

# FACT SHEET

## Jamalco



### Vital Statistics - Alcoa in Jamaica

- 1 refinery, 1 port facility, and bauxite mines
- Workforce (Staff and Individual Contractors at Dec. 2009 ) 716
  - Name Plate Capacity - 1.425 million metric tons per annum
- Over US\$78 million in 2009 expenditures for local contractor services & supplies
  - Over US\$355,000 in 2009 community investments

### Key Milestones

- Alcoa's roots in Jamaica go back to 1959 with the formation of Alcoa Minerals of Jamaica, a wholly owned subsidiary of Alcoa. The company mined bauxite for export, with the first shipment in 1963.
- In 1972, the company began processing bauxite into alumina at a new refinery in Halse Hall, Clarendon with a production capacity of 500,000 metric tonnes per year (mtpy), and exporting alumina from its port facility at Rocky Point. The refinery's capacity was upgraded to 1 million mtpy in 1999 and then to 1.25 million mtpy in 2003. The completion of a further upgrade in March 2007 lifted the production capacity of the refinery to 1.425 million metric tonnes per year.
- In 1988, the Government of Jamaica acquired a 50 percent share in the operations. The resulting company was named Jamalco, with Alcoa as the managing partner. Following the expansion completed in 2007, Jamalco is now owned 55 percent by Alcoa and 45 percent by the Government of Jamaica.

### Leadership

**Managing Director** - Jerome Maxwell  
**Human Resources Manager** - Christopher Buckmaster  
**Lands & Mine Operations Manager** - Leighton Jones