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Production report for the quarter ended 31 December 2009

'000 tonnes (100% basis)	CNA interest	4Q 2008	1Q 2009	2Q 2009	3Q 2009	4Q 2009	12 months 2008	12 months 2009
Saleable production								
Hunter Valley Operations	100%							
Thermal coal		2,268	2,212	2,383	1,610	2,400	7,886	8,606
Semi-soft coking coal		475	492	346	1,144	644	2,865	2,626
		2,744	2,704	2,729	2,754	3,044	10,752	11,232
Bengalla Mine	40%							
Thermal coal		1,402	1,126	1,438	1,468	1,434	5,357	5,466
Mount Thorley Operations ^(a)	80%							
Thermal coal		53	513	478	882	357	1,780	2,230
Semi-soft coking coal		508	57	157	81	818	1,168	1,112
		561	570	635	963	1,175	2,948	3,342
Warkworth Mine ^(a)	55.6%							
Thermal coal		1,658	1,064	918	1,378	1,272	5,652	4,632
Semi-soft coking coal		125	75	217	204	34	386	530
		1,783	1,139	1,135	1,582	1,306	6,038	5,162
Total Mount Thorley Warkworth		2,344	1,709	1,770	2,545	2,481	8,986	8,504
Total coal production		6,490	5,539	5,937	6,767	6,959	25,095	25,202
Total sales ^(b)		6,605	5,214	6,184	6,327	7,251	25,084	24,976
Coal & Allied share								
Coal production		4,745	4,244	4,443	4,991	5,283	18,610	18,961
Coal sales ('000 tonnes)		4,810	4,044	4,629	4,721	5,382	18,666	18,777

(a) Production can be sourced from either mining lease and is allocated over the year based on the tonnage commitment ratio contractually agreed between the Mount Thorley and Warkworth joint ventures.

(b) Sales relate only to coal mined by the operations and exclude traded coal.

Production figures are sometimes more precise than the rounded numbers shown, hence small differences may result between the total of the quarter figures and the full year figures.

Production

Coal & Allied's share of total saleable production was 5,283kt, six per cent higher than the previous quarter and 11 per cent higher than the corresponding quarter last year. Coal & Allied's share of semi soft coking coal production at 1,317kt was comparable with the previous quarter and 39 per cent higher than the corresponding period last year.

Total saleable coal production for the quarter was 6,959kt, three per cent higher than the previous quarter and seven per cent higher than the corresponding quarter last year.

Hunter Valley Operation's saleable coal production was 11 per cent higher than both the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter last year. A change in mine sequencing resulted in a lower proportion of semi soft coking coal production.

Mount Thorley Warkworth's saleable coal production was three per cent lower than the previous quarter and six per cent higher than the corresponding quarter last year. Mount Thorley Warkworth continues to mine through an area of higher stripping ratio. A change in mining sequence resulted in a higher proportion of semi soft coking coal production.

Bengalla's saleable production was broadly in line with the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter last year.

Sales

Coal & Allied's share of coal sales for 2009 was one per cent higher than 2008. Total coal sales were in line with 2008 and allocated port capacity.

Infrastructure

Coal & Allied has entered into long term take or pay contracts for port allocation with Port Waratah Coal Services which take effect from 1 January 2010. Similar long term take or pay contracts to secure equivalent rail track access and rail freight are still being negotiated.

Other

There was no exploration activity during the quarter.

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