

Rio Tinto invests C\$250 million to extend operations at Vaudreuil alumina refinery

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Rio Tinto will invest C\$250 million to extend operations at the Vaudreuil alumina refinery, in the Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean region of Quebec, Canada.

Rio Tinto Aluminium chief executive Alf Barrios said “This investment will extend operations at the Vaudreuil refinery beyond 2022.

“The high-quality, cost-competitive alumina from the Vaudreuil plant will continue to support our world-class, low-carbon aluminium smelting operations in the region to deliver a range of products that meets our customers’ needs.”

The project includes the construction of a filtration plant and the optimisation of the Jonquière complex bauxite residue site.

Operations at the Vaudreuil plant support over 1,000 jobs in the Saguenay—Lac-Saint-Jean region and generate annual regional economic benefits of around C\$135 million.

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