PAN AMERICAN SILVER CORP Form 6-K March 23, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 6-K
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT of 1934
March 23, 2010
Pan American Silver Corp. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
1500-625 HOWE STREET VANCOUVER BC CANADA V6C 2T6 (Address of principal executive offices)
000-13727 (Commission File Number)
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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Pan American Silver Corp. (Registrant)

Date: March 23, 2010 By: /s/ ROBERT PIROOZ

Robert Pirooz General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit Description

99.1 Pan American Silver Announces Filing of Audited 2009 Annual Financial Statements. nt-size:1.0pt;">

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Other assets

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Total assets

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(525,4)
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(5,230.8)

Liabilities & Equity

Accounts payable	
	35.7
	314.5
	41.6
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Accrued compensation and retirement costs	375.2

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Other current liabilities

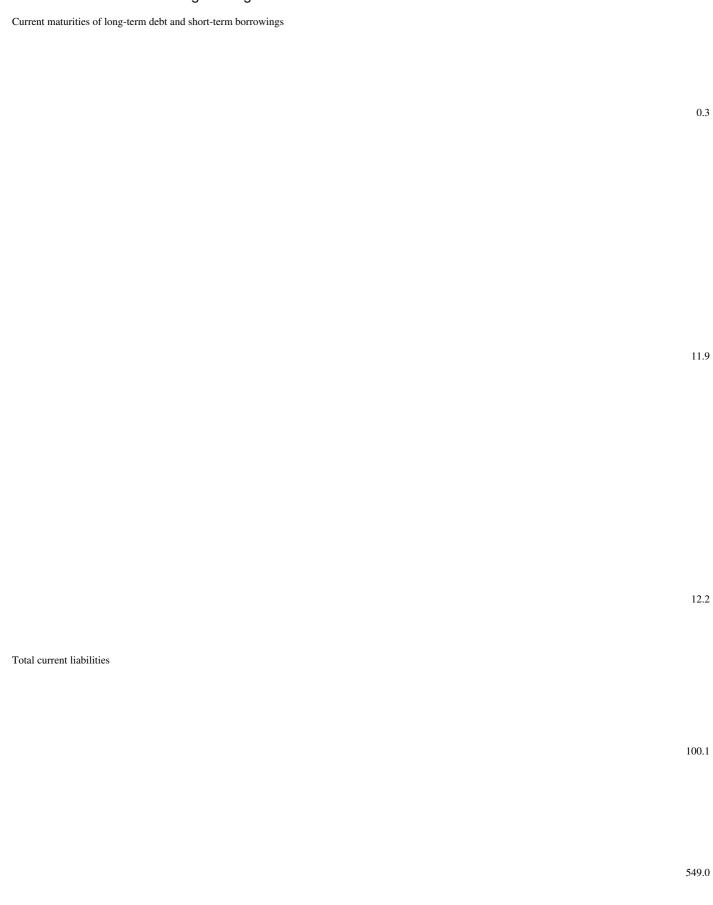
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Long-term debt

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Intercompany borrowings	
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Other long-term liabilities	
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NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2012

Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2011

	Non-										
				Guarantor Guarantor							
	Parent		Subsidiaries		Subsidiaries		Adjustments		Consolidated		
Assets											
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	15.1	\$	10.8	\$	58.7	\$		\$	84.6	
Accounts receivable, less allowance for											
doubtful accounts		69.6		739.1		87.5				896.2	
Inventories		43.7		1,017.4		151.7				1,212.8	
Intercompany receivables		0.3		11.6		0.9		(12.8)			
Other current assets		108.7		28.0		7.5		(63.1)		81.1	
Total current assets		237.4		1,806.9		306.3		(75.9)		2,274.7	
Investments in subsidiaries		3,217.0		273.9				(3,490.9)			
Property, plant and equipment, net		100.0		931.5		74.0				1,105.5	
Goodwill		23.8		1,115.7		104.8				1,244.3	
Intangible assets, net		13.6		748.0		134.3				895.9	
Intercompany receivables		1,229.9		35.9				(1,265.8)			
Other assets		13.7		70.0		1.8				85.5	
Total assets	\$	4,835.4	\$	4,981.9	\$	621.2	\$	(4,832.6)	\$	5,605.9	
Liabilities & Equity											
Accounts payable	\$	31.2	\$	270.6	\$	46.2	\$	(12.8)	\$	335.2	
Accrued compensation and retirement costs		22.0		81.4		7.6				111.0	
Other current liabilities		49.3		41.4		15.4		11.9		118.0	
Deferred income taxes				75.0				(75.0)			
Current maturities of long-term debt and											
short-term borrowings		0.2		0.2		11.8				12.2	
Total current liabilities		102.7		468.6		81.0		(75.9)		576.4	
Long-term debt		1,319.0								1,319.0	
Intercompany borrowings				1,097.2		168.6		(1,265.8)			
Other long-term liabilities		269.8		264.9		23.8				558.5	
Total Reliance shareholders equity		3,143.9		3,146.8		344.1		(3,490.9)		3,143.9	
Noncontrolling interests		•		4.4		3.7				8.1	
Total equity		3,143.9		3,151.2		347.8		(3,490.9)		3,152.0	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	4,835.4	\$	4,981.9	\$	621.2	\$	(4,832.6)	\$	5,605.9	

