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RAIN INDUSTRIES LIMITED

(Formerly Rain Commodities Limited)

Rain Industries Limited (formerly Rain Commodities Limited) ("Rain Group") is one of the world's leading producer of Carbon and Chemical Products and is a leading producer of Cement in South India.

Business Vertical	Description of Business		
Carbon	 Carbon Products comprise Calcined Petroleum Coke ("CPC"), Green Petroleum Coke ("GPC"), Coal Tar Pitch[®] ("CTP"), Co-generated Energy and other derivatives of Coal Tar distillation.[®] 		
Products Business	• Activities across the World with operating facilities spread across United States of America, Canada, Germany, Belgium, Poland, India, Africa and China. A New facility in Russia is under construction.		
	 Co-generation facilities located in United States of America and India. Chemicals include the downstream operations of Coal Tar distillation and comprise 		
Chemicals Business®	 Resins, Modifiers, Super Plasticizers and other specialty products. Activities across the World with facilities in Germany, Canada and the Netherlands. 		
Cement Business	 Production and Sale of Cement. Activities predominantly in South India. Entering new market regions viz. Maharashtra, Orissa and Kerala. Marketed under the brand name "Priya Cement". 		
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@ Rain Group has diversified its end markets with entry into Coal Tar distillation and Chemical business through the acquisition of Belgium based RÜTGERS Group ("RÜTGERS") on January 4, 2013.

- Rain Group has achieved a Compounded Annual Growth Rate ("CAGR") of 34% in Consolidated Revenues during last five years
- Rain Group has achieved a CAGR of 13% in Consolidated Operating Profits during last five years
- Consolidated Book Value per share is increased by 180% from Rs. 34 per share to Rs. 96 per share during the last five years

Acquisition Rationale

We envisage the acquisition to significantly expand our operations and diversify both our geographic footprint and product portfolio without diverging from our core business. Expanding into the Coal Tar distillation business is complementary to our Calcining operations, as Rain Group and RÜTGERS share the same underlying business model of converting by-products into value added products for the Aluminum industry. The likely long term benefits of the acquisition include the following:

- Our increased scale of operations and strengthened cash flows will create an improved platform from which to capitalize on growth opportunities in the global market. These opportunities include leveraging our complementary customer bases to cross-sell our CPC and CTP products.
- Broader and more diversified geographic footprint and product portfolio will help the combined company deliver more stable financial performance.
- Opportunity to leverage the technological capabilities of both Rain Group's and RÜTGERS' research and development organizations. This includes facilitating lower cost CPC and CTP combinations for the customers. The combined company will have greater flexibility to commercialize Rain Group's patented ICE technology to utilize lower cost coke inputs in CPC blends, while maintaining competitive performance characteristics for the end users. The combined company is also developing new technologies to produce new environment friendly and better performing anodes for Aluminum smelting based on proven internal technologies.

Competitive Strengths of the Combined Entity

Global leader in essential Carbon products for the Aluminum industry

We intend the combined company to become a leading carbon supplier to the Aluminum industry with significant operating scale. Rain Group is a leading producer of CPC, with Global market share of about 7%, and RÜTGERS is the second largest Coal Tar distiller with Global market share of about 7%. Additional Coal Tar distillation capacity is expected to become available during early 2015 through the Russian JV. The combined company will be able to manage the entire Carbon Anode supply chain, providing Aluminum customers the access to meet all their Carbon needs, including enhanced inventory management, via a single supplier. As a result of the expected global scale of the combined company, long-standing supplier and customer relationships, production resources, application knowhow, and expertise in complying with industry regulatory requirements, we believe we will be well positioned to maintain our industry-leading position.

Longstanding relationships with global customers

Rain Group and RÜTGERS have a complementary Global Aluminum customer base which includes companies such as Alcoa, Rio Tinto Alcan, Norsk Hydro, Century Aluminum, Aluminerie Alouette, National Aluminium, Vedanta Aluminum, Hindalco, DUBAL, EMAL etc. Further, both Rain Group and RÜTGERS have maintained relationships with many of their customers for over 15 years on average. We intend to work closely with our customers to improve existing products and develop new products and processes to reduce costs for both the combined company and our customers.

