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FORM 20-F

REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number: 001-14862

BRASKEM S.A.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

N/A The Federative Republic of Brazil (Translation of Registrant s Name into English) (Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) Rua Lemos Monteiro, 120 24° andar

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each ClassName of Each Exchange on which RegisteredPreferred Shares, Class A, without par value per share,
each represented by American Depositary ReceiptsName of Each Exchange on which Registered
New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act:

TITLE OF EACH CLASS:

6.450% Notes due 2024, issued by Braskem Finance Limited

The total number of issued shares of each class of stock of Braskem S.A. as of December 31, 2016 was:

451,668,652 Common Shares, without par value

345,010,622 Preferred Shares, Class A, without par value

578,330 Preferred Shares, Class B, without par value

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Emerging growth company If an emerging growth company that prepares its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. The term new or revised financial accounting standard refers to any update issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board to its Accounting Standards Codification after April 5, 2012.

Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing:

U.S. GAAP International Financial Reporting Standards as issued Other

by the International Accounting Standards Board

If Other has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow. Item 17 Item 18

If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

All references herein to the *real*, *reais* or R\$ are to the Brazilian *real*, the official currency of Brazil. All references to U.S. dollars, dollars, or US\$ are to U.S. dollars, the official currency of the United States. All references to CHF are Swiss francs, the official currency of Switzerland.

All references herein (1) to we, us or our company are references to Braskem S.A., its consolidated subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities, and (2) to Braskem are references solely to Braskem S.A. All references herein to Braskem Europe mean Braskem Europe GmbH and its consolidated subsidiaries, including Braskem America, Inc., or Braskem America.

On September 21, 2017, the exchange rate for *reais* into U.S. dollars was R\$3.1347 to US\$1.00, based on the selling rate as reported by the Central Bank of Brazil (*Banco Central do Brasil*), or the Central Bank. The selling rate was R\$3.2591 to US\$1.00 on December 31, 2016, R\$3.9048 to US\$1.00 on December 31, 2015 and R\$2.6562 to US\$1.00 on December 31, 2014, in each case, as reported by the Central Bank. The *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate fluctuates widely, and the selling rate on September 21, 2017 may not be indicative of future exchange rates. See Item 3. Key Information Exchange Rates for information regarding exchange rates for the *real* since January 1, 2012.

Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated some amounts included in Item 3. Key Information Selected Financial and Other Information and elsewhere in this annual report from *reais* into U.S. dollars using the selling rate as reported by the Central Bank as of December 31, 2016 of R\$3.2591 to US\$1.00. These translations should not be considered representations that any such amounts have been, could have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars at that or at any other exchange rate. Such translations should not be construed as representations that the *real* amounts represent or have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars as of that or any other date.

Financial Statements

We maintain our books and records in reais. Our consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 and for the three years ended December 31, 2016 have been audited, as stated in the report appearing herein, and are included in this annual report.

We have prepared our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, or IFRS.

Market Share and Other Information

We make statements in this annual report about our market share in the petrochemical industry in Brazil and our production capacity relative to that of other petrochemical producers in Brazil, Latin America, the United States and the world. We have made these statements on the basis of information obtained from third-party sources that we believe are reliable. We have calculated our Brazilian market share with respect to specific products by dividing our domestic net sales volumes of these products by the total Brazilian domestic consumption of these products. We derive information regarding the production capacity of other companies in the Brazilian petrochemical industry and the estimated total Brazilian domestic consumption of petrochemical products principally from reports published by the Brazilian Chemical Industry Association (*Associação Brasileira da Indústria Química*), or ABIQUIM. We derive information regarding the production capacity of other companies in the global petrochemical industry, international market prices for petrochemicals products and per capita consumption in certain geographic regions, principally from reports published by IHS, Inc., or IHS. We derive information relating to Brazilian imports and exports from the

System for Analyzing International Trade (*Sistema de Análise das Informações de Comércio Exterior*), or ALICE-Web, produced by the Brazilian Secretary of International Trade (*Secretaria de Comércio Exterior*) and the Brazilian Secretary of Development, Industry and Trade (*Ministério do Desenvolvimento, Indústria e Comércio Exterior*). We also include information and statistics regarding economic growth in emerging economies obtained from the International Monetary Fund and statistics regarding gross domestic product, or GDP, growth in Brazil, the United States, Europe and Mexico obtained from independent public sources such as the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (*Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística*), or the IBGE; the U.S. Department of Commerce, Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union; and the Mexican Institute of Statistics and Geography (*Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía*).

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We have no reason to believe that any of this information is inaccurate in any material respect. However, we have not independently verified the production capacity, market share, market size or similar data provided by third parties or derived from industry or general publications.

We provide information regarding domestic apparent consumption of some of our products, based on information available from the Brazilian government, Institute of Applied Economic Research (*Instituto de Pesquisa Econômica Aplicada*), IPEA and ABIQUIM. Domestic apparent consumption is equal to domestic production plus imports minus exports. Domestic apparent consumption for any period may differ from actual consumption because this measure does not give effect to variations of inventory levels in the petrochemical supply chain.

Certain Industry Terms

As used in this annual report:

production capacity means the annual nominal capacity for a particular facility, calculated based upon operations for 24 hours each day of a year and deducting scheduled downtime for regular maintenance; and

ton means a metric ton, which is equal to 1,000 kilograms or 2,204.62 pounds.

Rounding

We have made rounding adjustments to some of the amounts included in this annual report. As a result, numerical figures shown as totals in some tables may not be arithmetic aggregations of the amounts that precede them.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT WITH RESPECT TO FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This annual report contains forward-looking statements. Some of the matters discussed concerning our business operations and financial performance include forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, or the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions or that include words such as expects, anticipates, intends, plans, believes, estimates and similar expressions are forward-looking statements. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, these statements are subject to several risks and uncertainties and are made in light of information currently available to us.

Our forward-looking statements may be influenced by numerous factors, including the following:

general economic, political and business conditions in the markets in which we operate, including demand and prices for petrochemical products;

interest rate fluctuations, inflation and exchange rate movements of the *real* in relation to the U.S. dollar and other currencies;

the cyclical nature of the global petrochemical industry;

competition in the global petrochemical industry;

prices of naphtha, ethane, propane, propylene and other raw materials;

international prices of petrochemical products;

actions taken by our major shareholders;

our ability to implement our financing strategy and to obtain financing on satisfactory terms;

our progress in integrating the operations of companies or assets that we may acquire in the future, so as to achieve the anticipated benefits of these acquisitions;

changes in laws and regulations, including, among others, laws and regulations affecting tax and environmental matters and import tariffs in other markets in which we operate or to which we export our products;

future changes in Brazilian, Mexican, American and European policies and related actions undertaken by those governments;

a deterioration in the world economy that could negatively impact demand for petrochemicals;

decisions rendered in major pending or future tax, labor and other legal proceedings; and

other factors identified or discussed under Item 3. Key Information Risk Factors. Our forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and our actual results or other developments may differ materially from the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements. As for forward-looking statements that relate to future financial results and other projections, actual results will be different due to the inherent uncertainty of estimates, forecasts and projections. Because of these uncertainties, potential investors should not rely on these forward-looking statements.

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Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we do not undertake any obligation to update them in light of new information or future developments or to release publicly any revisions to these statements in order to reflect later events or circumstances or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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PART I

I TEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

Selected Financial and Other Information

The following selected information should be read in conjunction with Information, Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and the related notes thereto, which are included in this annual report.

The selected financial data as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 and for the three years ended December 31, 2016 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements, prepared in accordance with IFRS, and included in this annual report. Our audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 and for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 have been adjusted for the effects of the restatement more fully described in this annual report and in note 2.4 to our audited consolidated financial statements.

As a result of the independent internal investigation that was conducted by law firms with extensive experience in similar cases in the United States and Brazil, each an Expert Firm and, collectively, the Expert Firms, into the allegations described in note 23.3 to our audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2016 in the context of the so-called Operation Car Wash (*Operação Lava Jato*), or the Investigation, we identified several errors in our previously issued financial statements as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the three years ended December 31, 2015, which have been restated.

The selected financial data as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for the years ended December 31, 2012 have been derived from Braskem s accounting records and reflect the restatement of improperly classified expenses from selling and distribution expense to other expense and to correct errors in the calculation of tax payables.

We have included information with respect to the dividends and/or interest attributable to shareholders equity paid to holders of our common shares and preferred shares since January 1, 2012 in *reais* and in U.S. dollars translated from *reais* at the commercial market selling rate in effect as of the payment date under the caption Item 8. Financial Information Dividends and Dividend Policy Payment of Dividends.

We prepare individual financial statements in accordance with the accounting practices adopted in Brazil, pursuant of Law 6,404/76 and subsequent adjustments, and of the standards issued by the *Comitê de Pronunciamentos Contábeis* (CPC), including for the calculation of dividends.

		Fo	2012			
	2016(1) (in millions of US\$, except per share data)	2016	2015 Restated	2014 Restated <i>reais</i> , except po	2013 Restated	Restated
Statement of	uata)		(III IIIIIIOIIS OI	reais, except po	er share data)	
Operations Data:						
Net sales revenue	US\$ 14,624,9	R\$ 47,664.0	R\$ 46,880.0	R\$ 45,135.9	R\$ 40,229.0	R\$ 36,160.3
Cost of products sold	(10,720.9)	(34,940.6)	(36,728.0)	(39,351.7)	(35,225.4)	(32,709.1)
Gross profit	3,904.0	12,723.4	10,152.0	5,784.2	5,003,6	3,451.2
Income (expenses): Selling and	5,501.0	12,723.1	10,152.0	5,701.2	5,005,0	3,131.2
Distribution	(432.9)	(1,410.8)	(1,083.2)	(1,037.4)	(924.6)	(932.8)
General and	(152.2)					
administrative Research and	(453.3)	(1,477.2)	(1,280.5)	(1,195.5)	(1,002.7)	(1,071.0)
development	(49.7)	(162.0)	(169.6)	(128.1)	(115.7)	(106.2)
Results from equity	()	()	()	()	()	()
investments	9.2	30.1	2.2	3.9	(3.2)	(25.8)
Other operating income (expenses), net	(1,151.3)	(3,752.2)	(731.2)	42.8	(320.9)	239.9
Operating profit	1,826.0	5,951.2	6,889.7	3,469.8	2,637.5	1,555.3
Financial results:	1,020.0	5,751.2	0,007.1	5,107.0	2,007.0	1,000.0
Financial expenses	(1,095.7)	(3,571.0)	(3,163.4)	(2,716.4)	(2,534.2)	(2,037.5)
Financial income	211.8	690.1	584.9	399.9	772.0	312.2
Exchange rate variations, net	(985.1)	(3,210.4)	102.9	(84.1)	7.1	(1,678.9)
Financial expenses, net	(1,869.0)	(6,091.3)	(2,475.6)	(2,400.6)	(1,755.1)	(3,404.2)
Profit (loss) before income tax and						
social contribution	(43.0)	(140.0)	4,414.2	1,069.2	882.4	(1,848.9)
Current and deferred income tax and social contribution	(189.0)	(616.0)	(1,660.4)	(491.0)	(456.7)	783.1
Profit (loss) from continuing						
operations	(232.0)	(756.1)	2,753.8	578.2	425.7	(1,065.8)

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Results from discontinued												
operations		8.3		26.9		6.4		0.1		15.7		281.5
Profit (loss)	US\$	(223.7)	R\$	(729.2)	R\$	2,760.2	R\$	578.2	R\$	441.4	R\$	(784.3)
Profit (loss) attributable to shareholders of the												
company	US\$	(126.3)	R\$	(411.5)	R\$	3,001.2	R\$	716.0	R\$	444.1	R\$	(777.1)
Loss attributable to non-controlling												
interest		(97.5)		(317.7)		(241.5)		(137.8)		(2.7)		(7.2)
Profit (loss) per												
share:												
Basic:												
Common shares	US\$	(0.1691)	R\$	(0.5511)	R\$	3.7651	R\$	0.8995	R\$	0.5210	R\$	(1.3296)
Preferred class A shares		(0.1691)		(0.5511)		3.7651		0.8995		0.6062		(1.3296)
Preferred class B												
shares						0.6065		0.6062		0.6062		
Diluted:												
Common shares	US\$	(0.1587)	R\$	(0.5173)	R\$	3.7732	R\$	0.8996	R\$	0.5210	R\$	(1.3296)
Preferred class A shares		(0.1587)		(0.5173)		3.7731		0.8996		0.6062		(1.3296)
Preferred class B shares						0.6065		0.6062		0.6062		
ADS(2)		(0.3174)		(1.0346)		7.5464		1.7992		1.0427		(2.6592)
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(1) Translated for convenience only using the selling rate as reported by the Central Bank as of December 31, 2016 for *reais* into U.S. dollars of R\$3.2591=US\$1.00.

(2) American depositary shares (ADS) are U.S. dollar-denominated equity shares of a foreign-based company on an American stock exchange. In our case, each ADS represents two class A preferred shares.

	At and For the Year Ended December 31, 2015 2014 2013 2012					
	2016(1) (in millions of US\$, except	2016	Restated	Restated	Restated	Restated
	as indicated)	(in m	illions of <i>reais</i> ,	except as indic	ated)	
Balance Sheet Data:						
Cash and cash						
equivalents(2)	US\$ 2,421.6	R\$ 7,892.3	R\$ 7,458.2	R\$ 4,085.7	R\$ 4,335.9	R\$ 3,287.6
Short-term trade						
accounts receivable	501.4	1,634.1	2,755.7	2,409.1	2,792.3	2,326.5
Inventories(3)	1,626.1	5,299.5	6,243.7	5,688.3	5,172.4	4,102.1
Property, plant and						
equipment	9,001.5	29,336.7	34,100.3	29,071.0	25,410.1	21,176.8
Total assets	15,900.7	51,821.9	60,626.9	49,501.9	46,844.6	41,170.0
Short-term borrowings (including current portion of						
long-term						
borrowings)	796.1	2,594.5	1,970.0	1,419.5	1,249.6	1,836.0
Long-term						
borrowings	6,362.7	20,736.6	25,380.5	18,926.7	17,362.9	15,675.6
Capital	2,467.9	8,043.2	8,043.2	8,043.2	8,043.2	8,043.2
Shareholders equity (including non-controlling						
interest)	527.9	1,720.7	945.5	5,597.1	7,543.9	8,588.7
Other Financial and						
Operating Information:						
Cash Flow						
<i>Information:</i> Net cash provided by (used in):						
Operating activities	US\$ 1,456.3	R\$ 4,746.2	R\$ 7,877.8	R\$ 3,813.1	R\$ 2,457.8	R\$ 2,571.8
Investing activities	(871.7)		(4,120.3)	(5,054.1)	(4,954.2)	(2,834.3)
Financing activities	(846.0)	(2,757.3)	(97.5)	894.4	3,614.2	633.9
Other Information:						
Capital expenditures:						
Property, plant and						
equipment	871.2	2,839.2	4,103.9	5,378.8	5,656.4	2,792.9
Investments in other companies				0.1		
Total Sales Volume Data* (in thousands						
of tons):						
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Ethylene(4)	576.1	548.6	511.4	535.4	531.9
Propylene(4)	370.6	416.5	445.7	389.0	406.6
Polyethylene	2,729.7	2,626.9	2,386.5	2,543.7	2,530.0
Polypropylene	1,671.9	1,513.1	1,591.9	1,580.8	1,648.8
Polyvinyl chloride					
(PVC)	645.2	594.9	659.6	636.5	560.9

(1) Translated for convenience only using the selling rate as reported by the Central Bank as of December 31, 2016 for *reais* into U.S. dollars of R\$3.2591=US\$1.00.

- (2) Includes non-current financial investments.
- (3) Includes non-current advances to suppliers.
- (4) Includes only third-party sales.
- (*) Unaudited.

Exchange Rates

The Brazilian foreign exchange system allows the purchase and sale of foreign currency and the international transfer of *reais* by any person or legal entity, regardless of the amount, subject to certain regulatory procedures. Since 1999, the Central Bank has allowed the U.S. dollar-*real* exchange rate to float freely, and, since then, the U.S. dollar-*real* exchange rate has fluctuated considerably.

In the past, the Central Bank has intervened occasionally to control unstable movements in foreign exchange rates. We cannot predict whether the Central Bank or the Brazilian government will continue to permit the *real* to float freely or will intervene in the exchange rate market through the return of a currency band system or otherwise. The *real* may depreciate or appreciate against the U.S. dollar substantially. Furthermore, Brazilian law provides that, whenever there is a serious imbalance in Brazil s balance of payments or there are serious reasons to foresee a serious imbalance, temporary restrictions may be imposed on remittances of foreign capital abroad. We cannot assure you that such measures will not be taken by the Brazilian government in the future. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to Brazil Brazilian government exchange control policies could increase the cost of servicing our foreign currency-denominated debt, adversely affect our ability to make payments under our foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and impair our liquidity and Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Class A Preferred Shares and the ADSs If holders of the ADSs exchange them for class A preferred shares, they may risk temporarily losing, or being limited in, the ability to remit foreign currency abroad and certain Brazilian tax advantages.

The following table shows the selling rate for U.S. dollars for the periods and dates indicated. The information in the Average column represents the average of the exchange rates on the last day of each month during the periods

presented.

	<i>Reais</i> per U.S. Dollars						
			Period				
High	Low	Average	End				
R\$ 2.112	R\$ 1.702	R\$ 1.955	R\$ 2.043				
2.446	1.953	2.161	2.343				
2.740	2.197	2.355	2.656				
4.195	2.575	3.339	3.905				
4.156	3.119	3.483	3.259				
	R\$ 2.112 2.446 2.740 4.195	High Low R\$ 2.112 R\$ 1.702 2.446 1.953 2.740 2.197 4.195 2.575	HighLowAverageR\$ 2.112R\$ 1.702R\$ 1.9552.4461.9532.1612.7402.1972.3554.1952.5753.339				

	<i>Reais</i> per U	Reais per U.S. Dollars		
Month	High	Low		
March 2017	R\$ 3.1735	R\$ 3.0765		
April 2017	3.1984	3.0923		
May 2017	3.3807	3.0924		
June 2017	3.3362	3.2307		
July 2017	3.3193	3.1256		
August 2017	3.1976	3.1161		
September 2017 (through September 21)	3.1389	3.0852		

Source: Central Bank.

Risk Factors

Risks Relating to Our Company and the Petrochemical Industry

The cyclical nature of the petrochemical industry may reduce our net sales revenue and gross margin.

The petrochemical industry, including the global markets in which we compete, is cyclical and sensitive to changes in global supply and demand. This cyclicality may reduce our net sales revenue, increase our costs and decrease our gross margin, including as follows:

downturns in general business and economic activity may cause demand for our products to decline;

when global demand falls, we may face competitive pressures to lower our prices;

increases in prices of the main raw materials we use, principally naphtha, ethane and propylene; and

if we decide to expand our plants or construct new plants, we may do so based on an estimate of future demand that may never materialize or materializes at levels lower than we predicted. Historically, the international petrochemical markets have experienced alternating periods of limited supply, which have caused prices and profit margins to increase, followed by expansion of production capacity, which has resulted in oversupply and reduced prices and profit margins. Prices in the petrochemical industry follow the global petrochemical industry, and we establish the prices for the products we sell in Brazil, Latin America, the United States and the world with reference to international market prices. Therefore, our net sales revenue and gross margin are increasingly linked to global industry conditions that we cannot control, and which may adversely affect our results of operations and financial position.

Our revenue from customers is significant, and the credit risks associated with certain of these customers could adversely affect our results of operations.

We engage in a number of transactions where counterparty credit risk is a relevant factor, including transactions with customers and those businesses we work with to provide services, among others. These risks are dependent upon market conditions and also the real and perceived viability of the counterparty. The failure or perceived weakness of any of our counterparties has the potential to expose us to risk of loss in certain situations. Our revenue from our customers is significant, and the credit risks associated with certain of these customers could adversely affect our results of operations. Certain contracts and arrangements that we enter into with counterparties may provide us with indemnification clauses to protect us from financial loss. To the extent the credit quality of these customers deteriorates or these customers seek bankruptcy protection, our ability to collect our receivables, and ultimately our results of operations, may be adversely affected.

Our results may be adversely affected by increases in reserves for uncollectible accounts receivable.

We have a large balance of accounts receivable and have established a reserve for the portion of such accounts receivable that we estimate will not be collected because of our customers non-payment.

If the business viability of certain of our customers deteriorates or our credit policies are ineffective in reducing our exposure to credit risk, additional increases in reserves for uncollectible accounts may be necessary, which could have a material adverse effect on our cash flows and results of operations. We record an allowance for doubtful accounts in an amount we consider sufficient to cover estimated losses on the realization of our trade accounts receivable, taking into account our loss experience and the aging of our accounts receivable, but we cannot assure you that these amounts will be sufficient to cover eventual losses.

As of December 31, 2016, our total trade accounts receivable was R\$2,084.9 million and the provision for doubtful accounts was R\$380.6 million. Significant changes in our historical loss experience on accounts receivable which are not apparent through our aging analysis could require significant changes to our provisions for doubtful accounts, and, therefore, have an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

Global macroeconomic factors have had, and may continue to have, adverse effects on the margins that we realize on our products.

Our results of operations may be materially affected by adverse conditions in the financial markets and depressed economic conditions generally. Economic downturns in geographic areas in which we sell our products may substantially reduce demand for our products and result in decreased sales volumes. Recessionary environments adversely affect our business because demand for our products is reduced.

Reduced or negative growth in emerging economies resulted in decreased growth in the global economy, which increase is estimated at 3.1% in 2016, according to the International Monetary Fund. In 2016, Brazil s GDP contracted 3.6%, as compared to a contraction of 3.8% in 2015 and growth of 0.5% in 2014, according to the IBGE. In 2016, demand for thermoplastic resins in Brazil declined by 1%.

In the United States, GDP grew by 1.6% in 2016 compared to growth of 2.6% in 2015 and growth of 2.4% in 2014, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce. In Europe, GDP grew by 1.7% in 2016 compared to growth of 2.0% in 2015 and growth of 1.4% in 2014, according to Eurostat, outpacing the United States for the first time since the 2008 financial crisis. Mexico s GDP grew by 2.4% in 2016 compared to growth of 2.6% in 2015 and growth of 2.3% in 2014, according to Mexican Institute of Statistics and Geography.

Our ability to export to other countries is a function of the level of economic growth in those countries and other economic conditions, including prevailing inflation and interest rates. In addition, disruptions in the global balance between supply and demand may impair our ability to export our products in response to a decline in domestic demand for these products. Prolonged volatility in economic activity in our key export markets, such as South America, Europe and Asia, could continue to reduce demand for some of our products and lead to increased margin pressure by importers into Brazil, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

We face competition from producers of polyethylene, polypropylene, PVC and other petrochemical products.

We face strong competition across all of our petrochemical products. Our U.S. operations face competition in the United States from other U.S. producers of polypropylene and the other foreign producers of polypropylene that serve the United States. Our German operations face competition in Europe and the other export markets that it serves from European and other foreign producers of polypropylene. Our Mexico operations face competition from Mexican and U.S. producers of polypethylene producers. In Brazil, although only our vinyls business faces competition in Brazil, players from South America are able to export to Brazil with reduced or no import duties. In addition, producers of almost all continents have regular or spot sales to trading companies and direct customers in Brazil for petrochemicals and resins.

We generally set the prices for our second generation products sold in Brazil with reference to the prices charged for these products by foreign producers in international markets. We generally set the prices for our second generation products exported from Brazil based on international spot market prices. We set the prices for polypropylene sold in the United States and Europe based on regional market pricing. The price for polyethylene in Mexico is based on prices for the polymer in the U.S Gulf Coast region.

As a result of the announced commissioning of new ethylene capacity, particularly in the United States, in the Middle East and in China, coupled with the increased competitiveness of gas-based ethylene producers in United States as a result of their relatively lower raw material costs, we anticipate that we may experience increasing competition from other producers of second generation products in the markets in which we sell these products. In addition, the appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar may increase the competitiveness of prices of imported products in *reais*, which may increase the competition in Brazil from other producers of second generation products. Some of our foreign competitors are substantially larger and have greater financial, manufacturing, technological and/or marketing resources than our company.

Higher raw materials costs would increase our cost of goods sold and services rendered and may reduce our gross margin and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

Naphtha, a crude oil derivative, is the principal raw material used by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit and, indirectly, in our other business units in Brazil. Naphtha accounted, directly and indirectly, for approximately 42.7% of our consolidated cost of sales and services rendered in 2016.

Ethane and propane are the principal raw materials that we use to produce our basic petrochemical products in the Rio de Janeiro Complex and represent the principal production and operating cost of that Basic Petrochemicals Unit.

Ethane and propane accounted, directly and indirectly, for approximately 0.5% and 1.2%, respectively, of our consolidated cost of sales and services rendered in 2016.

Ethane is the principal raw material that we use to produce ethylene in the Mexico Complex and represents the principal production and operating cost of the Mexico Complex. Ethane accounted, directly and indirectly, for approximately 0.6% of our consolidated costs of sales and services rendered in 2016. Propylene is the principal raw material that we use to produce polypropylene in the United States and Europe and represents the principal production and operating cost of our USA and Europe Unit. We also purchase propylene in the Brazilian market for our Brazilian polypropylene plants. Propylene accounted, directly and indirectly, for approximately 16.8% of our consolidated costs of sales and services rendered in 2016.

In Brazil, we purchase the naphtha, used by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit at prices based on the Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp naphtha price and the ethane and propane at Mont Belvieu market prices. We purchase ethane used by our Mexico Unit at prices based on the Mont Belvieu purity ethane. We purchase the propylene used in Brazil and by our USA and Europe Unit at prices based on U.S. Gulf reference price, or the USG price. We purchase refinery off gas at a price related to imported natural gas price.

The Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp market price of naphtha fluctuates primarily based on changes in the U.S. dollar-based price of Brent crude oil on the Intercontinental Exchange based in London. The Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp naphtha price averaged US\$385 per ton, down 17% from 2015, explained by lower oil prices. The decrease mainly reflects (i) the higher production and uncertainties concerning global supply; (ii) higher inventories, especially in the U.S. Gulf region; and (iii) lower demand for fuel production.

The Mont Belvieu prices of ethane averaged 20 cents per gallon, or US\$146 per ton, increasing 7% from 2015, explained by the stronger demand resulting from logistics debottlenecking projects, which supported higher export volumes.

The U.S. Gulf (USG) price reference for propylene averaged US\$759 per ton in 2016, or 12% lower than in 2015, due to the feedstock s higher supply in the year from propane dehydrogenation, or PDH, which, despite some operating difficulties in the second half of 2016, operated at higher capacity utilization rates than in the prior year.

The European price reference for propylene averaged US\$727 per ton in 2016, or 23% lower than in 2015, due to limited supply during most of 2015, when low inventories and an above-normal number of unscheduled shutdowns led to price increases in that period. The price of naphtha, ethane, propane and propylene in U.S. dollars has been, and may continue to be, volatile. In addition, fluctuations of the U.S. dollar in the future may effectively increase our naphtha or natural gas costs in *reais*. Any increase in naphtha, ethane, propane or propylene costs would reduce our gross margin and negatively affect our overall financial performance to the extent we are unable to pass on these increased costs to our customers and could result in reduced sales volumes of our products.

We do not hedge against changes in the price of our principal raw materials, so we are exposed to fluctuations in the price of these primary raw materials.

Currently, we do not hedge our feedstock s price exposure. We observed a high historical correlation between our feedstock (most notably, naphtha) and our final products (polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC, among others). Historically, fluctuations in naphtha s price were followed by variations in the same direction in first- and second-generation petrochemical products. An eventual hedge solely in naphtha s price would break this natural protection, which could make our results more volatile. However, considering our ongoing process of feedstock diversification, with ethane and propane representing a more significant portion of our variable costs, the natural protection described above tends to be impaired. This occurs because ethane and propane have significantly lower correlation to the price of our final products, when compared to naphtha and propylene. In the past, when this scenario has materialized, we have not been able to pass on all of the corresponding increases in our feedstocks costs, which reduce our gross margin and net income. If this impairment of our natural protection continues and we experience significant volatility in the prices of our feedstocks or final product, there could be a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We depend on Petrobras to supply us with a substantial portion of our naphtha, ethane, propane and propylene requirements.

Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras, or Petrobras, is the only Brazilian supplier of naphtha and has historically supplied approximately 70% of the naphtha consumed by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit. Petrobras currently is also our primary supplier of ethane, propane and refinery off gas and has historically supplied the ethane, propane and refinery off gas consumed at our petrochemical complex located in Duque de Caxias in the State of Rio de Janeiro, or the Rio de Janeiro Complex, and our São Paulo Complex.

We are party to several propylene contracts with Petrobras refineries, which in 2016 were responsible for the supply of 36.5% of our propylene demand to produce polypropylene in Brazil. As a result of limited infrastructure in Brazil to allow the importation of propylene in large quantities and substantial costs associated with the storage and transportation of the product, we are highly dependent on the propylene supplied by Petrobras.

Thus, our production volumes and net sales revenue would likely decrease and adversely affect our overall financial performance in the event of the following:

significant damage to Petrobras refineries or to the port facilities through which Petrobras imports naphtha, or to any of the pipelines connecting our plants to Petrobras facilities, whether as a consequence of an accident, natural disaster, fire or otherwise; or

any termination by Petrobras of the naphtha, ethane, propane or propylene supply contracts with our company, which provide that Petrobras may terminate the contracts for certain reasons described in Item 4. Information on the Company.

In addition, although regulatory changes have ended Petrobras monopoly in the Brazilian naphtha market and have allowed us to import naphtha, any restrictions imposed on the importation of naphtha into Brazil could increase our production costs. For a discussion of additional risks related to sole-source suppliers, see We rely on limited or sole-source suppliers for our raw materials.

We depend on propylene supplied by third parties in the United States and Europe.

Our reliance on third party suppliers poses significant risks to our results of operations, business and prospects. We rely upon third parties to supply our plants with propylene. We acquire propylene for our polypropylene plants in the United States under a variety of long-term supply agreements and through the spot market. As of December 31, 2016, we had long-term supply agreements with multiple suppliers. The pricing formulas for propylene under these supply agreements are generally based on market prices. A portion of the propylene supplied to our gulf coast plants is provided by a limited agreement that we formed with a leading basic petrochemicals producer, under which we acquire propylene produced by an ethylene facility of that producer in La Porte, Texas. Under the terms of the partnership agreement, the partnership has agreed to provide us with sufficient propylene to produce up to approximately 25% of our U.S. gulf coast plants current annual production capacity into early 2018, at prices calculated based on a cost-based formula that includes a fixed discount that declines until 2018.

We acquire propylene for our polypropylene plants in Germany under long-term supply agreements that provide for the supply of 91% of the propylene requirements of these plants. We have two main supply agreements in Germany. One will expire in September 2021 and is automatically renewable for consecutive one-year terms, unless cancelled by one of the parties, and the other expires in December 2021. The pricing formula for propylene under these supply agreements is based on market prices.

Delays in the availability of propylene of acceptable quality, or our inability to obtain such acceptable propylene in the quantities we need or at all, may adversely affect our revenue and results of operations.

We depend on ethane supplied by Pemex TRI in Mexico.

In Mexico, Braskem Idesa has entered into a long-term supply contract to purchase ethane from Pemex Transformación Industrial (successor of Pemex Gas y Petroquímica Básica), or Pemex TRI, a state-owned Mexican company, under competitive commercial conditions. Any termination by Pemex TRI of this supply contract could have a material adverse effect on our overall financial performance. The provisions for early termination by Pemex TRI include but are not limited to (i) material breach of our obligations or failure to cure any breach of the agreement or assignment and (ii) continuous occurrence of a force majeure event or emergency shutdown.

Thus, our production volumes and net sales revenue would likely decrease and adversely affect our overall financial performance in the event of the following:

significant damage to Pemex TRI s refineries or to the port facilities through which Pemex TRI would import ethane or to any of the pipelines connecting our plants to Pemex TRI s facilities, whether as a consequence of an accident, natural disaster, fire or otherwise; or

any termination by Pemex TRI of the ethane supply contract with our company, which provides that Pemex TRI may terminate the contracts for certain reasons described in Item 4. Information on the Company. *We rely on limited or sole-source suppliers for our raw materials.*

We rely on Petrobras for most or all of our supply of naphtha, ethane, propane, refinery off gas and propylene in Brazil, few companies for our supply of propylene in our USA and Europe Unit, and Pemex TRI for our supply of ethane in Mexico. As a result, we are subject to substantial risks because of our reliance on these and other limited or sole-source suppliers, including the following risks:

if a supplier does not provide naphtha, ethane, propane, refinery off gas or propylene, as the case may be, that meet our or their specifications in sufficient quantities and with acceptable performance or quality on time or deliver when required, then sales, production, delivery, acceptance and revenue from our plants could be adversely affected;

if our relationship with a key supplier is adversely affected, for example, due to competitive pressures (or conflicting interests), we may be unable to obtain naphtha, ethane, propane or propylene, as the case may be, on advantageous financial terms;

if an interruption of supply of naphtha, ethane, propane, refinery off gas or propylene, as the case may be, occurs because a supplier changes its technology roadmap, suffers damage to its manufacturing facilities, decides to no longer provide those products or services, increases the price of those products or services significantly or imposes reduced delivery allocations on its customers, it could take us a considerable period of time to identify and qualify alternative suppliers;

some of our key suppliers are small companies with limited financial and other resources, and as a result, they may be more likely to experience financial and operational difficulties than larger, well-established companies, which increases the risk that they will be unable to deliver products as needed; and

if a key supplier is acquired or has a significant change in business, the production and sales of our systems and services may be delayed or adversely affected, or our development programs may be delayed or may be impossible to complete.

Delays in the availability of naphtha, ethane, propane, refinery off gas or propylene of acceptable quality, or our inability to obtain such acceptable naphtha, ethane, propane or propylene in the quantities we need or at all, may adversely affect our revenue and results of operations.

Our Polyolefins Unit and Vinyls Unit depend on our basic petrochemicals plants to supply them with their ethylene and propylene requirements.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit is the only supplier of ethylene to our Vinyls Unit, the only supplier of ethylene to the polyethylene plants and the principal supplier of propylene to the polypropylene plants of our Polyolefins Unit. Because the cost of storing and transporting ethylene is substantial and there is inadequate infrastructure in Brazil to permit the importing of large quantities of ethylene and propylene, our Polyolefins Unit in Brazil and our Vinyls Unit

are highly dependent on the supply of these products by our basic petrochemicals plants. Consequently, our production volumes of, and net sales revenue from, polyolefins and vinyls products would decrease, and our overall financial performance would be negatively affected, in the event of the following:

any significant damage to the facilities of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit through which ethylene or propylene is produced, or to the pipeline or other facilities that connect our polyolefins plants or vinyls plants to our basic petrochemicals plants, whether as a consequence of an accident, natural disaster, fire or otherwise;

any significant reduction in the supply of naphtha to our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, as naphtha is the principal raw material used by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit in the production of ethylene and propylene; or

any significant reduction in the supply of ethane or propane to our basic petrochemical plant in Rio de Janeiro, as ethane and propane are the principal raw materials used in the production of ethylene and propylene.

See also We manufacture products that are subject to risk of fire, explosions and other hazards below.

Any downgrade in the ratings of Brazil, our company or our debt securities would likely result in increased interest and other financial expenses related to our borrowings and debt securities and could reduce our liquidity.

Currently, Standard & Poor s Ratings Group, a division of McGraw Hill, Inc., or Standard & Poor s, and Fitch Ratings Ltd., or Fitch maintain ratings of our company on a global and national basis. Moody s Investors Service, Inc., or Moody s, only maintains ratings of our company on a global basis. On a global basis, we maintain an investment grade rating at: (i) Standard & Poor s of BBB- with negative outlook; (ii) Fitch Ratings of BBB- with stable outlook; and Moody s of Ba1 with stable outlook, the latter being higher than the sovereign rating. On a national basis, we maintain investment grade rating at: (i) Standard & Poor s as of brAAA with negative outlook and (ii) Fitch Ratings of AAA+ with stable outlook. Our credit rating is sensitive to any change in the Brazilian sovereign credit rating. The credit rating of the Brazilian federal government has been downgraded in 2015 and 2016 and is no longer investment grade. Any decision by these agencies to downgrade the ratings of our company or of our debt securities in the future would likely result in increased interest and other financial expenses relating to our borrowings and debt securities and the inclusion of financial covenants in the instruments governing new indebtedness, and could significantly reduce our ability to obtain such financing, on satisfactory terms or in amounts required by us, and our liquidity and would require us to post cash collateral pursuant to our obligations or to contract letters of credit to backstop guarantees provided by us in the context of the Mexican Project.

Some of our shareholders may have the ability to determine the outcome of corporate actions or decisions, which could affect the holders of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs.

Odebrecht S.A., or Odebrecht, directly or through its wholly-owned subsidiary Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A., or OSP, owns 38.3% of our outstanding share capital, including 50.1% of our voting share capital and Petrobras holds 36.1% of our outstanding share capital, including 47.0% of our voting share capital. Nominess of Odebrecht constitute a majority of the members of our board of directors. Under a shareholders agreement to which OSP and Petrobras are parties, which we refer to as the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, we may only undertake certain actions after Odebrecht and Petrobras have reached a consensus with respect to those actions. However, Odebrecht will have the sole power to approve the business plan of our company, through the board of directors, as described under Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Major Shareholders Shareholders Agreements. As a result, Odebrecht has the ability to determine the outcome of most corporate actions or decisions requiring the approval of our shareholders or our board of directors in certain instances, with the consent of Petrobras which could affect the holders of our class A preferred shares and the American Depositary Shares, or ADSs.

We may face conflicts of interest in transactions with related parties.

We maintain trade accounts receivable and current and long-term payables with some of our affiliates and other related parties, including Petrobras, which is our domestic supplier of naphtha and other raw materials such as propylene, ethane, propane and refinery off gas, and Odebrecht Agroindustrial, which is one of our suppliers of ethanol. These accounts receivable and accounts payable balances result mainly from purchases and sales of goods, which are at prices and on terms equivalent to the average terms and prices of transactions that we enter into with third parties. These and other transactions between us and our affiliates could result in conflicting interests between our company and our shareholders.

We may make significant acquisitions which, if not successfully integrated with our company, may adversely affect our results of operations.

We may make significant acquisitions, which may involve risks, including the following:

failure to obtain the requisite approval from the applicable antitrust regulators;

failure of the acquired businesses to achieve expected results;

possible inability to retain or hire key personnel of the acquired businesses;

possible inability to achieve expected synergies and/or economies of scale; and

unanticipated liabilities.

If we are unable to integrate or manage acquired businesses successfully, we may not realize anticipated cost savings, revenue growth and levels of integration, which may result in reduced profitability or operating losses.

We may face unforeseen challenges in the operation of our Mexico Complex which could result in this business unit failing to provide expected benefits to our company.

During the first half of 2016, we concluded the construction phase of an olefins complex, or the Mexico Complex, located in the Mexican state of Veracruz. For more information about this, which we refer to as the Mexico Complex, see Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Capital Expenditures Joint Venture Mexico Complex.

Braskem Idesa S.A.P.I., or Braskem Idesa, our joint venture with Grupo Idesa, S.A. de C.V., or Idesa, to develop our Mexico Complex, required significant capital expenditure. Our ability to achieve the strategic objectives of this business unit will depend largely on its successful operation. Factors that could affect the operation of this business unit include:

macroeconomic conditions in Mexico and demand for polyethylene;

the occurrence of unforeseen technical and mechanical difficulties that may interrupt production or lead to unexpected downtime of the Mexico Complex s plants, as it is still in the ramp-up phase;

a stable and continuous supply of ethane in the long term; and

increased competition from domestic or foreign competitors and/or the emergence of new domestic or foreign competitors.

We cannot assure you that the Mexico Complex will provide the expected benefits to us. Any significant interruption could hinder or prevent the implementation of our business plan as originally conceived, and result in revenues and net income below expected.

Adjustments in tariffs on imports that compete with our products could cause us to lower our prices.

We currently benefit from tariffs imposed by the Brazilian government on imports that allow us to charge prices for our polyolefin and vinyl products in the domestic market that include a factor based on the tariffs levied on comparable imports of those products. However, the Brazilian government has in the past used import and export

tariffs to effect economic policies, with the consequence that tariffs can vary. For example, in September 2012, the Brazilian government increased import duties on 100 products related to various industries, including an increase on the import tariff for polyethylene. In October 2012, it increased the import tariff for polyethylene from 14% to 20% and in October 2013, it reduced the import tariff for polyethylene to the previous level of 14%. Adjustments of tariffs could lead to increased competition from imports and cause us to lower our domestic prices, which would likely result in lower net sales revenue and could negatively affect our overall financial performance. Additionally, the products we export to the United States and Europe are subject to tariffs in the amount of 6.5% in each jurisdiction, subject to certain preferences. These tariffs generally favor our products produced locally and any future adjustments to these tariff structures could negatively impact our sales in these jurisdictions. Future trade agreements entered into by Brazil, the United States or the European Union could also lead to increased competition from imports and lower domestic prices.

Our business is subject to stringent environmental regulations, and the imposition of new regulations could require significant capital expenditures and increase our operating costs.

We, like other petrochemical producers, are subject to stringent federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations concerning human health, the handling and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes and discharges of pollutants into the air and water. Petrochemical producers are sometimes subject to unfavorable market perceptions as a result of the environmental impact of their business, which can have an adverse effect on their results of operations.

Our operations in Brazil are subject to extensive federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules and ordinances relating to pollution, protection of the environment and the generation, storage, handling, transportation, treatment, disposal and remediation of hazardous substances and waste materials. The Brazilian government enacted an Environmental Crimes Law in 1998 that imposes criminal penalties on corporations and individuals causing environmental damage. Corporations found to be polluting can be fined up to R\$50.0 million, have their operations suspended, be prohibited from government contracting, be required to repair damage that they cause and lose certain tax benefits and incentives. Executive officers, directors and other individuals may be imprisoned for up to five years for environmental violations.

Our operations in the United States, Germany and Mexico are subject to extensive U.S., German, European and Mexican federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules and ordinances relating to pollution, protection of the environment and the generation, storage, handling, transportation, treatment, disposal and remediation of hazardous substances and waste materials. U.S. environmental laws and regulations may impose liability on us for the conduct of third parties, or for actions that complied with applicable requirements when taken, regardless of negligence or fault. Of particular significance to us are (1) regulatory programs to be established to implement air quality standards under the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone and fine particles promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA, and (2) various legislative and regulatory measures in the United States which are under review, discussion or implementation to address greenhouse gas emissions. In Mexico, we adhere to the comprehensive responsibility program promoted by the Mexican National Chemical Industry Association (*Asociación Nacional de la Industria Química de Mexico* ANIQ), which is based on the responsible care standard used in the United States and Canada.

Costs and capital expenditures relating to environmental, health or safety matters are subject to evolving regulatory requirements and will depend on the timing of the promulgation and enforcement of specific standards which impose the requirements. Moreover, changes in environmental regulations could inhibit or interrupt our operations, or require modifications to our facilities. Accordingly, environmental, health or safety regulatory matters may result in significant unanticipated costs or liabilities.

We manufacture products that are subject to the risk of fire, explosions and other hazards.

Our operations are subject to hazards, such as fires, explosions and other accidents, associated with the manufacture of petrochemicals and the storage and transportation of feedstock and petrochemical products. These hazards can cause personal injury and loss of life, severe damage to or destruction of property and equipment and environmental damage. A sufficiently large accident at one of our plants or storage facilities could force us to suspend our operations temporarily and result in significant remediation costs and lost net sales revenue. See also Our Polyolefins Unit and Vinyls Unit depend on our basic petrochemicals plants to supply them with their ethylene and propylene requirements.

Although we maintain insurance coverage for losses due to fire damage and for losses of income resulting from shutdowns due to fire, explosion or electrical damage, those insurance proceeds may not be available on a timely basis and may be insufficient to cover all losses, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial performance.

Unfavorable outcomes in pending or future litigation may reduce our liquidity and negatively affect our financial performance and financial condition.

We are, and in the future may be, involved in numerous tax, civil and labor disputes, among others, involving monetary claims. If unfavorable decisions are rendered in one or more of these lawsuits, we could be required to pay substantial amounts. For some of these lawsuits, we have not established any provision on our balance sheet or have established provisions only for part of the amounts in question, based on our judgments as to the likelihood of winning these lawsuits.

In July 2015, two putative class action lawsuits were filed against us and certain of our then-current and former officers and directors, or the Defendants, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The lawsuits were subsequently consolidated under the caption In re Braskem, S.A. Securities Litigation, No. 15-cv-5132. In November 2015, Boilermaker-Blacksmith National Pension Trust, or the Lead Plaintiff, filed a consolidated class action complaint, which asserted claims under Section 10(b) and Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act, on behalf of a putative class of purchasers of our American Depositary Receipt, or ADRs, from June 1, 2010 to March 11, 2015. In the operative complaint, the Lead Plaintiff alleges that the Defendants made misrepresentations or omissions that inflated the price of our stock in violation of U.S. securities laws. We filed a motion to dismiss on July 6, 2016. On March 31, 2017, the court ruled on the motion to dismiss, granting it in part and denying it in part. With respect to the remaining claims, the class action is now in the discovery stage. The parties are also currently engaged in settlement negotiations and have signed a proposed settlement agreement and submitted it to the U.S. court for preliminary approval on September 14, 2017. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, we would pay US\$10million to resolve all claims of the settlement class consisting of purchasers of our ADRs during the period from July 15, 2010 through March 11, 2015, that arise out of or relate to the subject matter of the class action, with the exception of any such claims belonging to purchasers who file valid and timely requests to opt out of the settlement class. We have made no admission of any wrongdoing or liability as part of the proposed settlement, and it is subject to a number of conditions, including court approval. Furthermore, we may be named as a defendant in other legal actions, and we may be required, in accordance with any applicable legal and regulatory limits, to indemnify directors, officers and employees that are defendants in this securities class action and any other related actions that may arise in the future. This litigation has required and may continue to require significant time and attention in the future. For more information about our legal proceedings, see Item 8. Financial Information Legal Proceedings.

Labor unrest may materially and adversely affect our operations.

Labor unrest in our plants and facilities may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations. For example, in August 2010, the unionized employees at our Neal, West Virginia plant went on strike. During the strike, the plant operated under the supervision of management until May 2011, when Braskem America entered into a new collective bargaining agreement. Although we believe that we maintain good relations with our employees, future labor actions, including strikes, could have a material adverse effect on our financial performance.

Natural disasters, severe weather and climate conditions could have a material adverse effect on our overall business.

Some of our facilities are located in places that could be affected by natural disasters, such as floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados and other natural disasters, which could disrupt our operations or the operations of our customers and could damage or destroy infrastructure necessary to transport our products as part of the supply chain. Such events could require maintenance shutdowns, delay shipments of existing inventory or result in costly repairs, replacements or other costs, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial performance.

While our energy risk policy dictates that we purchase energy in advance at fixed prices through long-term contracts, the majority of Brazilian power generation capacity is provided by hydroelectric generation facilities. If the amount of water available to energy producers becomes scarce due to drought or diversion for other uses, the cost of energy may increase. Such conditions could have a material adverse effect on our sales and margins.

We could be materially adversely affected by the impacts of the Global Settlement.

In the context of allegations of improper payments in connection with the so-called Operation Car Wash in Brazil, we engaged the Expert Firms to conduct the Investigation and report their findings. We have cooperated with governmental authorities in several jurisdictions, including the U.S. Department of Justice, or the DoJ, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, Brazil s Federal Prosecutor s Office (*Ministério Público Federal*), or the MPF, and Switzerland s Office of the Attorney General, or the OAG. On December 14, 2016, we entered into a leniency agreement with the MPF, or the Leniency Agreement, which was ratified by the competent Brazilian court on June 6, 2017. On December, 21, 2016, we filed a plea agreement in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York under which we agreed to plead guilty to a one-count criminal information charging our company with conspiracy to violate the anti-bribery provisions of the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, or the FCPA. On the same date, we consented to the entry of a final judgment in a civil action brought by the SEC based on civil violations of the anti-bribery, books and records and internal accounting controls provisions of the FCPA. The competent federal courts in the United States approved the DoJ and SEC resolutions on January 26, 2017 and February 28, 2017, respectively. In addition, on December 21, 2016, the OAG closed its investigation of these matters. We refer to these actions as the Global Settlement.

Under the Global Settlement, we agreed to pay to the governmental authorities in these jurisdictions an aggregate amount of approximately US\$957 million (equivalent to approximately R\$3.1 billion).

Of the total amount payable pursuant to the Global Settlement, we have already paid approximately R\$1.3 billion, as follows:

US\$94.9 million (R\$296.6 million) to the DoJ on February 8, 2017;

US\$65.0 million (R\$206.5 million) to the SEC on April 27, 2017;

CHF30.2 million (R\$104.3 million) to the OAG on June 27, 2017; and

R\$736.4 million to the MPF on July 6, 2017.

The aggregate amount of approximately R\$1.8 billion outstanding pursuant to the Global Settlement will be paid in the following manner:

CHF64.3 million to the OAG in four equal annual and successive installments of CHF16.1 million due on June 30 of each year commencing in 2018; and

approximately R\$1.6 billion to the MPF in six equal annual installments, adjusted for inflation by the variation in the Broad Consumer Price Index (*Índice Nacional de Preços ao Consumidor Ampliado*), or IPCA, due on January 30 of each year commencing in 2018. As guarantee for payment of the outstanding installments, Braskem has provided fixed assets in an amount corresponding to one annual installment. The Global Settlement may have a material adverse effect on our business, reputation, financial condition, financial instruments and operational results, as well as on the liquidity and price of our securities, including our class A

preferred shares and ADSs. Furthermore, the negative publicity resulting from the Global Settlement, the facts made public through our plea agreement in the United States, and the facts that will be made public when the Leniency Agreement with the MPF is ultimately disclosed, could have a material adverse impact on our business, including reducing the demand for our products, our financial instruments and other effects that currently cannot be estimated or measured. In addition, other authorities with jurisdiction over our company may seek to impose additional monetary sanctions or fines or commence new investigations against us. Finally, as a result of the Global Settlement, we may be barred from entering into certain agreements with governmental authorities, and may be subject to increased operating costs in connection with our obligations to improve our governance and anti-corruption practices, including the cost of required external monitorship.

Under the terms of the Global Settlement, we are required to cooperate with these governmental authorities and improve our governance and anti-corruption compliance practices. We will also be subject to external monitorship for a period of three years, during which time the monitor will assess compliance with the Global Settlement, including the effectiveness of our internal controls, policies and procedures to reduce the risk of any anti-corruption violations. The monitorship period may be terminated early or extended for up to one year at the authorities discretion depending on our compliance with the Global Settlement. We have retained monitors pursuant to the

provisions of the Global Settlement, and they have been approved by the relevant authorities. The monitors may recommend changes to our policies and procedures, which we must adopt unless they are unduly burdensome or otherwise inadvisable, in which case we may propose alternatives that the authorities may choose to accept. Operating under the oversight of the monitors will likely require the assumption of additional responsibilities by members of our management. We currently cannot estimate the costs that we are likely to incur in connection with compliance with the Global Settlement, including the implementation of the recommended changes, if any, to our policies and procedures as required by the monitors. However, the costs of the monitorship could be significant and could negatively impact our company by requiring the efforts of our management team, diverting attention from our ordinary business operations.

Compliance and Control Risks

We could be materially affected by violations of the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the Brazilian Anti-Corruption Law and similar anti-corruption laws.

We, our subsidiaries and our joint venture partners are subject to a number of anti-corruption laws, including Law No. 12,846/2013, or the Brazilian Anti-Corruption Law, which became effective on January 28, 2014, the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, or the FCPA, and various other anti-corruption and anti-bribery laws of other jurisdictions.

The FCPA, the Brazilian Anti-Corruption Law and similar anti-bribery laws in other jurisdictions generally prohibit companies and their intermediaries from making improper payments to government officials or other persons for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business. Violations of these laws may result in criminal or civil sanctions, inability to do business with existing or future business partners, injunctions against future conduct, profit disgorgements, disqualifications from directly or indirectly engaging in certain types of businesses, the loss of business permits or other restrictions which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

We are exposed to behaviors of our employees and non-employees that may be incompatible with our ethics and compliance standards, and failure to timely prevent, detect or remedy any such behavior and/or process vulnerabilities may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

Our business, including our relationships with third parties, is guided by ethical principles. We have adopted a Policy on Compliance in Acting Ethically with Integrity and Transparency, and several internal policies designed to guide our management, employees and counterparties and reinforce our principles and rules for ethical behavior and professional conduct. We maintain an independent whistleblower channel (denominated Ethics Line) managed by a third party available for employees and non-employees (including third parties). Every whistleblower complaint is investigated and submitted for evaluation by our Ethics Committee.

We are subject to the risk that our employees, counterparties or any person doing business with us may engage in fraudulent activity, corruption or bribery, circumvent or override our internal controls and procedures or misappropriate or manipulate our assets for their personal or business advantage. In the event that we believe or have reason to believe that our employees or agents have or may have violated applicable anti-corruption laws, including the FCPA, we may be required to investigate or have outside counsel investigate the relevant facts and circumstances, which can be expensive and require significant time and attention from senior management. We have in place a robust Compliance and Anti-Corruption Program being implemented through every area of our company, including several processes for identifying, monitoring and mitigating these risks, but such program may not be completely effective.

As a result of the Investigation, we determined that material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 existed. We identified material weaknesses related to (i) our control environment and anti-corruption compliance controls and programs designed to prevent and detect violations of the FCPA and other applicable anti-corruption laws, (ii) the review and approval of reconciliation and manual payments, and (iii) the review of the ledger accounts used to record accruals and payments of commissions. These material weaknesses were identified primarily because a number of deficiencies in controls and errors were detected during the Investigation.

We subsequently identified an additional material weakness related to (iv) the review and monitoring over in-transit inventory for naphtha imports processed by our subsidiary, Braskem Netherlands. This material weakness was identified during the financial statement audit performed for Braskem Netherlands. And we additionally identified a material weakness related to (v) classification between long and short-term debt obligations in Braskem subsidiary, Braskem Idesa.

A material weakness is defined as a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of our annual or interim consolidated financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

We are currently implementing several remediation efforts to improve our governance and compliance systems. See Item 4. Information on the Company Compliance. However, such improvements may not be completely effective, and certain of our employees and non-employees may behave in a manner that is incompatible with our ethics and compliance standards. In addition, we may make accounting errors in our future financial reporting, and we cannot be certain that in the future additional material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting will not exist. Any failure real or perceived to follow our compliance principles or to comply with applicable governance or regulatory obligations could harm our reputation and image, limit our ability to obtain financing and otherwise have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

If we are unable to comply with the restrictions and covenants in the agreements governing our indebtedness, there could be a default under the terms of these agreements, which could result in an acceleration of payment of funds that we have borrowed and could affect our ability to make principal and interest payments on our debt obligations.

Any default under the agreements governing our indebtedness that is not cured or waived by the required lenders could result in the holders of any such indebtedness accelerating the payment of amounts outstanding, which could make us unable to pay principal and interest on those and other debt obligations. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow and are otherwise unable to obtain funds necessary to meet required payments of principal and interest on our indebtedness, or if we otherwise fail to comply with the various covenants in the agreements governing our indebtedness (including covenants in the project finance debt related to our Mexico Complex), we could be in default under the terms of such agreements. In the event of such default:

the holders of such indebtedness could elect to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest;

the lenders under such agreements could elect to terminate their commitments thereunder and cease making further loans; and

we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation. Although our Mexico Complex is fully operational and Braskem Idesa has satisfied and continues to satisfy its debt service requirements and all other payment obligations under its US\$3,194 million senior secured Syndicated Facility on a timely basis, certain defaults have occurred and are continuing thereunder. These defaults give the creditors thereunder the right to vote to accelerate their debt under this facility and exercise their remedies in respect of the collateral for the facility, including the Mexico Complex and the outstanding shares of Braskem Idesa. Braskem Idesa has submitted requests for waiver of these defaults to and is currently negotiating such waiver with the intercreditor

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agent for this facility. However, there can be no assurance that the intercreditor agent and the lenders will agree to extend such waiver, or if they agree to extend such waiver, whether the waiver will include additional obligations with which Braskem Idesa would be required to comply.

We may in the future need to obtain waivers under our other indebtedness to avoid being in default. If we breach any covenants under any of our debt instruments and seek a waiver, we may not be able to obtain a waiver from the required lenders. If this occurs, we would be in default under such agreements, the lenders could exercise their rights or remedies, as described above, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation.

Risks Relating to Brazil

Brazilian political and economic conditions, and the Brazilian government s economic and other policies, may negatively affect demand for our products as well as our net sales revenue and overall financial performance.

The Brazilian economy has been characterized by frequent and occasionally extensive intervention by the Brazilian government and unstable economic cycles. The Brazilian government has often changed monetary, taxation, credit, tariff and other policies to influence the course of Brazil s economy. The Brazilian government s actions to control inflation and implement other policies have at times involved wage and price controls, blocking access to bank accounts, imposing capital controls and limiting imports into Brazil.

Our results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected by factors such as:

fluctuations in exchange rates;

exchange control policies;

interest rates;

inflation;

tax policies;

expansion or contraction of the Brazilian economy, as measured by rates of growth in GDP;

liquidity of domestic capital and lending markets; and

other political, diplomatic, social and economic developments in or affecting Brazil. Brazilian markets have been experiencing heightened volatility due to the uncertainties derived from the ongoing Car Wash investigation, which is being conducted by the Federal Prosecutor's Office, and its impact on the Brazilian economy and political environment. Certain members of the Brazilian government and of the legislative branch, as well as former senior officers of the state-owned oil company and our shareholder Petrobras have faced allegations of political corruption. These government officials and former senior officers allegedly accepted bribes by means of kickbacks on contracts granted by Petrobras to several infrastructure, oil and gas and construction companies, including our controlling shareholder Odebrecht S.A. We cannot currently predict how the Car Wash investigation and any future decisions and actions by authorities in relation to our shareholders, may impact our company. The profits of these kickbacks allegedly financed the political campaigns of political parties of the current federal, state and city governments that were unaccounted for or not publicly disclosed, as well as served to personally enrich the recipients of the bribery scheme. As a result of the ongoing Car Wash investigation, a number of senior politicians,

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including congressman and officers of the major state-owned companies in Brazil resigned or have been arrested. Senior elected officials and other public officials in Brazil are being investigated for allegations of unethical and illegal conduct identified during the Car Wash investigation.

The potential outcome of these investigations is uncertain, but they have adversely affected and we expect that they will continue to adversely affect the Brazilian markets and trading prices of securities issued by Brazilian issuers. We cannot predict whether the allegations will lead to further political and economic instability or whether new allegations against government officials or other companies in Brazil will arise in the future. In addition, we can neither predict the outcome of any such allegations nor their effect on the Brazilian economy. The development of those unethical conduct cases could have a material adverse effect.

In addition, the Brazilian economy continues to be subject to the effects of the outcome of Operation Car Wash. In May 12, 2016, the Brazilian Senate voted to begin its review of the impeachment proceedings against President Dilma Rousseff, who was suspended from office. After the legal and administrative process for the impeachment, Brazil s Senate removed President Dilma Rousseff from office on August 31, 2016 for infringing budgetary laws. Michel Temer, the former vice president, who has run Brazil since Ms. Rousseff s suspension in May 2016, was

sworn in by the Senate to serve out the remainder of the presidential term until 2018. However, in May 2017, President Michel Temer was accused of alleged political corruption in connection with the ongoing Operation Car Wash. The resolution of the political and economic crisis in Brazil depends on the outcome of Operation Car Wash, including current investigations into President Michel Temer s alleged involvement, and approval of reforms that are expected to be promoted in due course. The President of Brazil has power to determine governmental policies and actions that relate to the Brazilian economy and, consequently, affect the operations and financial performance of businesses, including us. The impeachment proceedings against President Dilma Rousseff have adversely affected, and we expect that they, together with the potential for future impeachment proceedings against President Michel Temer, will continue to adversely affect the Brazilian markets and trading prices of securities issued by Brazilian issuers, including us. We cannot predict the effects of the recent and potential future impeachment proceedings and the current ongoing political uncertainties on the Brazilian economy.

Changes in industrial policy and related actions undertaken by the Brazilian government may negatively affect demand for our products as well as our net sales revenue and overall financial performance.

We currently benefit from certain industrial policies and related actions undertaken by the Brazilian government intended to strengthen the domestic economy and certain local industries. Some of these policies and actions have recently included reductions in payroll taxes for plastic manufacturers, a program to improve the competitiveness of Brazilian producers in the export markets by refunding the federal taxes levied on their export sale, intervention of the federal government to reduce incentives to imports at local ports, increases in import duties on certain products, including polyethylene, and the reduction in the rates of Social Integration Program (*Programa de Integração Social*), or PIS, a federal value-added tax, and Contribution for Social Security Financing (*Contribuição para Financiamento da Seguridade Social*), or COFINS, taxes on feedstock purchases by first- and second-generation petrochemical producers.

These taxes on feedstock purchase were set at a rate of 5.6% for naphtha and 9.25% for other feedstocks prior to June 2013, were lowered to 1% in 2015, increased to 3% in 2016 and 5% in 2017 and will be increased to 5.6% in 2018. We cannot predict or control which policies will be renewed or discontinued and whether future changes to Brazilian industrial policy will be proposed and enacted in the future. If industrial policies that benefit us expire, or policies detrimental to us are implemented, our business, results of operations and financial condition may be adversely affected.

Fluctuations in the real/U.S. dollar exchange rate could increase inflation in Brazil, raise the cost of servicing our foreign currency-denominated debt and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

The exchange rate between the *real* and the U.S. dollar and the relative rates of depreciation and appreciation of the *real* have affected our results of operations and may continue to do so.

The Brazilian currency has been devalued on several occasions. Throughout the last several decades, the Brazilian government has implemented various economic plans and various exchange rate policies, including sudden devaluations, periodic mini-devaluations (during which the frequency of adjustments has ranged from daily to monthly), exchange controls, dual exchange rate markets and a floating exchange rate system. From time to time, there have been significant fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Brazilian currency and the U.S. dollar and other currencies. The *real* depreciated by 8.9% against the U.S. dollar during 2012, by 14.6% during 2013, by 13.4% during 2014, by 47.0% during 2015 and appreciated by 16.5% during 2016.

Depreciation of the *real* relative to the U.S. dollar also could result in inflationary pressures in Brazil by generally increasing the price of imported products and services. On the other hand, the appreciation of the *real* against the U.S.

dollar may lead to a deterioration of the country s current account and the balance of payments and may dampen export-driven growth.

We had total foreign currency-denominated debt obligations, all of which were denominated in U.S. dollars, in an aggregate amount of R\$18,176.3 million (US\$5,577.1 million) as of December 31, 2016, representing 77.9% of our consolidated indebtedness, net of transaction costs. This indebtedness does not include (i) an aggregate amount of R\$852.6 million (US\$261.6 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with derivatives transactions [(including interest rate swaps, exchange rate swaps and currecny options) and (ii) an aggregate amount

of R\$10,437.8 million (US\$3,202.7 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with the Braskem Idesa Financing (as defined elsewhere in this annual report), which includes an aggregate amount of R\$302.6 million (US\$92.8 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016, related to a guarantee by Braskem S.A. of the Braskem Idesa Working Capital Facility (as defined elsewhere in this annual report). For more information regarding this facility, see Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Indebtedness and Financing Strategy Short-Term Indebtedness. As of December 31, 2016, we had R\$3,407.8 million (US\$1,045.6 million) in foreign currency-denominated cash and cash equivalents, not including the aggregate amount of R\$201.6 million (US\$61.9 million) of Braskem Idesa s cash and cash equivalents.

A significant depreciation of the *real* in relation to the U.S. dollar or other currencies could increase our financial expenses as a result of foreign exchange losses that we must record and could reduce our ability to meet debt service requirements of our foreign currency-denominated obligations. To enable us to more efficiently manage the effects of exchange rate fluctuations on our results, in 2013 we decided to designate part of our U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities as a hedge for our future exports.

The prices of naphtha, our most important raw material, and of some of our other raw materials, are denominated in or linked to the U.S. dollar. Naphtha accounted, directly and indirectly, for 42.7% of our consolidated cost of sales and services rendered in 2016. When the *real* depreciates against the U.S. dollar, the cost in *reais* of our U.S. dollar-denominated and U.S. dollar-linked raw materials increases, and our operating income in *reais* may decrease to the extent that we are unable to pass on these cost increases to our customers.