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Income For the three months ended June 30, 2012 (in millions)

		Parent		Guarantor Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Consolidating Adjustments		Consolidated	
Net sales	\$	189.7	\$	1,924.1	\$	154.3	\$	(58.4)	\$	2,209.7	
Costs and expenses:											
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and											
amortization shown below)		132.9		1,457.1		108.7		(58.4)		1,640.3	
Warehouse, delivery, selling, general and											
administrative		16.2		326.2		24.4		(20.1)		346.7	
Depreciation and amortization		3.4		29.8		3.3				36.5	
		152.5		1,813.1		136.4		(78.5)		2,023.5	
Operating income		37.2		111.0		17.9		20.1		186.2	
Other income (expense):											
Interest		(14.8)		(4.7)		(0.5)		5.0		(15.0)	
Other income (expense), net		22.8		(0.7)		(0.5)		(25.1)		(3.5)	
Income before equity in earnings of											
subsidiaries and income taxes		45.2		105.6		16.9				167.7	
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		60.1		7.9				(68.0)			
Income before income taxes		105.3		113.5		16.9		(68.0)		167.7	
Income tax (benefit) provision		(3.5)		57.4		3.6				57.5	
Net income		108.8		56.1		13.3		(68.0)		110.2	
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling											
interests				1.4						1.4	
Net income attributable to Reliance	\$	108.8	\$	54.7	\$	13.3	\$	(68.0)	\$	108.8	

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Income For the three months ended June 30, 2011

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Net sales	\$	182.8	\$	1,804.0	\$	116.4	\$	(53.7)	\$	2,049.5
Costs and expenses:										
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and										
amortization shown below)		129.2		1,386.4		76.8		(53.7)		1,538.7
Warehouse, delivery, selling, general and										
administrative		19.8		293.7		20.7		(20.5)		313.7
Depreciation and amortization		3.5		26.2		1.8				31.5
		152.5		1,706.3		99.3		(74.2)		1,883.9
Operating income		30.3		97.7		17.1		20.5		165.6
Other income (expense):										
Interest		(15.3)		(12.0)				11.8		(15.5)
Other income, net		30.3		6.1				(32.3)		4.1
Income before equity in earnings of										
subsidiaries and income taxes		45.3		91.8		17.1				154.2
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		51.6		7.9				(59.5)		
Income before income taxes		96.9		99.7		17.1		(59.5)		154.2
Income tax (benefit) provision		(1.8)		51.9		3.9				54.0
Net income		98.7		47.8		13.2		(59.5)		100.2
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling										
interests				1.3		0.2				1.5
Net income attributable to Reliance	\$	98.7	\$	46.5	\$	13.0	\$	(59.5)	\$	98.7

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Income For the six months ended June 30, 2012

			Gı	ıarantor		Non- arantor	Con	solidating		
	P	arent	Subsidiaries		Subsidiaries		Adjustments		Consolidated	
Net sales	\$	382.4	\$	3,896.3	\$	345.9	\$	(126.6)	\$	4,498.0
Costs and expenses:										
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and										
amortization shown below)		286.6		2,944.9		245.9		(126.6)		3,350.8
Warehouse, delivery, selling, general and										
administrative		31.2		670.7		49.2		(46.7)		704.4
Depreciation and amortization		6.9		59.0		6.1				72.0
		324.7		3,674.6		301.2		(173.3)		4,127.2
Operating income		57.7		221.7		44.7		46.7		370.8
Other income (expense):										
Interest		(29.2)		(8.6)		(1.2)		9.5		(29.5)
Other income, net		56.7		2.0		0.5		(56.2)		3.0
Income before equity in earnings of										
subsidiaries and income taxes		85.2		215.1		44.0				344.3
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		128.1		17.8				(145.9)		
Income before income taxes		213.3		232.9		44.0		(145.9)		344.3
Income tax (benefit) provision		(11.7)		119.6		8.3				116.2
Net income		225.0		113.3		35.7		(145.9)		228.1
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling										
interests				2.9		0.2				3.1
Net income attributable to Reliance	\$	225.0	\$	110.4	\$	35.5	\$	(145.9)	\$	225.0

