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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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

AS OF 2/27/2007

TERNIUM S.A.  
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

TERNIUM S.A.  
46A, AVENUE JOHN F. KENNEDY - 2ND FLOOR  
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(352) 4661-11-3815  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Commission pursuant to Rule 13a-16 and Form 6-K under the Securities Exchange  
Act of 1934, as amended.

This report contains Ternium S.A.'s consolidated financial statements as of

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December 31, 2006.

## SIGNATURE

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

TERNIUM S.A.

By: /S/ ROBERTO PHILIPPS

By: /S/ DANIEL NOVEGIL

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Name: Roberto Philipps  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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Name: Daniel Novegil  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 27, 2007

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To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Ternium S.A.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of income, of cash flows and of changes in shareholders' equity present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ternium S.A. and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2006 in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

International Financial Reporting Standards vary in certain significant respects from the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Information relating to the nature and effect of such differences is presented in Note 34 to the consolidated financial statements.

Buenos Aires, Argentina

February 27, 2007

PRICE WATERHOUSE & CO. S.R.L.

by /s/ Marcelo D. Pfaff (Partner)

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Marcelo D. Pfaff

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## CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENTS

		YEAR ENDED DECEMBER	
	NOTES	2006	2005
Net sales	30	6,568,975	4,447,680
Cost of sales	6 & 30	(4,301,384)	(2,488,980)
Gross profit		2,267,591	1,958,700
Selling, general and administrative expenses	7	(623,772)	(500,590)
Other operating expenses, net	9	(7,250)	(65,949)
Operating income		1,636,569	1,392,161
Interest expense	30 & 31	(112,918)	(81,608)
Interest income	30	52,554	32,324
Other financial (expenses) income, net	10 & 30	(322,417)	(261,452)
Excess of fair value of net assets acquired over cost	3	-	188,356
Equity in earnings of associated companies	11	4,534	21,524
Income before income tax expense		1,258,322	1,291,305
Income tax expense	12	(262,356)	(218,492)
Net income for the year		995,966	1,072,813
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company	29	795,424	704,406
Minority interest		200,542	368,407
		995,966	1,072,813
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	29	1,936,833,060	1,209,476,609
Basic earnings per share for profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company, (expressed in USD per share)		0.41	0.58
Diluted earnings per share for profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company, (expressed in USD per share)		0.41	0.54

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

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS			
	Notes	December 31, 2006	
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment, net	13	5,420,683	
Intangible assets, net	14	551,587	
Investments in associated companies	15	16,285	
Other investments, net	16 & 30	13,387	
Deferred tax assets	24	36,439	
Receivables, net	17 & 30	78,903	6,117,284
Current assets			
Receivables	18 & 30	175,818	
Derivative financial instruments	26	7,852	
Inventories, net	19	1,241,325	1
Trade receivables, net	20 & 30	577,866	
Other investments	21 & 30	-	
Cash and cash equivalents	21	643,352	2,646,213
Non-current assets classified as held for sale			7,042
Total assets			8,770,539
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves attributable to the company's equity holders			3,757,558
Minority interest			1,729,583
Total equity			5,487,141
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Provisions	22	60,543	
Deferred income tax	24	985,155	
Other liabilities	25	274,566	
Trade payables		7,229	
Borrowings	27	548,401	1,875,894
Current liabilities			
Current tax liabilities		103,195	
Other liabilities	25 & 30	158,374	

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Trade payables	30	621,754	
Derivative financial instruments	26	15,487	
Borrowings	27	508,694	1,407,504
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Total liabilities			3,283,398
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Total equity and liabilities			8,770,539
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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Attributable to the Company'			
	Capital stock (2)	Initial public offering expenses	Revaluation and other reservers	Capital stock issu discount (
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at January 1	1,396,552	(5,456)	1,462,137	(2,298,048)
Currency translation adjustment				
Net income for the year				
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Total recognized income for the year				
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions				
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions by subsidiary companies				
Acquisition of business (see Note 3)			(32,429)	
Contributions from shareholders (see Note 1)	33,801		43,100	(26,818)
Conversion of Subordinated Convertible Loans (see Note 1)	302,962		302,962	
Initial Public Offering (see Note 1)	271,429	(17,839)	271,429	
Other reserves (see Note 3)				
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Balance at December 31	2,004,744	(23,295)	2,047,199	(2,324,866)
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	Total	Minority interest	Total Equity at December 31, 2006	Total Equity at December 3 2005
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Balance at January 1	1,842,454	1,733,465	3,575,919	1,771,851
Currency translation adjustment	(28,917)	(7,990)	(36,907)	(120,246)
Net income for the year	795,424	200,542	995,966	1,072,813

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Total recognized income for the year	766,507	192,552	959,059	952,567
Dividends paid in cash and other distribution			--	(238,652)
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions by subsidiary companies		(27,175)	(27,175)	(130,571)
Acquisition of business (see Note 3)	(32,429)	(122,261)	(154,690)	864,415
Contributions from shareholders (see Note 1)	50,083	(46,998)	3,085	54,758
Conversion of Subordinated Convertible Loans (see Note 1)	605,924		605,924	--
Initial Public Offering (see Note 1)	525,019		525,019	(5,456)
Other reserves (see Note 3)				307,007
Balance at December 31	3,757,558	1,729,583	5,487,141	3,575,919

- (1) Shareholders' equity determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Luxembourg is disclosed in Note 28 (iv).
- (2) At December 31, 2006, the Capital Stock adds up to 2,004,743,442 shares at a nominal value of USD1 each.
- (3) Represents the difference between book value of non-monetary contributions received from shareholders under Luxembourg GAAP and IFRS.

Dividends may be paid by Ternium to the extent distributable retained earnings calculated in accordance with Luxembourg law and regulations exist. Therefore, retained earnings included in these consolidated condensed financial statements may not be wholly distributable. See Note 28 (iv). The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

	Notes	2006
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income for the year		995,
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortization	13&14	424,
Income tax accruals less payments	31	(18,
Derecognition of property, plant and equipment	9 (iii)	13,
Excess of fair value of net assets acquired over cost	3	
Changes to pension plan	25	46,
Equity in earnings of associated companies	11	(4,
Interest accruals less payments	31	4,
Changes in provisions	22&23	33,

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Changes in working capital	31	(276,
Others		25,
		-----
Net cash provided by operating activities		1,244,
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Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital expenditures	13&14	(405,
Changes in trust funds		5,
Acquisition of business		(210,
Investments in associated companies		(2,
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment		3,
		-----
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(610,
		-----
Cash flows from financing activities		
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions to company's shareholders		
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions to minority shareholders		(27,
Net proceeds from Initial Public Offering		525,
Contributions from shareholders		3,
Proceeds from borrowings		167,
Repayments of borrowings		(1,424,
		-----
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities		(756,
		-----
(Decrease) Increase in cash and cash equivalents		(121,
Movement in cash and cash equivalents		
At January 1, (1)		754,
Acquisition of business	3	
Effect of exchange rate changes		(
(Decrease) Increase in cash and cash equivalents		(121,
		-----
Cash and cash equivalents at December 31,		633,
		-----
Non-cash transactions		
Conversion of debt instruments into shares		605,

- (1) In addition, the Company has restricted cash for USD 10,350 and USD 10,650 at December 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively. The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 1 BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY, INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING AND CORPORATE REORGANIZATION

Ternium S.A. (the "Company" or "Ternium"), a Luxembourg Corporation (Societe Anonyme), was incorporated on December 22, 2003 to hold investments in flat and long steel manufacturing and distributing companies.

Near the end of 2004, Ternium was acquired by its ultimate parent company San Faustin N.V. ("San Faustin"), a Netherlands Antilles company, to serve as a vehicle in the restructuring of San Faustin's investments in the flat and long steel manufacturing and distribution business. This restructuring was carried out by means of a corporate reorganization through which Ternium was assigned the equity interests previously held by San Faustin and its subsidiaries in

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various flat and long steel manufacturing and distributing companies (the "Corporate Reorganization"). The Corporate Reorganization took place in fiscal year 2005. Until that date, Ternium was a dormant company.

On January 11, 2006, the Company successfully completed its registration process with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and announced the commencement of its offer to sell 24,844,720 American Depositary Shares ("ADS") representing 248,447,200 shares of common stock through Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., JP Morgan Securities Inc., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Caylon Securities (USA) Inc. and Bayerische Hypo-und Vereinsbank AG (collectively, the "Underwriters" and the offering thereunder, the "Initial Public Offering"). The Company's Initial Public Offering was priced at USD20 per ADS. The gross proceeds from the Initial Public Offering totaled USD 496.9 million and have been used to fully repay Tranche A of the Ternium Credit Facility (see Note 3 e)), after deducting related expenses.

Ternium's ADSs began trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "TX" on February 1, 2006. The Company's Initial Public Offering was settled on February 6, 2006.

In addition, during 2005, the Company entered into the Subordinated Convertible Loan Agreements for a total aggregate amount of USD594 million to fund the acquisition of Hylsamex. As per the provisions contained in the Subordinated Convertible Loan Agreements, the Subordinated Convertible Loans would be converted into shares of the Company upon delivery of Ternium's ADSs to the Underwriters. On February 6, 2006, the Subordinated Convertible Loans (including interest accrued through January 31, 2006) were converted into shares at a conversion price of USD2 per share, resulting in the issuance of 302,962,261 new shares on February 9, 2006.

Furthermore, in November 2005, Siderurgica del Turbio Siderur S.A. ("Siderur"), a subsidiary of Siderurgica Venezolana Sivenza S.A. ("Sivenza"), exchanged with Inversora Siderurgica Limited ("ISL", a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ternium's majority shareholder) its 3.42% equity interest in Consorcio Siderurgia Amazonia Ltd. ("Amazonia") and USD 3.1 million in cash for shares of the Company. On February 9, 2006, ISL contributed all of its assets and liabilities (including its interest in Amazonia) to the Company in exchange for 959,482,775 newly issues shares of the Company after the settlement of the Initial Public Offering. The increase in equity resulting from this transaction is reflected under "Contributions from shareholders" line items in the Statement of changes in shareholders' equity and amounts to USD 50,083.

Also, the Company granted the Underwriters an option, exercisable for 30 days from January 31, 2006, to purchase up to 3,726,708 additional ADSs at the public offering price of USD20 per ADS less an underwriting discount of USD0.55 per ADS. On February 23, 2006 the Underwriters exercised partially this over-allotment option granted by the Company. In connection with this option, on March 1, 2006, the Company issued 22,981,360 new shares. The gross proceeds from this transaction totaled USD46.0 million.

After the completion of the Initial Public Offering, the conversion of the Subordinated Convertible Loans, the exercise of the option granted to the Underwriters and the consummation of the transactions contemplated in the Corporate Reorganization agreement, 2,004,743,442 shares (including shares in the form of ADSs) were outstanding.

## 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with those IFRS standards and IFRIC interpretations issued and effective or issued

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and early adopted as at the time of preparing these statements (February 2007). The consolidated financial statements are presented in thousands of United States dollars ("USD").

As mentioned in Note 1, Ternium was assigned the equity interests previously held by San Faustin and its subsidiaries in various flat and long steel manufacturing and distributing companies. As these transactions were carried out among entities under common control, the assets and liabilities contributed to the Company have been accounted for at the relevant predecessor's cost, reflecting the carrying amount of such assets and liabilities. Accordingly, the consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 include the financial statements of the above-mentioned companies on a combined basis at historical book values on a carryover basis as though the contribution had taken place on January 1, 2003, and no adjustment has been made to reflect fair values at the time of the contribution.

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#### 2 Basis of presentation (continued)

Detailed below are the companies whose consolidated financial statements have been included in these consolidated financial statements.

Company	Country of Organization	Main activity
Ternium S.A.	Luxembourg	Holding of investments in flat and long steel manufacturing and distributing companies
Hylsamex S.A. de C.V. (1)	Mexico	Holding company
Siderar S.A.I.C.	Argentina	Manufacturing of flat steel products
Sidor C.A. (2)	Venezuela	Manufacturing and selling steel products
Ternium Internacional S.A. (formerly Techintrade Uruguay S.A.)	Uruguay	Holding company and marketing of steel products
III Industrial Investments Inc. (B.V.I.)	British Virgin Islands	Holding company
Inversiones Siderurgicas S.A.	Panama	Holding company
Ylopa - Servicios de Consultoria Ltda. (3)	Madeira - Free zone	Participation in the restructuring process of Amazonia and Sidor C.A.
Consorcio Siderurgia Amazonia Ltd. (4)	Cayman Islands	Holding of investments in Venezuelan steel companies
Fasnet International S.A.	Panama	Holding company
Alvory S.A.	Uruguay	Holding of investment procurement services companies
Comesi San Luis S.A.I.C. (5)	Argentina	Production of cold or hot rolled prepainted, formed and skelp steel sheets
Inversiones Basilea S.A. (6)	Chile	Purchase and sale of re

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Prosid Investments S.C.A. (6)	Uruguay	estate and other
Impeco S.A. (6)	Argentina	Holding company
Socominter de Guatemala S.A. (7)	Guatemala	Manufacturing of pipe products
Ternium Internacional Espana S.A. (formerly	Spain	Marketing of steel products
Socominter de Espana S.A.U.) (7)		Marketing of steel products
Ternium Internacional Ecuador S.A. (formerly	Ecuador	Marketing of steel products
Socotrading S.A.) (7)		
Ternium International USA Corporation (formerly	USA	Marketing of steel products
Techintrade Corporation) (7)		
Ternium Internationaal B.V. (formerly Techint	Netherlands	Marketing of steel products
Engineering Company B.V.) (7)		

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#### 2 Basis of presentation (continued)

Company	Country of Organization	Main activity
Ternium Internacional Peru S.A.C. (formerly	Peru	Marketing of steel products
Techintrade del Peru S.A.C.) (7)		
Ternium International Inc. (7)	Panama	Marketing of steel products
Hylsa S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Manufacturing and selling of steel products
Express Anahuac S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Freight services
Ferropak Comercial S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Scrap company
Ferropak Servicios S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Services
Galvacer America Inc (8)	USA	Distributing company
Galvamet America Corp (8)	USA	Manufacturing and selling of insulates panel products
Transamerica E. & I. Trading Corp (8)	USA	Scrap company
Galvatubing Inc. (8)	USA	Manufacturing and selling of pipe products
Las Encinas S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Exploration, explotation and pelletizing of iron ore
Tecnica Industrial S.A. de C.V. (8)	Mexico	Services
Acerex S.A. de C.V. (9)	Mexico	Tooling services
Acerex Servicios S.A. de C.V. (9)	Mexico	Services
Consorcio Minero Benito Juarez Pena Colorada	Mexico	Exploration, explotation and pelletizing of iron ore
S.A.de C.V. (9)		
Pena Colorada Servicios S.A. de C.V. (9)	Mexico	Services

- (1) Indirectly through the participation of III BVI (70.00%) and Siderar S.A.I.C. (29.91%). Total voting rights held: 99.91%.
- (2) Indirectly through the participation in Amazonia (59.73%). Total voting rights held: 59.73%.