The Brazilian government s actions to combat inflation may contribute significantly to economic uncertainty in Brazil and reduce demand for our products.

Historically, Brazil has experienced high rates of inflation. Inflation, as well as government efforts to combat inflation, had significant negative effects on the Brazilian economy, particularly prior to 1995. The inflation rate, as measured by the General Price Index Internal Availability (*Índice Geral de Preços Disponibilidade Interna*), or the IGP-DI, reached 2,708% in 1993. Although inflation rates have been substantially lower since 1995 than in previous periods, inflationary pressures persist. Inflation rates, as measured by the IGP-DI, were 8.1% in 2012, 5.5% in 2013, 3.8% in 2014, 10.7% in 2015 and 7.2% in 2016. The Brazilian government s measures to control inflation have often included maintaining a tight monetary policy with high interest rates, thereby restricting availability of credit and reducing economic growth. Inflation, actions to combat inflation and public speculation about possible additional actions also may contribute to economic uncertainty in Brazil and to heightened volatility in the Brazilian securities markets.

Brazil may experience high levels of inflation. Increasing prices for petroleum, the depreciation of the *real* and future governmental measures seeking to maintain the value of the *real* in relation to the U.S. dollar may trigger increases in inflation in Brazil. Periods of higher inflation may slow the rate of growth of the Brazilian economy, which would lead to reduced demand for our products in Brazil and decreased net sales revenue. Inflation is also likely to increase some of our costs and expenses, which we may not be able to pass on to our customers and, as a result, may reduce our profit margins and net income. In addition, high inflation generally leads to higher domestic interest rates, and, as a result, the costs of servicing our *real*-denominated debt may increase, causing our net income to be reduced. Inflation and its effect on domestic interest rates can, in addition, lead to reduced liquidity in the domestic capital and lending markets, which could adversely affect our ability to refinance our indebtedness in those markets. Any decline in our net sales revenue or net income and any deterioration in our financial condition would also likely lead to a decline in the market price of our securities, including class A preferred shares and the ADSs.

Fluctuations in interest rates could raise the cost of servicing our debt and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

Our financial expenses are affected by changes in the interest rates that apply to our floating rate debt. As of December 31, 2016, we had, among other debt obligations, R\$1,525.2 million of loans and financing that were subject to the Long-Term Interest Rate (*Taxa de Juros de Longo Prazo*), or TJLP; R\$1,736.6 million of loans and financing that were subject to the Interbank Deposit Certificate (*Certificado de Depósito Interbancário*), or CDI, rate; R\$602.6 million of loans and financing that were subject to the Special System for Settlement and Custody (*Sistema Especial de Liquidação e Custódia*), or SELIC; and R\$2,571.7 million of loans and financing that were subject to the London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR.

The TJLP includes an inflation factor and is determined quarterly by the Central Bank. In particular, the TJLP, the CDI and the SELIC rate have fluctuated significantly in the past in response to the expansion or contraction of the Brazilian economy, inflation, Brazilian government policies and other factors. See Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk. A significant increase in any of these interest rates could adversely affect our financial expenses and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

Brazilian government exchange control policies could increase the cost of servicing our foreign currency-denominated debt, adversely affect our ability to make payments under our foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and impair our liquidity.

The purchase and sale of foreign currency in Brazil is subject to governmental control. Many factors could cause the Brazilian government to institute more restrictive exchange control policies, including the extent of Brazil s foreign currency reserves, the availability of sufficient foreign exchange on the date a payment is due, the size of Brazil s debt service burden relative to the economy as a whole, Brazil s policy towards the International Monetary Fund and political constraints to which Brazil may be subject. A more restrictive policy could increase the cost of servicing, and thereby reduce our ability to pay, our foreign currency-denominated debt obligations and other liabilities.

Our foreign-currency debt denominated in U.S. dollars represented an aggregate of 77.9% of our indebtedness on a consolidated basis as of December 31, 2016, including transaction costs. This indebtedness does not include (i) the aggregate amount of R\$852.6million (US\$261.6 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with derivatives; and (ii) the aggregate amount of R\$10,437.8 million (US\$3,202.7 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with the Braskem Idesa Financing, which includes the aggregate amount of R\$302.6 million (US\$92.8 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 related to the Braskem Working Capital Facility, for which Braskem S.A. is guarantor. For more information regarding this facility, see Indebtedness and Financing Strategy Short-Term Indebtedness. If we fail to make payments under any of these obligations, we will be in default under those obligations, which could reduce our liquidity as well as the market price of our securities, including class A preferred shares and the ADSs.

Changes in tax laws may result in increases in certain direct and indirect taxes, which could reduce our gross margin and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

The Brazilian government implements from time to time changes to tax regimes that may increase our and our customers tax burdens. These changes include modifications in the rate of assessments and, on occasion, enactment of temporary taxes, the proceeds of which are earmarked for designated governmental purposes. We cannot predict the changes to Brazilian tax law that may be proposed and enacted in the future. However, future changes in Brazilian tax law may result in increases in our overall tax burden, which could reduce our gross margin and negatively affect our overall financial performance.

Risks Relating to Mexico

Political conditions in Mexico could materially and adversely affect Mexican economic policy and, in turn, our operations.

Political events in Mexico may significantly affect Mexican economic policy and, consequently, our operations. On December 1, 2012, Mr. Enrique Peña Nieto, a member of the Revolutionary Institutional Party (*Partido Revolucionario Institucional*, or PRI), formally assumed office for a six-year term as the President of Mexico. As of the date of this annual report, no single political party has a majority in either chamber of the Mexican Congress. The absence of a clear majority and the lack of alignment between the legislature and the administration could result in

deadlock and prevent the timely implementation of political and economic reforms, which in turn could have an adverse effect on Mexican economic policy. We cannot assure you that the current political situation or future developments in Mexico, over which we have no control, will not have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. Further, we cannot assure you that any new government policies will not adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Political and economic conditions and government policies in Mexico and elsewhere may have a material impact on our operations.

A deterioration in Mexico s economic condition, social instability, political unrest or other adverse social developments in Mexico could adversely affect our business and financial condition. These events could also lead to increased volatility in the financial markets, thereby affecting our ability to maintain financial liquidity and service our debt. Additionally, the Mexican government recently cut spending in response to a downward trend in international crude oil prices, and it may cut spending in the future. These cuts could adversely affect the Mexican economy and, consequently, our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects.

In the past, Mexico has experienced several periods of slow or negative economic growth, high inflation, high interest rates, currency devaluation and other economic problems. These problems may worsen or reemerge, as applicable, in the future and could adversely affect our business and ability to service our debt. A worsening of international financial or economic conditions, such as a slowdown in growth or recessionary conditions in Mexico s trading partners, including the United States, or the emergence of a new financial crisis, could have adverse effects on the Mexican economy, our financial condition and our ability to service our debt.

Furthermore, our long-term supply agreement to purchase ethane from Pemex TRI, a state-owned Mexican company, could be terminated or jeopardized by them as a result of expropriation measures or change in laws regulations by the Mexican government. Any termination or interruption of this supply agreement could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

Developments in other countries could adversely affect the Mexican economy, our financial performance and the price of our shares.

The Mexican economy and the market value of Mexican companies may be, to varying degrees, affected by economic and market conditions globally, in other emerging market countries and major trading partners, in particular the United States. In recent years, economic conditions in Mexico have become increasingly correlated with economic conditions in the United States as a result of the North American Free Trade Agreement, or NAFTA, increased economic activity between the two countries, and the remittance of funds from Mexican immigrants working in the United States to Mexican residents. Therefore, adverse economic conditions in the United States, the termination of, or modifications to, NAFTA or other related events could have a significant adverse effect on the Mexican economy. We cannot assure you that events in other emerging market countries, in the United States or elsewhere will not adversely affect our financial performance.

Mexico has experienced a period of increasing criminal activity, which could affect our operations.

In recent years, Mexico has experienced a period of increasing criminal activity, primarily due to the activities of drug cartels and related criminal organizations. In addition, the development of the illicit market in fuels in Mexico has led to increases in theft and illegal trade in the fuels that Pemex TRI, our principal supplier in Mexico, produces. In response, the Mexican government has implemented various security measures and strengthened its military and police forces aimed at decreasing incidents of theft and other criminal activity directed at petrochemical facilities and petrochemical products. Despite these efforts, criminal activity continues to exist in Mexico, some of which may target our facilities and products, including thefts of our products while transported by truck or rail, or those of Pemex TRI and other suppliers. These activities, their possible escalation and the violence associated with them may have a negative impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

Risks Relating to Our Equity and Debt Securities

Holders of our class A preferred shares or the ADSs may not receive any dividends or interest on shareholders equity.

According to our by-laws and Brazilian corporate law, we must generally pay our shareholders at least 25% of our annual net income as dividends or interest on shareholders equity, as calculated and adjusted under Brazilian GAAP (which, for this purpose, is identical to IFRS). This adjusted net income may be capitalized, used to absorb losses or otherwise retained as allowed under Brazilian GAAP and may not be available to be paid as dividends or interest on shareholders equity. The Brazilian Corporation Law allows a publicly traded company like ours to suspend the mandatory distribution of dividends in any particular year if our board of directors informs our shareholders that such distributions would be inadvisable in view of our financial condition or cash availability. Holders of our class A preferred shares or the ADSs may not receive any dividends or interest on shareholders equity in any given year if our board of directors makes such a determination or if our operations fail to generate net income.

Our class A preferred shares and the ADSs have limited voting rights and are not entitled to vote to approve corporate transactions, including mergers or consolidations of our company with other companies, or the declaration of dividends.

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws, holders of our class A preferred shares and, consequently, the ADSs are not entitled to vote at meetings of our shareholders, except in very limited circumstances. These limited circumstances directly relate to key rights of the holders of class A preferred shares, such as modifying basic terms of our class A preferred shares or creating a new class of preferred shares with superior rights. Holders of preferred shares without voting rights are entitled to elect one member and his or her respective alternate to our board of directors and our fiscal council, depending on specific circumstances provided in the Brazilian Corporation Law. Holders of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs are not entitled to vote to approve corporate transactions, including mergers or consolidations of our company with other companies, or the declaration of dividends. However, if we do not pay dividends for three consecutive years, holders of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs will be granted voting rights. See Item 10. Additional Information Description of Our Company s By-laws Voting Rights.

Holders of the ADSs may find it difficult to exercise even their limited voting rights at our shareholders meetings.

Under Brazilian law, only shareholders registered as such in our corporate books may attend our shareholders meetings. All class A preferred shares underlying the ADSs are registered in the name of the depositary. ADS holders may exercise the limited voting rights with respect to our class A preferred shares represented by the ADSs only in accordance with the deposit agreement relating to the ADSs, which provides that voting rights are only available to ADS holders at our discretion. There are practical limitations upon the ability of ADS holders to exercise their voting rights due to the additional steps involved in communicating with ADS holders. For example, we are required to publish a notice of our shareholders meetings in certain newspapers in Brazil. To the extent that holders of our class A preferred shares are entitled to vote at a shareholders meeting, they will be able to exercise their voting rights by attending the meeting in person or voting by proxy. By contrast, holders of the ADS will receive notice of a shareholders meeting rights, ADS holders must instruct the depository requesting the ADR depository to do so. To exercise their voting rights, ADS holders must instruct the depositary on a timely basis. This noticed voting process will take longer for ADS holders than for holders of class A preferred shares. If it fails to receive timely voting instructions for all or part of the ADSs, the depositary will assume that the holders of those ADSs are instructing it to give a discretionary proxy to a person designated by us to vote their ADSs, except in limited circumstances.

In the limited circumstances in which holders of the ADSs have voting rights, they may not receive the voting materials in time to instruct the depositary to vote the class A preferred shares underlying their ADSs. In addition, the depositary and its agents are not responsible for failing to carry out the voting instructions of the holders of the ADSs or for the manner of carrying out those voting instructions. Accordingly, holders of the ADSs may not be able to exercise their voting rights, and they will have no recourse if the class A preferred shares underlying their ADSs are not voted as requested.

If holders of the ADSs exchange them for class A preferred shares, they may risk temporarily losing, or being limited in, the ability to remit foreign currency abroad and certain Brazilian tax advantages.

The Brazilian custodian for the preferred shares underlying the ADSs must obtain an electronic registration number with the Central Bank to allow the depositary to remit U.S. dollars abroad. ADS holders benefit from the electronic certificate of foreign capital registration from the Central Bank obtained by the custodian for the depositary, which permits it to convert dividends and other distributions with respect to the class A preferred shares into U.S. dollars and remit the proceeds of such conversion abroad. If holders of the ADSs decide to exchange them for the underlying preferred shares, they will only be entitled to rely on the custodian s certificate of registration with the Central Bank for five business days after the date of the exchange. Thereafter, they will be unable to remit U.S. dollars abroad unless they obtain a new electronic certificate of foreign capital registration in connection with the preferred shares, which may result in expenses and may cause delays in receiving distributions. See Item 10. Additional Information Exchange Controls.

Also, if holders of the ADSs that exchange the ADSs for our Class A preferred shares do not qualify under the foreign investment regulations, they will generally be subject to less favorable tax treatment of dividends and distribution on, and the proceeds from any sale of, our preferred shares. See Item 10. Additional information Exchange Controls and Item 10. Additional Information Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations.

Restrictions on the movement of capital out of Brazil may impair the ability of holders of our shares, ADSs and debt securities to receive payments on their respective obligations or guarantees and may restrict our ability to make payments in U.S. dollars.

In the past, the Brazilian economy has experienced balance of payment deficits and shortages in foreign exchange reserves, and the government has responded by restricting the ability of Brazilian or foreign persons or entities to convert *reais* into foreign currencies. The government may institute a restrictive exchange control policy in the future. Any restrictive exchange control policy could prevent or restrict our access to U.S. dollars, and consequently our ability to meet our U.S. dollar obligations under our shares, ADSs and the guarantees we granted pursuant to our outstanding senior notes, and could also have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We cannot predict the impact of any such measures on the Brazilian economy.

The foreign exchange policy of Brazil may affect the ability of Braskem to make money remittances outside Brazil in respect of our equity securities or debt securities.

Under current Brazilian regulations, Brazilian companies are not required to obtain authorization from the Central Bank in order to make payments under guarantees in favor of foreign persons, such as the holders of our shares, ADSs or the outstanding senior notes. We cannot assure you that these regulations will continue to be in force in the event that Braskem is required to perform its payment obligations under its shares, ADSs or the guarantees under our outstanding senior notes. If these regulations or their interpretation are modified and an authorization from the Central Bank is required, Braskem would need to seek an authorization from the Central Bank to transfer the amounts under such obligations out of Brazil or, alternatively, make such payments with funds held by Braskem outside Brazil. We cannot assure you that such an authorization will be obtained or that such funds will be available. If such authorization is not obtained, we may be unable to make payments to holders of our shares, ADSs and/or the applicable senior notes in U.S. dollars. If we are unable to obtain the required approvals, if needed for the payment of amounts owed by Braskem through remittances from Brazil, we may have to seek other lawful mechanisms to effect payment of amounts due under the shares, ADSs or the senior notes. However, we cannot assure you that other remittance mechanisms will be available in the future, and even if they are available in the future, we cannot assure you that payment on the outstanding senior notes would be possible through such mechanism.

Holders of the ADSs may face difficulties in protecting their interests because we are subject to different corporate rules and regulations as a Brazilian company and our shareholders may have fewer and less well-defined rights.

Holders of the ADSs are not direct shareholders of our company and are unable to enforce the rights of shareholders under our by-laws and the Brazilian Corporation Law.

Our corporate affairs are governed by our by-laws and the Brazilian Corporation Law, which differ from the legal principles that would apply if we were incorporated in a jurisdiction in the United States, such as the State of Delaware or New York, or elsewhere outside Brazil. Even if a holder of ADSs surrenders its ADSs and becomes a direct shareholder, its rights as a holder of the class A preferred shares underlying the ADSs under the Brazilian Corporation Law to protect its interests relative to actions by our board of directors may be fewer and less well-defined than under the laws of those other jurisdictions.

Although insider trading and price manipulation are crimes under Brazilian law and are the subject of continuously evolving regulations promulgated by the CVM, the Brazilian securities markets are not as highly regulated and supervised as the U.S. securities markets or the markets in some other jurisdictions. In addition, rules and policies against self-dealing or for preserving shareholder interests may be less well-defined and enforced in Brazil than in the United States and certain other countries, which may put holders of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs at a potential disadvantage. Corporate disclosures also may be less complete or informative than for a public company in the United States or in certain other countries.

Holders of the ADSs may face difficulties in serving process on or enforcing judgments against us and other persons.

We are a corporation (*sociedade por ações*) organized under the laws of Brazil, and all of our directors and executive officers and our independent public accountants reside or are based in Brazil. Most of our assets and those of these other persons are located in Brazil. As a result, it may not be possible for holders of the ADSs to effect service of process upon us or these other persons within the United States or other jurisdictions outside Brazil or to enforce against us or these other persons judgments obtained in the United States or other jurisdictions outside Brazil. In addition, because a substantial portion of our assets and all of our directors and officers reside outside the United States, any judgment obtained in the United States against us or any of our directors or officers may not be collectible within the United States. Because judgments of U.S. courts for civil liabilities based upon the U.S. federal securities laws may only be enforced in Brazil if certain conditions are met, holders may face greater difficulties in protecting their interests in the case of actions by us or our directors or executive officers than would shareholders of a U.S. corporation.

Judgments of Brazilian courts enforcing Braskem s obligations under our equity securities or the guarantees would be payable only in reais.

If proceedings are brought in the courts of Brazil seeking to enforce our obligations under our shares, ADSs, the guarantees under our outstanding senior notes or our other indebtedness, we would not be required to discharge our obligations in a currency other than *reais*. Any judgment obtained against us in Brazilian courts in respect of any payment obligations under such shares, ADSs, guarantees or other indebtedness would be expressed in reais. We cannot assure you that this amount in *reais* will afford the holders of the shares, ADSs, senior notes or our other indebtedness full compensation of the amount sought in any such litigation.

Actual or anticipated sales of a substantial number of class A preferred shares could decrease the market prices of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs.

Sales of a substantial number of our class A preferred shares could negatively affect the market prices of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs. If substantial sales of shares are made through the securities markets by our controlling shareholders or other class A preferred shares, the market price of our class A preferred shares and, by extension, the ADSs may decrease significantly. As a result, holders of the ADSs may not be able to sell the ADSs at or above the price they paid for them.

Holders of the ADSs or class A preferred shares in the United States may not be entitled to the same preemptive rights as Brazilian shareholders have, pursuant to Brazilian legislation, in the subscription of shares resulting from capital increases made by us.

Under Brazilian law, if we issue new shares in exchange for cash or assets as part of a capital increase, subject to certain exceptions, we must grant our shareholders preemptive rights at the time of the subscription of shares, corresponding to their respective interest in our share capital, allowing them to maintain their existing shareholding

percentage. We may not legally be permitted to allow holders of ADSs or class A preferred shares in the United States to exercise any preemptive rights in any future capital increase unless (1) we file a registration statement for an offering of shares resulting from the capital increase with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, or (2) the offering of shares resulting from the capital increase qualifies for an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. At the time of any future capital increase, we will evaluate the costs and potential liabilities associated with filing a registration statement for an offering of shares in the United States that we consider important in determining whether to file such a registration statement. We cannot assure the holders of the ADSs or class A preferred shares in the United States that we will file a registration statement with the SEC to allow them to participate in any of our capital increases. As a result, the equity interest of such holders in our company may be diluted.

Brazilian tax laws may have an adverse impact on the taxes applicable to the disposition of our ADSs and preferred shares.

According to Law No. 10,833, enacted on December 29, 2003, if a nonresident of Brazil disposes of assets located in Brazil, the transaction will be subject to taxation in Brazil, even if such disposition occurs outside Brazil or if such disposition is made to another nonresident. Dispositions of our ADSs between nonresidents, however, are currently not subject to taxation in Brazil. Nevertheless, in the event that the concept of disposition of assets is interpreted to include the disposition between nonresidents of assets located outside Brazil, this tax law could result in the imposition of withholding taxes in the event of a disposition of our ADSs made between nonresidents of Brazil. Due to the fact that as of the date of this annual report Law No. 10,833/2003 has no judicial guidance as to its application, we are unable to predict whether an interpretation applying such tax laws to dispositions of our ADSs between nonresidents Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations.

The relative volatility and liquidity of the Brazilian securities markets may adversely affect holders of our class A preferred shares and the ADSs.

The Brazilian securities markets are substantially smaller, less liquid and more volatile than major securities markets in the United States and other jurisdictions, and may be regulated differently from the manner in which U.S. investors are accustomed. Factors that may specifically affect the Brazilian equity markets may limit the ability of holders of the ADSs to sell class A preferred shares underlying ADSs at a price and at a time when they wish to do so and, as a result, could negatively impact the market price of the ADSs themselves.

Economic developments and investor perceptions of risk in other countries, including both in developed or emerging market economies, may adversely affect the trading price of Brazilian securities, including our common shares and ADSs, as well as any outstanding debt securities.

The market value of securities of Brazilian issuers is affected in varying degrees by economic and market conditions in other countries, including in developed countries, such as the United States and certain European countries, and in emerging market countries. Although economic conditions in such countries may differ significantly from economic conditions in Brazil, the reaction of investors to developments in these other countries may have an adverse effect on the market value of securities of Brazilian issuers. The price of shares traded in the Brazilian capital markets, for instance, has been historically subject to fluctuation of interest rates in the United States and the variation in the main U.S. stock exchanges. Moreover, crises in other emerging countries may diminish investor interest in securities of Brazilian issuers, including our common shares and ADSs and our debt securities. This could adversely affect the market price of our common shares, ADSs and outstanding debt securities and could also make it more difficult for us to access capital markets, affecting our ability to finance our operations on acceptable terms.

Recently, heightened volatility in the Brazilian market was due to, among other factors, uncertainties regarding adjustments to the implication of U.S. elections, U.S. monetary policy, the so-called BREXIT and their consequences on international financial markets, increased aversion to risk in emerging countries, and uncertainties regarding macroeconomic and political conditions. On January 20, 2017, Donald Trump became the President of the United States. We have no control over and cannot predict the effects of Donald Trump s administration or policies. In addition, we are exposed to disruption and volatility of global financial markets due to their effects on the economic and financial environment, particularly in Brazil, such as economic downturn, increased unemployment rate, decreased purchasing power of consumers and unavailability of credit.

These disruptions or volatility in global financial markets may increase even further the negative effects on the Brazilian economic and financial environment, adversely affecting us.

Because Braskem Finance Limited has no operations of its own, holders of our outstanding senior notes issued by Braskem Finance Limited must depend on Braskem to provide Braskem Finance Limited with sufficient funds to make payments on these notes when due.

Braskem Finance Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Braskem incorporated in the Cayman Islands, has no operations other than the issuing and making payments on its senior notes and other indebtedness ranking equally with these senior notes, and using the proceeds therefrom as permitted by the documents governing these issuances, including lending the net proceeds of the senior notes and other indebtedness incurred by Braskem Finance Limited to Braskem and subsidiaries of Braskem. Accordingly, the ability of Braskem Finance Limited to pay principal, interest and other amounts due on the outstanding senior notes issued by it and other indebtedness will depend upon our financial condition and results of operations and our subsidiaries that are creditors of Braskem Finance Limited. In the event of an adverse change in our financial condition or results of operations and our subsidiaries that are creditors of Braskem Finance Limited, which would result in the failure of Braskem Finance Limited to have sufficient funds to repay all amounts due on or with respect to the outstanding senior notes.

Payments on Braskem s guarantees will be junior to Braskem s secured debt obligations and effectively junior to debt obligations of Braskem s subsidiaries and jointly controlled companies.

The outstanding senior notes are fully guaranteed by Braskem on an unsecured basis. The Braskem guarantees will constitute senior unsecured obligations of Braskem. The guarantees will rank equal in right of payment with all of Braskem s other existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness. Although the guarantees will provide the holders of the senior notes with a direct, but unsecured claim on Braskem s assets and property, payment on the guarantees will be subordinated to secured debt of Braskem to the extent of the assets and property securing such debt.

Upon any liquidation or reorganization of Braskem, any right of the holders of the notes, through enforcement of Braskem s guarantees (i) to participate in the assets of Braskem, including the capital stock of its subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities, will be subject to the prior claims of Braskem s secured creditors, and (ii) to participate in the assets of Braskem s subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities, and will be subject to the prior claims of the creditors of such subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities. The indentures relating to the outstanding senior notes include a covenant limiting the ability of Braskem and its subsidiaries to create or suffer to exist liens, although this limitation is subject to significant exceptions.

As of December 31, 2016, Braskem had (1) consolidated corporate debt, net of transaction costs, of R\$23,331.1 million (US\$7,158.7 million), and (2) consolidated debt related to our Mexico Complex of R\$10,437.8 million (US\$3,202.7 million). Of the consolidated corporate debt, R\$4,403.5 million (US\$1,351.1 million) was unsecured debt of Braskem S.A., R\$2,867.1 million (US\$879.7 million) was secured debt of Braskem S.A., R\$16,060.5 million (US\$4,927.9 million) was debt of Braskem s subsidiaries and special purpose entities (other than Braskem Idesa S.A.P.I.). The Braskem Idesa Working Capital Facility in the aggregate amount of R\$302.6 million (US\$92.8 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 was secured by Braskem S.A.,.

Braskem conducts a portion of its business operations through subsidiaries and jointly controlled companies. In servicing payments to be made on its guarantees of the outstanding senior notes, Braskem may rely, in part, on cash flows from its subsidiaries and jointly controlled companies, mainly in the form of dividend payments and interest on shareholders equity. The ability of these subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities to make dividend payments to

Braskem will be affected by, among other factors, the obligations of these entities to their creditors, requirements of Brazilian corporate and other law, and restrictions contained in agreements entered into by or relating to these entities. In the event that these subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities fail to make dividend payments to Braskem due to insufficient cash flows, Braskem may be required to utilize its own cash flow to service payments on its outstanding senior notes.

Braskem s obligations under the guarantees under the outstanding senior notes are subordinated to certain statutory preferences.

Under Brazilian law, Braskem s obligations under the guarantees under the outstanding senior notes are subordinated to certain statutory preferences. In the event of a liquidation, bankruptcy or judicial reorganization of Braskem, such statutory preferences, including post-petition claims, claims for salaries, wages, social security, taxes and court fees and expenses and claims secured by collateral, among others, will have preference over any other claims, including claims by any investor in respect of the guarantees. In such event, enforcement of the guarantees may be unsuccessful, and holders of the outstanding senior notes may be unable to collect amounts that they are due under the outstanding senior notes.

Brazilian bankruptcy laws may be less favorable to holders of our shares, ADSs and outstanding senior notes than bankruptcy and insolvency laws in other jurisdictions.

If we are unable to pay our indebtedness, including our obligations under the shares, ADSs and guarantees under the outstanding senior notes, then we may become subject to bankruptcy proceedings in Brazil. The bankruptcy laws of Brazil currently in effect are significantly different from, and may be less favorable to creditors than, those of certain other jurisdictions. For example, holders of our outstanding debt securities may have limited voting rights at creditors meetings in the context of a court reorganization proceeding. In addition, any judgment obtained against us in Brazilian courts in respect of any payment obligations under the guarantees normally would be expressed in the *real* equivalent of the U.S. dollar amount of such sum at the exchange rate in effect (1) on the date of actual payment, (2) on the date on which such judgment is rendered, or (3) on the date on which collection or enforcement proceedings are started against us. Consequently, in the event of our bankruptcy, all of our debt obligations that are denominated in foreign currency, including the guarantees, will be converted into *reais* at the prevailing exchange rate on the date of declaration of our bankruptcy by the court. We cannot assure you that such rate of exchange will afford full compensation of the amount invested in our outstanding debt securities plus accrued interest.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

According to IHS we are the largest producer of thermoplastic resins in the Americas, based on annual production capacity of our 29 plants in Brazil, six plants in the United States, two plants in Germany and four plants in Mexico as of December 31, 2016. We are the only producer of ethylene, polyethylene and polypropylene in Brazil. We produce a diversified portfolio of petrochemical and thermoplastic products and have a strategic focus on thermoplastic resins, including polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC. We are also the ninth largest Brazilian company, based on net revenue in 2016, according to the magazine *Revista Exame* Maiores e Melhores. We recorded net sales revenue of R\$47,664.0 million and a net loss of R\$729.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2016.

As of December 31, 2016, our business operations were organized into five business units, which corresponded to our principal production processes, products and services. Our business units were as follows:

our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, which includes our production and sale of basic petrochemicals at the petrochemical complex located in Camaçari in the State of Bahia, or the Northeastern Complex, the petrochemical complex located in Triunfo in the State of Rio Grande do Sul, or the Southern Complex, the petrochemical complex located in Capuava in the State of São Paulo, or the São Paulo Complex and the petrochemical complex located in Duque de Caxias in the State of Rio de Janeiro, or the Rio de Janeiro Complex, and our supply of electricity produced at these complexes to second generation producers, including producers owned or controlled by us. This segment accounted for net sales revenue of R\$25,062.6 million, or 42.6% of our consolidated net sales revenue of all reportable segments, including net sales to our other business units;

our Polyolefins Unit, which includes the production and sale of polyethylene, including the production of green polyethylene from renewable resources, and polypropylene produced by our company in Brazil. This segment accounted for net sales revenue of R\$20,307.4 million, or 34.5% of our consolidated net sales revenue of all reportable segments, including net sales to our other business units;

our USA and Europe Unit, which includes our production, operations and sale of polypropylene in the United States and Germany. This segment accounted for net sales revenue of R\$8,896.1 million, or 15.1% of our consolidated net sales revenue of all reportable segments, including net sales to our other business units;

our Mexico Unit, which includes our production, operations and sale of ethylene, HDPE and LDPE in Mexico. This segment accounted for net sales revenue of R\$1,586.9 million, or 2.7% of our consolidated net sales revenue of all reportable segments, including net sales to our other business units;

our Vinyls Unit, which includes our production and sale of PVC and caustic soda. This segment accounted for net sales revenue of R\$3,016.4 million, or 5.1% of our consolidated net sales revenue of all reportable segments, including net sales to our other business units;

Approximately 43.4%, 48.9% and 48.0% of our net sales revenue in 2014, 2015 and 2016, respectively, was derived from our Brazilian operations, and 56.6%, 51.1% and 52.0% of our net sales revenue in 2014, 2015 and 2016 was derived from our international operations (including exports from Brazil). We expect this process of

internationalization to continue, especially with the ramp up of our Mexican operations.

Strategy of Our Company

Our strategic objective is to satisfy our customers in the plastics value chain and the chemical industry in Brazil and the Americas, while maximizing return on the capital invested by shareholders.

The key elements of our strategy include:

Differentiation of Our Business. We recognize the cyclical nature of the markets for our petrochemical products and believe that, by focusing on relationships with our local customers, we can foster customer loyalty even during periods of lower demand. For instance, we offer our local customers more flexible delivery options and credit terms than importers, which typically offer deliveries only through port facilities financed through letters of credit. Our growth strategy is centered on increasing the consumption of our products, enabling customers to substitute non-plastic materials with thermoplastic resins. We are seeking to establish close, long-term relationships with our customers and are committed to providing technological support and solutions to our customers, through our research and/or development centers, which include the following: (1) Innovation and Technology Center in Triunfo, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil; (2) Innovation and Technology Center in Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil; (4) Process Technology Development Center in Mauá, São Paulo, Brazil; (5) European Technical Center in Wessling, Bavaria, Germany; and (6) Mexican Technical Center in Nanchital, Vera Cruz, Mexico, which develop processes, products and applications for many industrial sectors and which, as of December 31, 2016, collectively had 302 employees.

In addition, in order to maintain our leadership position in the industry, we intend to improve the productivity and competitiveness of our current operations, maintain high standards of safety indicators and ensure maximum operational performance in terms of reliability, production optimization, cost reduction opportunities, investment discipline and improvements in our industrial processes.

Acquisition of Feedstocks at Competitive Prices and Diversification of Feedstock. In order to obtain feedstocks at competitive prices, we are constantly seeking to diversify our feedstock profile and to negotiate purchases of feedstocks at competitive prices.

As a result of rising natural gas production and related production of natural gas liquids, several companies have announced plans to build PDH plants, which would produce on-purpose propylene. We have secured an approximately 15-year propylene agreement with Enterprise Products Partners L.P., or Enterprise Products, which is currently building a PDH plant in Texas with an annual capacity of 750,000 tons. We expect this agreement with an established producer to provide us with a competitive, long-term supply of propylene, using shale gas and other nontraditional sources as its feedstock. This plant is expected to commence operations by the end of 2017. Under this arrangement, the pricing of these contracts will be based on market prices for propane and other market costs.

With respect to the diversification of our feedstock profile, in April 2016 we commenced commercial operations of our Mexico Complex, which includes a cracker using ethane as feedstock and three integrated polyethylene plants with annual capacity of 1.05 million tons. Developed through a joint venture with Idesa, Braskem Idesa has entered into a long-term supply contract to purchase ethane from Pemex TRI, under competitive commercial conditions.

In March 2016, our board of directors approved a project with an expected investment of R\$380 million to enable the use of up to 15% of ethane as raw material in the Northeastern Complex in Brazil. This project will modernize this industrial unit and improve the port infrastructure. We expect to complete this modernization in the second half of 2017. Furthermore, we entered into a long-term ethane supply agreement with a U.S. company with pricing based on the Mont Belvieu market prices.

Expansion in Selected International Markets. As part of the continuous evaluation of our business and plans, we regularly consider a range of strategic options and transactions. From time to time, we consider a variety of potential strategic transactions to expand our presence in the global petrochemicals market. We plan to expand the production capacity of our business units during the next several years by constructing new facilities (greenfield projects) with access to competitive feedstock sources independently or in conjunction with third parties and/or through the acquisition of petrochemical producers that currently compete with us or produce complementary products.

During 2016, we progressed studies on a project to build a new polypropylene plant at our site in La Porte, Texas, or the La Porte Project, which was approved by our board of directors on June 21, 2017. With an approved investment of up to US\$675 million, the La Porte Project will add 450 kt of annual polypropylene production capacity to our portfolio, with startup expected in 2020.

The La Porte Project is aligned with our strategy to diversify our feedstock profile and expand geographically in the Americas, and it will strengthen our leadership position in polypropylene production in the United States.

New Business Opportunities. We seek to pursue new business opportunities by developing new and specialized products and technologies, including the following:

We have expanded and converted one of our polyethylene production lines in Bahia to produce metallocene-based linear low density polyethylene. This resin has distinctive characteristics for the flexible packaging industry, including greater resistance to impact and punctures, higher polish and greater transparency. This production line commenced operations in the fourth quarter of 2014;

In January 2017, we commenced production of UTEC[®], our Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene (UHMWPE) produced at our plant in La Porte, Texas. UTEC is an engineered polymer with advanced mechanical properties, such as high abrasion resistance, impact strength and low coefficient of friction and is developed and produced through our proprietary technologies. UTEC is a self-lubricating, high-strength, lightweight machinable product used for semi-finished goods in a vast array of applications and industries. It is eight times lighter than steel and lasts ten times longer than High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE);

We are continuously evaluating opportunities to improve our existing products and to act as partner or supplier in connection with the manufacture of new value-added products; and

We are seeking a strong position in the technological development of chemicals from renewable resources and/or using production processes that generate fewer emissions by investing in research, development and technological innovation.

History and Development of Our Company

Our business began when the Odebrecht Group (comprised of Odebrecht S.A. and its subsidiaries) and Mariani Group acquired control of Copene, a raw materials petrochemical complex in Camaçari, in July 2001, and then subsequently integrated their assets in the petrochemical sector with Copene. From 2001 to 2004, we underwent a corporate reorganization and merged many recently acquired companies. In addition, we acquired Polialden in 2005 and Politeno in 2006.

Through a partnership with Petrobras, we began consolidating the Southern Complex in Brazil in March 2007 with the acquired petrochemical assets from the Ipiranga group. In November 2007, we signed an agreement with Petrobras and Odebrecht, which required them to contribute part of their assets in the petrochemical sector to Braskem. In September 2008, Ipiranga Petroquímica, Petroquímica Paulínia and the spun-off portion of Ipiranga Química were merged into our company. In May 2009, our merger with Triunfo was approved.

In January 2010, we announced the acquisition of Quattor in order to strengthen the Brazilian petrochemical sector and establish ourselves among the five largest and most competitive petrochemical companies in the world. In February 2010, we announced the acquisition of the polypropylene assets of Sunoco Chemicals, the fourth largest

producer of this resin in the United States. This acquisition represented an important step towards strengthening our internationalization strategy, which combines our growth in the U.S. market with alternative access to competitive raw materials and main consumer markets. As a result of this acquisition, we became a leader of thermoplastic resins in the Americas, consolidating our position as a major player in the international petrochemical market and the third largest global player in the polypropylene industry. In 2010, Braskem inaugurated its green ethylene plant in Triunfo, Rio Grande do Sul, becoming the world leader in biopolymers and launched the brand I m greeTM, which identifies Braskem s products made from renewable sources.

In July 2011, we announced the acquisition of Dow Chemical s polypropylene business, including four plants (two plants in the United States and two plants in Germany). The U.S. assets, located in Freeport and Seadrift, Texas, have a combined annual production capacity of 545,000 tons, which represented a 50% increase in annual capacity polypropylene production in the United States. The German assets, located in the cities of Wesseling and Schkopau, have a combined annual production capacity of 545,000 tons. This acquisition represented an important step in the consolidation of our international strategy, positioning us as the largest producer of polypropylene in the United States.

The following discussion highlights the important developments in our business since January 1, 2017.

Beginning of Operations of Our Mexico Unit

During April 2016, Braskem Idesa commenced commercial operations of the Mexico Complex. As a result of the commencement of operations of the Mexico Complex, we commenced recording the results of our Mexico Unit as a separate segment in our financial statements as of dates and for periods ended after January 1, 2016. For more information about the Mexico Complex and the Mexico Unit, see Item 4. Information on the Company Mexico Unit.

Global Settlement

In December 2016, we entered into a global settlement with the MPF, the DoJ, the SEC, and the OAG with regard to certain matters under investigation, which we refer to as the Global Settlement. The Global Settlement was reached at the conclusion of an independent internal investigation into the allegations of improper payments in connection with the so-called Operation Car Wash in Brazil. Under the Global Settlement, we agreed to pay to the governmental authorities in these jurisdictions an aggregate amount of approximately US\$957 million (equivalent to approximately R\$3.1 billion based on the fixed exchange rate of R\$3.27 to US\$1.00) and to be subject to external monitorship for a period of three years. For more information regarding the Global Settlement, see Item 8. Financial Information Legal Proceedings Global Settlement.

Sale of quantiQ

On January 10, 2017, we entered into an agreement with GTM do Brasil Comércio de Produtos Químicos LTDA under which we sold 100% of our ownership interest in quantiQ for an aggregate amount of R\$550 million. On January 30, 2017, the Administrative Council for Economic Defense (*Conselho Administrativo de Defesa Econômica*), or CADE, Brazil s antitrust agency, approved the sale of quantiQ. The transaction was consummated on April 3, 2017.

Our Corporate Structure

The following chart presents our simplified ownership structure and the corporate structure of our principal subsidiaries as of the date of this annual report. The percentages in bold italics represent the direct and indirect percentage of the voting share capital owned by each entity, and the percentages not in bold italics represent the direct and indirect and indirect percentage of the total share capital owned by each entity.

Basic Petrochemicals Unit

As of December 31, 2016, according to IHS, our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s facilities had one of the largest annual production capacities of all first generation producers in Latin America. Including net sales to our other business units, our Basic Petrochemicals Unit generated net sales revenue of R\$25,062.6 million in 2016, or 42.6% of the net sales revenue of all reportable segments. Net sales revenue generated by internal sales to our other business units was R\$19,490.2 million during 2016, representing 77.8% of the net sales revenue of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit is comprised of the basic petrochemicals operations conducted by our company in the Northeastern Complex, the Southern Complex, the São Paulo Complex and the Rio de Janeiro Complex.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit produces:

olefins, such as ethylene, polymer and chemical grade propylene, butadiene and butene-1;

BTX products (1);

fuels, such as automotive gasoline, liquefied petroleum gas, or LPG, ethyl tertiary butyl ether, or ETBE, and methyl tertiary butyl ether, or MTBE;

intermediates, such as cumene;

aliphatics, aromatics and hydrogenates solvents; and

specialties such as isoprene, dicyclopentadiene, or DCPD, piperylene, nonene, tetramer, polyisobutylene, or PIB, and hydrocarbon resins.

The products of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit are used primarily in the manufacture of intermediate second generation petrochemical products, including those manufactured by our Polyolefins Unit and our Vinyls Unit. Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit also supplies other second generation producers in each of the petrochemical complexes in which we operate and other companies located outside of these complexes, and renders services to those producers. In 2016, 78.2% of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s net sales revenue (including intra-company sales) was derived from the sale of basic petrochemicals, 7.0% from the sale of fuels, 8.7% from the resale of naphtha and condensate, 2.7% from the sale of intermediates and 3.5% from the sale of utilities and services. In 2016, 43.9% of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s net sales of basic petrochemicals was derived from sales made to our Polyolefins and Vinyls Units.

Products of Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Our other business units and third-party petrochemical producers use ethylene and propylene produced by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit to produce second generation products such as polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC. We also sell butadiene, a variety of aromatics, including BTX products, and intermediates, such as cumene, to third-party petrochemical producers for use as raw materials in the production of a variety of second generation products, including synthetic rubber, elastomers, resins, nylon fibers, ethyl benzene (which is used to make styrene monomer/polystyrene), linear alkyl benzene, purified terephthalic acid, dimethyl terephthalate, bisphenol A, a feedstock for the production of polycarbonate resins, phthalic anhydride, plasticizers and paint.

The following table sets forth the sales volume of basic petrochemicals by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit (excluding our intra-company sales) for the periods indicated.

	Year En	Year Ended December 31,		
	2016	2015	2014	
	(tho	(thousands of tons)		
Domestic sales:				
Ethylene	511.9	485.8	499.6	
Propylene	291.3	246.1	208.9	
Cumene	194.5	206.0	211.6	
Butadiene	198.5	220.1	210.0	

676.9	631.5	594.9
1,214.0	956.7	942.6
3,087.1	2,746.2	2,667.6.
1,318.2	1,584.9	1,559.8
4,405.3	4,331.1	4,227.4
	1,214.0 3,087.1 1,318.2	1,214.0 956.7 3,087.1 2,746.2 1,318.2 1,584.9

(1) Includes benzene, toluene and para-xylene.

In addition, we had the following intra-company sales:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2016	2015	2014	
	(thousands of tons)			
Ethylene	2,856.5	2,793.5	2,704.3	
Propylene	1,022.0	987.3	859.5	
Production Facilities of Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit				

We believe that the technological processes we use at our basic petrochemicals plants are among the most advanced in the world. Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit currently owns and operates:

five major basic petrochemicals units in the Northeastern Complex (two olefins units, two aromatics units and one utilities unit);

five major basic petrochemicals units in the Southern Complex (two olefins units, one green ethylene unit, one aromatics unit and one utilities unit);

three basic petrochemicals units in the São Paulo Complex (one olefins unit, one aromatics unit and one utilities unit); and

two basic petrochemicals units in the Rio de Janeiro Complex (one olefins unit and one utilities unit). We define the term unit to mean several production lines that are linked together to produce olefins, aromatics or utilities.

The table below sets forth the primary products of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, annual production capacity as of December 31, 2016 and annual production for the years presented.

	Annual Production	Production For the Year Ended December 31		
Primary Products	Capacity	2016	2015	2014
		(in tons)		
Olefins:				
Ethylene	3,952,000	3,459,861	3,357,078	3,237,886
Propylene	1,585,000	1,400,466	1,389,796	1,306,636
Butadiene	480,000	411,688	389,272	374,827
Aromatics:				
BTX products(1)	1,367,000	1,000,489	981,570	951,265

(1) Consists of benzene, toluene and para-xylene. *Raw Materials of Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit*

Naphtha

Naphtha is the main raw material that we use to produce our basic petrochemical products and represents the principal production and operating cost of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit. We also use condensate as a raw material in our basic petrochemical units in the Southern Complex.

The price of naphtha that we purchase varies primarily based on changes in the U.S. dollar-based international price of crude oil. Naphtha accounted for 57.0% of the total cost of sales of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit during 2016.

The following table shows the average Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp market price of naphtha for the periods indicated.

	2017	2016	2015	2014
Average(1)	US\$ 455.38	US\$ 385.41	US\$ 461.89	US\$ 836.23
Month ended:				
January	500.00	317.83	396.91	918.58
February	498.00	293.00	502.13	913.65
March	459.00	351.07	504.86	911.40
April	468.00	379.00	525.61	925.63
May	435.00	403.00	550.86	937.84
June	401.00	417.00	538.07	952.45
July	425.00	380.00	472.37	935.59
August	457.00	369.00	403.38	865.81
September		396.00	411.66	841.36
October		441.00	430.26	711.52
November		416.00	419.18	628.94
December		462.00	387.41	491.98

(1) The information in the Average row represents the mean average monthly naphtha prices during each respective year.

Source: IHS.

Supply Contracts and Pricing of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Naphtha

The following table shows the distribution of the naphtha purchases by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit for the periods indicated by geographic location of the suppliers.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2016	2015	2014
Brazil	62.2%	55.5%	69.8%
Algeria	15.6%	19.7%	10.2%
United States of America	1.7%	4.5%	
Venezuela	5.3%	9.9%	9.0%
Others	15.2%	10.4%	11.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Supply Contracts with Petrobras

On December 23, 2015, we and Petrobras entered into a new five-year Naphtha Purchase Agreement. This contract replaced the naphtha supply contract between our company and Petrobras for the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the Northeastern Complex and superseded the naphtha supply contract between our company and Petrobras for the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the Southern Complex, Northeastern Complex and São Paulo Complex. The new contract will expire in December 2020.

Under the terms of this new agreement:

Petrobras has agreed to sell and deliver naphtha, for a period of five years, to our basic petrochemicals plants in the Northeastern, Southeastern and the Southern Complex exclusively for our use as a raw material;

we are required to purchase a minimum monthly volume of naphtha;

we provide Petrobras with a firm commitment order for naphtha each month, together with an estimate of the volume of naphtha that we will purchase over the following six months;

we may request volumes of naphtha that exceed a monthly firm commitment order, which Petrobras may supply at its discretion;

the price we pay for naphtha is equal to 102.1% of ARA;

the contract will be amended in the event that unforeseen extraordinary events occur that cause a disruption in the economic-financial equilibrium of the contract;

beginning in January 2018, either party can renegotiate the contract upon the occurrence of certain market events;

either party may terminate the contract, without prior notice, in the event of: (1) failure to cure any breach of the contract following a 30-day grace period; (2) a force majeure event that continues for more than 90 days; (3) transfer or offer as a guaranty all or part of either party s rights and obligations under the contract to a third party without the other party s consent; (4) an alteration of ownership or corporate purposes that conflicts with the purpose of the contract; (5) dissolution; or (6) failure to comply with the compliance obligations of the contract; and

Petrobras may terminate the contract, without prior notice, in the event of our bankruptcy or liquidation. *Supply Arrangements with SONATRACH*

La Société Nationale pour la Recherche, la Production, le Transport, la Transformation et la Commercialisation des Hydrocarbures, or SONATRACH (the Algerian national oil company), is one of our suppliers of imported naphtha and condensate. We have imported naphtha supplied by SONATRACH since 2002. On an annual basis, we negotiate the minimum and maximum volumes of naphtha and condensate that we will purchase from SONATRACH. In the event that we were unable to renew our supply arrangements with SONATRACH, we believe that we could purchase sufficient quantities of naphtha from other suppliers to meet the supply needs of our basic petrochemicals plants.

Other Supply Contracts

As part of our strategy to diversify our sources of supply of naphtha, we are acquiring naphtha under annual supply arrangements with international suppliers.

Spot Market Purchases of Naphtha

In addition to our supplies of naphtha under the agreements described above, we purchase naphtha on the spot market from time to time from foreign suppliers located in Africa, Europe, North America and Latin America.

Ethane and Propane

Ethane and propane are the principal raw materials that we use to produce our basic petrochemical products in the Rio de Janeiro Complex and represent the principal production and operating cost of the basic petrochemical unit in the Rio de Janeiro Complex. The price of ethane and propane that we purchase varies primarily based on changes in the U.S. dollar-based international price of these feedstocks.

In December 2000, we and Petrobras entered into an ethane and propane supply agreement. The initial term of this contract expires in January 2021 and this agreement is automatically renewable for one two-year period, unless either party notifies the other party in writing, at least one year prior to the expiration of the contract, that it does not intend to renew this agreement. Under the terms of this agreement, Petrobras agrees to sell and deliver ethane and propane to our basic petrochemical plant in the Rio de Janeiro Complex exclusively for use as a raw material;

we are required to purchase and Petrobras is required to deliver a minimum annual volume of ethane and/or propane;

we agree to provide Petrobras with a firm commitment order for ethane and propane each month, together with an estimate of the volume of ethane and propane that we will purchase over the immediately succeeding four months;

the price for ethane and propane is based on the USA Mont Belvieu price; and

Petrobras may terminate the contract, without prior notice, in the event of: (1) our failure to cure any breach of the contract following a 60-day grace period; (2) a force majeure event that continues for more than 365 days; (3) we transfer or offer as a guaranty all or part of our rights and obligations under the contract to a third party without Petrobras consent; and (4) the dissolution, bankruptcy or liquidation of RioPol. *Refinery Off Gas*

In January 2005, we and Petrobras entered into an agreement for the purchase and sale of a steam of refinery off gas, from which we separate ethylene and propylene. This agreement provides that we and Petrobras will negotiate the renewal of this agreement prior to its expiration in 2020 and that, in the event that Petrobras does not intend to renew this agreement, it must notify us at least two years prior to the expiration of this agreement and must perform under the terms and conditions of this agreement until 2028. Under the terms of this agreement, which represents 100% of our light refinery hydrocarbon supply:

Petrobras agrees to sell and deliver refinery off gas to our basic petrochemical plant in the São Paulo Complex exclusively for use as raw materials;

we are required to purchase a minimum daily volume of refinery off gas;

the price for refinery off gas is based on a variety of market indices;

the contract will be amended in the event that unforeseen extraordinary events occur that cause a disruption in the economic-financial equilibrium of the contract; and

Petrobras may terminate the contract, without prior notice, in the event of: (1) our failure to cure any breach of the contract following a 30-day grace period; (2) a force majeureevent that prevents the execution of the contract; (3) we transfer or offers as a guarantee all or part of its rights, obligations and credits under the contract to a third party without Petrobras consent, unless the third party is a member of our economic group; (4) the dissolution or bankruptcy of Braskem S.A; and (5) a change of entity type, merger, sale, spin-off or any other corporate reconstruction of Braskem S.A that conflicts with or impedes the execution of contract s purpose.

Electricity

To supply our industrial operations in Brazil, which represents 86% of the global Braskem s electric consumption, we self-generate approximately 20% of our electrical energy consumption. Approximately 32% of our demand is supplied by Companhia Hidrelétrica do São Francisco, or CHESF, a Brazilian government-owned electric power generation company, pursuant to a power purchase agreement. Approximately 93% of the 68% remaining energy is supplied under long-term contracts with several suppliers in the free energy market (Mercado Livre de Energia) and 7% is supplied by regulated market.

In the Bahia Complex, we self-generate approximately 36% of the energy consumption, and about 42% of the demand is supplied by CHESF. The remaining energy is supplied under long-term contracts in the free energy market (*Mercado Livre de Energia*) from several companies.

In the Alagoas Complex, approximately 76% of the energy consumption is supplied by CHESF. About 13% of the demand is delivered by Eletrobras Alagoas, another Brazilian government-owned electric power distribution company. The remaining energy is supplied under long-term contracts in the free energy market from several companies.

In the Southern Complex, we self-generate approximately 31% of the energy consumption, and the remaining energy is acquired from several suppliers primarily under long-term contracts in the free energy market.

In the São Paulo Complex, we self-generate approximately 11% of the energy consumption, and the remaining energy is acquired primarily under long-term contracts in the free energy market from several companies.

In the Rio de Janeiro Complex, all the energy consumption is acquired primarily under long-term contracts in the energy free market from several companies.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is supplied to our industrial operations in Brazil under long-term contracts in the regulated market by companies that have government licenses and exclusivity to deliver in each state. The natural gas consumed by our operations in Brazil in 2016 represented 61% of our total consumption.

In the Bahia Complex, natural gas is supplied by Bahiagás, which represents approximately 45% of our consumption in Brazil.

In the Alagoas Complex, natural gas is supplied by Gás de Alagoas S.A. (Algás), which represents approximately 21% of our consumption in Brazil.

In the Rio Grande do Sul Complex, natural gas is supplied by SULGAS, which represents approximately 14% of our consumption in Brazil.

In the São Paulo Complex, natural gas is supplied by the Companhia de Gás de São Paulo Comgás, which represents approximately 16% of our consumption in Brazil.

In the Rio de Janeiro Complex, natural gas is supplied by CEG, which represents approximately 4% of our consumption in Brazil.

Others

In the Southern Complex we also buy methanol to produce MTBE and ethanol to produce the green polyethylene. Methanol is imported and price is based in international market quotations. Ethanol is bought in the domestic market from several producers. In the Bahia Complex, we also buy ethanol to produce ETBE.

Sales and Marketing of Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit

We sell 70% of our basic petrochemical products in Brazil to third-party petrochemical producers. We sell the remainder of our basic petrochemical products to customers in the United States, Europe, South America and Asia.

As is common with other first generation petrochemical producers, our Basic Petrochemicals Unit has a high concentration of sales to a limited number of customers. Net sales to our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s 10 largest customers (excluding intra-company sales) accounted for 22.2% of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s total net sales revenue during the year ended December 31, 2016.

The following table sets forth our net sales revenue derived from domestic and export sales, excluding inter-company sales, by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit for the years indicated:

	For t	For the Year Ended December 31,				
	2016	2015 (in millions of <i>reais</i>)	2014			
Net sales revenue:		· · · ·				
Domestic sales	R\$ 8,201.7	R\$ 7,523.5	R\$ 8,459.5			
Export sales	5,572.3	4,944.2	5,389.8			
	13,744.0	R\$ 12,467.7	R\$ 13,849.3			

Domestic Sales of Basic Petrochemicals

As part of our commercial strategy, our Basic Petrochemicals Unit focuses on developing long-term relationships with our customers and entering into long-term supply contracts that provide for minimum and maximum quantities to be purchased and monthly deliveries. We determine the domestic prices that we charge for ethylene by reference to Western European contract prices. We determine the domestic prices that we charge for propylene based on a formula under which 50% of the price is determined generally by reference to Northwest Europe prices and the remaining 50% is determined by reference to the North American contract prices. We determine the domestic price of butadiene by reference to the U.S. Gulf contract price. We set the domestic prices of our BTX products, including benzene, para-xylene and toluene by reference to United States, contract or spot market prices. We set the domestic prices of solvents by reference to international market prices, and we determine the domestic prices for our other olefins and aromatics products with reference to several international market indicators.

Export Sales of Basic Petrochemicals

We export basic petrochemicals mainly to customers in the United States and in Europe and we set the price on international references bases in accordance with which region or country.

We are focused on maintaining our leading position in the Brazilian market, while continuing to use our exports to protect our operations and adjust the imbalances between demand and production. Export net sales of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit represented 15% of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s net sales revenue during 2016.

Additionally, we have applied our expertise in commodities trading to increase our resale operations of naphtha and oil derivatives in the international markets. In order to meet our crackers naphtha requirements (in terms of timing, pricing and quality), we maintain an excess supply of naphtha and resell the surplus on the spot market. During 2016, we recorded average resale operations of R\$180 million per month.

Competition

Our basic petrochemical customers, which are mostly second generation petrochemical producers with plants located in the Brazilian petrochemical complexes, would have difficulty obtaining their feedstocks from other sources at lower prices due to the high cost of transportation of these products, as well as other logistical difficulties. In addition, because Brazil produces sufficient quantities of olefins to meet domestic demand, imports of these products are generally sporadic and usually related to scheduled plant maintenance shutdowns or to meet unsatisfied domestic

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demand.

During the past several years, as the relative cost of naphtha and gas as feedstocks for petrochemical crackers has diverged, many crackers using gas as a feedstock have become low-cost producers in the global markets and have seen their margins improve substantially as compared to naphtha crackers, such as our company. However, as gas crackers are able to produce fewer of the co-products and byproducts that naphtha crackers generate, such as propylene, butadiene and BTX products, and in smaller quantities, the prices of these products in the international

markets have increased. As a result of the increased prices available for these co-products and byproducts, our net sales revenue from export sales of these products increased, and we believe that this increase in net sales revenue from exports of these products will continue in future periods in which the relative competitiveness of cracker feedstocks is disrupted. Competition in the international markets for these products is primarily based on the price of delivered products and competition has increased since mid-2008 as the balance between supply and demand was disrupted due to the impact of the global economic downturn on consumers of these products. In the international markets for our basic petrochemical products, we compete with a large number of producers, some of which are substantially larger and have substantially greater financial, manufacturing, technological and marketing resources than our company.

Polyolefins Unit

As of December 31, 2016, our polyolefins production facilities had the largest annual production capacity of all second generation producers of polyolefins products in Latin America. Our Polyolefins Unit generated net sales revenue of R\$20,307.4 million during 2016, or 34.5% of our consolidated net sales revenue.

Our Polyolefins Unit is comprised of the operations conducted by our company at nine polyethylene plants and five polypropylene plants located in the Northeastern Complex, the Southern Complex, the São Paulo Complex and the Rio de Janeiro Complex.

Products of Our Polyolefins Unit

Our Polyolefins Unit produces:

polyethylene, including LDPE, LLDPE, HDPE, ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene, or UHMWPE, EVA and green polyethylene from renewable resources; and

polypropylene.

We manufacture a broad range of polyolefins for use in consumer and industrial applications, including:

plastic films for food, agricultural and industrial packaging;

bottles, shopping bags and other consumer goods containers;

automotive parts;

engineering and infra-structure goods; and

household appliances.

The following table sets forth a breakdown of the sales volume of our Polyolefins Unit by product line and by market for the years indicated.

	Year Er	Year Ended December 31,		
	2016	2015	2014	
	(tho	usands of tor	ns)	
Domestic sales*:				
Polyethylene (1)	1,705.46	1,705.87	1,743.0	
Polypropylene	1,105.68	1,126.9	1,204.0	
Other			20.3	
Total domestic sales	2,811.14	2,832.8	2,967.4	
Total export sales	1,590.48	1,307.1	1,112.5	
Total Polyolefins Unit sales	4,401.62	4,139.9	4,079.9	

(1) Includes EVA, UHMWPE and Green PE.

(*) Unaudited.

We provide technical assistance to our customers to meet their specific needs by adapting and modifying our polyethylene and polypropylene products. In particular, we develop customized value-added polypropylene compounds for use by our customers in their specialized applications. We believe that the variety of technological processes at our polyolefins plants provides us with a competitive advantage in meeting our customers needs.

Production Facilities of Our Polyolefins Unit

As of December 31, 2016, our Polyolefins Unit owned 14 production facilities. Our Polyolefins Unit operates five plants located in the Southern Complex, three plants located in the Northeastern Complex, four plants located in the São Paulo Complex and two plants located in the Rio de Janeiro Complex.

The table below sets forth for each of our primary polyolefins products, our annual production capacity as of December 31, 2016 and annual production for the years presented.

				duction nded December 31,	
Primary Products	Capacity (in tons)	2016	2015 (in tons)	2014	
Polyethylene:					
LDPE/EVA(1)	970,000	720,240	645,072	616,849	
HDPE/LLDPE/UHMWPE(2)	2,085,000	1,988,228	2,003,747	1,890,974	
Polypropylene(3)	1,840,000	1,592,474	1,510,363	1,592,491	

- (1) Represents capacity and production at five production lines with swing line capacity capable of producing two types of resins.
- (2) Represents capacity and production at eight production lines with swing line capacity capable of producing two types of resins. Capacity varies depending on actual production demands.
- (3) Represents capacity and production at five plants.

In September 2010, we commenced production of ethylene at a new plant located in the Southern Complex that produces green ethylene using sugar cane ethanol received through the Santa Clara Terminal as its primary raw material. This plant has an annual production capacity of 200,000 tons of ethylene.

During 2014, we converted and expanded, by 25,000 tons, one of our polyethylene lines in the state of Bahia to produce metallocene-based LLDPE. This project began its operations in January 2015.

Raw Materials of Our Polyolefins Unit

Ethylene and Propylene

The most significant direct costs associated with our production of polyethylene and polypropylene are the costs of purchasing ethylene and propylene, which together accounted for 85% of our Polyolefins Unit s total variable cost of production during 2016. During 2016, our Polyolefins Unit purchased all of its ethylene requirements and approximately 63% of its propylene requirements from our Basic Petrochemicals Unit.

Propylene Contracts with Petrobras and its Subsidiaries

We hold multiple propylene contracts with Petrobras refineries, which in 2016 were responsible for the supply of 36.5% of our propylene demand to produce polypropylene. These supply contracts have initial terms expiring at various dates between May 2021 and April 2028, and are priced based on international references to assure competitiveness of feedstock. In 2016, Braskem entered into an agreement with Petrobras for a 5-year propylene supply contract with REFAP, a subsidiary of Petrobras. This supply contract is also priced based on international references.

Petrobras may terminate these contracts, without prior notice, in the event of: (1) our failure to cure any breach of the contract following a 30-day grace period; (2) a force majeure event occurs, although some of these contracts require that the force majeure event continues for more than 180 days; (3) we transfer or offer as a guaranty all or part of its rights and obligations under the contract to a third party without Petrobras consent; (4) an alteration of Braskem management or corporate purposes that conflicts with the purpose of the contract; (5) the dissolution, bankruptcy or liquidation of Braskem; and (6) a change of entity type, merger, sale, spin-off or any other corporate reconstruction of Braskem that conflicts with or impedes the execution of contract s purpose.

Ethanol Supply Contracts

We hold multiple ethanol contracts with major producers of ethanol to supply our new facility that produces ethylene using sugar cane ethanol. These supply contracts have initial terms expiring at various dates between May 2017 and July 2018. Under these contracts, we are or will be required to purchase an annual supply of ethanol sufficient to meet approximately 70% of the capacity of this ethylene plant. The price that we pay under these contracts is or will be determined by reference to the monthly price of combustible hydrated alcohol as published by the Center for Advanced Studies in Applied Economics of the Superior School of Agriculture (*Centro de Estudos Avançados em Economia Aplicada da Escola Superior de Agricultura* CEPEA/ESALQ).

We also purchase ethanol on the spot market from time to time to supplement the supplies that we obtain under these contracts. The price that we pay for ethanol under most of these contracts is determined by reference to market indexes.

Other Materials and Utilities

Our Polyolefins Unit uses butene and hexane as raw materials in the production of HDPE and LLDPE. Butene is supplied by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, and we import hexane from suppliers located in South Africa.

Our Unipol[®] polyethylene plants in the Northeastern Complex and Rio de Janeiro Complex use catalysts supplied by Univation Technologies. Our HDPE plant in the São Paulo Complex uses catalysts supplied by W.R. Grace & Co. The catalysts for our swing line LLDPE/HDPE plants are purchased from Basell Polyolefins Company N.V., or

Basell. We produce our own catalysts for our HDPE slurry plants in the Southern and Northeastern Complexes, and we purchase the inputs that we need to produce these catalysts from various suppliers at market prices. Our polypropylene plants use catalysts primarily supplied by Basell, while we import certain catalysts from suppliers in the United States and Europe.

In general, we believe that there are sufficient alternative sources available at reasonable prices for each of these other inputs used in our polyolefins production process such that the loss of any single supplier would not have a material adverse effect on our operations.

Sales and Marketing of Our Polyolefins Unit

Our Polyolefins Unit sells polyethylene and polypropylene products to approximately 2,000 customers worldwide. We have a diversified product mix that allows us to serve a broad range of end users in several industries. The customers of our Polyolefins Unit generally are third generation petrochemical producers that manufacture a wide variety of plastic-based consumer and industrial goods.

Net sales revenue to the 10 largest customers of our Polyolefins Unit accounted for 20.8% of our Polyolefins Unit s total net sales revenue during 2016. No customer of our Polyolefins Unit accounted for more than 2.9% of our total net sales revenue in 2016, 2015 or 2014.

