the related depreciation and amortization begins on that date.

Extension, modernization or improvement costs that represent an increase in productivity, ability or efficiency or an extension of the useful lives of property, plant and equipment are capitalized as a higher cost of the related assets. All the remaining maintenance, preservation and repair expenses are charged to expense as incurred.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.22 Property, plant and equipment, continued**

The replacement of full assets, which increase the asset's useful life or its economic capacity, are recorded as a higher value of property, plant and equipment with the related derecognition of replaced or renewed elements.

Based on the impairment analysis conducted by the Company's management, it has been considered that the carrying value of assets does not exceed the net recoverable value of such assets.

Gains or losses which are generated from the sale or disposal of property, plant and equipment are recognized as income (or loss) in the period, and calculated as the difference between the asset's sales value and its net carrying value.

Costs derived from daily maintenance of property, plant and equipment are recognized when incurred.

**3.23 Depreciation of property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated through the straight-line distribution of cost over the estimated technical useful life of the asset which is the period in which the Company expects to use the asset. When components of one item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are recorded as separate assets. Useful lives are reviewed on an annual basis.

The useful lives used for the depreciation and amortization of assets included in property, plant and equipment are presented below.

Types of property, plant and equipment	<b>Minimum life or rate</b>	<b>maximum life or rate</b>
Buildings	3	60
Plant and equipment	3	35
Information technology equipment	3	10
Fixtures and fittings	3	35
Motor vehicles	5	10
Other property, plant and equipment	2	30

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.24

Goodwill

Goodwill acquired represents the excess in acquisition cost on the fair value of the Company's ownership of the net identifiable assets of the subsidiary on the acquisition date. Goodwill acquired related to the acquisition of subsidiaries is included in goodwill, which is subject to impairment tests every time consolidated financial statements are issued, and is stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Gains and losses related to the sale of an entity include the carrying value of goodwill related to the entity sold.

This intangible asset is assigned to cash-generating units with the purpose of testing impairment losses. It is allocated based on cash-generating units expected to obtain benefits from the business combination from which the aforementioned goodwill acquired arose.

3.25

Intangible assets other than goodwill

Intangible assets mainly relate to water rights, trademarks, and rights of way related to electric lines, development expenses, and computer software licenses.

*(a) Water rights*

Water rights acquired by the Company relate to water from natural sources and are recorded at acquisition cost. Given that these assets represent legal rights granted in perpetuity to the Company, they are not amortized, but are subject to annual impairment tests.

*(b)*

*Right of way for electric lines*

As required for the operation of industrial plants, the Company has paid rights of way in order to install wires for the different electric lines in third party land. These rights are presented under intangible assets. Amounts paid are capitalized at the date of the agreement and charged to income, according to the life of the right of way.

*(c) Computer software*

Licenses for IT programs acquired are capitalized based on costs that have been incurred to acquire them and prepare them to use the specific program. These costs are amortized over their estimated useful lives.

Expenses related to the development or maintenance of IT programs are recognized as an expense as and when incurred. Costs directly related to the production of unique and identifiable IT programs controlled by the Group, and which will probably generate economic benefits that are higher than costs during more than a year, are recognized as intangible assets. Direct costs include expenses incurred for employees who develop IT programs and an adequate percentage of general expenses.

The costs of development for IT programs recognized as assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.25 Intangible assets other than goodwill, continued**

(d) *Mining property and concession rights*

The Company holds mining property and concession rights from the Chilean Government. Property rights are usually obtained with no initial cost (other than the payment of mining patents and minor recording expenses) and upon obtaining rights on these concessions, these are retained by the Company while annual patents are paid. Such patents, which are paid annually, are recorded as prepaid assets and amortized over the following twelve months. Amounts attributable to mining concessions acquired from third parties that are not from the Chilean Government are recorded at acquisition cost within intangible assets.

No impairment of intangible assets exists as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

3.26 *Research and development expenses*

Research and development expenses are charged to profit or loss in the period in which the disbursement was made.

3.27 *Prospecting expenses*

The Company has mining property and concession rights from the Chilean Government and acquired from third parties other than the Chilean Government, destined to the exploitation of caliche ore and saltpeter deposits and also the exploration of this type of deposits.

Upon obtaining these rights, the Company initially records disbursements directly associated with the exploration and evaluation of deposits (associated with small deposits with trading feasibility) as asset at cost. Such disbursements include the following concepts:

- Disbursements for geological reconnaissance evaluation
- Disbursements for drilling
- Disbursements for drilling work and sampling
- Disbursements for activities related to technical assessment and trading feasibility of drilling work
- And any disbursement directly related to specific projects where its objective is finding mining resources.

Subsequently, the Company distinguishes exploration and evaluation projects according to the economic feasibility of the mineral extracted in the area or exploration, among those that finally will deliver future benefits to the Company (profitable projects) and those projects for which it is not probable that economic benefit will flow to the Company in the future (i.e., when the mine site has low ore grade and its exploitation is not economically profitable).

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.27 Prospecting expenses, continued**

If technical studies determine that the ore grade is not economically suitable for exploitation, the asset is directly expensed. Otherwise, it is held in the caption “other non-current assets”, reclassifying the portion related to the area to be exploited in the year in the caption inventories and such amount is amortized as production cost on the basis of estimated tons to be extracted.

The technical reasons for this classification correspond to the fact that this is an identifiable non-monetary asset that is owned to be used in the production of our processes as a main raw material.

Paragraph 17 of IFRS 6 establishes that an asset for exploitation and evaluation should be classified as such when it loses the technical feasibility and trading feasibility for extraction and, therefore, must be impaired. For this reason and because our disbursements correspond to proven reserves with a trading feasibility and used as main raw material in our production processes, these are presented as inventories that will be exploited within the commercial year and the remainder as development expenses for small deposits and prospecting expenses in the caption “other non-current assets”.

3.28

Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets subject to depreciation and amortization are subject to impairment testing, provided that an event or change in the circumstances indicates that the amounts in the accounting records may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the excess of the book value of the asset over its recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher between the fair value of an asset or cash generating unit (“CGU”) less costs of sales and its value in use, and is determined for an individual asset unless the asset does not generate any cash inflows that are clearly independent from other assets or groups of assets.

When the carrying value of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered an impaired asset and is reduced to its net recoverable amount.



In evaluating value in use, estimated future cash flows are discounted using a discount rate before taxes which reflects current market evaluation on the time value of money and specific asset risks.

To determine the fair value less costs to sell, an appropriate valuation model is used.

Impairment losses from continuing operations are recognized with a debit to profit or loss in the categories of expenses associated with the impaired asset function, except for properties reevaluated previously where the revaluation was taken to equity.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company was unaware of any indication of impairment with respect to its assets, as explained in Note 14.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.28 Impairment of non-financial assets, continued**

For assets other than acquired goodwill, an annual evaluation is conducted of whether there are impairment loss indicators recognized previously that might have already decreased or ceased to exist. The recoverable amount is estimated if such indicators exist. An impairment loss previously recognized is reversed only if there have been changes in estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount from the last time in which an impairment loss was recognized. If this is the case, the carrying value of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. This increased amount cannot exceed the carrying value that would have been determined net of depreciation if an asset impairment loss would have not been recognized in prior years. This reversal is recognized with a credit to profit or loss unless an asset is recorded at the revalued amount. Should this be the case, the reversal is treated as an increase in revaluation.

**3.29 Minimum dividend**

As required by the Shareholders' Corporations Act, unless decided otherwise by the unanimous vote by the shareholders of subscribed and paid shares, a public company must distribute dividends as agreed by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting held each year with a minimum of 30% of its profit, except when the Company records unabsorbed losses from prior years. However, the Company defines as policy the distribution of 50% of its profit for the year.

**3.30 Earnings per share**

The net basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit for the year attributable to ordinary owners of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

The Company has not conducted any type of operation of potential dilutive effect that assumes diluted earnings per share other than the basic earnings per share.

**3.31 Trade and other payables**

Trade and other payables are measured at fair value plus all costs associated with the transaction. Subsequently, these are carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.32 Interest-bearing borrowings

At initial recognition, interest-bearing borrowings are measured at fair value. Subsequently, they are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortized cost is calculated considering any premium or discount from the acquisition and includes costs of transactions which are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

These are recorded as non-current when their expiration period exceeds twelve months and as current when the term is lower than such term. Interest expense is calculated in the year in which they are accrued following a financial criterion.

3.33 Other provisions

Provisions are recognized when:

- The Company has a present obligation as the result of a past event.
- It is more likely than not that certain resources must be used, including benefits, to settle the obligation.
- A reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

In the event that the provision or a portion of it is reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset solely if there is certainty of income.

In the consolidated statement of income, the expense for any provision is presented net of any reimbursement.

Should the effect of the time value of money be significant, provisions are discounted using a discount rate before tax that reflects the liability's specific risks. When a discount rate is used, the increase in the provision over time is recognized as a finance cost.

The Company's policy is maintaining provisions to cover risks and expenses based on a better estimate to deal with possible or certain and quantifiable responsibilities from current litigation, compensations or obligations, pending expenses for which the amount has not yet been determined, collaterals and other similar guarantees for which the Company is responsible. These are recorded at the time the responsibility or the obligation that determines the compensation or payment is generated.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

3.34 Obligations related to employee termination benefits and pension commitments

Obligations with the Company's employees are in accordance with that established in the collective bargaining agreements in force, formalized through collective employment agreements and individual employment contracts, except for the United States that is regulated in accordance with employment plans in force up to 2002.

These obligations are valued using actuarial calculations, according to the projected unit credit method which considers such assumptions as the mortality rate, employee turnover, interest rates, retirement dates, effects related to increases in employees' salaries, as well as the effects on variations in services derived from variations in the inflation rate. This, considering criteria in force contained in the revised IAS 19.

Actuarial gains and losses that may be generated by variations in defined, pre-established obligations are directly recorded in profit or loss for the year and not within "other comprehensive income," considering their insignificant amount.

Actuarial losses and gains have their origin in departures between the estimate and the actual behavior of actuarial assumptions or in the reformulation of established actuarial assumptions.

The discount rate used by the Company for calculating the obligation was 4.81% and 5.5% for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively.

The Company's subsidiary SQM North America has established pension plans for its retired employees that are calculated by measuring the projected obligation using a net salary progressive rate net of adjustments for inflation, mortality and turnover assumptions, deducting the resulting amounts at present value using a 5.5% interest rate for 2015 and 2014. The net balance of this obligation is presented under the non-current provisions for employee benefits.

Compensation plans implemented through benefits in share-based payments settled in cash, which have been provided, are recognized in the financial statements at their fair value, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards No. 2 "Share-based Payments." Changes in the fair value of options granted are recognized with a charge to payroll on a straight-line basis during the period between the date on which these options are granted and the payment date (see Note 16).

3.36

Revenue recognition

Revenue includes the fair value of considerations received or receivable for the sale of goods and services during performance of the Company's activities. Revenue is presented net of value added tax, estimated returns, rebates and discounts and after the elimination of sales among subsidiaries.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.36 Revenue recognition, continued**

Revenue is recognized when its amount can be stated reliably. It is possible that the future economic rewards will flow to the entity and the specific conditions for each type of activity related revenue are complied with, as follows:

*(a) Sale of goods*

The sale of goods is recognized when the Company has delivered products to the customer, and there is no obligation pending compliance that could affect the acceptance of products by the customer. The delivery does not occur until products have been shipped to the customer or confirmed as received by customers. When the related risks of obsolescence and loss have been transferred to the customer and the customer has accepted products in accordance with the conditions established in the sale, when the acceptance period has ended, or when there is objective evidence that those criteria required for acceptance have been met.

Sales are recognized in consideration of the price set in the sales agreement, net of volume discounts and estimated returns at the date of the sale. Volume discounts are evaluated in consideration of annual foreseen purchases and in accordance with the criteria defined in agreements.

*(b) Sale of services*

Revenue associated with the rendering of services is recognized considering the degree of completion of the service as of the date of presentation of the consolidated classified statement of financial position, provided that the result from the transaction can be estimated reliably.

*(c) Interest income*

Interest income is recognized when interest is accrued in consideration of the principal pending payment using the effective interest rate method.



*(d)Income from dividends*

Income from dividends is recognized when the right to receive the payment is established.