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Income For the six months ended June 30, 2011

		Parent		Guarantor Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Consolidating Adjustments		Consolidated	
Net sales	\$	358.5	\$	3,487.9	\$	225.7	\$	(109.9)	\$	3,962.2	
Costs and expenses:											
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and											
amortization shown below)		268.3		2,639.6		147.1		(109.9)		2,945.1	
Warehouse, delivery, selling, general and											
administrative		39.4		597.3		40.9		(45.4)		632.2	
Depreciation and amortization		6.9		54.1		3.5				64.5	
		314.6		3,291.0		191.5		(155.3)		3,641.8	
Operating income		43.9		196.9		34.2		45.4		320.4	
Other income (expense):											
Interest		(29.8)		(18.6)		(0.4)		18.7		(30.1)	
Other income, net		62.3		6.1				(64.1)		4.3	
Income before equity in earnings of subsidiaries and											
income taxes		76.4		184.4		33.8				294.6	
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		104.7		15.7				(120.4)			
Income before income taxes		181.1		200.1		33.8		(120.4)		294.6	
Income tax (benefit) provision		(9.9)		102.9		7.8				100.8	
Net income		191.0		97.2		26.0		(120.4)		193.8	
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling											
interests				2.3		0.5				2.8	
Net income attributable to Reliance	\$	191.0	\$	94.9	\$	25.5	\$	(120.4)	\$	191.0	

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Cash Flow Statement For the six months ended June 30, 2012

	Parent		-			Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Consolidating Adjustments		Consolidated	
Operating activities:											
Net income	\$	225.0	\$	113.3	\$	35.7	\$	(145.9)	\$	228.1	
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		(128.1)		(18.9)				145.9		(1.1)	
Other operating activities, net		14.1		(193.9)		(26.0)				(205.8)	
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities		111.0		(99.5)		9.7				21.2	
Investing activities:											
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(7.6)		(72.0)		(7.2)				(86.8)	
Acquisitions of metal service centers, net of cash		, ,		` '		` ′				, ,	
acquired		(65.9)		(16.4)						(82.3)	
Net advances to subsidiaries		(209.4)						209.4			
Other investing activities, net		0.1		1.7						1.8	
Cash used in investing activities		(282.8)		(86.7)		(7.2)		209.4		(167.3)	
Financing activities:											
Net short-term debt (repayments) borrowings				(29.5)		0.1				(29.4)	
Proceeds from long-term debt borrowings		458.0		, ,						458.0	
Principal payments on long-term debt		(258.0)		(1.5)						(259.5)	
Dividends paid		(22.5)		()						(22.5)	
Net intercompany borrowings (repayments)		()		221.6		(12.2)		(209.4)		(/	
Other financing activities, net		9.9		(1.4)		. ,		` /		8.5	
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities		187.4		189.2		(12.1)		(209.4)		155.1	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash						()		(,			
equivalents											
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		15.6		3.0		(9.6)				9.0	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		15.1		10.8		58.7				84.6	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	30.7	\$	13.8	\$	49.1	\$		\$	93.6	

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Condensed Unaudited Consolidating Cash Flow Statement For the six months ended June 30, 2011

	Parent		Guarantor arent Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Consolidating Adjustments		Con	solidated
Operating activities:										
Net income	\$	191.0	\$	97.2	\$	26.0	\$	(120.4)	\$	193.8
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries		(104.7)		(16.8)				120.4		(1.1)
Other operating activities, net		0.4		(252.3)		(26.3)				(278.2)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities		86.7		(171.9)		(0.3)				(85.5)
Investing activities:										
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(5.9)		(58.6)		(1.8)				(66.3)
Net advances to subsidiaries		(243.8)		(50.0)		(1.0)		243.8		(00.5)
Other investing activities, net		2.6		6.9		0.1		2.0.0		9.6
Cash used in investing activities		(247.1)		(51.7)		(1.7)		243.8		(56.7)
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Financing activities:										
Net short-term debt repayments						0.8				0.8
Proceeds from long-term debt borrowings		286.0								286.0
Principal payments on long-term debt		(116.0)		(1.1)						(117.1)
Dividends paid		(17.9)								(17.9)
Net intercompany borrowings		, ,		238.9		4.9		(243.8)		` /
Other financing activities, net		9.1		(1.0)				, ,		8.1
Cash provided by financing activities		161.2		236.8		5.7		(243.8)		159.9
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash								, ,		
equivalents						1.4				1.4
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		0.8		13.2		5.1				19.1
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		14.4		8.0		50.5				72.9
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	15.2	\$	21.2	\$	55.6	\$		\$	92.0