The following table sets forth our net sales revenue derived from domestic and export sales by our Polyolefins Unit for the years indicated:

	For the Year Ended December 31,				
	2016	2015	2014		
	(i	(in millions of <i>reais</i>)			
Net sales revenue:					
Domestic sales	R\$13,903.1	R\$14,032.1	R\$ 14,098.6		
Export sales:					
South America (excluding Brazil)	3,286.5	2,806.5	2,421.1		
Europe	1,750.3	1,675.4	872.1		
North America	82.4	866.5	896.4		
Asia	879.7	446.9	189.4		
Other	405.4	158.6	24.6		
Total export sales	6,404.3	5,953.9	4,403.6		
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	R\$ 20,307.4	R\$ 19,986.2	R\$ 18,502.2		

Domestic Sales

We are focused on developing long-term relationships with our customers. Given the cyclical nature of the markets for our polyolefins products, we believe that we can strengthen customer loyalty during periods of reduced demand for polyethylene or polypropylene by providing a reliable source of supply to these customers during periods of high demand. We work closely with our customers to determine their needs, to provide technical assistance and to coordinate the production and delivery of our products. Customers submit annual proposals giving their estimated monthly requirements for the upcoming year for each of our polyolefins products, including technical specifications, delivery terms and proposed payment conditions. We evaluate these proposals on a monthly basis to make any required adjustments and to monitor and attempt to ensure adequate supply for each customer.

In addition to direct sales of polyolefins to our customers, our Polyolefins Unit sells products in Brazil through exclusive independent distributors. Our Polyolefins Unit is served by five distributors, through which we distribute our products pursuant to formal agreements and spot market transactions.

We have selected our distributors based on their ability to provide full service to their customers, including the ability to prepare our products on a customized basis. These distributors sell our polyethylene and polypropylene products to manufacturers with lower volume requirements and are able to aggregate multiple orders for delivery to customers that would otherwise be uneconomical for us to serve. Furthermore, by serving smaller customers through a network of distributors, our account managers focus their efforts on delivering high quality service to a smaller number of large, direct customers.

Export Sales

Our volume of polyolefins export sales has generally varied based upon the level of domestic demand and the total production availability for our products. Our Polyolefins Unit has sales office in Argentina, Chile, Peru and Colombia. These offices are used to consolidate our marketing efforts in South America, one of our key markets outside of Brazil for this business unit. Our Polyolefins Unit also uses our European, Mexican and U.S. sales force in order to improve the profitability of our sales. In each of these regions, we have specific commercial strategies in connection with exports coming from Brazil, which complements our local product availability.

We have established a strategic position in the polyolefins business in South America and Europe through regular direct sales, local distributors and agents who understand their respective markets. Our strategy to increase our presence in these foreign markets is intended, among other things, to reduce our exposure to the cyclicality of the international spot market for polyolefins through the development of long-term relationships with customers in neighboring countries. Our local presence in Europe allows us to further enhance our position in that market and sell our Polyolefins Unit products through our USA and Europe Unit.

The main focus of our Polyolefins Unit is to maintain our leading position in the Brazil and South America reinforcing our commitment to the plastic industry chain in the region, maintaining our position as a leader in polyolefins through a continued local presence and regular product supply.

Prices and Sales Terms

We determine the domestic prices for polyethylene by reference to North American spot prices and our domestic prices for polypropylene by reference to Southeast Asia spot prices. Our customers in Brazil may pay in full on delivery or elect credit terms that require payment in full within three to 60 days following delivery. We charge interest based on prevailing market rates to our Brazilian customers that elect to pay on credit.

Over the last few years, some Brazilian states have encouraged imports of polyethylene and polypropylene, as well as final products made from these polymers, by providing state tax benefits on imported goods. However, on January 1, 2013, federal legislation took effect reducing the maximum state-level value-added tax on sales and services (*Imposto sobre Circulação de Mercadorias e Serviços*), or ICMS, tax that states can charge from a rate of 12% to 4% on interstate sales of imported raw materials and other goods that are not wholly or partially manufactured in Brazil. As a result, Brazilian states are less able to attempt to attract imports at local ports by offering tax benefits in the form of reduced ICMS tax rates. For more information, see Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Principal Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations Effects of Brazilian Industrial Policy Import Tariffs at Local Ports.

In addition, besides our strategic sales to South America, Europe, Mexico and the United States, our Polyolefins Unit generally conducts export sales to buyers in Asia and Africa through the international spot market. Our customer base in these markets consists primarily of trading houses and distributors. Pricing is based on international spot market prices. We make all sales in these markets with letters of credit.

Competition

We are the only producer of polyethylene and polypropylene in Brazil. We compete with polyolefins producers worldwide. In 2016, Brazilian polyethylene and polypropylene imports declined by 0.4% and represented 27% of Brazilian polyolefin consumption.

We compete for export sales of our polyolefins products in other countries in Latin America and in the North American, Asian and European markets. We compete with a variety of resin producers, some of which have greater financial, research and development, production and other resources than our company. Our competitive position in the export markets that we serve is primarily based on customer relationship, product differentiation (mainly on renewable polyethylene), raw material costs, selling prices, product quality and customer service and support.

USA and Europe Unit

Our USA and Europe Unit includes:

the operations of Braskem America, which consist of five polypropylene plants in the United States and one Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene UTEC[®] plant and

the operations of two polypropylene plants in Germany.

As of December 31, 2016, our USA and Europe Unit s facilities had the largest annual polypropylene production capacity in the United States. Our USA and Europe Unit generated net sales revenue of R\$8,896.1 million during 2016, or 15.1% of net sales revenue of all reportable segments.

In June 2014, we announced the construction of an UHMWPE production facility in our La Porte, Texas site, which began producing UTEC in 2017. We believe the production of specialized UHMWPE at this new plant complements our existing portfolio of products and will enable us to access new markets and to develop close relationships with new and existing clients.

Products of Our USA and Europe Unit

Our USA and Europe Unit produces polypropylene. The sales volume of polypropylene by this unit was approximately 2,008,473 tons in 2016, 1,973,274 tons in 2015 and 1,862,600 tons in 2014. For a description of the uses of our polypropylene products, see Polyolefins Unit.

Production Facilities of our USA and Europe Unit

The table below sets forth the annual production capacity as of December 31, 2016 of the USA and Europe Unit s polypropylene plants in the United States and Germany and the annual production for the years presented.

				Production 1 For the Year Ended December				ember 31,
	Plant	Capacity	2016	2015	2014			
			(in to	ons)				
	United States	1,570,400	1,413,607	1,434,671	1,317,800			
	Germany	545,000	593,569	532,357	537,876			
Raw	v Materials of Our USA and Europe Unit							

Propylene

The most significant direct cost associated with the production of polypropylene by our USA and Europe Unit is the cost of purchasing propylene.

We acquire propylene for our polypropylene plants in the Unites States under a variety of long-term supply agreements and through the spot market. As of December 31, 2016, we had long-term supply agreements with

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multiple suppliers. The pricing formulas for propylene under these supply agreements are generally based on market prices. A portion of the propylene supplied to our gulf coast plants is provided by a limited partnership that we formed with a leading basic petrochemicals producer, under which we acquire propylene produced by an ethylene facility of that producer in Texas. Under the terms of the partnership agreement, the partnership has agreed to provide us with sufficient propylene to produce up to approximately 25% of our U.S. gulf coast plants current annual production capacity into early 2018, at prices calculated based on a cost-based formula that includes a fixed discount that declines until 2018.

As a result of rising natural gas production and related production of natural gas liquids, several companies have announced plans to build PDH plants, which would produce on-purpose propylene. We have secured a long-term propylene agreement of approximately 15 years with one such company, Enterprise Products, which is currently building a PDH plant in Texas with an annual capacity of 750,000 tons. We expect this agreement with an established producer to provide us with a competitive, long-term supply of propylene, using shale gas and other nontraditional sources as its feedstock. This plant is expected to commence operations by the end of 2017. Under this arrangement, the pricing of these contracts will be based on market prices for propane and other market costs.

In June 2012, we acquired the propylene splitter assets at Sunoco s Marcus Hook refinery, which we are currently using to convert refinery grade propylene to polymer grade propylene for use at our Marcus Hook polypropylene plant.

We acquire propylene for our polypropylene plants in Germany under long-term supply agreements that provide for the supply of 91% of the propylene requirements of these plants. We have two main supply agreements. One of these supply agreements will expire in September 2021, and is automatically renewable for consecutive one-year terms, unless cancelled by one of the parties, and the other supply agreement expires in December 2021. The pricing formula for propylene under these supply agreements is based on market prices.

Sales and Marketing of Our USA and Europe Unit

Our USA and Europe Unit sells polypropylene products to approximately 375 customers. We have a diversified product mix that allows us to serve a broad range of end users in several industries. The customers of our USA and Europe Unit generally are third generation petrochemical producers that manufacture a wide variety of plastic-based consumer and industrial goods.

Net sales revenue to the 10 largest customers of our USA and Europe Unit accounted for 37.8% of our USA and Europe Unit s total net sales revenue in 2016, 33.4% in 2015 and 50.4% in 2014, respectively.

The following table sets forth our net sales revenue derived from sales of our USA and Europe Unit for the years indicated:

	For the Y	For the Year Ended December 31,				
	2016	2015	2014			
	(i	(in millions of <i>reais</i>)				
Net sales revenue:						

USA and Europe R\$ 8,896.1 R\$ 8,240.0 R\$ 7,934.3 Approximately 40% of the sales of polypropylene by the USA and Europe Unit are made under long-term supply agreements with our customers. These supply contracts generally have an initial two-year term and are automatically renewable for one-year periods unless one party notifies the other of its intention not to renew. These contracts also provide for minimum and maximum quantities to be purchased and monthly deliveries.

We market the remainder of the polypropylene production of the USA and Europe Unit through (1) our direct sales force that seeks to establish supply relationships with customers, (2) a select number of distributors authorized to represent the Braskem brand in the U.S. and European markets, (3) resellers that trade these products under private labels in the North American and European markets, and (4) traders that resell these products in the export markets.

Competition

The USA and Europe Unit is largely a commodities business and competes with local, regional, national and international companies, some of which have greater financial, research and development, production and other resources than our company. Although competitive factors may vary among product lines, our competitive position is primarily based on raw material and production costs, selling prices, product quality, product technology, manufacturing technology, access to new markets, proximity to the market and customer service and support.

Our primary competitors for sales in the polypropylene industry in North America are other large international petrochemical companies. In general, demand is a function of economic growth in North America and elsewhere in the world.

Our primary competitors for sales in the polypropylene industry in Europe are other large international petrochemical companies. In general, demand is a function of economic growth in Europe and elsewhere in the world.

Mexico Unit

Braskem and Idesa, one of Mexico s leading petrochemical groups, formed Braskem Idesa S.A.P.I. in April 2010, with Braskem holding 75% of the total share capital and Idesa holding the remaining 25%, to develop, construct and operate the Mexico Complex, located in the Mexicon state of Veracruz. During April 2016, Braskem Idesa commenced commercial operations of the Mexico Complex. As a result of the commencement of operations of the Mexico Complex, we commenced recording the results of our Mexico business unit as a separate segment in our financial statements as of dates and for periods ended after January 1, 2016.

Products of Our Mexico Unit

Our Mexico business unit produces ethylene, HDPE and LDPE at our Mexico Complex. We use all of the ethylene produced by our Mexico Complex as raw material for the production of polyethylene by this complex. The sales volume of polyethylene by this unit was approximately 430,283 tons in 2016. As with our Polyolefins Unit, our Mexico Complex manufactures a broad range of polyethylene grades for use in consumer and industrial applications, including plastic films for food and industrial packaging, bottles, shopping bags and other consumer goods containers, automotive parts, and household appliances.

Technologies selected for the Mexico Unite are proven and considered stated of the art with excellent track records in the petrochemical market and provides a competitive advantage to provide technical assistance to our customers to meet their specific needs by adapting and modifying our polyethylene products.

Production Facilities of Our Mexico Unit

Our Mexico Unit operates four plants located in the Mexico Complex, consisting of:

an ethylene cracker, with an annual production capacity of 1,050,000 tons of ethylene, which commenced operations in March 2016;

two high density polyethylene plants, with a combined annual production capacity of 750,000 tons, which commenced operations in April 2016; and

a low density polyethylene plant, with an annual production capacity of 300,000 tons, which commenced operations in June 2016.

	Annual	Produ		
	Production	tion For the Year Ended Decem		
Plant	Capacity	ity 2016 2018		2014
		(in tons)		
Mexico (Polyethylene)	1,050,000	471,109	0	0

Raw Materials of Our Mexico Unit

Ethane

Ethane is the principal raw material that we use to produce ethylene in the Mexico Complex and represent the principal production and operating cost of the Mexico Complex. The price of ethane that we purchase varies based on changes in the U.S. dollar-based international reference price of these feedstocks.

Ethylene

All of the ethylene produced by our Mexico Complex is used by the polyethylene plants in our Mexico Complex.

Other Materials and Utilities

Our Mexico Unit uses hexene as raw materials in the production of HDPE. We import hexene for the Mexico Complex from suppliers located in the United States.

Our Mexico Unit uses catalysts supplied by Ineos Europe Limited.

Supply Contracts of the Mexico Unit

Ethane

Braskem Idesa is party to an ethane supply agreement with Pemex TRI, a subsidiary of Petróleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, dated February 19, 2010, pursuant to which Pemex TRI will provide, and Braskem Idesa will purchase, 66,000 barrels per day of ethane to the Mexico Complex for a period of 20 years at prices based on the Mont Belvieu purity ethane. Under this agreement, any daily amount rejected by Braskem Idesa must be purchased in installments in subsequent deliveries until the deficit has been resolved. This contract commenced in June 2015 and will expire in 2035 and is renewable for three five-year periods, with prior notice at least two years prior to the expiration of the agreement that it intends to renew this agreement. Pemex TRI may terminate the contract in the event of: (1) a failure to pay that continues for more than 180 days after notice, or (2) an emergency stoppage in operations or force majeure event that continues for more than 48 months.

Since July 2015, Braskem Idesa has been required to purchase, and Pemex TRI has been required to deliver, the minimum daily volume of ethane provided under the supply agreement.

Electricity

The Mexico Complex has its own power generation plant consisting of one gas turbine and two steam turbines, which generates more than 100% of the Mexico Complex s energy consumption. In addition, the Mexico Complex is also connected to the high-voltage power grid of Comisión Federal de Electricidad (the Mexican government-owned power supplier) as a back-up power source and to sell excess power on the spot market. The Mexico complex generates all of its requirements of steam and its water requirements are supplied by the Comisión Nacional del Agua (the Mexican government-owned water commission) under an agreement that expires in 2029 and is subject to renewal.

In general, we believe that there are sufficient alternative sources available at reasonable prices for each of these other inputs used in our polyethylene production process such that the loss of any single supplier would not have a material

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adverse effect on our operations.

Sales and Marketing of Our Mexico Unit

Our Mexico Unit sells polyethylene products to approximately 300 customers in the Mexican market. We have a diversified product mix that allows us to serve a broad range of end users in several industries. The customers of our Mexico Unit generally are third generation petrochemical producers that manufacture a wide variety of plastic-based consumer and industrial goods. Net sales revenue to the 10 largest customers of our Mexico Unit accounted for approximately 41.0% of our Mexico Unit s total net sales revenue in 2016.

Domestic Mexican Sales

In the first full year operation of our Mexico Complex since its start up, we have been focused on penetrating the domestic market and obtaining the customer approval of our products. Other priority is to develop long-term relationships with our customers and, given the cyclical nature of the markets for our polyethylene products, we believe that we can strengthen customer loyalty during periods of reduced demand for polyethylene by providing a reliable source of supply to these customers during periods of high demand. We work closely with our customers to determine their needs, to provide technical assistance and to coordinate the production and delivery of our products.

Considering our Mexico Complex s logistical infrastructure and logistics centers by region, we are able to project customer demand by region. Thus, we can anticipate and plan our production and logistics in order to make the products available on time and at the points of shipment. As our products portfolio can adjust to the nature of the demand of the Mexican market, we have greater flexibility to adapt and better serve the market.

In addition to direct sales of polyethylene to our customers, our Mexico Unit sells products in Mexico through independent distributors. Our Mexico Unit is served by five distributors, through which we distribute our products pursuant to formal agreements and spot market transactions.

We have selected our distributors based on their ability to provide full service to their customers, including the ability to prepare our products on a customized basis. These distributors sell our polyethylene products to manufacturers with lower volume requirements and are able to aggregate multiple orders for delivery to customers that would otherwise be uneconomical for us to serve. Furthermore, by serving smaller customers through a network of distributors, our account managers focus their efforts on delivering high quality service to a smaller number of large, direct customers.

Export Sales

The main focus of our Mexico Unit is to maintain our leading position in the Mexico market while continuing to export in order to manage the relationship between our production capacity and domestic demand for our products. We believe that our continued presence in export markets is essential to help manage any overcapacity in the Mexican market. The excess volume is primarily exported to United States, Europe and Central America, using our existing sales force and complementing our portfolio in those regions, together with products exported from Brazil. In order to use the already established Braskem sales channels in the United States and Europe, the strategy of exports of the Mexico unit production, for these regions, is to develop and retain customers, in order to seek a greater added value in exports, especially considering the competitive logistics for United States. This new polyethylene complex reinforces our position with polyethylene customers worldwide, which enhances our position in North America.

Prices and Sales Terms

We determine the Mexican domestic prices for polyethylene by reference to North American prices. Our customers in Mexico may pay in full on delivery or elect credit terms that require payment in full within up to 60 days following delivery.

Our Mexico Unit s export sales consist initially of volumes to Asia, Europe and the United States through traders and distributors. Pricing is based on international spot market prices. We make all sales in these markets with letters of credit. As discussed under Export Sales above, since the beginning of 2017, the Mexico Unit has been focused on export sales directly to customers in the United States and Europe, so the netback price of exports has been increasing.

Competition

We have the largest annual production capacity of polyethylene in Mexico. We compete in Mexico with a subsidiary of Pemex and with importers of polyethylene, primarily producers located in the United States and South America. We compete for export sales of our polyethylene products in other countries in Latin America and in markets in the United States, Asia and Europe. Our export business is a commodities business and we compete with a variety of resin producers, some of which have greater financial, research and development, production and other resources than our company. Our competitive position in the export markets that we serve is primarily based on raw material costs, selling prices, product quality and customer service and support.

Vinyls Unit

We are the leading producer of PVC in Brazil, based on sales volumes in 2016. As of December 31, 2016, our PVC production facilities had the second largest annual production capacity in Latin America. Our Vinyls Unit generated net sales revenue of R\$3,016.4 million in 2016, or 5.1% of our net sales revenue of all reportable segments.

Our Vinyls Unit is the only vertically integrated producer of PVC in Brazil. Our PVC production is integrated through our production of chlorine, ethylene and other raw materials. Our Vinyls Unit also manufactures caustic soda, which is used by producers of aluminum, paper and chlorine.

In 2016, we had an approximate 51.6% share of the Brazilian PVC market, based on sales volumes of our Vinyls Unit.

Products of Our Vinyls Unit

The following table sets forth a breakdown of the sales volume of our Vinyls Unit by product line for the years indicated.

	For the Year Ended December 31,			
	2016*	2015*	2014*	
	(thousands of tons)			
PVC	528.3	529.5	659.5	
Caustic soda	442.5	435.7	478.1	
Other(1)	112.1	114.5	126.7	
Total domestic sales	1,083.0	1,079.7	1,252.2	
Total export sales	122.7	65.4	12.1	
Total Vinyls Unit sales	1,205.7	1,145.1	1,264.4	

(1) Includes chlorine, hydrogen, caustic soda flake and sodium hypochlorite.

Production Facilities of Our Vinyls Unit

^(*) Unaudited.

We own five vinyls production facilities. Two of our facilities are located in the Northeastern Complex, and three others are located in the State of Alagoas.

The table below sets forth for each of our primary vinyls products, our annual production capacity as of December 31, 2016 and annual production for the years presented.

	Annual	Production			
	Production	For the Year Ended December 31,			
Primary Products	Capacity	2016	2015	2014	
		(in tons)			
PVC(1)	710,000	593,914	542,297	633,942	
Caustic Soda(2)	539,000	453,171	436,185	448,062	

(1) Represents capacity and production at three plants.

(2) Represents capacity and production at two plants.

Raw Materials of Our Vinyls Unit

Ethylene

The most significant direct cost associated with the production of PVC is the cost of ethylene, which accounted for 49.9% of our Vinyls Unit s total cost of sales in 2016. Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit supplies all of the ethylene required by our Vinyls Unit.

Electricity

Electric power is a significant cost component in our production of chlorine and caustic soda. Electric power accounted for 17.2% of our Vinyls Unit s total cost of sales in 2016. Our Vinyls Unit obtains its electric power requirements from various generators under long-term power purchase agreements. Our caustic soda plants at Camaçari and Alagoas and our PVC plant at Camaçari purchase their electric power requirements from CHESF under a long-term contract that expires in 2037. Companhia Energética de Alagoas S.A., or CEAL, distributes electric power to our PVC plants in Alagoas. The power purchase agreement with CEAL is renewable contracts with automatic rolling one-year extensions. These agreements provide us with the option to purchase our total electric power requirements based on an annual estimate. The price terms of this contract are based upon tariffs regulated by the Brazilian National Electrical Energy Agency (*Agência Nacional de Energia Elétrica*).

Salt

We used approximately 798,000 tons of salt during 2016. Salt accounted for 0.5% of our Vinyls Unit s total cost of sales in 2016. We have exclusive salt exploration rights at a salt mine located near our Alagoas plant. We estimate that the salt reserves of this mine are sufficient to allow us to produce chlorine at expected rates of production for approximately 35 to 45 years. We enjoy significant cost advantages when compared to certain of our competitors due to the low extraction costs of rock salt (particularly compared to sea salt), and low transportation costs due to the proximity of the salt mine to our production facility.

Sales and Marketing of Our Vinyls Unit

Net sales revenue to our 10 largest Vinyls Unit customers accounted for 40.8% of our Vinyls Unit s total net sales revenue during 2016. One customer accounted for 8.6% of our Vinyl Unit s total sales revenue in 2016, 9.7% in 2015

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and 9.4% in 2014.

There is a structural link between the PVC and caustic soda markets because caustic soda is a byproduct of the production of chlorine required to produce PVC. When demand for PVC is high, greater amounts of caustic soda are produced, leading to an increase in supply and generally lower prices for caustic soda. Conversely, when demand for PVC is low, prices for caustic soda tend to rise.

We make most of our sales of PVC and caustic soda directly to Brazilian customers without the use of third-party distributors. However, our Vinyls Unit maintains contractual relationships through five distribution centers, that provide logistical support, located in Paulínia and Barueri, both in the State of São Paulo, Joinville in the State of Santa Catarina, Extrema in the State of Minas Gerais and Araucaria in the State of Paraná. In addition, we operate twelve warehouse facilities for PVC, on a non-exclusive basis, and six terminal tank facilities for caustic soda strategically located along the Brazilian coast to enable us to deliver our products to our customers on a just-in-time basis. Our Vinyls Unit develops its business through close collaboration with its customers, working together to improve existing products as well as to develop new applications for PVC. Our marketing and technical assistance groups also advise customers and potential customers that are considering the installation of manufacturing equipment for PVC end products.

In addition, our Vinyls Unit supplies the Brazilian market with emulsion PVC and other copolymers with higher value by imports from Colombia under a long-term contract with Mexichem. Our primary customers operate in the laminated, shoe and automobile sectors. These products represented 3% of our consolidated sales volume in 2016.

Prices and Sales Terms

We determine the domestic prices for our PVC resins with reference principally to the prices paid by third generation producers in Brazil for imports of PVC, which generally reflect the Northeast Asian spot market price. Delivery time, quality and technical service also affect the levels of sales of PVC resins. We establish our domestic price for caustic soda based on North American spot market prices. Approximately 70.2% of our caustic soda sales in 2016 were made pursuant to agreements that are generally for one- to three-year terms and may include minimum and maximum prices.

Competition

PVC

We and Unipar (formerly Solvay) are the only two producers of PVC in Brazil. Unipar s total Brazilian installed annual production capacity is 300,000 tons, compared to our annual production capacity of 710,000 tons. Unipar s Brazilian production facilities are located in São Paulo, which is closer to the primary PVC market in Brazil than our facilities. However, we believe that our vertically integrated production capabilities, our modern PVC suspension plants, our strong relationship with our customers and our technical assistance programs enable us to make up for any competitive disadvantage due to distance and compete effectively with Unipar.

We also compete with Unipar s Argentine production facilities and other importers of PVC. Unipar has a PVC plant in Argentina in addition to its plants in Brazil. Imports accounted for approximately 19.8% of Brazilian PVC consumption in 2016. Domestically produced PVC is currently competitively priced with imported PVC, considering that our price is based on international market.

In addition, wfe compete with other producers of thermoplastics that manufacture the same PVC products or substitutes for products in our PVC product line. Thermoplastic resins, principally polyethylene and polypropylene, are used in certain applications as substitutes for PVC. Wood, glass and metals also are used in some cases as substitutes for PVC.

Caustic Soda

The three largest Brazilian producers of caustic soda, including Braskem, accounted for 96.8% of Brazilian production in 2016. Our company and another international petrochemical company operate in this market throughout Brazil, while the other domestic producers of caustic soda generally operate on a local or regional basis. Imports accounted for 38.1% of Brazil s total caustic soda consumption in 2016.

Our principal competitors in the caustic soda market elsewhere in South America are other international petrochemical companies operating in Brazil and producers located on the U.S. Gulf Coast.

Technology, Research and Development

Technology Licenses

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit uses engineering process technology under non-exclusive arrangements from a variety of sources for specific production processes. We have entered into several non-exclusive agreements with a number of leading petrochemical companies to use certain technology and catalysts for our Polyolefins Unit. Some of the license agreements used by our Polyolefins Unit allow us to use the licensed technology in both existing and

future plants. We have entered into several non-exclusive agreements with a number of leading petrochemical companies to use technology for our Vinyls Unit. We have entered into several non-exclusive agreements with a number of leading petrochemical companies to use certain technology and catalysts for the polypropylene production of our USA and Europe Unit. Some of the license agreements used by our USA and Europe Unit allow us to use the licensed technology in both existing and future plants. If any of the arrangements or licenses under which we use third-party technology were terminated or are no longer available to us, we believe that we would be able to replace this technology with comparable or better technology from other sources.

Our Mexico Unit has improvements and technical service agreements with its licensors for technology updates and to support the Mexico Unit s operations. Over next 10 years, we will pay will pay royalties corresponding to the license fee value for HDPE units, while we paid a one-time license fee for our LDPE units.

We do not pay any continuing royalties under any of the arrangements or licenses used by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit or our Vinyls Unit. Most of the license agreements used by our Polyolefins Unit or our USA and Europe Unit do not require us to pay any continuing royalties. Under the license agreements that require continuing royalty payments, we pay royalties on a quarterly basis based on the volume of the products produced using the licensed technology.

Research and Development

Our ability to compete in the markets that we serve depends on our ability to integrate new production processes developed by our company and third parties in order to lower our costs and offer new thermoplastic products. In addition, our relationships with our customers are enhanced by our ability to develop new products and customize existing products to meet their needs.

We develop projects through our research and/or development centers: (1) Innovation and Technology Center in Triunfo, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil; (2) Innovation and Technology Center in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States; (3) Renewable Chemicals Research Center in Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil; (4) Process Technology Development Center in Mauá, São Paulo, Brazil; (5) European Technical Center in Wessling, Bavaria, Germany; and (6) Mexican Technical Center in Nanchital, Vera Cruz, Mexico, which develop processes, products and applications for many industrial sectors and which, as of December 31, 2016, collectively had 302 employees. Through these centers, we coordinate and maintain our research and development programs, which include the operation of (1) pilot plants, (2) catalysis, polymerization and polymer sciences laboratories, and (3) process engineering and research for renewable sources. Our investments in research and development, which are classified as expenses, totaled R\$162.0 million in 2016, R\$169.6 million in 2015 and R\$128.1 million in 2014.

Braskem continues its efforts to develop solutions for products from renewable raw materials through internal projects and partnerships with Amyris and Michelin for isoprene production and with Genomatica for butadiene production.

In September 2016, we partnered with Made In Space, a leading developer of 3D printers for operation in zero gravity and an accredited NASA supplier. Made In Space developed the Additive Manufacturing Facility, the first commercial 3D printer permanently located outside of Earth. Currently installed in the International Space Station, this equipment uses biobased polyethylene resin produced at our plant in Triunfo, Rio Grande do Sul to fabricate various parts.

Maintenance

Most of our maintenance is performed by third-party service providers. For example, we have contracts with Construtora Norberto Odebrecht, or CNO, a subsidiary of our controlling shareholder Odebrecht, Asea Brown Boveri

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Ltd., Cegelec Ltda., Rip Serviços Industriais S.A., Cl Engenharia Ltda. and other service providers to perform maintenance for our basic petrochemical plants in the Northeastern Complex and in the Southern Complex. We also perform some of our ordinary course maintenance with our small team of maintenance technicians, which also coordinate the planning and execution of maintenance services performed by third parties.

Basic Petrochemicals Plants

Regular basic petrochemicals plant maintenance requires complete plant shutdowns from time to time, and these shutdowns usually take approximately 30 to 45 days to complete. We occasionally undertake brief shutdowns of the basic petrochemical operations at our basic petrochemical plants that do not materially affect our production output, primarily for maintenance purposes, catalyst regeneration and equipment cleaning. In addition, because we have two independent olefins units and two independent aromatics units at the Northeastern Complex and two independent olefins units at the Southern Complex, we may continue production of basic petrochemicals at these complexes without interruption, even while we perform certain maintenance services.

The next scheduled general maintenance shutdown of:

[the Rio de Janeiro Complex s olefins unit is scheduled to occur in 2017;

the Southern Complex s olefins 2 and aromatics 2 units are scheduled to occur in 2018;

the Northeastern Complex s aromatics 1 and olefins 1 units in 2019;

the Southern Complex s olefins 1 and aromatics 1 units are scheduled to occur in 2020;

the São Paulo Complex s olefins and aromatics units are scheduled to occur in 2020; and

the Northeastern Complex s olefins 2 and aromatics 2 units are scheduled to occur in 2022. *Plants of Our Polyolefins, Vinyls and USA and Europe Units*

We have a regular maintenance program for each of our polyolefins plants. Production at each of our polyolefins plants generally is shut down for seven to 20 days every two to three years to allow for regular inspection and maintenance. In addition, we undertake other brief shutdowns for maintenance purposes that do not materially affect our production of polyolefins. We coordinate the maintenance cycles of our polyolefins plants with those of our basic petrochemicals plants. While our basic petrochemicals facilities must be shut down for up to 30 days for maintenance, our polyolefins facilities may be shut down for shorter periods because these facilities are less complex to operate and maintain than our basic petrochemicals plants. Similarly, plants of our USA and Europe Unit attempt to coordinate their maintenance cycles with the routines of their largest suppliers.

We have a regular maintenance program for each of our vinyls plants. Our Camaçari and Alagoas PVC plants are generally shut down for 15 to 20 days every two years to allow for regular inspection and maintenance. Our caustic soda and chlorine plant in Alagoas shuts down once a year for three days of maintenance in different parts of the plant. Our caustic soda and chlorine plant in Camaçari does not require prolonged maintenance shutdowns and is shut down for two or three days each year.

Environmental Regulation

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In each of the countries in which we operate, our operations are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the discharge of effluents and emissions into the environment and the handling and disposal of industrial waste and otherwise relating to the protection of the environment.

Our consolidated annual expenditures on environmental control were R\$325.3 million in 2016, R\$221.9 million in 2015 and R\$190.0 million in 2014. Our consolidated environmental expenses relate to our continuous control and monitoring policies, and we do not expect to have any material future environmental liabilities. However, our environmental compliance costs are likely to increase as a result of the projected increase in our production capacity and projected increases in unit costs for treatment and disposal of industrial waste, as well as the cost of compliance with future environmental regulations.

We had established a provision for recovery of potential environmental liabilities in the amount of R\$254.0 million as of December 31, 2016.

Compliance with Environmental Laws in Brazil

The Brazilian government enacted an Environmental Crimes Law in 1998 that imposes criminal penalties on corporations and individuals causing environmental damage. Corporations found to be polluting can be fined up to R\$50.0 million, have their operations suspended, be prohibited from government contracting, be required to repair damage that they cause and lose certain tax benefits and incentives. Executive officers, directors and other individuals may be imprisoned for up to five years for environmental violations.

Our operations are in compliance in all material respects with applicable Brazilian environmental laws and regulations currently in effect. Some environmental studies that we have commissioned have indicated instances of environmental contamination at certain of our plants. In addition, we and certain executive officers of our company and of our subsidiaries have received notices from time to time of minor environmental violations and are or have been subject to investigations or legal proceedings with respect to certain alleged environmental violations. These environmental issues, and any future environmental issues that may arise, could subject us to fines or other civil or criminal penalties imposed by Brazilian authorities. We are addressing all environmental issues of which we are aware, and we believe that none of these issues will have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Operating Permits

Under Brazilian federal and state environmental laws and regulations, we are required to obtain operating permits for our manufacturing facilities. If any of our environmental licenses and permits lapse or are not renewed or if we fail to obtain any required environmental licenses and permits, we may be subject to fines ranging from R\$500 to R\$50.0 million, and the Brazilian government may partially or totally suspend our activities and impose civil and criminal sanctions on our company or both.

Each State in which we operate has its own environmental standards and state authorities in each state have issued operating permits that must be renewed periodically. Additionally, all projects for the installation and operation of industrial facilities in the Northeastern Complex, Southern Complex, São Paulo Complex and Rio de Janeiro Complex are subject to approval by various environmental protection agencies, which must approve installed projects prior to their commencement of operations and must renew such approval periodically thereafter. State authorities have issued operating permits for all of our plants, as follows: the Northeastern Complex (State of Bahia); Southern Complex (State of Rio Grande do Sul), São Paulo Complex and Cubatão, Santo André, Mauá and Paulínia plants (State of São Paulo), Rio de Janeiro Complex (State of Rio de Janeiro) and our Alagoas plants (State of Alagoas). We are in possession of all necessary permits and do not expect to have difficulty in renewing any of them.

Industrial Waste

Companhia Riograndense de Saneamento, or Corsan, a state-owned sanitation company, operates an integrated system for liquid effluents treatment, or Sitel, in the Southern Complex. Sitel treats wastewater generated by our company and the other petrochemical producers at the Southern Complex at a liquid effluents treatment station located in the Southern Complex. This treatment station also includes a system for the collection of contaminated wastewater and disposal after treatment. We treat wastewater generated by our company at the Rio de Janeiro Complex at a liquid effluents treatment station located in the Rio de Janeiro Complex. This treatment station located in the Rio de Janeiro Complex. This treatment station also includes a system for the collection and disposal of contaminated wastewater. Hazardous solid waste is co-processed in cement kilns or incinerated and other kinds of solid waste are disposed of in landfills at facilities approved by our company.

We treat wastewater generated by our company at the São Paulo Complex at a liquid effluents treatment station located in the São Paulo Complex. This treatment station also includes a system for the collection and disposal of contaminated wastewater. Hazardous waste generated at the São Paulo Complex is incinerated in cement kilns and other kinds of solid waste are disposed of in landfills.

In our Bahia facilities, all wastewater is transported to Cetrel, a wastewater treatment facility. Solid waste is incinerated in cement kilns or incinerators and the remaining waste is disposed of in landfills.

Additionally, we have a series of recycling programs that includerecycling of solid waste and wastewater. We recycle or reuse 26.2% of the solid waste generated by our facilities and 22.9% of the water used in our production processes.

In our Alagoas Complex, organochlorines waste is incinerated producing steam and wastewater. All wastewater is treated at a treatment station located in the complex. Solid waste is separated and disposed of in landfills.

Asbestos

Our largest chlor-alkali plant located in Alagoas previously used asbestos cell technology to produce chlorine and caustic soda. Such technology can no longer be used in new petrochemical production facilities under Brazilian legislation and the global trend has been to ban this technology. As a result, in November 2016, we concluded our shift to newer diaphragm technology and banned asbestos technology from our plants.

Compliance with Environmental Laws in the United States

Our operations in the United States are subject to U.S. federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the discharge of effluents and emissions into the environment; the generation, storage, handling, management, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste, industrial waste and other types of waste; the use, storage, and handling of various types of products and materials; and the protection of human health, safety and the environment. In many instances, specific permits must be obtained for particular types of operations, emissions or discharges. For example, our facilities in Texas, Pennsylvania and West Virginia are required to maintain various permits relating to air quality and treatment of industrial wastewater, and to comply with regulatory requirements relating to waste management. We are in possession of necessary permits to operate our facilities. We believe that our operations in the United States are in compliance in all material respects with applicable U.S. federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations currently in effect.

As with the U.S. petrochemical industry generally, compliance with existing and anticipated laws and regulations increases the overall cost of operating our U.S. plants, including operating costs and capital costs to construct, maintain and upgrade equipment and facilities. These laws and regulations have required, and are expected to continue to require us to make, expenditures of both a capital and an expense nature.

The Clean Air Act, which was last amended in 1990, requires the United States Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA, to set National Ambient Air Quality Standards, or the NAAQS, for pollutants considered harmful to public health and the environment. The Clean Air Act requires periodic review of the science upon which the standards are based and the standards themselves. NAAQS for ozone and fine particulate matter (referred to as PM2.5), promulgated by the EPA have resulted in identification of nonattainment areas throughout the country, including certain areas within Texas, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, where Braskem America operates facilities. As a result of these nonattainment designations by the EPA, state or local air pollution control agencies are required to apply permitting and/or control requirements intended to reduce emissions of ozone precursors (nitrogen oxides and volatile organic compounds), and fine particles (including PM2.5 precursors), in order to demonstrate attainment with the applicable NAAQS. Such requirements may include imposition of offset requirements, and could result in enhanced emission control standards. In addition, in 2015 the EPA reevaluated the sufficiency of the current PM2.5 NAAOS. This reevaluation could result in more stringent ambient standards, which could in turn translate into additional state-specific requirements to further reduce allowable emission rates for PM2.5 or its precursor pollutants. In October 2016, the EPA lowered the primary and secondary NAAQS for ozone from 0.075 ppm to 0.070 ppm. Such state-specific requirements would become applicable, if at all, following a multi-year process. Regulations implementing this change will likely not be promulgated for several years.

In addition to permitting and/or control requirements that may result from the implementation of the NAAQS at the state or local level, the EPA may promulgate new or revised federal New Source Performance Standards or National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants that would apply directly to certain facility operations and may require the installation or upgrade of control equipment in order to satisfy applicable emission limits and/or operating standards under these regulatory programs. The EPA s currently-proposed regulations in this area would not specifically apply to Braskem America s operations.

Additionally, there are various legislative and regulatory measures to address greenhouse gas emissions which are in various stages of review, discussion or implementation by Congress and the EPA. In October 2015, the EPA finalized new regulations (known as the Clean Power Plan) aimed at lowering greenhouse gas emissions from existing, new and reconstructed electric generating units. In February 2016, the Supreme Court stayed implementation of the Clean Power Plan pending judicial review. While it is currently not possible to predict the final impact, if any, that these regulations may have on Braskem America or the U.S. petrochemical industry in general, they could result in increased utility costs to operate our facilities in the United States. In addition, future regulations limiting greenhouse gas emissions of carbon content of products, which target specific industries such as petrochemical manufacturing could adversely affect our ability to conduct Braskem America s business and also may reduce demand for its products. The EPA s currently-proposed regulations in this area would not specifically apply to Braskem America s operations.

Environmental Regulation in Germany and the European Union

Our operations in Germany are subject to German federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the discharge of effluents and emissions into the environment and the handling and disposal of industrial waste and otherwise relating to the protection of the environment and waste management. Our operations in Germany are in compliance in all material respects with applicable German federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations currently in effect.

As with the petrochemical industry in the European Union generally, compliance with existing and anticipated German laws and regulations increases the overall cost of operating our European business, including operating costs and capital costs to construct, maintain and upgrade equipment and facilities. These laws and regulations have required, and are expected to continue to require us to make expenditures of both a capital and an expense nature.

At our Schkopau and Wesseling, Germany facilities, we are required to maintain air, radiation, waste water and waste management permits from the German government and local agreements relating to the treatment of industrial wastewaters. We are in possession of all necessary permits.

Furthermore, our Wesseling, Germany facility is subject to existing European greenhouse gas regulations and a cap and trade program relating to emissions. We have purchased sufficient carbon dioxide emissions permits for its operations until 2018, provided it operates under normal business conditions. We will purchase any additional permits that may be required on the emission trade market. We are not aware of any new environmental regulations that would affect our European operations. Accordingly, we cannot estimate the potential financial impact of any future European Union or German environmental regulations.

Environmental Regulation in Mexico

Our operations in Mexico are subject to several environmental laws and regulations concerning human health, the handling and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes and discharges of pollutants into the air, soil and water. Under Mexican law, Braskem Idesa is required to obtain environmental and operating permits for the operation of its Mexico Complex. We believe that our operations in Mexico are in compliance in all material respects with applicable Mexican federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations currently in effect.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Our properties consist primarily of petrochemical production facilities in:

Camaçari in the State of Bahia;

Triunfo in the State of Rio Grande do Sul;

Duque de Caxias in the State of Rio de Janeiro;

São Paulo, Paulínia, Cubatão, Santo André and Mauá in the State of São Paulo;

Maceió and Marechal Deodoro in the State of Alagoas;

the United States in La Porte, Freeport and Seadrift, Texas, Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania, Neal, West Virginia;

Germany in Schkopau and Wesseling; and

Coatzacoalcos in Mexico.

For more information, see note 13 to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report.

Our principal executive offices are located in São Paulo in the State of São Paulo, and we have an administrative support office in the City of Salvador in the State of Bahia. We also have equity interests in investments located in other parts of the country. We own all our production facilities, but we generally rent our administrative offices.

The following table sets forth our properties as of December 31, 2016 by location of facilities, products produced and size of plant.

Type of Product or Service	Location of Facilities	Size of Plant (in hectares)(1)
Basic petrochemicals	Triunfo	152.8
Basic petrochemicals	Santo André	74.1
Basic petrochemicals	Camaçari	65.5
Basic petrochemicals	Duque de Caxias	53.0
Basic petrochemicals	Mexico	23.6
Polypropylene	Paulínia	39.7
Polyethylene	Triunfo	30.5
Polyethylene	Camaçari	24.5
Polyethylene	Cubatão	17.6
Polyethylene	Santo André	15.8
Polyethylene	Duque de Caxias	15.0
Polyethylene	Mexico	14.9
Polypropylene	La Porte, Texas	87.0
Polypropylene	Neal, West Virginia	27.1
Polypropylene	Mauá	15.8
Polypropylene	Duque de Caxias	15.0
Polypropylene	Camaçari	13.2
Polypropylene	Triunfo	10.0
Polypropylene	Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania	6.9
Polypropylene	Freeport, Texas	8.9
Polypropylene	Seadrift, Texas	2.5
Polypropylene	Schkopau, Germany	3.7
Polypropylene	Wesseling, Germany	26.0

Caustic soda/chlorine	Maceió	15.0
PVC/caustic soda/chlorine	Camaçari	12.6
PVC	Marechal Deodoro	186.7
Distribution Center	Vila Prudente/Capuava	3.2

(1) One hectare equals 10,000 square meters.

We believe that all of our production facilities are in good operating condition. As of December 31, 2016, the consolidated net book value of our property, plant and equipment was R\$29,336.7 million.

The following properties are mortgaged or pledged to secure certain of our financial transactions: (1) our basic petrochemicals plant and our polyethylene plant located in the Southern Complex; (2) our chlor-alkali plant and PVC plant located in the Northeastern Complex; (3) our basic petrochemicals plant and our polyethylene plant located in São Paulo Complex; (4) our chlor-alkali plant and PVC plant located in the State of Alagoas; (5) our basic petrochemicals plant, our polyethylene plant and our polypropylene plant located in the Rio de Janeiro Complex; and (6) our basic petrochemical plant and our polyethylene plants located in Mexico.

Insurance

In addition to the policies described below for our Brazilian and international operations, we maintain other insurance policies for specific risks, including directors and officers liability coverage, workers compensation, employers practice liability, automotive, marine cargo and charterer s liability insurance, among others.

We do not anticipate having any difficulties in renewing any of our insurance policies and believe that our insurance coverage is reasonable in amount and consistent with industry standards applicable to chemical companies operating globally.

Operations in Brazil, the United States and Germany

We carry insurance for all our plants against material damage and consequent business interruption through comprehensive all risk insurance policies.

The all risks insurance program for our plants provides for a total replacement value of US\$27.8 billion for property damage. This insurance program is underwritten through separate policies in Brazil, Mexico, the United States and Germany by large insurance companies. These policies are in place until October 2018.

Set forth is a table with additional information related to our all risk insurance policies.

Policy / Region US\$ bn	Value at risk - Property Damage	Combined Damage and Interruption Limit	Property Business	Comments
Brazil	21.7	3.375		Limit increased from US\$ 2 bn to US\$ 3.375 bn.
Mexico	4.4	3.153		Natural Hazard Limit increased from US\$ 1.5 bn to US\$ 2bn.
USA and Germany	1.7	0.33		Limit increased from US\$ 250 million to US\$ 330 million; Limit for flood and wind and named storm of US\$ 300 million in the aggregate and US\$ 200 million per event.

Our policies provide coverage for losses that arise from accidents relating to fire, explosion and machinery breakdown, among others, and consequential business interruption, with maximum indemnity periods ranging from 12 to 33 months, depending on the plant and/or coverage.

As part of our program, we also have third-party liability insurance for our operations, which cover losses for damages caused to third parties from our operations and products, including environmental damage caused by pollution. These policies have a maximum aggregate limit of US\$300 million for Brazil, the United States and Germany.

The material damage insurance for our plants provides coverage for losses due to accidents resulting from fire, explosion and machinery breakdown, among others. This coverage has a maximum indemnification limit of US\$2 billion per event (combined material damage and business interruption coverage) for the Brazilian plants and US\$250 million (combined material damage and business interruption coverage, excluding flood and earthquake damages, which have an indemnity limit of US\$200 million per event) for our plants in the United States and Germany. Our policies have deductibles ranging from US\$250,000 to US\$20 million, depending on the plant and/or coverage.

The business interruption coverage under our policies provides coverage for losses resulting from interruptions due to any material damage covered by the property policy. The losses are covered with maximum indemnity periods ranging from 12 to 24 months and deductibles ranging from 45 to 90 days, depending on the plant and/or coverage.

As a part of our insurance program, we also have a third-party liability policy for our operations, which covers losses for damages caused to third parties from our operations and products, including sudden environmental pollution. This policy has a maximum indemnification limit of US\$300 million per occurrence subject to a US\$250,000 deductible.

Operations in Mexico

We have an insurance program in force for our operation in Mexico, which is comparable to existing programs for large companies in the industry throughout the world. This program includes: (1) property and business interruption coverage up to an aggregate amount of US\$3,153 million, (2) terrorism coverage up to a limit of US\$1,212 million, (3) marine cargo coverage up to a limit per shipment of US\$6 million, (4) general liability with indemnity limit of US\$210 million per event and (5) pollution liability with a maximum indemnification limit of US\$50 million.

Compliance

We have adopted a Policy on Compliance in Acting Ethically with Integrity and Transparency, and several internal policies designed to guide our management, employees and counterparties and reinforce our principles and rules for ethical behavior and professional conduct. We maintain an Ethics Line managed by a third party available for employees and non-employees. Every whistleblower complaint is investigated and submitted for evaluation by our Ethics Committee.

Following our discovery of vulnerabilities in our internal controls in connection with the Investigation, we have designed and implemented remediation efforts to improve and evolve our Global Governance and Compliance system, including a series of efforts designed to ensure that every vulnerability that permitted the occurrence of the material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting described in Item 15. Controls and Procedures is mitigated. We expect such measures to be implemented and producing the desired effects by the end of 2017. We have taken the following measures, among others: (a) established the Compliance Committee (as defined below), (b) hired a Chief Compliance Officer (as defined below) and increased staffing and resources for our Internal Controls, Risk Management, Compliance and Internal Audit departments, (c) created an Internal Audit department, (d) incorporated anti-corruption clauses in our contracts with third-parties, (e) adopted the Policy on Compliance in Acting Ethically with Integrity and Transparency, (f) developed and implemented training programs for our directors, senior management and other employees, (g) enhanced vendor data, due diligence, procurement and payment procedures and associated controls, and (h) redesigned our process for monitoring in-transit inventory of raw materials, including naphtha. Furthermore, we implemented a new set of controls in the fourth quarter of 2016 that improved the processes in connection with manual journal entries, monitoring of payments of commissions and ledger accounts. We have also taken actions to implement controls within the process of posting entries in the inventory and trade payable balance accounts for naphtha imports processed by Braskem Netherlands. Finally, we have improved the internal controls of

monitoring of debits obligations in Braskem Idesa. We believe that these steps, taken together, will provide additional supervision, approval and review of accounting transactions and will enable us to better prevent and detect potential issues in our internal controls. For more information, see Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Directors and Senior Management and Item 15. Controls and Procedures.

ITEM 4A. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not Applicable.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 and for the three years ended December 31, 2016, included in this annual report, as well as with the information presented under Presentation of Financial and Other Information and Item 3. Key Information Selected Financial and Other Information.

The following discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including those set forth in Cautionary Statement with Respect to Forward-Looking Statements and Item 3. Key Information Risk Factors.

Overview

Our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 have been influenced, and our results of operations will continue to be influenced, by a variety of factors, including:

Brazil s GDP, which contracted 3.6% in 2016, as compared to a contraction of 3.8% in 2015 and growth of 0.1% in 2014, which affects the demand for our products and, consequently, our domestic sales volume;

the U.S. GDP, which expanded 1.6% in 2016, as compared to growth of 2.6% in 2015 and 2.4% in 2014, which affects the demand for our products and, consequently, our domestic sales volume;

Europe s GDP, which expanded 1.7% in 2016, as compared to growth of 2.0% in 2015 and 0.9% in 2014, which affects the demand for our products and, consequently, our domestic sales volume;

the expansion of global production capacity for the products that we sell and the growth rate of the global economy;

the international market price of naphtha, our principal raw material, expressed in U.S. dollars, which has a significant impact on the cost of producing our products and which has been volatile during the three years ended December 31, 2016, fluctuating in a range between US\$293 and US\$462 per ton during 2016, US\$387 and US\$551 per ton during 2015 and US\$492 and US\$952 per ton during 2014;

the average domestic prices of our principal products expressed in U.S. dollars, which fluctuate to a significant extent based on international prices for these products and which also have a high correlation to our raw material costs;

our crackers capacity utilization rates, which increased in 2016 as result of the improvements in processes and the investments made over recent years, as well as our capacity to export any surplus not absorbed by

Brazil s domestic market;

government industrial policy;

sales outside Brazil, which remained stable at R\$23.1 billion in 2016 from R\$23.2 billion in 2015;

changes in the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate, including the appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar by 16.5% in 2016, as compared to depreciation of 47.0% in 2015 and 13.4% in 2014;

the level of our outstanding indebtedness, fluctuations in benchmark interest rates in Brazil, which affect our interest expenses on our *real*-denominated floating rate debt and financial income on our cash and cash equivalents, and fluctuations in the LIBOR rate, which affect our interest expenses on our U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate debt;

the inflation rate in Brazil, which was 7.2% in 2016, 10.7% in 2015 and 3.8% in 2014, in each case, as measured by the IGP-DI, and the effects of inflation on our operating expenses denominated in *reais* and our *real*-denominated debt that is indexed to take into account the effects of inflation or bears interest at rates that are partially adjusted for inflation; and

the tax policies and tax obligations. Our financial condition and liquidity is influenced by various factors, including:

our ability to generate cash flows from our operations and our liquidity;

prevailing Brazilian and international interest rates and movements in exchange rates, which affect our debt service requirements;

our ability to continue to be able to borrow funds from international and Brazilian financial institutions and to sell our debt securities in the international and Brazilian securities markets, which is influenced by a number of factors discussed below;

our capital expenditure requirements, which consist primarily of maintenance of our operating facilities, expansion of our production capacity and research and development activities; and

the requirement under Brazilian Corporate law and our by-laws that we pay dividends on an annual basis in an amount equal to at least 25% of our adjusted net income, unless our board of directors deems it inconsistent with our financial position and the decision of our board of directors is ratified by our shareholders.

Financial Presentation and Accounting Policies

Presentation of Financial Statements

We have prepared our audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 and for each of the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 in accordance with IFRS.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS 10 (Consolidated Financial Statements).

Operating Segments and Presentation of Segment Financial Data

We believe that our organizational structure as of December 31, 2016 reflected our business activities and corresponded to our principal products and production processes. As of December 31, 2016, we had six production business units and reported our results by six corresponding segments to reflect this organizational structure:

Basic Petrochemicals This segment includes (1) our production and sale of basic petrochemicals at the Northeastern Complex, the Southern Complex, the São Paulo Complex and the Rio de Janeiro Complex, and (3) our supply of utilities produced at these complexes to second generation producers, including some producers owned or controlled by our company.

Polyolefins This segment includes the production in Brazil and sale of polyethylene, including the production of green polyethylene from renewable resources, and polypropylene by our company.

USA and Europe This segment includes the operations of our five polypropylene plants in the United States and the operations of our two polypropylene plants in Germany.

Mexico This segment includes the operations of our polyethylene plants in the Mexican state of Veracruz.

Vinyls This segment includes our production and sale of PVC and caustic soda. We have included a reconciliation of the results of operations of our segments, as they existed as of December 31, 2016, to our consolidated results of operations under Results of Operations below.

Significant accounting policies

The presentation of our financial condition and results of operations in conformity with IFRS requires us to make certain judgments and estimates regarding the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain and that impact the carrying value of our assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from these estimates. In order to provide an understanding about how we form our judgments and estimates about certain future events, including the variables and assumptions underlying the estimates, and the sensitivity of those judgments to different variables and conditions, we have included comments related to the following significant accounting policies under IFRS:

Impairment of property, plant and equipment and non-financial assets. Our goodwill based on expected future profitability as of December 31, 2016 was R\$2,058.9 million. The recoverable value of property, plant and equipment and other noncurrent assets including intangible assets (other than goodwill based on expected future profitability) are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The recoverable value of goodwill based on expected future profitability is reviewed for impairment on an annual basis. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset s carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of (1) an asset s fair value less costs to sell; and (2) its value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest level for which there are separately identifiable cash flows that can be cash-generating units or operating segments. Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date. Our impairment tests of goodwill consider the operations at (1) the Southern Complex in the Basic Petrochemicals Unit, (2) the Polyolefins Unit and (3) the Vinyls Unit.

At the end of 2016, Braskem conducted this test using the value in use method (discounted cash flow) and did not identify any loss, as shown in the table below:

	Allocated goodwill	Cash flow (CF)	Book value (i)	CF/Book value
CGU and operating segments				
CGU - UNIB - South	926,854	7,312,051	1,991,908	3.7
Operating segment - Polyolefins	939,667	26,858,040	5,144,650	5.2
Operating segment - Vinyls	192,353	3,282,147	2,979,167	1.1

(i) This item includes, in addition to goodwill, the long-lived assets and working capital of each operating segment. The assumptions adopted to determine the discounted cash flow are described in note 3.4(b) to our audited consolidated financial statements. We used a WACC of 13.08% per annum for our Basic Petrochemicals Unit and our Polyolefins Unit and an adjusted WACC of 14.4% per annum for the Vinyls Unit, which was adopted for the 5 years of the projection and to reflect the tax incentive described in note 29(a). To calculate the perpetuity of this business unit, the same discount rate adopted by the other business units was used. The WACC adopted for 2015 was 13.91% per annum. The inflation rate adopted for perpetuity was 4.7%.

Given the potential impact on cash flows of the discount rate and perpetuity, Braskem conducted a sensitivity analysis based on changes in these variables, with cash flows shown in the table below:

	+0.5% on discount rate	-0.5% on perpetuity
CGU and operating segments		
CGU - UNIB - South	6,978,365	6,951,557
Operating segment - Polyolefins	25,752,618	25,663,810
Operating segment - Vinyls	3,160,037	3,167,252
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The main assumptions used for projecting cash flows are related to the projections for macroeconomic indicators, international prices and global and local demand in the countries where Braskem has production plants.

The macroeconomic indicators are provided by a widely recognized consulting firm and include items such as: exchange, inflation and interest rates, as well as other indicators.

The prices of key petrochemical products are obtained from projections formulated by an international consulting firm. However, the final prices take into consideration meetings of specific internal committees and the knowledge of our experts in the formulation of price references for each market. For the projected period, most of the prices projected internally were more conservative than those originally projected by the international consulting firm.

As in the case of prices, global demand projections also are contracted from a specific consulting firm and, in the markets where we operate directly, are taken into account in determining local demand.

In the Vinyls Unit, which main product is PVC, the amount of projected cash flow exceeded the book value of the assets by 10%. The main variables affecting this business are related to fluctuations in the exchange rate, international spreads (especially those related to the prices of naphtha, PVC and caustic soda) and local demand in Brazil. Fluctuations in these variables that differ from our projections could lead to cash flow that is lower than the value of the assets. As a result, a reduction in the PVC spread in *reais* (taking into consideration the combined effect of exchange rates and international prices) of 4.3% or a reduction in local demand of 12.2% would result in a cash flow equivalent to the book value of the assets.

We did not record any impairment charges in the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014. As of December 31, 2016, we do not believe that any of our cash generating units were at risk of impairment.

Valuation of derivative instruments. We use swaps, non-deliverable forwards and other derivative instruments to manage risks from changes in foreign exchange, interest rates and commodities prices. We record these instruments at their estimated fair market value based on market quotations for similar instruments, and based on standard mark-to-market practices, which take into account reliable market curves for interest rates, foreign exchange rates and commodities prices.

Deferred Income Tax and Social Contribution. We recognize deferred income tax and social contribution assets and liabilities based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities using prevailing tax rates. We regularly review any deferred income tax and social contribution assets for recoverability and reduce their carrying value based on our historical taxable income, projected future taxable income and the expected timing of any reversals of existing temporary differences. If one of our subsidiaries operates at a loss or is unable to generate sufficient future taxable income, or if there is a material change in the actual effective tax rates or the time period within which the

underlying temporary differences become taxable or deductible, we evaluate the need to reduce partially or completely the carrying value of our deferred income tax and social contribution assets.

Provisions and Contingencies. We are currently involved in numerous judicial and administrative proceedings, as described under Item 8. Financial Information Legal Proceedings, and in notes 22 and 23 to our audited consolidated financial statements. We record accrued liabilities for provisions that we deem probable of creating an adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition. For the main contingencies that we deem possible of creating an adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition. For the main condition, we disclose relevant information regarding the proceedings in accordance with IAS 37. Additionally, the contingencies assumed in a business combination for which an unfavorable outcome is considered possible are recognized at their fair value on the acquisition date. We believe that these judicial and administrative proceedings are properly recognized or disclosed in our financial statements.

Pension plans. For defined benefit plans that we sponsor, we calculate our funding obligations based on calculations performed by independent actuaries using assumptions provided by the plan s management, such as interest rates investment returns, and levels of inflation, and provided by the actuaries, such as mortality rates and future employment levels. Collectively, these assumptions directly impact our liability for accrued pension costs and the amounts we record as pension costs, although individual assumptions are not expected to be material.

Useful life of long-lived assets. We recognize the depreciation of long-lived assets based on their estimated useful life, which in turn is based on industry practices and previous experience. However, the actual useful life can vary based on the current state of technologies at each unit. The useful life of the long-lived asset also affects the impairment testing. We do not believe that there are any indications of material change in the estimates and assumptions used in the calculation or the impairment losses of long-lived assets. However, if the actual results are not consistent with the estimates and assumptions used in the future cash flows estimating the fair value of the assets, we could be exposed to potentially significant losses.

Valuation of assets and liabilities in business combinations. We have entered into certain business combinations that we have accounted for in accordance with IFRS. In this regard, we hire and supervise the specialized service providers to evaluate the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. We allocate the cost of the entity acquired to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, on a fair value basis, estimated at the date of acquisition. Any difference between the cost of the acquisition and the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recorded as goodwill or a gain on bargain purchase. We exercise significant judgment in the process of identifying the tangible and intangible assets and liabilities, valuing such assets and liabilities in determining the remaining useful life. Assumptions used to value those assets and liabilities include estimates of discounted cash flows or discount rates and may result in a difference between the estimated and actual values. If the actual results are not consistent with the estimates and assumptions used, we could be exposed to potentially significant losses.

Principal Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations

Growth of Brazil s GDP and Domestic Demand for Our Products

Our sales in Brazil represented 51.7% of our net sales revenue in the year ended December 31, 2016. Thus, we are significantly affected by economic conditions in Brazil. Our results of operations and financial condition have been, and will continue to be, affected by the growth rate of Brazilian GDP because our products are used in the manufacture of a wide range of consumer and industrial products.

The following table sets forth the growth rates of Brazilian GDP and domestic apparent consumption for polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC for the periods presented.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Brazilian GDP	(3.6)%	(3.8)%	0.1%	3.0%	1.9%
Brazilian consumption of polyethylene	(1.3)%	(3.2)%	0.6%	8.0%	1.3%
Brazilian consumption of polypropylene	1.1%	(8.3)%	(2.6)%	4.6%	3.8%
Brazilian consumption of PVC	(2.3)%	(16.0)%	(2.3)%	12.5%	0.9%

Source: Brazilian government and Tendencias Consultoria.

Brazilian GDP growth has fluctuated significantly, and we anticipate that it will likely continue to do so. Our management believes that economic growth in Brazil should positively affect our future net sales revenue and results of operations. However, continued low growth or a recession in Brazil would likely reduce our future net sales revenue and have a negative effect on our results of operations.

In 2014, the Brazilian economy continued to face challenges, registering low GDP growth. The decrease in consumer confidence, demonstrated by the deceleration of consumption, and weaker external demand affected most economic sectors, including the industrial and services sectors, which registered decreased growth as compared to 2013. As a result, Brazilian consumption volumes of thermoplastic resins declined by 2.6% for polypropylene and 2.3% for PVC. Brazilian consumption volumes of polyethylene remained stable.

In 2015, Brazil was affected by the continued political crisis, lower-than-expected GDP growth in China (6.9%, the lowest in 25 years), declines in international commodity prices and weakening currencies in emerging economies, led by the *real*. Key sectors in the Brazilian economy, such as services, construction and infrastructure, experienced a slowdown which affected the labor market by reducing income levels and consequently household spending and investment. According to the IBGE, Brazil s GDP contracted 3.8% in 2015. As a result, Brazilian consumption volumes of thermoplastic resins declined by 3.2% for polypropylene, 3.8% for polyethylene and 16.0% for PVC.

In 2016, indicators for economic growth in Brazil were weaker than expected, with negative GDP growth for the year, primarily due to lower borrowing as a result of higher levels of debt held by households and businesses. These factors, combined with the persistent bottlenecks contributing to Brazil cost and the prolonged political and institutional crisis, affected the country s economy, which resulted in lower demand for resins in the Brazilian market. As a result, Brazilian consumption volumes of thermoplastic resins declined by 2.3% for PVC and 1.3% for polyethylene.

Brazil s Macroeconomic Environment

The following table shows data inflation, interest rates and the U.S. dollar exchange rate for and as of the periods indicated.

	December 31,			
	2016	2015	2014	2013
Real growth in gross domestic product	(3.6)%	(3.8)%	0.1%	2.3%
Inflation (IGP-M) ⁽¹⁾	7.2%	10.5%	3.7%	5.5%
Inflation (IPCA) ⁽²⁾	6.2%	10.7%	6.4%	5.9%
CDI rate ⁽³⁾	13.6%	14.1%	11.6%	9.8%
LIBOR rate ⁽⁴⁾	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%	0.2%
Depreciation of the real vs. U.S. dollar	4.3%	41.8%	9.0%	10.5%
Period-end exchange rate US\$1.00	R\$ 3.259	R\$ 3.905	R\$ 2.656	R\$ 2.343

Sources: Fundação Getúlio Vargas, the Central Bank and Bloomberg

- (1) Inflation (IGP-M) is the general market price index measured by the Fundação Getúlio Vargas.
- (2) Inflation (IPCA) is a broad consumer price index measured by the Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística.
- (3) The CDI rate is average of inter-bank overnight rates in Brazil (as of the last date of the respective period).
- (4) Three-month U.S. dollar LIBOR rate as of the last date of the period. The LIBOR rate is the London inter-bank offer rate.