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Favorable industry fundamentals supported by Aluminum production growth

Approximately 76% of all CPC produced across the World and approximately 79% of all CTP produced across the World is sold to primary Aluminum producers. As such, primary Aluminum production is the most important determinant of CPC and CTP demand. While both CPC and CTP are critical inputs for Aluminum production, as no known economically viable substitutes exist, they remain as a small portion of an Aluminum smelter's costs.

Long-term contracted raw material supply-a key barrier to entry

In both CPC and CTP industries, secure access to raw materials is a key competitive advantage. Given the expectation for a continued tightening in the worldwide supply of traditional Anode Grade GPC and Coal Tar, we believe it would be difficult for a new entrant to get secure supply of these critical raw materials.

Both Rain Group and RÜTGERS enjoy long-standing relationships with many of their respective suppliers. The close proximity of our calcining facilities to suppliers minimizes freight costs and provides a significant competitive advantage. In addition, we believe that we have maintained strong relationships with our refining partners regardless of contract duration, resulting in repeated contract renewals over many years. More than 90% of RÜTGERS' Coal Tar supply is based on long-standing framework contracts and its relationships with most of its suppliers exceed 10 years. RÜTGERS expanded its Coal Tar supply base by establishing the Russian JV. The secure access to high quality GPC and Coal Tar through long-term relationships provides us with a relatively stable source of raw materials to serve our customers reliably.

Diversified geographic profile with advantaged freight and transport logistics

The combined company will have an extensive global footprint, with 18 production facilities located in Belgium, Canada, China, Germany, India, the Netherlands, Poland, Egypt, Russia (from early 2015 through the Joint Venture with Severstal) and the United States. In order to serve our customers, we maintain extensive logistics and transportation networks. Rain Group's facilities operate in locations that provide favorable and efficient sourcing of GPC, with two facilities located adjacent to crude oil refineries. Our facilities are designed to further reduce transportation and logistics costs. For example three of Rain's US facilities have dedicated vessel loading stations on the US Gulf coast waterways, while RÜTGERS European operations utilise a fleet of specialty rail cars and a fully-leased fleet of specialty vessels for deepsea and inland water transportation, which increases the ability to source Coal Tar and supply its products globally.

Increased product and market diversification

The combined company will be more diversified across end markets. While the Aluminum industry will remain the primary end market for the combined company, with CPC and CTP sales together representing a major portion of revenues, our product portfolio is diversified to other products such as energy, resins and modifiers, aromatic chemicals and superplasticizers. CPC and CTP prices are dependent on the demand dynamics of the Aluminum industry, while prices of energy, resins and modifiers, super plasticizers and other chemicals are driven primarily by broader macro-economic conditions. We expect our expanded portfolio of products and diversified end use markets mitigated our exposure to the Aluminum industry.

Industry leader in proprietary product development and R&D capabilities

Rain Group's CPC business has led the industry in development efforts to utilize a wider range of GPC raw materials for use in Aluminum anodes. Alternative raw materials such as shot coke and other non-traditional anode cokes



("NTAC") are not only typically priced at a discount to traditional anode grade coke, but such NTACs are produced by more refineries resulting in adequate supply of coke for use by Aluminum smelters. Accordingly, we anticipate increasing commercial use of NTACs, as traditional anode grade GPC availability declines. Rain Group developed the patented ICE technology, jointly along with an Aluminum smelter, which allows us exclusive use of shot coke in anode blends. Shot coke is a very specific and distinctive type of NTAC. Rain Group is currently working with few major Aluminum smelting customers to carry-out trials with this technology.

Through selective investment, RÜTGERS has developed flexible production facilities and processes that allow it to produce high quality CTP and downstream products. In addition to the flexibility of its facilities and production processes, RÜTGERS' research and development team focuses on creating innovative products to meet its customers' evolving needs and to keep pace with industry standards and preferences.

The combined company is well positioned to develop new, lower cost and more efficient combinations of coke and pitch for customers and create customized solutions.

Experienced and proven management team

The combined company will be led by an experienced management team with over 100 years of combined experience in the industry and with average industry experience of senior management of over 15 years each. While Rain Group's management will oversee the combined company, RÜTGERS' senior management team (which has an average of over 20 years of relevant experience) will remain in place to allow for a smooth integration of the two businesses.