3.37

Finance income and finance costs

Finance income is mainly composed of interest income in financial instruments such as term deposits and mutual fund deposits. Interest income is recognized in profit or loss at amortized cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Finance costs are mainly composed of interest on bank borrowing expenses, interest on bonds issued and interest capitalized for borrowing costs for the acquisition, construction or production or qualifying assets.

Borrowing costs and bonds issued are recognized in profit or loss using the effective interest rate method.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.37 Finance income and finance costs, continued**

For finance costs accrued during the construction period that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, the effective interest rate related to the project's specific financing is used. If none exist, the average financing rate of the subsidiary that makes the investment is utilized. Borrowing and financing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset are capitalized as part of that asset's cost.

3.38

Income tax and deferred taxes

Corporate income tax for the year is determined as the sum of current taxes from the different consolidated companies.

Current taxes are based on the application of the various types of taxes attributable to taxable income for the year.

Differences between the book value of assets and liabilities and their tax basis generate the balance of deferred tax assets or liabilities, which are calculated using the tax rates expected to be applicable when the assets and liabilities are realized.

In conformity with current Chilean tax regulations, the provision for corporate income tax and taxes on mining activity is recognized on an accrual basis, presenting the net balances of accumulated monthly tax provisional payments for the fiscal period and associated credits. The balances of these accounts are presented in current income taxes recoverable or current taxes payable, as applicable.

Tax on companies and variations in deferred tax assets or liabilities that are not the result of business combinations are recorded in statement of income accounts or equity accounts in the consolidated statement of financial position, considering the origin of the gains or losses which have generated them.

At each reporting period, the carrying amount of deferred tax assets has been reviewed and reduced to the extent there will not be sufficient taxable income to allow the recovery of all or a portion of the deferred tax assets. Likewise, as of the date of the consolidated financial statements, deferred tax assets that are not recognized were evaluated and not recognized as it was more likely than not that future taxable income will allow for recovery of the deferred tax asset.

With respect to deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and interest in joint ventures, deferred tax assets are recognized solely provided that it is more likely than not that the temporary differences will be reversed in the near future and that there will be taxable income with which they may be used.

The deferred income tax related to entries directly recognized in equity is recognized with an effect on equity and not with an effect on profit or loss.

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**3.38 Income tax and deferred taxes, continued**

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally receivable right of offsetting tax assets against tax liabilities and the deferred tax is related to the same tax entity and authority.

In accordance with the instructions issued by the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance in its Circular No. 856 of October 17, 2014, the effects generated by the change in the income tax rate approved by Law No. 20,780 (the Tax Reform) on income and deferred taxes, which in accordance with IAS 12 should be charged to profit or loss for the period, have been accounted for as retained earnings. Subsequent amendments will be recognized in profit or loss for the period in accordance with IAS 12.

3.39

Segment reporting

IFRS 8 requires that companies adopt a “management approach” to disclose information on the operations generated by its operating segments. In general, this is the information that management uses internally for the evaluation of segment performance and making the decision on how to allocate resources for this purpose.

An operating segment is a group of assets and operations responsible for providing products or services subject to risks and performance different from those of other business segments. A geographical segment is responsible for providing products or services in a given economic environment subject to risks and performance different from those of other segments that operate in other economic environments.

For assets and liabilities the allocation to each segment is not possible given that these are associated with more than one segment, except for depreciation, amortization and impairment of assets, which are directly allocated to the applicable segments, in accordance with the criteria established in the costing process for product inventories.

The following operating segments have been identified by the Company:

- Specialty plant nutrients
- Industrial chemicals
- Iodine and derivatives
- Lithium and derivatives
- Potassium
- Other products and services

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**Note 3 Significant accounting policies (continued)**

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Environment

In general, the Company follows the criteria of considering amounts used in environmental protection and improvement as environmental expenses. However, the cost of facilities, machinery and equipment used for the same purpose are considered property, plant and equipment, as the case may be.

Note 4 Financial risk management

4.1 Financial risk management policy

The Company's financial risk management policy is focused on safeguarding the stability and sustainability of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and its subsidiaries with regard to all such relevant financial uncertainty components.

The Company's operations are subject to certain financial risk factors that may affect its financial position or results. The most significant risk exposures are market risk, liquidity risk, currency risk, doubtful accounts risk, and interest rate risk, among others.

Potentially, additional known or unknown risks may exist, of which we currently deem not to be significant, which could also affect the Company's business operations, its business, financial position, or profit or loss.

The financial risk management structure includes identifying, determining, analyzing, quantifying, measuring and controlling these events. Management and, in particular, Finance Management, is responsible for constantly assessing the financial risk. The Company uses derivatives to hedge a significant portion of those risks.

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**Note 4 Financial risk management, continued**

4.2 Risk factors

**4.2.1 Market risk**

Market risk refers to the uncertainty associated with fluctuations in market variables affecting the Company's assets and liabilities, including:

Country risk: The economic situation of the countries where the Company operates may affect its financial position. For example, sales conducted in emerging markets expose SQM to risks related to economic conditions and trends in those countries. In addition, inventories may also be affected by the economic scenario in such countries and/or the global economy, among other probable economic impacts.

Price risk: The Company's product prices are affected by the fluctuations in international prices of fertilizers and chemicals, as well as changes in productive capacities or market demand, all of which might affect the Company's business, financial position and results of operations.

Commodity price risk: The Company is exposed to changes in commodity prices and energy which may have an impact on its production costs that may cause unstable results.

As of to-date, the SQM Group incurs an annual expenditure of approximately US\$134 million associated with fuel, gas, energy and equivalents and approximately US\$56 million related to direct electrical supply consumption. A change of 10% in the prices of energy required for the Company's operations may involve costs of approximately US\$13 million in short-term movements.

As stated in the Company's annual report, the markets in which the Company operates are unpredictable, exposed to significant fluctuations in supply and demand, and price high volatility. Additionally, the supply of certain fertilizers or chemicals, including certain products which the Company trades, vary mainly depending on the production of top producers and their related business strategies. Accordingly, the Company cannot forecast with certainty changes in demand, responses from competitors or fluctuations in the final price of its products. These factors can lead to significant impacts on the Company's product sales volumes, financial position and share price.



Quality standards: In the markets in which we operate, customers might impose quality standards on our products and/or governments could enact more stringent standards for the distribution and/or use of our products.

- d) Consequently, we might not be able to sell our products if we are not able to meet those new standards. In addition, our production costs might increase to meet such new standards. Not being able to sell our products in one or more markets or to key customers might significantly affect our business, financial position or the results of our operations.

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**Note 4 Financial risk management, continued**

**4.2.2**

**Doubtful accounts risk**

A contraction of the global economy and the potentially adverse effects in the financial position of our customers may extend the receivables recovery period for SQM, increasing its exposure to doubtful account risk. While measures have been taken to minimize such risk, the global economic situation may result in losses that might have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial position or results of operations.

To mitigate these risks, SQM actively controls debt collection and has established certain safeguards which include loan insurance, letters of credit, and prepayments for a portion of receivables.

**4.2.3 Currency risk**

As a result of its influence on price level determination as well as its relationship with cost of sales, and since a significant portion of the Company's business transactions are performed in that foreign currency, the functional currency of SQM is the United States dollar. However, the global business activities of the Company expose it to the foreign exchange fluctuations of several currencies with respect to the value of the U.S. dollar. Accordingly, SQM has entered into hedge contracts to mitigate the exposure generated by its main mismatches (assets, net of liabilities) in currencies other than the U.S. dollar against the foreign exchange fluctuation. These contracts are periodically updated depending on the mismatch amount to be hedged in such currencies. Occasionally, and subject to the Board of Directors' approval, in the short-term the Company insures cash flows from certain specific items in currencies other than the U.S. dollar.

A significant portion of the Company's costs, particularly payroll, is denominated in Chilean pesos. Accordingly, an increase or decrease in the exchange rate against the U.S. dollar would affect the Company's profit for the period. Approximately US\$ 338 million of the Company's costs are denominated in Chilean pesos. A significant portion of the effect of such obligations on the statement of financial position is hedged by derivative instrument transactions on the balance mismatch in such currency.

As of September 30, 2015, the Company recorded derivative instruments classified as currency and interest rate hedges associated with all the bonds payable, denominated in UF, with a fair value of US\$72 million against SQM. As of December 31, 2014, this amounts to US\$37 million in favor SQM.

As of September 30, 2015, the Chilean peso to U.S. dollar exchange rate was Ch\$698.72 per US\$1.00 (Ch\$ 606.75 per US\$ 1.00 as of December 31, 2014).

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#### **Note 4 Financial risk management, continued**

##### **4.2.4 Interest rate risk**

Interest rate fluctuations, primarily due to the uncertain future behavior of markets, may have a material impact on the financial results of the Company.

The Company has current and non-current debts valued at LIBOR, plus a spread. The Company is partially exposed to fluctuations in such rate, as SQM currently holds hedging derivative instruments to hedge a portion of its liabilities subject to the LIBOR rate fluctuations.

As of September 30, 2015, approximately 13% of the Company's financial liabilities are measured at LIBOR. Accordingly, any significant increase in this rate may have an impact on the Company's financial position. A 100 basic point variation in this rate may trigger variations in financial expenses of close to US\$ 0.3 million. However, this effect is significantly counterbalanced by the returns of the Company's investments that are also strongly related to LIBOR.

In addition, as of September 30, 2015, the Company's financial liabilities are mainly concentrated in the long-term and approximately 23% have maturities of less than 12 months, decreasing in the process the exposure to changes in interest rates.

##### **4.2.5 Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk relates to the funds needed to comply with payment obligations. The Company's objective is to maintain financial flexibility through a comfortable balance between fund requirements and cash flows from regular business operations, bank borrowings, bonds, short term investments, and marketable securities, among others.

The Company has an important capital expense program which is subject to change over time.

On the other hand, world financial markets go through periods of contraction and expansion that are unforeseeable in the long-term and may affect SQM's access to financial resources. Such factors may have a material adverse impact on the Company's business, financial position and results of operations.

SQM constantly monitors the matching of its obligations with its investments, taking due care of maturities of both, from a conservative perspective, as part of this financial risk management strategy. As of September 30, 2015, the Company had unused, available revolving credit facilities with banks, for a total of approximately US\$440 million.

The position in other cash and cash equivalents generated by the Company are invested in highly liquid mutual funds with an AAA risk rating.

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**Note 4 Financial risk management, continued**

4.3

Risk measurement

The Company has methods to measure the effectiveness and efficiency of financial risk hedging strategies, both prospectively and retrospectively. These methods are consistent with the risk management profile of the Group.

Note 5 Changes in accounting estimates and policies (consistent presentation)

5.1

Changes in accounting estimates

There are no changes in accounting estimates as of the closing date of the consolidated financial statements.

5.2

Changes in accounting policies

As of September 30, 2015, the Company's consolidated financial statements present no changes in accounting policies or estimates compared to the prior period.

The consolidated statements of financial position as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and statements of the comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) except for that indicated in Note 2.2. and the principles and criteria have been applied consistently.

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Note 6 Background of companies included in consolidation

6.1 Parent's stand-alone assets and liabilities

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Assets	4,180,252	4,305,107
Liabilities	(1,861,951)	(2,065,271)
Equity	2,318,301	2,239,836

6.2

Parent entity

As provided in the Company's by-laws, no shareholder can concentrate more than 32% of the Company's voting right shares and therefore there is no controlling entity.

6.3

Joint arrangements of controlling interest

Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A., Potasios de Chile S.A., and Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Limitada, collectively the Pampa Group, are the owners of a number of shares that are equivalent to 29.86% as of September 30, 2015 of the current total amount of shares issued, subscribed and fully-paid of the Company. In addition, Kowa Company Ltd., Inversiones La Esperanza (Chile) Limitada, Kochi S.A. and La Esperanza Delaware Corporation, collectively the Kowa Group, are the owners of a number of shares equivalent to 2.12% of the total amount of issued, subscribed and fully-paid shares of SQM S.A.

The Pampa Group and the Kowa Group have informed SQM S.A., the Chilean SVS and the relevant stock exchanges in Chile and abroad that they are not and have never been related parties between them. In addition, this is regardless of the fact that both Groups on December 21, 2006 have entered into a Joint Action Agreement (JAA) related to those shares. Consequently, the Pampa Group, by itself, does not concentrate more than 32% of the voting right capital of SQM S.A., and the Kowa Group does not concentrate by itself more than 32% of the voting right capital of SQM S.A..