Effects of Fluctuations in Exchange Rates between the Real and the U.S. Dollar

Our results of operations and financial condition have been, and will continue to be, affected by the rate of depreciation or appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar because:

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a substantial portion of our net sales revenue is denominated in or linked to U.S. dollars;

our costs for some of our raw materials, principally naphtha and certain catalysts required in our production processes, are incurred in U.S. dollars or are linked to U.S. dollars;

we have operating expenses, and make other expenditures, that are denominated in or linked to U.S. dollars; and

we have significant amounts of U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities that require us to make principal and interest payments in U.S. dollars.

Virtually all of our sales are of petrochemical products for which there are international market prices expressed in U.S. dollars. We generally attempt to set prices that take into account (1) the international market prices for our petrochemical products, and (2) in Brazil, variations in the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate. As a result, although a significant portion of our net sales revenue is denominated in *reais*, substantially all of our products are sold at prices that are based on international market prices that are quoted in U.S. dollars.

Fluctuations in the *real* will affect the cost of naphtha and other U.S. dollar-linked or imported raw materials. The price of naphtha, raw material, is linked to the U.S. dollar. The pricing formula included in the contract with Petrobras under which we purchase naphtha for our basic petrochemical plants in the Northeastern Complex and in the Southern Complex includes a factor that adjusts the price to reflect the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate.

The depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar generally increases the production cost for our products and we generally attempt to increase the Brazilian prices for our products in *reais* (to the extent possible in light of then-prevailing market conditions in Brazil), which may result in reduced sales volumes of our products. To the extent that our price increases are not sufficient to cover the increased costs for raw materials, our operating margin decreases. Conversely, the appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar generally decreases the production cost for our products and we generally decrease the Brazilian prices for our products in *reais*, which may result in increased sales volumes of our products. In periods when the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate is highly volatile, there is usually a lag between the time when the U.S. dollar appreciates or depreciates and the time when we are able to pass on increased costs, or are required to pass on reduced costs, in *reais* to our customers in Brazil. These pricing discrepancies decrease when the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate is less volatile.

Braskem can enter into financial derivatives transactions to mitigate exchange rate risk associated with exposure to costs in *reais*. Those operations can include call and put options and related strategies. For example, Braskem may apply a hedging strategy referred to as collar, which is composed of the purchase of a put option associated with the simultaneous sale of a call option, where both options having the same maturity. In this case, if the *real* depreciates and the strike price of the call exceeds the exchange rate of the option s exercise date, we may incur significant financial losses. However, since those strategies will be implemented only for non-speculative purposes (in accordance with our financial policy), potential losses on derivatives transactions will be offset by more competitive fixed costs in *reais*.

Our consolidated U.S. dollar-denominated indebtedness represented 85.0% of our outstanding indebtedness as of December 31, 2016. As a result, when the *real* depreciates against the U.S. dollar:

the interest costs on our U.S. dollar-denominated indebtedness increase in *reais*, which adversely affects our results of operations in *reais*;

the amount of our U.S. dollar-denominated indebtedness increases in *reais*, and our total liabilities and debt service obligations in *reais* increase; and

our financial expenses tend to increase as a result of foreign exchange losses that we must record, mitigated by our decision to designate, on May 1, 2013, part of our U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities as a hedge for

our future exports. Appreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar has the converse effects.

Export sales and sales by our USA and Europe Unit, which enable us to generate receivables payable in foreign currencies, tend to provide a hedge against a portion of our U.S. dollar-denominated debt service obligations, but they do not fully match them. To further mitigate our exposure to exchange rate risk, we try, where possible, to enter into trade finance loans for our working capital needs, which funding is generally available at a lower cost because it is linked to U.S. dollar exports.

Effects of Brazilian Inflation

Brazilian inflation affects our financial performance by increasing some of our operating expenses denominated in *reais* (and not linked to the U.S. dollar). A significant portion of our costs of sales and services rendered, however, are denominated in or linked to the U.S. dollar and are not substantially affected by the Brazilian inflation rate. Some of our *real*-denominated debt is indexed to take into account the effects of inflation. Under this debt, the principal amount generally is adjusted with reference to the General Price Index Market (*Índice Geral de Preços Mercado*), an inflation index, so that inflation results in increases in our financial expenses and debt service obligations. In addition, a significant portion of our *real*-denominated debt bears interest at the TJLP or the CDI rate, which are partially adjusted for inflation.

Effect of Sales Outside Brazil on Our Financial Performance

We have significant production capacity located outside of Brazil from our plants located in the United States, Germany and Mexico.

During the year ended December 31, 2016, 48.4% of our net sales revenue was derived from sales of our products outside Brazil as compared with 49.4% during 2015 and 44.0% during 2014. Net sales revenues derived from sales outside Brazil decreased by 0.3% during 2016, and increased by 16.7% during 2015 and 13.4% during 2014.

During the year ended December 31, 2016, sales to customers in countries in the Americas (other than Brazil) accounted for 57.9% of our sales outside Brazil. During the year ended December 31, 2016, sales to customers in Europe accounted for 16.4% of our sales outside Brazil, and sales to customers in East Asia and Other accounted for 25.7% of our sales outside Brazil.

During the past several years, as the relative cost of naphtha and gas as feedstocks for petrochemical crackers has diverged, the profit margins of many naphtha crackers, including ours, have decreased as crackers using gas as feedstock have become the low-cost producer in the global markets. However, since gas crackers are unable to produce the co-products and byproducts that naphtha crackers generate, such as propylene, butadiene and BTX products, the prices of these products in the international markets have increased. As a result of the increased prices available for most of these co-products and byproducts, our net sales revenue from export sales of these products increased.

Cyclicality Affecting the Petrochemical Industry

Global consumption of petrochemical products has increased significantly over the past 30 years. Due to this growth in consumption, producers have experienced periods of insufficient capacity for these products. Periods of insufficient capacity, including some due to raw material shortages, have usually resulted in increased capacity utilization rates and international market prices for our products, leading to increased domestic prices and operating margins. These periods have often been followed by periods of capacity additions, which have resulted in declining capacity utilization rates and international selling prices, leading to declining domestic prices and operating margins.

We expect that these cyclical trends in international selling prices and operating margins relating to global capacity shortfalls and additions will likely persist, principally due to the continuing impact of four general factors:

cyclical trends in general business and economic activity produce swings in demand for petrochemicals;

during periods of reduced demand, the high fixed cost structure of the capital intensive petrochemicals industry generally leads producers to compete aggressively on price in order to maximize capacity utilization;

significant capacity additions, whether through plant expansion or construction, can take three to four years to implement and are therefore necessarily based upon estimates of future demand; and

as competition in petrochemical products is, in most cases, focused on price, being a low-cost producer is critical to improved profitability. This favors producers with larger plants that maximize economies of scale, but construction of plants with high capacity may result in significant increases in capacity that can outstrip demand growth.

A variety of petrochemical companies have announced plans to build significant additional ethylene production capacity, primarily in Asia, the Middle East and North America. According to IHS, 30.7 million tons of annual global ethylene capacity is scheduled to be commissioned between 2017 and 2021, including approximately 9.3 million tons of annual capacity in China, 2.9 million tons of annual capacity in the Middle East and 11.3 million tons of annual capacity in North America. According to IHS, the majority of the new capacity in China will be based on coal as their principal feedstock. The majority of the new capacity in the Middle East will be based on ethane as their feedstock, either as the only raw material, or with another feedstock for flexible crackers. However, expansions of ethylene capacity are frequently subject to delays, and we cannot predict when the planned additional capacity will be commissioned, if at all.

International pricing pressures increased in 2011 and 2012 as the price differential between naphtha and gas increased and producers using ethane as raw materials were able to maintain competitive margins at sales prices lower than those required by some naphtha based producers. In 2013, the global economy showed signs of recovery, as reflected by the improved performance of the U.S. economy and indications that the euro zone had begun to emerge from crisis. This scenario helped support a recovery in the profitability of the global petrochemical industry, and the spreads for thermoplastic resins and main basic petrochemicals improved during the year. In 2014, world GDP growth fell short of initial forecasts for the year, reflecting the slower growth in emerging economies and in the euro zone. However, the recovery in the U.S. economy and the good performance of other developed markets, such as the United Kingdom, had a positive impact on the world economy in 2014. In 2015 crude oil prices fell sharply, which reduced the competitive advantage of gas-based producers compared to naphtha-based producers.

The combination of the decline in oil prices, and consequently the decline in naphtha prices, the main feedstock used by the global petrochemical industry, which registered an average price in 2016 of US\$385 per ton, down 16.6% from 2015, as well as the cancelation and postponements of previously announced petrochemical projects, supported healthy thermoplastics resins spreads.

We believe that the pricing scenario for the short-term is marked by caution. As expected, petrochemical prices have followed the downward trend in naphtha prices, which in turn followed the downward trend in crude oil markets. However, it is expected that the improvement in the world economy will continue to positively influence the demand and profitability of the sector in the short term.

Based on historical growth of demand for polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC, we believe that the additional capacity introduced in the market in 2014, 2015 and 2016 will be absorbed by the market in the medium-term. However, the production generated by this increase in capacity may lead to continued pressure on prices in the international markets and an increase in competition from imports in the Brazilian markets, which could adversely affect our net sales revenues, gross margins and overall results of operations.

Effects of Fluctuations in Naphtha, Ethane, Propane and Propylene Prices

Fluctuations in the international market price of naphtha have significant effects on our costs of goods sold and the prices that we are able to charge our customers for our first and second generation products. Political instability in the Middle East or similar events that may occur in the future may lead to unpredictable effects on the global economy or the economies of the affected regions, have had and may continue to have negative effects on oil production and price volatility, consequently driving naphtha and petrochemical prices higher worldwide.

The price of ethane and propane in the Mont Belvieu region in Texas is used as a reference for our costs of feedstocks. Any future developments that affect the U.S. supply/demand balance for natural gas may adversely affect the Mont Belvieu price of natural gas (including ethane, propane and butane) and increase our production costs or decrease the price of petrochemical products. External factors and natural disasters such as hurricanes, harsh winters or industry developments, such as shale gas exploration, may disrupt the supply of natural gas, thereby increasing the cost, which may materially adversely affect our cost of sales and results of operations.

Effects on Cost of Sales

Naphtha is the principal raw material used by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit and, indirectly, in several of our other business units. Naphtha and condensate accounted for 63.1% of the total cost of sales of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit during 2016. Naphtha accounted for 42.7% of our direct and indirect consolidated cost of sales and services rendered during 2016.

The cost of naphtha varies in accordance with international market prices, which fluctuate depending upon the supply and demand for oil and other refined petroleum products. We purchase naphtha under a long-term supply contract with Petrobras, and we import naphtha from other suppliers through our terminal at Aratú in the State of Bahia and Petrobras terminal at Osório in the State of Rio Grande do Sul. The prices that we pay for naphtha under these arrangements, other than our supply contract with Petrobras, are based on the Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp market price for naphtha. As a result, fluctuations in the Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp market price for naphtha have had a direct impact on the cost of our first generation products.

Our contracts with Petrobras provide for naphtha prices based on Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp (ARA) quotations. The volatility of the quotation of this product in the international market, the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate, and the level of carbon disulfide, a contaminant of the naphtha that is delivered, also influence the price of naphtha that we purchase from Petrobras. We believe that these contracts have reduced the exposure of the cost of our first generation products to fluctuations in the Amsterdam-Rotterdam-Antwerp market price for naphtha.

The international price of naphtha has fluctuated significantly in the past, and we expect that it will continue to do so in the future. Significant increases in the price of naphtha and, consequently, the cost of producing our products, generally reduce our gross margins and our results of operations to the extent that we are unable to pass all of these increased costs on to our customers, and may result in reduced sales volumes of our products. Conversely, significant decreases in the price of naphtha and, consequently, the cost of producing our products, generally increase our gross margins and our results of operations and may result in increased sales volumes if this lower cost leads us to lower our prices. In periods of high volatility in the U.S. dollar price of naphtha, there is usually a lag between the time that the U.S. dollar price increases or decreases and the time that we are able to pass on increased, or required to pass on reduced, costs to our customers in Brazil. These pricing discrepancies decrease when the U.S. dollar price of naphtha is less volatile.

We do not currently hedge our exposure to changes in the prices of naphtha because a portion of our sales are exports payable in foreign currencies and linked to the international market prices of naphtha and also because the prices of our polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC products sold in Brazil generally reflect changes in the international market prices of these products.

Effects on Prices of Our Products

The prices that we charge for many of our basic petrochemical products are determined by reference to the European contract prices for these products. Because European producers of basic petrochemical products primarily use naphtha

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as a raw material, changes in the European contract prices are strongly influenced by fluctuations in international market prices for naphtha. To the extent that our prices are based on the European contract prices for our products, the prices that we charge for these products are significantly influenced by international market prices for naphtha.

We negotiate the prices in *reais* for part of our products, principally polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC, on a monthly basis with our domestic customers. We attempt to revise our prices to reflect (1) changes in the international market prices of these products, which tend to fluctuate in tandem with naphtha prices, especially for polyethylene, and (2) the appreciation or depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar. However, during periods of high volatility in international market prices or exchange rates, we are sometimes unable to fully reflect these changes in our prices in a prompt manner.

The international market prices of our petrochemical products have fluctuated significantly, and we believe that they will continue to do so. Volatility of the price of naphtha and the upward trend in the price of petroleum and naphtha have effects on the price competitiveness of our naphtha-based crackers and our resins. Because pricing trends for naphtha and ethane have diverged in recent years to a greater extent than has been the case historically, producers of ethylene and resin products derived from ethane generally have experienced lower unit raw material costs than naphtha-based producers of these products. As a consequence, significant increases in the pricing differential between naphtha and gas increases the competitiveness of products derived from ethane and may result in pricing pressure in the international markets.

Significant increases in the international market prices of our petrochemical products and, consequently, the prices that we are able to charge, generally increase our net sales revenue and our results of operations to the extent that we are able to maintain our operating margins and increased prices do not reduce sales volumes of our products. Conversely, significant decreases in the international prices of our petrochemical products, and, consequently, the prices that we charge, generally reduce our net sales revenue and our results of operations if we are unable to increase our operating margins or these reduced prices do not result in increased sales volumes of our products.

Capacity Utilization

Our operations are capital intensive. Accordingly, to obtain lower unit production costs and maintain adequate operating margins, we seek to maintain a high capacity utilization rate at all of our production facilities.

The table below sets forth capacity utilization rates with respect to the production facilities for some of our principal products for the periods presented.

	Year End	Year Ended December 31,			
	2016	2015	2014		
Ethylene	92%	89%	86%		
Polyethylene	89%	87%	80%		
Polypropylene	86%	76%	81%		
PVC	84%	76%	89%		
Polypropylene USA and Europe	100%	98%	92%		
PE Mexico (*)	42%				

(*) Mexico complex started in 2016

In 2014, average capacity utilization was affected by (1) the scheduled maintenance shutdown of one of our cracker production lines in the Southern Complex; (2) the scheduled maintenance shutdown at our cracker production line in the São Paulo Complex; (3) a lack of propylene supply at the Rio de Janeiro Complex, and (4) a lack of ethane and propane supply at the Rio de Janeiro Complex.

In 2015, average capacity utilization was affected by (1) improved performance of the complexes in the Northeastern Complex and the Southern Complex; (2) an incident at the complex in São Paulo; and (3) a lack of propylene supply at the Rio de Janeiro Complex, and (4) a lack of ethane and propane supply at the Rio de Janeiro Complex.

In 2016, average capacity utilization was affected by (1) strong operating performance of the crackers, resulting from increased operating efficiency and exports of excess volumes not absorbed, and (2) higher availability of feedstock at

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the gas-based cracker in Rio de Janeiro.

Effects of Brazilian Industrial Policy

The Brazilian government has a significant influence in some sectors of the domestic economy, including the petrochemical sector in which we operate. The Brazilian government has adopted, or is considering adopting, measures to boost the competitiveness of domestic companies, as described below.

Reintegra

In December 2011, the Brazilian government implemented the Reintegra program, which is designed to improve the competitiveness of Brazilian manufacturers in the export markets by refunding the federal taxes levied on their export sales. As a result of this incentive, exports of third generation products by Brazilian companies have increased therefore increasing Brazilian demand for our products. The original program ended in the end of December 2013. In August 2014, the Brazilian government permanently reinstated Reintegra, the program was established on a permanent basis and with mobile rates, that could vary by up to 5% of the revenue of the companies with exports, with a refund tax rate of 0.1%.In October 2014, the Brazilian government restored the rate to 3.0% until the end of 2015. However, in March 2015, the Brazilian federal government again decreased the rate to 1.0% for 2015 and 2016. In October 2015, according to the Decree 8,543, the Brazilian federal government decreased the refund rate to 0.1% as of December 1, 2015 which remained in effect until December 31, 2016. On August 28, 2017, pursuant to Decree 9,148, that amended the Decree 8,543, the Reintegra rate increased to 2% effective as of January 1, 2017 until December 31, 2018.

Import Tariffs at Local Ports

Historically, tariffs on imports have been established by the federal government. However, in recent years, some Brazilian states established tax benefits to attract imports at local ports in order to raise revenue and develop local port infrastructure, primarily in the form of reductions of ICMS taxes that would otherwise be due to these states. Industry and union leaders alleged that such legislation creates a subsidy for imported products, thereby harming local industry.

On January 1, 2013, legislation took effect reducing the maximum ICMS tax that the state can charge from a rate of 12% to 4% on interstate sales of imported raw materials and other goods that are not wholly or partially manufactured in Brazil. In addition to certain other limited exceptions, this tax reduction does not apply to imported goods that do not have Brazilian-made substitutes. As a result, current tax benefits offered by some Brazilian states for the import of goods in the form of reduced ICMS tax rates have become less attractive.

Pricing and Tariffs

We set prices for ethylene, the principal first generation petrochemical product that we sell to third-party second generation producers, by reference to international market prices. See Basic Petrochemicals Unit Sales and Marketing of Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit. Prices paid by second generation producers for imported first generation petrochemical products partly reflect transportation and tariff costs. We establish the prices of ethylene by-products, such as butadiene, by reference to several market factors, including the prices paid by second generation producers for imported for such imports also reflect transportation and tariff costs.

Second generation producers, including our company, generally set prices for their petrochemical products by reference to several market factors, including the prices paid by third generation producers for imported products. Prices paid for such imports also reflect transportation and tariff costs.

The Brazilian government has used import tariffs to implement economic policies. As a result, import tariffs imposed on petrochemical products have varied in the past and may vary in the future. Tariffs on imports of first generation petrochemical products are between 0% and 4%, and tariffs on polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC resins are 14.0%.

Imports and exports within the free trade area in South America (Mercado Comum do Sul), or Mercosur, which is composed of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay, have not been subject to tariffs since December 2001. Imports of suspension PVC from Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Equator, Peru and Venezuela are not subject to tariffs, due to a number of trade agreements. Imports of suspension from Mexico are subject to reduced tariffs of 11.2%, due to a trade agreement. Imports and exports among Mercosur and Colombia, Ecuador e Venezuela are not subject to tariffs due to a trade agreement since 2005.

Imports of suspension PVC from the U.S. and Mexico have been subject to anti-dumping duties of 16.0% and 18.0%, respectively, that were imposed by the Brazilian Foreign Trade Chamber (Câmara de Comércio Exterior), or CAMEX. Since 2008, imports of suspension PVC from China have been also subject to duties of 21.6%, and imports of suspension PVC from South Korea have been subject to duties ranging between 0% and 18.9%, depending on the producer, as a result of the imposition of anti-dumping duties by CAMEX. The duties imposed to imports from U.S. and México are scheduled to expire in 2021, and the duties imposed to imports from China and South Korea are scheduled to expire in 2019.

Additionally, in December 2010, CAMEX imposed an anti-dumping duty of 10.6% on polypropylene imports from the United States. Those measures were renewed in November 2016. In August 2014, the Brazilian government imposed anti-dumping duties on polypropylene imports from South Africa, India and South Korea of 16.0%, 6.4 to 9.9% and 2.4 to 6.3%, respectively. The duties imposed on imports of polypropylene from the United States are scheduled to expire in 2021, and the duties imposed on imports from South Africa, India and South Korea are scheduled to expire in 2019.

In 2015, approximately 26% of Brazilian polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC resins were imported products, which reflected a 12% annual decrease in the volume of resins imported, reflecting the volatility in the U.S. dollar-denominated prices of thermoplastic resins, which triggered an increase in the purchase of thermoplastic resins in Brazil. For more information, see Effects of Brazilian Industrial Policy Import Tariffs at Local Ports.

Increased Import Duties on Polyethylene

As part of its initiative to strengthen domestic manufacturers, on October 1, 2012, the Brazilian government adopted a resolution that increased import duties on 100 products related to various industries, including an increase on the import tariff for polyethylene from 14% to 20%. In October 2013, the Brazilian government reduced the import tariff for polyethylene to the previous level of 14%.

Effect of Level of Indebtedness and Interest Rates

As of December 31, 2016, our total outstanding consolidated indebtedness, net of transaction costs, was R\$23,331.1 million. The level of our indebtedness results in significant financial expenses that are reflected in our statement of operations. Financial expenses consist of interest expense, exchange variations of U.S. dollar- and other foreign currency-denominated debt, foreign exchange losses or gains, and other items as set forth in note 15 to our audited consolidated financial statements. In the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded total financial expenses of R\$3,571.0 million, of which R\$2,037.7 million consisted of interest expense and R\$659.4 million consisted of expenses related to monetary variation on financing. We recorded financial revenue of R\$690.1 million, of which R\$504.5 million corresponds to interest income. In addition, we recorded a loss of R\$3,210.4 million in connection foreign exchange variation on our financial assets and liabilities. The interest rates that we pay depend on a variety of factors, including prevailing Brazilian and international interest rates and risk assessments of our company, our industry and the Brazilian economy made by potential lenders to our company, potential purchasers of our debt securities and the rating agencies that assess our company and its debt securities.

Effect of Taxes on Our Income

We are subject to a variety of generally applicable federal and state taxes in multiple jurisdictions on our operations and results. We are generally subject to Brazilian federal income tax (combined with Social Contribution on Net Income (*Contribuição Social Sobre o Lucro Líquido*), or CSLL) at an effective rate of 34%, which is the standard corporate tax rate in Brazil. We have available certain federal tax exemptions based upon federal law that offers tax

incentives to companies that locate their manufacturing operations in the Brazilian states of Bahia and Alagoas. These exemptions have been granted for varying lengths of time to each of our manufacturing plants located in these states.

We are entitled to pay 25% of the statutory income tax rate on the profits arising from the sale of:

polyethylene manufactured at one of our polyethylene plants in the Northeastern Complex until December 31, 2016; and

PVC manufactured at our plant in the Alagoas until December 31, 2019.

Polyethylene manufactured at one of our polyethylene plants in the Northeastern Complex and caustic soda, chlorine and ethylene dichloride produced at our plants in the Northeastern Complex and Alagoas until 2024. Each of our exemptions entitles us to pay only 44.9% of the statutory income tax rate (of 34%) on the profits arising from products manufactured at these plants.

Due to operating losses sustained by us in the past, we had R\$2,114.5 million of deferred income tax and social contribution assets arising from tax loss carryforwards available as of December 31, 2016. Income tax loss carryforwards available for offset in Brazil do not expire. However, the annual offset is limited to 30% of our adjusted net profits. This limit also affects the social contribution on net profit, or CSLL. The consolidated amount includes the impact from the different tax rates in countries where foreign subsidiaries are located, as follows:

Braskem Europe (Germany) - 31.00%

Braskem America e Braskem America Finance (United States) - 35.00%

Braskem Argentina (Argentina) - 35.00%

Braskem Austria e Braskem Austria Finance (Austria) - 25.00%

Braskem Petroquímica Chile (Chile) - 22.50 %

Braskem Holanda, Braskem Holanda Finance and Braskem Holanda Inc
 Netherland (The Netherlands)-25.00%

Braskem Idesa, Braskem Idesa Serviços, Braskem México, Braskem México Serviços and Braskem México Sofom (Mexico) - 30.00%

Our export sales are currently exempt from (1) PIS (2) COFINS, a federal value-added tax, (3) the Tax on Industrial Products (*Imposto sobre Produtos Industrializados*), or IPI, a federal value-added tax on industrial products, and (4) ICMS.

Recent Developments

Commencement of Operations of Our Mexico Unit

During April 2016, Braskem Idesa commenced commercial operations of the Mexico Complex. As a result of the commencement of operations of the Mexico Complex, we commenced recording the results of our Mexico business unit as a separate segment in our financial statements as of dates and for periods ended after January 1, 2016. For more information about the Mexico Complex and the Mexico business unit, see Item 4. Information on the Company Mexico Unit.

Global Settlement

In December 2016, we entered into a global settlement with the MPF, the DoJ, the SEC and the OAG with regard to certain matters under investigation, which we refer to as the Global Settlement. The Global Settlement was reached at the conclusion of an independent internal investigation into the allegations of improper payments in connection with the so-called Operation Car Wash in Brazil. Under the Global Settlement, Braskem will pay the aforementioned authorities in Brazil and overseas the aggregate approximate amount of US\$957 million, equivalent to approximately R\$3.1 billion. The Global Settlement was definitively ratified as follows:

In Brazil, the Leniency Agreement was ratified by the 5th Coordination and Review Chamber of the MPF on December 15, 2016 and on June 6, 2017 by the 13th Federal Court of Curitiba.

In the United States, the competent courts confirmed the resolution with the DoJ on January 26, 2017 and the resolution with the SEC on February 28, 2017.

In Switzerland, the agreement with the OAG did not require ratification to produce effect. Of the total fine established in the Global Settlement, we have already paid approximately R\$1.3 billion in the following manner

US\$94.9 million (R\$296.6 million) to the DoJ on February 8, 2017;

US\$65.0 million (R\$206.5 million) to the SEC on April 27, 2017;

CHF30.2 million (R\$104.4 million) to the OAG on June 27, 2017;

R\$736.5 million to the MPF on July 6, 2017.

The outstanding amount of approximately R\$1.8 billion will be paid in the following manner:

CHF64.3 million to the OAG in four equal annual and successive installments of CHF16.1 million due on June 30 of each year commencing in 2018; and

R\$1.6 billion to the MPF in six annual installments adjusted for inflation by the variation in the IPCA inflation index due on January 30 of each year commencing in 2018. To guarantee payment of future installments, Braskem has provided a guaranty in the form of fixed assets in an amount equal to one annual installment.

For more information regarding the Global Settlement, see Item 8. Financial Information Legal Proceedings Global Settlement.

Sale of quantiQ

On January 10, 2017, we entered into an agreement with GTM do Brasil Comércio de Produtos Químicos LTDA under which we will sell 100% of our ownership interest in quantiQ for an aggregate amount of R\$550 million. On April 3, 2017, the sale of subsidiary quantiQ to GTM do Brasil Comércio de Produtos Químicos Ltda (GTM) was completed. As a result of the sale, on that same date, Braskem received the amount of R\$450 million, and the remaining balance of R\$100 million, will be paid by GTM in up to 12 months, and may undergo customary adjustments of this kind of operation.

Acquisition of Cetrel

On January 27, 2017, our board of directors authorized the execution of a purchase agreement with Odebrecht Utilities S.A., through which Braskem undertook to purchase all shares held by the seller in Cetrel S.A., which represent 63.7% of its voting capital, for the aggregate amount of R\$610 million, to be paid upon the consummation of the transaction. The consummation of the acquisition is subject to shareholder approval, in accordance with Article 256 of Brazilian Corporation Law, and to the conditions precedent that are customary for transactions of this kind.

Braskem s Financial Policy

In March 2016, our board of directors approved a new version of Braskem's Financial Policy. This Policy sets forth and ratifies concepts, criteria and limits of delegation for decisions that involve: cash flow management and liquidity; investment of available cash; raising of funds and provision of guarantees and management of foreign exchange risk and commodities. In comparison with the older version, the new Policy maintains a conservative posture regarding financial risk management, focusing on the pro-active and continuous management of risks through anticipation and, when necessary, protection in relation to unfavorable scenarios.

UTEC

In January 2017, we commenced operations at our UHMWPE production facility in our La Porte, Texas site. We believe the production of specialized UHMWPE at this new plant will enable us to better serve our clients in North America and Europe by exporting UHMWPE.

Construction of Polypropylene Plant in the United States

On June 21, 2017 our board of directors approved a project to build a new polypropylene plant at our site in La Porte, Texas, or the La Porte Project. With an approved investment of up to US\$675 million, the La Porte Project will add 450 kt of annual polypropylene production capacity to our portfolio, with startup expected in 2020.

The La Porte Project is aligned with our strategy to diversify our feedstock profile and expand geographically in the Americas, and it will strengthen our leadership position in polypropylene production in the United States.

Results of Operations

The following discussion of our results of operations is based on our consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The discussion of the results of our business units is based upon financial information reported for each of the segments of our business, as presented in the following tables, which set forth the results of each of our segments and the reconciliation of these results of our segments to our consolidated results of operations. This segment information was prepared on the same basis as the information that our senior management uses to allocate resources among segments and evaluate their performance. We evaluate and manage the performance of our segments based on information generated from our statutory accounting records maintained in accordance with IFRS, and reflected in our consolidated financial statements.

		У	ear Ende	d December 31, 2016	Other	
				Selling, general	operating	
				and Results fr	om income	
	Net sales	Cost of		distribution equity	(expense),	Operating
	revenue	products sold G	ross profi	t expenses investme	nts net(1)	profit (loss)
			(in m	illions of <i>reais</i>)		
Basic Petrochemicals	25,062.6	(20,266.1)	4,796.5	(698.4)	(373.7)	3,724.4
Polyolefins	20,307.4	(16,041.1)	4,266.3	(1,303.8)	(119.8)	2,842.7

Vinyls	3,016.4	(2,833.8)	182.6	(240.7)		(49.4)	(107.4)
USA and Europe	8,896.1	(6,080.7)	2,815.3	(559.5)		(9.3)	2,246.5
Mexico (2)	1,586.9	(1,017.1)	569.9	(246.1)		(125.4)	198.3
Total segments	58,869.4	(46,238.8)	12,630.6	(3,048.5)		(677.5)	8,904.5
Other segment(3)	12.2	(14.8)	(2.6)	(1.9)		(20.9)	(25.3)
Corporate unit(4)				(108.2)	30.1	(3,053.8)	(3,131.9)
Reclassifications and							
eliminations(5)	(11,217.6)	11,312.9	95.4	108.6			204.0
Consolidated	47,664.0	(34,940.7)	12,723.4	(3,050.0)	30.1	(3,752.2)	5,951.2

		Year	Ended Dece	mber 31, 2015	Restat	ed	
						Other	
			S	Selling, general		operating	
				and Re	sults fro	mincome	
	Net sales	Cost of		distribution	equity	(expense),	Operating
	revenue	products sold	Gross profit	expenses in		-	profit (loss)
		-	(in mil	lions of <i>reais</i>)			-
Basic Petrochemicals	24,269.8	(20,053.1)	4,216.7	(658.9)		(178.1)	3,379.6
Polyolefins	19,986.2	(15,461.2)	4,525.0	(1,224.6)		(130.7)	3,169.7
Vinyls	2,780.1	(2,415.9)	364.2	(224.9)		(27.0)	112.4
USA and Europe	8,239.9	(6,908.6)	1,331.3	(445.9)		(13.4)	872.0
Mexico (2)	472.0	(486.8)	(14.8)	(88.2)		3.8	(99.3)
Total segments	55,747.9	(45,325.5)	10,422.4	(2,642.5)		(345.5)	7,434.4
Other segment(3)	159.5	(150.2)	9.3	(6.5)		(73.9)	(71.0)
Corporate unit(4)				(9.0)	2.2	(244.6)	(251.3)
Reclassifications and							
eliminations(5)	(9,027.5)	8,747.7	(279.7)	124.7		(67.3)	(222.3)
Consolidated	46,880.0	(36,728.0)	10,152.0	(2,533.3)	2.2	(731.2)	6,889.7

		Year l	Ended Dec	cember 31, 2014	Restat		
	Net sales revenue	Cost of products sold	Gross profit		ults fron equity (· • • · · ·	Operating profit (loss)
			(in m	illions of <i>reais</i>)			
Basic Petrochemicals	25,576.3	(23,252.8)	2,323.5	(692.7)		190.3	1,821.1
Polyolefins	18,502.2	(15,599.6)	2,902.6	(965.7)		(53.2)	1,883.7
Vinyls	2,709.5	(2,551.5)	158.0	(205.3)		57.3	10.0
USA and Europe	7,934.3	(7,481.3)	453.0	(294.9)		(82.5)	75.6
Mexico (2)	273.3	(262.6)	10.6	(58.7)		4.2	(43.9)
Total segments	54,995.5	(49,147.8)	5,847.7	(2,217.3)		116.0	3,746.4
Other segment(3)	129.4	(21.6)	107.8	(111.3)		(8.3)	(11.8)
Corporate unit(4)				(110.5)	3.9	(96.6)	(203.1)
Reclassifications and				, , ,			
eliminations(5)	(9,989.0)	9,817.8	(171.3)	78.1		31.7	(61.6)
			, ,				
Consolidated	45,135.9	(39,351.7)	5,784.2	(2,361.1)	3.9	42.8	3,469.8

(1) Includes research and development.

(2)

(i)With the operational startup of Braskem Idesa, our company began to report as of January 1, 2016, the Mexico segment, which includes activities related to polyethylene production and sale of that subsidiary. Such financial information for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, which were previously presented under Other segments, are now presented in this new segment.

- (3) Represents expenses of Braskem that are not allocated to any particular segment.
- (4) Eliminations consist primarily of intersegment sales, which are made in similar terms as arm s length transactions.

In the following discussion, references to increases or declines in any period are made by comparison with the corresponding prior period, except as the context otherwise indicates.

Year Ended December 31, 2016 Compared with Year Ended December 31, 2015

The following table sets forth our consolidated financial information for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

	Year E	Year Ended December 31,			
	2016	2015	% Change		
	(in million	s of <i>reais</i>)			
Net sales revenue	47,664.0	46,880.0	1.7%		
Cost of products sold	(34,940.6)	(36,728.0)	(4.9)%		
Gross profit	12,723.4	10,152.0	25.3%		
Income (expenses):					
Selling and distribution	(1,410.8)	(1,083.2)	30.3%		
General and administrative	(1,477.2)	(1,280.5)	15.4%		

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in millions	s of <i>reais</i>)		
Research and development	(162.0)	(169.6)	(4.5)%	
Results from equity investments	30.1	2.2	n.m.	
Other operating expenses, net	(3,752.2)	(731.2)	413.1%	
Operating profit	5,951.2	6,889.7	(13.6)%	
Financial results:				
Financial expenses	(3,571.0)	(3,163.4)	12.9%	
Financial income	690.1	584.9	18.0%	
Exchange rate variations, net	(3,210.4)	102.9	n.m.	
Financial expenses, net	(6,091.3)	(2,475.6)	146.1%	
Profit (loss) before income tax and social				
contribution	(140.0)	4,414.2	n.m.	
Income tax and social contribution	(616.0)	(1,660.4)	(62.9)%	
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(756.1)	2,753.8	n.m.	
Results from discontinued operations	26.9	6.4	320.9%	
Profit (loss)	(729.2)	2,760.2	n.m.	

n.m.: Not meaningful

Net Sales Revenue

Net sales revenue increased by 1.7%, or R\$784.0 million, to R\$47,644.0 million in 2016 from R\$46,880.0 million in 2015, primarily as a result of (1) a R\$1,114.9 million, or 236.2%, increase in net sales revenue of our Mexico Unit, to R\$1,586.9 million in 2016 from R\$472.0 million in 2015, and (2) a R\$792.8 million, or 3.3%, increase in net sales revenue of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, to R\$25,062.6 million in 2016 from R\$24,269.8 million in 2015. Reclassifications and eliminations of net sales revenues of our segments in consolidation, primarily reflecting intercompany sales of basic petrochemicals by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit to our other segments, increased by 24.3%, or R\$2,190.1 million, to R\$11,217.6 million in 2016 from R\$9,027.5 million in 2015.

Net Sales Revenue of Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Net sales revenue of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by R\$792.8 million, or 3.3%, to R\$25,062.6 million in 2016 from R\$24,269.8 million in 2015.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil:

In 2016, net sales revenue from domestic sales in Brazil increased by 0.9%, or R\$165 million, to R\$19,490 million (including R\$10,775 million from sales to the Polyolefins and Vinyls Units) in 2016 compared to R\$19,326 million in 2015, primarily due to higher sales by volume of basic petrochemicals to third parties, in particular a 66% increase in

the sales volume of gasoline in the domestic market as a result of the prioritization of domestic sales.

Sales Volume in Brazil.

Internal Transfers: The Basic Petrochemicals Unit transfers mainly ethylene to the Vinyls Unit and ethylene and propylene to the Polyolefins Unit. The table below sets forth our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s internal transfers by volume for the periods indicated.

Basic Petrochemicals Unit s	Year Ended December 31,			
Internal Transfers Volume	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in tons)			
Ethylene	2,856,541	2,793,531	2.3%	
Propylene	1,022,070	987,280	3.5%	
Total	3,878,611	3,780,811	2.6%	

The table below sets forth our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s sales in Brazil to third parties by volume for the periods indicated:

Basic Petrochemicals Unit s	Year Ended December 31,			
Domestic Sales Volume	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in to	ons)		
Ethylene	511,865	485,761	5.4%	
Propylene	291,311	246,081	18.4%	
Cumene	194,472	206,035	(5.6)%	
Butadiene	198,451	220,109	(9.8)%	
BTX ⁽¹⁾	676,958	631,466	7.2%	
Total	1,873,057	1,789,452	4.7%	

(1) BTX is defined as Benzeno, Tolueno and Paraxylene. Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Net sales revenue from exports increased by 12.7%, or R\$628 million, to R\$5,572 million in 2016 compared to R\$4,944 million in 2015, mainly due to: (i) the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period; and (ii) the higher sales volume and better international price references for certain basic petrochemicals, particularly butadiene.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s volume of export sales decreased 6.7%, to 704.7 ktons in 2016 from 754.9 ktons in 2015, primarily due to (i) the substitution of propylene export volumes to supply to a client in the acrylics complex in Bahia, (ii) the increased volume of gasoline allocated to the Brazilian market, and (iii) the higher volume of transfers to the Polyolefins Unit to produce polypropylene. These factors were partially offset by higher exports of benzene and butadiene.

	ded Decen	ed December 31,		
Basic Petrochemicals Unit s Export Sales Volume	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in to	ons)		
Ethylene	64,193	62,859	2.1%	
Propylene	79,312	170,454	(53.5)%	
Butadiene	213,666	165,404	29.2%	
BTX ⁽¹⁾	347,498	356,195	(2.4)%	
Total	704,670	754,911	(6.7)%	

(1) BTX is defined as Benzeno, Tolueno and Paraxylene.

Net Sales Revenue of Polyolefins Unit

Net sales revenue of the Polyolefins Unit increased by 1.6%, or R\$321.2 million, to R\$20,307.4 million in 2016 from R\$19,986.2 million in 2015, primarily as a result of (i) higher sales volume, particularly in the export market, and (ii) the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil.

Net sales revenue from domestic sales in Brazil decreased by 1%, or R\$129.0 million, to R\$13,903 million in 2016 from R\$14,032.1 million in 2015, primarily due to the lower polypropylene prices in the international market.

Sales Volume in Brazil.

In 2016, sales volume in Brazil decreased 0.8%, to 2,811.1 ktons in 2016 from 2,832.8 ktons in 2015, primarily as a result of deceleration in the performance of important sectors of the economy that accompany the performance of the Brazilian GDP. The table below sets forth our Polyolefins Unit s domestic sales volume for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,			
Polyolefins Unit s Domestic Sales Volume	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in to	ons)		
Polyethylene	1,705,462	1,705,877	n.m.	
Polypropylene	1,105,675	1,126,949	(1.9)%	
Total	2,811,137	2,832,827	(0.8)%	

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Our Polyolefins Unit s net sales revenue from exports increased 7.6%, or R\$450.2 million, to R\$6,404.3 million in 2016 from R\$5,954.1 million in 2015, primarily due to higher sales volume and the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar the corresponding period, which were offset by lower average prices in the international market.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Our Polyolefins Unit s volume of export sales increased 21.7% to 1,590 kton from 1,307 kton in 2015, primarily due to an increase in the volume of export of polypropylene, mainly to South America and Europe, and an increase in the volume of exports of polypthylene to northern South America, as part of our strategy to support the startup of the Mexico Complex.

	Year Ended December 31,			
Polyolefins Unit s Export Sales Volume	2016	2015	% Change	
	(in tons)			
Polyethylene	1,024,233	921,044	11.2%	
Polypropylene	566,255	386,150	46.6%	

Total	1,590,488	1,307,193	21.7%

Net Sales Revenue of Vinyls Unit

Net sales revenue of our Vinyls Unit increased by 8.5%, or R\$236.3 million, to R\$3,016.4 million in 2016 from R\$2,780.1 million in 2015, primarily as a result of an increase in sales volume of PVC and the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil.

Net sales revenue of the Vinyls Unit generated by sales in Brazil increased 4%, or R\$110.2 million, to R\$2,695 million in 2016 from R\$2,585.0 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period, which was partially offset by a 0.3% decrease in the average Northeast Asian spot market prices of PVC in U.S. dollars, as reported by IHS.

Sales Volume in Brazil.

Our Vinyls Unit s volume of sales in Brazil decreased 0.2% to 528.3 kton in 2016 from 529.5 ktons in 2015, primarily due to an increased in the volume of sales made to the agribusiness sector (irrigation tubing).

	Year Ended December 31,		
Vinyls Unit s Domestic Sales Volume	2016	2015	% Change
	(in tons)		
PVC	528,314	529,493	(0.2)%
Total	528,314	529,493	(0.2)%

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Our Vinyls Unit s net sales revenue increased by 65%, or R\$126.1 million, to R\$321 million from R\$195.1, primarily due to an increase in the export sales volume of PVC.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Our Vinyls Unit s volume of export sales increased by 78.8%, to 116.9 kton in 2016 from 65.4 kton in 2015, primarily due to our strategy to export part of our PVC production given the weaker demand in the domestic market.

Year Ended December 31,		
2016	2015	% Change
(in to	ns)	
116,919	65,375	78.8%
116,919	65,375	78.8%
	2016 (in to 116,919	2016 2015 (<i>in tons</i>) 116,919 65,375

Net Sales Revenue of USA and Europe Unit

Net sales revenue of our USA and Europe Unit, which includes our polypropylene assets in the United States and Europe, increased by 8.0%, or R\$656.2 million, to R\$8,896.1 million in 2016 from R\$8,239.9 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the higher polypropylene prices in the U.S. market and the stronger sales volume. In 2016, polypropylene sales volume increased 2% from the previous year, due to the better operating performance of our Units and the higher demand for polypropylene in the United States and Europe.

Net Sales Revenue of Mexico Unit

Net sales revenue of the Mexico Unit increased by 236.2%, or R\$1,114.9 million, to R\$1,586.9 million in 2016 from R\$472.0 million in 2015, as a result of the commencement of operations of the Mexico Complex. The sales volume of polyethylene by this segment increased to approximately 431.7 ktons in 2016 from approximately 100.0 ktons in 2015. For more information about the Mexico Complex and the Mexico Unit, see Item 4. Information on the Company Recent Developments Commencement of Operations of Our Mexico Unit.

Cost of Products Sold and Gross Profit

Cost of products sold declined by 4.9%, or R\$1,787.4 million, to R\$34,940.6 million in 2016 from R\$36,728.1 million in 2015, primarily as a result of a 12.0% decrease in cost of products sold by our USA and Europe Unit, which was partially offset by a 3.8% increase in cost of products sold by our Polyolefins Unit. Reclassifications and eliminations of cost of sales and services rendered by our Units calculated as part of our consolidation, primarily reflecting the costs of basic petrochemicals purchases by our Polyolefins and Vinyls Units from our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, increased by 29.3% in 2016.

Consolidated gross profit increased by 25.3%, or R\$2,571.4 million to R\$12,723.4 million in 2016 from R\$10,152.0 million in 2015. Gross margin (gross profit as a percentage of net sales revenue) increased to 26.7% during 2016 from 21.7% during 2015.

Cost of Products Sold of Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Cost of products sold of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by 1.1%, or R\$213.0 million, to R\$20,266.1 million from R\$20,053.1 million in 2015, primarily as a result of a 3.3% increase in the total production of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit and the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Gross profit of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by 13.8% to R\$4,796.5 million during 2016 from R\$4,216.7 million during 2015, and gross margin increased to 19.1% during 2016 from 17.4% during 2015.

Cost of Products Sold of Polyolefins Unit

Cost of products sold of the Polyolefins Unit increased by 3.8%, or R\$580.0 million, to R\$16,041.1 million in 2016 to R\$15,461.2 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the increase in sales volume discussed above and the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period. The effects of these factors were partially offset by the lower feedstock price.

Gross profit of the Polyolefins Unit decreased by 5.7% to R\$4,266.3 million during 2016 from R\$4,525.0 million during 2015, and gross margin decreased to 21.0% during 2016 from 22.6% during 2015.

Cost of Products Sold of Vinyls Unit

Cost of products sold of the Vinyls Unit increased by 17.3%, or R\$417.9 million, to R\$2,833.8 million in 2016 from R\$2,415.9 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the increase in sales and production volumes and the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Gross profit of the Vinyls Unit declined by 49.9% to R\$182.6 million during 2016 from R\$364.2 million during 2015, while gross margin declined to 6.1% during 2016 from 13.1% during 2015.

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Cost of Products Sold of USA and Europe Unit

Cost of products sold of the USA and Europe Unit declined by 12.0%, or R\$827.9 million, to R\$6,080.7 million in 2016 from R\$6,908.6 million in 2015, primarily as a result of decreases in the price of propylene.

Gross profit of the USA and Europe Unit increased by 111.5% to R\$2,815.3 million during 2016 from R\$1,331.3 million during 2015, and gross margin increased to 31.6% during 2016 from 16.2% during 2015.

Cost of Products Sold by Mexico Unit

Cost of products sold by the Mexico Unit increased by 108.9%, or R\$530.2 million, to R\$1,017.1 million in 2016 from R\$486.8 million in 2015, as a result of the commencement of operations of the Mexico Complex. For more information about the Mexico Complex and the Mexico Unit, see Item 4. Information on the Company Recent Developments Commencement of Operations of Our Mexico Unit.

During 2016, the Mexico Unit recorded a gross profit R\$569.9 million and gross margin of 35.9%. During 2015, the Mexico Unit recorded a gross loss R\$14.8 million and a negative gross margin of 3.1%.

Selling and Distribution Expenses

Selling and distribution expenses increased by 30.3%, or R\$327.7 million, to R\$1,410.8 million in 2016 from R\$1,083.2 million in 2015, primarily as a result of increase of our consolidated volume of exports sales and logistical expenses.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased by 15.4%, or R\$196.7 million, to R\$1,477.2 million in 2016 from R\$1,280.5 million in 2015, primarily as a result of: (1) the effects of the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period on our expenses related to international businesses; (2) the advertising expenses associated with the Paralympic Games; (3) expenses with attorneys and auditors in connection with the Investigation conducted in 2016; (4) higher expenses with software licensing; and (5) the startup of the Braskem Idesa petrochemical complex..

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses declined by 4.5%, or R\$7.6 million, to R\$162.0 million in 2016 from R\$169.6 million in 2015, primarily as a result of the effect of the 4.3% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period on the translation to *reais* of investments made in U.S. dollars. Research and development expenses as a percentage of net sales revenue declined to 0.3% during 2016 from 0.4% during 2015.

Results from Equity Investments

Results from equity investments increased by R\$27.9 million to a gain of R\$30.1 million in 2016 from a gain of R\$2.2 million in 2015, as a result of an increase in the results of jointly-controlled investments, primarily RPR and Borealis. For more information related to our results of equity investments, see note 12 to our financial statements included elsewhere herein.

Other Operating Income (Expenses), Net

Other operating expenses, net increased by 413.1%, or R\$3,021.0 million, to R\$3,752.2 million in 2016 from R\$731.2 million in 2015, consisting of: (1) R\$2,860.4 million in expenses related to the Global Settlement among us and the MPF, the DoJ, the SEC and the OAG; (2) depreciation expenses and maintenance costs of R\$252.3 million related to idle industrial plants, including R\$138.6 million in costs corresponding to installed and unused capacity in

the first months of operation of the subsidiary Braskem Idesa; (3) expenses of R\$182.6 million related to environmental provisions; (4) allowances for labor, tax and other claims of R\$170.0 million; and (5) provision of R\$53.8 million related to investment losses and expenses with projects;

Other operating expenses, net was R\$731.2 million during 2015, consisting of: (1) depreciation expenses and maintenance costs of R\$152.5 million related to idle industrial plants, including the São Paulo site during the period the unit was shut down; (2) provision of R\$174.5 million related to investment losses and expenses with projects; (3) allowances for labor and tax claims of R\$105.6 million; (4) expenses of R\$65.8 million related to environmental provisions; and (5) R\$85.6 million related to other operating expenses.

Operating Profit (Loss)

As a result of the foregoing:

operating profit on a consolidated basis declined by 13.6%, or R\$938.5 million, to R\$5,951.2 million in 2016 from R\$6,889.7 million in 2015, and as a percentage of net sales revenue, operating profit decreased to 12.5% during 2016 from 14.7% during 2015;

operating profit of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by 10.2% to R\$3,724.4 million during 2016 from R\$3,379.6 million during 2015, and the operating margin of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased to 14.9% during 2016 from 13.9% during 2015;

operating profit of the Polyolefins Unit declined by 10.3% to R\$2,842.7 million during 2016 from R\$3,169.7 million during 2015, and the operating margin of the Polyolefins Unit declined by 14.0% during 2016 from 15.9% during 2015;

operating profit of the USA and Europe Unit increased to R\$2,246.5 million during 2016 from R\$872.0 million during 2015, and the operating margin of the USA and Europe Unit increased to 25.3% during 2016 from 10.6% during 2015;

during 2016, the Vinyls Unit recorded an operating loss of R\$107.4 million and negative operating margin of 3.6%, compared to an operating profit of R\$112.4 million and operating margin of 4.0% during 2015; and

during 2016, the Mexico Unit recorded an operating profit of R\$198.3 million and operating margin of 12.5%, compared to an operating loss of R\$99.3 million and negative operating margin of 21.0% during 2015.

Financial Results

Financial expenses, net increased by 146%, or R\$3,615.7 million, to R\$6,091.3 million in 2016 from R\$2,475.6 million in 2015, primarily as a result of our recording a R\$3,210.4 million loss in exchange rate variation, net in 2016 compared to R\$102.9 million gain in exchange rate variation, net in 2015, principally due to the start of the recognition of hedge accounting under profit or loss in the amount of R\$1,298 million and the 16.5% appreciation of the *real* during the corresponding period, which negatively affected the balance of financial investments and accounts receivable in foreign currencies.

Financial Income

Financial income increased by 18.0%, or R\$105.2 million, to R\$690.1 million in 2016 from R\$584.9 million in 2015, primarily due to a R\$118.3 million increase in interest income, which was partially offset by a R\$12.8 million decrease in other financial income.

Financial Expenses

Financial expenses increased by 12.9%, or R\$407.8 million, to R\$3,571.0 million in 2016 from R\$3,163.4 million in 2015, primarily due to a R\$320.9 million increase in interest expenses, a R\$97.4 million increase in monetary variations on fiscal debts and a R\$32.3 million increase in monetary variations.

Income Tax and Social Contribution

During the Investigation, the specialized law firms identified payments for services to third parties without corresponding evidence of the services being rendered, or the Improper Commission Payments. As a result, we recognized errors in our calculation of taxes payable in prior periods, or the Tax Adjustments, determined that these errors were material, and that we would be required to restate our financial statements included in Amendment No. 1 of the Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, as described in more detail in note 2.4 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

Our income tax and social contribution expense decreased by 62.9% to R\$ 616.0 million during 2016 from R\$ 1,660.4 million during 2015.

The effective tax rate applicable to our profit before income tax and social contribution was 440.0% in 2016, primarily as a result of: (1) permanent adjustments caused by differences of income tax rates of investments in countries that have a lower tax rate than Brazil, which reduced the effective tax rate by approximately 34.0%; (2) permanent adjustments caused by fines pursuant to the Global Settlement, which increased the tax rate by 494.5%; (3) permanent adjustments to income tax and social contribution from previous years, which increased tax rate by 33.2%; and (4) equity in results of investees, which reduced the applicable effective tax rate by 7.3%.

Profit (Loss)

As a result of the foregoing, we recorded a loss of R\$729.2 million, or 1.5% of net sales revenue, during 2016, compared to a profit of R\$2,760.2 million, or 5.9% of net sales revenue, during 2015.

Year Ended December 31, 2015 Compared with Year Ended December 31, 2014

The following table sets forth consolidated financial information for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	% Change
	(in millions of <i>reais</i>)		
Net sales revenue	46,880.0	45,135.9	3.9%
Cost of products sold	(36,728.0)	(39,351.7)	(6.7)%
Gross profit	10,152.0	5,784.2	75.5%
Income (expenses):			
Selling and distribution	(1,083.2)	(1,037.4)	4.4%
General and administrative	(1,280.5)	(1,195.5)	7.1%
Research and development	(169.6)	(128.1)	32.4%
Results from equity investments	2.2	3.9	(43.5)%
Other operating income (expenses), net	(731.2)	42.8	n.m.
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Operating profit	6,889.7	3,469.8	98.6%
Financial results:			4.6.8.00
Financial expenses	(3,163.4)	(2,716.4)	16.5%
Financial income	584.9	399.9	46.3%
Exchange rate variations, net	102.9	(84.1)	n.m.
Financial expenses, net	(2,475.6)	(2,400.6)	3.1%
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Profit before income tax and social contribution	4,414.2	1,069.2	312.9%
Income tax and social contribution	(1,660.4)	(491.0)	238.2%
Profit from continuing operations	2,753.8	578.2	376.3%
Profit from continuing operations	2,753.6 6.4	0.1	
Results from discontinued operations	0.4	0.1	n.m.

Profit

2,760.2 578.2 377.4%

n.m.: Not meaningful

Net Sales Revenue

Net sales revenue increased by 3.9%, or R\$1,744.1 million, to R\$46,880.0 million in 2015 from R\$45,135.9 million in 2014, primarily as a result of (1) an increase of 8.0% R\$1,483.9 million, in net sales revenue of our Polyolefins Unit, to R\$19,986.2 million in 2015 from R\$18,502.2 million in 2014, and (2) a 3.9%, or R\$305.6

million, increase in net sales revenue of our USA and Europe Unit, to R\$8,239.9 million in 2015 from R\$7,934.3 million in 2014, the effects of which were partially offset by a 5.1% decline in net sales revenue of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit. Reclassifications and eliminations of net sales revenues of our segments in consolidation, primarily reflecting intercompany sales of basic petrochemicals by our Basic Petrochemicals Unit to our other Units, declined by 9.6%, or R\$961.6 million, to R\$9,027.5 million in 2015 from R\$9,989.0 million in 2014.

Net Sales Revenue of Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Net sales revenue of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit decreased by 5.1%, or R\$1,306.5 million, to R\$24,269.8 million in 2015 from R\$25,576.3 million in 2014, primarily as a result of the reduction in international petrochemical prices due to lower oil and naphtha prices, which were partially offset by the increase in total sales volume and the 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil.

Net sales revenue of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit generated by sales in Brazil decreased 4.3%, to R\$19,326 million (including R\$11,802 million from sales to the Polyolefins and Vinyls Units) in 2015 from R\$19,955 million (including R\$11,727 million from sales to the Polyolefins and Vinyls Units) in 2014. The decrease is mainly explained by the reduction in petrochemical prices due to lower oil and naphtha prices.

Sales Volume in Brazil.

Internal Transfers: The Basic Petrochemicals Unit transfers mainly ethylene to the Vinyls Unit and ethylene and propylene to the Polyolefins Unit. The table below sets forth our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s internal transfers by volume for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,		
Basic Petrochemicals Unit s Internal Transfers Volume	2015	2014	% Change
	(in tons)		
Ethylene	2,793,531	2,704,299	3.3%
Propylene	987,280	859,541	14.9%
Total	3,780,811	3,563,840	6.1%

In 2015, sales volume of key basic petrochemicals to third parties increased by 3.7%, to 1.8 million tons, primarily due to an increase in the sales volume of propylene due to the startup of the Basf acrylics complex in Camaçari, Bahia. The table below sets forth our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s sales in Brazil to third parties by volume for the periods indicated:

Basic Petrochemicals Unit s Domestic Sales	Year Ei	nded Decemb	mber 31,		
Volume	2015	2014	% Change		
	(in tons)				
Ethylene	485,761	499,580	(2.8)%		
Propylene	246,081	208,924	17.8%		

Cumene	206,035	211,648	(2.7)%
Butadiene	220,109	209,982	4.8%
BTX ⁽¹⁾	631,466	594,951	6.1%
Total	1,789,452	1,725,085	3.7%

(1) BTX is defined as Benzeno, Tolueno and Paraxylene.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s net sales revenue from exports decreased by 8.3%, to R\$ 4,944 million, primarily due to a decreased in the sales volume of exported propylene and lower prices for the main basic petrochemical products.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Our Basic Petrochemicals Unit s volume of export sales decreased 1.6%, to 754,911 tons in 2015 from 767,379 tons in 2014, principally due to the redirection of propylene to the domestic market with the commissioning of BASF s acrylic complex.

	Year Ended December 31,			
Basic Petrochemicals Unit s Export Sales Volume	2015	2014	% Change	
	(in to	ons)		
Ethylene	62,859	11,839	430.9%	
Propylene	170,454	236,780	(28.0)%	
Butadiene	165,404	168,870	(2.0)%	
BTX ⁽¹⁾	356,195	349,889	1.8%	
Total	754,911	767,379	(1.6)%	

(1) BTX is defined as Benzeno, Tolueno and Paraxylene. *Net Sales Revenue of Polyolefins Unit*

Net sales revenue of the Polyolefins Unit increased by 8.0%, or R\$1,483.9 million, to R\$19,986.2 million in 2015 from R\$18,502.2 million in 2014, primarily as a result of an increase in the total net sales volume of 4.1%, mainly due to our capacity to export volumes not absorbed by the domestic market and favorable foreign exchange.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil.

Our Polyolefins Unit s net sales revenue from sales in Brazil decreased by 0.5%, or R\$66 million, to R\$14,032 million in 2015 from R\$14,099 million in 2014, primarily due to a decrease in the polypropylene sales volume from 1,204.0 ktons in 2014 to 1,126.9 ktons in 2015.

Sales Volume in Brazil.

Our Polyolefins Unit s volume of sales in Brazil decreased 2.7%, to 2,832.8 ktons in 2015 from 2,910.2 ktons in 2014, primarily as a result of the weak performance of the Brazilian economy, particularly in the industrial and automotive sector. The table below sets forth our Polyolefins Unit s volume of sales in Brazil for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,		
Polyolefins Unit s Domestic Sales Volume	2015	2014	% Change

	(in to	ons)	
Polyethylene	1,705,877	1,706,137	
Polypropylene	1,126,949	1,204,049	(6.4)%
Total	2,832,827	2,910,185	(2.7)%

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Our Polyolefins Unit s net sales revenue from exports increased by 34.8%, from R\$5,954 million in 2015 to R\$4,418 million in 2014, primarily as a result an increase in export sales volume and an increase in average prices as a result of the effects of (1) the 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar in the corresponding period, and (2) increases of 32%, 29% and 31% on average for HDPE, LLDPE and LDPE contract prices in the North American market, respectively, according to IHS.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Our Polyolefins Unit s volume of export sales increased by 22.4%, to 1,307.2 ktons in 2015 from 1,068.3 ktons in 2014, primarily due to a 35.4% increase in the volume of exports of polyethylene.

	Year Ended December 31,				
Polyolefins Unit s Export Sales Volume	2015	2014	% Change		
	(in to	ons)			
Polyethylene	921,044	680,390	35.4%		
Polypropylene	386,150	387,888	(0.4)%		
Total	1,307,193	1,068,279	22.4%		

Net Sales Revenue of Vinyls Unit

Net sales revenue of the Vinyls Unit increased by 2.6%, or R\$70.6 million, to R\$ 2,780.1 million in 2015 from R\$2,709.5 million in 2014, primarily as a result of an increase in the exports sales volume and the average prices for sales of PVC, which increased primarily as a result of the 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period.

Net Sales Revenue Generated by Sales in Brazil.

Our Vinyls Unit s net sales revenue generated by sales in Brazil decreased by 4.5%, to R\$2,571 million in 2015 from R\$2,691 million in 2014, primarily as a result of a decrease in sales volume of PVC in Brazil from 529.5 kton in 2014 to 659.5 kton in 2015.

<u>Sales Volume in Brazil.</u>

Our Vinyls Unit s volume of sales in the Brazilian market decreased by 19.7%, to 529.5 kton in 2015 from 659.6 kton in 2014, primarily due to a decrease in the demand for PVC as a result of the weak performance of the infrastructure and construction sectors of the main consumers of resin.

	Year Ended December 31,			
Vinyls Unit s Domestic Sales Volume	2015	2014	% Change	
	(in te	ons)		
PVC	529,493	659,549	(19.7)%	

Total	529,493	659,549	(19.7)%
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Net Sales Revenue Generated by Exports.

Our Vinyls Unit s net sales revenue generated by exports increased by more the 2,000%, to R\$195 million in 2015 from R\$8 million in 2014, due to the exporting of PVC in 2015.

Sales Volume from Exports.

Influenced by the reduction in domestic demand for PVS and the 41.8% devaluation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period, we began exporting part of our PVC production in 2015, with export sales volume reaching approximately 65.0 ktons in 2015, compared to zero export sales of PVC in 2014.

Net Sales Revenue of USA and Europe Unit

Net sales revenue of the USA and Europe Unit, which includes our polypropylene assets in the United States and Europe, increased by 3.9% during 2015, or R\$305.6 million, from R\$7,934.3 million in 2014 to R\$8,239.9 million in 2015, primarily as a result of a 5.9% increase in sales volume, accompanying the higher supply and the improved economic scenario, especially in the United States. This increased demand reflects the gain in competitiveness resulting from a decrease in the price of propylene (feedstock used to make polypropylene) due to the oversupply of propylene produced at refineries.

Net Sales Revenue of Mexico Unit

Net sales revenue of the Mexico Unit increased by 72.7%, or R\$198.7 million, from R\$273.3 million in 2014 to R\$472.0 million in 2015, primarily due to the fact that the Mexico Complex was not operational in 2014.

Cost of Products Sold and Gross Profit

Cost of products sold declined by 6.7%, or R\$2,623.7 million, to R\$36,728.0 million in 2015, from R\$39,351.7 million in 2014, primarily as a result of (1) a 13.8% decrease in cost of products sold in our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, and (2) a 7.6% decrease in cost of products sold in our USA and Europe Unit. Reclassifications and eliminations of cost of sales and services rendered of our segments in consolidation, primarily reflecting the costs of basic petrochemicals purchases by our Polyolefins and Vinyls Units from our Basic Petrochemicals Unit, declined by 10.9% during 2015, to R\$8,747.7 million 2015, from R\$9,817.8 million in 2014.

Consolidated gross profit increased by 75.4% during 2015. Gross margin (gross profit as a percentage of net sales revenue) increased to 21.7% during 2015 from 12.8% during 2014.

Cost of Products Sold of Basic Petrochemicals Unit

Cost of products sold of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit declined by 13.8%, or R\$3,199.7 million, to R\$20,053.1 million in 2015 from R\$23,252.8 million in 2014, primarily as a result of a reduction in the cost of naphtha, the main feedstock, which registered an average price of US\$462 per ton in 2015, a decline of 45% from 2014. This decline is partially explained by a 47% reduction in the price of crude oil during 2014.

Gross profit of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by 81.5% to R\$4,216.7 million during 2015 from R\$2,323.5 million during 2014, and gross margin increased to 17.4% during 2015 from 9.1% during 2014.

Cost of Products Sold of Polyolefins Unit

Cost of products sold of the Polyolefins Unit declined by 0.9%, or R\$138.5 million, to R\$15,461.2 million in 2015 from R\$15,599.6 million in 2014, primarily as a result of: (1) the effects on our average cost of ethylene from the 17.1% decline in the average Western Europe contract price of ethylene in euros, as reported by IHS, and (2) the effects on our average cost of propylene from the 45.1% decline in the average North American contract price of

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propylene in U.S. dollars and from the 23.6% decline in the average Western Europe contract price of propylene in euros, as reported by IHS. The effects of these factors were partially offset by the effects of the 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar and the 18.3% depreciation of the *real* against the euro during the corresponding period on the cost of raw materials of our Polyolefins Unit that are determined by reference to U.S. dollar- and euro-denominated prices, and a 1.6% increase in sales volume of the Polyolefins Unit.