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Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may contain forward-looking statements relating to future financial results. Actual results may differ materially as a result of factors over which Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co. has no control. These risk factors and additional information are included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

2012 Acquisitions

On July 6, 2012, through our newly-formed subsidiary Bralco Metals (Australia) Pty Ltd, we completed the acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Airport Metals (Australia) Pty Ltd (Airport Metals), a subsidiary of Samuel Son & Co., Limited. Airport Metals, based in Melbourne, operates as a stocking distributor of aircraft materials and supplies.

Effective April, 27, 2012, through our wholly-owned subsidiary Precision Strip, Inc., we acquired the assets of the Worthington Steel Vonore, Tennessee plant, a processing facility owned by Worthington Industries, Inc. The Vonore plant operates as a Precision Strip, Inc. location which processes and delivers carbon steel, aluminum and stainless steel products on a toll basis, processing the metal for a fee without taking ownership of the metal. The addition of the Vonore location to our existing footprint of facilities allows us to better service our customer base in an important geographic area of the country.

Effective April 3, 2012, we acquired all the outstanding limited liability company interests of National Specialty Alloys, LLC (NSA), a global specialty alloy processor and distributor of premium stainless steel and nickel alloy bars and shapes, headquartered in Houston, Texas. In addition to enhancing our existing product offerings with the addition of specialty stainless steel and nickel products, NSA also expands and complements our exposure to the fast-growing energy market. NSA was founded in 1985 and has additional locations in Anaheim, California; Buford, Georgia and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Net sales of NSA during the period from April 3, 2012 through June 30, 2012 were approximately \$24.4 million.

Effective February 1, 2012, through our wholly-owned subsidiary Diamond Manufacturing Company, we acquired McKey Perforating Co., Inc. (McKey), headquartered in New Berlin, Wisconsin and its subsidiary, McKey Perforated Products Co., Inc., located in Manchester, Tennessee. McKey was founded in 1867 and provides a full range of metal perforating and fabrication services to customers located primarily in the U.S. McKey will be working closely with Diamond Manufacturing Company to leverage their combined expertise in the perforated metal market and further expand our presence within that market. McKey had net sales of \$9.0 million for the five months ended June 30, 2012.

2011 Acquisition

Effective August 1, 2011, we acquired all the outstanding capital securities of Continental Alloys & Services, Inc. (Continental), headquartered in Houston, Texas, and certain affiliated companies for a combined transaction value of approximately \$440.8 million, which included the assumption and repayment of \$104.7 million of debt. We funded this acquisition with borrowings on our revolving credit facility. Continental is a leading global materials management company focused on high-end steel and alloy pipe, tube and bar products and precision manufacturing of various tools designed for well completion programs of global energy service companies and has 12 locations in seven countries including Canada, Malaysia, Mexico, Singapore, the U.A.E., the United Kingdom, and the United States. This acquisition aligns well with our diversification strategy by increasing our exposure to the fast growing energy market, including the addition of Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG) products, new processing capabilities, and entry into new international markets. Continental and its affiliates had combined net sales of approximately \$225.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

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Three Months and Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 Compared to Three Months and Six Months Ended June 30, 2011

The following table sets forth certain income statement data for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 (dollars are shown in millions and certain amounts may not calculate due to rounding):