Likewise, the Joint Action Agreement has not transformed the Pampa and Kowa Groups into related parties between them. The Joint Action Agreement has only transformed the current controller of SQM S.A., composed of the Pampa Group, and the Kowa Group into related parties of SQM S.A.

**Detail of effective concentration**

Tax ID No.	Name	Ownership interest %
96.511.530-7	Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A.	19.61
76.165.311-5	Potasios de Chile S.A.	6.91
96.863.960-9	Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Limitada	3.34
Total Pampa Group		<b>29.86</b>
79.798.650-k	Inversiones la Esperanza (Chile) Ltda.	1.43
59.046.730-8	Kowa Co Ltd.	0.30
96.518.570-4	Kochi S.A.	0.30
59.023.690-k	La Esperanza Delaware Corporation	0.09
Total Kowa Group		2.12

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**Note 6 Background of companies included in consolidation (continued)**

6.4 General information on consolidated subsidiaries

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the general information of the companies on which the Company exercises control and significant influence is as follows:

Subsidiary	Tax ID	Address	Country of incorporation	Functional currency	Ownership interest		Total
					Direct	Indirect	
SQM Nitratos S.A.	96.592.190-7	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	99.9999	0.0001	100.0000
Proinsa Ltda.	78.053.910-0	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	-	60.5800	60.5800
SQMC Internacional Ltda.	86.630.200-6	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	-	60.6381	60.6381
SQM Potasio S.A.	96.651.060-9	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	99.9999	-	99.9999
Serv. Integrales de Tránsito y Transf. S.A.	79.770.780-5	Arturo Prat 1060, Tocopilla	Chile	US\$	0.0003	99.9997	100.0000
Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.	79.906.120-1	Anibal Pinto 3228, Antofagasta	Chile	Ch\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000
Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	96.592.180-K	Av. Pdte. Eduardo Frei 4900, Santiago	Chile	US\$	51.0000	-	51.0000
Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.	79.876.080-7	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000
SQM Salar S.A.	79.626.800-K	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	18.1800	81.8200	100.0000
SQM Industrial S.A.	79.947.100-0	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	99.0470	0.9530	100.0000
Exploraciones Mineras S.A. Sociedad	76.425.380-9	Los Militares 4290 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	0.2691	99.7309	100.0000
Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.	76.534.490-5	Anibal Pinto 3228, Antofagasta	Chile	Ch\$	-	100.0000	100.0000

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Soquimich Comercial S.A.	79.768.170-9	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	-	60.6383	60.6383
Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	76.064.419-6	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	-	42.4468	42.4468
Comercial Hydro S.A.	96.801.610-5	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	-	60.6383	60.6383
Agrorama S.A.	76.145.229-0	El Trovador 4285 Las Condes	Chile	Ch\$	-	60.6377	60.6377
Orcoma Estudios SPA	76.359.919-1	Apoquindo 3721 Of.131 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	51.0000	-	51.0000
Orcoma SPA	76.360.575-2	Apoquindo 3721 Of.131 Las Condes	Chile	US\$	100.0000	-	100.0000
SQM North America Corp.	Foreign	2727 Paces Ferry Road, Building Two, Suite 1425, Atlanta, GA	United States	US\$	40.0000	60.0000	100.0000
RS Agro Chemical Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Foreign	Caya Ernesto O. Petronia 17, Oranjestad	Aruba	US\$	98.3333	1.6667	100.0000
Nitratos Naturais do Chile Ltda.	Foreign	Al. Tocantis 75, 6° Andar, Conunto 608 Edif. West Gate, Alphaville Barureri, CEP 06455-020, Sao Paulo	Brazil	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000
Nitrate Corporation of Chile Ltd.	Foreign	1 More London Place London SE1 2AF	United Kingdom	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000
SQM Corporation N.V.	Foreign	Pietermaai 123, P.O. Box 897, Willemstad, Curacao	Dutch Antilles	US\$	0.0002	99.9998	100.0000
SQM Peru S.A.	Foreign	Avenida Camino Real N° 348 of. 702, San Isidro, Lima	Peru	US\$	0.9800	99.0200	100.0000
SQM Ecuador S.A.	Foreign	Av. José Orrantia y Av. Juan Tanca Marengo Edificio Executive Center Piso 2 Oficina 211 Al. Tocantis 75, 6° Andar, Conunto 608	Ecuador	US\$	0.0040	99.9960	100.0000
SQM Brasil Ltda.	Foreign	Edif. West Gate, Alphaville Barureri, CEP 06455-020, Sao Paulo	Brazil	US\$	1.0900	98.9100	100.0000

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Subsidiary	Tax ID	Address	Country of incorporation	Functional currency	Ownership interest		Total
					Direct	Indirect	
SQI Corporation N.V.	Foreign	Pietermaai 123, P.O. Box 897, Willemstad, Curacao	Dutch Antilles	US\$	0.0159	99.9841	100.0000
SQMC Holding Corporation L.L.P.	Foreign	2727 Paces Ferry Road, Building Two, Suite 1425, Atlanta	United States	US\$	0.1000	99.9000	100.0000
SQM Japan Co. Ltd.	Foreign	From 1 <sup>st</sup> Bldg 207, 5-3-10 Minami- Aoyama, Minato-ku, Tokyo	Japan	US\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000
SQM Europe N.V.	Foreign	Houtdok-Noordkaai 25a B-2030 Antwerp, Belgium	Belgium	US\$	0.5800	99.4200	100.0000
SQM Italia SRL	Foreign	Via A. Meucci, 5 500 15 Grassina Firenze	Italy	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000
SQM Indonesia S.A.	Foreign	Perumahan Bumi Dirgantara Permai, Jl Suryadarma Blok Aw No 15 Rt 01/09 17436 Jatisari Pondok Gede	Indonesia	US\$	-	80.0000	80.0000
North American Trading Company	Foreign	2727 Paces Ferry Road, Building Two, Suite 1425, Atlanta, GA	United States	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000
SQM Virginia LLC	Foreign	2727 Paces Ferry Road, Building Two, Suite 1425, Atlanta, GA	United States	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000
SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V.	Foreign	Av. Moctezuma 144-4 Ciudad del Sol. CP 45050, Zapopan, Jalisco México	Mexico	US\$	0.0010	99.9900	100.0000
SQM Investment Corporation N.V.	Foreign	Pietermaai 123, P.O. Box 897, Willemstad, Curacao	Dutch Antilles	US\$	1.0000	99.0000	100.0000
	Foreign		Aruba	US\$	1.6700	98.3300	100.0000

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Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.		Caya Ernesto O. Petronia 17, Orangestad						
SQM Lithium Specialties LLP	Foreign	2727 Paces Ferry Road, Building Two, Suite 1425, Atlanta, GA	United States	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	
Soquimich SRL Argentina Comercial	Foreign	Espejo 65 Oficina 6 – 5500 Mendoza	Argentina	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	
Caimán Internacional S.A.	Foreign	Edificio Plaza Bancomer Calle 50	Panama	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	
SQM France S.A.	Foreign	ZAC des Pommiers 27930 FAUVILLE	France	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	
Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V.	Foreign	Av. Moctezuma 144-4 Ciudad del Sol. CP 45050, Zapopan, Jalisco México	Mexico	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	
SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V.	Foreign	Av. Moctezuma 144-4 Ciudad del Sol. CP 45050, Zapopan, Jalisco México	Mexico	US\$	-	100.0000	100.0000	

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Subsidiary	Tax ID	Address	Country of incorporation	Functional currency	Ownership interest	
					Direct	Total
Soquimich European Holding B.V.	Foreign	Loacalellikade 1 Parnassustoren 1076 AZ Amsterdam	Netherlands	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Iberian S.A	Foreign	Provenza 251 Principal 1a CP 08008, Barcelona	Spain	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Africa Pty Ltd.	Foreign	Tramore House, 3 Wterford Office Park, Waterford Drive, 2191 Fourways, Johannesburg	South Africa	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Oceania Pty Ltd.	Foreign	Level 9, 50 Park Street, Sydney NSW 2000, Sydney	Australia	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Agro India Pvt. Ltd.	Foreign	C 30 Chiragh Enclave New Delhi, 110048	India	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Beijing Commercial Co. Ltd.	Foreign	Room 1001C, CBD International Mansion N 16 Yong An Dong Li, Jian Wai Ave Beijing 100022, P.R.	China	US\$	- 100.0000	100.0000
SQM Thailand Limited	Foreign	Unit 2962, Level 29, N° 388, Exchange Tower Sukhumvit Road, Klongtoey Bangkok	Thailand	US\$	- 99.996	99.996

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## 6.5 Information attributable to non-controlling interests

Subsidiary	% of interests in the ownership held by non- controlling interests.	Profit (loss) attributable to non-controlling interests		Equity, non-controlling interests		Dividends paid to non- controlling interests		
		09/30/2015	12/31/2014	09/30/2015	12/31/2014	09/30/2015	12/31/2014	
		ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	
Proinsa Ltda.	0.1	% -	-	-	-	-	-	
SQM Potasio S.A.	0.0000001	% -	-	-	-	-	-	
Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	49	% 1,052	2,595	8,581	8,502	973	2,899	
SQM Indonesia S.A.	20	% -	-	1	1	-	-	
Soquimich Comercial S.A.	39.3616784	% 1,105	4,763	49,195	48,757	554	2,381	
Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	30	% (48 )	30	244	337	-	-	
Agrorama S.A.	0.001	% -	-	-	-	-	-	
Orcoma Estudios SPA	49	% 7	1	2,277	2,270	-	-	
SQM (Thailand) Limited.	0.004	% -	-	-	-	-	-	
Total			2,116	7,389	60,298	59,867	1,527	5,280

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## Information on consolidated subsidiaries

Subsidiary	09/30/2015		Liabilities		Revenue	Profit (loss)	Comprehensive income (loss)
	Assets						
	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current			
ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
SQM Nitratos S.A.	567,130	78,214	595,951	10,393	104,407	(7,427 )	(7,499 )
Proinsa Ltda.	151	1	-	-	-	-	-
SQMC Internacional Ltda.	197	-	-	-	-	(1 )	(1 )
SQM Potasio S.A.	219,618	778,680	6,986	23,461	8,054	152,400	152,408
Serv. Integrales de Tránsito y Transf. S.A.	82,139	63,553	110,630	8,055	36,684	(7,586 )	(7,583 )
Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.	482	754	525	182	2,732	36	4
Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	18,231	974	1,137	556	29,270	2,146	2,146
Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.	268	41	-	-	-	(9 )	(79 )
SQM Salar S.A.	579,533	881,146	513,364	188,928	576,730	159,811	159,728
SQM Industrial S.A.	1,061,437	720,044	774,626	93,152	525,859	23,708	17,538
Exploraciones Mineras S.A.	570	31,824	5,486	-	-	(123 )	(123 )
Sociedad Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.	354	546	388	407	1,644	26	58
Soquimich Comercial S.A.	168,048	22,114	64,119	1,062	107,522	2,809	2,634
Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	9,872	1,565	10,607	15	8,983	(161 )	(160 )
Comercial Hydro S.A.	8,864	94	63	-	38	376	376
Agrorama S.A.	13,785	554	14,779	14	9,049	(504 )	(504 )
Orcoma SpA	2	2,356	9	-	-	(5 )	(5 )
Orcoma Estudio SpA	2,275	2,515	141	-	-	15	15
SQM North America Corp.	229,598	16,351	218,788	-	208,814	(3,732 )	(3,732 )
RS Agro Chemical Trading Corporation A.V.V.	5,195	-	-	-	-	(6 )	(6 )
Nitratos Naturais do Chile Ltda.	9	177	3,240	-	-	588	587
Nitrate Corporation of Chile Ltd.	5,076	-	-	-	-	-	-
SQM Corporation N.V.	669	115,781	3,724	-	-	4,711	(240 )
SQM Peru S.A.	467	1	1,168	-	-	(50 )	(50 )
SQM Ecuador S.A.	14,637	113	13,999	29	12,509	329	329

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SQM Brasil Ltda.	166	-	635	2,163	313	(2,721	) (2,721	)
SQI Corporation N.V.	-	23	96	-	-	1	-	
SQMC Holding Corporation L.L.P.	20,427	14,143	1,000	-	-	1,445	1,445	
SQM Japan Co. Ltd.	2,264	244	331	451	2,114	81	81	