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- (3) Directly (54.62%), indirectly through Inversiones Siderurgicas S.A. (34.27%) and Prosid Investments S.C.A. (11.11%). Total voting rights held: 100.00%.
- (4) Directly (60.63%) and indirectly through the participation in Prosid Investments S.C.A. (14.38%) and Inversiones Siderurgicas S.A. (25.00%). Total voting rights held: 100.00%.
- (5) Indirectly through Siderar S.A.I.C. (99.00%) and Ternium Internacional Uruguay S.A. (1.00%). Total voting rights held: 100.00%.
- (6) Indirectly through Siderar S.A.I.C. Total voting rights held 100.00%.
- (7) Indirectly through Ternium Internacional S.A. Uruguay.
- (8) Indirectly through the participation in Hylsamex. Total voting rights held: 99.91%. See Note 3 e).
- (9) Indirectly through the participation in Hylsamex. Total voting rights held: 50.00%.

At December 31, 2006, Hylsa Latin LLC (dissolved on January 9, 2006), Ternium Internazionale Italia S.R.L., Galvacer Chile S.A. and Galvacer Costa Rica were in process of liquidation.

Eliminations of all material intercompany transactions and balances between the Company and their respective subsidiaries have been made in consolidation.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of available-for-sale financial assets, and financial assets and financial liabilities (including derivative instruments) at fair value through profit or loss.

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#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 2 BASIS OF PRESENTATION (CONTINUED)

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that might affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet dates, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

These consolidated financial statements have been approved for issue by the board of directors on February 27, 2007.

#### 3 ACQUISITION OF BUSINESS

##### (a) Impeco S.A.

On November 18, 2005, Ternium's Argentine subsidiary, Siderar, agreed to acquire assets and facilities of Acindar Industria Argentina de Aceros S.A. related to the production of welded steel pipes in the province of Santa Fe in Argentina, as well as 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Impeco S.A., which in turn owns a plant located in the province of San Luis in Argentina. Purchase price paid totaled USD 55.2 million, subject to subsequent adjustments. These two plants have a production capacity of 140 thousand tons per year of tubes to be used in the construction, agricultural and manufacturing industries. The acquisition has been approved by the Argentine competition authorities and was completed on January 31, 2006. This acquisition did not give rise to goodwill.

The acquired business contributed revenues of USD 73.3 million in the year ended

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December 31, 2006. The fair value of assets and liabilities arising from acquisition are as follows:

	USD THOUSANDS
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Property, plant and equipment	47,825
Inventories	8,180
Deferred tax liabilities	(875)
Others assets and liabilities, net	53
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NET	55,183
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(b) Acerex S.A. de C.V.

In April 2006, the Company acquired a 50% equity interest in Acerex S.A. de C.V. ("Acerex") through its subsidiary Hylsa S.A. de C.V. for a total purchase price of USD 44.6 million. Upon completion of this transaction Hylsa S.A. de C.V. owns 100% of Acerex. Acerex is a service center dedicated to processing steel to produce short-length and steel sheets in various widths. Acerex operates as a cutting and processing plant for Ternium's Mexican operations and as an independent processor for other steel companies. On August 31, 2006 Acerex S.A. de C.V. was merged into Hylsa S.A. de C.V.

As permitted by IFRS 3 "Business Combinations" ("IFRS 3"), the Company accounted for this acquisition under the economic entity model, which requires that the acquisition of an additional equity interest in a controlled subsidiary be accounted for at its carrying amount, with the difference arising on purchase price allocation (amounting to USD 24.3 million) being recorded directly in equity.

(c) Additional shares of Hylsamex bought by Siderar

On June 19, 2006, Siderar completed the acquisition of 940,745 additional shares of Hylsamex, representing 0.2% of that company's issued and outstanding common stock, for a total consideration of USD 3.3 million. This acquisition was effected through a trust fund established by Siderar in 2005 in connection with the initial acquisition of Hylsamex (see note 3(e)). Goodwill resulting from this acquisition totaled USD 0.7 million.

(d) Additional shares of Siderar bought by Ternium S.A.

On December 28, 2006, Ternium S.A. acquired from CVRD International S.A. 16,860,000 shares of Siderar S.A.I.C, representing 4.85% of that company, for an aggregate purchase price of USD 107.5 million. After this acquisition Ternium has increased its ownership in Siderar to 60.93%.

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As permitted by IFRS 3, the Company accounted for this acquisition under the economic entity model, which requires that the acquisition of an additional equity interest in a controlled subsidiary be accounted for at its carrying amount, with the difference arising on purchase price allocation (amounting to

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USD 8.1 million) being recorded directly in equity.

### (e) Hylsamex

On May 18, 2005, III BVI, Hylsamex S.A. de C.V. and Alfa entered into the Hylsamex Acquisition Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the Hylsamex Acquisition Agreement, on July 26, 2005, III BVI launched a cash tender offer in Mexico for the acquisition of all the outstanding shares of Hylsamex. On August 22, 2005, the acquisition by III BVI of a controlling interest in Hylsamex and of Alfa's minority interests in Amazonia, Ylopa and Hylsa Latin was consummated. The Company acquired an indirect controlling interest in Hylsamex and its subsidiaries, and the indirect equity stakes owned by Hylsamex's former controlling shareholder, Alfa, in Amazonia and Ylopa. III BVI and Siderar acquired 70.0% and 29.3% of the shares of Hylsamex, respectively by a total amount of USD 2,095 million. III BVI also acquired an additional 10.5% direct and indirect interest in Amazonia and an additional 11.1% interest in Ylopa by USD 91.9 million. Subsequently, Siderar purchased additional shares of Hylsamex in the open market for a total amount of USD 9.7 million, thus reaching a 29.9% equity interest in that company.

Hylsamex's main business is the production of flat and long steel products, with manufacturing plants located in the cities of Monterrey and Puebla, Mexico, and is a leader in the production of coated steel.

The acquired business contributed revenues of USD 723.8 million and net income of USD 25.4 million to the Company in the year ended December 31, 2005. The book value of net assets acquired totals USD 1,492 million. The fair value of assets and liabilities arising from acquisition are as follows:

	USD THOUSANDS
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Property, plant and equipment	2,129,325
Inventories	345,053
Cash and cash equivalents	215,411
Deferred tax liabilities	(449,537)
Pension benefits	(116,860)
Borrowings	(751,730)
Others assets and liabilities, net	488,297
Minority interest	(156,651)
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NET	1,703,308
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Goodwill, representing the excess of the purchase price paid over the fair value of identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired, totaled USD 399.7 million.

As part of the financing for the acquisition, the Company and its affiliates entered into the following loan agreements:

- i) an amended and restated credit agreement, dated as of August 16, 2005 among I.I.I. BVI and lenders for an aggregate principal amount of USD1,000 million (the "Ternium Credit Facility"). The Ternium Credit Facility is comprised of two equal tranches:
  - Tranche A with a maturity of three years and bearing interest at the annual rate of LIBOR plus an applicable margin that ranges from 75 to 400 basis points. This tranche has been fully repaid in February 2006.
  - Tranche B with a maturity of five years and bearing interest at the annual rate of LIBOR plus an applicable margin that ranges from 137.5 to 300 basis points. The outstanding debt amount is USD 233 million as of

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December 31, 2006.

- ii) an amended and restated credit agreement, dated as of August 16, 2005, for an aggregate principal amount of USD380 million among Siderar, as borrower, and the lenders (the "Siderar Credit Facility"). The Siderar Credit Facility is payable in five equal and consecutive semi-annual installments with a grace period of 12 months and bears interest at LIBOR plus 200 basis points; and

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- iii) several convertible and subordinated loan agreements, dated as of various dates, for an aggregate principal amount of USD594 million, each among the Company, I.I.I. BVI, as borrowers, and Usiminas, Tenaris, or other Techint Group companies (collectively, the "Subordinated Lenders", the agreements, the "Subordinated Convertible Loan Agreements" and the loans thereunder, the "Subordinated Convertible Loans"). Pursuant to the terms of the Subordinated Convertible Loan Agreements, on February 6, 2006, the Subordinated Convertible Loans have been converted into shares of the Company at a price per share equal to the price per share paid by the investors in the offering.

Under the credit agreements mentioned in i) and ii) above, the Company and its affiliates are subject to certain covenants that limit their ability to, among other thing, pay dividends to their shareholders in excess of certain amounts or make other restricted payments, make capital expenditures in excess of certain amounts, grant certain liens, borrow additional money or prepay principal or interest on subordinated debt over certain limits, change their business or amend certain significant agreements, effect a change of control, merge, acquire or consolidate with another company, make additional investments or dispose of their assets.

These contracts also require Ternium and its subsidiaries to meet certain financial covenants, ratios and other tests, which could limit their operational flexibility and could prevent Ternium from taking advantage of business opportunities as they arise, growing its business or competing effectively. Moreover, a failure by Ternium and its subsidiaries to comply with applicable financial measures could result in defaults under those agreements or instruments. Ternium and its subsidiaries are in compliance with all of their financial covenants, ratios and tests.

#### (f) Amazonia

On February 3, 2005, Ylopa exercised its option to convert the outstanding balance of the Amazonia convertible debt instrument into newly issued shares of that company. On February 15, 2005, new shares of Amazonia were issued in exchange for the convertible instrument. As a result, Ternium's indirect participation in Amazonia increased from 31.03% to 53.47%, thereby increasing its indirect participation in Sidor from 18.53% to 31.94%. This acquisition has been accounted for following the provisions contained in IFRS 3 and, accordingly, assets acquired and liabilities assumed have been valued at fair value. Total purchase consideration, representing the carrying amount of the convertible debt instrument at the date of conversion, accounted for USD127.6 million, of which USD82.0 million correspond to the majority shareholders. The excess of Ternium's interest in the net fair value of Amazonia's identifiable



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assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the purchase price (amounting to USD 188.4 million) has been recognized in income for the year. The main factor that contributed to a purchase price significantly below the fair value of net assets acquired is the downturn experienced by steel prices until 2003. Thus, the convertible debt instrument was issued at a time when Amazonia was undergoing a severe crisis affecting its business and financial condition, this situation being opposite to the current business condition on the date the conversion feature was exercised and the business combination was effected. In addition, as also required by IFRS 3, the Company recorded in equity the excess of the fair value of its pre-acquisition interest in Amazonia's net assets over their corresponding carrying amounts.

The acquired business contributed revenues of USD 1,863.5 million to the Company in the year ended December 31, 2005. The book value of net assets acquired totals USD 928 million. The fair value of assets and liabilities arising from acquisition are as follows:

	USD THOUSAND
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Property, plant and equipment	2,444,289
Inventories	284,676
Cash and cash equivalents	305,342
Deferred Tax Liabilities	(284,242)
Pension Benefits	(78,425)
Provisions	(37,163)
Borrowings	(656,658)
Others assets and liabilities, net	(13,459)
Minority Interest	(795,178)
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NET	1,169,182
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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the principal accounting policies followed in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements:

##### (A) GROUP ACCOUNTING

##### (1) SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Subsidiary companies are those entities in which the Company has an interest of more than 50% of the voting rights or otherwise has the power to exercise control over the operating decisions. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Company and are no longer consolidated from the date that control ceases. The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of assets given up, shares issued or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. The excess of the acquisition cost over the Company's share of the fair value of net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Acquisition of minority interests in subsidiaries is accounted for following the economic entity model and, accordingly, assets acquired and liabilities assumed are valued at book value and the difference arising on purchase price allocation is recorded in equity under "Revaluation and other reserves" line item. Material intercompany transactions, balances and unrealized

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gains on transactions among the Company and its subsidiaries are eliminated; unrealized losses are also eliminated unless cost cannot be recovered. However, the fact that the functional currency of some subsidiaries is their respective local currency, generates some financial gains (losses) arising from intercompany transactions, that are included in the consolidated income statement under Financial (expenses) income, net.

### (2) ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

Associated companies are entities in which Ternium generally has between 20% and 50% of the voting rights, or over which Ternium has significant influence, but which it does not control. Investments in associated companies are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Under this method the Company's share of the post-acquisition profits or losses of an associated company is recognized in the income statement and its share of post-acquisition changes in reserves is recognized in reserves. The cumulative post-acquisition changes are adjusted against the cost of the investment. Unrealized gains on transactions among the Company and its associated companies are eliminated to the extent of the Company's interest in such associated company; unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. When the Company's share of losses in an associated company equals or exceeds its interest in such associate, the Company does not recognize further losses unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of such associated company.

### (3) FIRST-TIME APPLICATION OF IFRS

The Company's transition date is January 1, 2003. Ternium prepared its opening IFRS balance sheet at that date.

In preparing its financial statements in accordance with IFRS 1, the Company has applied the mandatory exceptions and certain of the optional exemptions from full retrospective application of IFRS, as detailed below:

#### 3.1. EXEMPTIONS FROM FULL RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION - ELECTED BY THE COMPANY

The Company has elected to apply the following optional exemptions from full retrospective application.

##### (A) FAIR VALUE AS DEEMED COST EXEMPTION

Ternium has elected to measure its property, plant and equipment at fair value as of January 1, 2003.

##### (B) CUMULATIVE TRANSLATION DIFFERENCES EXEMPTION

Ternium has elected to set the previously accumulated cumulative translation to zero at January 1, 2003. This exemption has been applied to all subsidiaries in accordance with IFRS 1.

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#### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

##### (A) GROUP ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

#### 3.2 EXCEPTIONS FROM FULL RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOLLOWED BY THE COMPANY

Ternium has applied the following mandatory exceptions from retrospective application.

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### (A) DERECOGNITION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES EXCEPTION

Financial assets and liabilities derecognized before January 1, 2003 are not re-recognized under IFRS. However, this exception had no impact on these financial statements as it was not applicable since the Company did not derecognize any financial assets or liabilities before the transition date that qualified for recognition.

### (B) HEDGE ACCOUNTING EXCEPTION

The Company has no derivatives that qualify for hedge accounting. This exception is therefore not applicable.

