



**Conference Call Presentation** 

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2010 Financial Results



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### Financial Review > 2Q 2010 Highlights

- Revenues of US\$ 913 million
   (16% over 1Q 2010)
- EBITDA of US\$ 381 million

(74% over 1Q 2010)

- Net Income of US\$ 174 million (179% over 1Q 2010)
- Net Financial Debt of US\$ 2,645 million (-1% over 1Q 2010)
- CAPEX of US\$ 125 million (-5 % over 1Q 2010)



### **Financial Review > Consolidated Financial Statements**

Income Statement					
U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ		
Revenue	913	785	16%		
Gross profit	377	293	29%		
EBITDA	381	219	74%		
Operating income	212	139	52%		
Net Income	174	62	179%		

Cash Flow					
U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ		
Operating activities	262	118	122%		
Investing activities	-177	-140	27%		
Financing activities	-94	-133	-29%		
Cash flow of the period	-9	-154	-94%		

Assets						
U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ			
Cash	358	373	-4%			
Inventories	638	556	15%			
Total Current Assets	2,407	2,274	6%			
PP&E	4,920	4,859	1%			
Biological assets	3,415	3,413	0%			
Total Non Current Assets	9,070	9,018	1%			
Total Assets	11,477	11,292	2%			

Liabilities and S.E.					
U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ		
Short term financial debt	383	384	0%		
Current Liabilities	918	809	13%		
Long term financial debt	2,639	2,658	-1%		
Non Current Liabilities	4,080	4,079	0%		
Minority interest	102	110	-7%		
Controller's S.E.	6,377	6,294	1%		
Liabilities and S.E.	11,477	11,292	2%		



### **Financial Review > Income Statement**

#### Arauco - Income Statement

U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ
Revenue	913	785	16%
Cost of sales	-536	-492	9%
Gross profit	377	293	29%
Other operating income	64	35	81%
Distribution costs	-90	-78	16%
Administrative expenses	-76	-76	-1%
Other operating expenses	10	-38	-126%
Other income (loss)	0	0	
Financial income	2	9	-75%
Financial costs	-58	-50	15%
Participation in (loss) profit in associates and joint ventures accounted through equity method	-1	-2	-59%
Exchange rate differences	-8	-18	-52%
Income before income tax	221	75	194%
Income tax	-47	-13	267%
Net Income before Minority Interest	175	63	179%
Minority Interest	1	0	839%
Net Income	174	62	1 <b>79%</b>
Depreciation	65	45	46%
Stumpage	90	35	154%
Special items	14		
EBITDA	381	219	74%

#### Comments

- **Sales:** higher pulp and panels prices by 22% and 7% respectively, and an increase in sawn timber volume by 45%, partially offset by a decrease in pulp volume by 11%
- **Costs:** 9% higher than the first quarter, mainly explained by higher production in panels and sawn timber by 15% and 26% respectively, partially offset by lower pulp production by 8%
- **EBITDA:** reached U.S.\$ 381 million during the second quarter, 74% higher than the previous quarter, due to an increase in all our business segments EBITDA
- Other operating expenses: includes a gain of U.S.\$70 million from insurance claims due to business interruption



### **Financial Review > Cash Flow**

U.S.\$ million	2Q10	1Q10	QoQ
Collection of accounts receivables	794	999	-20%
Payments of suppliers and personnel (less)	-565	-856	-34%
Other expenses paid and received	23	46	-50%
Dividends and other distributions received	-1	0	
Interest paid and received	-27	-62	-57%
Income tax paid	37	-9	-514%
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	262	118	122%
Capital Expenditures	-175	-142	24%
Other investment cash flow	-1	2	-168%
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	-177	-140	27%
Debt issuance	10	16	-36%
Debt repayment	-52	-145	-64%
Other financing cash flow	-52	-4	1339%
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	-94	-133	-29%
Total positive (negative) cash flow of the period	-9	-154	-94%
Effect of inflation on cash and cash equivalents	-7	-7	-2%
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	373	534	-30%