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Subsidiary	09/30/2015		Liabilities		Revenue	Profit (loss)	Comprehensive income (loss)
	Assets						
	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current			
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
SQM Europe N.V.	267,489	1,783	220,916	-	358,193	(1,612)	(1,612)
SQM Italia SRL	1,152	-	15	-	-	-	-
SQM Indonesia S.A.	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
North American Trading Company	159	145	39	-	-	(1)	(1)
SQM Virginia LLC	14,815	14,360	14,815	-	-	(7)	(7)
SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V.	90,862	1,661	62,743	-	140,397	(1,425)	(1,425)
SQM Investment Corporation N.V.	88,653	233	38,831	860	-	15,518	15,518
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	144,101	15	103,887	60,000	-	(2,627)	(2,453)
SQM Lithium Specialties LLP	15,767	3	1,265	-	-	(7)	(7)
Soquimich SRL Argentina	363	-	216	-	-	(32)	(32)
Comercial Caimán Internacional S.A.	262	-	1,122	-	-	(4)	(4)
SQM France S.A. Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V.	345	6	114	-	-	-	-
SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V.	216	-	588	95	2,459	137	137
SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V.	35	4	23	5	206	2	1
Soquimich European Holding B.V.	72,380	113,762	81,839	-	-	3,750	(1,205)
SQM Iberian S.A.	46,531	68	41,846	-	97,141	(647)	(647)
SQM Africa Pty Ltd.	86,771	1,396	76,768	-	70,053	2,015	2,015
SQM Oceania Pty Ltd.	2,434	-	588	-	1,687	(263)	(263)
SQM Agro India Pvt, Ltd.	4	-	2	-	-	(1)	(1)

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SQM Beijing Commercial Co. Ltd.	2,756	27	578	-	3,972	(116	)	(116	)
SQM Thailand Limited	8,711	29	5,958	-	9,930	107		107	
Total	3,855,273	2,865,300	2,993,946	389,828	2,318,760	340,944		324,651	

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Subsidiary	12/31/2014		Liabilities		Revenue	Profit (loss)	Comprehensive income (loss)
	Assets		Current	Non-current			
	Current	Non-current					
ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	
SQM Nitratos S.A.	638,071	109,356	679,642	21,285	123,390	(529 )	(529 )
Proinsa Ltda.	174	1	-	-	-	1	1
SQMC Internacional Ltda.	229	-	-	-	-	(1 )	(1 )
SQM Potasio S.A.	167,134	934,783	3,703	20,847	2,379	166,673	167,019
Serv. Integrales de Tránsito y Transf. S.A.	430,047	82,657	459,844	11,093	48,747	7,008	7,008
Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.	698	767	702	198	4,577	41	-
Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	18,198	1,126	1,135	839	57,305	5,296	5,296
Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.	311	46	1	-	-	(20 )	(30 )
SQM Salar S.A.	563,756	938,389	353,808	181,732	771,133	171,406	171,253
SQM Industrial S.A.	1,183,420	803,100	987,048	92,923	719,384	73,289	69,116
Exploraciones Mineras S.A.	478	31,713	5,160	-	-	(219 )	(219 )
Sociedad Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.	507	506	430	537	2,547	(63 )	(65 )
Soquimich Comercial S.A.	132,805	22,271	30,261	943	199,367	12,100	11,902
Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	12,048	1,815	12,632	106	14,724	102	103
Comercial Hydro S.A.	8,663	105	148	101	61	281	281
Agrorama S.A.	13,577	487	13,990	18	13,404	(103 )	(103 )
Orcoma SpA	3	2,356	4	-	-	(3 )	(3 )
Orcoma Estudio SpA	4,630	1,375	1,372	-	-	2	2
SQM North America Corp.	177,628	16,494	161,988	1,781	322,671	(1,622 )	(2,294 )
RS Agro Chemical Trading Corporation A.V.V.	5,201	-	-	-	-	(3 )	(3 )
Nitratos Naturais do Chile Ltda.	4	233	4,452	-	-	223	223
Nitrate Corporation of Chile Ltd.	5,076	-	-	-	-	-	-
SQM Corporation N.V.	669	116,031	3,722	-	-	25,082	21,908
SQM Peru S.A.	520	1	1,172	-	-	(40 )	(40 )
SQM Ecuador S.A.	11,101	69	10,720	56	16,737	194	194
SQM Brasil Ltda.	724	1	636	-	453	220	220

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SQI Corporation N.V.	-	23	89	-	-	5	4
SQMC Holding Corporation L.L.P.	17,552	15,481	1,024	-	-	3,944	3,944
SQM Japan Co. Ltd.	2,472	243	621	449	3,493	163	163

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**Note 6 Background of companies included in consolidation (continued)****6.6 Information on consolidated subsidiaries, continued**

Subsidiary	12/31/2014		Liabilities		Revenue	Profit (loss)	Comprehensive income (loss)
	Assets						
	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current			
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
SQM Europe N.V.	313,336	1,265	264,760	-	552,444	12,966	12,966
SQM Italia SRL	1,247	-	16	-	-	-	-
SQM Indonesia S.A.	4	-	1	-	-	-	-
North American Trading Company	159	145	39	-	-	-	-
SQM Virginia LLC	14,821	14,367	14,821	-	-	(7 )	(7 )
SQM Comercial de México S.A. de C.V.	81,196	1,302	53,428	-	178,243	916	916
SQM Investment Corporation N.V.	73,432	265	39,164	856	20	8,552	8,552
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	165,908	162	103,387	80,000	-	(4,941 )	(4,384 )
SQM Lithium Specialties LLP	15,774	3	1,264	-	-	(7 )	(7 )
Soquimich SRL Argentina	396	-	217	-	-	(17 )	(17 )
Comercial Caimán Internacional S.A.	266	-	1,122	-	-	(5 )	(5 )
SQM France S.A.	345	6	114	-	-	-	-
Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V.	177	-	689	111	3,562	145	145
SQM Nitratos México S.A. de C.V.	38	4	29	4	262	6	6
Soquimich European Holding B.V.	77,712	117,371	89,566	-	-	26,368	23,180
SQM Iberian S.A.	54,332	72	49,004	-	132,270	5,781	5,782
SQM Africa Pty Ltd.	66,427	752	57,796	-	92,462	952	952
SQM Oceania Pty Ltd.	3,257	-	1,149	-	3,550	(1,016 )	(1,016 )
SQM Agro India Pvt. Ltd.	4	-	1	-	-	(1 )	(1 )
SQM Beijing Commercial Co. Ltd.	5,491	31	3,217	-	7,764	143	143

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SQM Thailand Limited	15,424	35	12,679	-	11,042	228	228
Total	4,285,442	3,215,209	3,426,767	413,879	3,281,991	513,490	502,783

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6.7 Detail of transactions between consolidated companies

**a) Transactions conducted in 2015**

On August 5, 2015, the subsidiary SQM Brasil Ltda. made a capital contribution of ThUS\$572 in its subsidiary Nitratos Naturais do Chile Ltda. As a result of such transaction, SQM Brasil Ltda. increased its interest from 0.001% to 70.82% in such company. SQM Industrial S.A. was not involved in such capital increase, decreasing its interest from 99.99% to 29.18%. This generated no effects on the consolidated profit or loss of SQM S.A.

**b) Transactions conducted in 2014**

On November 21, 2014, at the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders of the subsidiary Orcoma Estudios SPA agreed to increase share capital from US\$1,500, divided into 150,000 same-series fully paid and subscribed shares to US\$4,631,507, divided into 196,229 same-series shares with no par value. SQM was not involved in such capital increase decreasing its interest in such company to 51%.

On December 18, 2014, at the General Shareholders' Meeting of the subsidiary SQM Ecuador S.A., the shareholders agreed to absorb the Company's accumulated deficit totaling US\$ 455.

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Note 7 Cash and cash equivalents

7.1 Types of cash and cash equivalents

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, cash and cash equivalents are detailed as follows:

**a) Cash**

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Cash on hand	746	88
Cash in banks	42,203	29,404
Other demand deposits	8,855	-
Total cash	51,804	29,492

**b) Cash equivalents**

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Short-term deposits, classified as cash equivalents	12,589	29,492
Short-term investments, classified as cash equivalents	418,083	295,582
Total cash equivalents	430,672	325,074
Total cash and cash equivalents	482,476	354,566

7.2 Short-term investments, classified as cash equivalents

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, short-term investments, classified as cash and cash equivalents relate to mutual funds (investment liquidity funds) for investments in:

Institution	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	MUS\$	MUS\$
Legg Mason - Western Asset Institutional Cash Reserves	203,811	100,988

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BlackRock - Institutional US Dollar Liquidity Fund	-	97,351
JP Morgan US dollar Liquidity Fund Institutional	214,272	97,243
Total	418,083	295,582

Short-term investments are highly liquid fund manager accounts that are basically invested in short-term fixed rate notes in the U.S. market.

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**Note 7 Cash and cash equivalents (continued)**

7.3 Information on cash and cash equivalents by currency

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, information on cash and cash equivalents by currency is detailed as follows:

Original currency	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	MUS\$	MUS\$
Chilean Peso (*)	2,727	6,355
US Dollar	463,648	328,392
Euro	10,898	10,449
Mexican Peso	343	736
South African Rand	2,123	4,046
Japanese Yen	1,676	1,701
Peruvian Sol	1	1
Brazilian Real	30	29
Chinese Yuan	564	769
Indonesian Rupiah	1	4
Indian Rupee	14	12
Thai Baht	389	2,055
Argentine Peso	3	12
Pound Sterling	59	5
Total	482,476	354,566

(\*) The Company maintains financial derivative policies which allow dollarizing these term deposits in Chilean pesos.

7.4 Amount of significant restricted (unavailable) cash balances

Cash on hand and in current bank accounts are available resources, and their carrying value is equal to their fair value.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company has no significant cash balances with any type of restriction.

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**Note 7 Cash and cash equivalents (continued)**

## 7.5 Short-term deposits, classified as cash equivalents

The detail at the end of each period is as follows:

2015 Receiver of the deposit	Type of deposit	Original Currency	Interest rate	Placement date	Expiration date	Interest		
						Principal	accrued	to-date
						09/30/2015	09/30/2015	09/30/2015
						ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Banco Crédito e Inversiones	Fixed term	Ch\$	0.28	09/30/2015	10/08/2015	1,064	9	1,073
Corpbanca	Fixed term	Ch\$	0.28	09/30/2015	10/08/2015	922	8	930
Citibank New York	Overnight	US\$	0.01	09/30/2015	10/01/2015	3,426	-	3,426
Citibank New York	Overnight	US\$	0.01	09/30/2015	10/01/2015	378	-	378
Citibank New York	Overnight	US\$	0.01	09/30/2015	10/01/2015	146	-	146
Citibank New York	Overnight	US\$	0.01	09/30/2015	10/01/2015	192	-	192
BBVA Banco Francés	Fixed term	US\$	19.00	09/02/2015	10/02/2015	329	-	329
ABN Amro Bank	On demand	Euro	-	09/30/2015	10/01/2015	492	-	492
Nedbank	On demand	US\$	-	06/30/2015	10/01/2015	5,616	-	5,616
Banco Itaú	Fixed term	US\$	-	07/01/2015	10/30/2015	7	-	7
Total						12,572	17	12,589

2014 Receiver of the deposit	Type of deposit	Original Currency	Interest rate	Placement date	Expiration date	Interest		
						Principal	accrued	to-date
						12/31/2014	12/31/2014	12/31/2014
						ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Banco Estado	Fixed term	Ch\$	0.24	12/30/2014	01/08/2015	4,121	-	4,121
Banco Crédito e Inversiones	Fixed term	Ch\$	0.23	12/30/2014	01/08/2015	824	-	824
Banco BBVA Chile	Fixed term	US\$	0.45	10/29/2014	01/06/2015	20,000	16	20,016
BBVA Banco Francés	Fixed term	US\$	18.50	12/29/2014	01/28/2015	362	-	362
ABN Amro Bank	Fixed term	Euro	-	12/31/2014	01/31/2015	4,169	-	4,169
Total						29,476	16	29,492

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Note 8 Inventories

The composition of inventory at each period-end is as follows:

Type of inventory	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Raw material reserves	10,394	9,540
Supplies for production reserves	28,347	30,398
Products-in-progress reserves	487,267	453,816
Finished product reserves	472,188	425,849
Total	998,196	919,603

Inventory reserves recognized as of September 30, 2015 amount to ThUS\$81,657, and ThUS\$82,966 as of December 31, 2014. Inventory reserves have been made based on a technical study that covers the different variables affecting products in stock (density and humidity, among others). Additionally, reserves are recognized if goods are sold cheaper than the related cost, and for differences that arise from inventory counts.

