ALCAN INC Form SC TO-C July 18, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO/C

(Rule 14d-100)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Alcan, Inc.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

Rio Tinto plc

(Names of Filing Persons (Offeror))

Common Shares

(Title of Class of Securities)

013716105

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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(Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation	Amount of Filing Fee		
Not Applicable*	Not Applicable*		

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Exhibit	Description
99.(a)(1)	Advertisement published on July 18, 2007 in Canada in <i>The Globe and Mail</i> , the <i>National Post</i> , and in other publications in Quebec, Ontario, and British Columbia.