Rio Tinto prices Maximum Tender Offer

21 June 2016

Rio Tinto has today priced the Maximum Tender Offer under its plan to reduce gross debt by \$3 billion. The offer is part of the Rio Tinto's ongoing capital management.

The Maximum Tender Total Consideration payable in connection with the Maximum Tender Offer by Rio Tinto Finance (USA) Limited has been set at \$1,069.72 for its 3.500 per cent Notes due 2020, \$1,094.06 for its 4.125 per cent Notes due 2021 and \$1,078.46 for its 3.750 per cent Notes due 2021. The Maximum Tender Offer Total Consideration payable by Rio Tinto Finance (USA) plc has been set at \$1,046.94 for its 3.500 per cent Notes due 2022 and \$1,016.14 for its 2.875 per cent Notes due 2022, in each case per \$1,000 principal amount of notes.

Subject to the terms of the Maximum Tender Offer, all Maximum Tender Securities validly tendered and not validly withdrawn at or prior to the Maximum Tender Early Tender Deadline with an Acceptance Priority Level higher than three have been accepted for purchase. Subject to the terms of the Maximum Tender Offer, Maximum Tender Securities validly tendered and not validly withdrawn at or prior to the Maximum Tender Early Tender Deadline with Acceptance Priority Level three have been prorated using a proration factor of approximately 3.20 per cent. All Maximum Tender Securities not accepted as a result of proration have been rejected from the Maximum Tender Offer. No Maximum Tender Securities tendered after the Maximum Tender Early Tender Deadline have been or will be accepted for purchase. The Maximum Tender Offer will expire on 5 July 2016 at 11:59pm, New York City time.

Title of Security	Issuer and Offeror CUSIP/ISIN	Accept -ance priorit y level	Amount	Spread	Reference US Treasury Security	Referenc e Yield ⁽¹⁾	Maximum Tender Total Considera- tion ^{(1) (2) (3)}
3.500% Notes due 2020	Rio Tinto 767201AK2 Finance (USA) US767201AK23 Limited		\$487,611,000	65	1.375% U.S. Treasury Notes due 31 May, 2021	1.179%	\$1,069.72
4.125% Notes due 2021	Rio Tinto 767201AN6 Finance (USA) US767201AN61 Limited	2	\$337,878,000	92	1.375% U.S. Treasury Notes due 31 May, 2021	1.179%	\$1,094.06
3.750% Notes due 2021	Rio Tinto 767201AQ9, Finance (USA) US767201AQ92 Limited	_	\$400,789,000	98	1.375% U.S. Treasury Notes due 31 May, 2021	1.179%	\$1,078.46
3.500% Notes due 2022	Rio Tinto 76720AAC0, Finance (USA) US76720AAC09 plc	-	\$11,528,000	140	1.375% U.S. Treasury Notes due 31 May, 2021	1.179%	\$1,046.94
2.875% Notes due 2022	Rio Tinto 76720AAF3, Finance (USA) US76720AAF30 plc	-	\$14,551,000	140	1.375% U.S. Treasury Notes due 31 May, 2021	1.179%	\$1,016.14



Note:

- (1) The Reference Yield and the Maximum Tender Offer Consideration for each series of the Maximum Tender Securities was determined on 21 June 2016 at 11am, New York City time, as described in the Offer to Purchase.
- (2) Per \$1,000 principal amount of Maximum Tender Securities validly tendered and accepted for purchase.
- (3) Maximum Tender Total Consideration includes the Early Tender Premium of \$30 per \$1,000.

Capitalised terms in this announcement have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Offer to Purchase dated 7 June 2016.

The Maximum Tender Offer Early Settlement Right has been exercised and therefore the settlement date for the Maximum Tender Offer will be 22 June 2016.

Summary of Offers

A total of \$3 billion aggregate principal amount of Securities have been or will be purchased under the Any and All Offer which commenced on 7 June and expired on 13 June 2016 and the Maximum Tender Offer which commenced on 7 June and will expire on 5 July 2016, as summarised in the table below. The Securities purchased will be retired and cancelled and no longer remain outstanding.

Title of Security	Issuer and Offeror	CUSIP/ISIN	Principal Amount Purchased ⁽⁴⁾	Consideration ⁽⁵⁾	Accrued Interest ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾
6.500% Notes due 2018	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) Limited	767201AC0/ US767201AC07	\$942,975,000	\$1,108.33	\$26.902778
2.250% Notes due 2018	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) plc	76720AAM8/ US76720AAM80	\$804,560,000	\$1,024.36	\$11.250000
3.500% Notes due 2020	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) Limited	767201AK2/ US767201AK23	\$487,611,000	\$1,069.72	\$4.861111
4.125% Notes due 2021	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) Limited	767201AN6/ US767201AN61	\$337,878,000	\$1,094.06	\$3.666667
3.750% Notes due 2021	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) Limited	767201AQ9/ US767201AQ92	\$400,789,000	\$1,078.46	\$9.583333
3.500% Notes due 2022	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) plc	76720AAC0/ US76720AAC09	\$11,528,000	\$1,046.94	\$8.750000

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2.875% Notes due 2022	Rio Tinto Finance (USA) plc	76720AAF3/ US76720AAF30	\$14,551,000	\$1,016.14	\$9.663194

(4) Settlement of 3.500% Notes due 2020, 4.125% Notes due 2021, 3.750% Notes due 2021, 3.500% Notes due 2022 and 2.875% Notes due 2022 will be on 22 June 2016.

(5) Per \$1,000 principal amount of Securities validly tendered and accepted for purchase.

(6) Payable up to the Any and All Settlement Date or Maximum Tender Offer Settlement Date, as applicable, as described in the Offer to Purchase. The payment of accrued interest on the 2.250% Notes due 2018 was included in the regular coupon payment of the Notes that was made on 14 June 2016.

The Lead Dealer Managers for the offers are Citigroup Global Markets Limited, HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc. The Co-Dealer Managers are Natixis Securities Americas LLC, RBS Securities Inc., Santander Investment Securities Inc. and Standard Chartered Bank. Questions regarding the offers may be directed to:

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