Gross profit of the Polyolefins Unit increased by 55.9% to R\$4,525.0 million during 2015 from R\$2,902.6 million during 2014, and gross margin increased to 22.6% during 2015 from 15.7% during 2014.

Cost of Products Sold of Vinyls Unit

Cost of products sold of the Vinyls Unit declined by 5.3%, or R\$135.6 million, to R\$2,415.9 million in 2015 from R\$2,551.5 million in 2014, primarily as a result of a 7.8% decline in the total sales volume of our Vinyls Unit. The effects of this decline in sales volume were partially offset by the effects on our Vinyls Unit s average cost of ethylene of the 17.1% of decline in the average Western Europe contract price of ethylene in euros, as reported by IHS, partially offset by the effects of the 18.3% depreciation of the *real* against the euro, during the corresponding period, on the cost of raw materials of our Vinyls Unit that are determined by reference to euro-denominated prices.

Gross profit of the Vinyls Unit increased by 130.5% to R\$364.2 million during 2015 from R\$158.0 million during 2014, while gross margin increased to 13.1% during 2015 from 5.8% during 2014.

Cost of Products Sold of USA and Europe Unit

Cost of products sold of the USA and Europe Unit decreased by 7.7%, or R\$572.7 million, to R\$6,908.6 million in 2015 from R\$7,481.3 million in 2014, primarily as a result of (1) the effects on this Unit s average cost of propylene from the 45.1% decline in the average North American contract price of propylene in U.S. dollars, as reported by IHS, the effects of which were partially offset by the currency translation effects of a 41.8% average depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during the corresponding period, and (2) the effects on this Unit s average cost of propylene from the 23.6% decline in the average Western Europe contract price of propylene in euros, as reported by IHS, the effects of which were partially offset by the currency translation effects of the 18.3% average depreciation of the *real* against the euro. The effects of these reductions in the unit cost of raw materials were partially offset by the 5.9% increase in polypropylene sales volume recorded by this segment.

Gross profit of the USA and Europe Unit increased by 193.9% to R\$1,331.3 million during 2015 from R\$453.0 million during 2014, and gross margin increased to 16.2% during 2015 from 5.7% during 2014.

Cost of Products Sold of Mexico Unit

Cost of sales of the Mexico Unit increased by 85.4%, or R\$224.2 million, to R\$486.8 million in 2015 from R\$262.6 million in 2014, primarily due to the fact that the Mexico Unit was not operational in 2014.

During 2015, the Mexico Unit recorded a gross loss R\$14.8 million and a negative gross margin of 3.1%. During 2014, the Mexico Unit recorded a gross profit R\$2.3 million and gross margin of 2.5%.

Selling and Distribution Expenses

Selling and distribution expenses declined by 4.4%, or R\$45.7 million, to R\$1,083.2 million in 2015 from R\$1,037.4 million in 2014, primarily as a result of lower costs in logistics and storage of finished products in the domestic market due to a decrease in domestic sales volume. Selling and distribution expenses as a percentage of net sales revenue remained stable at 2.3% during 2015 and 2014.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased by 7.1%, or R\$85.0 million, to R\$1,280.5 million in 2015 from R\$1,195.5 million in 2014, primarily as a result of expenses related to innovation and technology and higher expenses with payroll and third-party services. General and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales revenue increased to 2.7% during 2015 from 2.6% during 2014.

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Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses increased by 32.4%, or R\$41.5 million, to R\$169.6 million in 2015 from R\$128.1 million in 2014, primarily as a result of higher expenses with contracts denominated in U.S. dollars. Research and development expenses as a percentage of net sales revenue increased to 0.4% during 2015 from 0.3% during 2014.

Results from Equity Investments

Results from equity investments declined by 43.5%, or R\$1.7 million, to an R\$2.2 million gain in 2015 from a R\$3.9 million gain in 2014, primarily as a result of losses on exchange variation on financial results in our jointly controlled investments and associated companies.

Other Operating Income (Expenses), Net

Other operating expense, net was R\$731.2 million during 2015, consisting of: (1) depreciation expenses and maintenance costs of R\$152.5 million related to idle industrial plants, including the São Paulo site during the period the unit was shut down; (2) provision of R\$174.5 million related to investment losses and expenses with projects; (3) allowances for labor and tax claims of R\$105.6 million; (4) expenses of R\$65.8 million related to environmental provisions; and (5) R\$85.6 million related to other operating expenses.

Other operating income, net was R\$42.8 million during 2014, primarily consisting of (1) revenues from the divestment of the water treatment unit in the Southern Complex of R\$277.3 million, and (2) revenues from the recognition of credits of subsidiaries to settle installment payment under Federal Law 11,941/09 of R\$98.3 million. This revenue was partially offset by (1) allowances for judicial and labor claims of R\$132.6 million; (2) depreciation expenses and maintenance costs of R\$119.8 million related to idle industrial plants, (3) payments for services to third parties without corresponding evidence of the services being rendered of R\$72.3 million, (4) expenses of R\$44.3 million related to the Ascent Project, (5) expenses related to provisions for environmental damages of R\$30.7 million, and (6) extemporaneous taxes of R\$30.6 million.

Operating Profit (Loss)

As a result of the foregoing:

operating profit on a consolidated basis increased by 98.6%, to R\$6,889.7 million in 2015 from R\$3,469.8 million in 2014, and as a percentage of net sales revenue, operating profit increased to 14.7% during 2015 from 7.7% during 2014;

operating profit of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased by 85.6% to R\$3,379.6 million during 2015 from R\$1,821.1 million during 2014, and the operating margin of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit increased to 13.9% during 2015 from 7.1% during 2014;

operating profit of the Polyolefins Unit increased by 68.3% to R\$3,169.7 million during 2015 from R\$1,883.7 million during 2014, and the operating margin of the Polyolefins Unit increased to 15.9% during 2015 from 10.2% during 2014;

operating profit of the USA and Europe Unit increased to R\$872.0 million during 2015 from R\$75.6 million during 2014, and the operating margin of the USA and Europe Unit increased to 10.6% during 2015 from 1.0% during 2014;

operating profit of the Vinyls Unit increased to R\$112.4 million during 2015 from R\$10.0 million during 2014, while the operating margin of the Vinyls Unit increased to 4.0% during 2015 from 0.4% during 2014; and

operating loss of the Mexico Unit increased to R\$99.3 million during 2015 from R\$43.9 million during 2014, and the negative operating margin of the Mexico Unit increased to 21.0% during 2015 from 16.1% during 2014.

Financial Results

Financial expenses, net increased by 3.1%, or R\$74.9 million, to R\$2,475.6 million in 2015 from R\$2,400.6 million in 2014, primarily as a result of a 16.5% increase in financial expenses, the effects of which were partially offset by a 46.3% increase in financial income

Financial Income

Financial income increased by 46.3%, or R\$185.0 million, to R\$584.9 million during 2015 from R\$399.9 million during 2014, primarily as a result of our recording a R\$1,102.7 million gain on exchange variation on monetary assets during 2015 compared to a R\$46.6 million loss during 2014 as a result of a 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during 2015, compared to a 9.1% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar during 2014.

Financial Expenses

Financial expenses increased by 16.5%, or R\$447.0 million, to R\$3,163.4 million during 2015 from R\$2,716.4 million during 2014, primarily as a result of (1) our recording a R\$999.8 million loss on foreign exchange variation on liabilities during 2015 compared to a R\$37.5 million loss during 2014 as a result of a 41.8% depreciation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar at the end of 2015 compared to a 9.1% appreciation in the end of period U.S. dollar exchange rate against the *real* during 2014, and (2) a 31.5% increase in interest expense to R\$1,716.8 million during 2015 from R\$1,305.1 million during 2014, mainly due to the impact from exchange variation on the outstanding balance of U.S. dollar-denominated debt.

Income Tax and Social Contribution

During the Investigation, the specialized law firms identified payments for services to third parties without corresponding evidence of the services being rendered, or the Improper Commission Payments. As a result, we recognized errors in our calculation of taxes payable in prior periods, or the Tax Adjustments, determined that these errors were material, and that we would be required to restate our financial statements included in Amendment No. 1 of the Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, as described in more detail in note 2.4 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

Our income tax and social contribution expense increased by R\$1,169.4 million, or 238.2%, to R\$1,660.4 million in 2015 from R\$491.0 million in 2014.

The effective tax rate applicable to our profit before income tax and social contribution was 37.5% during 2015, primarily as a result of permanent adjustments caused by differences of income tax rates of investments in countries that have a lower tax rate than Brazil, which increased the effective tax rate by approximately 3.1%. The effective tax rate applicable to our profit before income tax and social contribution was 45.8% during 2014, primarily as a result of (1) permanent adjustments caused by differences of income tax rates of investments in countries that have a lower tax rate than Brazil, which increased the effective tax rates of investments in countries that have a lower tax rate than Brazil, which increased the effective tax rate by approximately 9.5%, and (2) permanent adjustments caused by payments for third-party services, without proving the actual consideration which increased the effective tax rate by approximately 8.3%, the effects of which were partially offset by permanent adjustments caused by a discount on our tax installment payment, established by Law 13,043/2014, which reduced the applicable effective tax rate by 2.2%.

Profit

As a result of the foregoing, our profit increased 377.4% to R\$2,760.2 million, or 5.9% of net sales revenue, during 2015, from R\$578.2 million, or 1.3% of net sales revenue, during 2014.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal cash requirements for 2016 consisted of the following:

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servicing our indebtedness;

working capital requirements;

capital expenditures related to investments in operations, construction of new plant facilities, and maintenance and expansion of plant facilities; and

dividends on our shares, including in the form of interest attributable to shareholders equity. Our principal sources of liquidity have traditionally consisted of the following:

cash flows from operating activities;

short-term and long-term borrowings; and

sales of debt securities in domestic and international capital markets. During 2016, cash flow generated by operations was used primarily for investing activities, for working capital requirements, to service our outstanding debt obligations and to dividends payments to shareholders. In 2016, our board of directors approved the distribution of R\$2 billion in dividends, which corresponds to 63% of net income for the previous fiscal year. The payments were made in April and October.

As of December 31, 2016, our consolidated cash and cash equivalents amounted to R\$7,332.2 million (US\$2,249.8 million), including the cash and cash equivalents of quantiQ and IQAG but excluding the aggregate amount of R\$201.6 million (US\$61.9 million) of Braskem Idesa s cash and cash equivalents.

As of December 31, 2016, we had negative net working capital (defined as (1) current assets plus non-current assets held for sale, minus (2) current liabilities plus non-current liabilities held for sale) of R\$6,782.1 million (US\$ 2,081.0 million), including the total assets and total liabilities of Braskem Idesa S.A.P.I.

Projected Sources and Uses of Cash

We anticipate that we will be required to spend approximately R\$24.4 billion to meet our short-term contractual obligations and commitments and budgeted capital expenditures during 2017. We expect that we will meet these cash requirements for (1) our operations through sales of our products, and (2) our debt service through new financing activities, including new debt financings and the refinancing of our existing short-term indebtedness as it becomes due.

We have commitments from several financial institutions to provide us with financing in the future, including commitments from the Brazilian National Bank for Economic and Social Development (*Banco Nacional do Desenvolvimento*), or BNDES, to lend us funds under our revolving stand-by credit facilities (*Contrato de Abertura de Limite de Crédito*), or CALC facilities, described under Indebtedness and Financing Strategy Credit Facilities with BNDES. As of December 31, 2016, the full aggregate principal amount had been disbursed under these facilities.

If needed to be used, such commitments are subject to conditions precedent. We pay commitment fees to these financial institutions in connection with their commitments, other than our BNDES revolving stand-by credit facilities.

In addition, we entered into a project finance facility to fund the development our Mexico Complex. For more information regarding this facility, see Capital Expenditures Joint Venture Project Mexico Complex.

Cash Flows

Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities was R\$4,746.3 million during 2016, R\$7,877.8 million during 2015 and R\$3,813.1 million during 2014.

Net cash provided by operating activities decreased by R\$3,131.5 million during 2016 compared to 2015 as a result of:

a R\$4,530.3 million decline in profit before income tax and social contribution and for the result with discontinued operations;

a R\$4,254.6 million decline in trade payables during 2016 compared to a R\$1,518.3 million decline during 2015, primarily as a result of an increase in supplier payments in respect of goods and services and raw materials purchased at lower prices; and

a R\$649.5 million decline in held-for-trading financial investments during 2016 compared to a R\$144.9 million increase during 2015, primarily as a result of financial investments provided as guarantee to cover Braskem s obligation related to the establishment of a reserve account in connection with the Braskem Idesa Financing.

The effects of these factors were partially offset by:

a R\$1,007.9 million increase in trade accounts receivable during 2016 compared to a R\$342.6 million decline during 2015, primarily as a result of the appreciation of the *real* in 2016 compared to 2015, which directly impacted our receivables from exports;

a R\$558.2 million increase in sundry provisions during 2016 compared to a R\$153.7 million increase during 2015, primarily as a result of review of legal proceedings and a significant increase in provisions for environmental damage and other lawsuits; and

an R\$862.4 million increase in inventories during 2016 compared to a R\$501.7 million increase in inventories during 2015, primarily as a result of the increase in sales volume. Net cash provided by operating activities increased by R\$4,064.8 million during 2015 compared to 2014 as a result of:

a R\$3,365.8 million increase in profit before income tax and social contribution and for the result with discontinued operations;

a R\$1,616.4 million increase in interest and monetary and exchange variations, primarily as a result of non-cash effects of classifications among segments; and

a R\$220.0 million increase in taxes payable during 2015 compared to a R\$476.6 million decline in taxes payable during 2014, primarily as a result of the restatement of improperly classified expenses from selling

and distribution expense to other expense and to correct errors in the determination of taxes from prior periods

The effects of these factors were partially offset by:

a R\$1,518.3 million decline in trade payables during 2015 compared to a R\$420.8 million decline during 2014, primarily as a result an increase in supplier payments in respect of goods and services and raw materials purchased at lower prices; and

a R\$342.6 million decline in trade accounts receivable in 2015 compared to a R\$409.4 million increase in trade accounts receivable in 2014, primarily as a result of purchasing raw materials at lower prices and exchange variations

Cash Flows Used in Investing Activities

Investing activities used net cash of R\$2,840.9 million during 2016, R\$4,120.3 million during 2015 and R\$5,061.2 million during 2014.

During 2016, investing activities for which we used cash on a consolidated basis primarily consisted of (1) investments of R\$1,195.0 million for the construction of our Mexico Complex; (2) investments of R\$1,439.0 million, which were allocated primarily to industrial operations (R\$107 million of which were invested in the USA and Europe Unit), including the investments related to operating efficiency, HES, productivity and modernization; and (3) investments of R\$341 million (of which R\$244 million were invested in the USA and Europe Unit, equivalent to US\$72 million) allocated to strategic projects, such as: (i) the production of UTEC resins in La Porte, Texas; (ii) diversification of the feedstock profile of the cracker in Bahia; and (iii) productivity gains at our polypropylene plants in the United States and Germany.

During 2015, investing activities for which we used cash on a consolidated basis primarily consisted of (1) investments of R\$2,772.0 for the construction of our Mexico Complex; and (2) investments of R\$1,272.0 allocated to maintenance of our plants during scheduled shutdowns and to develop certain industrial projects (R\$214 million of which we invested in the USA and Europe Unit), including investments related to operating activity, HSE, productivity and modernization.

During 2014, investing activities for which we used cash on a consolidated basis primarily consisted of (1) investments of R\$621 million for the construction of our Mexico Complex; (2) investments of R\$1,905.0 million to perform maintenance on our plants during scheduled shutdowns, investments in information technology modernization and increased reliability of our systems and investments in productivity and safety improvements.

Cash Flows Used in Financing Activities

Financing activities used net cash of R\$2,757.3 million and R\$97.5 million during 2016 and 2015, respectively, compared to net cash provided of R\$894.4 million during 2014.

During 2016:

we received disbursements under a financing agreement with BNDES and certain governmental entities, in the amounts of R\$21 million, R\$84.0 million and R\$56 million in the first, second and fourth quarter of

2016, respectively;

we entered into a certain export pre-payment agreement, or EPP, with international financial institutions under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of R\$594.5 million in May, June and December, 2016;

we entered into a certain advance on export contracts (*adiantamentos sobre contratos de exportação*), or ACC, with local financial institutions under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of R\$358.5 million in 2016; and

Braskem Idesa borrowed through the Braskem Idesa Working Capital Facility an aggregate amount of US\$92 million from local financial institutions September 2016.

During 2016, we used cash:

to pay R\$1,924 million, representing aggregate financial expenses;

to pay R\$250.0 million, representing all principal outstanding under a certain credit facility agreements with a certain local financial institutions;

to pay R\$1,043.1 million, representing aggregate principal and interest outstanding under a financing agreement with BNDES; and

to make other scheduled payments and prepayments under various of our outstanding debt instruments. In addition, we used cash to pay dividends in the aggregate amount of R\$1,998.0 million.

During 2015:

we entered into a revolving credit facility agreement with several international financial institutions under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of US\$250.0 million in June and July 2015;

we received disbursements under a financing agreement with BNDES, in the amounts of R\$72.6 million, R\$48.0 million and R\$292.4 million in the second, third and fourth quarter of 2015, respectively;

we entered into an advance on export contracts (*adiantamentos sobre contratos de exportação*), or ACC, with a local financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of US\$50.0 million in October 2015; and

Braskem Idesa borrowed US\$290.5 million and US\$23.6 million from international financial institutions in connection with the financing agreements relating to our Mexico Complex in April 2015 and September 2015, respectively.

During 2015, we used cash:

to repurchase US\$54.1 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under our 9.38% Notes due 2015

to prepay R\$100.0 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under a credit facility agreement entered into in April 2015 with a local financial institution;

to pay R\$1,009.4 million, representing aggregate principal amounts and interest outstanding under a financing agreement with BNDES; and

to make other scheduled payments and prepayments under various of our outstanding debt instruments. In addition, we used cash to pay dividends in the aggregate amount of R\$482.1 million.

During 2014:

Braskem Finance Limited issued US\$750.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.450% Notes due 2024 in February 2014 and May 2014;

Braskem Idesa borrowed US\$465.0 million from international financial institutions in connection with the financing agreements relating to our Mexico Complex in April 2014;

we entered into a credit facility agreement with an international financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of US\$75.0 million in January 2014;

we entered into a credit facility agreement with an international financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of US\$62.5 million in August 2014;

we entered into a credit facility agreement with a local financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of R\$100.0 million in September 2014; and

we entered into a credit facility agreement with a local financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of R\$100.0 million in November 2014. During 2014, we used cash:

to prepay US\$50.3 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under a loan agreement that Braskem Netherlands, B.V., or Braskem Netherlands, entered into with an international financial institution in December 2011;

to prepay US\$50.3 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under a loan agreement that Braskem Netherlands entered into with an international financial institution in September 2011;

to prepay US\$50.1 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under a loan agreement that Braskem Netherlands entered into with an international financial institution in December 2011;

to prepay R\$299.8 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under a loan agreement that Braskem S.A. entered into with an international financial institution in October 2013;

to prepay US\$50.0 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under three foreign exchange contracts (*adiantamento sobre contrato de câmbio*) that we entered into with a Brazilian financial institution in December 2013;

to prepay US\$50.7 million, representing all principal amounts and interest outstanding under an export prepayment agreement that we entered into with a Brazilian financial institution in December 2010;

to repurchase US\$58.1 million aggregate principal amount of our 8.00% Notes due 2017, US\$266.1 million aggregate principal amount of our 7.25% Notes due 2018 and US\$349.8 million aggregate principal amount of our 7.00% Notes due 2020 pursuant to tender offers we completed in February 2014 and May 2014; and

to make other scheduled payments and prepayments under various of our outstanding debt instruments.

In addition, we used cash to pay dividends in the aggregate amount of R\$482.1 million.

Unless our board of directors deems it inconsistent with our financial position and the decision of our board of directors is ratified by our shareholders, payment of dividends is mandatory under Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws and also is required under agreements with two of our shareholders and, consequently, may give rise to significant cash requirements in future periods.

Share Repurchase Program

On August 13, 2012, our board of directors authorized a share repurchase program under which we were authorized to repurchase up to 13,376,161 class A preferred shares at market prices over the BM&FBOVESPA at any time and from time to time prior to August 28, 2013. Shares that were repurchased will be held in treasury and may be resold or cancelled. As of December 31, 2012, we had repurchased 262,300 class A preferred shares for an aggregate of R\$3.5 million.

We did not repurchase any shares in 2013 or 2014.

On February 11, 2015, our board of directors authorized a share repurchase program under which we are authorized to repurchase up to 3,500,000 class A preferred shares at market prices over the BM&FBOVESPA. The program started in February 19, 2015, and was effective until February 18, 2016. We repurchased 80,000 class A preferred shares for an aggregate of R\$0.9 million in 2015.

Contractual Commitments

The following table summarizes significant contractual obligations and commitments as of December 31, 2016 that have an impact on our liquidity:

	Payments I	Due by Perio	bd		
		One to	Three to	More than	
	Less than	Three	Five	Five	
	one Year	Years	Years	Years	Total
		(in	millions of r	eais)	
Loans and financings (1)	2,736.5	6,858.3	7,871.2	18,477.2	35,943.2
Mexico Complex Project finance debt (2)	985.0	1,622.5	2,248.5	8,707.0	13,563.0
Derivatives (3)	29.0	861.3	[] []	890.3
Defined benefit actuarial obligation (4)	[]	[]] [] 162.1	162.1
BNDESPAR (5)	176.8	[]] [] []	176.8
Purchase obligations for raw materials (6)	17,715.8	63,713.1	76,303.9	3,119.6	160,852.4
Purchase obligations for electric power and gas (6)	1,374.0	1,612.0	820.0	526.0	4,332.0
Leniency agreement (7)	1,354.5	325.3	1,058.6	685.4	3,423.8
Total contractual obligations	24,371.6	74,992.5	88,302.2	31,677.3	219,423.8

- Consists of estimated future payments of amortization amounts plus interest on our loans and financings, calculated based on interest rates and foreign exchange rates applicable as of December 31, 2016 and assuming (i) that all amortization payments and payments at maturity on our loans and financings will be made on their scheduled payment dates, and (ii) that our perpetual bonds are redeemed after 100 years.
- (2) Consists of limited recourse project finance debt, which is repaid solely from the cash generated by the project itself and shareholders provide limited guarantees. For further information, see note 16 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.
- (3) Consists substantially of foreign exchange swaps that we entered into to offset the variation in the rates of export credit notes contracts. For further information, see note 17.3 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.
- (4) Consists of the actuarial liabilities related to defined benefit plans Novamont, Braskem Europe and health care plan in Brazil. For further information, see note 24.2.1 to our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.
- (5) Consists of amounts payable to BNDES Participações S.A. as part of the business combination with Braskem Qpar. For further information, see note 25 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.

- (6) Consists of purchase commitments for raw materials and electric power and gas pursuant to binding agreements of the company that specify all significant terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. Based upon the applicable purchase prices as of December 31, 2016.
- (7) Consists of the Global Settlement with authorities. For further information, see note 23.3 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.

We are also subject to potential liabilities with respect to tax, labor, distributors and other claims, for which the chances of loss are considered probable, and for which we maintain provisions of R\$985.2 million as of December 31, 2016. These proceedings relate primarily to federal income taxes and VAT. See note 23.1 to our audited consolidated financial statements.

Indebtedness and Financing Strategy

As of December 31, 2016, our total outstanding consolidated indebtedness, net of transaction costs, was R\$23,331.1 million, consisting of R\$2,594.5 million of short-term indebtedness, including current portion of long term indebtedness (11.1% of our total indebtedness), and R\$20,736.6 million of long-term indebtedness (88.9% of our total indebtedness), in addition to an aggregate amount of R\$10,437.8 million (US\$3.202,7 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with the debt related to our Mexico Complex and in addition to an aggregate amount of R\$ 852.6 million (US\$ 261.6 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with derivatives. As of December 31, 2016, we had no outstanding indebtedness to related parties on a consolidated basis. On a consolidated basis, our *real*-denominated indebtedness as of December 31, 2016, net of transaction costs and not including derivatives, was R\$5,154.8 million (15.3% of our total indebtedness), and our foreign currency-denominated indebtedness was R\$28,614.1 million (84.7% of our total indebtedness).

Our financing strategy has been to maintain an adequate liquidity and a debt maturity profile that is compatible with our anticipated cash flow generation and anticipated capital expenditures. This is the same strategy for the next several years and in addition, we do not expect our capital expenditures to adversely affect the quality of our debt leverage ratios or our disciplined approach to capital allocation.

R\$ million	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Thereafter	Total
Indebtedness	2,492.2	1,979.7	3,340.1	1,174.5	441.0	138.6	76.0	9,642.0
Capital Markets	438.4	431.6		1,296.1	3,251.0	1.629.6	7,170.0	14,216.5
Debt related to our Mexico								
Complex (Braskem Idesa								
Financing)	660.1	725.4	751.3	877.2	998.3	832.2	5,381.3	10,225.9
Total	3,590.7	3,136.7	4,091.4	3,347.7	4,690.3	2,600.3	12.627,3	34,084.4

The following table presents information relating to our debt maturity profile as of December 31, 2016:

Short-Term Indebtedness

Our consolidated short-term debt, including current portion of long-term debt, was R\$2,594.5 million as of December 31, 2016. This short-term indebtedness does not include the debt related to our Mexico Complex and derivatives.

We maintain short-term finance lines denominated in reais with a number of financial institutions in Brazil. Although we have no committed lines of credit with these financial institutions, we believe that we will continue to be able to obtain sufficient credit to finance our working capital needs based on our relationships with these financial institutions and current market conditions. As of December 31, 2016, the consolidated outstanding balance under our short-term finance lines in *reais* was R\$1,465.9 million.

We also obtain advances on certain export contracts from a variety of Brazilian financial institutions. These advances generally have a maturity of less than one year and relatively low interest rates. These advances on export contracts are generally secured by receivables to be generated from future export sales under those contracts. As of December 31, 2016, the consolidated outstanding advances on export contracts was R\$777.8 million. See note 15 to our consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

In 2016, Braskem Idesa, as borrower, and Braskem S.A., as guarantor, entered into a working capital facility agreement with international financial institutions for a principal amount of US\$92.0 million, or the Braskem Idesa Working Capital Facility. This facility bore interest at a floating rate of LIBOR plus 4.9% per annum, payable quarterly and was paid in full in July 2017.

Long-Term Indebtedness

Our principal sources of long-term debt are:

fixed-rate notes issued in the international market;

export credit notes;

credit facilities with BNDES;

bank credit facilities;

project financing;

BNB/FINAME/FINEP/FUNDES; and

export prepayment facilities.

Some of these instruments also contain other covenants that could restrict, among other things, the ability of our company and most of our subsidiaries to incur liens or merge or consolidate with any other person or sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. In addition, the instruments governing a substantial portion of our indebtedness contain cross-default or cross-acceleration clauses, such that the occurrence of an event of default under one of these instruments could trigger an event of default under other indebtedness or enable the creditors under other indebtedness to accelerate that indebtedness.

As of December 31, 2016, R\$3,001.4 million of our real-denominated debt and R\$201.1 million of our foreign currency-denominated debt was secured. In order to secure this debt, we have pledged certain of our property and equipment and certain of our accounts receivable. The security arrangements for our secured debt vary depending on the transaction.

As of December 31, 2016, all of our project finance debt related to our Mexico Complex was secured. In order to secure this debt, we have pledged our shares in Braskem Idesa, some of our rights to repayment under subordinated loans that Braskem S.A. has made to Braskem Idesa and all of the assets of Braskem Idesa.

Fixed-Rate Notes

We have issued fixed-rate debt securities in the international market. All of these securities pay interest semi-annually in arrears, except for our perpetual bonds on which interest is payable quarterly in arrears. The table below sets forth our outstanding fixed-rate debt securities, the outstanding principal amount of these securities and their maturity dates.

Security	Outstanding Principal plus Interest (Amount as of December 31, 2016) (in millions of U.S. dollars)	Final Maturity
8.00% Notes due 2017	57.784	January 2017
7.250% Notes due 2018(1)	133.094	June 2018
7.00% Notes due 2020(1)	401.775	May 2020
5.75% Notes due 2021(1)	1,009.449	April 2021
5.375% Notes due 2022(1)	504.330	May 2022
6.45% Notes due 2024(1)	769.887	February 2024
7.125% Notes due 2041(2)	773.453	July 2041
7.375% Perpetual Bonds(1)	712.333	

(1) Represents notes issued by Braskem Finance Limited and guaranteed by Braskem.

(2) Represents notes issued by Braskem America Finance and guaranteed by Braskem.

Export Credit Note Facilities

We have entered into several credit export note facilities. The table below sets forth our significant outstanding credit export note facilities, the amount outstanding under these facilities, the interest rate applicable to these facilities, the amortization schedule of these facilities and their maturity dates.

Issue Date	Outstanding Principal and Interest as of December 31, 2016 (in millions of <i>reais</i>)	Interest Rate	Amortization Schedule	Final Maturity
2010	146.5	105.0% CDI	Annual (2)	2021
2011	1,015.5	105.0%-112.5% CDI	Annual (2) - Bullet	2019-2021
2012	219.8	105.0% of CDI	Annual (2)	2021
2006-2008(3)	1,173.2	7.30%-8.10%	Bullet Maturity	2018 2020
2016(4)	302.6	5.81%	Bullet Maturity	2017

(1) Principal of this facility is due in annual payment on October of each year commencing in October 2018.

(2) Facilities amended in October 2013 to extend maturity from February 2014 to October 2021.

(3) Facility denominated in U.S. dollars.

(4) Braskem Idesa Working Capital Facility denominated in U.S. dollars, guaranteed by Braskem S.A. *Credit Facilities with BNDES*

Term Loan Facilities

We have entered into a variety of credit facilities with BNDES. The proceeds of these credit facilities have been used to finance a variety of capital expenditures, including:

the construction of our green polyethylene facilities;

the construction of our new butadiene plant;

the construction of our new PVC facilities; and

quality, productivity, environmental, health and safety projects and maintenance shutdowns at our plants.

The table below sets forth selected information with respect to our BNDES term loan credit facilities as of

December 31, 2016.

Facility	Outstanding Principal and Interest (in millions of <i>reais</i>)	Interest Rate	Amortization Schedule	Final Maturity
June 2009 credit facility(1)				
Cesta de Moedas loans	9.0	Cesta de Moedas plus 2.58%	Monthly	July 2017
TJLP loans	40.3	TJLP plus 0% to 4.78%	Monthly	June 2017
December 2010 credit facility(2)				
Monthly	81.2	Cesta de Moedas plus 2.58%		January 2020
TJLP loans	179.1	TJLP plus 0% to 3.58%	Monthly	December 2019
Fixed-rate loans	20.0	5.50%	Monthly	December 2019
November 2011 credit facility(3)				
Cesta de Moedas loans	32.5	Cesta de Moedas plus 2.45%	Monthly	January 2021
TJLP loans	78.2	TJLP plus 0% to 3.45%	Monthly	December 2020
August 2014 credit facility(4)				
TJLP loans	191.1	TJLP plus 0% to 2.78%	Monthly(5)	March 2021
Fixed-rate loans	5.7	6.0%	Monthly(5)	March 2021
SELIC loans	159.7	SELIC plus 2.78%	Monthly(5)	March 2021

(1) Relates to our green polyethylene plant that began operations in September 2010.

(2) Relates to our PVC plant in Alagoas that began operations in August 2012.

(3) Relates to our butadiene plant in the Southern Complex that began operations in September 2012.

(4) Relates to our operational investments and maintenance shutdowns.

Each of these credit facilities is secured by mortgages on (1) three of our plants located in the Southern Complex and (2) one of our plant located in Maceió, in the State of Alagoas.

Revolving Stand-by Credit Facilities

In addition, we have entered into three revolving stand-by credit facilities with BNDES. Loans under these facilities are required to be used to fund specified capital expenditure projects, including:

expansion and modernization of fixed assets;

acquisition of new machinery and equipment produced in Brazil;

programs related to technical training and management, and information technology;

social investment programs;

environmental investments; and

investments in research, development and innovation.

The interest rates for loans drawn under these facilities are set at the time the loans are made and are based on the TJLP rate or the average annual currency basket rate published by BNDES, or the *Cesta de Moedas* rate or the accumulated annual average of SELIC.

Loans made under these facilities may have maturities up to ten years. The outstanding principal and interest of each of these loans is payable in monthly installments following the expiration of the grace period for these loans, which is generally one year or 18 months, depending upon the terms of the relevant facility.

The table below sets forth selected information with respect to our BNDES revolving credit facilities as of December 31, 2016.

Facility	Pr A (in n	mmitted incipal mount nillions of <i>reais</i>)	Outstanding Principal and Interest (in millions of reais)	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Expiration of Commitment
December 2009	R\$	500.0			
Cesta de Moedas loans			3.0	Cesta de Moedas plus 2.58%	January 2017
TJLP loans			6.6	TJLP plus 2.58% to 3.58%	January 2017
Fixed rate			75,7	4.0% to 4.5%	January 2021
November 2011	R\$	2,460.0			
Cesta de Moedas loans				Cesta de Moedas plus 2.42%	
			75.4	to 2.45%	October 2018
TJLP loans			854.8	TJLP plus 0.00% to 3.58%	December 2021
Fixed rate			187.1	3.5% to7.0%	December 2021
SELIC			256.8	SELIC plus .2.32% to 2.78%	December2021
January 2015 credit facility	R\$	1,994.0		_	
TJLP loans			177.6	TJLP plus 0% to 2.62%	January 2022
SELIC loans			186.2	SELIC plus 2.32%	January 2022

Each of these credit facilities is secured by mortgages on (1) two of our plants located in Southern Complex, (2) one of our plants located in the cities of Santo André and Mauá in the state of São Paulo, (3) one of our polypropylene plants in the city of Paulínia in the state of São Paulo, and (4) one chlor-alkali plant in the city of Maceió, in the state of Alagoas.

Revolving Credit Facility Agreements

In September 2014, we entered into a revolving credit facility agreement with a Brazilian financial institution for a principal amount of R\$500.0 million, which matures in September 2019.

In December 2014, we and several of our subsidiaries entered into a revolving credit facility agreement with several international financial institutions for a principal amount of US\$750.0 million, which matures in December 2019.

Bank Credit Facilities

In September 2013, we entered into a loan agreement with a Brazilian financial institution under which we borrowed an aggregate principal amount of US\$70.0 million. The loan proceeds will be used for working capital purposes. This loan bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 1.50% payable quarterly in arrears. Principal on this loan is payable upon maturity in September 2018.

In January 2014, our subsidiary Braskem Netherlands, as borrower, and we, as guarantor, entered into a credit facility agreement with an international financial institution for a principal amount of US\$75.0 million. The facility bears interest at a floating rate of LIBOR plus 1.75% per annum, payable semi-annually, and matures in 2019. We used the proceeds of this loan for our general operating activities.

In August 2014, our subsidiary Braskem Netherlands, as borrower, and we, as guarantor, entered into a loan and guaranty agreement with an international financial institution, as lender, for a principal amount of US\$62.5 million. The facility bears interest at a floating rate of LIBOR plus 1.55% to 1.85% per annum, payable upon maturity in 2019. We used the proceeds of this loan for the manufacture and sale of petrochemical products and for general corporate purposes.

In October 2014, we received disbursements in an aggregate principal amount of R\$196.3 million under a credit facility we entered into in August 2014 with a Brazilian financial institution. In August 2014, we entered into a credit facility for a principal amount of R\$200.0 million. This credit facility bears interest at a rate of 8.24% per annum payable monthly until August 2015 and quarterly thereafter through maturity in August 2024. The outstanding principal amount is payable in 108 successive monthly installments beginning in September 2015.

Export Prepayment Agreements and Advances on Exchange Contracts

We have entered into a several export prepayment agreements and advances on exchange contracts. One of our export prepayment agreements is secured by certain of our export receivables. The table below sets forth our significant outstanding export prepayment agreements and advances on exchange contracts, the outstanding principal amount of these facilities, the interest rate applicable to these facilities, the amortization schedule of these facilities and their maturity dates.

Issue Date	Outstanding Principal Amount as of December 31, 2016 (in millions of U.S. dollars)	Interest Rate	Amortization Schedule	Final Maturity
January 2013	120.3	LIBOR + 1.10%	Semi-annual (1)	November 2022
May 2016	50.2	LIBOR + 3.25%	Bullet Maturity	May 2017
October 2016	80.6	3.28%	Bullet Maturity	September 2017
December 2016	68.2	LIBOR + 2.60%	Bullet Maturity	November 2019

(1) Amortization on this facility commenced in May 2013.

Although export prepayment facilities and advances on exchange contracts have historically accounted for an important part of our financing strategy, as of December 31, 2016, they accounted for only 3.3% of our outstanding indebtedness.

Financing Agreements

In December 2012, Braskem Idesa entered into a common terms agreement with certain financial institutions to finance the development, design, construction and initial operation of the Mexico Complex. The Mexico Complex includes an ethane cracker with annual capacity of 1.05 million tons to produce ethylene, two high density polyethylene plants and a low density polyethylene plant. In connection with the common terms agreement, Braskem Idesa entered into eight separate financing agreements with international and Brazilian financial institutions and development banks in an aggregate principal amount of up to US\$3.2 billion, or the Braskem Idesa Financing. All amounts disbursed under these credit facilities are secured by our shares in Braskem Idesa. In addition, as a condition precedent to the initial disbursement and each subsequent disbursement, Braskem Idesa was required to have a maximum debt to base equity ratio of 70 to 30 after giving effect to such disbursement, as calculated pursuant to the common terms agreement. In September 2015, Braskem Idesa received the final disbursement pursuant to the common terms agreement, reaching an aggregate principal amount of US\$3.2 billion. The financing consists of fixed and floating tranches. The interest rates on the fixed tranche are within a range of 4.33% to 6.17%. The interest rates on the floating tranche are within a range of LIBOR plus 2.73% to LIBOR plus 4.65%. To reduce the interest rate risk, the second tranche is hedged through several swap agreements. Interest on both tranches is payable quarterly in arrears and principal is amortized quarterly. The final maturity date of these loans is February 15, 2029 with amortizations beginning in May 2016.

Capital Expenditures

In 2016, our total investments on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets totaled R\$2,874.9 million, consisting primarily of (1) a capital expenditure of R\$1,439 million (excluding capitalized interest) on our various projects and in maintaining and improving our assets; and (2) a R\$1,195 million disbursement for our Mexico Complex. Our total investments on property, plant and equipment and intangible assets in 2015 and 2014 totaled R\$4,124.0 and R\$5,409.1 million, respectively.

In 2016, we made investments in the aggregate amount of R\$2,975 million. The R\$687 million decrease compared to our initial projection of R\$3,661 million is mainly due to the effect from the translation to Brazilian *reais* of the investments made in U.S. dollars and the postponement/cancelation of certain operating and strategic projects to optimize our investment portfolio.

Excluding Braskem s contributions to the Mexico project, total investment in 2016 totaled R\$1,780 million, down 31% from the initial estimate of R\$2,334 million. Of this amount, R\$1,439 million, or approximately 81% of the total, was allocated to industrial operations (R\$107 million (US\$33 million) in the United States and Europe), including investments related to operating efficiency, health, environment and safety (collectively referred to as HES), productivity, maintenance and modernization. The remaining R\$341 million (of which R\$244 million (US\$72 million) was allocated to the United States and Europe) was allocated to strategic projects, including: (1) investment to produce UTEC[®] resin in La Porte, Texas; (2) investment to diversify the feedstock profile of our cracker in Bahia; and (3) investments to capture productivity gains at the polypropylene plants in the United States and Germany.

Capital Expenditure Budget

We plan to invest approximately R\$1,814 million in 2017, with R\$179 million pegged to the U.S. dollar (US\$51 million) in connection with operating investments in the United States and Europe Unit and the Mexico Unit.

Of this amount, R\$1,544 million will be allocated to maintenance, modernization, productivity, HES and operational efficiency, including disbursements with the scheduled maintenance shutdown of the cracker in Duque de Caxias, Rio de Janeiro, which occurred in the third quarter of 2017. The remainder will be allocated to other strategic projects, such as the feedstock diversification project at the cracker in Bahia (with an expected investment of R\$236 million).

Joint Venture

Mexico Complex

Braskem and Idesa formed Braskem Idesa in April 2010 to develop, construct and operate the Mexico Complex, located in the Mexican state of Veracruz. The Mexico Complex includes an ethylene cracker that produces 1.05 million tons of ethylene per year from ethane based on technology licensed from Technip Italy S.p.A, or Technip, -two high density polyethylene plants based on Innovene S technology licensed from Ineos Commercial Services UK Limited (as successor to Ineos Europe Limited) and a low density polyethylene plant based on Lupotech T technology licensed from Basell Polyolefin GmbH. The three polyethylene plants have a combined annual production capacity of 1.0 million tons of HDPE and LDPE. As of December 31, 2016, we produced 443.180 tons of HDPE and LDPE.

Braskem Idesa is party to an ethane supply agreement with Pemex TRI dated February 19, 2010, pursuant to which Pemex TRI will provide, and Braskem Idesa will purchase, 66,000 barrels per day of ethane to the Mexico Complex for a period of 20 years at prices based on the Mont Belvieu purity ethane and Henry Hub Natural Gas prices. Under this agreement, any daily amount rejected by Braskem Idesa must be purchased in installments in subsequent deliveries until the deficit has been resolved. This contract will expire in 2035 and is renewable for three five-year periods, with prior notice at least two years prior to the expiration of the agreement that it intends to renew this agreement. Pemex TRI may terminate the contract in the event of: (1) a failure to pay that continues for more than 180 days after notice, or (2) an emergency stoppage in operations or force majeure event that continues for more than 48 months.

In February 2010, we and Idesa entered into the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement to govern our relationship with respect to Braskem Idesa, which was amended in November 2012, December 2012 and April 2015. The Braskem

Idesa shareholders agreement, as amended, sets forth the understanding of the parties regarding the implementation of this project and the relationship of Braskem and Idesa as shareholders of Braskem Idesa. Under the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement, as amended:

the parties agree to use their best efforts to use Braskem Idesa as their commercialization vehicle for polyethylene in Mexico;

the parties agree that the polyethylene production of Braskem Idesa shall be used primarily to supply the Mexican market;

we have the right to appoint five members and Idesa has the right to appoint two members of Braskem Idesa s board of directors; decisions considered at Braskem Idesa s ordinary shareholders meetings or by Braskem Idesa s board of directors require the approval by a simple majority;

upon the failure of Braskem and Idesa to agree to vote in favor of certain matters requiring a supermajority vote in an extraordinary shareholders meeting, (1) we will have the right to seek approval of such matters by a simple majority vote of Braskem Idesa s shareholders, (2) in the event that such matters are approved by a simple majority vote of Braskem Idesa s shareholders, we will have the option to purchase all of the shares then held by Idesa, and (3) in the event that we do not exercise this right, Idesa will have the option to sell all of its shares of Braskem Idesa to us; and

any disputes between Braskem and Idesa arising out of or in connection with the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement will be resolved through arbitration.

The Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement also contains rights of first refusal, tag along rights and drag along rights in connection with the disposition of Braskem Idesa shares.

The original estimated total cost of the Mexico Complex of approximately US\$4.5 billion, including financial costs during construction and initial working capital requirements, was revised in 2015 to US\$5.2 billion primarily as a result of (1) a change in the scope of the power generating unit in order to ensure the self-sufficiency of the complex and improve the reliability of energy supply, with the possibility of selling any surplus energy to the grid; and (2) additional costs arising from infrastructure and local services.

We and Idesa contributed an aggregate of approximately 38% of the total costs as equity in proportion to our ownership interests in Braskem Idesa, and the remainder was borrowed by Braskem Idesa under project finance arrangements, secured by the assets of this project, with multilateral credit agencies, export credit agencies, development banks and private banks. See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Capital Expenditures Joint Venture Mexico Complex.

Construction of the Mexico Complex began in 2012 and it commenced operations with the production of the first batch of polyethylene in April 2016.

Equity Support Agreement Relating to the Mexico Complex

In December 2012, we, Braskem Idesa, Etileno XXI, S.A. de C.V., and Idesa entered into an equity support agreement pursuant to which Braskem Idesa s shareholders agreed to make and guarantee payment of certain equity contributions to Braskem Idesa. This contract was amended and restated in April 2015. Pursuant to the amended and restated equity support agreement, the parties assumed a base equity commitment of US\$2.0 billion in proportion to their percentage ownership, direct or indirect, in Braskem Idesa (Braskem 75% and Idesa 25%), which has been fully contributed into

Braskem Idesa. The shareholders have also assumed the obligation of making certain contingent equity contributions to cover any additional amounts necessary to complete the project. The contingent equity commitment that remains available is in the amount of up to US\$208 million, and such commitment will be available until the occurrence of the contingent equity release date in accordance with the amended and restated equity support agreement; provided that the same will be reduced to the lesser of the amount then available and US\$100 million upon the achievement of financial completion of the project. Currently, we have not provided credit support for any of our obligations to fund base equity or primary or secondary contingent equity, but in the event that we cease to have an investment grade rating prior to the release of our base and contingent equity obligations, we will be required to provide cash collateral or in an amount equal to any such equity contributions that we may be required to make under the agreement.

Amendments to Braskem Idesa Shareholders Agreement Relating to Project Ethylene XXI

In February 2010, Braskem and Idesa entered into a shareholders agreement, which we refer to as the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement, to govern our relationship with respect to Braskem Idesa. In November 2012, Braskem and Idesa entered into the first amendment to the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement, under which our ownership interest in Braskem Idesa was increased to 75% minus one share of the equity interest in Braskem Idesa and Idesa s ownership interest in Braskem Idesa was reduced to 25% plus one share of the equity interest. In December 2012, we and Idesa entered into the second amendment to the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement to include the commitment of both Sponsors to fund certain primary and secondary contingent equity to the project. In April 2015, we and Idesa entered into the third amendment to the Braskem Idesa shareholders agreement to include additional base equity contribution and reaffirm the new the commitments of contingency equity, under which we agreed to fund up to 100% of the primary contingent equity commitment under the equity support agreement up to start-up date. The primary contingent equity commitment is approximately US\$208 million.

Other Investments

On March 18, 2016, our board of directors approved a project to invest R\$380 million to create flexibility at our Bahia cracker for the use of up to 15% ethane as feedstock. This project will also entail the modernization of the industrial unit and renovation of the port infrastructure, which is expected to commence operations in the second half of 2017. In connection with this project, we entered into a long-term contract with an affiliate of Enterprise Products for the supply of ethane imported from the United States at a price based on the international Mont Belvieu reference price. This project is part of our strategy to diversify our feedstock matrix, with a focus on increasing our competitiveness and that of the Brazilian petrochemical chain.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not currently have any transactions involving off-balance sheet arrangements.

ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES Directors and Senior Management

Our board of directors (*conselho de administração*) and our board of executive officers (*diretoria*) are responsible for operating our business.

Board of Directors of Braskem

Our by-laws provide for a board of directors of eleven members and eleven alternate members. During periods of absence or temporary unavailability of a regular member of our board of directors, the corresponding alternate member substitutes for the absent or unavailable regular member. Our board of directors is a decision-making body responsible for, among other things, determining policies and guidelines for our business and our wholly-owned subsidiaries and controlled companies. Our board of directors also supervises our board of executive officers and monitors its implementation of the policies and guidelines that are established from time to time by the board of directors. Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, our board of directors is also responsible for hiring independent accountants.

The members of our board of directors are elected at general meetings of shareholders for two-year terms and are eligible for reelection. The terms of all current members expire at our annual shareholders meeting scheduled for 2018. Members of our board of directors are subject to removal at any time with or without cause at a general meeting of shareholders. Our by-laws do not contain any citizenship or residency requirements for members of our board of directors is presided over by the president of the board of directors, and, in his absence, the vice president of the board of directors. The president and the vice president of our board of directors are elected at a general meeting of shareholders from among the members of our board of directors, serve for two-year terms and are eligible for reelection.

Our board of directors ordinarily meets eight times a year and extraordinarily when a meeting is called by the president, the vice president or any two other members of our board of directors. Decisions of our board of directors require a quorum of a majority of the directors and are taken by majority vote, other than certain actions which require the consensus of the nominees of Odebrecht and Petrobras under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement. See Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Major Shareholders Shareholders Agreements Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement.

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the current members of our board of directors and their alternates:

Name	Member Since	Position Held	Age
Newton Sergio de Souza	August 15, 2001	Chairman of the Board	64
Ernani Filgueiras de Carvalho(1)	April 7, 2016	Vice-Chairman of the Board	68
João Cox Neto(1)	June 8, 2016	Board Member	54
Carla Gouveia Barretto	April 15, 2009	Board Member	50
Luiz de Mendonça	April 27, 2012	Board Member	54
Gesner José de Oliveira Filho (1)	June 27, 2017	Board Member	61
Marcelo Moses de Oliveira Lyrio (1)	June 27, 2017	Board Member	54
Pedro Oliva Marcilio de Sousa (1)	June 27, 2017	Board Member	44
João Carlos Trigo de Loureiro	April 7, 2016	Board Member	65
Fernando Reis Vianna Filho(1)	June 8, 2016	Board Member	76
Edson Chil Nobre(1)	April 7, 2016	Board Member	69
André Amaro da Silveira	June 8, 2016	Alternate	54
Arão Dias Tisser	July 25, 2008	Alternate	42
Marcelo Mancini Stella	June 8, 2016	Alternate	55
Sergio França Leão	June 27, 2017	Alternate	66
Mauro Motta Figueira	April 27, 2012	Alternate	47
Ticiana Vaz Sampaio Marianetti	April 06, 2016	Alternate	46
José de Freitas Mascarenhas	August 15, 2001	Alternate	76
Helena da Costa Silveira Troper	June 8, 2016	Alternate	34
Paulo Cézar Fernandes da Silva	April 06, 2016	Alternate	59
Marcus Vinicius Magalhães	<u>April 9, 2015</u>	Alternate	55

(1) Independent director.

The following is a summary of the business experience, areas of expertise and principal outside business interests of our current directors and their alternates.

Directors

Newton Sergio de Souza. Mr. Newton de Souza was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. He has served as the chief executive officer of Odebrecht S.A. since December 2015. During 2015, he became a member of the board of directors of Odebrecht S.A. He joined the Odebrecht Group as general counsel of Odebrecht S.A. in 1988, and became an executive officer as of May 1997, reporting directly to the chief executive officer of Odebrecht S.A. He served as member of the board of directors of the board of directors of the Leading Companies in all business areas of the Odebrecht Group (currently, 15 different lines of business). Mr. Souza also served as a president of the board of directors of

Companhia de Concessões Rodoviárias, or CCR. In his career, he was also a visiting lawyer at the law firm Dechert, Price & Rhoads (Philadelphia), a senior lawyer at the law firm Pinheiro Neto Advogados from 1976 through 1982 and a senior counsel of the Latin America and Caribbean Division of the World Bank (Washington, D.C.) from 1982 through 1987. Mr. Souza holds a law degree from Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, or PUC/RJ, and an LL.M. from the University of Pennsylvania. He also attended the High Performance Boards Program of IMD, in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Ernani Filgueiras de Carvalho. Mr. Carvalho was elected Vice Chairman of our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras in April 2016. With 40 years of market experience, Mr. Carvalho worked at Petrobras for 25 years, where he held various technical and management functions. At the Gabriel Passos Refinery (REGAP) in Betim, Minas Gerais, where he worked for 10 years, he was responsible for the startup of two industrial unit complexes. He coordinated the technology transfer program in the process of hydrotreating of fuels, jointly with the French Oil Institute (IFP Paris), as well as projects stemming from this program. At the headquarters, also he prepared and coordinated a multi-year investment plan for the company s refinery area. He also served for four years as Superintendent of Refining and Processing of Natural Gas at the National Petroleum Agency (ANP). Between November 2004 and March 2016, he worked as Executive Manager of Supply, Petrochemicals and Biofuels of the Brazilian Institute of Oil and Gas (IBP). Mr. Carvalho has a degree in chemical engineering from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), a graduate degree in Oil Processing Engineering from Petróleo Brasileiro S/A (Petrobras), an MBA from Fundação Dom Cabral (Minas Gerais) and a graduate degree in Regulation of the Oil and Gas Industry from the State University of Campinas (Unicamp), among others.

João Cox Neto. Mr. Cox was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. He currently serves as Chairman of the board of directors of Estácio Participações S.A. and as a member of the boards of directors of Embraer, Linx S.A., and Odebrecht TransPort. He is a founding partner and company manager of Cox Investimentos & Consultoria Ltda.. Between 2006 and 2010, Mr. Cox Neto served as chairman, CEO and vice-chairman of Claro. In 2005, he was the vice-chairman of the board of directors of Cellcom. He served as finance and investor relations vice-chairman of Telemig Celular Participações and Tele Norte Celular Participações from April 1999 to August 2004. In addition, Mr. Cox Neto has served as a member of the boards of directors of certain companies in Brazil, Argentina, Holland and Israel. He served as a board member of the CRSFN National Financial System Resources Council, ABRASCA (Brazilian Association of Publicly Held Companies) from and IBRI (Brazilian Institute of Investors Relations). Mr. Cox Neto holds a bachelor s degree in economics from Universidade Federal da Bahia and master s degrees in economics from Université du Québec à Montreal and College of Petroleum Studies of Oxford University.

Carla Gouveia Barretto. Ms. Barretto was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. She has 20 years of experience in the control, planning and human resources department, and, more recently, in the business department. She started her career as an external auditor of PricewaterhouseCoopers in Salvador in 1990. She joined the Odebrecht Group in 1994, and was responsible for planning and human resources at CNO, as controller and then as head of control in the Polyolefins Unit at Braskem. From 2012 to 2015, she was the director of business, responsible for private property investments of Odebrecht Properties. Since then, she has returned to Holding Odebrecht S.A. as director of planning and people. Ms. Barretto holds a degree in business administration from Universidade Salvador (UniFacs) and an MBA from Fundação Dom Cabral in Belo Horizonte.

Luiz de Mendonça. Mr. Mendonça was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. He is currently the chief executive officer of Odebrecht Agroindustrial (former ETH Bioenergia). Mr. Mendonça joined the Odebrecht Group in 2002 when he started working at Braskem, where he held several positions, such as executive vice president of the polyolefins unit, executive vice president of the basic petrochemicals unit and executive vice president of the polymers unit. He also acted as chief executive officer of Braskem Qpar S.A. In 2011, Mr. Mendonça was appointed chief executive officer of Braskem America and executive vice president of the international unit of Braskem. Before joining Braskem, Mr. Mendonça spent a significant part of his career at Rhodia, in the textile and chemical sectors, where he held several business/operational positions throughout Latin America, France and the United States. Mr. Mendonça holds a bachelor s degree in production engineering from University of São Paulo and an MBA from Insead-France.

Gesner José de Oliveira Filho. Mr. Oliveira Filho was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. He is currently a member of the Self-regulation Council of FEBRABAN, member of the board of directors of USIMINAS, member of the Policy Advisory Board of UBER, member of the Advisory Board of CIEE, member of the Advisory Board of ECONSERVATION, Partner of GO Associados Consultoria Empresarial, Professor of the Planning Department and Economic Analysis Applied to Administration EAESP / FGV, Coordinator of the Economics Group of Infrastructure & Environmental Solutions of FGV. Between 2006 and 2010,

he was the President of Sabesp Sanitation Company of the State of São Paulo. He has also acted as Consultant in a project for the World Bank, for institutional analysis of a sanitation company in Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2012. Mr. Oliveira Filho is graduated in Economics from School of Economics and Administration of Universidade de São Paulo FEA/USP, with a Master s degree in Economics from the Economics Institute of Universidade Estadual de Campinas (UNICAMP) and Ph.D. in Economics from University of California, Berkeley.

Marcelo Moses de Oliveira Lyrio. Mr. Lyrio was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. He is the founding partner of Príncipio Assessoria Empresarial. During 12 years, from 2004 to 2016, he was a businessman, partner and co-founder of Signatura Lazard and Managing Director (MD) of Lazard in Brazil. During such period, he worked as assistant for large Brazilian and foreign corporate groups in their local and international investments. Before then, he worked for 14 years, from 1990 to 2004, for ING Bank and ING Barings in several areas of the institution, and the last three years, as its President in Brazil. Mr. Lyrio holds a bachelor s degree in economics from Pontifícia Universidade Católica PUC of Rio de Janeiro.

Pedro Oliva Marcilio de Sousa. Mr. Sousa was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. He is an Executive Officer at Br Partners Group, and from 2012 to 2016 he acted as a Resources Management Office at GR Partners Gestão de Recursos Ltda. In 2011, he acted as a M&A Officer. From 2009 to 2010, he acted as M&A officer at Banco Standard de Investimentos S.A. As of 2013, he has been acting as a member of the Audit Committee at Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and BM&F Bovespa S.A Bolsa De Valores, Mercadorias e Futuros. Between 2013 and 2014, he was a member of the fiscal board of Hypermarcas S.A. Mr. Sousa holds a bachelor s degree in law from Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Federal of the State of Bahia.

João Carlos Trigo de Loureiro. Mr. Loureiro was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras, Mr. Loureiro has 40 years of professional experience, including more than six years in France, with vast management experience. Since 2015, he has been manager of Shareholdings in Petrochemical and Biofuel Companies at Petrobras. Mr. Loureiro holds a degree in economics from Universidade Cândido Mendes and an executive MBA in oil and gas from Coppe UFRJ.

Fernando Reis Vianna Filho. Mr. Vianna was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras. He worked in Sistema Petrobras for over 40 years, serving in several management positions until 2007. He is currently retired and does not hold an office in any other publicly held company. Mr.Vianna holds a bachelor s degree in law from Universidade Estadual do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (UERJ).

Edson Chil Nobre. Mr. Nobre was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras. Mr. Nobre worked at Petrobras for 35 years. He acquired vast management experience at Petrobras and Petrobras Distribuidora. From 2010 to 2014 he served as Executive Manager of Energy Business at Petrobras Distribuidora and retired in 2014. Mr. Nobre holds a degree in chemical engineering from the Federal University of Paraná, a law degree from Faculdades Integradas Bennett-Rio de Janeiro, a work safety engineering degree from the State University of Maringá and an executive MBA from COPPEAD-UFRJ in Rio de Janeiro.

Alternate Directors

André Amaro da Silveira. Mr. Silveira was elected to our board of directors as an alternate member as a nominee of Odebrecht. He has served as a lawyer in the legal department of Odebrecht since 2010. Prior to that, she served as a senior associate attorney at Lefosse Advogados from 2003 to 2010, and as a visiting lawyer at Linklaters LLP. Ms. Silveira holds a bachelor s degree in law from the Pontifícia Universidade Católica of São Paulo (PUCSP) and a master s degree from the University of Chicago.

Arão Dias Tisser. Mr. Tisser was elected as alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras. He previously served as member of our board of directors from May 2008 to July 2008, and was first elected as an alternate member of our board of directors in March 2008. Mr. Tisser currently serves as a commercial analyst in Petrobras, worked as management coordinator of holdings in petrochemical and biocombustibles from April 2015 to August 2016, worked as management coordinator of holdings in petrochemical from November 2015 to March 2015, and worked in the commercial Petrobras sector of naphtha and industrial raw materials from February 2001 to October 2004. Mr. Tisser holds a bachelor s degree in civil engineering from UFRJ, a master s degree in engineering from the Instituto Alberto Luiz Coimbra de Pos-Graduação e Pesquisa de Engenharia (COPPE/UFRJ), an LLM in corporate law from the IBMEC Rio de Janeiro and an MBA in business management from FGV - São Paulo.

Marcelo Mancini Stella. Mr. Mancini was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. He has served as the Vice President in charge of marketing Ethanol, Sugar and Energy and for the Logistics, Supply and International Market Development businesses at Odebrecht Agroindustrial since 2010. Previously, he occupied several positions at Braskem from 2002 to 2010, leading the business directories of Polyethylene, Vinyls and Polypropylene. He worked for Pilkington Brasil Ltd. as sales and marketing director of Brazil from 1990 to 2002. Mr. Mancini holds a bachelor s degree in production engineering from the Polytechnic School of the University of São Paulo and an MBA from the University of São Paulo FIA. He also participated in the INSEAD Finance Program and the Marketing Program at Cranfield University.

Sergio França Leão. Mr. França Leão was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. He started, in 2003, to coordinate the support to the sustainability programs at Odebrecht S.A. Since 1992, he coordinates the environmental programs at Odebrecht. He was the responsible, until 2013, for coordinating the support to the SSTMA programs at Construtora Norberto Odebrecht. He was a professor at UFMG (University of Minas Gerais), from 1981 to 1992, in the Sanitary and Environmental Engineering department, and Coordinator of the Master course in the same area. He is a consultant in several environmental control projects in the industry through the Christiano Ottoni Foundation belonging to UFMG. He was president of the State Environmental Foundation of Minas Gerais and member of the State Environmental Politics and the National Environmental Councils from 1989 to 1991. Mr. França Leão has a degree in Civil Engineering with a major in sanitary engineering from UFMG, and a master s degree and PhD in sanitary and environmental engineering from University of California, in Berkeley - 1981.

Mauro Motta Figueira. Mr. Figueira was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht. Mr. Figueira currently serves as the financial planning director of Odebrecht. Previously, he was a financial analyst at Citibank and strategic planning manager at OPP Petroquimica until 2002; senior consultant at management consulting firm A.T. Kearney from 2004 to 2006, marketing controller at Johnson & Johnson from 2006 to 2008 and senior manager at strategic consulting firm Monitor Group from 2008 to 2010. Mr. Figueira holds a degree in production engineering from the University of São Paulo and has an MBA from the Darden School of Business.

Ticiana Vaz Sampaio Marianetti. Ms. Marianetti was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. Before holding a position as financial director at Odebrecht S.A., she served as CFO of Odebrecht Ambiental from April 2008 to March 2016. Before that, she held several positions in the engineering and finance departments of the Odebrecht Group. Her previous experience includes working in project finance for Bechtel Enterprises (USA), Alterra Partners (Costa Rica and UK) and Gerens Management Group (Spain). Ms. Marianetti holds a degree in civil engineering from the Federal University of Bahia (UFBA) and earned an MBA from the Haas Business School at the University of California in Berkeley.

José de Freitas Mascarenhas. Mr. Mascarenhas was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. He has been an executive officer of Odebrecht since September 2001 and serves in various capacities with other companies in the Odebrecht Group. He served as vice president of Confederação Nacional das Indústrias from October 1985 to October 2014, and as president of Federação das Indústrias do Estado da Bahia from 1992 to 2002 and April 2010 to March 2014. He also has served as vice president of the Brazilian Association of Chemical Industry and Derivative Products from May 1993 to April 2008. Mr. Magalhães is a member of the board of the Brazilian Competitiveness Council (*Movimento Brasil Competitivo*) and, in 2014, was elected as a member of the board of the Associação Comercial da Bahia. Since 2015, he has served as chairman of the board of economics of the Federation of Industries of the State of Rio de Janeiro FIRJAN. Mr. Mascarenhas holds a bachelor s degree in civil engineering from UFBA.

Helena da Costa Silveira Troper. Ms. Troper was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Odebrecht S.A. She has worked at the Odebrecht Group since 2010 as an attorney in Odebrecht S.A. s legal department, a position she holds to this day. Previously, she acted as a senior associate attorney at Lefosse Advogados from 2003 to 2010, having been a visiting attorney at Linklaters LLP in New York. Ms. Troper has a degree from Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo (PUCSP) and a master s degree from the University of Chicago.

Paulo Cezar Fernandes da Silva. Mr. Silva was elected to our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras. Mr. Silva currently serves as senior equipment engineer. From 2015 to 2016 he served as manager of relationship and information in the Petrochemical Business Relationship with Control Agencies. From 2014 to 2015 he served as planning and control manager, responsible for planning and control of the petrochemical supply department. Previously, he served as manager of evaluation and support to management of Shareholdings, where he was responsible for the corporate governance of ownership interests at the petrochemical supply department, and manager of economic and financial analysis. Mr. Silva holds a degree in industrial mechanical engineering from Centro Federal de Educação Tecnológica (CEFET-RJ), a graduate degree in public administration from FGV and an executive MBA in finance from IBMEC-RJ. He has also completed specialization programs in management from Fundação Dom Cabral and The Innovative Organization from the University of California, Berkeley.

