LafargeHolcim increases stake in Indian companies

LafargeHolcim announces that its subsidiary Holderind Investments Ltd. has increased its shareholding in Ambuja Cement Ltd. (Ambuja) by 39,100,000 shares to 1,253,156,361 shares (63.11 percent of total Ambuja shares) and in ACC Limited (ACC), a subsidiary of Ambuja, by 7,870,000 shares to 8,411,000 shares (4.48 percent of total ACC shares).

The purchase price will be paid in INR. The impact on LafargeHolcim's net debt is CHF 325 million. This investment was not included in the Group's net debt objective of around CHF 13 billion at the end of 2016 which should be adjusted accordingly.

India is one of LafargeHolcim's key markets with very solid long term fundamentals and a clear potential for further improvement in business performance. These share purchases further increase the Group's interest in its two strong companies which constitute a solid platform from which to capture future growth.

About LafargeHolcim in India

LafargeHolcim is one of India's leading building materials companies with two strong brands, Ambuja and ACC Limited along with an extensive network with over 100,000 dealers and retailers. The Group has a balanced footprint across India with more than 60 million tonnes of cement capacity and around CHF 3.3 billion in net sales in 2015. LafargeHolcim has more than 13,000 employees in India.

About LafargeHolcim

With a well-balanced presence in 90 countries and a focus on cement, aggregates and concrete, LafargeHolcim (SIX Swiss Exchange, Euronext Paris: LHN) is the world leader in the building materials industry. The Group has 100,000 employees around the world and combined net sales of CHF 29.5 billion in 2015. LafargeHolcim is the industry benchmark in R&D and serves from the individual homebuilder to the largest and most complex project with the widest range of value-adding products, innovative services and comprehensive building solutions. With a commitment to drive sustainable solutions for better building and infrastructure and to contribute to a higher quality of life, the Group is best positioned to meet the challenges of increasing urbanization.

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