### (C) ESTIMATES EXCEPTION

Estimates under IFRS at January 1, 2003 should be consistent with estimates made for the same date under previous GAAP.

### (D) ASSETS HELD FOR SALE AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS EXCEPTION

Ternium did not have assets that met the held-for-sale criteria (as defined by IFRS 5) at the transition date (January 1, 2003).

### (B) FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

#### (1) FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Company's subsidiaries and associated companies are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The functional currency of the Company is the U.S. dollar. Although Ternium is located in Luxembourg, it operates in several countries with different currencies. The USD is the currency that best reflects the economic substance of the underlying events and circumstances relevant to Ternium as a whole.

#### (2) SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

The results and financial position of all the group entities (none of which operates in a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency, are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

(i) assets and liabilities are translated at the closing rate of each balance sheet; (ii) income and expenses for each income statement are translated at average exchange rates; and (iii) all resulting translation differences are recognized as a separate component of equity.

In the case of a sale or other disposition of any such subsidiary, any accumulated translation differences would be recognized in the income statement as part of the gain or loss on sale.

#### (3) TRANSACTIONS IN CURRENCIES OTHER THAN THE FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency are accounted for at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transactions. Gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency are recognized in the income statement, including the foreign exchange gains and losses from intercompany transactions.

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#### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

##### (C) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Land and buildings comprise mainly factories and offices. All property, plant and equipment are recognized at historical acquisition or construction cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment (if applicable), except for land, which is carried at acquisition cost less accumulated impairment (if applicable). Nevertheless, as mentioned in Note 4(a), property, plant and equipment have been valued at its deemed cost at the transition date to IFRS.

Major overhaul and rebuilding expenditures are recognized as a separate asset when future economic benefits are expected from the item, and the cost can be measured reliably.

Ordinary maintenance expenses on manufacturing properties are recorded as cost of products sold in the period in which they are incurred.

In accordance with IAS 23, borrowing costs that are attributable to the acquisition or construction of certain capital assets could be capitalized as part of the cost of the assets. Capital assets for which borrowing costs may be capitalized are those that require a substantial period of time to prepare for their intended use. At December 31, 2006, no borrowing costs recorded have been capitalized.

Where a tangible fixed asset comprises major components having different useful lives, these components are accounted for as separate items.

Leases where the lessor retains a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Depreciation method is reviewed at each balance sheet date. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to amortize the cost of each asset to its residual value over its estimated useful life as follows:

Land	No Depreciation
Buildings and improvements	20-40 years
Production equipment	15-25 years
Vehicles, furniture and fixtures and other equipment	5-15 years

The assets' useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the corresponding carrying amounts and are included in the income statement.

If the carrying amount of an asset were greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it would be written down to its recoverable amount. (see Note 4 (e) "Impairment").

##### (D) INTANGIBLE ASSETS

###### (1) INFORMATION SYSTEMS PROJECTS

Generally, costs associated with developing or maintaining computer software programs are recognized as an expense as incurred. However, costs directly related to the acquisition and implementation of information systems are recognized as intangible assets if they have a probable economic benefit

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exceeding the cost beyond one year.

Information systems projects recognized as assets are amortized using the straight-line method over their useful lives, not exceeding a period of 3 years. Amortization charges are included in cost of sales, selling, general and administrative expenses.

### (2) MINING CONCESSIONS AND EXPLORATION COSTS

Mining license was recognized as a separate intangible asset upon the acquisition of Hylsamex and comprises the right to exploit or explore the mines and is recognized at its fair value less accumulated amortization. Amortization charge is calculated according to the mineral extracted in each period and is included in cost of sales.

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### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (D) INTANGIBLE ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Exploration costs are classified as intangible assets until the production begins. Exploration costs are tested for impairment annually.

#### (3) GOODWILL

Goodwill represents the excess of the acquisition cost over the fair value of Ternium's participation in acquired companies' net assets at the acquisition date. Under IFRS 3, goodwill is considered to have an indefinite life and not amortized, but is subject to annual impairment testing.

#### (4) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Research expenditures are recognized as expenses as incurred. Development costs are recorded as cost of sales in the income statement as incurred because they do not fulfill the criteria for capitalization. Research and development expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004 totaled USD 1.8 million, USD 2.1 million and USD 0.3 million, respectively.

#### (E) IMPAIRMENT

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortization and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortization and investments in affiliates are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and the present value of estimated future cash flows. For purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). For these purposes, each associate has been considered a cash generating unit.

At December 31, 2006 and 2005, no impairment provisions were recorded. The impairment provision recorded in previous years on the investment in Amazonia was reversed in 2004 and included in equity in earnings of associated companies, as explained in Note 11.

#### (F) OTHER INVESTMENTS

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Other investments consist primarily of investments in financial debt instruments and equity investments where the Company holds less than 20% of the outstanding equity and does not exert significant influence.

Under IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement", investments have to be classified into the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss; held-to-maturity investments; loans and receivables and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition.

All purchases and sales of investments are recognized on the trade date, which is not significantly different from the settlement date, which is the date that Ternium commits to purchase or sell the investment.

Income from financial instruments is recognized in Financial (expenses) income, net in the income statement. Interest receivable on investments in debt securities is calculated using the effective rate. Dividends from investments in equity instruments are recognized in the income statement when the Company's right to receive payments is established.

### (G) INVENTORIES

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (calculated using the first-in-first-out "FIFO" method) or net realizable value. The cost of finished goods and goods in process comprises raw materials, direct labor, depreciation, other direct costs and related production overhead costs. It excludes borrowing costs. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the costs of completion and selling expenses. Goods acquired in transit at year end are valued at supplier's invoice cost.

For purposes of determining net realizable value, the Company establishes an allowance for obsolete or slow-moving inventory in connection with finished goods and goods in process. The provision for slow-moving inventory is recognized for finished goods and goods in process based on management's analysis of their aging.

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### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (G) INVENTORIES (CONTINUED)

In connection with supplies and spare parts the calculation is based on management's analysis of their aging, the capacity of such materials to be used based on their levels of preservation and maintenance and the potential obsolescence due to technological change.

#### (H) TRADE RECEIVABLES

Trade and other receivables are carried at face value less a provision for impairment, if applicable. This amount does not differ significantly from fair value.

A provision for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of assets is impaired. Objective evidence that a financial asset or group of assets is impaired includes observable data that comes to the attention of the Company about a loss event, such as a significant

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financial difficulty of the obligor or a breach of contract. The amount of the impairment is determined as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The amount of the loss is recognized in the income statement.

### (I) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents and highly liquid short-term securities are carried at fair market value.

For purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash, bank current accounts and short-term highly liquid investments (original maturity of less than 90 days).

In the consolidated balance sheet, bank overdrafts are included in borrowings within current liabilities.

### (J) NON CURRENT ASSETS (DISPOSAL GROUP) CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE

Non-current assets (disposal groups) are classified as assets held for sale and stated at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less cost to sell if their carrying amount is recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through a continuing use.

The carrying value of non-current assets classified as held for sale at December 31, 2006, totals USD 7.0 million and includes principally land and other real estate items. Sale is expected to be completed within a one-year period.

### (K) SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

The consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity for the years 2006, 2005 and 2004 was prepared based on the following criteria:

- o Currency translation differences arising from the translation of financial statements expressed in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are shown in a separate line.
- o Expenses incurred in connection with the Initial Public Offering at December 31, 2006 and 2005 totaled USD 17.8 million and USD 5.5 million, respectively, and have been deducted from equity, since they directly relate to a transaction which itself is to be recorded in equity.
- o For purposes of preparing the combined statement of changes in shareholders' equity shown as comparative information, dividends include the dividends paid by III (BVI) to San Faustin, and dividends paid by Ylopa to Tenaris, as if they had been paid by Ternium to San Faustin or Tenaris. Other distributions comprise loans granted by Ylopa and Amazonia to its shareholders that are in substance capital nature transactions. These loans are non-interest bearing facilities granted by Ylopa to its shareholders based on their respective stockholdings. These loans mature in one year, although debtors are allowed to make partial or full prepayments at any time. However Ylopa's intention is to offset the outstanding balance of such facilities against future dividend distributions. Accordingly, these credits have been shown as a reduction to equity.

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### (L) BORROWINGS

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Borrowings are recognized initially for an amount equal to the proceeds received. In subsequent periods, borrowings are stated at amortized cost; any difference between proceeds and the redemption value is recognized in the income statement over the period of the borrowings.

Capitalized borrowing costs are amortized over the life of their respective debt.

### (M) INCOME TAXES - CURRENT AND DEFERRED

Under present Luxembourg law, so long as the Company maintains its status as a holding company, no income tax, withholding tax (including with respect to dividends), or capital gain tax is payable in Luxembourg by the Company.

The Company is subject to subscription tax of 0.2%. The Company has qualified for, and was admitted to, the Billionaire holding company tax regime in conjunction with the financing holding company tax regime in Luxemburg starting January 1, 2006.

On December 29, 2006, the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg announced the decision to terminate its 1929 holding company regime, effective January 1, 2007. However, under the implementing legislation, pre-existing publicly listed companies (including Ternium S.A.) will be entitled to continue benefiting from their current tax regime until December 31, 2010.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws in force in the countries in which Ternium's subsidiaries operate. Management evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation could be subject to interpretation. A liability is recorded for tax benefits that were taken in the applicable tax return but have not been recognized for financial reporting.

Deferred income taxes are calculated, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. The principal temporary differences arise on fixed assets, originated in different valuation and useful lives considered by accounting standards and tax regulations, tax loss carry-forwards, inventories valuation and provisions for pensions. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date. Under IFRS, deferred income tax assets (liabilities) are classified as non-current assets (liabilities).

Deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent it is probable that future taxable income will be available to offset temporary differences.

Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associated companies, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Company and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Under Mexican law, Ternium's subsidiaries are required to pay their employees an annual benefit calculated on a basis similar to that used for local income tax purposes. Employee statutory profit sharing is calculated using the liability method, and is recorded in current other liabilities and non current other liabilities on the balance sheet. Because Mexican employee statutory profit sharing is determined on a basis similar to that used for determining local income taxes, the Company accounts for temporary differences arising between the statutory calculation and the reported expense determined under IFRS in a manner



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similar to calculation of deferred income tax.

### (N) EMPLOYEE LIABILITIES

#### (1) PENSION OBLIGATIONS

The Company has defined benefit and defined contribution plans. A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that defines an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The liability recognized in the balance sheet in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the balance sheet date, together with adjustments for unrecognized actuarial gains or losses and past service costs. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method.

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#### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

##### (N) EMPLOYEE LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to income over the employees' expected average remaining working lives.

Past-service costs are recognized immediately in income, unless the changes to the pension plan are conditional on the employees remaining in service for a specified period of time (the vesting period). In this case, the past-service costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

##### SIDOR

In compliance with the requirements established by the share purchase agreement subscribed in connection with the acquisition of Sidor, and as provided by the agreement entered into with the union representing Sidor's employees, on July 6, 1998, Sidor has established a defined contribution plan providing for certain pension and other post-retirement benefits for qualifying employees. This plan is financed through contributions made by that company and active employees. Although the plan does not provide for the amounts to be paid to employees upon retirement, for purposes of International Accounting Standard No. 19 "Employee Benefits", Sidor's obligations have been calculated based on actuarial calculations prepared assuming this plan qualifies as a defined benefit plan.

##### HYLSAMEX

The valuation of the liabilities for employee retirement plans (pensions and seniority premiums) covers all employees and is based primarily on their years of service, their present age and their remuneration at the date of retirement.

The cost of the employee retirement plans (pension, health-care expenses and seniority premiums) is recognized as an expense in the year in which services are rendered in accordance with actuarial studies made by independent actuaries.

The formal retirement plans are congruent with and complementary to the retirement benefits established by the Mexican Institute of Social Security. Additionally, the Company has established a plan to cover health-care expenses

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of retired employees.

The Company has established irrevocable trust funds for the payment of pensions and seniority premiums, as well as for health-care expenses.

### SIDERAR

Siderar implemented an unfunded defined benefit employee retirement plan for certain officers on August 1, 1995. The plan is designed to provide retirement, termination and other benefits to those officers.

For its main plan, Siderar is accumulating assets for the ultimate payment of those benefits in the form of investments that carry time limitations for their redemption. The investments are not part of a particular plan, nor are they segregated from Siderar's other assets, and therefore this plan is classified as "unfunded" under IFRS definitions. Benefits provided by the plan are denominated in U.S. Dollars and are calculated based on a seven-year salary average.

### (2) TERMINATION BENEFITS

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated before the normal retirement date, or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Company recognizes termination benefits when it is demonstrably committed to either: (i) terminating the employment of current employees according to a detailed formal plan without possibility of withdrawal or (ii) providing termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy.

### (3) OTHER COMPENSATION OBLIGATIONS

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long-service leave are accrued as earned.

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### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 4 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

##### (N) EMPLOYEE LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

##### (4) SOCIAL SECURITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Social security laws in force in Argentina, Mexico and Venezuela provide for pension benefits to be paid to retired employees from government pension plans and/or private fund managed plans to which employees may elect to contribute. As stipulated by the respective laws, Siderar, Hylsamex and Sidor make monthly contributions calculated based on each employee's salary to fund such plans. The related amounts are expensed as incurred. No additional liabilities exist once the contributions are paid.

##### (O) PROVISIONS AND OTHER LIABILITIES

Ternium has certain contingencies with respect to existing or potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings. Unless otherwise specified, Ternium accrues a provision for a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, when it is probable that future cost could be incurred and that cost can be reasonably estimated. Generally, accruals are based on developments to date, Ternium's estimates of the outcomes of these matters and the advice of Ternium's legal advisors.

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### (P) REVENUE RECOGNITION

Revenues are recognized as sales when revenue is earned and is realized or realizable. This includes satisfying all of the following criteria: the arrangement with the customer is evident, usually through the receipt of a purchase order; the sales price is fixed or determinable; delivery as defined by the risk transfer provision of the sales contracts has occurred, and collectibility is reasonably assured.

Interest income is recognized on an effective yield basis.

Income from participation account is recognized when earned according to its contractual terms (see Note 10).

### (Q) COST OF SALES, SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Cost of sales and expenses are recognized in the income statement on the accrual basis of accounting.

### (R) EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share are calculated by dividing the net income attributable to shareholders by the daily weighted average number of ordinary shares issued during the year (see Note 29).

### (S) DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Information about accounting for derivative financial instruments and hedging activities is included in Note 33 "Financial risk management".

### (T) SEGMENT INFORMATION

Business segments: for management purposes, the Company is organized on a worldwide basis into the following segments: flat steel products, long steel products and others.

