

GUJARAT ALKALIES AND CHEMICALS LIMITED

PRESS NOTE

GACL ACHIEVES HISTORICALLY HIGH TURNOVER

Gandhinagar, Tuesday, the 26th May 2015

The Board of Directors, in the meeting held at Gandhinagar on 26th May, 2015 has approved the Audited Financial Results for the fourth quarter and year ended on 31st March, 2015.

Managing Director of the Company has stated that during the financial year 2014-15, the Company has commissioned two 10.50 MW wind mills projects Phase – VI & VII at Sardhar, Dist. Rajkot. The total capacity of wind mills set up by the Company stands at 125.75 MW.

He further informed that the Board has recommended a Dividend of 45% on equity Shares of Rs.10/- each. i.e. Rs.4.50/- per share.

He further stated that the Company has achieved the total production 14,99,360 MT for all products during the year as against 14,68,314 MT in the previous year and the capacity utilization of majority of plants has improved during the current financial year.

He informed that during the last two quarters of current financial year, on account of huge imports and stiff competition there was sharp decline in prices of Caustic Soda Group, Caustic Potash Group, Hydrogen Peroxide, Sodium Cyanide and Chloro Toluene products. However, the Company could mitigate the same by dispatching for the first time through rail & sea bulk consignments to far reaching eastern domestic markets to reduce over supply situation in western India.

He further informed that despite keen competition and adverse market situation the Company has achieved historically highest Net Sales of Rs.1,931.81 crore (Previous year Rs.1,882.85 crore) for the year ended 31st March, 2015. Despite market glut, Company could achieve Net Sales of Rs.487.60 crore for the quarter ended 31.03.2015 as against Rs.499.17 crore for the corresponding period of previous year.

He stated that to counter the decline in price realizations, the Company had initiated various cost control measures, which resulted in the Profit Before Tax for the year of Rs.215.48 crore as against Rs.246.55 crore in the previous year. The Profit Before Tax for the fourth quarter of current financial year stands at Rs.42.73 crore as against Rs.85.90 crore in the corresponding quarter of previous year.

The Profit After Tax for the year stood at Rs.227.86 crore as against Rs.185.02 crore in the previous year. The Profit After Tax for the quarter ended on 31.03.2015 stands at Rs.96.31 crore as against Rs.64.72 crore in the corresponding quarter of previous year. During the quarter and for the year, due to reversal of Deferred Tax and applicability of MAT, the Profit After Tax is higher than the Profit Before Tax.

As on 31.03.2015, the Earning Per Share works out to Rs.31.03 as against Rs.25.20 for the previous year. The Return on Equity stands at 10.64% (before dividend) as against 7.81% (after dividend) for the previous year.

As on 31.03.2015, the Debt : Equity Ratio stands at 0.04 : 1 as against 0.08 : 1 for the previous year.