Marcus Vinicius de Oliveira Magalhães. Mr. Magalhães was elected as an alternate member of our board of directors as a nominee of Petrobras. Mr. Magalhães is a senior processing engineer and works as an Industrial Automation coordinator at Petrobras. Mr. Magalhães holds a degree in chemical engineering from the Military Institute of Engineering.

Board of Executive Officers of Braskem

Our board of executive officers is our executive management body. Our executive officers are our legal representatives and are responsible for our internal organization and day-to-day operations and the implementation of the general policies and guidelines established from time to time by our board of directors.

Our by-laws require that the board of executive officers consist of a chief executive officer and between three and nine additional members, each responsible for business areas that our board of directors assigns to them. The members of our board of executive officers, other than our chief executive officer, have no formal titles (other than the title of executive officer or Diretor) but have the informal titles set forth in the table below.

The members of our board of executive officers are elected by our board of directors for three-year terms and are eligible for reelection. The current term of all of our executive officers ends at the first board of directors meeting held immediately after our annual shareholders meeting to be held in 2018. Our board of directors may remove any executive officer from office at any time with or without cause. According to the Brazilian Corporation Law, executive officers must be residents of Brazil but need not be shareholders of our company. Our board of executive officers holds meetings when called by our chief executive officer.

The following table lists the current members of our board of executive officers:

	Year of		
Name	Appointment	Position Held	Age
Fernando Musa	2016	Chief Executive Officer	52
Pedro van Langendonck	2016	Vice President Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer	42
Teixeira de Freitas		and Director of Investor Relations	
Gustavo Sampaio Valverde	2013	Vice President Executive Officer and General Counsel	43
Edison Terra Filho	2016	Vice President Executive Officer of Polyolefins,	45
		Renewable Chemicals, Europe	
Marcelo Arantes de Carvalho	2015	Vice President Executive Officer of People, Organization and Procurement	49

Marcelo de Oliveira Cerqueira 2013 Vice President Executive Officer of Basic Petrochemicals 52 Unit

Summarized below is information regarding the business experience, areas of expertise and principal outside business interests of our current executive officers.

Fernando Musa. Mr. Musa is currently our chief executive officer. From April 2012 to April 2016, Mr. Musa was in charge of our company s business in the United States and Europe. Before that, in 2011, Mr. Musa was planning and business development officer for Braskem, leading the areas of strategic planning, procurement and information technology and also in charge of quantiQ, Braskem s distributor of chemical products. Mr. Musa joined

Braskem in January 2010 as planning and integration officer at Quattor (at the time of the acquisition by Braskem), where he was responsible for the integration into Braskem, leading the financial, procurement, polymer logistics and SAP project areas. Previously, Mr. Musa held leadership positions at McKinsey, Editora Abril and Monitor Group. Mr. Musa holds a degree in mechanical engineering from the Aeronautic Technological Institute (*Instituto Tecnológico da Aeronáutica*), or ITA, in São José dos Campos, Brazil and an MBA from Insead.

Pedro Van Langendonck Teixeira de Freitas. Mr. Freitas is currently our chief financial officer and investor relations officer and previously served in our strategic planning area from 2011 to 2016. Prior to this, he was a strategy consultant, having participated in the construction of business strategies and mergers and acquisitions projects in various industries, including petrochemicals, agribusiness, consumer goods and pharmaceuticals. Mr. Freitas holds a degree in production engineering from the Polytechnic School of the University of São Paulo and an MBA from Insead.

Gustavo Sampaio Valverde. Mr. Valverde is currently our vice president of legal, governance and external affairs. He previously served as our vice president of legal and external affairs of Braskem America from 2011 to 2013, legal officer from 2009 to 2011 and senior in-house counsel to Braskem S.A. (OPP Química S.A.) from 2001 to 2002. Mr. Valverde also served as legal officer at CBPO Ingeniería de Venezuela from 2007 to 2009, senior in-house counsel at CNO from 2003 to 2007 and as an attorney at Costa, Mello & Cavalcanti Advogados. Mr. Valverde holds a bachelor s degree in law from Universidade Federal da Bahia, a specialization in tax law and a master s degree in law from Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo and an LLM from Columbia University.

Edison Terra Filho. Mr. Terra is currently our vice president executive officer of polyolefins, renewables and Europe. Mr. Terra joined Braskem in 2002 and has held positions in several areas, including marketing, supply chain and export and as leader of Small Enterprise Polyethylene, UNIB and quantiQ. Previously, he served in several positions at Rhodia from 1993 to 2002. Mr. Terra holds a bachelor s degree in production engineering from Escola Politécnica da USP and a master s degree in business administration from EAESP-FGV/SP.

Marcelo Arantes de Carvalho. Mr. Carvalho is currently our vice president executive officer of people, organization, communication, marketing and sustainable development. He has implemented organizational and human resources training programs, cultural change and leadership development programs and developed and implemented global strategies in the areas of human resources, information technology and procurement. Previously, Mr. Carvalho worked in global companies such as ABB, Unilever, Fiat Chrysler Automotive and Braskem. He has over 28 years of experience in the human resources, information technology and procurement areas in industries such as metallurgy, automation and power technology, telecommunications, automotive, consumer goods and petrochemical/chemical industries. Mr. Carvalho holds a degree in business administration, with specialization in business management, from Fundação Dom Cabral and a degree in global leadership from Wharton.

Marcelo de Oliveira Cerqueira. Mr. Cerqueira is currently the vice president of our Basic Petrochemicals Unit. Mr. Cerqueira previously served as head of our Vinyls Unit from 2010 until October 2013, as industrial vinyls director from 2009 until 2010 and as production manager of our PVC production unit in the State of Bahia from 2003 until 2008. Previously he worked at Trikem in various capacities, including production manager of the PVC production unit in the State of Alagoas from 1997 until 2002. At Companhia Petroquímica Camaçari, he worked with the production logistics, health, safety and the environment and procurement engineering areas from 1989 until 1996. He began his career at Companhia Alcoolquímica Nacional and COPERBO (now Lanxess), where he worked from 1987 until 1989. Mr. Cerqueira holds a bachelor s degree in chemical engineering from the University of Pernambuco and an MBA from FGV.

Fiscal Council

The Brazilian Corporation Law requires us to establish a permanent or non-permanent fiscal council (conselho fiscal). Our by-laws provide for a permanent fiscal council composed of five members and their respective alternate members. The fiscal council is a separate corporate body, independent of our management and our independent accountants.

The members of our fiscal council are elected by our shareholders at the annual general shareholders meeting for one-year terms and are eligible for reelection. The terms of the members of our fiscal council expire at the next annual general shareholders meeting. Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the fiscal council may not contain members who are members of our board of directors or our board of executive officers or are employees or spouses or relatives of any member of our management. To be eligible to serve on our fiscal council, a person must be a resident of Brazil and either be a university graduate or have been an officer or fiscal council member of another Brazilian company for at least three years prior to election to our fiscal council. Holders of (1) preferred shares without voting rights and (2) non-controlling common shareholders that together hold at least 10.0% of our voting share capital are each entitled to elect one member and his or her respective alternate to the fiscal council.

The responsibilities of a fiscal council are established by the Brazilian Corporation Law. In accordance with the Brazilian Corporation Law, our fiscal council has the right and obligation to, among other things:

supervise, through any of its members, the actions of our managers and to verify their fulfillment of their duties;

give an opinion on the annual report of our management, including the supplementary information deemed necessary or useful for deliberation at a general meeting;

at least every three months examine the trial balance sheet and other financial statements periodically prepared by the company;

examine the accounts and financial statements for the financial year and give an opinion on them;

opine on any management proposals to be submitted to a vote of our shareholders related to:

changes in our share capital;

issuances of debentures or rights offerings entitling the holder to subscribe for equity securities;

distributions of dividends; and

transformation of our corporate form and any corporate restructuring, such as takeovers, mergers and spin-offs;

inform our management of any error, fraud or misdemeanor detected and suggest measures we should take in order to protect our primary interests. If our management fails to take the measures required to protect our

interests, inform our shareholders at a shareholders meeting of these facts; and

call general shareholders meetings if management delays the general shareholders meeting for more than one month and call special shareholders meetings in the event that important matters arise.

As described in Item 16D. Exemptions From the Listing Standards for Audit Committees, we are relying on the general exemption from the listing standards relating to audit committees contained in Rule 10A-3(c)(3) under the Exchange Act. In order to comply with the requirements of this exemption, our board of directors has delegated to our fiscal council certain additional responsibilities and our fiscal council adopted rules under which our fiscal council has the duties and responsibilities of a U.S. audit committee to the extent permitted under Brazilian corporate law. Because Brazilian corporate law does not permit the board of directors to delegate responsibility for the appointment, retention and compensation of the external auditors and does not provide our board of directors or fiscal council with the authority to resolve disagreements between management and our external auditors regarding financial reporting, our fiscal council cannot fulfill these functions. Our fiscal council may only make recommendations to our board of directors and shareholders with respect to the appointment, retention and compensation of disagreements between management and the external auditors, our fiscal council may only make recommendations to our board of directors and shareholders with respect to the appointment, retention and compensation of disagreements between management and the external auditors, our fiscal council may only make recommendations to our board of directors and shareholders. Under the rules governing our fiscal council, our fiscal council has the following rights and obligations, among others, in addition to those established by the Brazilian Corporation Law:

to follow and analyze the process of hiring independent auditors, observing applicable Brazilian rules and legislation, and considering the technical expertise, independence, efficiency, experience and costs of the independent auditors, and recommend to our board of directors the selection and remuneration for the work of independent auditors and their possible replacement;

to approve the annual list of pre-approval services that may be provided in a given year by the independent auditors, as well as ensure that the policy is observed by our management and independent auditors;

to supervise the work of our independent auditors, as well as to discuss the scope of audit services to be performed by them;

to analyze the recommendations report prepared by our independent auditors and the internal control over financial reporting, including items that may impact our financial statements;

to request from our independent auditors, if necessary, any clarification or information that is deemed to be necessary for the verification of specific facts;

to meet with our management and independent auditors, whenever required, for the analysis of adoption of significant accounting policies and practices, including analysis of alternative treatments of policies, practices and disclosures related to material items, giving preferential treatment to the guidelines of our independent auditors;

to intermediate possible discussion and conflicts arising between our independent auditors and our management related to the draft of financial reports, providing, if necessary, opinions regarding such conflicts;

to discuss the content of all material and relevant communication made in writing by our independent auditors to our management which come to its knowledge;

to hire, as appropriate, in accordance with § 8 of Article 163 of the Brazilian Corporation Law, independent experts and advisers, including but not limited to legal counsel, to advise and give opinions on matters related to the performance of its duties;

to meet regularly and privately with the head of internal audit to discuss any issues and/or concerns; and

to receive information and oversee the evaluation process regarding complaints received by us, whether through our confidential, anonymous ethics hotline or otherwise, with respect to our financial statements, internal accounting controls and auditors (whether internal or independent).

The following table lists the current members of our fiscal council and their alternates:

	Year of
Name	Appointment
Cristiano Gadelha Vidal Campelo	2016
Ismael Campos de Abreu	2003
Marcos Antonio Zacarias	2017
Charles René Lebarbenchon	2017
Gilberto Braga	2017
Marcos Galeazzi Rosset (alternate)	2016
Alexandre Antonio Germano Bittencourt (alternate)	2017
Ivan Silva Duarte (alternate)	2016
Cristiane da Rocha Ribeiro de Souza (alternate)	2017

The following is a summary of the business experience, areas of expertise and principal outside business interests of the current members of our fiscal council and their alternates.

Members of Fiscal Council

Cristiano Gadelha Vidal Campelo. Mr. Campelo was elected a member of our fiscal council as representative of Petrobras in April 2016. Mr. Campelohas been working for 10 years at Petrobras, where since 2012 and has served as external tax relationship manager since 2012, responsible for managing people and processes associated with tax risks of the Petrobras System. Previously, he served as negotiator and institutional interface with the Secretaries of Treasury of States and Municipalities in the South, Southeast and Midwest regions of Brazil, and worked with several associations (IBP, SINDICON, FIRJAN, ABRAGET, etc.) and other bodies such as CONFAZ. Between 2014 and 2015, he served as member of the Audit Board of Companhia Maranhense de Gás (GASMAR). Mr. Campelo holds a degree in law and an MBA from Fundação Dom Cabral.

Ismael Campos de Abreu. Mr. Abreu was elected a member of our fiscal council as representative of Odebrecht in 2003. He has served as director of Kieppe Participações e Administração Ltda. since April 2011 and as controller of Odebrecht S.A. between 1995 and March 2011. He served as manager of the tax consulting division of PricewaterhouseCoopers from 1978 to 1985, as controller of Corrêa Ribeiro S.A. Comércio e Indústria from 1986 to 1988, as manager of the consulting area of Arthur Andersen from 1989 to 1991 and as partner of Performance Auditoria e Consultoria from 1992 to 1995. Previously, he served as a member of the fiscal council of Petroflex Indústria e Comércio S.A. until the sale of our interest in Petroflex in April 2008. Between March 2006 and March 2008, he served as member of the fiscal council of Companhia Petroquímica do Sul. Mr. Abreu holds a degree in accounting from Fundação Visconde de Cairú and a graduate degree in economic engineering from the Inter-American Development Center.

Marcos Antonio Zacarias. Mr. Zacarias was elected as a member of Braskem S.A. s fiscal council as a representative of Petrobras in April 2017. He has served as general manager of corporate finance management and benefits at Petrobras since December 2016. Previously, he served as general manager of financial administration and corporate finance of Petrobras from 2006 until 2016, international accounting manager from 2000 until 2005, financial control manager of Braspetro from 1999 until 2000 and administrative and finance manager of Petrobras Colombia from 1995 until 1999. Mr. Zacarias holds a degree in accounting from Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (UERJ), a specialization in auditing and accounting from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV) and a degree in management accounting from Universidade de São Paulo (USP), as well as a Series 20 certification from the Brazilian Financial and Capital Markets Association (ANBIMA)

Charles René Lebarbenchon. Mr. Lebarbenchon was elected a member of Braskem S.A, s fiscal council as a representative of minority shareholder Geração Futuro L. Par de Fundo de Investimento em Ações in April 2017. He served as a partner at the law firm Advocacia Gasparino, Fabro, Lebarbenchon, Roman, Sachet e Marchiori Sociedade de Advogados, for the past five years, leaving that role to work at the legal executive office of Grupo Brazal Brasil Alimentos S.A. Previously, he served as director of Brazpeixes S/A in 2015, as a member of the board of directors of AES Eletropaulo S/A from 2014 until 2016, coordinator of the fiscal council of Eternit S/A from 2013 until 2014, member of the fiscal council of SICOOB Advocacia from 2013 until 2015, alternate member of the fiscal council of BIC Banco, alternate member of the board of directors of AES Eletropaulo S/A from 2012 until 2014, member of the advisory board of Instituto de Previdência OABPrev-SC from 2011 until 2012, director of benefits of Instituto de Previdência OABPrev-SC from 2011 until 2012, directors of Gaspart S/A from 2009 until 2012. Mr. Lebarbenchon holds a law degree from Universidade do Vale do Itajaí (UNIVALI) and an MBA specializing in tax law from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV).

Gilberto Braga. Mr. Braga was elected a member of Braskem S.A. s fiscal council, in place of Aluízio Rocha, as a representative of Odebrecht Serviços e Participações in August 2017. Mr. Braga is a business consultant with expertise in financial, capital markets, corporate and tax areas, and provides expert advice in judicial proceedings. In addition, Mr. Braga is a member of fiscal, management and audit committees of listed companies and professional associations. He was a member of the Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards for the Investment Funds of the CVM, teaches undergraduate corporate governance courses at Dom Cabral Foundation, IBMEC, PUC and FGV, and is a columnist for the newspaper *O Dia*. Mr. Braga holds degrees in economics from UCAM Ipanema and accounting from UGF, a graduate degree from IAG-PUC Rio in financial management and an MBA (Finance and Capital Markets) by IBMEC- Rio.

Alternate Members of Fiscal Council

Ivan Silva Duarte. Mr. Duarte was elected as an alternate member of our fiscal council in 2016. He has served as director of Kieppe Participações e Administração LTDA since January 2016. Previously, he served as manager of KPMG Auditores Independentes from 1995 to 2001 and senior manager at PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes from 2001 until 2008. Between 2008 and 2015, Mr. Duarte was an executive officer at EAO Empreendimentos Agropecuários e Obras S.A, an Odebrecht Group company operating in the Agricultural and Food and Beverage segments. Mr. Duarte holds a degree in accounting from the University of Salvador (UNIFACS), an MBA in corporate finances from the Fundação Getúlio Vargas and an MBA in entrepreneurship from Babson College.

Cristiane da Rocha Ribeiro de Souza. Mrs. Souza was elected as an alternate member of Braskem S.A. s fiscal council as a representative of Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A. in April 2017. She has served as the financial planning manager at Odebrecht S.A. since October 2014. Previously, she worked as accounting and fiscal manager at ETH Bioenergia SA from February 2008 until August 2011, as corporate controller at Braskem S.A. from September 2011 until September 2014 and as accounting coordinator at Braskem S.A. from July 2002 until January 2008. Mrs. Souza holds a bachelor s degree in accounting from the Foundation Visconde de Cairú -Salvador and an MBA in finance from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV).

Marcos Galeazzi Rosset. Mr. Rosset was elected a member of our fiscal council by preferred shareholders in April 2016. Mr. Rosset has served as president and CEO of multinational companies for 25 years and as a member of strategic and management boards for Latin America. He currently serves as a member of the fiscal council of Sambatech, director of Magic Bubble, as a member of IBGC and as CEO of e-all Entertainment. Previously, he served as CEO and senior vice president of The Walt Disney Company Brasil from 2001 to 2011, as managing director and AL of CIC VIDEO International and as manager of Globo Vídeo. Mr. Rosset holds a bachelor s degree in Sciences, Physics from University Mackenzie and a master s degree in Accounting and Finance.

Alexandre Antônio Germano Bittencourt. Mr. Bittencourt was elected as an alternate member of Braskem S.A. s fiscal council as a representative of Petrobras in April 2017. Mr. Bittencourt has served as Sector Manager of International Financial Flow of Petrobras since August 2016, subordinated to the Executive Finance Manager, having acted as foreign cash manager. He is currently the effective member of Transpetro s Fiscal Council, having already been a member of the Fiscal Council of Gas Brasiliano, an alternate member of the Fiscal Council of COMPERJ and LOGUM. He holds a degree in Economics from UERJ and an MBA in Finance and Capital Markets from FGV and a post-graduate degree in Business Sciences from Universidade Cândido Mendes.

Board Committees

On June 22, 2005, our board of directors approved its internal operating rules. An English translation of the internal operating rules of our board of directors is available on our investor relations website at http://www.braskem-ri.com.br/home-en. Under these rules, our board of directors has established four permanent committees and has the power to establish ad-hoc committees. Permanent committees must have no fewer than three and no more than five members. Ad-hoc committees may be convened for a limited period to consider temporary issues and are dissolved when their purpose has been achieved or when the term established upon the creation of such committees.

In April 2015, our board of directors approved the constitution of an ad hoc committee to accompany the Investigation surrounding allegations of improper payments made to Petrobras for beneficial terms in connection with certain raw material supply contracts we have with Petrobras. Such ad hoc committee was formed by members independent from

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our shareholders, and its main objectives are (i) to ensure that the Investigation is carried out independently, thoroughly and in strict compliance with its approved scope, mitigating as much as possible the impact on our operations and (ii) to take all necessary measures to ensure that all required resources are devoted to the Investigation. Our board of directors dissolved the ad hoc committee in August 2016.

In May 2016, our board of directors approved the constitution of a compliance committee, or the Compliance Committee, to monitor internal controls and risk exposure and to supervise the preparation of financial reports, without prejudice to the legal duties designated to our fiscal council.

We currently have the following four permanent committees: (1) the Finance and Investments Committee, (2) the Personnel and Corporate Issues Committee, (3) the Strategy and Communication Committee, and (4) the Compliance Committee. The duties of each permanent committee are established by our board of directors. The members of each permanent committee are appointed by our board of directors, solely from among its members and alternate members, and the board of directors also designates the coordinating of each permanent committee. Our board of directors does not delegate the power to take actions on behalf of our company to the permanent committees; rather the role of the permanent committees is to provide analyses of issues in order to assist the full board of directors in its deliberations.

Finance and Investments Committee

Our Finance and Investments Committee meets quarterly and has the following duties: (1) to evaluate new policies relating to financial management, insurance and guarantees and analyze existing policies, (2) to evaluate new risk management policies and analyze existing policies, (3) to analyze opportunities related to financing and investment transactions that may improve our capital structure, (4) to analyze transactions approved by our board of directors that involve parties related to our company and (5) to analyze guidelines and protocols for our business planning execution cycle. Our Finance and Investments Committee is currently composed of Marcelo Moses de Oliveira Lyrio, Ticiana Marianetti and Fernando Reis Vianna Filho and alternate members Mauro Motta Figueira, Luiz de Mendonça and Marcus Vinicius de Oliveira Magalhães.

Personnel and Corporate Issues Committee

Our Personnel and Corporate Issues Committee meets quarterly and has the following duties: (1) to evaluate new policies and review existing policies relating to personnel matters and organizational issues, (2) to analyze processes relating to identification, training, development and succession of executives for or in strategic positions, (3) to analyze processes relating to the determination of fixed and variable compensation for executives in strategic positions, (4) to analyze issues relating to compliance with our Code of Conduct, and (5) to evaluate new policies and review existing policies relating the maintenance and strengthening of our corporate culture. Our Personnel and Corporate Issues Committee is currently composed of Ernani Filgueiras de Carvalho, André Amaro and Carla Barretto and alternate members Arão Dias Tisser, Marcelo Mancini and Sérgio França Leão.

Strategy and Communication Committee

Our Strategy and Communication Committee meets at least twice a year and has the following duties: (1) to evaluate determinations relating to the foundation of our business plan, (2) to evaluate the business direction being pursued to achieve objectives defined by our board of directors, (3) to evaluate new policies and review existing policies relating to the capital markets and social responsibility, (4) to evaluate the image of our company projected to and perceived in the market and make recommendations to our board of directors to maintain or to redefine our social communications programs, and (5) to analyze guidelines and protocols for our business planning and execution cycle. Our Strategy and Communication Committee is currently composed of Pedro Oliva Marcilio de Sousa, Luiz de Mendonça and João Carlos Trigo de Loureiro and alternate members Marcelo Moses de Oliveira Lyrio, Carla Barretto and Paulo Cezar Fernandes da Silva.

Compliance Committee

In May 2016, our board of directors approved the establishment of the Compliance Committee, which ultimately replaced the ad hoc committee that had been created in April 2015 to monitor the Investigation. The Compliance Committee is formed by independent members of our board of directors, and its main objectives are to (1) evaluate internal controls, risk exposure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, (2) monitor

investigations related to ethics complaints, (3) approve and periodically update the Policy on Ethics, Compliance and Transparency, which addresses anti-corruption measures and related party transactions, and (4) develop training programs for board members, senior managers and certain employees.

Our chief compliance officer, or CCO reports directly to the chairman of the Compliance Committee, and exercises independent judgment within our company. Our CCO is responsible for developing a compliance system, assist the CEO in implementing the compliance system and continually monitor developments in this respect.

The following is a summary of the business experience, areas of expertise and principal outside business interests of our CCO.

Everson Bassinello. Mr. Bassinello has served as our CCO since August 2016 and has led our global initiatives related to risk management, internal controls, compliance and internal audit. He served in leadership positions at Companies of the Votorantim Group, including VCP and Fibria between June 2000 and July 2016. Mr. Bassinello holds a degree in mechanical engineering from Universidade Federal de Itajubá (UNIFEI), a graduate degree in business administration from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV), an MBA from Business School São Paulo (BSP) and a specialization in corporate governance from the Kellogg School of Management.

Ethics Committee

Our Ethics Committee supports our Compliance Committee with matters involving the violation of the commitment to Ethics, Compliance and Transparency. Our Ethics Committee is formed by our Chief Compliance Officer and three additional members (preferable vice-presidents in our Legal, Human Resources and Finance areas). The main objectives of our Ethics Committee are to (1) evaluate the results of investigations of ethics complaints, (2) submit to the Compliance Officer proposed revisions to the Policy on Ethics, Compliance and Transparency, and (3) provide guidance on questions of ethical conduct and ensure consistent evaluation and treatment of ethical matters.

Compensation

According to our by-laws, our shareholders are responsible for establishing the aggregate compensation we pay to the members of our board of directors, our board of executive officers and our fiscal council. Our shareholders determine this aggregate compensation at the general shareholders meeting each year. Once aggregate compensation is established, the members of the board of directors are responsible for distributing such aggregate compensation individually to the members of our board of directors, our board of executive officers and our fiscal council in compliance with our by-laws.

Compensation and Benefits

The aggregate compensation paid by us to all members of our board of directors, board of executive officers and our fiscal council for services in all capacities was R\$42.1 million in 2016. In April 2017, our shareholders (acting in the annual general meeting) established the compensation for our board of directors, our board of executive officers and the members of our fiscal council as R\$ 47.3 million for the year 2017.

The members of the board of directors receive a fixed monthly compensation, which is not affected by the numbers of meetings that take place each month. The members of the fiscal council receive a fixed monthly compensation, which is not affected by the numbers of meetings that take place each month. The alternate members of the board of directors and of the fiscal council do not receive any compensation.

Our executive officers receive the same benefits generally provided to our employees, such as medical (including dental) assistance, private pension plan and meal vouchers. Members of our board of directors and fiscal council are not entitled to these benefits.

Members of our board of directors, board of executive officers and fiscal council are not parties to contracts providing for benefits upon the termination of employment other than, in the case of executive officers, the benefits described above.

Long-Term Incentive Plan

On September 26, 2005, we adopted a long-term incentive plan. Under the terms of this plan, we issued investment units, each having an economic value equivalent to the economic value of one class A preferred share of our company, to our executive officers, senior management and other employees involved in our strategic programs, which the plan refers to as our business partners.

The long-term incentive plan was terminated by a meeting of our board of directors held on May 7, 2014.

Corporate Governance Practices

The significant differences between our corporate governance practices and the standards of the NYSE are described in Item 16G. Corporate Governance.

Share Ownership of Directors and Officers

As of September 21, 2017, no member of Braskem s board of directors or executive officer owned more than 0.1% of Braskem s share capital. All shares owned by our directors and executive officers were purchased at market prices through the BM&FBOVESPA.

Employees

The following table sets forth the number of our employees by geographic location at the dates indicated.

Number of Employees by Geographic Location	2016	2015	2014
State of Bahia	1,653	1,676	1,763
State of Rio Grande do Sul	1,615	1,664	1,732
State of São Paulo	1,774	2,053	2,186
State of Alagoas	514	521	530
State of Rio de Janeiro	415	479	457
Other Brazilian states	6	8	2
Brazil	5,977	6,401	6,670
United States	711	680	668
Germany	174	175	162
Mexico	752	701	588
Other countries	43	38	38
Total	7,657	7,995	8,126

We do not employ a material number of temporary employees.

Employees in Brazil

In Brazil, both employees and employers have the right to organize unions. Employees belonging to a specific professional category and employers constituting a specific economic category may each be represented by a single

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union in a particular geographic area. Individual unions generally belong to state-wide union federations, which in turn belong to nationwide union confederations. We are a member of the Petrochemicals and Synthetic Resins Industries Union of the States of Bahia, Alagoas, Rio Grande do Sul and São Paulo, and our employees belong to the Petrochemicals Industries Workers Unions in each of these states. As of December 31, 2016, approximately 26.1% of our employees in Brazil were union members. We believe that we have good ongoing relations with our employees and their unions. We have not experienced a strike in Brazil since Trikem was privatized in 1995. The current collective bargaining agreements with our unions have one-year to two year terms and are subject to annual renegotiation. We have traditionally applied the terms of bargaining agreements entered into with the unions equally to unionized and non-unionized employees.

Post-Employment Benefits in Brazil

ODEPREV Defined Contribution Plan

The majority of our employees (approximately 67.2%) participate in the Odebrecht Pension Plan (*Odebrecht Previdência*), or ODEPREV. We pay part of the monthly payments made by our employees to ODEPREV. This pension fund is a defined contribution plan that pays pension and retirement amounts that supplement those paid by the Brazilian government s pension system and is intended to provide its members with income upon retirement. In 2016, we paid R\$41.0 million into this fund.

Petros Copesul Defined Benefit Plan

As a result of our merger with Copesul, we became the sponsor of the Petros Copesul plan. On October 2, 2012, PREVIC approved the withdrawal of sponsorship of this plan by Braskem. Since February 2015, we have made payments of individual reserves by Petros. As this pension plan was deficient, in accordance with current Brazilian law in 2012, Braskem had to pay an amount of R\$358.6 million in February 2015. In anticipation of this payment, we provisioned an amount of R\$336.4 million, recorded under current liabilities in the 2014 financial statements. The difference between the amount provisioned and the payment made corresponds to interest incurred in 2015.

Petros PQU Defined Benefit Plan

With the acquisition of Braskem Qpar in April 2010 (which merged into our company on December 1, 2014), we assumed the liabilities of Petros PQU. On August 6, 2012, PREVIC approved the sponsorship withdrawal process, which had been requested on September 30, 2009. The payment of the reserves to participants was completed in 2015. As a result, the sponsorship withdrawal process could be finalized in 2015. This plan currently has a surplus and consequently no provision has been made.

Other Benefits in Brazil

Our employees in Brazil and their dependents receive medical and dental assistance through a network of accredited doctors. We pay most of the costs for these services, with a small monthly portion being paid by our employees. A small monthly fee is also charged to our employees according to the use of some medical services (copayment system). In 2016, we spent R\$74.5 million on this assistance.

Employees in the United States

The employees of Braskem America are not represented by any union, other than employees of Braskem America s Neal, West Virginia plant. As of December 31, 2016, approximately 57% of the employees of this plant were represented by the United Steel, Paper & Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy Allied-Industrial & Service Workers International Union. The collective bargaining agreement with this union expires in May 2019.

Post-Employment Benefits in the United States

Braskem America administers a closed defined benefit pension plan that, as of December 31, 2016, had 40 active participants, compared to 42 participants in 2015. Braskem America made a cash contribution to the plan of US\$1.1 million in 2016. There were no participant contributions in 2016.

We offer a 401(k) savings plan that, as of December 31, 2016, had total assets of US\$79.9 million, including US\$6.6 million in participant contributions made in 2016.

Other Benefits in the United States

Braskem America offers its employees the ability to participate in a variety of health and welfare benefit plans, including medical, dental vision, life and disability coverage.

Employees in Germany

Employees of Braskem Europe GmbH in Germany are not represented by any union.

Post-Employment Benefits in Germany

In October 2011, the obligations of Dow under German pension plans were assumed by Braskem Europe as a result of the Dow Polypropylene Acquisition. In 2013, Braskem Europe implemented a new defined contribution pension plan. As of December 31, 2016, 43 of our employees were active participants in this new pension plan.

Other Benefits in Germany

Braskem Europe offers its employees the ability to participate in benefit plans, including pension, life and disability coverage.

Employees in Mexico

Post-Employment Benefits in Mexico

Braskem Idesa employees are granted a government retirement benefit plan when they retire or reach retirement age. On December 31, 2016, all 729 employees of Braskem Idesa were active participants in this government retirement plan.

Other Benefits in Mexico

Braskem Mexico offers its employees the ability to participate in benefit plans, including a savings plan, food plan, life insurance and health insurance.

Performance-Based Employee Compensation Plan

We have adopted and applied a personnel management philosophy which emphasizes a performance related pay structure and a decentralized management structure. Employees in each of our business units participate in setting and achieving their business unit s annual objectives. As a result, employees in those business units that meet or exceed their goals share in our financial performance through performance-based employee compensation plans. During 2016, we recorded an expense of R\$343.1 million related to this program with respect to approximately 7,657 employees and former employees, including our executive officers. The members of our board of directors do not participate in this program.

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Major Shareholders

As of September 21, 2017, we had outstanding share capital of R\$8,043,222 equal to 797,257,604 total shares consisting of 451,668,652 common shares, 345,010,622 class A preferred shares and 578,330 class B preferred shares. As of September 21, 2017, all of our authorized shares were issued and outstanding, other than 1,234.758 class A preferred shares held in treasury. All of our share capital is fully paid. All of our shares are without par value.

Generally, only our common shares have voting rights. Our preferred shares have voting rights only in exceptional circumstances.

As permitted by the Brazilian Corporation Law, our by-laws specify that 25% of our adjusted net profits for each fiscal year must be distributed to shareholders as dividends or interest attributable to shareholders equity. Under our by-laws, our preferred shareholders are entitled to a minimum annual non-cumulative preferential dividend, or the Minimum Preferred Dividend, equal to 6% of their *pro rata* share of our capital before dividends may be paid to our common shareholders. Distributions of dividends in any year are made:

first, to the holders of preferred shares, up to the amount of the Minimum Preferred Dividend for such year;

then, to the holders of common shares, until the amount distributed in respect of each common share is equal to the amount distributed in respect of each preferred share; and

thereafter, to the holders of our common shares and our class A preferred shares on a pro rata basis. Our class B preferred shareholders are not entitled to receive any additional dividend amounts after they have received the Minimum Preferred Dividend. If the Minimum Preferred Dividend is not paid for a period of three years, holders of preferred shares will be entitled to full voting rights.

The following table sets forth information concerning the ownership of our common shares and class A preferred shares as of September 21, 2017 by each person whom we know to be the owner of more than 5.0% of our common shares and our class A preferred shares, and by all of our directors and executive officers as a group. Our principal shareholders have the same voting rights with respect to each class of our shares that they own as other holders of shares of that class.

	Common Shares		Class A Preferred Shares		Total	
	Number of	M	Number of	~	Number of	M
	Shares	%	Shares	%	Shares	%
Odebrecht(1)	226,334,623	50.1	79,182,498	23.0	305,517,121	38.3
Petrobras	212,426,952	47.0	75,761,739	21.9	287,919,174	36.1
All directors, fiscal council members,						
their alternates and executive officers as a						
group (35 persons)	0	;	* 77,526	*	77,526	*

* less than 1%

(1) Includes 79,182,486 class A preferred shares held by OSP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Odebrecht. In April, 2016, BNDES Participações S.A. BNDESPAR informed us of its divestment of class A preferred shares in our capital stock in regular trading sessions at BM&FBOVESPA S.A. As a result, the equity interest held by BNDESPAR was reduced to 4.93% of Braskem s class A preferred capital and 2.13% of Braskem s total capital.

We currently have no management or employee option plans or management or employee options outstanding. See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Compensation Long-Term Incentive Plan.

Shareholders Agreements

Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement

Odebrecht, OSP, Petrobras and Petroquisa, with Braskem and BRK as intervening parties, entered into the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, effective February 8, 2010, which has a term of 35 years. The Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement superseded the Shareholders Agreement that formerly governed the relationship between Petrobras, Petroquisa, Odebrecht and Norquisa regarding our shares.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement Petrobras has the right to designate:

four members of our board of directors and their alternates for so long as they own, directly or indirectly, an aggregate of 30% or more of our voting share capital;

three members of our board of directors and their alternates for so long as they own, directly or indirectly, an aggregate of 18%, but less than 30%, of our voting share capital;

two members of our fiscal council and their alternates, one of which will serve as president, for so long as they own, directly or indirectly, an aggregate of 30% or more of our voting share capital; and

two members of our fiscal council and their alternates for so long as they own, directly or indirectly, an aggregate of 18%, but less than 30%, of our voting share capital and for so long as Odebrecht has the right to elect more than a majority of the members.

For so long as Petrobras has the right to designate three or four members of our board of directors, one of these designees will serve as vice president of our board of directors.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, Odebrecht is entitled to nominate our chief executive officer. Our chief executive officer must choose our chief financial officer from among three nominees submitted by Odebrecht and the executive officer responsible for our investment and portfolio area from among three nominees submitted by Petrobras. Our chief executive officer has the power to nominate the other members of our board of executive officers. After these nominations, the officers will be elected at a board of directors meeting.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, Odebrecht has the sole power to approve the business plan of our company. However, for so long as Petrobras owns, directly or indirectly, an aggregate of less than 30% and more than 18% of our voting share capital, we are prohibited from taking certain strategic actions unless a consensus regarding those actions is reached between Odebrecht and Petrobras, including, among others:

actions affecting our share capitalization or the rights of holders of our shares;

mergers, spin-offs or similar transactions;

investments and purchases of non-current assets with a value in excess of 30% of our non-current assets;

dispositions of non-current assets with a value in excess of 10% of our non-current assets;

creation of liens on our non-current assets with a value in excess of the lesser of R\$350 million and 20% of our non-current assets; and

actions that would result in our violating specified net debt to EBITDA and EBITDA to total interest ratios.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, we have agreed that investments that we make to increase our capacity must be supported by an evaluation demonstrating profitability under standards such as net present value or internal rate of return. Petrobras has granted a right of first refusal to our company with respect to development of any petrochemical project that Petrobras proposes to pursue. In the event that we decide not to participate in any such proposed project, Petrobras has agreed that we will have the right to market the products produced by the proposed project on conditions satisfactory to us and Petrobras.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, Petrobras has the right to sell a pro rata portion of their common shares of our company in connection with any direct or indirect sale of our common shares by the Odebrecht Group to a third party.

Under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, each of the parties has agreed:

subject to certain exceptions, not to grant any liens on any of its Braskem shares; to grant a right of first refusal and tag along rights to the other parties to the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement with respect to any sale of its Braskem shares;

in the event that a party s interest in our voting share capital is diluted in a transaction involving one or more of the other parties to the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement, the diluted party will have the right to purchase shares of Braskem from the diluting parties in an amount that would, after giving effect to such purchase, result in the diluted party holding the same percentage interest in our voting share capital that it held immediately prior to the dilution event; and

in the event that any party acquires or receives a right to acquire common shares of Braskem from a third party, to offer to sell to the other parties to the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement an amount of common shares of Braskem that would, after giving effect to such sale, result in each of the parties to the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement holding the same direct and/or indirect proportion of the common shares of Braskem that the parties held prior to the acquisition of common shares of Braskem from the third party.

In 2016, OSP entered into agreements with certain financial institutions, through which OSP granted all shares issued by Braskem and held thereby in guarantee.

On July 18, 2017, our shareholders, Petrobras and Odebrecht, have entered into negotiations to revise the terms and conditions of the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement to improve our corporate governance and the ownership relationship among the parties, with the goal of creating value for all our shareholders.

Termination of BNDESPAR Shareholders Agreement

In February 2016, we received a letter from BNDESPAR informing us of its sale of preferred shares of our capital stock on the BM&FBOVESPA. As a result of these sales, BNDESPAR held preferred shares and total share capital of 6.61% and 2.86%, respectively. The shareholders agreement to which BNDESPAR was a party automatically terminated as a result of BNDESPAR holding less than 5.0% of our total share capital.

Related Party Transactions

The following summarizes the material transactions that we have engaged in with our principal shareholders and their affiliates since January 1, 2016.

We have engaged in extensive transactions with our principal shareholders and their affiliates and expect to do so in the future. We also have commercial relationships with some of our affiliates and, as a result, record trade accounts receivable and current and long-term liabilities mainly from purchases and sales of goods and services at prices and on terms equivalent to the average terms and prices of transactions that we enter into with third parties. In addition, we have entered into financial and other transactions with our principal shareholders and their affiliates, including, among others, as a party to three shareholders agreements or memoranda of understandings with shareholders of our company. See Major Shareholders Shareholders Agreements.

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, each of our directors, their alternates and our executive officers cannot vote on any matter in which they have a conflict of interest and such transactions can only be approved on reasonable and fair terms and conditions that are no more favorable than the terms and conditions prevailing in the market or offered by third parties. However, if one of our directors is absent from a meeting of our board of directors, that director s alternate may vote even if that director has a conflict of interest, unless the alternate director shares that conflict of interest. In addition, pursuant to our Policy on Ethics, Compliance and Transparency none of our shareholders or any other individual with authority over our activities may participate in the negotiation and decision-making process of a transaction in which they have a conflict of interest.

The Odebrecht Group

Alliance Agreement

In May 2014, we entered into an Alliance Agreement with CNO under which we have appointed CNO as a non-exclusive provider with respect to maintenance services and efficiency enhancement projects at each of our plants. This agreement was unanimously approved by our board of directors. The services are contracted through Specific Activity Agreements (*Termo de Atividade Específica*), or TAE, which are signed for each specific service or project. The amount of each TAE includes all costs to be incurred with the performance of the services to be rendered by CNO, including any costs with third parties that may be contracted to provide materials and services, as well as CNO s compensation. CNO s compensation for the execution of the TAE s under the Alliance Agreement is capped at R\$121 million, calculated as a percentage of the value of the agreement, subject to bonuses and discounts in accordance with certain metrics.

The aggregate amount of services we purchased under these Alliance Agreements was R\$44.4 million in 2014, R\$123.8 million in 2015 and R\$117.6 million in 2016.

Sublease

In August 2013, we entered in a R\$226 million sublease agreement with CNO and Abiatar SPE Empreendimentos Imobiliários (as intervening party) for the floors in the building where the offices of Braskem are located in São Paulo. In January 2014, this contract was updated by IPCA/IBGE in a new amount of R\$239 million. This agreement expires on December 31, 2028.

Alliance EPC Contract

In September 2012, we entered into an Alliance EPC contract with Ethylene XXI Contractors, S.A.P.I. de C.V. and Etileno XXI Services B.V., as contractors, and for the construction of the Mexico Complex. Each contractor consists of a joint venture among Odebrecht Industrial Engineering B.V., ICA Fluor Petroquímica, S.A. de C.V. and Technip Italy S.p.A. Payments under the EPC contract are made on a cost-plus basis, in which Braskem Idesa reimburses costs of the contractors and pays a profit margin. Payments of costs are made prior to the beginning of each month based on an estimate of costs expected to be incurred during that month and are reconciled with costs actually incurred in the following month, and payments of the profit margin are made based on the achievement of milestones defined under the contract. Any cost overrun will be borne equally between Braskem Idesa and the contractors and any cost savings will be shared equally by Braskem Idesa and the contractors, in each case up to a maximum amount as calculated pursuant to the EPC contract. The aggregate amount of services we purchased under these Alliance Agreement was R\$ 3,785.8 million.

Industrial Water Supply

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In September 2009, our former subsidiaries Quattor Petroquímica S.A. and Quattor Participações S.A. (which merged with and into Braskem on December 1, 2014) entered into an agreement for the supply of industrial water with Aquapolo Ambiental S.A., as amended in June 2010 and August 2011. The agreement expires in October 2053 and has an estimated value of R\$3.3billion.

Acquisition of Cetrel

In October 2012, we entered into an agreement with Cetrel for the purchase of 4 million cubic meters per year of recycled water by sites located in the Industrial Pole of Camaçari. The agreement expires in April 2028 and has a total value of R\$120.0 million. In July 2016, we entered into a services agreement with Cetrel under which we appointed Cetrel as an exclusive service provider for the treatment of liquid effluents produced in our industrial units located at the Camaçari petrochemical complex. The agreement has a cap of R\$77 million and expires in December 2019. The aggregate amount of services we purchased under this agreement in 2016 was R\$6.0 million. In March 2013, we entered into an agreement for the supply of industrial water with Distribuidora de Águas de Camaçari S.A, incorporated by Cetrel, a subsidiary of Odebrecht. This agreement expires in March 2043, and has an estimated total value of R\$2,160.0 million.

In December 2012, we sold all of our shares of Braskem Distribuidora, which owned our water treatment unit, and Cetrel, to Odebrecht Ambiental, a subsidiary of Odebrecht, for an aggregate principal amount of R\$652 million, to be adjusted pursuant to the net cash position on December 28, 2012. The sale was for: (1) all of our shares in Braskem Distribuidora, equivalent to 100% of the total and voting capital of Braskem Distribuidora, which owned the assets related to the water treatment unit located at the Camaçari petrochemical complex (owned by Braskem Distribuidora), which is responsible for producing demineralized, clear and drinkable water, as well as for managing the fire water reservoir, and (2) all our shares in Cetrel, equivalent to 54.2% of the total and voting capital of Cetrel, which is responsible, among other things, for the treatment and final disposal of industrial effluents and waste, as well as for environmentally monitoring the Camaçari petrochemical complex.

On January 27, 2017, our board of directors authorized the execution of a purchase agreement with Odebrecht Utilities S.A., through which Braskem undertook to purchase all shares held by the seller in Cetrel S.A., which represent 63.7% of its voting capital, for the aggregate amount of R\$610 million, to be paid upon the consummation of the transaction. The consummation of the acquisition is subject to shareholder approval, in accordance with Article 256 of Brazilian Corporation Law, and to the conditions precedent that are customary for transactions of this kind. The shareholder s meeting will be held on September 29, 2017.

Acquisition of Capital Stock of Odebrecht Comercializadora de Energia.

In July 2013, we acquired 2,000 shares, or 20%, of the capital stock of Odebrecht Comercializadora de Energia. See Item 4 Information on the Company Acquisition of Interest in Odebrecht Comercializadora de Energia S.A.

Sale of Distribuidora de Água Triunfo S.A.

On December 31, 2013, we entered into a share purchase agreement for the sale of all of our shares of Distribuidora de Água Triunfo S.A., or DAT, which represented all of its outstanding shares, for an aggregate principal amount of R\$315.0 million. See Item 4 Information on the Company Sale of Southern Complex Water Treatment Assets.

Supply Agreement for Hydrous Ethanol

On March 1, 2016, we entered into an agreement with Usina Conquista do Pontal S.A. (UCP), Agro Energy Santa Luzia S.A. (USL) and Odebrecht Agroindustrial Participações S.A. (ODB Agro Par), to guarantee the continuous supply of hydrous ethanol to our company, with technical flexibilities and differentiated commercial conditions, by way of an advance updated by market interest rates and guaranteed by Odebrecht S.A. The parties are indirectly controlled by Odebrecht S.A. and the price of hydrous ethanol is based on the monthly index ESALQ (index published by Escola Superior de Agricultura Luiz de Queiroz) Hydrous Fuel São Paulo R\$ / liter of the reference

month and with a discount. This agreement expires in April 2018.

The aggregate amount of services we purchased from the Odebrecht Group and its subsidiaries of R\$1,564.1 million in 2016 and sold products to Odebrecht and its subsidiaries in an aggregate amount of R\$49.1 million in 2016. We had accounts payable to Odebrecht and its subsidiaries in an aggregate amount of R\$77.4 million at 2016, and we had accounts receivable from Odebrecht and its subsidiaries in an aggregate amount of R\$5.6 million as of December 31, 2016

Petrobras

Commercial Transactions with Petrobras

We have entered into the following supply contracts with Petrobras:

On December 23, 2015, we and Petrobras entered into a new five-year naphtha purchase agreement. This contract replaced the naphtha supply contract between our company and Petrobras for the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the Northeastern Complex and superseded the naphtha supply contract between our company and Petrobras for the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the supply of naphtha to our basic petrochemicals plants located in the Southern Complex. The new contract will expire in December 2020.

An ethane and propane supply agreement that we and Petrobras entered into in December 2000. See Item 4 Information on the Company Supply Contracts and Pricing of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit Ethane and Propane for more information.

An agreement for the purchase and sale of a chain of refinery off gas that Quattor Química (formerly known as Braskem Qpar before it merged into our company on December 1, 2014) and Petrobras entered into in January 2005. See Item 4 Information on the Company Supply Contracts and Pricing of the Basic Petrochemicals Unit Refinery Off Gas for more information.

A 20-year propylene supply contract we and Petrobras entered into in May 2008 for our Paulínia plant. See Item 4 Information on the Company Raw Materials of Our Polyolefins Unit Propylene Contracts with Petrobras and its Subsidiaries for more information.

Five propylene supply agreements that Braskem Petroquímica (formerly known as Quattor Petroquímica) and Petrobras signed between September 1997 and February 2006. See Item 4 Information on the Company Raw Materials of Our Polyolefins Unit Propylene Contracts with Petrobras and its Subsidiaries for more information.

A three-year caustic soda supply contract that we and Petrobras entered into January 2012, under which we agreed to supply approximately 68,000 tons of caustic soda for use by Petrobras Brazilian refineries. This contract expired in January 2015. In January 2015, we amended the supply contract to extend the term until December 2015 and will supply an additional 10,500 tons of caustic soda. This agreement expired in December 2015.

In April 2008, Polietilenos União S.A. a former subsidiary of Quattor Participações S.A. (which merged with and into Braskem on December 1, 2014) entered into an agreement for the supply of steam with Petrocoque S.A. Indústria e Comércio, as amended in March 2014. We began purchasing thermal energy produced by steam pursuant to this agreement in September 2009. This agreement has a 10-year term, expiring in September 2019, and an estimated value of R\$238.7 million.

In October 2015, Braskem and Petrobras entered into a monthly basis agreement for the sale of Gasoline A to Petrobras.

Braskem has handed down a contract from Petrobras and joint-venture Petroquímica Paulinia S/A (PPSA) pursuant to which Petrobras will supply steam and provide services in connection with the treatment and transport of water, clarified water and hydrogen. This contract is for a term of 20 years and has no global value clause. The aggregate amount of services we purchased under this contract was R\$7.7 million in 2014, R\$11.5 million in 2015 and R\$13.2 million in 2016.

A long term contract for logistic services related to naphtha transportation in pipelines in the Southern Complex between Braskem, Transpetro and Petrobras. The aggregated amount of services related to this contract in 2016 was R\$17.8 million.

Since June 2016, Braskem has had agreements for the sale of gasoline to BR Distribuidora, a subsidiary of Petrobras, renewable on a monthly basis. Sales in the year amount to R\$474.4 million.

We purchased raw materials from Petrobras and its subsidiaries of R\$12,291.2 million in 2016 and sold products to Petrobras and its subsidiaries of R\$2,023.8 million in 2016. We had accounts payable to Petrobras and its subsidiaries in an aggregate amount of R\$904.1 million at 2016, and we had accounts receivable from Petrobras and its subsidiaries in an aggregate amount of R\$33.8 million as of December 31, 2016.

Other Related Party Transactions

Refinaria de Petróleo Rio-grandense S.A.

In 2016, the sales of gasoil to RPR amounted to R\$227.2 million. The product is used as feedstock in its diesel oil production process and the agreements were made on a spot basis.

Since March 2016, Braskem has had agreements for the sale of gasoline to RPR, renewable on a monthly basis. Sales in the year amount to R\$264.6 million.

Our Jointly Controlled Companies and Associated Companies

Borealis Brasil S.A.

We sell polypropylene and polyethylene to Borealis in which we have a 20.0% interest. We recorded net sales to Borealis of R\$115.7 million in 2016. We account for Borealis under the equity method of accounting. We had accounts receivable from Borealis of R\$7.6 million as of December 31, 2016.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information

Reference is made to Item 19 for a list of all financial statements filed as part of this annual report.

Legal Proceedings

We are, and may be in the future, involved in numerous tax, civil and labor disputes, among others, involving monetary claims. If any of these legal proceedings were decided adversely to us, we do not believe that our results of operations or financial condition would be materially and adversely affected.

For some of these lawsuits, we have not established any provision on our balance sheet nor have we established provisions only for part of the amounts claimed, based on our judgments as to the outcomes of these lawsuits.

Tax Proceedings

We are engaged in several legal proceedings with Brazilian tax authorities for which we have established provisions in an aggregate amount of R\$611.3 million as of December 31, 2016. In addition, there are currently certain legal proceedings pending in which we are involved for which we have not established provisions. If any of these legal proceedings were decided adversely to us, we do not believe that our results of operations, cash flows or financial condition would be materially and adversely affected.

IR/CSLL Tax Assessment Notices

In 2007, tax assessment notices were issued by the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service against Braskem Petroquímica claiming, among others unpaid income tax and CSLL in connection with foreign exchange variation in foreign subsidiary investment accounts in 2002. As of December 31, 2016, the amount in dispute of these claims was approximately R\$158.0 million. We challenged these assessment notices in the administrative court because we believe that there are reasonable grounds on which we can successfully defend against these assessments. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible. As of December 31, 2016, we have established related provisions in the amount of R\$39.6 million.

In 2013 and 2014, we received tax assessment notices from the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service claiming that the amortization of the goodwill recorded in 2001 and 2002 in connection with the purchase of shares of certain companies related to the formation of Braskem was not deductible for purposes of calculating our income tax and social contribution. The amount claimed is R\$1.2 billion, including interest and fines. We challenged these assessment notices because we believe that these claims are based on a misinterpretation of both the applicable law and facts by the tax authorities and that the statute of limitations has expired. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and as of December 31, 2016 have made no provision with respect to this claim.

In December 2013, we received tax assessment notices from the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service claiming that the interest expenses and exchange variation losses recorded by Braskem relating to indebtedness of Ipiranga Petroquímica S.A. was not deductible for purposes of calculating our income tax and social contribution. The amount claimed is R\$57.0 million. We challenged this assessment because we believe that the assumption of Ipiranga Petroquímica debt instruments had strong business purposes. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and as of December 31, 2016, we have established related provisions in the amount of R\$ 3.9 million.

In July 2014, we received a tax assessment notice from the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service claiming that the tax losses and social contribution negative tax base used to pay debts under the MP 470/2009 installments program were not included in the income tax and social contribution tax base in 2009. The amount claimed is R\$429.0 million. We challenged these assessment notices because we believe that these claims are based on a misinterpretation of both the applicable law and facts by the tax authorities. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and as of December 31, 2016 have made no provision with respect to this claim.

IOF

We are involved in judicial and administrative proceedings due to tax assessment notices issued by the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service claiming that the following operations are subject to Financial Operations Tax (IOF): (i) the transfers of financial resources under cash pooling and current account agreements made between Quattor Participações S/A, Quattor Química S/A and Braskem and between Braskem and CPN Incorporated (ii) the advances for future capital increases made by Quattor Participações S/A and Quattor Química S/A. The amount claimed is R\$ 168 million. We believe that these operations do not characterize loan under Brazilian legislation and, as such, are not subject to IOF. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and presented a guarantee for the debt under judicial litigation R\$ 56 million.

ICMS Tax Assessment Notice

From 1999 to 2016, the internal revenue department of the States of Bahia, Alagoas, São Paulo, Rio Grande do Sul and Rio de Janeiro issued tax assessment notices against Braskem claiming unpaid ICMS taxes in the amount of R\$ 452 million, retrospectively revised by inflation and the benchmark rate, in connection with several alleged violations of certain provisions of the ICMS tax legislation, including, among others: (1) inappropriately claiming ICMS credits for the acquisition of goods that the internal revenue department considers for use and consumption; (2) inappropriately claiming ICMS credits for the acquisition of assets not related to production; (3) transfer of goods below the cost of production; (4) differences in stock of final products; (5) lack of evidence that the company exported goods; (6) failure to pay taxes on the sale of products subject to tax substitution and inappropriately claiming ICMS tax credits on the purchase of products subject to tax substitution; (7) failure to register invoices; and (8) unpaid ICMS taxes on charges for electricity transmission. We challenged these assessment notices in the administrative court because we believe that there are reasonable grounds on which we can successfully defend against these assessments. The cases are expected to be finished until 2020. If an unfavorable decision is rendered in favor of the company, it is expected that the debts would be paid at 40% of the current value, based on the favorable precedents at judicial and administrative level. A guarantee was offered in the amount of R\$ 44 million for the debts under discussion in the Judiciary. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and as of December 31, 2016. We have not recognized any provision with respect thereto.

In 2009, tax assessment notices were issued by the internal revenue department of the State of São Paulo against Braskem Qpar claiming unpaid ICMS taxes and related fines in connection with several alleged violations of certain provisions of the ICMS tax legislation, including:

(1) Inappropriately claiming ICMS credits: (i) in the amount of R\$53,5 million from February/2004 to August 2005, November/2005 to February/2006 and September/2006 to January/2008 related to the acquisition of acrylonitrile sold by Acrinor Acrilonitrila do Nordeste S/A (ii) in the amount of R\$1.6 million from December/2004 to August/2005 related do unduly credits informed in invoices issued by Proquigel Química S/A; (iii) in the amount of R\$3.1 million from August/2004 to November/2005, related do unduly credits informed in invoices issued by Proquigel Química S/A; (iii) in the amount of R\$3.1 million from August/2004 to November/2005, related do unduly credits informed in invoices issued by Proquigel Química S/A for exportation, not submitted to ICMS payment; A fine of 100% of the taxes assessed was imposed in all cases above.

(2) Error in the issuance of invoices under CFOP code 6.905 without the circulation of goods a fine of 30% of the amount of the invoices (R\$ 480 million) was assessed.

(3) Fine assessed due to the default in answering to notification of tax authorities to present documents to a tax audit.

The administrative proceedings were closed in the administrative court in 2015, and the value of the debt was reduced by 55% of the total involved. The remaining debt is under discussion in the Judiciary. Due to favorable preliminary orders, the State Treasury of São Paulo has rectified the amount of the debt to apply default interest and monetary restatement limited to the SELIC rate, which reduced the debt in 20%. Regarding this amount, the chances of loss are remote, and for the remaining debt we believe the loss is possible. As of December 31, 2016, we have established related provisions in the amount of R\$239,4 million. The company offered a guarantee to the debts and expects the cases to be finished until 2022.

ICMS Tax Assessment Notice quantiQ:

The State of São Paulo claims against quantiQ the payment of ICMS debts due to the following alleged infractions to the ICMS legislation: (i) use of incorrect tax rate (18% X 25%) in the sale of solvent; (ii) undue use of ICMS tax credits in the purchase of goods subject to advance payment of the tax (tax substitution); (iii) lack of payment of ICMS in the importation of goods subject to advance payment of the tax (tax substitution); (iv) lack of advance payment of ICMS (tax substitution) in the sale of goods to a distributor (goods were transferred by the branch in São Paulo). In December 31st, 2016, the amount claimed is R\$196 million. We believe that a chance of loss is possible in Administrative and Judicial Courts. There is no deposit or guarantee related to this claim.

PIS and COFINS Non-Cumulative Tax Assessment Notice

We received assessment notices from the federal internal revenue department alleging that we had inappropriately claimed certain PIS and COFINS credits in relation to: (1) wastewater treatment, (2) charges for electricity transmission, (3) freight related to the storage of finished goods and (4) credits claimed at inappropriate times, relating to the acquisition of fixed assets between 2006 and 2011. As of December 31, 2016, the amount in dispute of these claims was approximately R\$889 million. We challenged these assessment notices in an administrative court because we believe that there are reasonable grounds on which we can successfully defend against these assessments. We believe that a loss on these claims is possible. As of December 31, 2016, we have not recognized any provision with respect thereto.

The Federal Brazilian Revenue Service did not recognize the compensation of PIS and COFINS non-cumulative credits due to: (i) differences in the values informed in the PIS and COFINS declaration (DACON) and in the

electronic files of the invoices; (ii) values not reflected in the balance sheets, credits over untaxed purchases, credits over IPI, lack of presentation of documents, and (iii) failure to pay PIS and COFINS informed to the tax authorities in the PIS and COFINS declaration (DACON). The Federal Brazilian Revenue Service also claims the payment of debts due to the fact that the amount of credits informed in the compensation files were higher than the amount informed in the DACON. A loss in these claims is likely and it is expected that the administrative discussion should come to an end in 2020. As of December 31, 2016, we have established related provisions in the amount of R\$202.3 million. There are no deposits or guarantees related to these claims.

In December 2016, we received tax assessment notices from the Federal Internal Revenue Department alleging that we had inappropriately used COFINS non-cumulative credits related to exports to compensate federal tax debts. A fine of 50% of the compensated credits was assessed. In December 31st, 2016, the amount claimed is R\$86 million. We believe that a loss in these claims is possible and that the administrative proceeding should come to an end in 2020. There are no deposits or guarantees related to these claims.

PIS and COFINS Tax Assessment Notice

Braskem is involved in several judicial and administrative proceedings related to the payment of PIS and COFINS, including (1) unpaid COFINS from March 1999 to December 2000, February 2001 to March 2002, May 2002 to July 2002 and during September 2002, (2) inappropriately claimed credits due to the additional 1% in the COFINS rate and PIS Decree-Law n° 2,445 and 2,449, and (3) undue compensation of PIS and COFINS debts with PIS credits (Decree-Laws Nos. 2.445 e 2.449) which were considered to have expired by the tax authorities; and (4) an omission in the base revenue resulting from exchange gains earned due to successive reductions of our associated capital. As of December 31, 2016, the amount in dispute of these claims was approximately R\$87.9 million. We challenged these assessments. We believe that a loss on these claims is possible. As of December 31, 2016, we have established related provisions in the amount of R\$51.0 million. The company offered guarantee in the amount of the judicial litigations.

In 2014, we received a tax assessment notice from the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service claiming that the tax losses and social contribution negative tax base used to pay debts under the MP 470/2009 installments program, as well as interest, fines exoneration afforded in installments of the MP 470/09 are taxable. The amount or PIS and COFINS claimed is R\$1,5 billion. We challenged this assessment notice because we believe that these claims are based on a misinterpretation of both the applicable law and facts by the tax authorities. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and as of December 31, 2016 we have made no provision with respect to this claim.

We and our affiliates are involved in several other judicial and administrative proceedings related to the alleged undue compensation of PIS and COFINS debts with the following credits: (1) Corporate Income tax; (2) FINSOCIAL; (3) Tax on net profits; (4) PIS (Decree-Laws Nos. 2.445 and 2.449); (5) Cofins. The proceeding are also related to debts of COFINS levied on interest calculated on equity. As of December 31, 2016, the amounts in material disputes relating to PIS and COFINS was approximately R\$170 million. The company offered guarantee in the amount of the judicial litigation. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible. As of December 31, 2016, we have not recognized any provision with respect thereto

SUDENE - Income Tax Reduction

In 2015, we successfully obtained income tax reductions as a result of lawsuits claiming a 75% income tax reduction for the following industrial units: (i) PVC and Cloro Soda, established in the state of Alagoas; and (ii) basic petrochemicals unit, PE (2), PVC and Cloro Soda units, all established in the city of Camaçari (BA). The third PE plant established in Camaçari and the second PVC plant established in Alagoas will have the benefit up to 2016 and 2019, respectively.

PRODESIN ICMS Tax Incentive

We were awarded ICMS tax incentives by the state of Alagoas, through the state of Alagoas Integrated Development Program PRODESIN, which are aimed at implementing and expanding a plant in that state. This incentive is considered an offsetting entry to sales taxes. In 2016, the amount was R\$78.8 million (R\$71.6 million in 2015).

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REIQ PIS/COFINS Tax Incentive

The Brazilian chemical and petrochemical sector enjoyed an important achievement in 2013. The government, in response to one of the proposals elaborated by the Chemical Industry Competitiveness Council, approved the PIS and COFINS tax rates relief on raw material purchases by first and second generation producers, which serve various sectors of the economy. The measure aimed to restore some of the industry s competitiveness, which was

weakened by factors related to infrastructure, productivity, feedstock and energy costs and the exchange rate that pressured the chemical industry s trade deficit, according to ABIQUIM, which ended 2016 at US\$22.0 billion. By 2016, we had a tax rebate of 6.25% (PIS and COFINS) on the acquisition of petrochemical raw materials.

Other Tax Proceedings

We received a notice of assessment by the Federal Brazilian Revenue Service due to the alleged lack of retention of social security contribution at the rate of 11% of the invoices issued by service providers between February 1999 and June 2002. The amount claimed in December 31 was R\$48 million. We challenged these assessment notices in the administrative court because we believe that there are reasonable grounds on which we can successfully defend against this assessments, such as misinterpretation of both the applicable law and facts by the tax authorities and that the statute of limitations has partially expired. There are no deposits or guarantees related to this claim and we expect that the administrative proceeding will come to an end in 2018.

Labor Proceedings

Overtime Claims

In the class action suits filed by the Trade Union of Petrochemical and Chemical Workers of Triunfo, Rio Grande do Sul (SINDIPOLO), in the third quarter of 2010, claiming the payment of inclusion of overtime in the calculation of the weekly remunerated rest (WRR), in the restated amount of R\$44.6 million, the following developments occurred in the period: (i) WRR: judgment for plaintiff in the suit involving the inclusion of overtime in the calculation of the weekly remunerated rest, which was upheld by the Regional Appellate Labor Court (TRT), for which Braskem appealed to the TST, which ordered the case to be sent back to the TRT for a new trial. However, as the TRT did not judge on the merits, Braskem appealed once again to the TST. After examining the appeal, the TST handed down a new decision granting the claim. Braskem will enter into motion for clarification and special appeal at the Supreme Court (STF). In light of the most recent decision of TST, the process had its evaluation changed to probable loss and was recorded a provision of R\$27.600 million. Braskem gave collateral in the form of 7,413 tons of ethylene.