The flat steel products segment comprises the manufacturing and marketing of flat steel products. Flat steel products include hot rolled coils and sheets, cold rolled coils and sheets, tin plate, welded pipes, hot dipped galvanized and electrogalvanized sheets, pre-painted sheets and other tailor-made products to serve its customers' requirements.

The long steel products segment comprises the manufacturing and marketing of long steel products. Long steel products include billets (steel in its basic, semifinished state), wire rod and bars.

The other products segment includes the products other than flat and long steel, mainly pig iron and pellets.

The secondary reporting format is based on a geographical location. Ternium sells its products to three main geographical areas: South and Central America, North America, and Europe and Other. The North American segment comprises principally United States, Canada and Mexico. The South and Central American segment comprises principally Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador.

Allocation of net sales is based on the customers' location. Allocation of assets, liabilities and capital expenditures is based on their corresponding location.

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### 5 SEGMENT INFORMATION

#### PRIMARY REPORTING FORMAT - BUSINESS SEGMENTS

	FLAT STEEL PRODUCTS	LONG STEEL PRODUCTS	OTHER	UNALLOCA
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006				
Net sales	5,047,527	1,262,603	258,845	--
Cost of sales	(3,285,569)	(857,753)	(158,062)	--
Gross profit	1,761,958	404,850	100,783	--
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(477,216)	(118,367)	(28,189)	--
Other operating (expenses) income, net	(9,837)	803	1,784	--
Operating income	1,274,905	287,286	74,378	--
Capital expenditures - PP&E	358,541	17,730	7,401	--
Depreciation - PP&E	356,518	46,426	1,240	--
Segment assets				
Inventories	1,078,954	109,143	53,228	--
Trade receivables	407,684	141,228	28,954	--
PP&E	4,632,273	732,131	56,279	--
Other assets	--	--	--	1,530,6
Segment liabilities	592,734	109,870	24,820	2,555,9

	FLAT STEEL PRODUCTS	LONG STEEL PRODUCTS	OTHER	UNALLOCA
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005				
Net sales	3,660,427	625,368	161,885	--
Cost of sales	(2,002,299)	(386,757)	(99,924)	--
Gross profit	1,658,128	238,611	61,961	--
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(403,815)	(80,444)	(16,331)	--
Other operating (expenses), net	(56,281)	(2,163)	(7,505)	--
Operating income	1,198,032	156,004	38,125	--
Capital expenditures - PP&E	208,772	14,587	--	--
Depreciation - PP&E	267,975	32,604	1,387	--
Segment assets				

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Inventories	859,270	126,536	14,313	--
Trade receivables	363,573	74,925	34,262	--
PP&E	4,653,192	749,305	61,374	--
Other assets	--	--	--	1,723,2
Segment liabilities	717,855	193,247	31,117	4,141,8

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5 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	FLAT STEEL PRODUCTS	TRADING	OTHER	UNALLOCATED	
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004					
Net sales	1,266,197	325,227	7,501	--	1,
Cost of sales	(647,815)	(312,447)	(4,742)	--	(
Gross profit	618,382	12,780	2,759	--	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(110,232)	(5,070)	(1,324)		(
Other operating (expenses), net	(2,953)	(136)	(35)	--	
Operating income	505,197	7,574	1,400	--	
Capital expenditures - PP&E	83,763	--	--	--	
Depreciation - PP&E	92,596	86	--	--	
Segment assets					
Inventories, net	233,624	20,100	562	--	
Trade receivables	111,945	58,877	783	--	
PP&E	1,244,294	397	--	--	1,
Investment in Amazonia	309,195	--	--	--	
Other assets	468,673	95,047	--	103,133	
Segment liabilities	635,461	143,629	--	95,689	

SECONDARY REPORTING FORMAT - GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

	SOUTH CENTRAL AMERICA	NORTH AMERICA	EUROPE AND OTHER	TOTA
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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

Net sales	3,704,294	2,768,755	95,926	6,568,
Segment assets				
Trade receivables	202,784	355,631	19,451	577,
Property, plant and equipment	3,450,176	1,970,420	87	5,420,
Depreciation - PP&E	270,453	133,688	43	404,
Capital expenditures - PP&E	286,008	97,662	2	383,

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

Net sales	2,805,214	1,290,353	352,113	4,447,
Segment assets				
Trade receivables	64,837	335,795	72,128	472,
Property, plant and equipment	3,409,045	2,054,687	139	5,463,
Depreciation - PP&E	249,808	52,132	26	301,
Capital expenditures - PP&E	180,867	42,473	19	223,

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5 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA	NORTH AMERICA	EUROPE AND OTHER	TOTAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004	-----	-----	-----	-----
Net sales	1,123,692	230,829	244,404	1,598,925
Segment assets				
Trade receivables	50,956	42,563	78,086	171,605
Property, plant and equipment	1,244,428	93	170	1,244,691
Depreciation - PP&E	92,626	25	31	92,682
Capital expenditures - PP&E	83,763	--	--	83,763

6 COST OF SALES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
INVENTORIES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	1,000,119	254,286
Acquisition of business	8,180	629,729
PLUS: CHARGES FOR THE YEAR		
Raw materials and consumables used and other movements	3,019,408	1,642,793
Services and fees	152,978	119,155
Labor cost	520,717	306,215

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Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	377,808	279,480
Amortization of intangible assets	14,470	10,488
Maintenance expenses	350,903	207,490
Office expenses	8,135	8,020
Freight and transportation	25,451	22,746
Insurance	10,041	4,749
Provision for obsolescence	30,320	7,927
Recovery from sales of scrap and by-products	(48,488)	(35,266)
Others	72,667	31,287
LESS: INVENTORIES AT THE END OF THE YEAR	(1,241,325)	(1,000,119)
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COST OF SALES	4,301,384	2,488,980
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## 7 SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
	-----	-----
Services and fees	52,169	48,668
Labor cost	157,155	119,960
Depreciation of property plant and equipment	26,376	22,486
Amortization of intangible assets	5,841	3,951
Maintenance and expenses	17,397	7,316
Taxes	44,781	45,108
Office expenses	29,722	24,529
Freight and transportation	271,286	217,368
Insurance	1,234	475
Recovery of provision for impairment of trade receivables	(5,207)	(2,467)
Others	23,018	13,196
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SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	623,772	500,590
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### LABOR COSTS (INCLUDED IN COST OF SALES, SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES)

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
	-----	-----
Wages, salaries and social security costs	558,800	361,250
Termination benefits	18,176	40,364
Pension benefits - defined benefit plan (Note 25 (i))	100,896	24,561
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	677,872	426,175

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## 9 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES, NET

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
(I) OTHER OPERATING INCOME	16,716	6,543
(II) OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
Provision for legal claims and other matters	(8,645)	(13,586)
Others	(1,998)	(4,558)
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	(10,643)	(18,144)
(III) DERECOGNITION OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	(13,323)	(54,348)
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES, NET	(7,250)	(65,949)

## 10 OTHER FINANCIAL (EXPENSES) INCOME, NET

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31	
	2006	2005
Debt issue costs	(13,686)	(3,171)
Net foreign exchange transaction gains and change in fair value of derivative instruments	(16,541)	(28,828)
Income from Participation Account (i)	-	44,050
Loss from Participation Account (i)	(270,161)	(265,207)
Others	(22,029)	(8,296)
OTHER FINANCIAL (EXPENSES) INCOME, NET	(322,417)	(261,452)

(i) As a result of the debt restructuring process carried out by Sidor in 2003, Ylopa became Sidor's creditors in a Participation Account Agreement. This agreement provides for a compensation in the form of cash payments to be paid on a quarterly basis and has a term of 14 years, or until the fiscal year prior to the date of the settlement in full of certain bank borrowings (BANDES) due by Sidor.

Until February 15, 2005, the Company accounted for its investment in Amazonia under the equity method of accounting. Thus, income arising from the Participation Account Agreement described in above has been recorded under Income from Participation Account within Financial income, net. Upon conversion of the Amazonia Convertible Debt Instrument on February 15, 2005, the Company acquired control over Amazonia and began accounting for such investment on a consolidated basis. Accordingly, income resulting from Ternium's share of the Participation Account has been offset against Amazonia's loss for the same concept and shown net under Loss from



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Participation Account line item.

## 11 EQUITY IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
Equity in earnings of associated companies (Note 15)	4,534	21,524
Impairments (i)	-	-
EQUITY IN EARNINGS OF ASSOCIATED COMPANIES	4,534	21,524

- (i) The accumulated impairment loss over the Company's investment in Amazonia at December 31, 2003 (totaling USD 148,293) was fully reversed in fiscal year 2004.

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## 12 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

### INCOME TAX

Income tax expense for each of the years presented is as follows:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER	
	2006	2005
Current tax	(387,741)	(246,024)
Deferred tax (Note 24)	111,418	24,990
Utilization of previously unrecognized tax losses (see Note 24)	13,967	2,542
	(262,356)	(218,492)

Income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004 differed from the amount computed by applying the statutory income tax rate in force in each country in which the company operates to pre-tax income as a result of the following:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER	
	2006	2005

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Income before income tax	1,258,322	1,291,305
Income tax expense at statutory tax rate	(383,498)	(271,953)
Non taxable income / (losses)	156,008	70,115
Non deductible expenses	(36,050)	(19,196)
Utilization of previously unrecognized tax losses	13,967	2,542
Provisions for tax loss carry-forwards	(12,783)	-
INCOME TAX EXPENSE	(262,356)	(218,492)

13 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	LAND	BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS	PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT	VEHICLES, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	WORK PROGR
COST					
Values at the beginning of the year	314,467	1,441,769	5,257,096	187,207	
Translation differences	(3,807)	(11,287)	(43,129)	(1,644)	
Acquisition of business	2,624	42,603	2,598	-	
Additions	-	-	21,275	3,424	
Disposals / Consumptions	(19)	(40)	(1,374)	(2,500)	
Derecognition	-	-	(38,950)	(17)	
Transfers	(1,749)	83,648	87,448	5,588	(
Values at the end of the year	311,516	1,556,693	5,284,964	192,058	
DEPRECIATION					
Accumulated at the beginning of the year	-	(386,021)	(1,442,682)	(116,019)	
Translation differences	-	3,706	13,403	1,097	
Depreciation charge	-	(83,357)	(305,320)	(15,397)	
Disposals / Consumptions	-	20	388	1,582	
Derecognition	-	-	25,836	-	
Transfers	-	2,280	-	-	
Accumulated at the end of the year	-	(463,372)	(1,708,375)	(128,737)	
AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	311,516	1,093,321	3,576,589	63,321	

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13 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET (CONTINUED)

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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	LAND	BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS	PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT	VEHICLES, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	WORK IN PROGRESS
COST					
COST					
Values at the beginning of the year	23,427	682,576	2,217,688	141,212	36,
Translation differences	(6,243)	(98,975)	(266,065)	(6,484)	(10,
Acquisition of business	290,765	819,850	3,230,621	47,863	184,
Additions	266	7,539	42,747	2,633	165,
Disposals / Consumptions	--	(52)	(8,021)	(1,331)	--
Derecognition	--	(28,977)	(75,331)	(2,065)	--
Transfers	6,252	59,808	115,457	5,379	(186,
Values at the end of the year	314,467	1,441,769	5,257,096	187,207	190,
DEPRECIATION					
Accumulated at the beginning of the year	--	(392,996)	(1,368,813)	(109,797)	--
Translation differences	--	61,210	107,768	3,773	--
Depreciation charge	--	(68,442)	(221,566)	(11,801)	--
Disposals / Consumptions	--	35	3,086	796	--
Derecognition	--	14,172	36,843	1,010	--
Accumulated at the end of the year	--	(386,021)	(1,442,682)	(116,019)	--
AT DECEMBER 31, 2005	314,467	1,055,748	3,814,414	71,188	190,

## 14 INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006

	INFORMATION SYSTEM PROJECTS	MINING CONCESSIONS AND EXPLORATION COSTS	GOODWILL
COST			
Values at the beginning of the year	50,385	126,934	399,694
Translation differences	(409)	(1,159)	(2,426)
Additions	18,350	3,795	675
Values at the end of the year	68,326	129,570	397,943
AMORTIZATION			
Accumulated at the beginning of the year	(19,807)	(4,324)	--
Translation differences	147	43	--
Amortization charge	(11,216)	(9,095)	--
Accumulated at the end of the year	(30,876)	(13,376)	--
AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	37,450	116,194	397,943

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### 14 INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005	INFORMATION SYSTEM PROJECTS	MINING CONCESSIONS AND EXPLORATION COSTS	GOODWILL	TOTAL
COST				
Values at the beginning of the year	20,547	-	-	20,547
Translation differences	(1,767)	(603)	(5,694)	(7,964)
Acquisition of business	10,538	127,101	-	137,639
Additions	21,144	436	405,388	426,968
Disposals	(77)	-	-	(77)
Values at the end of the year	50,385	126,934	399,694	577,013
AMORTIZATION				
Accumulated at the beginning of the year	(10,498)	-	-	(10,498)
Translation differences	806	-	-	806
Amortization charge	(10,115)	(4,324)	-	(14,439)
Accumulated at the end of the year	(19,807)	(4,324)	-	(24,131)
AT DECEMBER 31, 2005	30,578	122,610	399,694	552,882

### 15 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
At the beginning of the year	9,122	309,318
Translation adjustment	31	(3,554)
Acquisition of associated companies	2,598	-
Equity in earnings of associated companies	4,534	21,524
Consolidation of Amazonia (see Note 3)	-	(318,166)
AT THE END OF THE YEAR	16,285	9,122

The principal associated companies, all of which are unlisted, are:

COUNTRY OF	VOTING RIGHTS	VALUE AT DE
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COMPANY	INCORPORATION	AT DECEMBER 31,		
		2006	2005	2006
Lomond Holdings BV. (1)	Holanda	50.00%	-	2,747
Matesi Materiales Siderurgicos S.A. (2)	Venezuela	49.80%	49.80%	12,866
Compania Afianzadora de Empresas Siderurgicas S.G.R. (3)	Argentina	38.89%	38.89%	120
Finma S.A.I.F. (4)	Argentina	33.33%	-	552
				16,285

- (1) Holding Company. Indirectly through the participation in Alvoray.
- (2) Manufacturing and marketing of briquettes. Indirectly through the participation in Sidor.
- (3) Granting of guarantees to participating partners to facilitate or permit access to credits for purchase of national raw material. Indirectly through the participation in Siderar.
- (4) Consulting and financial services. Indirectly through the participation in Siderar.