		Three Months	End	- /	Six Months Ended June 30,						
	201			201		201		2011			
Net sales	\$ \$ 2,209.7	% of Net Sales 100.0%	\$	\$ 2,049.5	% of Net Sales 100.0%	\$ \$ 4,498.0	% of Net Sales 100.0%	\$	\$ 3,962.2	% of Net Sales 100.0%	
Cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and amortization	1 < 10 2			4.520.5		2.250.0			20171	=	
expense shown below)	1,640.3	74.2		1,538.7	75.1	3,350.8	74.5		2,945.1	74.3	
Gross profit (1)	569.4	25.8		510.8	24.9	1,147.2	25.5		1,017.1	25.7	
Warehouse, delivery, selling, general and administrative expense											
(S,G&A)	346.7	15.7		313.7	15.3	704.4	15.7		632.2	16.0	
Depreciation expense	25.8	1.2		23.6	1.2	51.1	1.1		48.7	1.2	
Amortization expense	10.7	0.5		7.9	0.4	20.9	0.5		15.8	0.4	
Operating income	\$ 186.2	8.4%	\$	165.6	8.1%	\$ 370.8	8.2%	\$	320.4	8.1%	

⁽¹⁾ Gross profit, calculated as net sales less cost of sales, and gross profit margin, calculated as gross profit divided by net sales, are non-GAAP financial measures as they exclude depreciation and amortization expense associated with the corresponding sales. The majority of our orders are basic distribution with no processing services performed. For the remainder of our sales orders, we performed first-stage processing, which is generally not labor intensive as we are simply cutting the metal to size. Because of this, the amount of related labor and overhead, including depreciation and amortization, are not significant and are excluded from our cost of sales. Therefore, our cost of sales is primarily comprised of the cost of the material we sell. We use gross profit and gross profit margin as shown above as measures of operating performance. Gross profit and gross profit margin are important operating and financial measures, as fluctuations in our gross profit and gross profit margin can have a significant impact on our earnings. Gross profit and gross profit margin, as presented, are not necessarily comparable with similarly titled measures for other companies.

Net Sales

	June 30,					Oollar	Percentage	
	2012			2011	<u>C</u>	<u>hange</u>	<u>Change</u>	
		(in mi	llions)					
Net sales (three months ended)	\$	2,209.7	\$	2,049.5	\$	160.2	7.8%	
Net sales (six months ended)	\$	4,498.0	\$	3,962.2	\$	535.8	13.5%	
Net sales, same-store (three months ended)	\$	2,078.6	\$	2,049.5	\$	29.1	1.4%	
Net sales, same-store (six months ended)	\$	4,238.3	\$	3,962.2	\$	276.1	7.0%	
		Jun	e 30 ,		Tons		Percentage	
		2012		2011	Change		Change	
		(in tho	ısands	s)				

Tons sold (three months ended)	1,146.2		1,042.4		103.8	10.0%
Tons sold (six months ended)	2,319.9		2,074.2		245.7	11.8%
Tons sold, same-store (three months ended)	1,116.6		1,042.4		74.2	7.1%
Tons sold, same-store (six months ended)	2,253.4		2,074.2		179.2	8.6%
	June 30,				rice/Ton	Percentage
	2012		2011	9	<u>Change</u>	Change
Average selling price per ton sold (three						
months ended)	\$ 1,921	\$	1,965	\$	(44)	(2.2%)
Average selling price per ton sold (six months						
ended)	\$ 1,937	\$	1,909	\$	28	1.5%
Average selling price per ton sold, same-store						
(three months ended)	\$ 1,855	\$	1,965	\$	(110)	(5.6%)
Average selling price per ton sold, same-store						
(six months ended)	\$ 1,879	\$	1,909	\$	(30)	(1.6%)

Tons sold and average selling price per ton sold amounts exclude our toll processing sales. Same-store amounts exclude the results of our 2012 and 2011 acquisitions.

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We have continued to see steady improvement in our tons sold in 2012. In general, business activity in most all of our markets served is better in 2012 than in the same period in 2011. In 2012, our strongest markets continue to be energy (oil and gas), aerospace, farm and heavy equipment, and auto (through our toll processing businesses). We have seen some improvements in our non-residential construction related business mainly through industrial construction projects, but it still lags the growth we have seen in other areas.

Since we primarily purchase and sell our inventories in the spot market, the changes in our average selling prices generally fluctuate in accordance with the changes in the costs of the various metals we purchase. The mix of products sold can also have an impact on our average selling prices. Our 2011 and 2012 acquisitions, particularly Continental and NSA who specialize in various alloy steel products, favorably impacted our 2012 three- and six-month period average selling prices as their specialty products have higher selling prices than our company average.

Our 2012 same-store three- and six-month period average selling prices declined from the same periods in 2011 due to lower mill pricing for most of our products as a result of decreases in raw material and scrap costs at the mills as well as high import levels that needed to be absorbed in the marketplace. Lower London Metal Exchange aluminum prices and reduced nickel surcharges were primarily responsible for the drop in common alloy aluminum and stainless steel prices, respectively.