As of September 30, 2015, the sum registered as cost of sale related to inventory in the statement of income amounts to ThUS\$780,082 and to ThUS\$670,971 as of September 30, 2014.

The breakdown of inventory reserves is detailed as follows:

Type of inventory	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Raw material reserves	93	93
Supplies for production reserves	920	500
Products-in-progress reserves	54,639	55,994
Finished product reserves	26,005	26,379
Total	81,657	82,966



The Company has not delivered inventory as collateral for the periods indicated above.

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Note 9 Related party disclosures

9.1 Related party disclosures

Balances pending at period-end are not guaranteed, accrue no interest and are settled in cash. No guarantees have been delivered or received for trade and other receivables due from related parties or trade and other payables due to related parties. For the period ended September 30, 2015, the Company has not recorded any impairment in accounts receivable related to amounts owed by related parties. This evaluation is conducted every year through an examination of the financial position of the related party in the market in which it operates.

9.2 Relationships between the parent and the entity

According to the Company's by-laws, no shareholder can own more than 32% of the Company's voting right shares.

Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A., Potasios de Chile S.A., and Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Ltda., collectively the Pampa Group, are the owners of a number of shares that are equivalent to 29.86% as of September 30, 2015 of the current total amount of shares issued, subscribed and fully-paid of the Company. In addition, Kowa Company Ltd., Inversiones La Esperanza (Chile) Limitada, Kochi S.A. and La Esperanza Delaware Corporation, collectively the Kowa Group, are the owners of a number of shares equivalent to 2.12% of the total amount of shares of SQM S.A. issued, subscribed and fully-paid.

The Pampa Group and the Kowa Group have informed SQM S.A., the Chilean SVS and the relevant stock exchanges in Chile and abroad that they are not and have never been related parties between them. In addition, this is regardless of the fact that both Groups on December 21, 2006 have entered into a Joint Action Agreement (JAA) related to those shares. Consequently, the Pampa Group, by itself, does not concentrate more than 32% of the voting right capital of SQM S.A., and the Kowa Group does not concentrate by itself more than 32% of the voting right capital of SQM S.A.

Likewise, the Joint Action Agreement has not transformed the Pampa and Kowa Groups into related parties between them. The Joint Action Agreement has only transformed the current controller of SQM S.A., composed of the Pampa Group, and the Kowa Group into related parties of SQM S.A.

**Detail of effective concentration**

Tax ID No.	Name	Ownership interest %
96.511.530-7	Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera S.A.	19.61
76.165.311-5	Potasios de Chile S.A.	6.91
96.863.960-9	Inversiones Global Mining (Chile) Ltda.	3.34
Total Pampa Group		29.86
79.798.650-k	Inversiones la Esperanza (Chile) Ltda.	1.43
59.046.730-8	Kowa Co Ltd.	0.30
96.518.570-4	Kochi S.A.	0.30
59.023.690-k	La Esperanza Delaware Corporation	0.09
Total Kowa Group		2.12

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**Note 9 Related party disclosures (continued)**

**9.3 Detailed identification of the link between the Parent and subsidiary**

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of entities that are related parties of the SQM S.A. Group is as follows:

<b>Tax ID No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Country of origin</b>	<b>Functional currency</b>	<b>Nature</b>
Foreign	Nitratos Naturais Do Chile Ltda.	Brazil	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Nitrate Corporation Of Chile Ltd.	United Kingdom	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM North America Corp.	United States	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Europe N.V.	Belgium	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Soquimich S.R.L. Argentina	Argentina	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Soquimich European Holding B.V.	The Netherlands	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQI Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Comercial De México S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	North American Trading Company	United States	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Administración y Servicios Santiago S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Peru S.A.	Peru	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Ecuador S.A.	Ecuador	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Nitratos Mexico S.A. de C.V.	Mexico	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQMC Holding Corporation L.L.P.	United States	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Investment Corporation N.V.	Dutch Antilles	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Brasil Limitada	Brazil	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM France S.A.	France	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Japan Co. Ltd.	Japan	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Oceania Pty Limited	Australia	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Rs Agro-Chemical Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Indonesia S.A.	Indonesia	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Virginia L.L.C.	United States	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Italia SRL	Italy	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	Comercial Caiman Internacional S.A.	Panamá	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Africa Pty. Ltd.	South Africa	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Lithium Specialties LLC	United States	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Iberian S.A.	Spain	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Agro India Pvt. Ltd.	India	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Beijing Commercial Co. Ltd.	China	US\$	Subsidiary
Foreign	SQM Thailand Limited	Thailand	US\$	Subsidiary

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**9.3 Detailed identification of the link between the Parent and subsidiary, continued**

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<b>Tax ID No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Country of origin</b>	<b>Functional currency</b>	<b>Nature</b>
96.801.610-5	Comercial Hydro S.A.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
96.651.060-9	SQM Potasio S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
96.592.190-7	SQM Nitratos S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
96.592.180-K	Ajay SQM Chile S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
86.630.200-6	SQMC Internacional Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
79.947.100-0	SQM Industrial S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
79.906.120-1	Isapre Norte Grande Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
79.876.080-7	Almacenes y Depósitos Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
79.770.780-5	Servicios Integrales de Tránsitos y Transferencias S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
79.768.170-9	Soquimich Comercial S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
79.626.800-K	SQM Salar S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
78.053.910-0	Proinsa Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
76.534.490-5	Sociedad Prestadora de Servicios de Salud Cruz del Norte S.A.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
76.425.380-9	Exploraciones Mineras S.A.	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
76.064.419-6	Comercial Agrorama Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
76.145.229-0	Agrorama S.A.	Chile	Chilean peso	Subsidiary
76.359.919-1	Orcoma Estudios SPA	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
76.360.575-2	Orcoma SPA	Chile	US\$	Subsidiary
77.557.430-5	Sales de Magnesio Ltda.	Chile	Chilean peso	Associate
Foreign	Abu Dhabi Fertilizer Industries WWL	United Arab Emirates	Arab Emirates dirham	Associate
Foreign	Doktor Tarsa Tarim Sanayi AS	Turkey	Turkish lira	Associate
Foreign	Ajay North America	United States	US\$	Associate
Foreign	Ajay Europe SARL	France	Euro	Associate
Foreign	SQM Eastmed Turkey	Turkey	Euro	Associate
Foreign	Charlee SQM Thailand Co. Ltd.	Thailand	Thai baht	Associate
Foreign	Sichuan SQM Migao Chemical Fertilizers Co Ltda.	China	US\$	Joint venture
Foreign	Coromandel SQM	India	Indian rupee	Joint venture
Foreign	SQM Vitas Fzco.	Arab Emirates	Arab Emirates dirham	Joint venture

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Foreign	SQM Star Qingdao Corp Nutrition Co., Ltd.	China	US\$	Joint venture
Foreign	SQM Vitas Holland	Dutch Antilles	Euro	Joint venture
Foreign	Kowa Company Ltd.	Japan	US\$	Joint control
96.511.530-7	Sociedad de Inversiones Pampa Calichera	Chile	US\$	Joint control
96.529.340-k	Norte Grande S.A.	Chile	Chilean peso	Other related parties
79.049.778-9	Callegari Agricola S.A.	Chile	Chilean peso	Other related parties
Foreign	Coromandel Internacional	India	Indian rupee	Other related parties
Foreign	Vitas Roullier SAS	France	Euro	Other related parties
Foreign	SQM Vitas Brasil Agroindustria	Brazil	US\$	Joint control or significant influence
Foreign	SQM Vitas Peru S.A.C.	Peru	US\$	Joint control or significant influence
Foreign	SQM Vitas Southern Africa Pty.(1)	South Africa	US\$	Joint control or significant influence
Foreign	SQM Vitas Spain	Spain	Euro	Joint control or significant influence
Foreign	SQM Vitas Plantacote B.V	Dutch Antilles	Euro	Joint control or significant influence

(1) During June 2015, SQM Vitas Fzco. sold its interest in SQM Vitas Southern Africa Pty.

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9.4 Detail of related parties and related party transactions

Transactions between the Parent and its subsidiaries are part of the Company's common transactions. Their conditions are those customary for this type of transactions in respect of terms and market prices. In addition, these have been eliminated in consolidation and are not detailed in this note.

Maturity terms for each case vary by virtue of the transaction giving rise to them.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, there are no allowances for doubtful accounts related to balances pending of transactions with related parties as there is no impairment in them.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of transactions with related parties is as follows:

Tax ID No.	Company	Nature	Country of origin	Transaction	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
					ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Foreign	Doktor Tarsa Tarim Sanayi As	Associate	Turkey	Sale of products	7,811	26,806
Foreign	Ajay Europe S.A.R.L.	Associate	France	Sale of products	20,271	28,566
Foreign	Ajay Europe S.A.R.L.	Associate	France	Dividends	1,781	2,728
Foreign	Ajay North America LLC.	Associate	United States	Sale of products	12,812	23,533
Foreign	Ajay North America LLC.	Associate	United States	Dividends	4,321	7,139
Foreign	Ajay North America LLC.	Associate	United States	Sale of services	-	90
Foreign	Abu Dhabi Fertilizer Industries WWL	Associate	United Arab Emirates	Sale of products	6,571	8,535
Foreign	Charlee SQM Thailand Co. Ltd.	Associate	Thailand	Sale of products	4,234	6,852
Foreign		Associate	Thailand	Dividends	296	-



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77.557.430-5	Sales de Magnesio Ltda.	Associate	Chile	Sale of products	833	1,112
77.557.430-5	Sales de Magnesio Ltda.	Associate	Chile	Dividends	286	1,245
77.557.430-5	Sales de Magnesio Ltda.	Associate	Chile	Sale of services	-	35
79.049.778-9	Callegari Agrícola S.A.	Other related parties	Chile	Other Transactions	-	47
Foreign	Kowa Company Ltd.	Other related parties	Japan	Sale of products	42,768	76,714
Foreign	Kowa Company Ltd.	Other related parties	Japan	Services received	610	1,546
Foreign	SQM Vitas Brasil Agroindustria	Joint control or significant influence	Brazil	Sale of products	36,370	51,841
Foreign	SQM Vitas Peru S.A.C.	Joint control or significant influence	Peru	Sale of products	27,965	30,978
Foreign	SQM Vitas Southern Africa Pty.	Joint control or significant influence	South Africa	Sale of products	2,406	13,975
Foreign	SQM Vitas Fzco.	Joint venture	United Arab Emirates	Sale of products	1,007	1,681
Foreign	Sichuan SQM Migao Chemical Fertilizers Co Ltda.	Joint venture	China	Sale of products	23,484	53,763
Foreign	Coromandel SQM India	Joint venture	India	Sale of products	3,767	4,930
Foreign	SQM Vitas Spain	Joint venture	Spain	Sale of products	6,426	7,700
Foreign	SQM Vitas Plantacote B.V.	Joint venture	Netherlands	Sale of products	19	4

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Trade receivables due from related parties, current:

Tax ID N°	Company	Nature	Country of origin	Currency	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
					ThUS\$	ThUS\$
77.557.430-5	Sales de Magnesio Ltda.	Associate	Chile	Ch\$	240	340
Foreign	Charlee SQM Thailand Co. Ltd.	Associate	Thailand	US\$	2,163	2,559
Foreign	Ajay Europe S.A.R.L.	Associate	France	Euro	3,997	3,674
Foreign	Ajay North America LLC.	Associate	United States	US\$	2,037	2,793
Foreign	Abu Dhabi Fertilizer Industries WWL	Associate	United Arab Emirates	Arab Emirates dirham	762	3,596
Foreign	Kowa Company Ltd.	Jointly controlled entity	Japan	US\$	13,660	19,445
96.511.530-7	Soc.de Inversiones Pampa Calichera	Jointly controlled entity	Chile	US\$	6	7
Foreign	SQM Vitas Brasil Agroindustria	Joint venture	Brazil	US\$	36,432	29,425
Foreign	SQM Vitas Peru S.A.C.	Joint venture	Peru	US\$	25,051	20,716
Foreign	SQM Vitas Southern Africa PTY	Joint venture	South Africa	US\$	-	3,772
Foreign	Coromandel SQM India	Joint venture	India	Indian rupee	1,001	2,534
Foreign	Sichuan SQM Migao Chemical Fertilizers Co Ltda.	Joint venture	China	US\$	21,593	43,900
79.049.778-9	Callegari Agrícola S.A.	Other related parties	Chile	Ch\$	65	87
Foreign	SQM Vitas Fzco.	Joint venture	United Arab Emirates	Arab Emirates dirham	230	523
Foreign	SQM Vitas Spain	Joint venture	Spain	Euro	701	1,099
Foreign	SQM Vitas Plantacote B.V.	Joint venture	Holland	Euro	18	-
Foreign	SQM Star Qingdao Corp Nutrition Co., Ltd.	Joint venture	China	US\$	-	36
Total					107,956	134,506

9.6

Trade payables due to related parties, current:

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Tax ID No.	Company.	Nature	Country of origin	Currency	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
					ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Foreign	Doktor Tarsa Tarim Sanayi AS	Associate	Turkey	Turkish lira	-	71
Foreign	SQM Vitas Plantacote B.V.	Joint venture	Holland	Euro	-	160
Foreign	SQM Vitas Fzco.	Joint venture	Arab Emirates	Arab Emirates dirham	-	-
Total as of to-date					-	231

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**Note 9 Related party disclosures (continued)**

9.7 Board of Directors and Senior Management

1) Board of directors

The Company is managed by a Board of Directors which is composed of eight regular directors y 2 of the Company's independent directors, who are elected for a three-year period. The present Board of Directors was elected by the shareholders at the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting of April 24, 2015.