Class Action Claim

In July 2015, two putative class action lawsuits were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against our company and certain of our then-current and former officers and directors. The lawsuits were subsequently consolidated under the caption In re Braskem, S.A. Securities Litigation, No. 15-cv-5132. In November 2015, the Lead Plaintiff filed a consolidated class action complaint, which asserted claims under Section 10(b) and Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act, on behalf of a putative class of purchasers of the company s ADRs from June 1, 2010 to March 11, 2015. The plaintiffs filed an amended complaint in May 2016, which amended the class period to July 15, 2010 to March 11, 2015. We filed a motion to dismiss that amended complaint in July 2016. In an Opinion and Order dated March 31, 2017, the court granted in part and denied in part our motion to dismiss. The claims that remain in the case following the court s decision allege that the defendants are liable for making misrepresentations and omissions that allegedly concealed a purported scheme by which the company made improper payments in order to receive favorable naphtha pricing from Petrobras. Following the Court s decision on the motion to dismiss, the action is now in the discovery stage. The parties are also currently engaged in settlement negotiations and have signed a proposed settlement agreement and submitted it to the U.S. court for preliminary approval on September 14, 2017. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, we would pay US\$10million to resolve all claims of the settlement class consisting of purchasers of our ADRs during the period from July 15, 2010 through March 11, 2015, that arise out of or relateto the subject matter of the class action, with the exception of any such claims belonging to purchasers who file valid and timely requests to opt out of the settlement class. We have made no admission of any wrongdoing or

liability as part of the proposed settlement, and it is subject to a number of conditions, including court approval.

Global Settlement

In the context of allegations of improper payments in connection with the so-called Operation Car Wash in Brazil, we engaged the Expert Firms to conduct the Investigation and report their findings. In December 2016, we entered into the Global Settlement with the MPF, the DoJ, the SEC and the OAG with regard to certain matters within the scope of the Investigation.

On December 14, 2016, we entered into the Leniency Agreement with the MPF. On December, 21, 2016, we finalized formal agreements with the DoJ under which we agreed to plead guilty to a one-count criminal information in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York charging our company of violation of the anti-bribery provisions of the FCPA, and with the SEC under which we consented to the entry of a final judgment in a civil action brought by the SEC alleging civil violations of the anti-bribery, books and records and internal accounting controls provisions of the FCPA. In addition, on December 21, 2016, the OAG closed its investigation of these matters.

Under the Global Settlement, we agreed to pay to the governmental authorities in these jurisdictions an aggregate amount of approximately US\$957 million (equivalent to approximately R\$3.1 billion). Of the total fine established in the Global Settlement, our company has already paid approximately R\$1.3 billion in the following manner:

US\$94.9 million (R\$296.6 million) to the DoJ on February 8, 2017;

US\$65.0 million (R\$206.5 million) to the SEC on April 27, 2017;

CHF30.2 million (R\$104.4 million) to the OAG on June 27, 2017;

R\$736.5 million to the MPF on July 6, 2017.

The outstanding amount of approximately R\$1.7 billion will be paid in the following manner:

CHF64.3 million to the OAG in four equal annual and successive installments of CHF16.1 million due on June 30 of each year commencing in 2018; and

R\$1.6 billion to the MPF in six annual installments adjusted for inflation by the variation in the IPCA inflation index due on January 30 of each year commencing in 2018. To guarantee payment of future installments, Braskem has provided a guaranty in the form of fixed assets in an amount equal to one annual installment.

The MPF will distribute the majority of the amount it receives as restitution to third parties for damages caused by the misconduct. Under the terms of the Global Settlement, we are required to cooperate with these governmental authorities and improve our governance and anti-corruption compliance practices. We will also be subject to external monitorship for a period of three years. The monitorship period may be terminated early or extended for up to one year at the authorities discretion depending on our compliance with the Global Settlement.

Employment and Occupational Health and Safety Proceedings

As of December 31, 2016, we were involved in approximately 632 employment and occupational health and safety proceedings. We have established a provision for these claims in an aggregate amount of R\$207.8 million as of December 31, 2016. We do not believe that these proceedings will have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or operations.

Social Security

As of December 31, 2016, we were involved in several social security proceedings as to which the aggregate amount claimed was approximately R\$84 million. We believe that our chance of loss is possible and therefore have not established a provision for these claims.

Other Proceedings

As of December 31, 2016, we were a defendant in two civil suits filed by a former caustic soda distributor, its controlling shareholder and a former transporter for breach of a caustic soda distribution agreement. The damages claimed in these suits totaled R\$174.6 million as of December 31, 2016. These suits are pending and we believe that our chance of loss is possible in this suit.

The Federal Prosecutor of Brasilia filed a public civil action for damages to federal highways caused by transport trucks with excess weight, and sought compensatory and punitive damages in an aggregate amount of R\$57.9 million as of March 31, 2016. The court granted temporary relief to prevent Braskem from using excess weight on federal highways, subject to penalty of R\$20,000 for each infraction. This decision is currently under appeal. We believe that a loss in this claim is possible and have made no provision with respect to this claim so far.

Dividends and Dividend Policy

Payment of Dividends

Our dividend distribution policy has historically included the distribution of periodic dividends, based on annual balance sheets approved by our board of directors. When we pay dividends on an annual basis, they are declared at our annual shareholders meeting, which we are required by the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws to hold by April 30 of each year. When we declare dividends, we are generally required to pay them within 60 days of declaring them unless the shareholders resolution establishes another payment date. In any event, if we declare dividends, we must pay them by the end of the fiscal year for which they are declared. Any holder of record of shares at the time that a dividend is declared is entitled to receive dividends. Our payment of annual dividends is based on our audited financial statements prepared for our preceding fiscal year.

Our board of directors may declare interim dividends based on the accrued profits recorded or the realized profits in our annual or semi-annual financial statements approved by our common shareholders. In addition, we may pay dividends from net income based on our unaudited quarterly financial statements. These quarterly interim dividends may not exceed the amounts included in our capital reserve accounts. We may set off any payment of interim dividends were paid.

The following table sets forth the dividends and/or interest attributable to shareholders equity paid to holders of our common shares, class A preferred shares and class B preferred shares since January 1, 2011 in *reais* and in U.S. dollars translated from *reais* at the commercial market selling rate in effect as of the payment date.

		Nominal Brazilian Currency per			US\$ equivalent per		
			Class A	Class B		Class A	Class B
		Common	Preferred	Preferred	Common	Preferred	Preferred
Year	Payment Date	shares	Shares	Shares	shares	Shares	Shares
2014	April 23, 2014	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.27	0.27	0.27
2015	April 23, 2015	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.20	0.20	0.20
2016	April 15, 2016	1.26	1.26	0.61	0.36	0.36	0.17
2016	October 11, 2016	1.26	1.26	1.26	0.39	0.39	0.39

The following discussion summarizes the principal provisions of the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws relating to the distribution of dividends, including interest attributable to shareholders equity.

Calculation of Adjusted Net Profits

At each annual shareholders meeting, our board of directors is required to recommend how to allocate our net profits for the preceding fiscal year, which recommendation our board of executive officers initially submits to our board of

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directors for approval. This allocation is subject to approval by our common shareholders. The Brazilian Corporation Law defines net profits for any fiscal year as our net income after income taxes for that fiscal year, net of any accumulated losses from prior fiscal years and any amounts allocated to employees participation in our net profits in that fiscal year. Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, our adjusted net profits available for distribution are equal to our net profits in any fiscal year, reduced by amounts allocated to our legal reserve and other applicable reserves, and increased by any reversals of reserves that we constituted in prior years.

Reserve Accounts

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws, we are required to maintain a legal reserve. In addition, we are permitted by the Brazilian Corporation Law to establish the following discretionary reserves:

a contingency reserve for an anticipated loss that is deemed probable in future years. Any amount so allocated in a previous year must be reversed in the fiscal year in which the loss had been anticipated if the loss does not occur as projected or charged off in the event that the anticipated loss occurs;

a reserve for investment projects, in an amount based on a capital expenditure budget approved by our shareholders;

an unrealized profit reserve described under Mandatory Distributions below; and

a tax incentive investment reserve, included in our capital reserve accounts, in the amount of the reduction in our income tax obligations due to government tax incentive programs. See note 23 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report.

Allocations to each of these reserves (other than the legal reserve) are subject to approval by our common shareholders voting at our annual shareholders meeting.

Legal Reserve Account

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws, we must allocate 5% of our net profits for each fiscal year to our legal reserve until the aggregate amount of our legal reserve equals 20% of our paid-in capital. However, we are not required to make any allocations to our legal reserve in a fiscal year in which our legal reserve, when added to our other reserves, exceeds 30% of our shareholders equity. As of December 31, 2016, we had a balance of R\$232.3 million in our legal reserve account.

Dividend Preference of Preferred Shares

Under our by-laws, our preferred shareholders are entitled to a Minimum Preferred Dividend, equal to 6% of the book value of such shares, before dividends may be paid to our common shareholders. Distributions of dividends in any year are made:

first, to the holders of preferred shares, up to the amount of the Minimum Preferred Dividend for such year;

then, to the holders of common shares, until the amount distributed in respect of each common share is equal to the amount distributed in respect of each preferred share; and

thereafter, to the holders of our common shares and our class A preferred shares on a pro rata basis. Our class B preferred shareholders are not entitled to receive any additional dividend amounts after they have received the preferential dividend. If the Minimum Preferred Dividend is not paid for a period of three years, holders of preferred shares will be entitled to full voting rights.

Mandatory Distributions

As permitted by the Brazilian Corporation Law, our by-laws specify that 25% of our adjusted net profits for each fiscal year must be distributed to shareholders as dividends or interest attributable to shareholders equity. We refer to this amount as the mandatory distributable amount.

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the amount by which the mandatory distributable amount exceeds the realized portion of net income for any particular year may be allocated to the unrealized profit reserve, and the mandatory distribution may be limited to the realized portion of net income. The realized portion of net income

is the amount by which our net income exceeds the sum of (1) our net positive results, if any, from the equity method of accounting for earnings and losses of our subsidiaries and certain associated companies, and (2) the profits, gains or income obtained on transactions maturing after the end of the following fiscal year. As amounts allocated to the unrealized profit reserve are realized in subsequent years, such amounts must be added to the dividend payment relating to the year of realization.

The Brazilian Corporation Law permits us to suspend the mandatory distribution if our board of directors reports to our annual shareholders meeting that the distribution would be incompatible with our financial condition at that time. Our fiscal council must approve any suspension of the mandatory distribution. In addition, our management must report the reasons of any suspension of the mandatory distribution to the CVM. We must allocate net profits not distributed by our company as a result of a suspension to a special reserve and, if not absorbed by subsequent losses, we must distribute these amounts as soon as our financial condition permits. In case our profits reserves, as defined in the Brazilian Corporation Law, exceed our share capital, the excess must be credited to shareholders equity or used for the payment of distributions.

Interest Attributable to Shareholders Equity

Brazilian companies, including our company, are permitted to pay interest attributable to shareholders equity as an alternative form of payment of dividends to our shareholders. These payments may be deducted when calculating Brazilian income tax and social contribution tax. The interest rate applied to these distributions generally cannot exceed the TJLP for the applicable period. The amount of interest paid that we can deduct for tax purposes cannot exceed the greater of:

50% of our net income (after the deduction of the provision for social contribution tax and before the deduction of the provision for corporate income tax) before taking into account any such distribution for the period for which the payment is made; and

50% of the sum of our retained earnings and profit reserves.

Any payment of interest attributable to shareholders equity to holders of common shares, preferred shares or ADSs, whether or not they are Brazilian residents, is subject to Brazilian withholding tax at the rate of 15%, except that a 25% withholding tax rate applies if the recipient is a resident of a tax haven jurisdiction. A tax haven jurisdiction is a country (1) that does not impose income tax or whose income tax rate is lower than 20% or (2) which does not permit disclosure of the identity of shareholders of entities organized under its jurisdiction. See Item 10. Additional Information Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations. Under our by-laws, we may include the amount distributed as interest attributable to shareholders equity, net of any withholding tax, as part of the mandatory distributable amount.

Significant Changes

Other than as disclosed in this annual report, no significant change has occurred since the date of the audited consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING Markets for Our Equity Securities

The principal trading market for our common shares, class A preferred shares and class B preferred shares is the BM&FBOVESPA, where they are traded under the symbols BRKM3, BRKM5 and BRKM6, respectively. Our common shares and class A preferred shares began trading on the BM&FBOVESPA on November 11, 1980, and our class B preferred shares began trading on the BM&FBOVESPA on August 19, 1983.

On December 21, 1998, ADSs representing our class A preferred shares began trading on the NYSE. Our ADSs are traded under the symbol BAK. On December 31, 2016, there were 23,031,912 ADSs outstanding, representing 46,063,824 class A preferred shares, or 13.4% of our outstanding class A preferred shares. Each ADS represents two class A preferred shares.

On October 8, 2003, we listed our class A preferred shares on the LATIBEX, a stock market for Latin American issuers that is quoted in euros on the Madrid Stock Exchange, under the symbol XBRK. Our class A preferred shares are traded on the LATIBEX in lots of one share.

Price History of Our Class A Preferred Shares and the ADSs

The tables below set forth the high and low closing sales prices and the approximate average daily trading volume for our class A preferred shares on the BM&FBOVESPA and the high and low closing sales prices and the approximate average daily trading volume for the ADSs on the NYSE for the periods indicated.

	BM&FBOVESPA Closing Price per Class A Preferred Share		NYSE Closing Price per ADS		
	High	Low	High	Low	
	(in <i>r</i>	eais)	(in U.S. dollars)		
2012	R\$ 16.60	R\$ 10.48	US\$ 18.58	US\$ 10.54	
2013	21.18	13.32	18.40	13.34	
2014	20.61	13.73	17.41	12.30	
2015	29.36	9.83	15.01	6.22	
2016	34.39	17.36	21.21	10.21	
	BM&FBOVESPA Closing Price per		NYSE		
	Class A Preferred Share		Closing Price per ADS		
	High	Low	High	Low	
	(in <i>r</i>	eais)	(in U.S.	dollars)	
2015					
First Quarter	R\$ 17.41	R\$ 10.35	US\$ 12.82	US\$ 6.53	
Second Quarter	14.97	10.46	10.03	6.66	
Third Quarter	16.80	10.83	8.43	6.42	
Fourth Quarter	29.36	17.45	15.01	8.72	
2016					
2010					

4.25 1	17.97	13.75	10.44
4.30 1	17.36	14.96	10.48
4.39 2	23.54	21.21	14.48
6.42 3	30.40	22.84	19.17
4.81 3	31.03	21.95	18.99
6	4.30 1 1.39 2 5.42 3	1.30 17.36 1.39 23.54 5.42 30.40	1.30 17.36 14.96 1.39 23.54 21.21 5.42 30.40 22.84

	0	OVESPA Price per ferred Share	NYSE Closing Price per ADS			
	High	Low	High	Low		
	(in <i>r</i>	(in <i>reais</i>)		(in U.S. dollars)		
Most Recent Six Months						
March 2017	R\$ 32.68	R\$ 30.40	R\$21.16	R\$ 19.17		
April 2017	34.14	31.03	21.11	19.21		
May 2017	34.81	31.42	21.95	18.99		
June 2017	34.74	31.93	21.36	19.14		
July 2017	39.88	34.10	25.45	20.39		
August 2017	40.00	37.15	25.59	23.55		
September 2017 (through September 21)	44.94	38.30	28.58	24.41		

Source: Economática Ltda/Bloomberg

On September 21, 2017, the closing sales price of:

our class A preferred shares on the BM&FBOVESPA was R\$44.33 per share;

our class A preferred shares on the LATIBEX was 10.92 per share; and

the ADSs on the NYSE was US\$28.10 per ADS. **Regulation of Brazilian Securities Markets**

The Brazilian securities markets are regulated by the CVM, which has regulatory authority over the stock exchanges and the securities markets generally, the National Monetary Council and the Central Bank, which has, among other powers, licensing authority over brokerage firms and which regulates foreign investment and foreign exchange transactions. The Brazilian securities markets are governed by (1) Law No. 6,385, as amended and supplemented, which is the principal law governing the Brazilian securities markets and which we refer to as the Brazilian Securities Law; (2) the Brazilian Corporation Law; and (3) the regulations issued by the CVM, the National Monetary Council and the Central Bank.

Trading on the BM&FBOVESPA

Overview of the BM&FBOVESPA

In 2000, the *Bolsa de Valores de São Paulo S.A. BVSP* (the São Paulo Stock Exchange), or B3 (former BM&FBOVESPA), was reorganized through the execution of memoranda of understanding by the Brazilian stock exchanges. Following this reorganization, the BM&FBOVESPA was a non-profit entity owned by its member brokerage firms and trading on the BM&FBOVESPA was limited to these member brokerage firms and a limited

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number of authorized nonmembers. Under the memoranda, all securities are now traded only on the BM&FBOVESPA, with the exception of electronically traded public debt securities and privatization auctions, which are traded on the Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange.

Regulation of Foreign Investments

Trading on the BM&FBOVESPA by a holder not deemed to be domiciled in Brazil for Brazilian tax and regulatory purposes, or a non-Brazilian holder, is subject to certain limitations under Brazilian foreign investment regulations. With limited exceptions, non-Brazilian holders may trade on the BM&FBOVESPA only in accordance with the requirements of Resolution No. 4,373 of the National Monetary Council. Resolution No. 4,373 requires that securities held by non-Brazilian holders be maintained in the custody of, or in deposit accounts with, financial institutions that are authorized by the Central Bank and the CVM. In addition, Resolution No. 4,373 requires non-Brazilian holders to restrict their securities trading to transactions on the BM&FBOVESPA or qualified over-the-

counter markets. With limited exceptions, non-Brazilian holders may not transfer the ownership of investments made under Resolution No. 4,373 to other non-Brazilian holders through private transactions. See Item 10. Additional Information Exchange Controls for further information about Resolution 4,373, and Item 10. Additional Information Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations Taxation of Gains in Brazil for a description of certain tax benefits extended to non-Brazilian holders who qualify under Resolution No. 4,373.

ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION General

As of September 21, 2017, we had outstanding share capital of R\$8,043,222, equal to 797,257,604 total shares consisting of 451,668,652 common shares, 345,010,622 class A preferred shares and 578,330 class B preferred shares, including 1,234,758 class A preferred shares held in treasury. All of our share capital is fully paid. All of our shares are without par value. Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the aggregate number of our non-voting and limited voting class A and class B preferred shares may not exceed two-thirds of our total outstanding share capital.

Description of Our Company s By-laws

The following is a summary of the material provisions of our by-laws and of the Brazilian Corporation Law. In Brazil, a company s by-laws (*estatuto social*) is the principal governing document of a corporation (*sociedade por ações*).

Corporate Purposes

Article 2 of our by-laws establishes our corporate purposes to include:

the manufacture, trading, import and export of chemical and petrochemical products and petrochemical derivatives;

the production, distribution and trading of utilities such as: steam, water, compressed air, industrial gases, as well as the provision of industrial services;

the production, distribution and trading of electricity for its own consumption and that of other companies;

holdings of equity stakes in other companies, pursuant to Law No. 6,404/76, as a holder of quotas or shares; and

the manufacture, distribution, trading, import and export of gasoline, diesel oil, LPG and other oil derivatives.

Board of Directors

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, any matters subject to the approval of our board of directors can be approved by a simple majority of votes of the members present at a duly convened meeting, unless our by-laws otherwise specify. Under our by-laws, our board of directors may only deliberate if a majority of its members are present at a duly convened meeting. Any resolutions of our board of directors may be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at the meeting; provided, however, that certain matters may only be approved by mutual agreement between the parties under the Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement. See Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Major Shareholders Shareholders Agreements Braskem S.A. Shareholders Agreement. The majority of the members of our board of directors are elected by the Odebrecht Group. In addition, any director appointed by a shareholder pursuant to a shareholders agreement is bound by the terms of such agreement. See Item 7.

Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Major Shareholders Shareholders Agreements. The members of our board of directors are elected at general meetings of shareholders for concurrent two-year terms. Our by-laws do not require the members of our board of directors to be a resident in Brazil or a shareholder of our company. The Brazilian Corporation Law requires each of our executive officers to be residents of Brazil. Under our by-laws, our common shareholders approve the aggregate compensation payable to our directors, executive officers and members of our fiscal council. Subject to this approval, our board of directors establishes the compensation of its members and of our executive officers. See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Compensation. Neither the Brazilian Corporation Law nor our by-laws establish any mandatory retirement age for our directors or executive officers.

Share Capital

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the number of issued and outstanding non-voting shares or shares with limited voting rights, such as our class A preferred shares and class B preferred shares, may not exceed fifty percent of total outstanding share capital; however, our by-laws state that such amount shall not exceed two thirds of total outstanding share capital. Each of our common shares entitles its holder to one vote at our shareholders meetings. Holders of our common shares are not entitled to any preference in respect of our dividends or other distributions or otherwise in case of our liquidation. Our class A preferred shares and class B preferred shares are non-voting, except in limited circumstances, and have priority over our common shares in the case of our liquidation. See Voting Rights for information regarding the voting rights of our preferred shares, Liquidation for information regarding the liquidation of Adjusted Net Profits and Item 8. Financial Information Dividends and Dividend Policy Dividend Preference of Preferred Shares for information regarding the distribution preferences of our preferred shares.

Shareholders Meetings

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, we must hold an annual shareholders meeting by April 30 of each year in order to:

approve or reject the financial statements approved by our board of directors and board of executive officers, including any recommendation by our board of directors for the allocation of net profits and distribution of dividends; and

elect members of our board of directors (upon expiration of their two-year term) and members of our fiscal council, subject to the right of minority shareholders to elect members of our board of directors and our fiscal council.

In addition to the annual shareholders meetings, holders of our common shares have the power to determine any matters related to changes in our corporate purposes and to pass any resolutions they deem necessary to protect and enhance our development whenever our interests so require, by means of extraordinary shareholders meetings.

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the holders of our common shares have the power, among other powers, to vote at shareholders meetings to:

amend our by-laws;

approve any capital increase in excess of the amount of our authorized capital;

approve any capital reduction;

accept or reject the valuation of assets contributed by any of our shareholders in exchange for the issuance of our share capital;

suspend the rights of any of our shareholders in default of their obligations established by law or by our by-laws;

authorize the issuance of convertible debentures;

approve any reorganization of our legal form or any merger, consolidation or spin-off involving us;

authorize our dissolution and liquidation, the election and dismissal of liquidators appointed in connection with any dissolution or liquidation of our company, and the examination of the liquidators accounts;

participate in a centralized group of companies (as defined under the Brazilian Corporation Law);

approve the aggregate compensation payable to our directors and executive officers;

authorize management to declare us insolvent or bankrupt and to request a *concordata* (a procedure involving our protection from our creditors similar in many respects to a reorganization under the U.S. bankruptcy code);

elect and substitute members of our board of directors and fiscal council;

modify the number of members our board of directors;

alter our dividend policy; and

authorize the delisting of our shares.

We convene our shareholders meetings, including our annual shareholders meeting, by publishing a notice in the *Diário Oficial do Estado da Bahia*, in at least one additional newspaper designated by our shareholders with general circulation in Bahia, where we maintain our registered office. On the first call of any meeting, the notice must be published no fewer than three times, beginning at least 15 calendar days prior to the scheduled meeting date. The notice must contain the meeting s place, date, time, agenda and, in the case of a proposed amendment to our by-laws, a description of the subject matter of the proposed amendment.

In order for a valid action to be taken at a shareholders meeting, shareholders representing at least 25% of our issued and outstanding voting share capital must be present on first call. However, shareholders representing at least two-thirds of our issued and outstanding voting share capital must be present at a shareholders meeting called to amend our by-laws. If a quorum is not present, our board of directors may issue a second call by publishing a notice as described above at least eight calendar days prior to the scheduled meeting. The quorum requirements do not apply to a meeting held on the second call, and the shareholders meetings may be convened with the presence of shareholders representing any number of shares (subject to the voting requirements for certain matters described below). A shareholder without a right to vote may attend a shareholders meeting and take part in the discussion of matters submitted for consideration.

Voting Rights

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law and our by-laws, each of our common shares entitles its holder to one vote at our shareholders meetings. Our preferred shares generally do not confer voting rights, except in the limited circumstances. We may not restrain or deny any voting rights without the consent of the majority of the shares affected. Whenever the shares of any class of share capital are entitled to vote, each share is entitled to one vote.

Preemptive Rights

Under the Brazilian Corporation Law, each of our common and class A preferred shareholders has a general preemptive right to subscribe for our shares or securities convertible into our shares in any capital increase, in proportion to the number of our shares held by such shareholder. In accordance with the applicable legislation and our by-laws, the class B preferred shares (which are special shares paid up with resources provided for in certain tax

incentive legislation), the holders of such class B preferred shares do not have preemptive rights in case of any capital increase. In the event of a capital increase that would maintain or increase the proportion of our capital represented by our class A preferred shares of our class A preferred shares would have preemptive rights to subscribe to newly issued class A preferred shares only. In the event of a capital increase that would reduce the proportion of our capital represented by our class A preferred shares, holders of such preferred shares would have preemptive rights to subscribe to subscribe to any new class A preferred shares in proportion to the number of our shares that they hold, and to our common shares only to the extent necessary to prevent dilution of their interests in our total capital.

Under our by-laws, except when issuing voting shares or securities convertible into voting shares, our board of directors or our shareholders, as the case may be, may decide to reduce the term of preemptive rights or not to extend preemptive rights to our shareholders with respect to any issuance of our non-voting shares, debentures

convertible into our shares or warrants made in connection with a public exchange made to acquire control of another company or in connection with a public offering or through a stock exchange. The preemptive rights are transferable and must be exercised within a period of at least 30 days following the publication of notice of the issuance of shares or securities convertible into our shares. Holders of the ADSs may not be able to exercise the preemptive rights relating to our class A preferred shares underlying their ADSs unless a registration statement under the Securities Act is effective with respect to those rights or an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act is available. We are not obligated to file a registration statement with respect to the shares relating to these preemptive rights or to take any other action to make preemptive rights available to holders of the ADSs, and we may not file any such registration statement.

Redemption, Amortization, Tender Offers and Rights of Withdrawal

Our by-laws or our shareholders at a shareholders meeting may authorize us to use our profits or reserves to redeem or amortize our shares in accordance with conditions and procedures established for such redemption or amortization. The Brazilian Corporation Law defines redemption (*resgate de ações*) as the payment of the value of the shares in order to permanently remove such shares from circulation, with or without a corresponding reduction of our share capital. The Brazilian Corporation Law defines amortization (*amortização*) as the distribution to the shareholders, without a corresponding capital reduction, of amounts that they would otherwise receive if we were liquidated. If an amortization distribution has been paid prior to our liquidation, then upon our liquidation, the shareholders who did not receive an amortization distribution will have a preference equal to the amount of the amortization distribution in the distribution of our capital.

The Brazilian Corporation Law authorizes us to redeem shares not held by our controlling shareholders, if, after a tender offer effected as a consequence of delisting or a substantial reduction in the liquidity of our shares, our controlling shareholders increase their participation in our total share capital to more than 95%. The redemption price in such case would be the same price paid for our shares in any such tender offer.

Rights of Withdrawal

The Brazilian Corporation Law provides that, in certain limited circumstances, a dissenting shareholder may withdraw its equity interest from our company and be reimbursed by us for the value of our common or preferred shares that it then holds.

This right of withdrawal may be exercised by the holders of the adversely affected common or preferred shares if we decide:

to create a new class of our preferred shares with greater privileges than the existing classes of our preferred shares;

to increase an existing class of our preferred shares relative to the other classes of our preferred shares (unless such actions are provided for or authorized by our by-laws); or

to modify a preference, privilege or condition of redemption or amortization conferred on one or more classes of our preferred shares.

In addition, holders of our common and preferred shares may exercise their right of withdrawal if we decide to undertake any of the following actions:

to merge with another company or to consolidate with another company in a transaction in which our company is not the surviving entity;

to transfer all of our shares to another company or to acquire all of the shares of another company (*incorporação de ações*);

to participate in a centralized group of companies as defined under the Brazilian Corporation Law;

to reduce the mandatory distribution of dividends;

to change our corporate purposes; or

to spin-off a portion of our company. Only shareholders who own shares on the date of publication of the first notice convening the relevant shareholders meeting or the press release concerning the relevant shareholders meeting is published, whichever is earlier, will be entitled to withdrawal rights.

Shareholders will not be entitled to this right of withdrawal if the shares of the entity resulting from a merger, incorporation, consolidation of our company or participation of our company in a group of companies have minimal market liquidity and are dispersed among a sufficient number of shareholders. For this purpose, shares that are part of general indices representative of portfolios of securities traded in Brazil or abroad are considered liquid, and sufficient dispersion will exist if the controlling shareholder holds less than half of the class and type of the outstanding shares. In case of a spin-off, the right of withdrawal will only exist if there is a significant change in the corporate purpose or a reduction in the mandatory dividend.

The redemption of shares arising out of the exercise of any withdrawal rights would be made at book value per share, determined on the basis of their most recent audited balance sheet approved by our dissenting shareholders. However, if the shareholders meeting approving the action that gave rise to withdrawal rights occurred more than 60 days after the date of the most recent approved audited balance sheet, a shareholder may demand that its shares be valued on the basis of a balance sheet prepared specifically for this purpose. The right of withdrawal lapses 30 days after the date of publication of the minutes of the shareholders meeting that approved one of the matters described above. Our shareholders may reconsider any resolution giving rise to withdrawal rights within 10 days following the expiration date for such rights if we believe that the withdrawal of shares of dissenting shareholders would jeopardize our financial stability.

Disclosures of Share Ownership

Brazilian regulations require that (1) each of our controlling shareholders, directly or indirectly, (2) shareholders who have elected members of our board of directors, and (3) any person or group of persons representing a person that has directly or indirectly acquired or sold an interest that exceeds upwards or downwards, the threshold of 5%, 10%, 15%, and so on, of the total number of our shares of any type or class to disclose its or their share ownership or divestment to the CVM and to the BM&FBOVESPA.

Form and Transfer

Our preferred shares and common shares are in book-entry form, registered in the name of each shareholder or its nominee. The transfer of our shares is governed by Article 35 of the Brazilian Corporation Law, which provides that a transfer of shares is effected by our transfer agent, Banco Itaú S.A., by an entry made by the transfer agent in its books, upon presentation of valid written share transfer instructions to us by a transferor or its representative. When preferred shares or common shares are acquired or sold on a Brazilian stock exchange, the transfer is effected on the records of our transfer agent by a representative of a brokerage firm or the stock exchange s clearing system. The transfer agent also performs all the services of safe-keeping of our shares. Transfers of our shares by a non-Brazilian investor are made in the same manner and are executed on the investor s behalf by the investor s local agent. If the original investment was registered with the Central Bank pursuant to foreign investment regulations, the non-Brazilian

investor is also required to amend, if necessary, through its local agent, the electronic certificate of registration to reflect the new ownership.

The BM&FBOVESPA operates a central clearing system. A holder of our shares may choose, at its discretion, to participate in this system, and all shares that such shareholder elects to be put into the clearing system are deposited in custody with the clearing and settlement chamber of the BM&FBOVESPA (through a Brazilian institution that is duly authorized to operate by the Central Bank and maintains a clearing account with the clearing and settlement chamber of the BM&FBOVESPA). Shares subject to the custody of the clearing and settlement chamber of the BM&FBOVESPA are noted as such in our registry of shareholders. Each participating shareholder will, in turn, be registered in the register of the clearing and settlement chamber of the BM&FBOVESPA and will be treated in the same manner as shareholders registered in our books.

Material Contracts

We have not entered into any material contracts, other than those described elsewhere in this annual report or entered into in the ordinary course of business.

Exchange Controls

There are no restrictions on ownership or voting of our capital stock by individuals or legal entities domiciled outside Brazil. However, the right to convert dividend payments, interest on shareholders equity payments and proceeds from the sale of our share capital into foreign currency and to remit such amounts outside Brazil is subject to restrictions under foreign investment legislation and foreign exchange regulations, which generally require, among other things, the registration of the relevant investment with the Central Bank and the CVM.

Investments in our class A preferred shares by (1) a holder not deemed to be domiciled in Brazil for Brazilian tax purposes, (2) a non-Brazilian holder who is registered with the CVM under Resolution No. 2,689, or (3) the depositary, are eligible for registration with the Central Bank. This registration (the amount so registered is referred to as registered capital) allows the remittance outside Brazil of foreign currency, converted at the commercial market rate, acquired with the proceeds of distributions on, and amounts realized through, dispositions of our class A preferred shares.

Resolution No. 1,927 of the National Monetary Council, as amended, provides for the issuance of depositary receipts in foreign markets in respect of shares of Brazilian issuers. It restates and amends Annex V to Resolution No. 1,289 of the National Monetary Council, known as the Annex V Regulations. The ADS program was approved under the Annex V Regulations by the Central Bank and the CVM prior to the issuance of the ADSs. Accordingly, the proceeds from the sale of ADSs by ADS holders outside Brazil are not subject to Brazilian foreign investment controls, and holders of the ADSs who are not resident in a tax haven jurisdiction are entitled to favorable tax treatment. See

Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations.

We pay dividends and other cash distributions with respect to our class A preferred shares in reais. We have obtained an electronic certificate of foreign capital registration from the Central Bank in the name of the depositary with respect to our ADSs to be maintained by the custodian on behalf of the depositary. Pursuant to this registration, the custodian is able to convert dividends and other distributions with respect to our class A preferred shares represented by ADSs into foreign currency and remit the proceeds outside Brazil to the depositary so that the depositary may distribute these proceeds to the holders of record of the ADSs.

Registration under Resolution No. 2,689 affords favorable tax treatment to non-Brazilian portfolio investors who are not resident in a tax haven jurisdiction, which is defined under Brazilian tax laws as a country or jurisdiction that does not impose taxes or where the maximum income tax rate is lower than 20% or that restricts the disclosure of shareholder composition or ownership of investments. See Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations.

Under Resolution No. 2,689, non-Brazilian investors registered with the CVM may invest in almost all financial assets and engage in almost all transactions available to Brazilian investors in the Brazilian financial and capital markets without obtaining a separate Central Bank registration for each transaction, provided that certain requirements are fulfilled. Under Resolution No. 2,689, the definition of a non-Brazilian investor includes individuals, legal entities, mutual funds and other collective investment entities, domiciled or headquartered outside Brazil.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 2,689, non-Brazilian investors must:

appoint at least one representative in Brazil with powers to take action relating to its investments;

appoint an authorized custodian in Brazil for its investments, which must be a financial institution duly authorized by the Central Bank and CVM;

complete the appropriate foreign investor registration forms;

register as a non-Brazilian investor with the CVM;

register its investments with the Central Bank; and

obtain a taxpayer identification number from the Brazilian federal tax authorities.

The securities and other financial assets held by a non-Brazilian investor pursuant to Resolution No. 2,689 must be registered or maintained in deposit accounts or under the custody of an entity duly licensed by the Central Bank or the CVM or be registered in registration, clearing and custody systems authorized by the Central Bank or by the CVM. In addition, the trading of securities held under Resolution No. 2,689 is restricted to transactions carried out on stock exchanges or through organized over-the-counter markets licensed by the CVM.

Foreign direct investors under Law No. 4,131 may sell their shares in both private and open market transactions, but these investors will generally be subject to less favorable tax treatment on gains with respect to our class A preferred shares. See Taxation Brazilian Tax Considerations.

Foreign investors must be registered with the Brazilian Internal Revenue Service (Receita Federal) pursuant to the Nominative Instruction 1,183, dated as of August 19, 2011. This registration process is undertaken by the investor s legal representative in Brazil.

Taxation

The following summary contains a description of the material Brazilian and U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of class A preferred shares and ADSs, but it does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase any such securities.

There is at present no income tax treaty between Brazil and the United States.

The description below is not intended to constitute a complete analysis of all tax consequences relating to the acquisition, ownership and disposition of class A preferred shares or ADSs. Prospective purchasers of our class A preferred shares or ADSs are advised to consult their own tax advisors in respect of the consequences that the purchase, ownership or disposition of our class A preferred shares or ADSs might trigger under the laws of Brazil, the United States or any other jurisdiction in light of their particular investment circumstances.

Brazilian Tax Considerations

The following discussion summarizes the material Brazilian tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of class A preferred shares or ADSs by an individual, entity, trust or organization that is not domiciled or resident in Brazil for purposes of Brazilian taxation and, in the case of a holder of class A preferred shares, which has

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registered its investment with the Central Bank, or a non-resident holder. The following discussion is based upon the tax laws of Brazil as in effect on the date of this annual report, which are subject to change, with possible retroactive effect, and to differing interpretation. Furthermore, the following discussion does not specifically address all of the Brazilian tax considerations applicable to any particular non-resident holder, and each non- resident holder should consult his or her own tax advisor concerning the Brazilian tax consequences of an investment in any of such securities.

Acquisition of ADSs or Class A Preferred Shares

The acquisition of ADSs or class A preferred shares by non- resident holders is not a taxable event in Brazil. See Taxation of Gains Outside Brazil for further information on the tax implications arising from the exchange of existing class A preferred shares for ADSs, as well as those arising from the exchange of ADSs for class A preferred shares.

Taxation of Dividends

Dividends paid by a Brazilian corporation with respect to profits generated as of January 1, 1996, including dividends paid in kind to the depositary in respect of our class A preferred shares underlying the ADSs or to a non-resident holder in respect of class A preferred shares, are not subject to withholding income tax in Brazil.

Dividends paid from profits generated before January 1, 1996 may be subject to Brazilian withholding income tax at variable rates, according to the tax legislation applicable to each corresponding year.

Interest on Shareholders Equity

Distributions of interest on our shareholders equity in respect of our class A preferred shares or the ADSs are subject to Brazilian withholding tax at the rate of 15% or 25% in the case of a non-resident holder domiciled in a country or location or other jurisdiction (1) that does not impose income tax, (2) where the maximum income tax rate is lower than 20%, or (3) the laws of which do not allow access to information related to the composition of shareholders, ownership of investments or identification of beneficial owners of earnings attributed to non-residents, or a tax favorable jurisdiction.

Since 1997 and in accordance with Laws Nos. 9,249/95 and 9,430/96, we have been permitted to deduct these distributions for purposes of calculating the CSLL and the corporate income taxes that we owe, provided that each such distribution is approved by our shareholders in a general meeting and complies with the limits established by Brazilian tax legislation.

Payments of interest on shareholders equity may be included, at their net value, as part of any mandatory dividend. To the extent payment of interest on shareholders equity is so included, the corporation is required to distribute to shareholders an additional amount to ensure that the net amount received by them, after payment of the applicable withholding income tax plus the amount of declared dividends, is at least equal to the mandatory dividend.

Taxation of Gains Outside Brazil

According to Brazilian Law No. 10,833/03, gains realized on the disposition or sale of assets located in Brazil are subject to income tax in Brazil, regardless of whether the sale or the disposition is made by the non-resident holder to a Brazilian resident or to another non-resident of Brazil, as follows: the acquiror, individual or legal entity resident or domiciled in Brazil, or the acquiror s attorney-in-fact, when such acquiror is resident or domiciled abroad, shall be responsible for the retention and payment of the income tax applicable to capital gains under Article 18 of Law 9,249 of December 26, 1995 earned by the individual or legal entity resident or domiciled abroad who disposes of property located in Brazil.

Holders of the ADSs outside of Brazil may have grounds to assert that Brazilian Law No. 10,833/03 does not apply to sales or other dispositions of ADSs as ADSs are not assets located in Brazil. However, the sale or other disposition of class A preferred shares abroad may be subject to the provisions of Brazilian Law No. 10,833/03. Any capital gains arising from sales or other dispositions outside Brazil would be subject to Brazilian income tax at the rate of 15% or

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25% if the investor is located in a Tax Favorable Jurisdiction. Brazilian Law No. 10,833/03 requires the purchaser of our class A preferred shares outside Brazil or its attorney-in-fact in Brazil to withhold the income tax. A disposition of class A preferred shares can only occur abroad if any investor decides to cancel its investment in ADSs and register the underlying class A preferred shares as a direct foreign investment under Law No. 4,131/62.

Taxation of Gains in Brazil

The exchange of ADSs for class A preferred shares is not subject to Brazilian tax. Upon receipt of the underlying class A preferred shares in exchange of ADSs, a non-resident investor will be entitled to register with the Central Bank the U.S. dollar value of such shares as a foreign portfolio investment under Resolution No. 2,689/00. See Exchange Tax on Foreign Exchange and on Bonds and Securities Transactions Registered Capital. The sale or Controls and disposition of class A preferred shares on a Brazilian stock exchange is exempt from capital gains tax, provided that such shares are held by a non-resident holder that (1) has registered its investment in Brazil with the Central Bank under the rules of under Resolution No. 2,689/00, or a 2,689 Holder, and (2) is not resident or domiciled in a tax favorable jurisdiction. Upon receipt of the underlying class A preferred shares, a non-resident holder is also entitled to register with the Central Bank the U.S. dollar value of such shares as a foreign direct investment under Law 4,131/62. Tax on Foreign Exchange and on Bonds and Securities Transactions Registered Capital. See Exchange Controls and 15% capital gains tax is applicable to the sale or other disposition of preferred class A shares in Brazil where such shares are held by a non-resident holder as a foreign direct investment and the transaction is executed outside a Brazilian stock exchange. If the non-resident holder is domiciled in a tax favorable jurisdiction and the disposition of the preferred class A shares is executed outside a Brazilian stock exchange, the income tax rate will be 25%.

If the sale or other disposition of such shares is carried out on a Brazilian stock exchange, the capital gains on the sale or disposition will be taxed at a rate of 15%. This 15% rate applies to all transactions carried out on a Brazilian stock exchange by non-resident holders regardless of whether or not they are domiciled in tax favorable jurisdiction (except to gains realized by a 2,689 Holder that is not resident or domiciled in a tax favorable jurisdiction as described above). In these transactions, the gain realized is calculated based on the amount registered with the Central Bank. As of January 1, 2005, a withholding tax of 0.005% will also be assessed on the sales price or other disposition value of shares sold or disposed of in transactions carried out on a Brazilian stock exchange. The withholding tax, to be offset against tax due on eventual capital gain, must be withheld by one of the following entities: (1) the agent receiving the sale or disposition order from the client; (2) the stock exchange responsible for registering the transactions; or (3) the entity responsible for the settlement and payment of the transactions. Such withholding does not apply to a 2,689 Holder that is not a resident of or domiciled in a favorable tax jurisdiction.

The deposit of class A preferred shares in exchange for ADSs is not subject to Brazilian tax, provided that these shares are held by the non-resident holder as a foreign portfolio investment under Resolution No. 2,689/00. In the event our class A preferred shares are held by the non-resident holder as a foreign direct investment under Law No. 4,131/62, the deposit of these shares in exchange for ADSs is subject to payment of Brazilian capital gains tax at the rate of 15% (25% in the case of a non-resident holder located in a tax favorable jurisdiction).

The current preferential treatment for non-resident holders of ADSs and non-resident holders of class A preferred shares under Resolution No. 2,689/00 may not continue in the future.

Any exercise of preemptive rights relating to our class A preferred shares will not be subject to Brazilian taxation. Gains on the sale or assignment of preemptive rights relating to our class A preferred shares by the depositary may be subject to Brazilian taxation. Tax authorities may attempt to tax such gains even when the sale or assignment of such rights takes place outside Brazil, based on the provisions of Law No. 10,833/03. These authorities may allege that the preemptive rights relate to assets located in Brazil (the class A preferred shares) and require payment of capital gains tax at the rate of 15% (or 25% if the beneficiary of the payments is resident of a tax favorable jurisdiction). If the preemptive rights are assigned or sold in Brazil, capital gains tax will apply at a rate of 15% (or 25% in the case of a non-resident holder located in a tax favorable jurisdiction). Sales or assignments of preemptive rights relate to shares registered as a foreign portfolio investment under Resolution No. 2,689/00 and the 2,689 Holder is not a resident of or

domiciled in a tax favorable jurisdiction.

Other Brazilian Taxes

There are no Brazilian inheritance, gift or succession taxes applicable to the ownership, transfer or disposition of class A preferred shares or ADSs by a non-resident holder except for gift and inheritance imposed by some states of Brazil on gifts made or inheritances bestowed by individuals or entities not resident or domiciled in Brazil or domiciled within the state to individuals or entities resident or domiciled within such state in Brazil. There are no Brazilian stamp, issue, registration or similar taxes or duties payable by holders of class A preferred shares or ADSs.

Tax on Foreign Exchange and on Bonds and Securities Transactions

Foreign Exchange Transactions

Pursuant to Decree 6,306 of December 14, 2007, as amended, or Decree 6,306/07, the conversion of Brazilian currency into foreign currency (e.g., for purposes of paying dividends and interest) and on the conversion of foreign currency into Brazilian currency may be subject to the IOF/Exchange Tax. Currently, for most exchange transactions, the rate of IOF/Exchange is 0.38%. This is the rate applicable to the inflow and outflow of foreign direct investments for companies in Brazil according to Law 4,131/62 (other than trading portfolio investments in securities under Resolution 2,689/00).

The IOF/Exchange Tax levies a 6% flat rate on capital inflows from non-residents who invest in the Brazilian stock exchange, futures and commodities exchanges, including inflows that serve as margin guarantees in these transactions. As of December 2011, however, the 6.0% rate was reduced to 0% on the following capital inflows from non-residents: (1) investments in securities bearing a variable rate of return that are purchased on the Brazilian stock exchange, futures and commodities exchanges; (2) acquisition of stocks in public offerings on the Brazilian stock exchange or subscriptions of capital increases; (3) investments in Brazilian stocks using funds derived from the cancelation of depositary receipts ; (4) certain investments in private equity or emerging companies investment funds (FIP and FIEE) and funds of these funds; and (5) conversion of foreign direct investments in stocks under Law 4,131/62 into foreign investment in stocks under Resolution 2,689/00.

In March 2012, Brazilian federal regulators clarified that the 0% rate also applies to investments in Brazilian depository receipts representing shares of foreign companies and traded in Brazilian stock exchanges.

The IOF is 0% on the outflow of foreign investments in portfolio in Brazil under Resolution 2,689/00. The remittance abroad of dividends and interest on equity to non-Brazilian residents is subject to 0% IOF tax.

Additionally, the transfers of shares traded on the stock exchange with the purpose of enabling the issuance of ADSs are subject to the IOF/Bonds Tax at a rate of 1.5%, which is aimed at correcting an asymmetry created by the IOF/Exchange Tax.

The Brazilian government may increase the rate of the IOF/Exchange Tax to a maximum of 25% of the amount of the foreign exchange transaction at any time, but such an increase would only apply to future foreign exchange transactions. The imposition of these taxes may discourage foreign investment in shares of Brazilian companies, including our company, due to higher transaction costs, and may negatively impact the price and volatility of our ADSs and preferred shares on the NYSE and the BM&FBOVESPA.

Registered Capital

The amount of an investment in class A preferred shares held by a non-Brazilian holder as a foreign direct investment under Law No. 4,131/02 or a foreign portfolio investment under Resolution No. 2,689/00 or in ADSs held by the depositary representing such holder, as the case may be, is eligible for registration with the Central Bank; such registration (the amount so registered is referred to as registered capital) allows the remittance outside Brazil of foreign currency, converted at the commercial market rate, acquired with the proceeds of distributions on, and amounts realized with respect to disposition of, such class A preferred shares. The registered capital for class A preferred shares purchased in the form of ADSs, or purchased in Brazil and deposited with the depositary in exchange for an ADS, is equal to their purchase price in U.S. dollars paid by the purchaser. The registered capital for class A preferred shares that are withdrawn upon surrender of ADSs is the U.S. dollar equivalent of (1) the average price of

our class A preferred shares on the Brazilian stock exchange on which the greatest number of such class A preferred shares was sold on the day of withdrawal, or (2) if no class A preferred shares were sold on such day, the average price of class A preferred shares that were sold in the fifteen trading sessions immediately preceding such withdrawal. The U.S. dollar value of our class A preferred shares is determined on the basis of the average commercial market rates quoted by the Central Bank on such date (or, if the average price of class A preferred shares is determined under clause (2) of the preceding sentence, the average of such average quoted rates on the same fifteen dates used to determine the average price of our class A preferred shares).

A non-Brazilian holder of class A preferred shares may experience delays in effecting the registration of registered capital, which may delay remittances abroad. Such a delay may adversely affect the amount, in U.S. dollars, received by the non-Brazilian holder. See Exchange Controls and Item 3. Key Information Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Class A Preferred Shares and the ADSs.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following is a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant with respect to the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our class A preferred shares or ADSs, which are evidenced by ADRs. This description addresses only the U.S. federal income tax considerations of U.S. holders (as defined below) that will hold class A preferred shares or ADSs as capital assets. This description does not address tax considerations applicable to holders that may be subject to special tax rules, such as banks, financial institutions, insurance companies, real estate investment trusts, grantor trusts, regulated investment companies, dealers or traders in securities or currencies, tax-exempt entities, pension funds, persons that received our class A preferred shares or ADSs pursuant to an exercise of employee stock options or rights or otherwise as compensation for the performance of services, persons that will hold our class A preferred shares or ADSs as a position in a straddle or as a part of a hedging, conversion or other risk reduction transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, persons that have a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar, persons that will own our class A preferred shares or ADSs through partnerships or other pass through entities, holders subject to the alternative minimum tax, certain former citizens or long-term residents of the United States or holders that own (or are deemed to own) 10% or more (by voting power) of our shares.

This description does not address any state, local or non-U.S. tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our class A preferred shares or ADSs. Moreover, this description does not address the consequences of any U.S. federal tax other than income tax, including but not limited to the U.S. federal estate and gift taxes. This description is based on (1) the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), existing, proposed and temporary U.S. Treasury Regulations and judicial and administrative interpretations thereof, in each case as in effect and available on the date of this annual report and (2), in part, on the representations of the depositary and the assumption that each obligation in the deposit agreement and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms. All of the foregoing are subject to change, which change could apply retroactively and could affect the tax consequences described below.

As used below, a U.S. holder is a beneficial owner of a class A preferred share or ADS that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (1) an individual citizen or resident of the United States, (2) a corporation organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, (3) an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source, or (4) a trust if (i) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and (ii) one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all of the substantial decisions of such trust. As used below, a Non-U.S. holder is a beneficial owner of a class A preferred share or ADS that is neither a U.S. holder nor a partnership (or other entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes).

If a partnership (or any other entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds class A preferred shares or ADSs, the tax treatment of a partner in such partnership will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. A partnership or its partners should consult their tax advisor as to its tax consequences.

The class A preferred shares will be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In general, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a holder of an ADR evidencing an ADS will be treated as the beneficial owner of our class A

preferred shares represented by the applicable ADS. The U.S. Treasury Department has expressed concern that depositaries for ADSs, or other intermediaries between the holders of shares of an issuer and the issuer, may be taking actions that are inconsistent with the claiming of U.S. foreign tax credits by U.S. holders of such receipts or shares. Such actions include, for example, a pre-release of an ADS by a depository. Accordingly, the analysis regarding the availability of a U.S. foreign tax credit for Brazilian taxes, the sourcing rules and the availability of the reduced tax rate for dividends received by certain non-corporate holders, each described below could be affected by future actions that may be taken by the U.S. Treasury Department.

Taxation of Dividends

Subject to the discussion under Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules, in general, the gross amount of a distribution made with respect to a class A preferred share or ADS (which for this purpose shall include distributions of interest attributable to shareholders equity before any reduction for any Brazilian taxes withheld therefrom) will, to the extent made from the current or accumulated earnings and profits of our company, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles, constitute a dividend to a U.S. holder for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Non-corporate U.S. holders may be taxed on dividends from a qualified foreign corporation at the lower rates applicable to long-term capital gains (*i.e.*, gains with respect to capital assets held for more than one year). A foreign corporation is treated as a qualified foreign corporation with respect to dividends received from that corporation on shares or ADSs that are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. U.S. Treasury Department guidance indicates that the ADSs (which are listed on the NYSE), but not our class A preferred shares, are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. Thus, subject to the discussion below under

Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules, dividends that we pay on the ADSs, but not on our class A preferred shares, currently meet the conditions required for these reduced tax rates. There, however, can be no assurance that the ADSs will be considered readily tradable on an established securities market in later years. Furthermore, a U.S. holder s eligibility for such preferential rate is subject to certain holding period requirements and the non-existence of certain risk reduction transactions with respect to the ADSs. Such dividends will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction generally allowed to corporate U.S. holders. Subject to the discussion below under Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules, if a distribution exceeds the amount of our company s current and accumulated earnings and profits, it will be treated as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of the U.S. holder s tax basis in our class A preferred share or ADS on which it is paid and thereafter as capital gain. Our company does not maintain calculations of our earnings and profits under U.S. federal income tax principles. Therefore, U.S. holders should expect that distributions by our company generally will be treated as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A dividend paid in *reais* will be includible in the income of a U.S. holder at its value in U.S. dollars calculated by reference to the prevailing spot market exchange rate in effect on the day it is received by the U.S. holder in the case of our class A preferred shares or, in the case of a dividend received in respect of ADSs, on the date the dividend is received by the depositary, whether or not the dividend is converted into U.S. dollars. Assuming the payment is not converted at that time, the U.S. holder will have a tax basis in *reais* equal to that U.S. dollar amount, which will be used to measure gain or loss from subsequent changes in exchange rates. Any gain or loss realized by a U.S. holder that subsequently sells or otherwise disposes of *reais*, which gain or loss is attributable to currency fluctuations after the date of receipt of the dividend, will be ordinary gain or loss. The amount of any distribution of property other than cash will be the fair market value of such property on the date of distribution.

The gross amount of any dividend paid (which will include any amounts withheld in respect of Brazilian taxes) with respect to a class A preferred share or ADS will be subject to U.S. federal income taxation as foreign source dividend income, which may be relevant in calculating a U.S. holder s foreign tax credit limitation. Subject to limitations under U.S. federal income tax law concerning credits or deductions for foreign taxes and certain exceptions for short-term and hedged positions, any Brazilian withholding tax will be treated as a foreign income tax eligible for credit against a U.S. holder s U.S. federal income tax liability (or at a U.S. holder s election, may be deducted in computing taxable income if the U.S. holder has elected to deduct all foreign income taxes for the taxable year). The limitation on foreign taxes eligible for the U.S. foreign tax credit is calculated separately with respect to specific baskets of income. For this purpose, the dividends should generally constitute passive category income, or in the case of certain U.S. holders, general category income. The rules with respect to foreign tax credits are complex, and U.S. holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors regarding the availability of the foreign tax credit under their particular circumstances.

Subject to the discussion under Information Reporting and Backup Withholding, a Non-U.S. holder of class A preferred shares or ADSs generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax on dividends received on such shares or ADSs, unless such income is effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. holder of a trade or business in the United States.

Sale, Exchange or Other Disposition of Class A Preferred Shares or ADSs

A deposit or withdrawal of class A preferred shares by a holder in exchange for an ADS that represents such shares will not result in the realization of gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A U.S. holder generally will recognize capital gain or loss upon a sale, exchange or other disposition of a class A preferred share or ADS held by the U.S. holder or the depositary, as the case may be, in an amount equal to the difference between the U.S. holder s adjusted basis in our class A preferred share or ADS (determined in U.S. dollars) and the U.S. dollar amount realized on the sale, exchange or other disposition. If a Brazilian tax is withheld on the sale, exchange or other disposition of a share, the amount realized by a U.S. holder will include the gross amount of the proceeds of that sale, exchange or other disposition before deduction of the Brazilian tax. In the case of a non-corporate U.S. holder, the maximum marginal U.S. federal income tax rate applicable to capital gain will generally be lower than the maximum marginal U.S. federal income tax rate applicable to ordinary income (other than, as discussed above, certain dividends) if such holder s holding period for such class A preferred share or ADS exceeds one year (i.e., such gain is a long-term capital gain). Capital gain, if any, realized by a U.S. holder on the sale or exchange of a class A preferred share or ADS generally will be treated as U.S. source income for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes. Consequently, in the case of a disposition or deposit of a class A preferred share or ADS that is subject to Brazilian tax, the U.S. holder may not be able to use the foreign tax credit for that Brazilian tax unless it can apply the credit against U.S. tax payable on other income from foreign sources in the appropriate income category, or, alternatively, it may take a deduction for the Brazilian tax if it elects to deduct all of its foreign income taxes. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations under the Code.

The initial tax basis of class A preferred shares or ADSs to a U.S. holder is the U.S. dollar value of the *reais*-denominated purchase price determined on the date of purchase. If our class A preferred shares or ADSs are treated as traded on an established securities market, a cash basis U.S. holder, or, if it elects, an accrual basis U.S. holder, will determine the dollar value of the cost of such class A preferred shares or ADSs by translating the amount paid at the spot rate of exchange on the settlement date of the purchase. The conversion of U.S. dollars to *reais* and the immediate use of that currency to purchase class A preferred shares or ADSs generally will not result in taxable gain or loss for a U.S. holder.

With respect to the sale or exchange of class A preferred shares or ADSs, the amount realized generally will be the U.S. dollar value of the payment received determined on (1) the date of receipt of payment in the case of a cash basis U.S. holder and (2) the date of disposition in the case of an accrual basis U.S. holder. If our class A preferred shares or ADSs are treated as traded on an established securities market, a cash basis taxpayer, or, if it elects, an accrual basis taxpayer, will determine the U.S. dollar value of the amount realized by translating the amount received at the spot rate of exchange on the settlement date of the sale.

Subject to the discussion below under Information Reporting and Backup Withholding, a Non-U.S. holder of class A preferred shares or ADSs generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax on any gain realized on the sale or exchange of such shares or ADSs unless (1) such gain is effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. holder of a trade or business in the United States or (2) in the case of any gain realized by an individual Non-U.S. holder, such holder is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of such sale or exchange and certain other conditions are met.

Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules

A Non-U.S. corporation will be classified as a passive foreign investment company, or a PFIC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes in any taxable year in which, after applying certain look-through rules, either (1) at least 75 percent of its gross income is passive income or (2) at least 50 percent of the average value of its gross assets is

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attributable to assets that produce passive income or is held for the production of passive income. Passive income for this purpose generally includes dividends, interest, royalties, rents and gains from commodities and securities transactions.

Based on certain estimates of its gross income and gross assets and the nature of its business, our company believes that it will not be classified as a PFIC for its taxable year ending December 31, 2015. The company s status in future years will depend on its assets and activities in those years. The company has no reason to believe that its assets or activities will change in a manner that would cause it to be classified as a PFIC for the taxable year ended

December 31, 2015 or any future year, but there can be no assurance that the company will not be considered a PFIC for any taxable year. If we were a PFIC, a U.S. holder of class A preferred shares or ADSs generally would be subject to imputed interest charges and other disadvantageous tax treatment with respect to any gain from the sale or exchange of, and certain distributions with respect to, the shares or ADSs (including the loss of the potential reduced tax rate on certain dividends described above).

If we were a PFIC, a U.S. holder of class A preferred shares or ADSs could make a variety of elections that may alleviate certain of the tax consequences referred to above, and one of these elections may be made retroactively. However, it is expected that the conditions necessary for making certain of such elections will not apply in the case of the class A preferred shares or ADSs. U.S. holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences that would arise if the company were treated as a PFIC.

If a U.S. holder owns our class A preferred shares or ADSs during any year in which we were a PFIC, the U.S. holder generally must file IRS Form 8621 with respect to our company, generally with the U.S. holder s federal income tax return for that year. If our company was a PFIC for a given taxable year, then U.S. holders of class A preferred shares or ADSs should consult their tax advisor concerning their annual filing requirements.

Medicare Tax on Net Investment Income

Certain U.S. Holders who are individuals, estates or trusts are required to pay an additional 3.8% tax on, among other things, dividends and capital gains for the sale or other disposition of class A preferred shares and ADSs.

Foreign Asset Reporting

Pursuant to the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act of 2010 and recently promulgated temporary regulations thereunder, certain U.S. holders who are individuals are required to report information relating to an interest in our class A preferred shares or ADSs, subject to certain exceptions (including an exception for shares or ADSs held in custodial accounts maintained with a financial institution). U.S. holders of the class A preferred shares or ADSs are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding their information reporting obligations, if any, with respect to their ownership and disposition of our class A preferred shares or ADSs.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

U.S. backup withholding tax and information reporting requirements generally apply to certain payments to certain non-corporate holders of shares. Information reporting generally will apply to payments of dividends on, and to proceeds from the sale or redemption of, our class A preferred shares or the ADSs made within the United States or by a U.S. payor or U.S. middleman to a holder of our class A preferred shares or the ADSs, other than an exempt recipient, including a corporation, a payee that is not a U.S. person that provides an appropriate certification and certain other persons. Backup withholding tax will apply to any payments of dividends on, or the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, class A preferred shares or the ADSs within the United States or by a U.S. payor or U.S. middleman to a holder, other than an exempt recipient, if such holder fails to furnish its correct taxpayer identification number or otherwise fails to comply with, or establish an exemption from, such backup withholding tax requirements. The backup withholding tax rate is 28%.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Holders generally will be entitled to credit any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules against their U.S. federal income tax liability or a refund of the amounts withheld provided the required information is furnished to the IRS in a timely manner.

The above description is not intended to constitute a complete analysis of all tax consequences relating to ownership and disposition of class A preferred shares or ADSs. Prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors concerning the tax consequences of their particular situations.

Documents on Display

Statements contained in this annual report regarding the contents of any contract or other document filed as an exhibit to this annual report summarize their material terms, but are not necessarily complete, and each of these statements is qualified in all respects by reference to the full text of such contract or other document.

We are subject to the periodic reporting and other informational requirements of the Exchange Act applicable to a foreign private issuer. Accordingly, we are required to file with or furnish to the SEC, reports and other information, including annual reports on Form 20-F and reports on Form 6-K.

As a foreign private issuer, we are exempt under the Exchange Act from, among other things, the rules prescribing the furnishing and content of proxy statements, and members of our board of directors and board of executive officers and our principal shareholders are exempt from reporting and short-swing profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Exchange Act. In addition, as a foreign private issuer, we will not be required under the Exchange Act to file periodic reports and financial statements with the SEC as frequently or as promptly as U.S. companies whose securities are registered under the Exchange Act.

You may inspect and copy reports and other information that we file with or furnish to the SEC at the SEC s Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20549. Copies of these materials may be obtained by mail from the SEC s Public Reference Room at prescribed rates. The public may obtain information on the operation of the SEC s Public Reference Room by calling the SEC in the United States at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the SEC maintains an internet website at www.sec.gov from which you can electronically access these materials.

We also file financial statements and other periodic reports with the CVM, which are available for investor inspection at the CVM s offices located at Rua Sete de Setembro, 111, 2nd floor, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, and Rua Cincinato Braga, 340, 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors, São Paulo, SP. The telephone numbers of the CVM in Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo are +55-21-3554-8686 and +55-11-2146- 2097, respectively.

Copies of our annual report on Form 20-F and documents referred to in this annual report and our by-laws are available for inspection upon request at our headquarters at Rua Lemos Monteiro, 120 24° andar, Butantã São Paulo SP, CEP 05501-050, Brazil. Our filings are also available to the public through the internet at our website at www.braskem.com.br. The information included on our website or that might be accessed through our website is not included in this annual report and is not incorporated into this annual report by reference.

ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices. We are exposed to market risks arising from our normal business activities. These risks are beyond our control and principally involved in the possibility that changes in interest rates, exchange rates or commodity prices will adversely affect the value of our financial assets and liabilities or future cash flows and earnings.

In order to mitigate the market risks to which we are exposed, we have used, and we may use, foreign currency, interest rate and commodity derivative instruments, as well as cash and receivables. As of December 31, 2016, we had currency put options, cross-currency and interest rate swaps with an aggregate notional amount of R\$1,452 million in addition to R\$ 4,278 million related to our Mexico Complex. These cross-currency and interest rate swaps match certain of our debt obligations.

We assess the potential and consolidated impact of market risks and seek to mitigate assessed risks in accordance with our risk management policy.

