

portland aluminium community update



a message from our Managing Director Alan Cransberg

Last month, I visited Portland Aluminium to review the progress of key aspects of our plan for 2011, review 2010 performance and to see the plant and people for the first time in 2011. I enjoy these visits and getting an update on what is happening at Portland. The Portland smelter is a fantastic operation that is always well presented and well run.

The efforts of our people in 2010 were greatly appreciated, in many ways it was a tougher year than 2009 as we pushed to find further cost savings and get the best out of our people and our operations in a very competitive world that is still finding its feet after the global financial crisis.

There is no doubt that the financial downturn and a high-foreign exchange rate have had impacts on our operations.

There are still hard yards ahead, but the

improvement in costs since 2008 is fantastic and reflects the ongoing commitment of our people to making Portland Aluminium sustainable for the long-term.

Our key enablers in 2011 are sustaining the operational improvements we made during the global financial crisis and improving safety, cost management, reaching a fair and reasonable EBA and renewal of our EPA license.

Thank you to Portland for hosting me, as I said I really enjoy coming down here, getting out on site and having the opportunity to chat to our people along the way.

See you in a few months.
Alan Cransberg



2011 – a year of celebrations



This October Portland Aluminium celebrates a quarter of a century since production began, over those past 25 years we have had an amazing journey; through construction, chaos, milestones and most importantly, our people.

Throughout our ongoing journey, we have continued to build on our successes, recover from our setbacks and continue with a clear vision of our future, and our vision starts with our people.

This year we congratulate and celebrate 53 of our employees who have already, or who will before the year is out, reach 25 years of continued service with Alcoa and Portland Aluminium.

These 53 employees are a diverse cross section of people who have made Portland Aluminium what it is today. They have helped shape the culture, both directly and indirectly and have created their own piece of the plant's history.

It is because of people like these who have dedicated their energy, initiative and knowledge over a number of years that Portland Aluminium has continued to safely and successfully add value to our local community.

I personally thank each one of these 53 employees for the role they have played in all that Portland Aluminium has achieved over the past 25 years.

John Osborne
Location Manager

keeping you informed

Portland Aluminium will be holding its first Community Advisory Network meeting on the 15th March at 5:30pm at the Portland Aluminium administration building. To kick off the first meeting of the year interested community members can participate in a plant tour to familiarise themselves with the process and get a better understanding of the business. A short question and answer session, along with a light supper will be held after the tour.

Interested participants are asked to RSVP by the 10th March – numbers will have to be limited due to transportation.

The Community Advisory Network meets quarterly and receives business updates and provides input into processes like the Portland Aluminium Environment Improvement Plan (EIP).

It's an effective way to communicate and discuss matters of importance to both the business and the broader community.

To RSVP or further information contact Anna Impey, Portland Aluminium Community Relations Officer on 03 5521 5463.

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