1.1 Shearman & Sterling and Ad-Hoc Committee

At its Extraordinary Meeting of February 26, 2015, the Board of Directors formed an Ad-Hoc Committee, which is currently composed of the Directors Robert A. Kirkpatrick, Wolf von Appen B. and the Chairman Edward J. Waitzer. The Board of Directors delegated in the Committee the authority required to perform its duties and empowered it so that at its discretion engages all legal and accounting advisory required and other independent external advisory services as it deems appropriate and that upon performing its duties reports to the Board of Directors on its conclusions and possible recommendations for courses of action. The Committee engaged the legal Advisory of the law firms Shearman & Sterling and Vial / Serrano, and the forensic services provided by FTI.

As of September 30, 2015, the Company has the following Committees:

Directors' Committee: composed of Hernán Büchi B., Hans Dieter Linneberg A. and Edward J. Waitzer. Such Committee performs the duties contained in Article 50 bis of Law No. 18.046, the Chilean "Securities Act".

- Audit Committee: composed of Hernán Büchi B., Hans Dieter Linneberg A. and Edward J. Waitzer.

Health, Safety and Environmental Matters Committee: composed of Mrs. Joanne L. Boyes and Arnfinn F. Prugger and Wolf von Appen B.

- Ad-Hoc Committee: composed of Robert A. Kirkpatrick, Wolf von Appen B. and Edward J. Waitzer.

-Corporate Governance Committee: composed of Robert A. Kirkpatrick, Dieter Linneberg A. and Edward J. Waitzer.

During the periods covered by these financial statements, there are no pending balances receivable and payable between the Company, its directors or members of Senior Management other than those related to remuneration, fee allowances and profit-sharing. In addition, there were no transactions conducted between the Company, its directors or members of Senior Management.

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**Note 9 Related party disclosures (continued)**

**9.7 Board of Directors and Senior Management, continued**

2) Directors' Compensation

Directors' compensation is detailed as follows:

A payment of a monthly fixed gross amount of UF 300 in favor of the Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors and UF 200 in favor of the seven remaining board members regardless of their attendance at Board meetings or the number of meetings attended during the respective month.

A payment in domestic currency in favor of the Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors consisting of a variable and gross amount equivalent to 0.135% of profit for the period effectively earned by the Company during fiscal year 2015.

A payment in domestic currency in favor of each Company's directors excluding the Chairman of the Board, consisting of a variable and gross amount equivalent to 0.06% of profit for the period effectively earned by the Company during fiscal years 2015.

The fixed and variable amounts indicated above will not be subject to any charge between them, and those expressed as a percentage will be paid immediately after the shareholders at the respective Annual General Shareholders' Meeting of the Company approve the statement of

financial position (balance sheet), the financial statements, the annual report, the report by the account inspectors and the report of external auditors for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2015.

Therefore, the remunerations and profit sharing paid to members of the Board of Directors and Audit Committee during 2015 amount to ThUS\$3,303 (ThUS\$ 3,424 as of December 31, 2014).

3) Audit Committee

The remuneration of Directors Committee is composed of:

a) A payment of a monthly, fixed and gross amount of UF 75 in favor of each of the three Directors who are a part of the Company's Audit Committee, regardless of the number of meetings conducted during the respective month.

b) A payment in domestic currency and in favor of each of the three Directors of a variable and gross amount equivalent to 0.02% of the Company's profit for the period effectively earned by the Company during fiscal year 2015.

4) Health, Safety and Environmental Matters Committee, Ad-Hoc Committee and other Company's Committees

Remuneration of such committees is composed of the payment of a fixed, gross, monthly amount of UF 50 for each director comprising such committees, regardless of the number of meetings held or not held during the related month or year.

5) No guarantees have been constituted in favor of the directors.

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**Note 9 Related party disclosures (continued)**

**9.7 Board of Directors and Senior Management, continued**

6) Senior management compensation:

a) As of September 30, 2015, the global compensation paid to the 104 main executives amounts to ThUS\$15,899 (ThUS\$25,666 as of December 31, 2014). This includes monthly fixed salary and variable performance bonuses.

b) The Company has a bonuses intermediate and biannual plan for compliance target and level of individual contribution to the Company's profit or loss. These benefits are structured in a minimum and maximum of gross remunerations which are paid once a year or every two years.

7) Additionally, the Company has retention bonuses for the Company's executives. The amount of these bonuses is linked to the price of the Company's share and is payable in cash between 2012 and 2016 (see Note 16).

8) No guarantees have been constituted in favor of the Company's management.

9) The Company's Managers and Directors do not receive or have not received any benefit during the period ended September 30, 2015 and the year ended December 31, 2014 or compensation for the concept of pensions, life insurance, paid time off, profit sharing, incentives, or benefits due to disability other than those mentioned in the preceding points.

10) In accordance with IAS 24, we should report that the Company's Director Mr. Wolf Von Appen B. is also a member of the Ultramar Group. As of September 30, 2015, the amount of transactions with this Group is approximately ThUS\$5,524 (ThUS\$12,287 as of December 31, 2014).

**9.8 Key management personnel compensation**

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Key management personnel compensation	15,899	25,666



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## Note 10 Financial instruments

Financial assets in conformity with IAS 39 are detailed as follows:

10.1	Types of other financial assets	
	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
Description of other financial assets	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Other current financial assets (1)	775,359	653,442
Derivatives (2)	23,151	17,160
Total other current financial assets	798,510	670,602
Other non-current financial assets	486	427
Total other non-current financial assets	486	427

(1) Relates to term deposits with maturities exceeding 90 days and less than 360 days from the investment date.

(2) Relate to forwards and options that were not classified as hedging instruments (see detail in Note 10.3).

### Detail of other current financial assets

Institution	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	MUS\$	MUS\$
Banco Santander	188,353	141,914
BBVA	20,329	91,718
Banco de Crédito e Inversiones	195,947	140,216
Banco de Chile	20,023	60,153
Corpbanca	107,695	91,372
Banco Itaú	100,788	100,136
Banco Security	28,827	24,683
BNP Paribas New York	20,066	-
Morgan Stanley	6,120	3,250

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Scotiabank Sud Americano	78,200	-
HSBC Bank Chile	9,011	-
Total	775,359	653,442

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**Note 10 Financial instruments, (continued)**

## 10.2 Trade and other receivables, current and non-current

	09/30/2015			12/31/2014		
	Current ThUS\$	Non-current ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$	Current ThUS\$	Non-current ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$
Trade receivables	322,758	-	322,758	322,231	-	322,231
Prepayments	14,818	-	14,818	11,378	-	11,378
Other receivables	4,634	1,526	6,160	7,221	2,044	9,265
Total trade and other receivables	342,210	1,526	343,736	340,830	2,044	342,874

	09/30/2015			12/31/2014		
	Assets before allowance ThUS\$	Allowance for doubtful trade receivables ThUS\$	Assets for trade receivables, net ThUS\$	Assets before allowance ThUS\$	Allowance for doubtful trade receivables ThUS\$	Assets for trade receivables, net ThUS\$
Receivables related to credit operations, current	337,710	(14,952)	) 322,758	337,296	(15,065)	) 322,231
Trade receivables, current	337,710	(14,952)	) 322,758	337,296	(15,065)	) 322,231
Prepayments, current	17,618	(2,800)	) 14,818	14,178	(2,800)	) 11,378
Other receivables, current	6,630	(1,996)	) 4,634	9,184	(1,963)	) 7,221
Current trade and other receivables	361,958	(19,748)	) 342,210	360,658	(19,828)	) 340,830
Other receivables, non-current	1,526	-	) 1,526	2,044	-	) 2,044
Non-current receivables	1,526	-	) 1,526	2,044	-	) 2,044
Total trade and other receivables	363,484	(19,748)	) 343,736	362,702	(19,828)	) 342,874

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**Note 10 Financial instruments, (continued)**

**10.2 Trade and other receivables, continued**

**Portfolio stratification, continued**

The Company's policy is to require guarantees (such as letters of credit, guarantee clauses and others) and/or maintaining insurance policies for certain accounts as deemed necessary by management.

**Unsecuritized portfolio**

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of the unsecuritized portfolio is as follows:

09/30/2015

	Not overdue	1 - 30 days	31 - 60 days	61 - 90 days	91 - 120 days	121 - 150 days	151 - 180 days	181 - 210 days	211 - 250 days	Over 250 days	Total
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Number of customers, portfolio under no renegotiated terms	2,698	938	695	1,309	1,342	390	289	311	284	1,815	10,071
Portfolio under no renegotiated terms	282,587	24,115	4,556	4,201	6,042	1,552	545	549	847	9,007	334,001
Number of customers under renegotiated terms portfolio	18	93	14	58	55	1	268	8	1	23	539
Portfolio under renegotiated terms, gross	739	283	41	59	256	-	93	64	204	1,970	3,709

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Total gross portfolio	283,326	24,398	4,597	4,260	6,298	1,552	638	613	1,051	10,977	337,710
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12/31/2014

	Not overdue	1 - 30 days	31 - 60 days	61 - 90 days	91 - 120 days	121 - 150 days	151 - 180 days	181 - 210 days	211 - 250 days	Over 250 days	Total
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Number of customers, portfolio under no renegotiated terms	2,997	574	533	90	305	297	15	269	283	1,779	7,142
Portfolio under no renegotiated terms	243,255	51,738	21,425	5,883	718	1,062	127	520	162	6,659	331,549
Number of customers under renegotiated terms portfolio	49	7	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	81	147
Portfolio under renegotiated terms, gross	1,027	55	20	1,052	412	958	22	6	15	2,180	5,747
Total gross portfolio	244,282	51,793	21,445	6,935	1,130	2,020	149	526	177	8,839	337,296

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**Note 10 Financial instruments, (continued)**

**10.2 Trade and other receivables, continued**

The detail of allowances is as follows:

Provision and write-offs	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	MUS\$	MUS\$
Allowance for portfolio under no renegotiated terms	18,394	16,585
Allowance for portfolio with renegotiated terms	2,327	3,717
Write-offs for the period	(973 )	(474 )
Total	19,748	19,828

Credit risk concentration

Credit risk concentration with respect to trade receivables is reduced due to the great number of entities included in the Company's client database and their distribution throughout the world.

10.3

Hedging assets and liabilities

The balance represents derivative instruments measured at fair value which have been classified as hedges from exchange and interest rate risks related to the total obligations associated with bonds of the Company in Chilean pesos and UF (and the exchange risk in Chilean pesos of the Company's investment plans). As of September 30, 2015, the face value of cash flows in Cross Currency Swap contracts agreed upon in US dollars amounted to ThUS\$331,853 and as of December 31, 2014 such contracts amounted to ThUS\$427,900.