Our major commodity same-store selling prices changed during the three-month period ended June 30, 2012 from the same period in 2011 as follows: carbon steel down 4.7%; aluminum down 2.4%; stainless steel down 12.9%; and alloy up 2.7%. For the 2012 six-month period, our same-store average selling prices changed from the same period in 2011 as follows: carbon steel down 0.3%; aluminum down 0.3%; stainless steel down 9.2%; and alloy up 5.2%. As carbon steel sales represent slightly more than 50% of our sales, changes in carbon steel prices have a significant impact on changes in our overall average price per ton sold.

Cost of Sales

		Ju	ne 30,					
	2012 \$	% of Net Sales		2011	% of Net Sales	ollar <u>1ange</u>	Percentage Change	
		(in n	nillions)				
Cost of sales (three months								
ended)	\$ 1,640.3	74.2%	\$	1,538.7	75.1%	\$ 101.6	6.6%	
Cost of sales (six months ended)	\$ 3,350.8	74.5%	\$	2,945.1	74.3%	\$ 405.7	13.8%	

The increase in cost of sales in the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2012 is primarily due to the increase in tons sold in both periods. See *Net Sales* above for trends in both demand and costs of our products.

Our LIFO reserve adjustment, which is included in our cost of sales and, in effect, reflects cost of sales at current replacement costs, resulted in a credit, or income, of \$7.5 million in the three-month period ended June 30, 2012 compared to a charge, or expense, of \$25.0 million in the same period in 2011. Our LIFO reserve at June 30, 2012 remained unchanged from December 31, 2011, resulting in no charge or credit in the 2012 six-month period. Our LIFO reserve adjustment resulted in a charge, or expense, of \$45.0 million in the 2011 six-month period.

We currently estimate our year-end LIFO reserve to remain unchanged from prior year-end, as we expect our average cost of inventory at December 31, 2012 to remain consistent with prior year-end.

Gross Profit

			Ju	ne 30,							
		2012	2	2011							
		% of				% of	D	ollar	Percentage		
		\$ Net Sale			\$	Net Sales	<u>C</u>	<u>hange</u>	Change		
(in millions)											
Gross profit (three months ended)	\$	569.4	25.8%	\$	510.8	24.9%	\$	58.6	11.5%		
Gross profit (six months ended)	\$	1,147.2	25.5%	\$	1,017.1	25.7%	\$	130.1	12.8%		

The increase in our gross profit levels in the three and six-month periods ended June 30, 2012 is primarily due to higher sales levels. The gross profit margin fluctuations are due to changing commodity prices that impact the cost of the materials we purchase as well as LIFO adjustments, which in effect reflect cost of sales at current replacement costs. See *Net Sales and Cost of Sales* above for discussion on product pricing trends and our LIFO reserve adjustments, respectively.

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Expenses

		Jun						
	2012			2011				
		% of			% of	Dollar		Percentage
	\$	Net Sales	illions)	\$	Net Sales	C	hange	Change
S,G&A expense		(111 111)	imons)					
(three months ended)	\$ 346.7	15.7%	\$	313.7	15.3%	\$	33.0	10.5%
S,G&A expense								
(six months ended)	\$ 704.4	15.7%	\$	632.2	16.0%	\$	72.2	11.4%
S,G&A expense, same-store								
(three months ended)	\$ 328.4	15.8%	\$	313.7	15.3%	\$	14.7	4.7%
S,G&A expense, same-store								
(six months ended)	\$ 673.1	15.9%	\$	632.2	16.0%	\$	40.9	6.5%
Depreciation & amortization								
expenses (three months ended)	\$ 36.5	1.7%	\$	31.5	1.5%	\$	5.0	15.9%
Depreciation & amortization								
expenses (six months ended)	\$ 72.0	1.6%	\$	64.5	1.6%	\$	7.5	11.6%

The additional expenses of our 2012 and 2011 acquisitions and increases in certain warehouse and delivery expenses from additional staffing levels required due to improved demand accounted for most of the increase in S,G&A expense during the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2012 compared to the same periods in 2011. Our three-month period ended June 30, 2012 S,G&A expense as a percent of net sales increased as compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to lower average selling prices in the 2012 three-month period compared to the same period in 2011.

The increase in depreciation and amortization expense was mainly due to our 2012 and 2011 acquisitions and depreciation expense from our recent capital expenditures.

Operating Income

June 30,

2012