## 16 OTHER INVESTMENTS, NET - NON-CURRENT

	AS OF DE
	2006
Investments in companies under cost method	243
Time deposits with related parties (i)	11,249
Guarantee fund Compania Afianzadora de Empresas Siderurgicas S.G.R. (ii)	2,978
Provision for impairment of other investments (Note 22 )	(1,083)
TOTAL	13,387

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### 16 OTHER INVESTMENTS, NET - NON-CURRENT (CONTINUED)

#### (I) TIME DEPOSITS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Company holds a savings fund denominated in U.S. dollars. Withdrawal of investments before certain dates is subject to penalties on amounts invested.

#### (II) GUARANTEE FUND COMPANIA AFIANZADORA DE EMPRESAS SIDERURGICAS S.G.R..

Corresponds to the Company's portion of the risk funds sponsored by Compania Afianzadora de Empresas Siderurgicas S.G.R., which acts as guarantor of third parties' debts.

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## 17 RECEIVABLES, NET - NON-CURRENT

	AS
	-----
	20
	-----
Receivables with related parties (Note 30)	63
Employee advances and loans	12
Trade receivables	1
Receivables from sale of fixed assets	1
Others	1
Provision for impairment - receivables (Note 22 )	(1,
	-----
	78
	-----

## 18 RECEIVABLES - CURRENT

	AS
	-----
	200
	-----
Value added tax	8
Asset tax	15
Prepaid taxes	3
Employee advances and loans	6
Advances to suppliers	27
Expenses paid in advance	12
Government tax refunds on exports	43
Receivables with related parties (Note 30)	42
Others, net	15
	-----
	175
	-----

## 19 INVENTORIES, NET

	AS
	-----
	200
	-----
Raw materials, materials and spare parts	519,
Goods in process	458,
Finished goods	262,
Goods in transit	78,
Provision for obsolescence (Note 23)	(78,7
	-----
	1,241,
	-----

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## 20 TRADE RECEIVABLES, NET

	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006
Current accounts	592,800
Trade receivables with related parties (Note 30)	10,140
Provision for impairment - trade receivables (Note 23 )	(25,080)
	577,860

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## 21 CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND OTHER INVESTMENTS

	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006
(I) OTHER INVESTMENTS	
Trust funds with specific objective (Note 30)	-
	-
(II) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	
Cash at banks and in hand	65,035
Deposits and foreign private sector bonds	567,967
Restricted cash	10,350
	643,352

## 22 PROVISIONS - NON CURRENT

DEDUCTED FROM ASSETS	LIABILITIES
PROVISION FOR IMPAIRMENT	LEGAL CLAIMS AND OTHER MATTERS

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	RECEIVABLES	OTHER INVESTMENTS	
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006			
Values at the beginning of the year	3,024	1,488	54,138
Translation differences	(27)	(17)	(137)
Additional provisions	-	-	9,966
Reversals	(1,624)	(388)	(1,321)
Used	-	-	(2,103)
AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	1,373	1,083	60,543
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005			
Values at the beginning of the year	3,404	2,001	12,885
Translation differences	(47)	(17)	(4,355)
Acquisition of business	-	-	37,163
Additional provisions	-	-	13,586
Reversals	(333)	-	-
Used	-	(496)	(5,141)
AT DECEMBER 31, 2005	3,024	1,488	54,138

## 23 PROVISIONS - CURRENT

### DEDUCTED FROM ASSETS

	PROVISION FOR IMPAIRMENT - TRADE RECEIVABLES	PROVISION FOR OBSCOLESCENCE	
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006			
Values at the beginning of the year	29,851	52,819	
Translation differences	(420)	(513)	
Reversals	(3,937)	(19,300)	
Additional provisions	354	49,620	
Used	(765)	(3,847)	
AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	25,083	78,779	
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005			
Values at the beginning of the year	10,754	12,524	
Translation differences	(418)	(1,802)	
Reversals	(3,987)	-	
Acquisition of business	30,617	37,897	
Additional provisions	1,853	7,927	
Used	(8,968)	(3,727)	
AT DECEMBER 31, 2005	29,851	52,819	



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### 24 DEFERRED INCOME TAX

Deferred income taxes are calculated in full on temporary differences under the liability method using the tax rate of the applicable country.

Changes in deferred income tax are as follows:

	YEAR ENDED D
	2006
At beginning of the year	(1,019,062)
Acquisition of business	(1,067)
Translation differences	9,705
Uses of tax loss carry-forwards	(63,677)
Income statement credit	125,385
AT END OF THE YEAR	(948,716)

The changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting the balances within the same tax jurisdiction) during the year are as follow:

DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES	FIXED ASSETS	INVENTORIES	INTANGIBLE ASSETS	OTHER
At beginning of year	(1,054,020)	(107,175)	(45,849)	(43,476)
Acquisition of business	(1,140)	3	-	-
Translation differences	9,876	1,816	684	(48)
Income statement credit (charge)	78,056	20,908	3,902	(27,468)
AT END OF YEAR	(967,228)	(84,448)	(41,263)	(70,992)

DEFERRED TAX ASSETS	PROVISIONS	TRADE RECEIVABLES	TAX LOSS CARRY-FORWARDS	OTHER

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At beginning of year	36,312	20,322	98,213	76,611
Acquisition of business	39	-	-	31
Translation differences	(385)	(133)	(1,486)	(620)
Uses of tax loss carry-forwards	-	-	(63,677)	
Income statement credit	1,533	3,394	13,967	31,094
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AT END OF YEAR	37,499	23,583	47,017	107,116
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Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the entity a) has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts; and b) intends to settle the tax on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

As December 31, 2006 and 2005, USD 36,439 and USD 29,126, respectively, have been classified as non-current assets and USD 985,155 and USD 1,048,188, respectively, have been classified as non-current liabilities.

The amounts shown in the balance sheet include the following:

	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006
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Deferred tax assets to be recovered after more than 12 months	158,205
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled after more than 12 months	(1,078,181)
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	(919,976)
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## TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

### 25 OTHER LIABILITIES

	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006
	-----
(I) OTHER LIABILITIES - NON-CURRENT	
Termination benefits	3,716
Pension benefits	263,454
Related Parties (Note 30)	1,149
Other	6,247
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	274,566
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## PENSION BENEFITS

The amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheet are determined as follows:

	YEAR
	-----
	2006
	-----
Present value of unfunded obligations	304
Unrecognized actuarial (losses) gains	(16)
Unrecognized prior service costs	(25)
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LIABILITY IN THE BALANCE SHEET	263
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The amounts recognized in the consolidated income statement are as follows:

	YEAR ENDED DE
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	2006
	-----
Current service cost	8,079
Interest cost	36,549
Changes to pension plan (1)	46,947
Amortization of prior service costs	593
Net actuarial losses (gains) recognized in the year	8,728
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TOTAL INCLUDED IN LABOR COSTS	100,896
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(1) In December 2006, Sidor decided a change in the benefits associated to the pension plan which became effective on January 1, 2007. This change consists mainly of an increase of the minimum pension benefit to be provided to retired employees. Consequently, the pension plan actuarial liability was accordingly adjusted.

Changes in the liability recognized in the consolidated balance sheet are as follows:

	YEAR
	-----
	2006
	-----
At the beginning of the year	177
Acquisition of business - Amazonia	
Transfers and new participants of the plan	
Total expense	100
Translation differences	(1)
Contributions paid	(13)
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AT THE END OF YEAR

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## TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

### 25 OTHER LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

The principal actuarial assumptions used were as follows:

#### VENEZUELA

Discount rate  
Rate of compensation increase

#### MEXICO

Discount rate  
Rate of compensation increase

#### ARGENTINA

Discount rate  
Rate of compensation increase

(II) OTHER LIABILITIES - CURRENT  
Payroll and social security payable  
Termination benefits  
Participation account  
Related Parties (Note 30)  
Others

### 26 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

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### NET FAIR VALUES OF DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The net fair values of derivative financial instruments at December 31, 2006 and 2005 were as follows:

#### CONTRACTS WITH POSITIVE FAIR VALUES:

Interest rate swap contracts  
Foreign exchange contracts

#### CONTRACTS WITH NEGATIVE FAIR VALUES:

Commodities contracts

Derivative financial instruments breakdown is as follows:

#### A) INTEREST RATE CONTRACTS

Fluctuations in market interest rates create a degree of risk by affecting the amount of the Company's interest payments and the value of its fixed rate debt. As of December 31, 2006, most of the Company's long-term borrowings were at variable rates.

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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 26 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

On September 1, 2005, III BVI entered into a USD 250 million interest rate swap agreement with Citibank N.A., New York to manage the impact of the floating interest rate changes on the Ternium Credit Facility by setting the interest rate to 4.235% per annum. This interest rate swap is due on August 22, 2010 and provides for semi-annual payments on February 22 and August 22 of each year, commencing on August 22, 2006 through and including the termination date. At December 31, 2006 the notional amount totaled USD 226.2 million.

On September 1, 2005, Siderar entered into two interest rate swap agreements with JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. and Deutsche Bank AG with a notional amount of USD 100 million each to manage its exposure to changes in market rates associated with the Siderar Credit Facility by setting the interest rate to 4.18% and 4.20% per annum, respectively. These interest rate swaps are due on

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August 22, 2008 and provide for semi-annual payments on February 22 and August 22 of each year, commencing on August 22, 2006 through and including the termination date. At December 31, 2006 the notional amount totaled USD 160 million.

In March 2003, Hylsa entered into several interest rate cap agreements to manage the impact of the floating interest rate changes on its financial debt. As of December 31, 2006, Hylsa has an agreement, with a notional amount of USD 179.9 million and a fixed interest rate of 7.00% per annum; and another agreement with a notional amount of USD 24.5 million and a fixed interest rate of 5.0% per annum, both with Credit Suisse. These two agreements are due on January 2, 2008 and on January 22, 2007, respectively.

CONTRACT	AVERAGE RATE	NOTIONAL AMOUNT AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	FAIR VALUE A
			2006
Interest rate contracts	5.10%	590,640	6,857

### B) FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTRACTS

During 2006, Siderar entered into several exchange rate derivative contracts to manage its exposure to changes in the Argentine Peso against the US Dollar. As of December 31, 2006, Siderar had 10 non-deliverable forward agreements with JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. with a notional amount of ARS 10 million each at an average exchange rate of 3.0918 Argentine Pesos per US Dollar. These forwards are due between January and March, 2007.

CURRENCIES	CONTRACT	NOTIONAL AMOUNT AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	FAIR VALUE A
			2006
USD/EUR	Euro forward sales	-	-
MXN/USD	Mexican peso forward purchases (1)	-	817
ARS/USD	Argentine peso forward purchases	ARS 100,000	178
		ARS 100,000	995

(1)Hylsa has a contract for half of its electricity purchases with an affiliate of Iberdrola, S.A., a Spanish utility company, up to the year 2027. Prices in this contract are mostly denominated in U.S. dollars, while payments to its alternative provider CFE are in Mexican pesos. Under the contract, Hylsa is allowed to terminate this agreement under specified price-related circumstances. The fair value of this embedded derivative as of December 31, 2006, was USD 0.8 million.

### C) COMMODITIES CONTRACTS

Hylsa entered into several derivative contracts with JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A.,

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Citibank N.A. and Deutsche Bank AG to manage the impact of the fluctuation on the natural gas price. The contracts outstanding at December 31, 2006, are due between January 2007 and March 2008.

CONTRACT	AVERAGE PRICE	NOTIONAL AMOUNT IN MMBTU AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	FAIR VALUE AT ----- 2006 -----
Call - Purchases	7.65/7.45	12,000	13,167
Call - Sales	9.00/10.00	18,000	(6,716)
Put - Sales	7.65@KI /7.45@KI	12,000	(12,505)
Swaps - Purchases	7.36	6,000	(9,433)
			----- (15,487) -----

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#### 27 BORROWINGS

	YEAR END ----- 2006 -----
(I) NON-CURRENT	
Bank borrowings	551,
Borrowings with related parties (Note 30)	
	----- 551,
Less: debt issue costs	(3,
	----- 548,
(II) CURRENT	
Bank borrowings	509,
Borrowings with related parties (Note 30)	2,
	----- 511,
Less: debt issue costs	(2,
	----- 508,
TOTAL BORROWINGS	----- 1,057, -----

The maturity of borrowings is as follows:

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	EXPECTED MATURITY DATE					
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	THEREAFTER
Fixed Rate	150,918	-	-	-	-	7,206
Floating Rate	357,776	290,804	120,021	94,923	1,358	34,089
TOTAL	508,694	290,804	120,021	94,923	1,358	41,295

(1) As most borrowings incorporate floating rates that approximate market rates and the contractual repricing occurs every 3 to 6 months, the fair value of the borrowings approximates its carrying amount and is not disclosed separately.

The weighted average interest rates - which incorporate instruments denominated in various currencies - at the balance sheet date were as follows:

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2006	2005
Bank borrowings	6.82%	6.08%

The nominal average interest rates shown above were calculated using the rates set for each instrument in its corresponding currency and weighted using the dollar-equivalent outstanding principal amount of said instruments at December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Breakdown of long-term borrowings by currency is as follows:

CURRENCY	INTEREST RATES	DECEMBER 31,	
		2006	2005
USD	Floating	898,971	2,795,144
USD	Fixed	62,179	14,692
EUR	Fixed	-	404
ARS	Floating	-	54
ARS	Fixed	55,845	-
MXN	Floating	-	64,822
VEB	Fixed	40,100	41,161



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TOTAL BANK BORROWINGS	1,057,095	2,916,277
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EUR: Euro; ARS: Argentine pesos; MXN: Mexican pesos; VEB: Venezuelan Bolivar

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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 28 CONTINGENCIES, COMMITMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS

Ternium is involved in litigation arising from time to time in the ordinary course of business. Based on management's assessment and the advice of legal counsel, it is not anticipated that the ultimate resolution of existing litigation will result in amounts in excess of recorded provisions that would be material to Ternium's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

##### (I) CONSORCIO SIDERURGIA AMAZONIA LTD. - PDVSA-GAS C.A. CLAIM

In June 2004, the arbitration proceedings brought by Sidor against PDVSA Gas, C.A. (on the basis that PDVSA Gas had charged Sidor higher than agreed-upon prices in its supplies of gas against the application of the most favored client clause) were resolved in Sidor's favor. Accordingly, in its financial statements at December 31, 2004, Sidor reversed the USD41.4 million provision it had recorded at December 31, 2003. In July 2004, PDVSA Gas, C.A. filed an appeal with the Venezuelan courts seeking to void the arbitral award. Sidor believes that applicable Venezuelan law does not allow the courts to void an arbitral award under the circumstances and that the likelihood of loss thereunder is remote. Accordingly, Sidor did not record any liabilities in connection with the appeal. At December 31, 2006, Sidor's potential exposure under this litigation amounted to USD125.7 million.