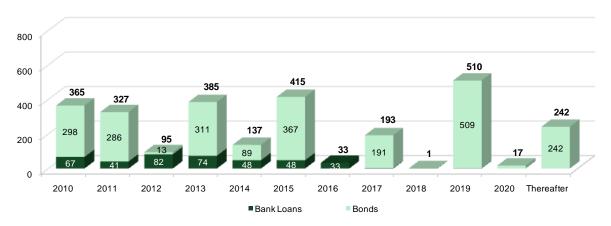
#### **Financial Review > Debt**

Financial Debt Profile							
June March Q o Q US\$ million 2010 2010							
Short term financial debt Long term financial debt	364 2,639	384 2,658	-5% -1%				
TOTAL FINANCIAL DEBT	3,004	3,043	-1%				
Cash and cash equivalents	358	373	-4%				
NET FINANCIAL DEBT	2,645	2,669	-1%				

#### Comments

 Our cash balance remained stable. At the end of the second quarter of 2010, cash balance was U.S.\$ 358 million, a 4% decrease compared to the U.S. \$373 million held at the end of the previous quarter.

#### Financial Debt Schedule as of June 30, 2010





Arauco Key Financial Ratios
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	Q2/10	Q1/10	Q2/09	FY2009
Profitability				
Gross margin	41.3%	37.3%	28.4%	30.9%
Operating margin	23.2%	17.7%	7.1%	10.2%
EBITDA margin	41.7%	27.9%	20.5%	23.3%
ROA (EBIT / Total assets)	7.4%	4.9%	2.0%	2.8%
ROCE (EBIT (1 - tax rate) / Total capitalization)	7.1%	4.9%	1.9%	2.9%
ROE (Net Income / Equity)	10.8%	3.9%	3.2%	4.7%
Leverage				
Interest coverage ratio (EBITDA / Interest expenses)	6.6x	4.4x	3.7x	3.7x
Net financial debt / EBITDA	1.7x	3.0x	4.3x	3.7x
Total financial debt / Total capitalization	31.7%	32.2%	31.9%	33.4%
Net financial debt / Total capitalization	27.9%	28.3%	28.4%	27.8%
Total financial debt / Equity	46.4%	47.5%	46.9%	50.2%
Net financial debt / Equity	40.8%	41.7%	41.8%	41.8%

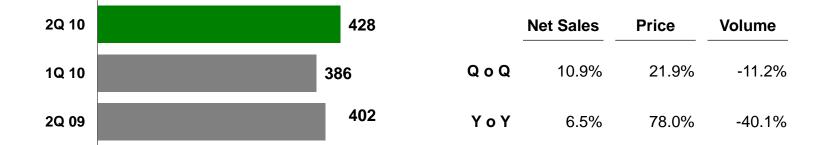


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### **Review by Business Segment > Pulp**

Pulp Division Net Sales (in US\$ million)



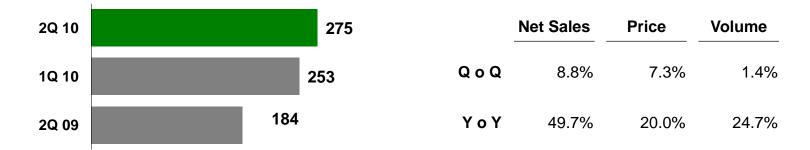


- Sales volume decreased 11% during the second quarter, due to the interruption of our mills as a consequence of earthquake that affected Chile in February 2010
- Although pulp inventories have increased for the first time in the year in about 2 days, long and short fiber inventories were, respectively, about 8-9 and 8-10 days lower than in the same quarter of 2009
- Asia led the rise in prices, but the highest prices were experienced in less regular markets such as Turkey, the Middle East in general and India.



### **Review by Business Segment > Panels**

Panels Division Net Sales (in US\$ million)





- Despite the interruption of our mills located in Chile, during the second quarter sales volume was 24.7% higher than in the same quarter of 2009 and 1.4% higher than in the first quarter of 2010
- Panel's sales increased 50% compared to the second quarter of 2009, mainly due to higher sales volume and prices, and the Tafisa Brasil acquisition



### **Review by Business Segment > Sawn Timber**

Sawn Timber Division Net Sales (in US\$ million)

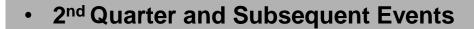
2Q 10		162	Net Sales	Price	Volume
1Q 10	113	QoQ	43.0%	-1.3%	44.9%
2Q 09	118	YoY	36.5%	3.7%	31.6%



- Higher sales by 43% when compared with the first quarter of this year, as a result of an increase in sales volume by 50%
- The real estate and construction markets in USA have shown a decrease in the second quarter of 2010. Current levels of construction are low in comparison with the last 10 years
- Demand of wood products has increased in all markets and there was an increase in prices in China, Korea, Mexico, Peru, Japan, Taiwan and Middle East
- Due to the earthquake, the demand of sawn timber increased significantly in the local market