Hedging liabilities	Derivative instruments (CCS)	Effect on profit or loss for the period	Derivative instruments	Hedging reserve in gross equity	Deferred tax hedging reserve in equity	Hedging reserve in equity
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
September 30, 2015	72,181	(28.513 )	(1,228 )	276	(952 )	

Hedging liabilities	Derivative instruments (CCS)	Effect on profit or loss for the period Derivative instruments	Hedging reserve in gross equity	Deferred tax hedging reserve in equity	Hedging reserve in equity
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
December 31, 2014	37,034	(43,236	) 1,638	(311	) 1,327

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

**10.3 Hedging assets and liabilities, continued**

Hedging liabilities	Derivative instruments (IRS)	Effect on profit or loss for the period derivative instruments	Hedging reserve in gross equity	Hedging reserve in equity
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
September 30, 2015	715	(978 )	422	422
December 31, 2014	736	(1,050 )	557	557

The balances in the “effect on profit or loss” column consider the interim effects of the contracts in force As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

Derivative contract maturities are detailed as follows:

Series	Contract amount ThUS\$	Currency	Maturity date
C	59,013	UF	12/01/2026
H	191,638	UF	01/05/2018
M	46,463	UF	02/01/2017
O	68,339	UF	02/01/2017

The Company uses cross currency swap derivative instruments to hedge the possible financial risk associated with the volatility of the exchange rate associated with Chilean pesos and UF. The objective is to hedge the exchange rate financial risks associated with bonds payable. Hedges are documented and tested to measure their effectiveness.

Based on a comparison of critical terms, hedging is highly effective, given that the hedged amount is consistent with obligations maintained for bonds denominated in Chilean pesos and UF. Likewise, hedging contracts are denominated in the same currencies and have the same expiration dates of bond principal and interest payments.

## **Hedge Accounting**

The Company classifies derivative instruments as hedging that may include derivative or embedded derivatives either as fair value hedge derivative instruments, cash flow hedge derivative instruments, or hedge derivative instruments for net investment in a business abroad.

### **a) Fair value hedge**

Changes in fair values of derivative instruments classified as fair value hedge derivative instruments are accounted for in gains and losses immediately along with any change in the fair value of the hedged item that is attributable to the risk being hedged.

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

**10.3 Hedging assets and liabilities, continued**

The Company documents the relationship between hedge instruments and the hedged item along with the objectives of its risk management and strategy to carry out different hedging transactions. In addition, upon commencement of the period hedged and then on a quarterly basis the Company documents whether hedge instruments have been efficient and met the objective of hedging market fluctuations for the purpose of which we use the effectiveness test. A hedge instrument is deemed effective if the effectiveness test result is between 80% and 120%.

The hedge instruments are classified as effective or not effective on the basis of the effectiveness test results. As of to date, hedges are classified as effective on the basis of the effectiveness tests. This note includes the detail of fair values of derivatives classified as hedging instruments.

**b) Cash flow hedges**

Cash flow hedges cover exposure to the cash flow variations attributable to a risk associated with a specific transaction that is very likely to be executed, that may have material effects on the results of the Company.

**10.4 Financial liabilities**

**Other current and non-current financial liabilities**

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail is as follows:

	09/30/2015			12/31/2014		
	Current ThUS\$	Non-current ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$	Current ThUS\$	Non-current ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$
Bank borrowings	187,880	199,985	387,865	191,116	219,838	410,954

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Obligations with the public	225,452	1,080,945	1,306,397	19,453	1,317,429	1,336,882
Derivatives	1,593	-	1,593	1,791	-	1,791
Hedging liabilities	2,137	70,759	72,896	812	36,958	37,770
Total	417,062	1,351,689	1,768,751	213,172	1,574,225	1,787,397

**Current and non-current borrowings**

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail is as follows:

	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Long-term borrowings	199,985	219,838
Short-term borrowings	97,072	100,057
Current portion of long-term borrowings	90,808	91,059
Short-term loans and current portion of long-term borrowings	187,880	191,116
Total borrowings assumed	387,865	410,954

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

a) Bank loans, current:

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of this caption is as follows:

Debtor			Creditor			Currency or adjustment	Repayment	Effective	Nominal
Tax ID No	Subsidiary	Country	Tax ID No.	Financial institution	Country	index	rate	rate	rate
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.52 %	0.52 %
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.030.000-7	Banco Estado	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.52 %	0.52 %
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.49 %	0.49 %
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	Foreign	Banco Estado NY Branch	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.94 %	2.54 %
79.626.800-K	SQM Salar S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.53 %	0.53 %
79.947.100-0	SQM Industrial S.A.	Chile	97.030.000-7	Banco Estado	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.44 %	0.44 %
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd.	Cayman Islands	US\$	Upon maturity	1.28 %	1.45 %
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Bank of America	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.40 %	1.30 %
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Export Development Canada	Canada	US\$	Upon maturity	1.50 %	1.39 %
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation	Aruba	Foreign	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Lda. (New	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.33 %	1.05 %

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Debtor	Creditor	09/30/2015 Nominal amounts			09/30/2015 Current amounts			Borrowing costs ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$
		Up to 90 days ThUS\$	90 days to 1 year ThUS\$	Total ThUS\$	Up to 90 days ThUS\$	90 days to 1 year ThUS\$	Subtotal ThUS\$		
Subsidiary	Financial institution								
SQM.S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	-	20,000	20,000	12	20,000	20,012	-	20,012
SQM.S.A.	Banco Estado	-	20,000	20,000	32	20,000	20,032	-	20,032
SQM.S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	-	17,000	17,000	7	17,000	17,007	-	17,007
SQM S.A.	Banco Estado NY Branch	-	-	-	-	158	158	-	158
SQM Salar S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	20,000	-	20,000	20,012	-	20,012	-	20,012
SQM Industrial S.A.	Banco Estado	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,010	20,010	-	20,010
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd.	50,000	-	50,000	50,329	-	50,329	(6 )	50,323
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Bank of America	-	-	-	256	-	256	(65 )	191
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Export Development Canada	20,000	-	20,000	20,116	-	20,116	(60 )	20,056
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Lda. (New York)	20,000	-	20,000	20,149	-	20,149	(70 )	20,079
Total		110,000	77,000	187,000	110,913	77,168	188,081	(201 )	187,880

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

Debtor			Creditor			Currency or adjustment	Repayment	Effective rate	Nominal rate
Tax ID No	Subsidiary	Country	Tax ID No.	Financial institution	Country	index			
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.59%	0.59%
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.46%	0.46%
93.007.000-9	SQM.S.A.	Chile	97.030.000-7	Banco Estado	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.59%	0.59%
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	Foreign	Banco Estado NY Branch	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	3.56%	2.33%
79.626.800-K	SQM Salar S.A.	Chile	97.018.000-1	Scotiabank Sud Americano	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.38%	0.38%
79.947.100-0	SQM Industrial S.A.	Chile	97.030.000-7	Banco Estado	Chile	US\$	Upon maturity	0.41%	0.41%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd.	Cayman Islands	US\$	Upon maturity	2.27%	1.37%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Bank of America	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	2.70%	2.33%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Export Development Canada	Canada	US\$	Upon maturity	2.45%	1.29%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Lda. (New York)	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	2.12%	0.97%

Debtor	Creditor	12/31//2014			12/31/2014			Subtotal	Borrowing costs	Total
		Nominal amounts	Up to 90 days	90 days to 1 year	Total	Current amounts	Up to 90 days			
Filial	Financial institution	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$

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SQM.S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	-	20,000	20,000	5	20,000	20,005	-	20,005
SQM.S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	-	20,000	20,000	9	20,000	20,009	-	20,009
SQM.S.A.	Banco Estado	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,026	20,026	-	20,026
SQM S.A.	Banco Estado NY Branch	-	-	-	988	-	988	-	988
SQM Salar S.A.	Scotiabank Sud Americano	-	20,000	20,000	9	20,000	20,009	-	20,009
SQM Industrial S.A.	Banco Estado	20,000	-	20,000	20,008	-	20,008	-	20,008
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd.	-	50,000	50,000	-	50,137	50,137	(85 )	50,052
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Bank of America	-	-	-	-	117	117	(66 )	51
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Export Development Canada	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,013	20,013	(60 )	19,953
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Lda. (New York)	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,084	20,084	(69 )	20,015
Total		20,000	170,000	190,000	21,019	170,377	191,396	(280 )	191,116

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### 10.4 Financial liabilities, continued

b) Unsecured obligations, current:

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of current unsecured interest-bearing obligations is composed of promissory notes and bonds, as follows:

#### Bonds

Debtor	Number of registration or ID of the instrument	Series	Maturity date	Currency or adjustment index	Periodicity	Payment of interest	Repayment
Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	País					
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile -	ThUS\$200,000	04/15/2016	US\$	Semiannual	Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile -	ThUS\$250,000	10/21/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile -	ThUS\$250,000	07/28/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile -	ThUS\$300,000	03/10/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile 446	C	12/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile 564	H	07/05/2015	UF	Semiannual	Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile 700	M	08/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile 699	O	08/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Upon maturity

Subsidiary	Country	Series	09/30/2015 Nominal maturities			09/30/2015 Current maturities			Bond issuance costs	Total
			Up to 90 days	91 days to 1 year	Total	Up to 90 days	91 days to 1 year	Subtotal		
			ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	
SQM S,A,	Chile	ThUS\$200,000	-	200,000	200,000	5,614	200,000	205,614	(146 )	205,468
SQM S,A,	Chile	ThUS\$250,000	-	-	-	6,073	-	6,073	(386 )	5,687
SQM S,A,	Chile	ThUS\$250,000	-	-	-	-	1,884	1,884	(433 )	1,451
SQM S,A,	Chile	ThUS\$300,000	-	-	-	5,347	-	5,347	(615 )	4,732
SQM S,A,	Chile	C	2,721	2,720	5,441	3,541	2,720	6,261	-	6,261
SQM S,A,	Chile	H	-	-	-	-	1,659	1,659	(139 )	1,520
SQM S,A,	Chile	M	-	-	-	-	194	194	(130 )	64

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SQM S,A, Chile	O	-	-	-	-	336	336	(67 )	269
Total		2,721	202,720	205,441	20,575	206,793	227,368	(1,916)	225,452

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Debtor		Number of registration or ID of the instrument	Series	Maturity date	Currency or adjustment index	Periodicity	Payment of interest	Repayment
Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	Country						
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$200,000	04/15/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matu
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$250,000	04/21/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matu
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$250,000	01/28/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matu
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$300,000	04/03/2015	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matu
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	446	C	06/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	564	H	01/05/2015	UF	Semiannual	Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	700	M	02/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Upon matu
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	699	O	02/01/2015	UF	Semiannual	Upon matu

Subsidiary	Country	Series	12/31/2014 Nominal maturities		12/31/2014 Current maturities		Subtotal	Bond issuance costs	Total
			Up to 90 days to 1 year	Total	Up to 90 days	91 days to 1 year			
			ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
SQM S.A.	Chile	ThUS\$200,000	-	-	-	2,586	2,586	(293)	2,293
SQM S.A.	Chile	ThUS\$250,000	-	-	-	2,674	2,674	(384)	2,290
SQM S.A.	Chile	ThUS\$250,000	-	-	1,914	-	1,914	(433)	1,481
SQM S.A.	Chile	ThUS\$300,000	-	-	-	2,658	2,658	(614)	2,044
SQM S.A.	Chile	C	-	6,088	6,088	-	6,329	-	6,329
SQM S.A.	Chile	H	-	-	-	3,843	3,843	(139)	3,704
SQM S.A.	Chile	M	-	-	-	554	554	(130)	424
SQM S.A.	Chile	O	-	-	-	955	955	(67)	888
Total			-	6,088	6,088	7,266	14,247	(2,060)	19,453

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**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

c) Types of interest-bearing borrowings, non-current

Non-current interest-bearing borrowings as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are detailed as follows:

Debtor	Creditor		Currency or adjustment index	Repayment	Effective rate				
Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	Country	Tax ID No.	Financial institution	Country	index	Repayment	rate	ra
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	Foreign	Banco Estado NY Branch	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.94%	2
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Bank of America	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.40%	1
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Export Development Canada	Canada	US\$	Upon maturity	1.50%	1
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd (New York)	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	1.33%	1