##### (II) TAX CLAIMS

###### (A) SIDERAR. AFIP - INCOME TAX CLAIM FOR FISCAL YEARS 1995 TO 1999

The ADMINISTRACION FEDERAL DE INGRESOS PUBLICOS ("AFIP" - the Argentine tax authority) has challenged the charge to income of certain disbursements that Siderar has treated as expenses necessary to maintain industrial installations, which as such should be deducted in the year in which they take place. The AFIP asserts that these are investments or improvements that must be capitalized and, therefore, it made a jeopardy assessment of income tax due on a nominal tax basis plus fines and interest in fiscal years 1995 to 1999 amounting to approximately USD 20.4 million.

The Company appealed these assessments before the National Tax Court, as in the view of its legal and tax advisors, based on existing evidence and the work performed by the Tax Authorities, the Company would likely obtain a favorable ruling.

On April 13, 2005 the Company was notified of a ruling issued by the National Tax Court reducing the assessments made by the AFIP for fiscal years 1995 and 1996 by 13.9 million and instructing the recalculation of taxes in accordance with this ruling. The Company questioned the recalculation conducted by the AFIP, generating an incident that had favorable resolution to the criteria exposed by the Company. Consequently, in December, 2006 there was a payment of USD 0.1 million according to the Company's filing and the Fiscal Court's

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approval, which was then appealed by the AFIP.

Based on the above, the Company recognized a provision amounting to USD 4.6 million as of December 31, 2006 as management considers there is a probable cash outflow.

### (B) SIDOR

The Company recorded a provision for a total amount of USD26.3 million in connection with tax matters arising from compensations of tax credits made by the Company since the implementation of the V.A.T. law in June, 1999. The SENIAT, the Venezuelan tax and customs authority, is claiming the interest accrued on the application of those tax credits as payment on account of tax obligations.

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#### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 28 CONTINGENCIES, COMMITMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS (CONTINUED)

##### (III) COMMITMENTS

The following are the Company's main off-balance sheet commitments:

(a) In March 2003, Siderar entered into an agreement with Tecpetrol, a related company of Ternium, under which Siderar paid USD17.3 million for the advance purchase of a total of 725 million cubic meters (up to 400 thousand daily cubic meters) of natural gas to be delivered over a maximum period of 5 years on pricing terms that will enable it to share through discounts the impact of any increase in natural gas prices over that period with Tecpetrol. Under the terms of the agreement, Siderar will have a minimum guaranteed return on this advance payment equal to LIBOR plus 3.5%. At December 31, 2006 there is no residual advanced payment.

(b) Siderar entered into a contract with Tenaris, a related company of Ternium, for the supply of steam generated at the power generation facility that Tenaris owns in the compound of the Ramallo facility of Siderar. Under this contract, Tenaris has to provide 250 tn/hour of steam, and Siderar has the obligation to take or pay this volume. Tenaris detected technical problems at this facility that impeded the delivery of certain steam volume, between October 2004 and September 2005. This outsourcing contract is due to terminate in 2018.

(c) On August 20, 2004, Sidor entered into a contract with its associated company Matesi Materiales Siderurgicos S.A., for the supply of hot briquetted iron (HBI). Sidor commits to purchase 29.9% of Matesi's HBI production volume for the term of ten years. In addition, Sidor has the right to increase its proportion on Matesi's production by an extra 19.9 % until reaching a 49.8% of Matesi's HBI production. Under the contract, the sale price is determined on a cost-plus basis. The contract is renewable for additional three year periods unless Sidor or Matesi object to its renewal more than one year prior to its termination.

(d) Siderar entered into a contract with Transportadora de Gas del Norte (TGN) for gas transportation service. TGN charges Siderar a price that is equivalent on a comparable basis to prices paid by other industrial users, and the Argentine government regulates the general framework under which TGN operates. Siderar pays a monthly fee for reserved cubic meter (1,070 thousand m3/day), whether it uses it or not.

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(e) Sidor's production process requires a large amount of electricity. On August 21, 1997, that company entered into a twenty-year contract with EDELCA, a Venezuelan state-owned company, for the supply of all of Sidor's electricity needs. This contract will terminate in 2018.

(f) Sidor's production process is heavily reliant upon supplies of natural gas. Sidor buys 100% of its natural gas from PDVSA-Gas, a Venezuelan state-owned natural gas supply company. In 1997, Sidor signed a twenty-year contract with PDVSA-Gas for the supply of natural gas.

(g) In 1998, Sidor signed a contract with Ternium's related company TAVSA Tubos de Acero de Venezuela S.A. (a Venezuelan seamless steel pipe producer controlled by Tenaris), under which it committed to sell up to 90,000 tons of blooms or 130,000 tons of liquid steel per year, until 2013. Purchase price varies in relation to changes in the costs of production.

(h) In 1997 Sidor entered into a twenty-year contract with Ferrominera del Orinoco ("FMO") for the supply of iron ore. Pursuant to this contract, FMO will supply Sidor up to a maximum annual volume of iron ore needed to produce 6.6 million tons of pellets until 2017. Sidor and FMO entered into an amendment to the 1997 contract on November 11, 2005. The revised contract sets the iron ore price at the lower of the price charged by FMO to its customers (other than certain newly-created state-owned steel producers) in the Venezuelan domestic market, and 80% of a market reference price (that percentage may drop to 70%).

In connection with the iron ore contract, in 1997 Sidor and FMO entered into another agreement under which Sidor committed to sell, upon the request of FMO, up to 2 million tons per year of pellets to FMO, at a price based on the sale price at which FMO sells iron ore to Sidor plus an applicable margin paid to Sidor for the production of pellets, which is determined using market references.

(i) Hylsa's production process requires a large amount of electricity. On December 20, 2000, Hylsa entered into a 25-year contract with Iberdrola Energia Monterrey, S.A. de C.V. ("Iberdrola"), a Mexican subsidiary of the Spanish Company Iberdrola Energia, S.A., for the supply of a contracted electrical demand of 143.2 MW. This contract currently supplies approximately 42% of Hylsa's electricity needs with the remainder supplied by CFE, the Mexican state-owned utility. The contract with Iberdrola will terminate in 2027.

(j) Hylsamex S.A. de C.V. and subsidiaries entered into 21 long-term operating lease agreements for the rental of machinery, materials handling equipment, earth moving equipment, computers and assorted vehicles. Total amounts due, from 2007 to 2010, include USD24.9 million in lease payments. Total loss for lease payments recorded in the year ended December 31, 2006 accounts for USD 16.6 million.

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

YEAR	USD THOUSANDS
2007	12,394
2008-2010	12,477
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TOTAL	24,871
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### 28 CONTINGENCIES, COMMITMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS (CONTINUED)

(k) On October 24, 2003, Siderar entered into a joint gas purchase agreement with Repsol-YPF. Under the agreement, which includes certain take-or-pay clauses, Siderar committed to purchase up to 400 million cubic meters of gas during the life of the four year contract, expiring at the end of 2006 at a price to be negotiated by the parties on an annual basis. At December 31, 2004, the parties to the joint agreement fulfilled the purchase commitments originated therein, as a result of which all outstanding obligations resulting from the take-or-pay provisions have ceased to exist. There is an agreement with Repsol-YPF to continue with the supply of natural gas up to February 28, 2007 under the same contractual conditions.

(l) On April 6, 2006, Sidor entered into a slag removal and raw material handling services contract with Sidernet de Venezuela C.A., for a total estimate amount of USD 155.9 million. The agreement is due to terminate in June 2016.

#### (IV) RESTRICTIONS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS

Under the credit agreements that financed the acquisition of Hylsamex, the Company and its affiliates have some restrictions to the payment of dividends in excess of certain amounts, among other limitations (see Note 3e)).

Under Luxembourg law, at least 5% of net income per year calculated in accordance with Luxembourg law and regulations must be allocated to a reserve until such reserve has reached an amount equal to 10% of the share capital.

Ternium may pay dividends to the extent that it has distributable retained earnings and distributable reserves calculated in accordance with Luxembourg law and regulations. Therefore, retained earnings included in the consolidated financial statements may not be wholly distributable.

Shareholders' equity under Luxembourg law and regulations comprises the following captions:

	AT DECEMBER 31, 2006
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Share capital	2,004,744
Legal reserve	200,474
Distributable reserves	402,149
Non distributable reserves	1,414,122
Accumulated profit at January 1, 2006	107,612
Profit for the year	392,230
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TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY UNDER LUXEMBOURG GAAP	4,521,331
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### 29 EARNINGS PER SHARE

On December 30, 2004, the Company converted the currency in which its share capital is expressed from EUR to USD. The share capital of EUR 31,000, represented by 31 shares of EUR 1,000 nominal value each, was converted into USD 41,471.80, represented by 31 shares with no nominal value. On June 17, 2005, the share capital of the Company was restructured by setting the nominal value per share at USD 1 and dividing the 31 issued shares into 41,471 shares of USD 1 nominal value each, and further transferring USD 0.80 to the share premium

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account of the Company.

On June 29, 2005, ISL contributed all of its assets (including 41,470 shares of the Company) and liabilities to the Company, in exchange for 959,482,775 new shares of the Company.

Upon consummation of this contribution, the 41,470 shares contributed by ISL to the Company were cancelled and the Company's issued share capital was increased to USD 959,482,776 represented by 959,482,776 shares of 1 USD nominal value each.

On September 15, 2005, ISL made a second contribution of all of its assets (including 750,021,919 shares of the Company) and liabilities to the Company, in exchange for 959,482,775 new shares of the Company.

Upon consummation of this second contribution, the 750,021,919 shares contributed by ISL to the Company were cancelled and the Company's issued share capital was increased to USD 1,168,943,632 represented by 1,168,943,632 shares of 1 USD nominal value each.

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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 29 EARNINGS PER SHARE (CONTINUED)

In October 2005, Usiminas exchanged its 5.32% equity interest in Siderar, its 16.58% equity interest in Amazonia and its 19.11% equity interest in Ylopa and other items for 227,608,254 new shares of the Company.

Upon the consummation of this exchange, as of December 31, 2005 the capital was increased to USD 1,396,552,887 represented by 1,396,551,887 shares of 1 USD nominal value each.

Furthermore, in November 2005, Sidetur, a subsidiary of Sivensa, exchanged with ISL its 3.42% equity interest in Amazonia and USD 3.1 million in cash for shares of the Company.

As mentioned in Note 1, on January 11, 2006, the Company launched an Initial Public Offering of 24,844,720 ADSs (each representing 10 shares of the Company) in the United States. The Company's Initial Public Offering was settled on February 6, 2006.

As per the provisions contained in the Subordinated Convertible Loan Agreement, on February 6, 2006 the Company exchanged the Subordinated Convertible Loans (including interest accrued through January 31, 2006) held by ISL and converted them into shares at a conversion price of USD2 per share, resulting in the issuance of 302,962,261 new shares on February 9, 2006.

As provided in the Corporate Reorganization Agreement, on February 9, 2006, ISL contributed all of its assets and liabilities (including its interest in Amazonia) to the Company in exchange for 959,482,775 newly-issued shares of the Company after the settlement of the Initial Public Offering.

In connection with the over-allotment described in Note 1, on March 1, 2006, the Company issued 22,981,360 new shares.

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Upon consummation of the transactions mentioned, as of December 31, 2006, the capital was increased to USD 2,004,743,442 represented by 2,004,743,442 shares, each having a nominal value of USD 1.00 each.

The Company's combined earnings per share for the year ended December 31, 2004 have been calculated based on the assumption that 1,168,943,632 shares were issued and outstanding in that period. For fiscal years 2006 and 2005, the weighted average of shares outstanding totaled 1,936,833,060 and 1,209,476,609 shares, respectively.

Earnings per share are calculated by dividing the net income attributable to equity holders of the Company by the daily weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year. The weighted average number of ordinary shares assumes that 1,168,943,632 shares were issued and outstanding as of January 1, 2003. Diluted earnings per share have been calculated giving effect to the conversion of the Subordinated Convertible Loans on the date each one was entered into.

	2006	2005	2004
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	795,424	704,406	1,168,943,632
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	1,936,833,060	1,209,476,609	1,168,943,632
Basic earnings per share (USD per share)	0.41	0.58	0.41
Diluted earnings per share (USD per share)	0.41	0.54	0.41

### 30 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company is controlled by San Faustin, which at December 31, 2006 indirectly owned 70.52% of Ternium's shares and voting rights. The ultimate controlling entity of the Company is Rocca & Partners S.A., a British Virgin Island Corporation. For commitments with Related Parties see Note 28.

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### 30 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

The following transactions were carried out with related parties:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2006
(I) TRANSACTIONS	
(A) SALES OF GOODS AND SERVICES	
Sales of goods to associated parties	1,650

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Sales of goods to other related parties	90,665	
Sales of services to associated parties	2,938	
Sales of services to other related parties	1,608	
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	96,861	
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(B) PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES		
Purchases of goods from associated parties	75,751	
Purchases of goods from other related parties	62,023	
Purchases of services from associated parties	3,999	
Purchases of services from other related parties	156,716	
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	298,489	
	-----	
(C) FINANCIAL RESULTS		
Income with associated parties	3,820	
Income with other related parties	38	
Expenses with other related parties	(1,815)	
	-----	
	2,043	
	-----	
		AT DECEMBER 31
		-----
		2006
		-----
(II) YEAR-END BALANCES		
(A) ARISING FROM SALES/PURCHASES OF GOODS/SERVICES		
Receivables from associated parties	67,558	
Receivables from other related parties	48,533	
Payables to associated parties	(5,588)	
Payables to other related parties	(48,032)	
	-----	
	62,471	
	-----	
(B) OTHER INVESTMENTS		
		-----
Time deposit	11,249	
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(C) OTHER BALANCES		
Trust fund with other related parties (Note 21)	-	
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	-	
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(D) FINANCIAL DEBT		
		-----
Borrowings with other related parties (Note 27)	(2,161)	
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### (III) OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

The aggregate compensation of Officers and Directors earned during the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004 amounts to USD 10,276 thousand, USD 4,485 thousand and USD 3,050 thousand, respectively.