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Business Vertical	Facility	Description	
	Visakhapatnam -	Two rotary kilns	
	Andhra Pradesh, India	Located in Visakhapatnam Port Area	
		Proximity to new Aluminum Smelter plants	
		Integrated with Co-generation facility	
	Lake Charles- Louisiana, USA	Two rotary kilns	
		Dedicated deep-water terminal	
		Integrated with Co-generation facility	
	Robinson - Illinois, USA	Two rotary kilns	
		Located adjacent to Marathon oil refinery	
	Chalmette - Louisiana, USA	One rotary kiln	
		Dedicated deep-water terminal	
		Integrated with Co-generation facility	
	Gramercy- Louisiana, USA	One rotary kiln	
		Dedicated deep-water terminal	
		Integrated with Co-generation facility	
SS	Norco - Louisiana, USA	One rotary kiln	
ine		Located adjacent to Motiva oil refinery	
3 ns		Integrated with Co-generation facility	
ts	Purvis - Mississippi, USA	One rotary kiln	
Inc		Focused on specialty applications	
roo		Direct rail or truck shipments to customers	
Carbon Products Business	Castrop - Rauxel, Germany	• Coal tar distillation (largest single line Coal Tar distillation plant globally) with integrated downstream production operations	
Ca		• Dedicated river port and access via sea, rail and Road	
	Zelzate, Belgium ⁽³⁾	Coal tar distillation with integrated downstream production operations	
		Transport access via sea and road	
	Hamilton, Canada	• Serves as hub for North America and is the only coal tar distillation facility in Canada	
		Transport access via sea, rail and road	
	Zhenjiang, China	One vertical shaft kiln	
		Entire GPC requirement is sourced locally	
	Adabeya - Suez, Egypt	 Engaged in production of Slag Foaming Carbon Materials and Recarbonizers 	
	Kedzierzyn - Kozle, Poland	Soft pitch production	
		Serves as hub for Eastern Europe	
	Cherepovets, Russia (under	Joint venture with OAO Severstal in Russia	
	construction, expected to be	• Focused on pitch supply to the North Atlantic,	
	operational in early 2015)	Russia and the MiddleEast	
		• Transport access via sea, rail and road	
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Rain Group Operating Facilities



Business Vertical Facility Description Duisburg, Germany Downstream resins production **Chemicals Business Dedicated river port** Uithoorn, The Netherlands Downstream resins production New heat polymerization technology for tailor-made products Candiac, Canada **Downstream Superplasticizer production** • Hanau, Germany Downstream regional producer of impregnated wood • products Nalgonda - Andhra Pradesh, One rotary kiln Markets the product under • the brand "Priya Cement") **Cement Business Pit Head Lime Stone Mines** India • Kurnool - Andhra Pradesh, India • Two rotary kilns **Pit Head Lime Stone Mines** Bellary- Andhra Pradesh, India Fly Ash Handling and Cement Packing Facility . Strategically located at the Karnataka Power Corporation Limited's ("KPCL") power plant

Rain Group Operating Facilities

- (1) Effective January 1, 2014, Rain Group closed the Calcining facility in Moundsville West Virginia, USA. This site has been slated for closure brought on by the impact of new and more stringent regulations by the Environmental Protection Agency, USA. These regulatory challenges would require a level of investment exceeding US\$ 50 million on a plant that has been operating at less than 50% capacity since 2008, which is not economically feasible. The Company plans to continue to serve customers in the region using the site as a terminal facility for a one year period following the shutdown of the production assets.
- (2) Certain of Rain Groups facilities are strategically located and have direct or indirect access to overseas distribution channels and to major logistic networks. Rain utilizes fully-leased specialty transportation assets including:
 - One icebreaker (deep sea) with 8,000 MT of capacity and secure year-round access to St. Lawrence, Canada and the Baltic Sea;
 - Two barges with 2,000 MT of capacity each for in-land transportation; and
 - Approximately 350 rail cars, with Rain's own terminals and connection of European sites with regional sourcing pools.
- (3) The Company is expanding its Phthalic Anhydride ("PA") plant capacity by14,000 tons per annum. This expansion project is expected to start operation in the last quarter of 2014.