Subsidiary	Financial institution	Nominal non-current maturities 09/30/2015			Non-current maturities 09/30/2015			Subtotal	Borrowings costs		
		Over 1 to 2 years	Over 2 to 3 years	Over 3 to 4 years	Total	Over 1 to 2 years	Over 2 to 3 years		Over 3 to 4 years	Total	
		ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	
SQM S.A.	Banco Estado NY Branch	140,000	-	-	140,000	140,000	-	-	140,000	-	140,000
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Bank of America	40,000	-	-	40,000	40,000	-	-	40,000	-	40,000

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Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Export Development Canada	10,000	-	-	10,000	10,000	-	-	10,000	(13 )	9,987
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd (New York)	10,000	-	-	10,000	10,000	-	-	10,000	(2 )	9,998
Total		200,000	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	200,000	(15 )	199,985

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**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

Debtor			Creditor			Currency or adjustment index	Repayment	Effective rate
Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	Country	Tax ID No.	Financial institution	Country			
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	Foreign	Banco Estado NY Branch	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	3.56%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Scotiabank & Trust (Cayman) Ltd.	Cayman Islands	US\$	Upon maturity	2.27%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Bank of America	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	2.70%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	Export Development Canada	Canada	US\$	Upon maturity	2.12%
Foreign	Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Aruba	Foreign	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd (New York)	United States	US\$	Upon maturity	2.45%

Subsidiary	Financial institution	Nominal non-current maturities 12/31/2014			Non-current maturities 12/31/2014			Borrowing costs	Total
		Over 1 year to 2 years	Over 2 years to 3 years	Over 3 years to 4 years	Over 1 year to 2 years	Over 2 years to 3 years	Over 3 years to 4 years		
		ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
SQM S.A.	Banco Estado NY Branch	-	140,000	-	140,000	-	140,000	-	140,000
Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V.	Bank of America	-	40,000	-	40,000	-	40,000	(49 )	39,951
Royal Seed Trading Corporation	Export Development Canada	-	20,000	-	20,000	-	20,000	(59 )	19,941

A.V.V. Royal Seed Trading Corporation A.V.V. Total	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd (New York)	- 20,000	- 20,000	- 20,000	- 20,000	(54 )	19,946
		- 220,000	- 220,000	- 220,000	- 220,000	(162 )	219,838

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## Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)

### 10.4 Financial liabilities, continued

#### d) Non-current unsecured interest-bearing bonds

The breakdown of non-current unsecured interest-bearing bonds as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 is detailed as follows:

Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	Country	Number of registration or ID of the instrument	Series	Maturity date	Currency or adjustment index	Periodicity Payment of interest	Repay
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$200,000	04/15/2016	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matur
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$250,000	04/21/2020	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matur
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$250,000	01/28/2025	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matur
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	ThUS\$300,000	04/03/2023	US\$	Semiannual	Upon matur
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	446	C	12/01/2026	UF	Semiannual	Semia
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	564	H	01/05/2030	UF	Semiannual	Semia
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	700	M	02/01/2017	UF	Semiannual	Upon matur
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	699	O	02/01/2033	UF	Semiannual	Upon matur

#### Nominal non-current maturities 09/30/2015

Series	Over 1 year to 5 years					Total	Non-current maturities 09/30/2015					Sub
	Over 1 year to 2 years	Over 2 years to 3 years	Over 3 years to 4 years	Over 4 years to 5 years	Over 5 years		Over 1 year to 2 years	Over 2 years to 3 years	Over 3 years to 4 years	Over 4 years to 5 years	Over 5 years	
MMUS\$250	-	-	250,000	-	-	250,000	-	-	250,000	-	-	250,000
MMUS\$250	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000
MMUS\$300	-	-	-	-	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	-	300,000	300,000
C	5,441	5,441	5,441	5,441	35,371	57,135	5,441	5,441	5,441	5,441	35,371	57,135

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H	-	-	-	-	145,105	145,105	-	-	-	-	145,105	145,105
M	36,276	-	-	-	-	36,276	36,276	-	-	-	-	36,276
O	-	-	-	-	54,414	54,414	-	-	-	-	54,414	54,414
Total	41,717	5,441	255,441	5,441	784,890	1,092,930	41,717	5,441	255,441	5,441	784,890	1,092,930

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**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

d) Unsecured interest-bearing liabilities, non-current, continued

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the breakdown of unsecured interest-bearing liabilities, non-current is as follows:

Tax ID No.	Subsidiary	Country	Number of registration or ID of the instrument	Series	Maturity date	Currency or adjustment index	Periodicity	Payment of interest	Repayment
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	MMUS\$200	04/15/2016	US\$	Semiannual		Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	MMUS\$250	04/21/2020	US\$	Semiannual		Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	MMUS\$250	01/28/2025	US\$	Semiannual		Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	-	MMUS\$300	04/03/2023	US\$	Semiannual		Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	446	C	12/01/2026	UF	Semiannual		Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	564	H	01/05/2030	UF	Semiannual		Semiannual
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	700	M	02/01/2017	UF	Semiannual		Upon maturity
93.007.000-9	SQM S.A.	Chile	699	O	02/01/2033	UF	Semiannual		Upon maturity

**Nominal non-current maturities  
12/31/2014**

**Non-current maturities  
12/31/2014**

Series	Over 1 year to 2	Over 2 years to 3	Over 3 years to 4	Over 4 years to 5	Over 5 years	Total	Over 1 year to 2	Over 2 years to 3	Over 3 years to 4	Over 4 years to 5	Over 5 years
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
ThUS\$200,000	200,000	-	-	-	-	200,000	200,000	-	-	-	-
ThUS\$250,000	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	-	250,000
ThUS\$250,000	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	-	-	-	250,000
ThUS\$300,000	-	-	-	-	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	-	300,000

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C	6,088	6,088	6,088	6,088	42,619	66,971	6,088	6,088	6,088	6,088	42,619
H	-	-	-	-	162,354	162,354	-	-	-	-	162,354
M	-	40,588	-	-	-	40,588	-	40,588	-	-	-
O	-	-	-	-	60,883	60,883	-	-	-	-	60,883
Total	206,088	46,676	6,088	6,088	1,065,856	1,330,796	206,088	46,676	6,088	6,088	1,065,856

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e) Additional information

**Bonds**

On the 30th of September 2015 and the 31st of December 2014, short term bonds of MUS\$225,452 and MUS\$19,453 respectively were classified as short-term, consisting of the current portion due plus accrued interest to date, excluding bond issue costs. The non-current portion consisted of MUS\$1,080,945 on the 30th September 2015 and MUS\$1,317,429 on the 31st December 2014, corresponding to the issuance of series C bonds, Single series bonds (ThUS\$200), series H bonds second issue single series bonds (ThUS\$250), series M bonds, series O bonds, third issue single series bonds (ThUS\$300) and fourth issue single series bonds (ThUS\$250) excluding debt issue costs.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the details of each issuance are as follows:

**Series “C” bonds**

On January 24, 2006, the Company placed Series C bonds for UF 3,000,000 (ThUS\$101,918) at an annual rate of 4.00%.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company has made the following payments with a charge to the Series C bonds:

Payments made	09/30/2015	12/31/2014
	MUS\$	MUS\$
Principal payment	3,030	6,301
Interest payment	1,818	3,184

**Single series first issue ThUS\$200,000**

On April 5, 2006, the Company placed Single Series bonds for ThUS\$200,000 at an annual rate of 6.125% under "Rule 144 and regulation S of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933."

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company has made the following payments with a charge to the Single Series bonds:

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
Payments made	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments of interest	6,125	12,250

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### 10.4 Financial liabilities, continued

#### Series “G” and “H” bonds

On January 13, 2009, the Company placed two bond series in the domestic market. Series H for UF 4,000,000 (ThUS\$139,216) at an annual interest rate of 4.9% at a term of 21 years with payment of principal beginning in 2019 and Series G for ThCh\$ 21,000,000 (ThUS\$34,146), which was placed at a term of 5 years with a single payment at the maturity of the term and an annual interest rate of 7%.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company has made the following payments with a charge to the Series G and H bonds:

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments made		
Payment of principal of Series G bonds	-	39,713
Payments of interest, Series G bonds	-	1,366
Payments of interest, Series H bonds	7,696	8,496

#### Series “J” and “I” bonds

On May 8, 2009, the Company placed two bond series in the domestic market. Series J for ThCh\$52,000,000 (ThUS\$92,456) which was placed at a term of 5 years with single payment at the expiration date of the term and annual interest rate of 5.5% and Series I for UF 1,500,000 (ThUS\$56,051) which was placed at a term of 5 years with single payment at the maturity of the term and annual interest rate of 3.00%. Both bonds expired on April 1, 2014.

Payments made upon expiration of bonds

	<b>12/31/2014</b>
Payments made	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments of principal Series J bonds	94,454
Payment of interest, Series J bonds	2,563
Payments of principal Series I bonds	64,083
Payment of interest, Series I bonds	1,206

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**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

**Single series bonds, second issue ThUS\$250,000**

On April 21, 2010, the Company informed the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance of its placement in international markets of an unsecured bond of ThUS\$250,000 with a maturity of 10 years beginning on the aforementioned date with an annual interest rate of 5.5% and destined to refinance long-term liabilities.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the detail of payments charged to the line of single series bonds, second issue is as follows:

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments made		
Interest payment	6,875	13,750

**Series “M” and “O” bonds**

On April 4, 2012, the Company placed two bond series in the domestic market. Series M for UF 1,000,000 (ThUS\$46,601) was placed at a term of 5 years with a single payment at the maturity of the term and an annual interest rate of 3.3%, and Series O for UF 1,500,000 (ThUS\$69,901) was placed at a term of 21 years with a single payment at the maturity of the term and an annual interest rate of 3.80%

As of September 30, 2015, and December 31, 2014 the Company has made the following payments with a charge to the Series M and O bonds:

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments made		

Payment of interest, Series M bonds	1,248	1,380
Payment of interest, Series O bonds	2,153	2,381

**Single series bonds, third issue ThUS\$300,000**

On April 3, 2013 in the United States, the Company issued a non-guaranteed bond with a value of US\$ 300 million. The bond is for a 10 year term with an annual coupon rate of 3.625% and an annual yield of 3.716%. This rate equates to a difference of 180 basis points to comparable US Treasury bonds. The funds raised will be used to refinance long term liabilities and finance general corporate objectives.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the following payments have been made with a debit to the line of single-series bonds, third issue:

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
Payments made	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payment of interest	5,438	10,875

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

**10.4 Financial liabilities, continued**

**Single series bonds, fourth issuance ThUS\$ 250**

On October 23, 2014, the Company informed the Chilean Superintendence of Securities and Insurance that Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. agreed to issue and place unsecured bonds of ThUS\$ 250,000 in international markets. This, essentially, maturing in 2025 with a cover annual interest rate of 4.375% equivalent to a spread of 215 basis points on comparable US Treasury bonds, which were offered to the investors at a price of 99.410% with respect to capital. The aforementioned agreement was agreed on October 23, 2014 and the issuance and placement of such bonds was performed in conformity with the provisions of Rule 144A of the US Securities Act of 1933 and these bonds will not be publicly offered in Chile.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the following payments have been made.

	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Payments made		
Payment of interest	8,203	-

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Trade and other payables

	09/30/2015			12/31/2014		
	Current	<b>Non-current</b>	Total	Current	<b>Non-current</b>	Total
	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$	ThUS\$
Accounts payable	144,720	-	144,720	144,998	-	144,998
Retained (or accrued)	167	-	167	162	-	162
Total	144,887	-	144,887	145,160	-	145,160

Purchase commitments held by the Company are recognized as liabilities when the goods and services are received by the Company. As of September 30, 2015, the Company has purchase orders amounting to ThUS\$15,451 (ThUS\$15,966 as of December 31, 2014).

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**Note 10 Financial instruments (continued)**

10.6 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

This balance relates to derivative instruments measured at their fair value, which has generated balances against the Company. The detail of this type of instrument is as follows:

<b>Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss</b>	<b>09/30/2015</b>	<b>Effect on profit or loss as of 09/30/2015</b>	<b>12/31/2014</b>	<b>Effect on profit or loss as of 12/31/2014</b>
	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>	<b>ThUS\$</b>
Current				
Derivative instruments (IRS)	715	(978 )	736	(1,050 )
	715	(978 )	736	