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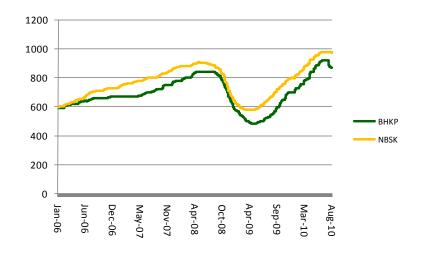


### **Outlook > Pulp market**

- After a price adjustment in July of \$50/ton and a smaller drop of \$10 - \$20 per ton in August, we kept price levels for September
- Pulp prices for the following months will strongly depend on China's economic growth and paper markets in Europe and USA, which get stronger as these markets return from vacation
- Inventories remain at low historic average levels

In days	June 2010	March 2010	June 2009
BSKP	21	24	26
BHKP	29	29	33

#### **BHKP and NBSK Indexes**

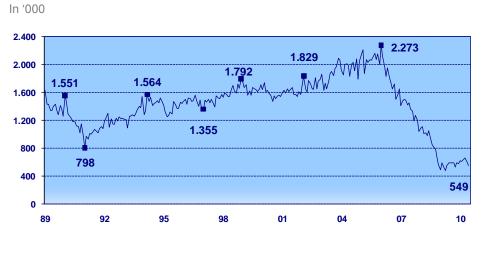


Source: Bloomberg



### **Outlook > Sawn Timber market**

- Strong demand in markets such as China, Korea, Mexico, Peru, Japan, Taiwan and the Middle East
- Chile: Increase in sawn timber demand as a result of reconstruction efforts due to the earthquake effects



**US Housing Starts and Permits** 

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

- Latin America, Mexico and Middle East show a growth in demand for wood products, and is expected to continue for the rest of the year
- The real estate and construction market in the US shows a decline in the second quarter. Current levels of construction are under the average levels for the past 10 years
- Housing starts index for June was 598,000 units



### **Outlook > Panels market**

Latin America

USA

Europe

- Panel prices have continued climbing and peaked in August
- Some price adjustment should occur due to higher inventories, however, price levels are still high as compared to first half of 2010
- In Brazil prices are increasing, and we expect this trend along with stronger demand to continue for the rest of the year
- Our distribution offices in Latin America are growing both in demand and in average prices
- The US market continues with low activity, and no signs of immediate recovery; the US market outlook is still uncertain
- Our sales volume approximately 10% lower than last year in MDF moldings
- Our plywood sales has increased some market share
- European market is improving, with price increases to continue in the near future
- Although demand is weak, our products have benefited from a weaker local supply



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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter and Subsequent Events

# In September Arauco achieved it's record lowest yields ever in both local and international markets

#### September, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Arauco issued bonds in the Chilean Market

- 5 million UF (approx. U.S.\$ 210 million)
- Maturity of 10 years, bullet
- Yield of UF + 3.18%
- Spread of 53 bps over the BCU-10 (Chilean Treasury Bond)
- Local Rating of AA by Fitch Ratings and Feller-Rate
- Order book over 2 times

#### September 14<sup>th</sup>: Arauco issued bonds in the U.S. Market

- 144 A / reg S of U.S.\$ 400 million
- Maturity of 10 years, bullet
- Yield of 5.115%
- Spread of 245 bps over the UST-10
- Rating: BBB+ (Fitch), BBB (S&P) and Baa2 (Moody's)
- Order book over 7 times



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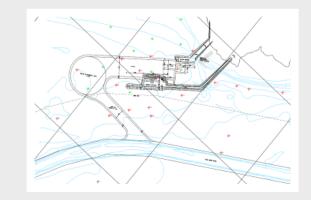
#### **Update on Montes del Plata-Uruguay**

- Montes del Plata: Joint Venture between Arauco and Stora Enso to build a world class pulp mill in Punta Pereira, Uruguay
- Project includes a port terminal integrated to the pulp mill, in a free trade zone
- Montes del Plata has a forest base of 254,000 hectares of land and 126,000 of plantations
- Counts with legal and environmental permits
- Deep impact in the Uruguayian economy
- Estimated Investment: US\$1.500 million
- Estimated Capacity: 1,300,000 Adt / year
- Production start date: 2013 (E)



#### Strategic Location Near Río de la Plata









# Q & A





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