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## TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

### 31 CASH FLOW DISCLOSURES

	AT
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	2006
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(I) CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL (I)	
Inventories	( 271,480)
Receivables and prepayments	122,917
Trade receivables	(96,122)
Other liabilities	(93,472)
Trade payables	62,004
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	(276,153)
	-----
(II) INCOME TAX ACCRUALS LESS PAYMENTS	
Tax accrued	262,356
Taxes paid	(280,431)
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	(18,075)
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(II) INTEREST ACCRUALS LESS PAYMENTS	
Interest accrued	112,918
Debt issue costs	13,686
Interest paid	(122,407)
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	4,197
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(i) Changes in working capital are shown net of the effect of exchange rate changes.

### 32 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

#### 1. INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD 8, OPERATING SEGMENTS

In November 2006, the International Accounting Standards Board issued International Financial Reporting Standard 8, "Operating Segments" ("IFRS"). IFRS 8 sets out requirements for disclosure of information about an entity's operating segments and also about the entity's products and services, the geographical areas in which it operates, and its major customers.

An entity shall apply IFRS 8 in its annual financial statements for periods beginning on or after January 1, 2009. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies IFRS 8 in its financial statements for a period before January 1, 2009, it shall disclose that fact.



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The Company's management has not assessed the potential impact that the application of IFRS 8 may have on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

### 2. IFRIC INTERPRETATION 11, GROUP AND TREASURY SHARE TRANSACTIONS

In November 2006, IFRIC issued IFRIC Interpretation 11 "Group and Treasury Share Transactions" ("IFRIC 11"). IFRIC 11 gives guidance on how to account for certain transactions involving share-based payment arrangements and is effective for annual periods beginning on or after March 1, 2007, although earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies the Interpretation for an annual period beginning before March 1, 2007, it shall disclose that fact.

The Company's management estimates that the application of this Interpretation will not have a material effect on the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

### 3. IFRIC INTERPRETATION 12, SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS

In November 2006, IFRIC issued IFRIC Interpretation 12 "Service Concession Arrangements" ("IFRIC 12"). IFRIC 12 gives guidance on the accounting by operators for public-to-private service concession arrangements. This Interpretation sets out general principles on recognizing and measuring the obligations and related rights in service concession arrangements.

This Interpretation applies to public-to-private service concession arrangements if:

- (a) the grantor controls or regulates what services the operator must provide with the infrastructure, to whom it must provide them, and at what price; and
- (b) the grantor controls--through ownership, beneficial entitlement or otherwise--any significant residual interest in the infrastructure at the end of the term of the arrangement.

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### 32 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### 3. IFRIC INTERPRETATION 12, SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

This Interpretation applies to both:

- (a) infrastructure that the operator constructs or acquires from a third party for the purpose of the service arrangement; and
- (b) existing infrastructure to which the grantor gives the operator access for the purpose of the service arrangement.

An entity shall apply this Interpretation for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2008. Earlier application is permitted. If an entity applies this Interpretation for a period beginning before 1 January 2008, it shall disclose that fact.

The Company's management estimates that the application of this Interpretation will not have a material effect on the Company's financial condition or results

of operations.

### 33 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

#### (1) FINANCIAL RISK FACTORS

Ternium's activities expose the Company to a variety of risks, including the effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and commodities prices. Ternium's subsidiaries may use derivative transactions to manage potential adverse effects of certain risk exposures on Ternium's financial performance.

##### (I) FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATE RISK

Ternium operates and sells its products in different countries, and as a result is exposed to foreign exchange rate volatility. Ternium's subsidiaries may use derivative contracts in order to hedge their exposure to exchange rate risk derived from their trade and financial operations.

Ternium aims to neutralize the negative impact of fluctuations in the value of other currencies with respect to the U.S. dollar. However, the fact that some subsidiaries have measurement currencies other than the U.S. dollar may, at times, distort the result of these efforts as reported under IFRS.

##### (II) INTEREST RATE RISK

Ternium manages its exposure to interest rate volatility through its financing alternatives and hedging instruments. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the Group to the risk of increased interest expense in the event of a raise in market interest rates, while borrowings issued at fixed rates expose the Group to a variation in its fair value. The Group's interest-rate risk mainly arises from long-term borrowings that bear variable-rate interest that is partially fixed through different derivative transactions, such as swaps and caps.

##### (III) COMMODITY PRICE RISK

Ternium uses certain commodities and raw materials that are subject to price volatility caused by supply and weather conditions, political situations, financial variables and other unpredictable factors. As a result, the Company is exposed to the volatility in the prices of these commodities and raw materials. Ternium's policy is to manage this risk by partially fixing the underlying price or limiting its volatility for defined period.

##### (IV) CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Ternium has no significant concentrations of credit risk from customers. No single customer accounts for more than five percent of Ternium's sales.

Ternium's subsidiaries have policies in place to ensure that sales are made to customers with an appropriate credit history, and that credit insurances, letters of credit or other instruments are requested to reduce credit risk whenever deemed necessary. These subsidiaries maintain allowances for potential credit losses.

Ternium's subsidiaries also have credit guidelines in place to ensure that derivative and treasury counterparties are limited to high credit quality financial institutions.

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#### 33 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

##### (1) FINANCIAL RISK FACTORS (CONTINUED)

##### (V) LIQUIDITY RISK

Management maintains sufficient cash and marketable securities and credit facilities to finance normal operations. The company also has committed credit facilities to support its ability to close out market positions if needed.

##### (2) ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES

Derivative financial instruments are initially recognized in the balance sheet at cost and subsequently remeasured at fair value. Changes in fair value are disclosed under Financial income, net line item in the income statement. Ternium does not hedge its net investments in foreign entities.

Derivative transactions and other financial instruments, while providing economic hedges under risk management policies, do not qualify for hedge accounting under the specific rules in IAS 39. Changes in the fair value of any derivative instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting under IAS 39 are recognized immediately in the income statement. The fair value of derivative instruments is disclosed in Note 26.

##### (3) FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

The estimated fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

For the purpose of estimating the fair value of financial assets and liabilities with maturities of less than one year, the Company uses the market value less any estimated credit adjustments. For other investments, including the trust fund, the Company uses quoted market prices.

As most borrowings include variable rates or fixed rates that approximate market rates and the contractual re-pricing occurs every 3 to 6 months, the fair value of the borrowings approximates its carrying amount and is not disclosed separately.

In assessing the fair value of derivatives and other financial instruments, Ternium uses a variety of methods, including, but not limited to, estimated discounted value of future cash flows using assumptions based on market conditions existing at each balance sheet date.

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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP

##### I. DIFFERENCES IN MEASUREMENT METHODS

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The principal differences between IFRS and US GAAP as they relate to the Company are described below, together with an explanation, where appropriate, of the method used in the determination of the necessary adjustments.

	FOR THE YEAR END	
	2006	2005
Net income attributable to equity holders of the Company in accordance with IFRS	795,424	704,424
US GAAP adjustments - income (expense)		
Valuation of fixed assets- PP&E (Note 34.a)	100,975	123,475
Troubled debt restructuring (Note 34.b)	8,923	14,923
Accounting for pension plans (Note 34.c)	(191)	(191)
Inventory valuation (Note 34.d)	741	(5,741)
Capitalization of interest cost- PP&E (Note 34.e)	587	587
Capitalization of interest cost- Intangible assets (Note 34.e)	(185)	(185)
Changes in fair value of financial assets through profit and loss (Note 34.f)	-	50,000
Equity in investments in associated companies- Amazonia (Note 34.g)	-	-
Excess of fair value of assets acquired over cost (Note 34.h)	20,395	(170,395)
Revaluation reserve over pre-acquisition interest in Amazonia (Note 34.i)	6,553	5,553
Acquisition of minority interest in controlled subsidiaries (Note 34.j)	(24,172)	(4,172)
Valuation of intangible assets and other assets (Note 34.l)	(361)	(361)
Deferred income tax (Note 34.m)	(39,004)	(51,004)
Minority interest (Note 34.n)	(28,667)	(105,667)
Net income in accordance with US GAAP	841,018	559,018
Weighted average number of shares outstanding (thousands)	1,936,833	1,209,833
Consolidated basic earnings per share in accordance with U.S. GAAP	0.43	0.43
Consolidated diluted earnings per share in accordance with U.S. GAAP	0.43	0.43

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Shareholders' equity in accordance with IFRS	3,757,424
Valuation of fixed assets- PP&E (Note 34.a)	(1,300,424)
Troubled debt restructuring (Note 34.b)	(3,424)
Accounting for pension plans (Note 34.c)	(44,424)
Inventory valuation (Note 34.d)	(14,424)
Capitalization of interest cost- PP&E (Note 34.e)	8,424
Capitalization of interest cost- Intangible assets (Note 34.e)	8,424
Excess of fair value of assets acquired over cost (Note 34.h)	(247,424)
Revaluation reserve over pre-acquisition interest in Amazonia (Note 34.i)	(79,424)
Acquisition of minority interest in controlled subsidiaries (Note 34.j)	583,424
Equity securities issuance cost (Note 34.k)	8,424
Valuation of intangible assets and other assets (Note 34.l)	(1,424)
Deferred income tax (Note 34.m)	448,424
Minority interest (Note 34.n)	329,424

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Shareholders' equity in accordance with US GAAP

3,435

Changes in shareholders' equity under U.S. GAAP are as follows:

	YEAR
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	2006
	-----
Shareholders' equity at the beginning of the year in accordance with US GAAP	1,436
Net income for the year in accordance with US GAAP	841
Other comprehensive (loss) income	(25)
Capital increase	81
Conversion of Subordinated Convertible Loans	605
Initial public offering, net of offering costs of USD23,295	519
Cumulative effect adjustment due to the adoption of SFAS 158, net of tax and minority interests	(24)
Usiminas exchange	
Dividends paid in cash and other distributions	
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Shareholders' equity at the end of the year in accordance with US GAAP	3,435
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### TERNIUM S.A. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP (CONTINUED)

##### (A) VALUATION OF FIXED ASSETS - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Under IFRS, the Company applied the provisions of IFRS 1 for the revaluation of property, plant and equipment. Accordingly, the Company elected to use a technical revaluation as the deemed cost for its property, plant and equipment. This technical revaluation is not permitted under US GAAP and remains a difference between IFRS and US GAAP. Thus, no revaluations have been made for US GAAP purposes and historical cost has been used as the basis of accounting for these assets. The adjustment to net income represents the difference in depreciation expense under IFRS and U.S. GAAP.

##### (B) TROUBLED DEBT RESTRUCTURING

In June 2003, Amazonia and Sidor concluded the restructuring of their financial indebtedness. Under IFRS, those companies accounted for their debt restructuring process in accordance with the guidelines set forth by IAS 39, which states that a substantial modification of the terms of an existing debt instrument (whether or not due to the financial difficulty of the debtor) should be accounted for as an extinguishment of the old debt. For purposes of IAS 39, the terms are substantially different if the discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms, including any fees paid net of any fees received, is at least 10 per cent different from the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original debt instrument. If an exchange of debt instruments or

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modification of terms is accounted for as an extinguishment, any costs or fees incurred are recognized as part of the gain or loss on the extinguishment. If the exchange or modification is not accounted for as an extinguishment, any costs or fees incurred are an adjustment to the carrying amount of the liability and are amortized over the remaining term of the modified loan. As the terms of Sidor's new debt were deemed to be substantially different (as this term is defined by IAS 39), that company recorded a USD59.5 million gain on restructuring in fiscal 2003.

Under US GAAP, Sidor followed the provisions contained in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 15 "Accounting by Debtors and Creditors for Troubled Debt Restructurings" ("SFAS 15") which states that in the case of a troubled debt restructuring (as this term is defined by SFAS 15) involving a cash payment and a modification of terms, a debtor shall reduce the carrying amount of the payable by the total fair value of the assets transferred and no gain on restructuring of payables shall be recognized unless the remaining carrying amount of the payable exceeds the total future cash payments (including amounts contingently payable) specified by the terms of the debt remaining unsettled after the restructuring. Future interest expense, if any, shall be determined by applying the interest rate that equates the present value of the future cash payments specified by the new terms (excluding amounts contingently payable) with the carrying amount of the payable. Based on the above, no gain on restructuring has been recorded by Sidor under US GAAP. The US GAAP adjustment to net income represents the difference in interest expense for the year arising from the application of a different effective interest rate under US GAAP as compared to IFRS.

### (C) ACCOUNTING FOR PENSION PLANS

Under IFRS, the Company accounts for benefits granted to its employees in accordance with the provisions contained in International Accounting Standard No. 19 "Employee Benefits" ("IAS 19"), which requires an enterprise to recognize (i) a liability when an employee has provided service in exchange for employee benefits to be paid in the future; and (ii) an expense when the enterprise consumes the economic benefit arising from service provided by an employee in exchange for employee benefits.

Under US GAAP, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132(R)" ("SFAS 158") effective December 31, 2006. SFAS 158 requires an employer to recognize the funded status of each of its defined pension and postretirement benefit plans as a net asset or liability in its consolidated balance sheet and to recognize as a component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax, the gains or losses and prior service costs or credits that arise during the period but are not recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost. Following the adoption of SFAS 158, additional minimum pension liabilities and related intangible assets are no longer recognized. The provisions of SFAS 158 are to be applied on a prospective basis; therefore, prior periods presented are not restated. The adoption of SFAS 158 resulted in the following impacts: the recognition of USD 46,243 in accrued pension liabilities, and a net charge of USD 24,095 (USD 51,279, net of income taxes of USD 17,801 and minority interest of USD 9,383) to accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income. Additionally, SFAS 158 requires an employer to measure the funded status of each of its plans as of the date of its year-end balance sheet. This provision becomes effective for Ternium for its December 31, 2008 year-end. The funded status of Ternium's pension plans are currently measured as of December 31.

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#### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP (CONTINUED)

Before the adoption of SFAS 158, as discussed above, the Company followed the guidance set forth by Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 87 "Employers' Accounting for Pensions" ("SFAS No. 87"), which contains provisions substantially consistent with those provided by IAS No. 19. Nevertheless, differences arose as a consequence of the following:

- a. Under IFRS Venezuela was considered a hyperinflationary country through December 31, 2002 while under US GAAP Venezuela ceased being hyperinflationary as from January 1, 2002. The effect of such a divergence gave rise to differences in the accounting for employee benefits.
- b. Under IFRS, past-service costs are recognized immediately as expenses, unless the changes to the pension plan are conditional on the employees remaining in service for a specified period of time (the vesting period). In this case, the past-service costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. Under US GAAP, past service costs are recognized over the remaining service lives of active employees.

#### (D) INVENTORY VALUATION

Under both IFRS and US GAAP, the Company values inventory at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Nevertheless, under IFRS, Venezuela was considered a hyperinflationary country through December 31, 2002, while, under US GAAP, Venezuela ceased being hyperinflationary as from January 1, 2002. Accordingly, for IFRS purposes, the historical cost of inventories has been adjusted to reflect the effects of inflation up to December 31, 2002, whereas under US GAAP, no inflation adjustment has been recorded.

As mentioned in Note 34.a above, under IFRS the value of property, plant and equipment has been determined based on a technical revaluation, while under US GAAP these assets have been stated at historical cost. Accordingly, the year-end balances and the annual depreciation charge under IFRS are higher than those determined under US GAAP. This US GAAP adjustment reflects the reversal of the difference between the amount of depreciation of property, plant and equipment allocated to inventories under IFRS and US GAAP.

#### (E) CAPITALIZATION OF INTEREST COST

Under IFRS, the Company follows the guidance set forth by International Accounting Standard No. 23 "Borrowing Costs" ("IAS 23"), which states that interest cost should be recognized as an expense in the period in which it is incurred. IAS 23 provides for an allowed alternative treatment under which interest cost that is directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset should be capitalized as part of the cost of that asset. In case the allowed alternative treatment is applied, the amount of interest cost eligible for capitalization should be determined in accordance with IAS 23. However, for IFRS purposes, the Company elected to follow the general guidance contained in IAS 23 and interest cost has been expensed as incurred.

Under US GAAP, the Company applies the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 34, "Capitalization of Interest Cost" ("SFAS No. 34"), which requires interest capitalization on assets which have a period of time to get them ready for their intended use. In accordance with these requirements,

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interest was capitalized during the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004. The net US GAAP adjustment also includes amortization of the interest cost capitalized.

### (F) CHANGES IN FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS THROUGH PROFIT AND LOSS

The Company had certain investments in trust funds. Under IFRS, the Company carried these investments at fair value through profit or loss with unrealized gains and losses, if any, included in the statement of income.

Under US GAAP, the Company carried these investments at market value with material unrealized gains and losses, if any, included in Other comprehensive income in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115 "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" ("SFAS No. 115"). At December 31, 2005, the Company settled its available-for-sale investments and the unrealized gains recorded within other comprehensive (loss) income were reclassified into the statement of income.

### (G) EQUITY IN INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

Under both IFRS and US GAAP, investments in companies in which the Company exercises significant influence, but not control, are accounted for by the equity method. For purposes of the US GAAP reconciliation of net income and shareholders' equity for the year ended December 31, 2004, the Company included under this line item the effect of the differences mentioned in items a. to e. above related to its investment in Amazonia and Sidor, as well as the following:

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#### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP (CONTINUED)

- Ternium recorded an impairment provision on its investment in Amazonia in previous years. In 2004, and due to better conditions in the economic environment market of Sidor and based on projections of future cash flows estimated by the Company's management, the impairment provision was reversed under IFRS. No impairment provision has been recorded under US GAAP.

### (H) EXCESS OF FAIR VALUE OF NET ASSETS ACQUIRED OVER COST

As mentioned in Note 3(f), on February 3, 2005, Ylopa exercised its option to convert the outstanding balance of the Amazonia convertible debt instrument into newly issued shares of that company. As a result, Ternium's indirect participation in Amazonia increased from 31.03% to 53.47%. Under IFRS, this acquisition has been accounted for following the provisions contained in IFRS 3 "Business Combinations" ("IFRS 3") and, accordingly, assets acquired and liabilities assumed have been valued at fair value. The excess of Ternium's interest in the net fair value of Amazonia's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the purchase price (amounting to USD 188.4 million) has been recognized in income for the year.

Under US GAAP, the Company applied the provisions contained in Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 141 "Business Combinations" ("SFAS No. 141"), which states that the excess of fair value of acquired net assets over cost shall be allocated as a pro rata reduction of the amounts that otherwise would have been assigned to all of the acquired assets except (a) financial assets



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other than investments accounted for by the equity method, (b) assets to be disposed of by sale, (c) deferred tax assets, (d) prepaid assets relating to pension or other postretirement benefit plans, and (e) any other current assets. Accordingly, under US GAAP, the Company reversed the gain recognized for IFRS purposes. This adjustment also reflects the effect of the above-mentioned difference on the depreciation of fixed assets, totaling USD 20.4 million and USD 17.8 million, in 2006 and 2005, respectively.

### (I) REVALUATION RESERVE OVER PRE-ACQUISITION INTEREST IN AMAZONIA

As mentioned in Note 3(f), on February 3, 2005, the Company increased its equity interest in Amazonia from 31.03% to 53.47%. Under IFRS, this acquisition has been accounted for following the provisions contained in IFRS 3 and, accordingly, the Company recorded in equity (under "Revaluation and other reserves" line item) the excess of the fair value of its pre-acquisition interest in Amazonia's net assets over their corresponding carrying amounts.

For US GAAP purposes, the Company applied the provisions contained in SFAS No. 141. Under SFAS No. 141, when a company increases its shareholding interest in an equity investee, no fair value revaluation shall be made on the pre-acquisition equity interest held. This adjustment also reflects the effect of the above-mentioned difference on the depreciation of fixed assets.

### (J) ACQUISITION OF MINORITY INTEREST IN CONTROLLED SUBSIDIARIES

As discussed in notes 1, 2 and 3 to the financial statements (i) in August 2005, the Company acquired an additional equity interest in Amazonia through the acquisition of Hylsamex; (ii) in October 2005, the Company acquired an additional equity interest in Ylopa, Amazonia and Siderar through the exchange transaction entered into with Usiminas; (iii) in February 2006, the Company acquired an additional equity interest in Amazonia through the issuance of shares to ISL, (iv) in April 2006, the Company acquired a 50% interest in Acerex S.A. de C.V. through its subsidiary Hylsa S.A. de C.V., and (v) in December 2006, the Company acquired an additional 4.85% equity interest in Siderar. Under IFRS, these acquisitions have been accounted for following the economic entity model, which requires that the acquisition of an additional equity interest in a controlled subsidiary be accounted for at its carrying amount at the acquisition date, with the difference resulting from the purchase price allocation being deducted from equity.

Under US GAAP, the acquisition of noncontrolling equity interests of a subsidiary should be accounted for using the purchase method, which requires the acquiring entity to allocate the cost of an acquired entity to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. Accordingly, under US GAAP, the Company (i) reversed the amounts charged to equity under IFRS in connection with the acquisition of additional equity interests in Amazonia, Ylopa, Siderar, and Acerex, and (ii) allocated the difference between fair value and carrying amount arising from the above mentioned acquisitions to net tangible and identifiable intangible assets and goodwill.

As discussed in Note 3(f), on February 3, 2005, the Company increased its equity interest in Amazonia from 31.03% to 53.47%. Under IFRS, this acquisition has been accounted for following the provisions contained in IFRS 3 and, accordingly, the Company recorded the interest attributable to minority equity holders of Amazonia at fair value. Under IFRS, the remaining minority interest in Amazonia (representing 5.6% and 10.9% of this company's share capital as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively) has been valued at fair value. Under US GAAP, the interest of minority equity holders of Amazonia has been valued at pre-acquisition carrying amount of net assets. No reconciling item has been shown as the difference does not affect shareholders' equity or net income under US GAAP.

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### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP (CONTINUED)

The chart below shows the net carrying amount of Property, plant and equipment and goodwill under IFRS and US GAAP after the application of all the above mentioned adjustments:

	NET CARRYING AMOUNT AT DECEMBER 31,			
	2006		2005	
	IFRS	US GAAP	IFRS	US GAAP
Property, plant and equipment	5,420,683	4,122,749	5,463,871	3,967,401
Goodwill	397,943	659,818	399,694	610,330

#### (K) EQUITY SECURITIES ISSUANCE COST

Under IFRS, expenses incurred at December 31, 2005 in connection with the issuance of equity securities effected in 2006 (totaling USD 5.5 million) were deducted from shareholders' equity at that date..

Under U.S. GAAP, specific incremental costs directly attributable to a proposed or actual offering of securities may be deferred and charged against the gross proceeds of the offering. Accordingly, under US GAAP, this amount was deferred in 2005, and charged against the gross proceeds of the offering in 2006, together with additional costs of USD 17.8 million incurred in 2006, totaling USD 23.3 million.

#### (L) VALUATION OF INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND OTHER ASSETS

Under both IFRS and US GAAP, the Company values intangible assets and other assets at historical cost. Nevertheless, as mentioned in Note 34.c above, under IFRS, Venezuela was considered a hyperinflationary country through December 31, 2002 while, under US GAAP, Venezuela ceased to be considered a hyperinflationary country as from January 1, 2002. Accordingly, for IFRS purposes, the historical cost of intangible assets and other assets has been adjusted to reflect the effects of inflation up to December 31, 2002, whereas under US GAAP, no inflation adjustment has been recorded.

#### (M) DEFERRED INCOME TAX

Under US GAAP the Company calculated the effect of all of the above mentioned adjustments on deferred income taxes.

#### (N) MINORITY INTEREST

This adjustment represents the effect on minority interest of all the foregoing differences between IFRS and US GAAP.

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### (O) NET INCOME

Under US GAAP, net income is shown net of the portion of the Company's gain (loss) for the year attributable to minority shareholders. Accordingly, for US GAAP purposes, net income represents the gain (loss) attributable only to majority equity holders. Under IFRS, net income represents total gain (loss) obtained by the Company in a given period before offsetting the portion attributable to minority shareholders.

### (P) CUMULATIVE TRANSLATION DIFFERENCES EXEMPTION

As mentioned in Note 4.(a), Ternium applied the cumulative translation differences exemption provided by IFRS 1 and, accordingly, has set the previously cumulative translation differences to zero at January 1, 2003. This exemption is not available under US GAAP. Nevertheless, this circumstance does not give rise to a difference between total shareholders' equity under IFRS and US GAAP, but to a reclassification within shareholders' equity.

## II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT US GAAP DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

The following is a summary of additional financial statement disclosures required under US GAAP:

### (A) STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED COMPREHENSIVE INCOME UNDER US GAAP

Ternium applies the provisions contained in SFAS No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income", which requires that an enterprise (i) classify items of other comprehensive (loss) income by their nature in a financial statement and (ii) display the accumulated balance of other comprehensive (loss) income separately from retained earnings and additional paid-in capital in the equity section of a statement of financial position.

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#### 34 RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY TO US GAAP (CONTINUED)

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Net income for the year	841
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(25,
Change in fair value of available for sale securities	-----
Total other comprehensive loss	(25,
	-----
Comprehensive income	815

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The accumulated balances related to each component of other comprehensive (loss) income were as follows:

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Balance at beginning of the year	(183,
Decrease for the year	(25,
Balance at end of the year	(209,

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	200
Balance at beginning of the year	-
Cumulative effect adjustment due to the adoption of SFAS 158, net of tax and minority interests	(24,
Balance at end of the year	(24,

	CHANG FI FOR
	200
Balance at beginning of the year	-
Decrease for the year	-
Balance at end of the year	-

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## (B) SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

DETAILS OF ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES AND ADDITIONAL EQUITY INTERESTS  
IN CONTROLLED SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES:

	FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,			
	IMPECO	ACEREX	HYLSAMEX	AMAZON
NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED:				
Inventories	8,180	-	-	-
Property, plant and equipment	47,825	-	-	-
Other assets	53	-	-	-
TOTAL NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED	56,058	-	-	-
LIABILITIES ASSUMED:				
Deferred income tax	(875)	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES ASSUMED	(875)	-	-	-
NET NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED - NET ASSETS ACQUIRED	55,183	-	-	-
NET CASH PAID FOR ACQUIRED COMPANIES	55,183	-	-	-
INCREASE IN SHAREHOLDING INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES:				
Minority interest	-	16,555	2,586	32
Increase in fair value of net assets acquired	-	-	-	23
Goodwill	-	28,049	675	23
Purchase price paid	-	44,604	3,261	78
			FOR THE YEAR ENDED	
			HYLSAMEX	AMAZON
NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED:				
Investments			337,039	9
Trade accounts receivable			305,831	188
Other receivables			72,069	162
Inventories			345,053	284
Intangible assets			133,079	3

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Property, plant and equipment	2,129,325	2,444
Other assets	7,032	36
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TOTAL NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED	3,329,428	3,130
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LIABILITIES ASSUMED:		
Trade accounts payable	(234,325)	(37
Current tax liabilities	(19,000)	(
Borrowings	(751,730)	(65
Pension benefits	(116,860)	(7
Deferred income tax	(449,537)	(28
Other liabilities	(21,521)	(3
Provisions		(3
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TOTAL LIABILITIES ASSUMED	(1,592,973)	(1,47
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NET NON-CASH ASSETS ACQUIRED	1,736,455	1,659
Cash acquired	215,411	305
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NET ASSETS ACQUIRED	1,951,866	1,964
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Minority interest	(160,576)	(1,33
Pre-acquisition interest in Amazonia		(323,
Goodwill (excess of fair value of net assets acquired over cost)	405,388	(220,
Non-cash assets surrendered		(82,
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PURCHASE PRICE PAID FOR ACQUIRED COMPANIES	2,196,678	-
Cash acquired	(215,411)	(305
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NET CASH PAID (RECEIVED) FOR ACQUIRED COMPANIES	1,981,267	(305,
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INCREASE IN SHAREHOLDING INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES:		
Minority interest	-	109
Increase in fair value of net assets acquired	-	116
Goodwill	-	149
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Purchase price paid	-	374
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#### (C) RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements," ("SFAS 157"). SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The provisions of this standard apply to other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of SFAS 157 on the consolidated financial statements.

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In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes -- an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 ("FIN 48"), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions. FIN 48 requires financial statement recognition of the impact of a tax position, if that position is more likely than not to be sustained on examination, based on the technical merits of the position. The provisions of FIN 48 will be effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006, with the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle recorded as an adjustment to opening retained earnings. The company is currently evaluating the impact of FIN 48 on the consolidated financial statements.

In March 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 156, Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets -- an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140 (SFAS 156). SFAS 156 requires recognition of a servicing asset or liability at fair value each time an obligation is undertaken to service a financial asset by entering into a servicing contract. SFAS 156 also provides guidance on subsequent measurement methods for each class of servicing assets and liabilities and specifies financial statement presentation and disclosure requirements. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2006. The company is currently evaluating the impact of SFAS 156 on the consolidated financial statements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities-Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115." SFAS No. 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected will be recognized in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. SFAS No. 159 is effective for the Company on January 1, 2008. The Company is evaluating the impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 159 will have on its consolidated financial statements.

Roberto Philipps  
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