In 2016, the risk management policy, which was adopted on August 9, 2010 by our board of directors, covered cash flow management and liquidity, investment of cash and cash equivalents, funding activities and guarantees, and management of foreign exchange and commodity risks. This policy reflects our conservative financial practices and risk management procedures. Its objective is to manage and anticipate risks by continuously evaluating several key factors, including the overall financial health of our company, any financial operations we have with related parties, our ratings, counterparty risk and hedging strategy. Additionally, the policy aims to ensure the alignment of the objectives of the financial teams with the overall objectives of Braskem.

We do not enter into derivative transactions for speculative purposes.

As of December 31, 2016, we had R\$ 3,602 million in foreign currency-denominated cash, cash equivalents and financial investments, which may partially offset the effects of any depreciation of the *real* against the foreign currency on our ability to service our foreign currency-denominated debt to the extent of these foreign currency-denominated cash equivalents and other investments.

Interest Rate Risk

Our variable interest rate exposure is primarily subject to the variations of the LIBOR rate and, for *real*-denominated borrowings and short-term cash investments, variations of the TJLP rate and the CDI rate.

With respect to Brazilian interest rates:

the short-term domestic CDI rate decreased to 13.63% per annum as of December 31, 2016 from 14.14% per annum as of December 31, 2015 and 11.1% per annum as of December 31, 2014; and

the TJLP increased to 7.5% per annum as of December 31, 2016 from 7.0% per annum as of December 31, 2015 and 5.0% per annum as of December 31, 2014.

The table below provides information about our significant interest-rate sensitive instruments:

	Payment Schedule Breakdown by Type of Interest Rate As of December 31, 2016 Expected Maturity Date							
	2017	2018	2019 (in millions (2020 of <i>reais</i> , unl		Thereafter e indicated)	Total	Fair Value(1)
Liabilities:								
Loans and								
financings								
(excluding								
debentures) (2):								
Fixed rate, denominated in								
U.S. dollars	827.6	3,133.7	249.6	1,791.6	3,283.4	6,518.2	15,804.2	14,097.7
Average interest	027.0	5,155.7	249.0	1,791.0	5,205.4	0,510.2	15,004.2	14,097.7
rate	5.5%	7.4%	7.8%	7.1%	5.7%	6.4%		
Variable rate,	5.570	7.170	1.070	/.1/0	5.1 10	0.170		
denominated in								
U.S. dollars	632.9	610.2	1,425.0	75.3	65.8	78.5	2,887.7	2,887.7
Average interest			,				,	,
rate (over								
LIBOR)	3.7%	1.6%	1.9%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%		
Ethylene XXI								
Project finance								
fixed rate,								
denominated in	100.0	100.0	104 5	210.0	226.1	1 556 4		
U.S. dollars	180.9	189.0	194.5	218.9	236.1	1,556.4	2,575.7	2,575.7
Average interest	4.007	4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	4.8%	1 901		
rate Ethylene XXI	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%		
Project finance								
variable rate,								
denominated in								
U.S. dollars	479.3	536.5	556.8	658.3	762.2	4,657.1	7,650.1	7,650.1
Average interest	,	00000	00010	00010	/ 0212	.,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
rate	4.0%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%		
Fixed rate,								
denominated in								
reais	592.0	203.3	171.4	119.0	82.1	130.0	1,297.8	1,297.8
Average interest								
rate	7.0%	5.4%	5.5%	6.0%	6.4%	6.4%		
Variable rate,								
denominated in	5 4 1 <i>5</i>	41 6 7	222 7	105.0		2.0	1.500	1.500 (
reais	541.5	416.5	322.7	185.3	60.7	3.0	1,529.6	1,529.6
	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%		

Average interest rate (over TJLP)								
Variable rate,								
denominated in reais	195.0	186.1	1.032.2	178.3	145.0		1,736.6	1,736.6
Average interest	175.0	100.1	1.052.2	170.5	145.0		1,750.0	1,750.0
rate (CDI								
referenced)	14.4%	14.4%	15.3%	14.4%	14.4%	0.0%		
Variable rate, denominated in								
reais	141.6	142.9	139.3	120.9	54.9	3.1	602.6	602.6
Average interest rate (over								
SELIC)	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.4%	2.3%		
Total loans and								
financings	3,590.7	5,418.1	4,091.4	3,347.7	4,690.3	12,946.3	34,084.4	32,377.9
Assets:								
Cash and cash								
Cash and cash equivalents and								
Cash and cash								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments:								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate,								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments:								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate,	3,609.4						3,609.4	3,609.4
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency Variable rate,	3,609.4						3,609.4	3,609.4
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency	3,609.4						3,609.4	3,609.4
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency Variable rate, denominated in <i>reais</i>	3,609.4 3,925.2						3,609.4 3,925.2	3,609.4 3,925.2
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency Variable rate, denominated in <i>reais</i> Total cash and								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency Variable rate, denominated in <i>reais</i> Total cash and cash equivalents								
Cash and cash equivalents and other instruments: Fixed rate, denominated in foreign currency Variable rate, denominated in <i>reais</i> Total cash and								

(1) Represents the net present value of the future cash flows from the obligations converted into *reais* at fair market value as of December 31, 2016.

(2) Does not include the aggregate amount of R\$315.6 million related to transaction costs.

In the event that the average interest rate applicable to our financial assets and debt in 2017 were 1% higher than the average interest rate in 2016, our financial income would increase by approximately R\$74.6 million and our financial expenses would increase by approximately R\$ 340.8 million.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

Our liabilities that are exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk are primarily denominated in U.S. dollars. To partially offset our risk of any devaluation of the *real* against the U.S. dollar, we currently maintain available liquid assets denominated in U.S. dollars and enter into derivative contracts. Additionally, in order to provide a better representation of the actual exchange rate risk related to future exports, we designated part of our U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities as a hedging instrument, implementing the hedge accounting treatment on May 1, 2013. We borrow in the international markets to support our operations and investments; we are exposed to market risks from changes in foreign exchange rates and interest rates.

The table below provides information about our significant foreign currency exposures:

Payme	nent Schedule Breakdown by Currency As of December 31, 2016 Expected Maturity Date							
	2017	2018	2019	2020 (in millio	2021 ons of <i>reai</i>	Thereafter <i>is</i>)	Total	Fai Value
ilities:								
is, financings and trade payables:								ļ
is and financings denominated in U.S. dollars (2)	2,120.6	4,469.4	2,425.8	2,744.1	4,347.6	12,810.2	28,917.8	27,2
unts payable denominated in U.S. dollars	4,380.4						4,380.4	4,38
l loans, financings and trade payables	6,501.0	4,469.4	2,425.8	2,744.1	4,347.6	12,810.2	33,298.3	31,59
ts:								
, cash equivalents and other investments								
minated in foreign currency	3,609.4						3,609.4	3,60
l cash and cash equivalents and other								
stments	3,609.4						3,609.4	3,6
ge Accounting:								
e Accounting designated Exports/Sales	1,301.6	3,293.2	3,143.4	3,236.8	3,331.9	13,143.1	27,449.9	27,44

(1) Represents the net present value of the future cash flows from the obligations converted into *reais* at fair market value as of December 31, 2016.

(2) Does not include the aggregate amount of R\$303.7 million related to transaction costs.

Our foreign currency exposures give rise to market risks associated with exchange rate movements of the *real* against the U.S. dollar. Foreign currency-denominated liabilities as of December 31, 2016 consisted primarily of U.S. dollar-denominated debt. Our foreign currency -denominated indebtedness, including short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt, net of transaction costs, was R\$28,614.1 million (US\$8,779.8 million) as of December 31, 2016 and R\$33,571.2 million (US\$8,597.4 million) as of December 31, 2015. This foreign currency exposure is represented by debt in the form of notes, bonds, pre-export finance facilities and working capital loans. In addition, this indebtedness includes the aggregate amount of R\$10,437.8 million (US\$3,202.7 million) outstanding as of December 31, 2016 in connection with the Braskem Idesa Financing.

Our cash and funds available in U.S. dollars partially protect us against exposure arising from the U.S. dollar-denominated debt. Similarly, revenues from future sales and exports partially offset this foreign currency exposure for U.S. dollar-denominated debt, and we therefore adopted hedge accounting treatment to provide a better representation of our actual exposure. In 2016, we began to recognize the exchange rate variation, held on Other Comprehensive Income, to the income statement, following the future sales and exports designation schedule (For further information, see note 17 of our consolidated financial statements elsewhere in this annual report).

In the event that the *real* were to devalue by 10% against the U.S. dollar during 2017 as compared to the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate as of December 31, 2016, our financial expenses indexed to the dollar in 2017 would increase by approximately R\$ 2,891 million, and our financial income would increase by approximately R\$ 360.2 million.

During the fourth quarter of 2016, Braskem commenced a non-speculative program of hedging against its *real*-denominated liabilities to mitigate its exposure to costs related to energy, water, personnel and capital expenditures related to maintenance. The program is in line with our risk management policy and utilizes put options and zero-cost collars for a maximum period of 24 months.

Commodity Prices

We do not currently hedge our main exposure to changes in prices of naphtha, our principal raw material, which are linked to international market prices denominated in U.S. dollars of naphtha and other petroleum derivatives. We do not hedge this main exposure, in part, because a portion of our sales are exports payable in foreign currencies and linked to the international market prices of these commodities denominated in U.S. dollars and, in part, because the prices of our polyethylene, polypropylene and PVC products sold in domestic markets generally reflect changes in the international market prices of these products denominated in U.S. dollars, converted into *reais*. In periods of high volatility in the U.S. dollar price of naphtha or the *real*/U.S. dollar exchange rate, there is usually a lag between the time that the U.S. dollar price of naphtha increases or the U.S. dollar appreciates and the time that we can effectively pass on the resulting increased cost in *reais* to our customers in Brazil. Accordingly, if the U.S. dollar price of naphtha increases in our naphtha costs to our customers in Brazil, which could materially adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition. See Item 3. Key Information Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Company and the Petrochemical Industry.

ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

The Bank of New York Mellon, which was designated our depositary in December 2016, collects its fees for the delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs or from intermediaries acting for them. The depositary also collects fees for making distributions to investors by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deductions from cash distributions or by directly billing investors or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting for them. The depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

Persons depositing or withdrawing shares must pay:

U.S.\$5.00 for each 100 ADSs (or portion thereof) issued, delivered, reduced, cancelled or surrendered (as the case may be) plus any additional fees charged by any governmental authorities or other institutions such as the Companhia Brasileira de Liquidação e Custódia (the Brazilian Clearing and Depository Corporation);

a fee of U.S.\$0.05 or less per ADS for any Cash distribution made pursuant to the Deposit Agreement;

a fee of U.S.\$1.50 per ADR or ADRs for transfers made pursuant to paragraph;

a fee for the distribution or sale of securities;

an aggregate fee of U.S.\$0.05 or less per ADS per calendar year (or portion thereof) for services performed by the Depositary in administering the ADRs;

a fee for the reimbursement of such fees, charges and expenses as are incurred by the Depositary and/or any of its agents; and

transfer or registration fees for the registration or transfer of Deposited Securities on any applicable register in connection with the deposit or withdrawal of Deposited Securities. During the year ended December 31, 2016, we received from the depositary of our ADSs approximately US\$800,000, which was used for general corporate purposes such as the payment of costs and expenses associated with (1) the preparation and distribution of proxy materials, (2) the preparation and distribution of marketing materials and (3) consulting and other services related to investor relations.

PART II

ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES Not applicable.

ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Not applicable.

ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Our management has identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting, which we describe in the Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting . In addition, our management has analyzed these material weaknesses, made all necessary adjustments in our consolidated financial statements, and concluded that our consolidated financial statements fairly present, in all material respects, our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows at and for the periods presented, and the impact of all facts known to our management to date has been reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2016. Based upon our evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer concluded that as a result of the material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting described below, as of December 31, 2016 our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the applicable rules and forms, and that it is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Material Weaknesses in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company s annual or interim consolidated financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. During our assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, we identified the material weaknesses described below.

Control Environment Tone at the top: the failure in the tone at the top as certain former executives directed or were aware of parallel procedures to override internal controls and allow our company to pay commission for services to export agents without the effective execution of such services.

Anti-corruption compliance program and controls: the failure to maintain effective anti-corruption compliance controls and programs designed to prevent and detect violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA)

and other applicable anti-corruption laws. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to certain payments: the failure to maintain effective controls related to manual payments, such as commissions for services to export agents, which permit payments to be made without the appropriate services being rendered by a rightful vendor. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to ledger accounts: the failure to maintain effective monitoring controls, controls over reconciliation and journal entries approval and review over the ledger accounts used to record accruals and payments of commissions to export agents. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to ledger accounts: the failure to maintain controls related to the recording of and monitoring over in-transit inventory (naphtha) in the year-end for raw material (naphtha) import operations processed by one of the Company s consolidated subsidiaries, Braskem Netherlands. This deficiency resulted in adjustments in the restated 2015 financial statements.

Controls related to long-term debt presentation and disclosure: the failure to design controls related to non-financial covenants for long-term debt which led to an inadequate classification between long and short-term debt obligations in Braskem s consolidated subsidiary, Braskem Idesa.

The material weaknesses could result in a misstatement of Braskem s account balances or disclosures that would result in a material misstatements to Braskem s annual or interim consolidated financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

Remediation Efforts

Our management has been actively engaged in the design and implementation of remediation efforts to address the identified material weaknesses, as well as other identified areas of risk. The remediation efforts outlined below, which have been implemented or are in the process of implementation, are intended to address both the identified material weaknesses and related areas. The design and implementation of these and other remedial efforts are the responsibility of our management.

Control Environment and Anti-corruption compliance program and controls: as described below a number of steps have been taken and are being taken to strengthen our Control Environment and to design and implement a robust Anti-Corruption compliance culture, program and controls. In our assessment, such measures will be fully implemented and producing the necessary and proven effects in 2017. Such measures include:

- 1. The establishment of the Compliance Committee in May 2016, that is formed by independent members of our Board of Directors, and its main objectives are (i) to evaluate internal controls, risk exposure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, (ii) to monitor investigations related to ethics complaints, (iii) to approve and periodically update the Policy on Ethics, Compliance and Transparency, which addresses anti-corruption measures and related party transactions and (iv) to develop training programs for board members, senior managers and certain employees. The Compliance Committee is independent from our Board of Executive Officers, reporting directly to our Board of Directors.
- 2. In August 2016, Braskem announced the hiring of an experienced Chief Compliance Officer (CCO). The CCO reports to the Compliance Committee and has as his main duties: (i) monitoring the exposure to risks and internal control systems; (ii) managing the internal audit; (iii) supervising the Ethics Line Channel, (iv) coordinating the Ethics Committee; (v) disseminating the Code of Conduct, (vi) conducting compliance training; and (vii) supervising the corporate policies related to compliance issues.
- 3. Increasing compliance staffing for Internal Controls, Risks Management, Compliance and Internal Audit areas and resources in accordance with Compliance department and program benchmarking.

- 4. Implementation of the Internal Audit area which is responsible for an independent and objective evaluation of processes, check compliance with policies and procedures and verification of controls effectiveness and efficiency.
- 5. Establishing anticorruption clauses for contracts with third parties.
- 6. Approval by our Board of Directors of a Policy on Compliance in Acting Ethically with Integrity and Transparency, which includes our policy on anti-corruption compliance and our Policy on Related Parties Transactions.

- 7. Providing training in 2016, including to our Board of Directors, Senior Management and Legal team (key business decision-makers) and Compliance team, which is focused on reinforcing awareness of best compliance practices and the need for robustness in our internal control environment.
- 8. Implementing planning for a training program for all staff during 2017, based on personal presentations and e-learning tools.
- 9. Issuing companywide (and other more targeted) compliance messaging from our senior management to our personnel.
- 10. Publishing and providing training during 2017 of the Institutional Relations handbook, that regulates our interactions with politicians and other public officials.
- 11. Designing, enhancing and continuing to improve the vendor master data, due diligence, procurement and payment procedures and associated controls.
- 12. Implementing a new set of controls in the last quarter of 2016. Despite our conclusion that these actions are sufficient we also understand that they need to achieve further maturity in execution in order to allow us to consider these deficiencies remediated. The new set of controls include improvements in the processes that presented vulnerabilities in the past, such as over manual journal entries, monitoring of payments of commissions and general ledger to ensure there are sufficient preventive and detective controls to mitigate the risks.
- 13. Implementing controls to improve the posting of entries in the inventory and trade payable for the raw material (naphtha) import process of one of the Company s consolidated subsidiaries, Braskem Netherlands.
- 14. Re-designing the raw material import process to improve the monitoring of physical inventory in transit from the vendor to Braskem Netherlands and from Braskem Netherlands to Braskem SA.
- 15. Re-designing the covenants monitoring control in order to include more robust information and analyses to ensure the adequate classification of debit obligations into long and short term in Braskem Idesa.

Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Our management s report on internal control over financial reporting is included in this annual report on page F-[2] and the opinion issued by our independent registered public accounting firm is included in the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes that is included in this annual report on pages F-[3] and F-[4].

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The remediation activities described above are changes in internal control over financial reporting during the year ended December 31, 2016 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

Our fiscal council currently includes an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of this Item 16A. Our fiscal council has determined that Ismael Campos de Abreu is our fiscal council financial expert. Mr. Abreu s biographical information is included in Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Directors and Senior Management Fiscal Council. Given that our board has not made a formal determination as to Mr. Abreu s independence, as that term is defined in Rule 303A.02 of the New York Stock Exchange s Listed Company Manual, he is not considered independent under that standard. However, he meets the standards of independence for fiscal council members under Brazilian Corporation Law. See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Directors and Senior Management Fiscal Council for more information.

ITEM 16B. CODE OF ETHICS

We have adopted a code of conduct that applies to members of our board of directors, fiscal council and board of executive officers, as well as to our other employees. This code of conduct was approved by our board of directors. A copy of our code of conduct may be found on our website at www.braskem.com.br. The information included on our website or that might be accessed through our website is not included in this annual report and is not incorporated into this annual report by reference.

ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES Audit and Non-Audit Fees

The following table sets forth the fees billed to us by our independent registered public accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes, during the fiscal years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

	Year Ended I 2016 (in million	2015
Audit fees(1)	R\$ 14.7	R\$ 5.6
Audit-related fees	0.7	1.7
Tax fees(2)	1.4	3.8
All other fees	0.0	0.2
Total fees	R\$ 16.8	R\$ 11.3

- (1) Audit fees consist of the aggregate fees billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes in connection with the audit of our annual financial statements, interim audits, procedures as related to audit of income tax provisions and related reserves in connection with the audit and review of financial statements and review of documents filed with the SEC.
- (2) Tax fees consist of the aggregate fees billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes for tax compliance reviews.

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

Our fiscal council and board of directors have approved an Audit and Non-Audit Services Pre-Approval Policy that sets forth the procedures and the conditions pursuant to which services proposed to be performed by our independent auditors may be pre-approved. This policy is designed to (1) provide both general pre-approval of certain types of services through the use of an annually established schedule setting forth the types of services that have already been pre-approved for a certain year and, with respect to services not included in an annual schedule, special pre-approval of services on a case by case basis by our fiscal council and our independent auditors, and (2) assess compliance with the pre-approval policies and procedures. Our management periodically reports to our fiscal council the nature and scope of audit and non-audit services rendered by our independent auditors and is also required to report to our fiscal council any breach of this policy of which our management is aware.

ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

We are relying on the general exemption from the listing standards relating to audit committees contained in Rule 10A-3(c)(3) under the Exchange Act for the following reasons:

we are a foreign private issuer that has a fiscal council, which is a board of auditors (or similar body) established and selected pursuant to and as expressly permitted under Brazilian law;

Brazilian law requires our fiscal council to be separate from our board of directors;

members of our fiscal council are not elected by our management, and none of our executive officers is a member of our fiscal council;

Brazilian law provides standards for the independence of our fiscal council from our management;

our fiscal council, in accordance with its charter, makes recommendations to our board of directors regarding the appointment, retention and oversight of the work of any registered public accounting firm engaged (including, the intermediation of disagreements between our management and our independent auditors regarding financial reporting) for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or performing other audit, review or attest services for our company, as Brazilian law requires that our board of directors appoint, retain and oversee the work of our independent public accountants;

our fiscal council (1) has implemented procedures for receiving, retaining and addressing complaints regarding accounting, internal control and auditing matters, including the submission of confidential, anonymous complaints from employees regarding questionable accounting or auditing, and (2) has authority to engage independent counsel and other advisors as it determines necessary to carry out its duties; and

our company compensates our independent auditors and any outside advisors hired by our fiscal council and provides funding for ordinary administrative expenses incurred by the fiscal council in the course of its duties.

We do not believe that our reliance on this general exemption will materially adversely affect the ability of our fiscal council to act independently and to satisfy the other requirements of the listing standards relating to audit committees contained in Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act.

ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

On August 13, 2012, our board of directors authorized a share repurchase program under which we are authorized to repurchase up to 13,376,161 class A preferred shares at market prices over the BM&FBOVESPA at any time and from time to time prior to August 28, 2013. In 2012, we repurchased 262,300 shares under this program. In 2013 and 2014, we did not repurchase any shares.

On February 11, 2015, our board of directors approved the fifth program for the repurchase of shares effective for the period between February 19, 2015 and February 19, 2016, through which we may acquire up 3,500,000 class A preferred shares at market price.

In April 20, 2015, we had repurchased 80,000 class A preferred shares for an aggregate of R\$0.9 million.

ITEM 16F. CHANGE IN REGISTRANT S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT

Not applicable.

ITEM 16G. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

On November 4, 2003, the SEC approved the final corporate governance rules established by the NYSE. According to these rules, foreign private issuers that are listed on the NYSE, such as Braskem, are subject to a more limited set of corporate governance requirements than those imposed on U.S. domestic issuers. As a foreign private issuer, Braskem must comply with the following four requirements imposed by the NYSE:

Braskem must satisfy the audit committee requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act;

Braskem s chief executive officer must promptly notify the NYSE in writing if any executive officer of Braskem becomes aware of any material non-compliance with any of the applicable NYSE corporate governance rules;

Braskem must provide a brief description of any significant ways in which Braskem s corporate governance practices differ from those required to be followed by U.S. domestic issuers under the NYSE corporate governance rules; and

Braskem must submit an executed written affirmation annually to the NYSE and an interim written affirmation to the NYSE each time a change occurs to Braskem s board of directors or any committees of Braskem s board of directors that are subject to Section 303A, in each case in the form specified by the NYSE.

Significant Differences

The significant differences between Braskem s corporate governance practices and the NYSE s corporate governance standards are mainly due to the differences between the U.S. and Brazilian legal systems. Braskem must comply with the corporate governance standards set forth under the Brazilian Corporation Law, the rules of the CVM and the applicable rules of the BM&FBOVESPA, as well as those set forth in Braskem s by-laws.

The significant differences between Braskem s corporate governance practices and the NYSE s corporate governance standards are set forth below.

Independence of Directors and Independence Tests

In general, the NYSE corporate governance standards require listed companies to have a majority of independent directors and set forth the principles by which a listed company can determine whether a director is independent. However, under the NYSE corporate governance standards, a listed company (whether U.S or foreign) of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by another company (a controlled company), need not comply with the following NYSE corporate governance standards:

A controlled company need not have a majority of independent directors;

A controlled company need not have a nominating/corporate governance committee composed of independent directors with a charter that complies with the NYSE corporate governance rules; and

A controlled company need not have a compensation committee composed of independent directors with a charter that complies with the NYSE corporate governance rules.

Because a majority of the voting power of Braskem s capital stock is directly controlled by Odebrecht, Braskem is a controlled company, and would therefore not be required to have a majority of independent directors if it were a U.S. domestic issuer.

Although Brazilian Corporation Law and Braskem s by-laws establish rules in relation to certain qualification requirements of its directors, neither Brazilian Corporation Law nor Braskem s by-laws require that Braskem have a majority of independent directors nor require Braskem s board of directors or management to test the independence of Braskem s directors before such directors are appointed.

Executive Sessions

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The NYSE corporate governance standards require non-management directors of a listed company to meet at regularly scheduled executive sessions without management.

According to the Brazilian Corporation Law, up to 1/3 of the members of Braskem s board of directors can be elected to management positions. The remaining non-management directors are not expressly empowered to serve as a check on Braskem s management, and there is no requirement that those directors meet regularly without management. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Braskem s board of directors consists entirely of non-management directors, and therefore Braskem believes it would be in compliance with this NYSE corporate governance standard.

Nominating/Corporate Governance and Compensation Committees

The NYSE corporate governance standards require that a listed company have a nomination/corporate governance committee and a compensation committee, each composed entirely of independent directors and each with a written charter that addresses certain duties. However, as a controlled company, Braskem would not be required to comply with these requirements if it were a U.S. domestic company.

Braskem is not required under Brazilian law to have, and accordingly does not have, a nominating/corporate governance committee. Currently, all of Braskem s directors are nominated by certain of its shareholders, including Odebrecht, pursuant to shareholders agreements and Braskem s by-laws.

Braskem is not required under Brazilian law to have a compensation committee. However, Braskem has a personnel and organization committee, which is a subcommittee of its board of directors which is responsible for, among other things, analyzing proposals and making recommendations to Braskem s board of directors with respect to the total compensation paid to Braskem s management, including Braskem s chief executive officer. This committee, however, does not evaluate the performance of the chief executive officer in light of corporate goals and objectives. Under Brazilian Corporation Law, Braskem s shareholders establish the aggregate compensation of its directors and executive officers, including benefits and allowances, at a general shareholder s meeting based on the recommendation of Braskem s board of directors.

Audit Committee and Audit Committee Additional Requirements

The NYSE corporate governance standards require that a listed company have an audit committee with a written charter that addresses certain specified duties and that is composed of at least three members, all of whom satisfy the independence requirements of Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act and Section 303A.02 of the NYSE s Listed Company Manual.

As a foreign private issuer that qualifies for the general exemption from the listing standards relating to audit committees set forth in Section 10A-3(c)(3) under the Exchange Act, Braskem is not subject to the independence requirements of the NYSE corporate governance standards. See Item 16D. Exemptions From the Listing Standards for Audit Committees.

Shareholder Approval of Equity Compensation Plans

The NYSE corporate governance standards require that shareholders of a listed company must be given the opportunity to vote on all equity compensation plans and material revisions thereto, subject to certain exceptions.

Under Brazilian Corporation Law, shareholder pre-approval is required for the adoption and revision of any equity compensation plans. Braskem does not currently have any equity compensation plans.

Corporate Governance Guidelines

The NYSE corporate governance standards require that a listed company must adopt and disclose corporate governance guidelines that address certain minimum specified standards which include: (1) director qualification standards; (2) director responsibilities; (3) director access to management and independent advisors; (4) director compensation; (5) director orientation and continuing education; (6) management succession; and (7) annual performance evaluation of the board of directors.

Braskem has adopted the BM&FBOVESPA s corporate governance rules for Level 1 companies and must also comply with certain corporate governance standards set forth under Brazilian Corporation Law. See Item 9. The Offer and Listing Trading on the BM&FBOVESPA BM&FBOVESPA Corporate Governance Standards. The Level 1 rules do not require Braskem to adopt and disclose corporate governance guidelines covering the matters set forth in the NYSE s corporate governance standards. However, certain provisions of Brazilian Corporation Law that are applicable to Braskem address certain aspects of director qualifications standards and director responsibilities.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

The NYSE corporate governance standards require that a listed company must adopt and disclose a code of business conduct and ethics for directors, officers and employees and promptly disclose any waivers of the code for directors or officers. Each code of business conduct and ethics should address the following matters: (1) conflicts of interest; (2) corporate opportunities; (3) confidentiality; (4) fair dealing; (5) protection and proper use of company assets; (6) compliance with laws, rules and regulations (including insider trading laws); and (7) encouraging the reporting of any illegal or unethical behavior.

Braskem has adopted a code of business conduct applicable to its directors, officers and employees, which addresses each of the items listed above. Braskem s code of business conduct is available on Braskem s website at www.braskem.com.br. The information included on our website or that might be accessed through our website is not included in this annual report and is not incorporated into this annual report by reference. No waivers of the provisions of the code of business conduct are permitted, except that the restrictions on outside activities do not apply to Braskem s directors and members of its fiscal council.

ITEM 16H. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURE

The information concerning mine safety violations or other regulatory matters required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and this Item is included in exhibit 99.01.

PART III

ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have responded to Item 18 in lieu of responding to this item.

ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Reference is made to Item 19 for a list of all financial statements filed as part of this annual report.

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1.01	By-laws, as amended (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on May 5, 2016).
2.01	Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement, dated as of March 3, 2008, among Braskem S.A., JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and all Owners and holders from time to time of American Depositary Shares issued thereunder (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 to Form F-6 of Braskem S.A. filed on August 12, 2013).
2.02	The total amount of long-term debt securities of our company and its subsidiaries under any one instrument does not exceed 10% of the total assets of our company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. We agree to furnish copies of any or all such instruments to the SEC upon request.
3.01	Shareholders Agreement of BRK Investimentos Petroquímicos S.A. and Braskem S.A., dated as of February 8, 2010, among Odebrecht S.A., Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A., Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras, and Petrobras Química S.A. Petroquisa, and BRK Investimentos Petroquímicos S.A.

and Braskem S.A., as intervening parties (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.01 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 1, 2010).

- 3.02 Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Shareholders Agreement, dated July 20, 2001, among Odebrecht Química S.A., Petroquímica da Bahia S.A., PETROS Fundação Petrobras de Seguridade Social and PREVI Caixa de Previdência dos Funcionários do Banco do Brasil (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.05 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 30, 2003).
- 4.01 Investment Agreement, dated as of January 22, 2010, among Odebrecht S.A., Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A., Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras, Petrobras Química S.A. Petroquisa, Braskem S.A. and UNIPAR União de Indústrias Petroquímicas S.A. (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.02 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 1, 2010).
- 4.02 Braskem S.A. Long-Term Incentive Plan (English translation)(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.23 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 23, 2006).
- 4.03 Amendment and Restatement of Section 7 of Braskem s Long-Term Incentive Plan, adopted at Extraordinary Shareholder s Meeting on April 7, 2006 (English translation)(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.24 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 23, 2006).

- 4.04 Naphtha Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 23, 2015, between Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras and Braskem S.A. (English translation). (*Confidential treatment has been requested for certain portions omitted from this exhibit pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Confidential portions of this Exhibit have been separately filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.04 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on May 5, 2016).
- 8.01 List of subsidiaries (incorporated by reference to note 2.1.1 to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report).
- 12.01 Certification of Principal Executive Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e).
- 12.02 Certification of Principal Financial Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e).
- 13.01 Certifications of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 99.01 Disclosure of Mine Safety and Health Administration Safety Data.

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Exhibit Number	Exhibit
1.01	By-laws, as amended (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on May 5, 2016).
2.01	Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement, dated as of March 3, 2008, among Braskem S.A., JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and all Owners and holders from time to time of American Depositary Shares issued thereunder (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1 to Form F-6 of Braskem S.A. filed on August 12, 2013).
2.02	The total amount of long-term debt securities of our company and its subsidiaries under any one instrument does not exceed 10% of the total assets of our company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. We agree to furnish copies of any or all such instruments to the SEC upon request.
3.01	<u>Shareholders</u> Agreement of BRK Investimentos Petroquímicos S.A. and Braskem S.A., dated as of February 8, 2010, among Odebrecht S.A., Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A., Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras, and Petrobras Química S.A. Petroquisa, and BRK Investimentos Petroquímicos S.A. and Braskem S.A., as intervening parties (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.01 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 1, 2010).
3.02	Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Shareholders Agreement, dated July 20, 2001, among Odebrecht Química S.A., Petroquímica da Bahia S.A., PETROS Fundação Petrobras de Seguridade Social and PREVI Caixa de Previdência dos Funcionários do Banco do Brasil (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.05 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 30, 2003).
4.01	Investment Agreement, dated as of January 22, 2010, among Odebrecht S.A., Odebrecht Serviços e Participações S.A., Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras, Petrobras Química S.A. Petroquisa, Braskem S.A. and UNIPAR União de Indústrias Petroquímicas S.A. (English translation) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.02 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 1, 2010).
4.02	Braskem S.A. Long-Term Incentive Plan (English translation)(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.23 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 23, 2006).
4.03	Amendment and Restatement of Section 7 of Braskem s Long-Term Incentive Plan, adopted at Extraordinary Shareholder s Meeting on April 7, 2006 (English translation)(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.24 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on June 23, 2006).
4.04	Naphtha Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 23, 2015, between Petróleo Brasileiro S.A. Petrobras and Braskem S.A. (English translation). (*Confidential treatment has been requested for certain portions omitted from this exhibit pursuant to Rule 24b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Confidential portions of this Exhibit have been separately filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.04 to Form 20-F of Braskem S.A. filed on May 5, 2016).
8.01	List of subsidiaries (incorporated by reference to note 2.1.1 to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report).
12.01	Certification of Principal Executive Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e).

- 12.02 Certification of Principal Financial Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e).
- 13.01 Certifications of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer dated September 22, 2017 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 99.01 Disclosure of Mine Safety and Health Administration Safety Data.

SIGNATURES

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

September 22, 2017

BRASKEM S.A.

By /s/ Fernando Musa Name: Fernando Musa Title: Chief Executive Officer

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(a) Management s report on internal controls over financial reporting

The management of Braskem S.A. (Braskem or the Company), including the chief executive officer (CEO) and the chief financial officer (CFO), is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal controls over financial reporting, as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, and effected by our board of directors, management and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

We have assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, based on the criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on our evaluation and based on such criteria, management has concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of December 31, 2016 because of the material weaknesses described below.

Material Weaknesses in Internal Control over Financial Reporting -

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company s annual or interim consolidated financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. During our assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, we identified the following material weaknesses described below:

Control Environment Tone at the top: the failure in the tone at the top as certain former executives directed or were aware of parallel procedures to override internal controls and allow our company to pay commission for services to export agents without the effective execution of such services.

Anti-corruption compliance program and controls: the failure to maintain effective anti-corruption compliance controls and programs designed to prevent and detect violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) and other applicable anti-corruption laws. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to certain payments: the failure to maintain effective controls related to manual payments, such as commissions for services to export agents, which permit payments to be made without the appropriate services being rendered by a rightful vendor. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to ledger accounts: the failure to maintain effective monitoring controls, controls over reconciliation and journal entries approval and review over the ledger accounts used to record accruals and payments of commissions to export agents. This deficiency did not result in a misstatement of the 2016 financial statements, but the statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively.

Controls related to ledger accounts: the failure to maintain controls related to the recording of and monitoring over in-transit inventory (naphtha) in the year-end for raw material (naphtha) import operations processed by one of the Company s consolidated subsidiaries, Braskem Netherlands. This deficiency resulted in adjustments in the restated 2015 financial statements.

Controls related to long-term debt presentation and disclosure: the failure to design controls related to non-financial covenants for long-term debt which led to an inadequate classification between long and short-term debt obligations in Braskem s consolidated subsidiary, Braskem Idesa.

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The material weaknesses could result in a misstatement of Braskem s account balances or disclosures that would result in a material misstatements Braskem s annual or interim consolidated financial statements that would not be prevented or detected.

Attestation report of the registered public accounting firm.

The effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditores Independentes, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which appears herein.

September 22, 2017

By: /s/ Fernando Musa	By: /s/ Pedro van Langendonck Teixeira de
	Freitas
Name:Fernando Musa	Name: Pedro van Langendonck Teixeira de
	Freitas
Title: Chief Executive Officer	Title: Chief Financial Officer

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Report of Independent Registered

Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Braskem S.A.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statement of operations, comprehensive income, of statement of changes in equity and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Braskem S.A and its subsidiaries (the Company) at December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2016 in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Also in our opinion, the Company did not maintain, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31,2016, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013), issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) because the following material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting existed as of that date: (i) failure in the tone at the top as certain former executives directed or were aware of parallel procedures to override internal controls and allow the Company to pay commission for services to export agents without the effective execution of such services; (ii) failure to maintain effective anti-corruption compliance controls and programs designed to prevent and detect violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (FCPA) and other applicable anti-corruption laws; (iii) failure to maintain effective controls related to manual payments, such as commissions for services to export agents, which permit payments to be made without the appropriate services being rendered by a rightful vendor; (iv) failure to maintain effective monitoring controls, controls over reconciliation and journal entries approval and review over the ledger accounts used to record accruals and payments of commissions to export agents; (v) failure to maintain controls related to the recording of and monitoring over in-transit inventory in the year-end for raw material import operations processed by one of the Company s consolidated subsidiaries, Braskem Netherlands and (vi) failure in the design of controls related to non-financial covenants for long-term debt which led to an inadequate classification between long and short-term debt obligations in Braskem s consolidated subsidiary, Braskem Idesa.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. The material weaknesses referred to above are described in the accompanying Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 15 in the Company s 2016 Form 20-F. We considered these material weaknesses in determining the nature, timing, and extent of audit tests applied in our audit of the 2016 consolidated financial statements, and our opinion regarding the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting does not affect our opinion on those consolidated financial statements. The Company s management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in management s report referred to above. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements and on the Company s internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included

performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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As discussed in Note 2.4 to the consolidated financial statements, the consolidated financial statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively to reflect taxes which were due from prior years and that were recognized fiscally and paid in 2016 in the amount of R\$251,917 thousand and R\$229,311 thousand respectively and R\$30,268 thousand and R\$20,015 thousand as an adjustment to the account Deferred Income Tax and Social Contribution.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers

Auditores Independentes

Salvador, Brazil, September 22, 2017

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Braskem S.A.

Balance sheet at December 31

All amounts in thousands of reais

Assets	Note 2.4	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	6	6,701,864	7,043,262	3,891,271
Financial investments	7	1,190,483	414,893	194,431
Trade accounts receivable	8	1,634,137	2,755,708	2,409,146
Inventories	9	5,238,014	6,108,697	5,619,322
Taxes recoverable	11	826,015	1,312,341	2,152,121
Dividends and interest on capital	10	14,986	1,998	
Prepaid expenses		101,747	166,170	99,469
Related parties	10		10,507	66,616
Derivatives operations	17.3	8,387	53,662	33,555
Other receivables		180,915	272,530	282,213
		15,896,548	18,139,768	14,748,144
Non-current assets held for sale	5	359,704		
		16,256,252	18,139,768	14,748,144
Non-current assets				
Financial investments	7		46,193	42,494
Trade accounts receivable	8	70,236	19,822	25,050
Advances to suppliers	9	61,533	135,046	68,988
Taxes recoverable	11	1,088,353	1,317,760	1,059,132
Deferred income tax and social contribution	20(c)	1,653,115	3,204,666	886,081
Judicial deposits		233,320	277,093	230,945
Related parties	10		144,633	138,501
Insurance claims		50,653	63,199	143,932
Derivatives operations	17.3	29,308	12,280	39,350
Other receivables		140,971	192,193	86,024
Investments in subsidiaries and jointly-controlled investments	12	92,313	86,354	126,535
Property, plant and equipment	13	29,336,710	34,100,289	29,070,958
Intangible assets	14	2,809,087	2,887,604	2,835,728
		35,565,599	42,487,132	34,753,718
Total assets		51,821,851	60,626,900	49,501,862

The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Braskem S.A.

Balance sheet at December 31

All amounts in thousands of reais

Continued

Liabilities and shareholders equity	Note 2.4	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Current liabilities				
Trade payables		6,545,136	12,373,555	10,839,875
Borrowings	15	2,594,463	1,969,993	1,419,470
Braskem Idesa borrowings	16	10,437,791	302,266	26,462
Derivatives operations	17.3	29,042	57,760	95,626
Payroll and related charges		562,455	610,286	533,373
Taxes payable	18	624,080	1,003,273	233,434
Dividends	26(b)	3,083	753,668	215,888
Advances from customers	21	203,216	119,680	99,750
Leniency agreement	23.3 and 30	1,354,492		
Sundry provisions	22	112,891	93,942	88,547
Post-employment benefits	24.2.3			336,357
Other payables	25	476,262	358,572	197,808
		22,942,911	17,642,995	14,086,590
Non-current liabilities held for sale	5	95,396		
Non-current naointies neid for sale	5	23,038,307	17,642,995	14,086,590
		20,000,007	17,012,220	1,000,000
Non-current liabilities				
Trade payables		201,686	57,148	
Borrowings	15	20,736,604	25,380,518	18,926,729
Braskem Idesa borrowings	16		11,975,167	7,551,033
Derivatives operations	17.3	861,302	1,119,741	594,383
Taxes payable	18	24,097	26,716	260,010
Loan to non-controlling shareholder of Braskem Idesa	19	1,620,519	1,538,784	792,188
Deferred income tax and social contribution	20(c)	510,523	772,828	627,011
Post-employment benefits	24.2	162,136	170,237	114,478
Advances from customers	21	162,955	31,116	88,402
Contingencies	23	985,237	554,481	408,711
Leniency agreement	23.3 and 30	1,498,738		
Sundry provisions	22	206,245	99,491	96,966
Other payables	25	92,792	312,189	358,303
		27,062,834	42,038,416	29,818,214
Shareholders equity	26	0.040.005	0.045.555	0.045.555
Capital		8,043,222	8,043,222	8,043,222
Capital reserve		232,430	232,430	232,430

Revenue reserves	834,616	2,882,019	736,180
Other comprehensive income	(6,321,859)	(9,060,710)	(2,943,172)
Treasury shares	(49,819)	(49,819)	(48,892)
Accumulated losses		(416,768)	(278,177)
Total attributable to the Company s shareholders	2,738,590	1,630,374	5,741,591
Non-controlling interest in Braskem Idesa	(1,017,880)	(684,885)	(144,533)
	1,720,710	945,489	5,597,058
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	51,821,851	60,626,900	49,501,862

The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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Braskem S.A.

Statement of operations

Years ended December 31

All amounts in thousands of reais

Continued operations	Note 2.4	2016	2015 Restated	2014 Restated
Net sales revenue	28	47,663,988	46,879,989	45,135,897
Cost of products sold		(34,940,619)	(36,728,023)	(39,351,709)
		12,723,369	10,151,966	5,784,188
Income (expenses)				
Selling and distribution		(1,410,828)	(1,083,156)	(1,037,407)
General and administrative		(1,477,199)	(1,280,470)	(1,195,511)
Research and development		(162,010)	(169,635)	(128,133)
Results from equity investments		30,078	2,219	3,929
Other income (expenses), net	30	(3,752,163)	(731,204)	42,773
		5,951,247	6,889,720	3,469,839
Financial results	31			
Financial expenses		(3,570,962)	(3,163,402)	(2,716,382)
Financial income		690,122	584,933	399,869
Exchange rate variations, net		(3,210,417)	102,910	(84,116)
		(6,091,257)	(2,475,559)	(2,400,629)
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution		(140,010)	4,414,161	1,069,210
Current and deferred income tax and social contribution		(616,046)	(1,660,354)	(491,028)
Dusfit (loss) for the year of continued an anotions			2 752 807	
Profit (loss) for the year of continued operations		(756,056)	2,753,807	578,182
Discontinued operations results				
Profit (loss) from discontinued operations		40,760	16,827	(3,992)
Current and deferred income tax and social contribution		(13,901)	(10,445)	4,042
		26,859	6,382	50
Profit (loss) for the year		(729,197)	2,760,189	578,232
rom (1055) for the year		(12),1)	2,700,107	510,434

Attributable to:			
Company s shareholders	(411,472)	3,001,720	715,995
Non-controlling interest in Braskem Idesa	(317,725)	(241,531)	(137,763)
Profit (loss) for the year	(729,197)	2,760,189	578,232

The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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Braskem S.A.

Statement of comprehensive income

Years ended December 31

All amounts in thousands of reais, except earnings (loss) per share

	Note 2.4	2016	2015 Restated	2014 Restated
Profit (loss) for the year		(729,197)	2,760,189	578,232
Other comprehensive income or loss:				,
Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Fair value of cash flow hedge		215,510	(621,991)	(352,700)
Income tax and social contribution		(75,333)	206,315	116,532
Fair value of cash flow hedge from jointly-controlled		(3,309)	2,295	
		136,868	(413,381)	(236,168)
Exchange variation of foreign sales hedge - Parent company	17.4(a.i)	4,121,849	(8,437,079)	(2,119,069)
Sales Hedge - transfer to profit or loss	17.4(a.i)	1,297,910		
Income tax and social contribution on exchange variation -				
Parent company		(1,842,718)	2,868,607	720,483
Exchange variation of foreign sales hedge - Braskem Idesa	17.4(a.ii)	(1,995,065)	(1,589,544)	(656,783)
Sales Hedge - transfer to profit or loss - Braskem Idesa	17.4(a.ii)	59,834		
Income tax on exchange variation - Braskem Idesa		581,304	476,518	197,035
		2,223,114	(6,681,498)	(1,858,334)
Foreign subsidiaries currency translation adjustment		339,296	653,349	147,272
Total		2,699,278	(6,441,530)	(1,947,230)
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss				
Defined benefit plan actuarial loss, net of taxes		(4,119)	(849)	
Post-employment plans - Health plan, net of taxes		,	(8,280)	(7,452)
Total		(4,119)	(9,129)	(7,452)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year		1,965,962	(3,690,470)	(1,376,450)
Attributable to:				
Company s shareholders		2,355,580	(3,087,616)	(1,094,801)
Non-controlling interest in Braskem Idesa		(389,618)	(602,854)	(281,649)

Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	1,965,962	(3,690,470)	(1,376,450)
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		Ba	Basic and diluted				
	Note	2016	2015	2014			
			Restated	Restated			
Profit (loss) per share attributable to the shareholders of							
the Company of continued operations at the end of the							
year (R\$)	27						
Earnings per share - common		(0.5511)	3.7651	0.8995			
Earnings per share - preferred shares class A		(0.5511)	3.7651	0.8995			
Earnings per share - preferred shares class B			0.6065	0.6062			
Profit per share attributable to the shareholders of the							
Company of discontinued operations at the end of the							
year (R\$)							
Earnings per share - common		0.0338	0.0081	0.0001			
Earnings per share - preferred shares class A		0.0338	0.0080	0.0001			
Profit (loss) per share attributable to the shareholders of							
the Company at the end of the year (R\$)							
Earnings per share - common		(0.5173)	3.7732	0.8996			
Earnings per share - preferred shares class A		(0.5173)	3.7731	0.8996			
Earnings per share - preferred shares class B			0.6065	0.6062			

The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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Braskem S.A.

Statement of changes in equity

All amounts in thousands of reais

	Attributed to shareholders interest Revenue reserves Additional Other							Total Braskem No			
			Capital	Legal	Retention	dividends	comprehensive	Treasury	Accumulated	shareholders	interest in Braskem
]]	Note	Capital	reserve	reserve	of profits	proposed	income	shares	losses	interest	Idesa
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g		(270,517)			(270,517)	
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		247,304	(1,0	,00,000)	(752,050)	

81,)	8,043,222	232,430	229,992	2,404,663	247,364	(9,060,710)	(49,819)	(416,768)	1,630,374	(684,885)
			158,450	2,010,542	(23,153)		(927)	(3,168,513)	(1,023,601)	62,502
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	Statement of	changes ir	a equity								
	All amounts i	in thousan	ds of reais						Continued		
		Capital	Accumulated	Total Braskem Non-controll edshareholders interest ir							
Note	Capital	reserve	reserve	of profits	proposed	income	shares	losses	interest	Braskem Idesa	
,	8,043,222	232,430	229,992	2,404,663	247,364	(9,060,710)	(49,819)	(416,768)	1,630,374	(684,88	
								(411,472)	(411,472)	(317,72	
L						2,561,596			2,561,596	(338,48	
f						145,878			145,878	(9,01	
						63,697			63,697	275,59	
						2,771,171		(411,472)	2,359,699	(389,61	
						(27,236)		27,236			
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-						(965)		965	(4.110)		
						(4,119)			(4,119)		
	Table of Con	itents							3	364	

						(32,320)		28,201	(4,119)	
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				(800,039)				800,039		56,62
					(247,364)				(247,364)	
5					(247,304)				(247,304)	
				(1,000,000)					(1,000,000)	
				(1,800,039)	(247,364)			800,039	(1,247,364)	56,62
,	8,043,222	232,430	229,992	604,624		(6,321,859)	(49,819)		2,738,590	(1,017,88

The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements

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Statement of cash flows

Years ended December 31

All amounts in thousands of reais

	Note 2.4	2016	2015 Restated	2014 Restated
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution and				
for the result with discontinued operations		(99,250)	4,430,988	1,065,218
Adjustments for reconciliation of profit				
Depreciation, amortization and depletion		2,683,100	2,125,796	2,059,450
Results from equity investments	12(c)	(30,078)	(2,219)	(3,929)
Interest and monetary and exchange variations, net		3,026,008	3,182,577	1,566,159
Gain from divestment in subsidiary	1(a.i)			(277,338)
Leniency agreement	23.3	2,853,230		
Other		41,016	130,758	9,805
		8,474,026	9,867,900	4,419,365
Changes in operating working capital				
Held-for-trading financial investments		(649,535)	(144,955)	(68,670)
Trade accounts receivable		1,007,875	(342,616)	409,370
Inventories		862,338	(501,734)	(499,440)
Taxes recoverable		1,058,104	841,908	484,248
Prepaid expenses		64,029	(66,701)	(36,472)
Other receivables		353,981	(10,174)	35,096
Trade payables		(4,254,575)	(1,518,288)	(420,793)
Taxes payable		(292,131)	220,226	(476,062)
Advances from customers		216,850	(37,356)	(261,886)
Sundry provisions		558,231	153,690	38,674
Other payables		38,464	734,351	749,156
Cash from operations		7,437,657	9,196,251	4,372,586
Interest paid		(1,538,518)	(1,086,166)	(421,431)
Income tax and social contribution paid		(1,152,847)	(232,302)	(138,144)
Net cash generated by operating activities		4,746,292	7,877,783	3,813,011
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets		564	1,282	10,646
Proceeds from the sale of investments	1(a.i)			315,000
Acquisitions of investments in subsidiaries and associates				(55)
Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment	(i)	(2,839,155)	(4,103,882)	(5,378,803)

Acquisitions of intangible assets		(35,780)	(20,106)	(30,269)
Premium in the dollar put option	17.3.1(a.i)	(4,856)		
Held-for-maturity financial investments		38,353	2,441	29,380
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,840,874)	(4,120,265)	(5,054,101)
Short-term and long-term debt				
Obtained borrowings		4,107,626	5,481,546	6,174,678
Payments of borrowings		(4,901,593)	(6,087,217)	(6,692,638)
Braskem Idesa borrowings	16	())	(-)	(-))
Obtained funds		503,921	1,501,939	1,894,507
Payments		(469,282)	(510,715)	
Dividends paid		(1,997,984)	(482,117)	(482,147)
Repurchase of treasury shares			(927)	
Net cash provided by financing activities		(2,757,312)	(97,491)	894,400
Exchange variation on cash of foreign subsidiaries		586,642	(508,036)	(51,690)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(265,252)	3,151,991	(398,380)
Represented by				
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning for the year		7,043,262	3,891,271	4,289,651
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	2.5	6,778,010	7,043,262	3,891,271
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Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(265,252)	3,151,991	(398,380)

(i) Includes capitalized financial charges paid: 2016 R\$288,424 (2015 R\$786,063 and 2014 R\$362,528). The Management notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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1 **Operations**

Braskem S.A. is a public company headquartered in the city of Camaçari, Bahia (BA), which jointly with its subsidiaries (hereinafter Braskem or Company), operates 40 industrial units, 29 of which in the Brazilian states of Alagoas (AL), Bahia (BA), Rio de Janeiro (RJ), Rio Grande do Sul (RS) and São Paulo (SP), 5 are located in the United States, 4 in Mexico and 2 are located in Germany. These units produce thermoplastic resins polyethylene (PE), polypropylene (PP) and polyvinyl chloride (PVC), as well as basic petrochemicals.

Braskem is also engaged in the import and export of chemicals, petrochemicals and fuels, the production, supply and sale of utilities such as steam, water, compressed air, industrial gases, as well as the provision of industrial services and the production, supply and sale of electric energy for its own use and use by other companies. Braskem also invests in other companies, either as a partner or as shareholder.

The Company is controlled by Odebrecht S.A. (Odebrecht), which directly and indirectly holds interests of 50.11% and 38.32% in its voting and total capital, respectively.

(a) Significant operating event impacting these financial statements

- (i) On December 31, 2013, the Company entered into a share sales agreement with Odebrecht Ambiental (OA), through which it sold its interest in the subsidiary Distribuidora de Águas Triunfo S.A. (DAT) for R\$315,000. On February 3, 2014, the Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting of DAT approved the change in its management and consequently the transfer of the management of its operations to OA, upon the recognition of a gain (Other operating income (expenses), net) of R\$277,338.
- (ii) In December 2015, Braskem began the start-up process of the petrochemical complex of Braskem Idesa S.A.P.I (Braskem Idesa) in Mexico, putting into operation the utilities area, followed by the cracker in March 2016. In April it produced the first lot of polyethylene (PE). The complex houses a gas-based ethylene cracker and three polyethylene plants two high-density and one low-density - with combined annual production of capacity of 1.05 million tons* of PE.

Braskem holds 75% indirect interest in Braskem Idesa and the remaining 25% pertains to Etileno XXI, S.A. de C.V.

* unaudited

(b) Net working capital

On December 31, 2016, in compliance with IAS 1 - Presentation of Financial Statements, the subsidiary Braskem Idesa reclassified to current liabilities R\$9,491,686 of Project finance obligations whose original maturities are long term, since certain contractual obligations (covenants) as of December 31, 2016 were in default (Note 16). Consequently, the net working capital became negative R\$7,046,363.

It should be noted that Braskem Idesa has been settling its debt service obligations in accordance with the original maturity schedule, none of the creditors has requested immediate repayment of such obligations and, without the above reclassification, consolidated net working capital is positive at R\$2,445,323.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied consistently in the preparation of these financial statements are described in the notes of the items on which they have impacts.

2.1 Basis of preparation and presentation of the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and were adjusted, when necessary, to reflect the fair value of assets and liabilities.

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain estimates. It also requires Management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Company s accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in Note 3.

Issue of these financial statements was authorized by the Executive Board on September 21, 2017.

2.1.1 Consolidated financial statements

The consolidated financial statements were prepared and presented in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

All relevant information pertaining exclusively to these financial statements is presented herein and corresponds to the information used by the Management of the Company.

(a) Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Braskem S.A. and the following entities:

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Total and voting interest - % Headquarters20162014Direct and Indirect subsidiaries(i) Brazil100.00100.00Alclor Química de Alagoas Ltda (Alclor)(i) Brazil100.00100.00	
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Finance) USA 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem America, Inc. (Braskem America) USA 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Argentina S.A. (Braskem Argentina) Argentina 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem International GmbH (Braskem Austria) (ii) Austria 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Austria Finance GmbH (Braskem Austria Finance) (iii) Austria 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Europe GmbH (Braskem Alemanha) Germany 100.00 100.00 100.00	00
Braskem Finance Limited (Braskem Finance) Cayman Islands 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Idesa Mexico 75.00 75.00 75.00	00
Braskem Idesa Servicios S.A. de CV (Braskem Idesa	
Serviços) Mexico 75.00 75.00 75.0	00
Braskem Importação e Exportação Ltda. (Braskem	
Importação) (iv) Brazil 100.0	00
Braskem Incoporated Limited (Braskem Inc) Cayman Islands 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Mexico Proyectos S.A. de C.V. SOFOM (Braskem	
México Sofom) Mexico 100.00 100.00	
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Serviços) Mexico 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
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Finance) Netherlands 100.00 100.00	
Braskem Netherlands Inc. B.V. (Braskem Holanda Inc) Netherlands 100.00 100.00	
Braskem Participações S.A. (Braskem Participações) (iv) Brazil 100.0	00
Braskem Petroquímica Chile Ltda. (Braskem Chile) Chile 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Braskem Petroquímica Ibérica, S.L. (Braskem Espanha) (v) Spain 100.0	00
Braskem Petroquímica Ltda. (Braskem Petroquímica) Brazil 100.00 100.00 100.0	00
Quantiq Distribuidora Ltda. (Quantiq)(vi)Brazil100.00100.00	00
IQAG Armazéns Gerais Ltda. (IQAG)(vi) Brazil100.00100.00	00
Lantana Trading Co. Inc. (Lantana)Bahamas100.00100.00	00
Norfolk Trading S.A. (Norfolk)(vii) Uruguay100.0	00
(iv) Brazil 100.0	00

Politeno Empreendimentos Ltda. (PolitenoEmpreendimentos)Specific Purpose Entity (SPE)Fundo de Investimento Multimercado Crédito Privado Sol(FIM Sol)Fundo de Investimento Caixa Júpiter Multimercado CréditoFundo de Investimento Caixa Júpiter Multimercado CréditoPrivado Longo Prazo (FIM Júpiter)Brazil100.00100.00100.00

(i) Merged into the subsidiary Braskem Petroquímica in April 2016.

- (ii) In the process of dissolution.
- (iii) Dissolved in January 2016.
- (iv) Merged in February 2015.
- (v) Dissolved in September 2015.
- (vi) Currently undergoing negotiations for sale. (Note 5)
- (vii) Dissolved in March 2015.

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2.2 Foreign currency translation

(a) Functional and presentation currency

The functional and presentation currency of the Company is the Brazilian real.

(b) Functional currency other than the Brazilian real

Certain subsidiaries have a different functional currency from that of the Braskem S.A., as follows:

	Functional currency
Subsidiaries	
Braskem Alemanha, Braskem Austria and Braskem	
Austria Finance	Euro
Braskem America, Braskem America Finance,	
Braskem Holanda, Braskem Holanda Finance,	
Braskem Holanda Inc and Braskem México Sofom	U.S. dollar
Braskem Idesa, Braskem Idesa Serviços, Braskem	
México e Braskem México Serviços	Mexican peso
The other subsidiaries adopt the Brazilian real as functional currency.	

(c) Exchange variation effects

The main effects from exchange variation that impacted these financial statements are shown below:

		of year ra ecember 3			Av	erage rate		
	2016	2015	Variation	2016	2015	2014 20	Variat 16 - 201520	
	3.2591	3.9048	-16.54%	3.4833	3.3387	2.3547	4.33%	41.79%

U.S. dollar - Brazilizan real								
U.S. dollar - Mexican								
peso	20.6352	17.3700	18.80%	18.6987	15.8846	13.3113	17.72%	19.33%
U.S. dollar - Euro	0.9479	0.9187	3.17%	0.9041	0.9019	0.7545	0.24%	19.55%

2.3 New or revised pronouncements that are not yet effective

IFRS 9 Financial instruments this pronouncement was issued by IASB in July 2014 to address the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities, to introduce new rules for hedge accounting and a new impairment model for financial assets. Accordingly, the Company does not expect the new guidance to have a significant impact on the classification and measurement of its financial assets. There will be no impact on the Company s accounting for financial liabilities, as the new requirements only affect the accounting for financial liabilities. The new hedge accounting rules will align the accounting for hedging instruments more closely with the Company s risk management practices. As a general rule, more hedge relationships might be eligible for hedge accounting, as the standard introduces a more principles-based approach. While the Company is yet to undertake a detailed assessment, it would appear that the Company s current hedge relationships would qualify as continuing hedges upon the adoption of IFRS 9. Accordingly, the Company does not expect a significant impact on the accounting for its hedging relationships.

The new impairment model requires the recognition of impairment provisions based on expected credit losses (ECL) rather than only incurred credit losses as is the case under IAS 39.

For these analyses, Braskem has a risk classification system (Note 17.5(a)) that takes into consideration specific elements of each client, their industries and other present and future variables. Afterwards, the impairment can be complemented based on events such as effective default rates or more extreme cases such as court-supervised reorganizations, bankruptcies etc. which may result in an earlier recognition of credit losses. The new standard

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also introduces expanded disclosure requirements and changes in presentation. These are expected to change the nature and extent of the Company s disclosures about its financial instruments particularly in the year of the adoption of the new standard. By the end of 2017, the Management of the Company will approve the new impairment policy and include an estimate of its impact on current practices. This standard will be adopted as of January 2018.

IFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers this pronouncement was issued by IASB in May 2014 and will replace IAS 18 which covers contracts for goods and services. The new standard is based on the principle that revenue is recognised when control of a good or service transfers to a customer. In 2016, the Company made significant progress on contract reviews and expects to complete the contract evaluations and validate results by the end of 2017. Based on analysis completed to date, the Company expects the potential impact on accounting for product sales to remain substantially unchanged. The Company expects to adopt the new standard using the modified retrospective approach, under which the cumulative effect of initially applying the new guidance is recognized as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the first quarter of 2018.

IFRS 16 Leases pronouncement issued by the IASB in January 2016, requiring lessees to recognize in their financial statements any liabilities arising from the future payment and direct use of leased assets, including operating leases. The standard will affect primarily the accounting for the Company 's operating leases. The most significant leased assets are freight cars used to distribute products produced by Braskem America and Braskem Idesa. The company also has lease agreements for office space, industrial and light vehicles and IT equipment. However, the Company is still evaluating to what extent these agreements will result in the recognition of an asset and a liability for future payments and how this will affect the Company 's profit and classification of cash flows. This standard has will be adopted as of January 2019.

2.4 Restatement

(i) Restatement of Taxes Provisions

As informed in Note 23.3(b), between 2006 and 2014 the Company made payments to certain companies without any corresponding evidence of services actually provided. These payments were initially taxed at zero rate of income tax at source (IRF) and considered as deductible for income tax (IR) and social contribution on profit (CSL). Upon the identification from the lack of corresponding services, the Management of Braskem determined the payment of all taxes owed and a revision of deferred income tax and social contribution. The main tax assessed was the IRF with a rate of 35%. In addition, these payments were considered as non-deductible for the purpose of calculating IR and CSL. The amounts involved in this matter are disclosed in Note 23.3(c).

Due to the payments without corresponding services provided and the consequent tax impacts, the financial statements for 2015 and 2014 are restated retrospectively. This restatement is due to material error and, for this reason, the Company presented opening balance sheet for January 1, 2015, in accordance with IAS 8 (Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors). The impact of these provisions are being demonstrated in the column Adjustment Tax provisions as shown on the table below.

(ii) Other adjustments

In view of restatement of these financial statements of 2015, the Management of Braskem decided to recognize other adjustments in prior years. The impact of these adjustments are being demonstrated in the column Adjustment Other as shown on the table below.

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Balance sheet for 2015

		201		
Assets	Published	Adjustn		Restated
~	Т	ax provisions	Other	
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	7,439,723		(396,461)(a)	7,043,262
Financial investments	1,172		413,721(b)	414,893
Trade accounts receivable	2,735,144		20,564(c)	2,755,708
Inventories	5,517,206		591,491(d)	6,108,697
Taxes recoverable	1,272,004		40,337(e)	1,312,341
Other receivables	300,901		(28,371)(f)	272,530
Other assets	232,337			232,337
	17,498,487		641,281	18,139,768
Non-current assets				
Taxes recoverable	1,304,056	13,704(a)		1,317,760
Deferred income tax and social contribution	3,226,507	(30,268)(b)	8,427(g)	3,204,666
Other receivables	298,057		(105,864)(h)	192,193
Investments	86,354			86,354
Property, plant and equipment	33,961,963		138,326(i)	34,100,289
Other assets	3,585,870			3,585,870
	42,462,807	(16,564)	40,889	42,487,132
Total assets	59,961,294	(16,564)	682,170	60,626,900
Liabilities and shareholders equity				
Current liabilities				
Trade payables	11,698,695		674,860(j)	12,373,555
Borrowings	1,968,540		1,453(k)	1,969,993
Payroll and related charges	605,059		5,227(1)	610,286
Taxes payable	744,660	251,917(c)	6,696(m)	1,003,273
	,	,	, ()	,,

Other liabilities	1,665,275		20,613(n)	1,685,888
	16,682,229	251,917	708,849	17,642,995
Non-current liabilities				
Borrowings	25,370,260		10,258(o)	25,380,518
Derivatives operations	1,184,741		(65,000)(p)	1,119,741
Deferred income tax and social contribution	731,241		41,587(q)	772,828
Post-employment benefits	154,707		15,530(r)	170,237
Other payables	217,502		94,687(s)	312,189
Other liabilities	14,282,903			14,282,903
	41,941,354		97,062	42,038,416
Shareholders equity				
Other comprehensive income	(9,085,256)		24,546(t)	(9,060,710)
Accumulated losses		(268,481)(d)	(148,287)(u)	(416,768)
Other	11,107,852			11,107,852
Total attributable to the Company s shareholders	2,022,596	(268,481)	(123,741)	1,630,374
Non-controlling interest in Braskem Idesa	(684,885)			(684,885)
	1,337,711	(268,481)	(123,741)	945,489
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	59,961,294	(16,564)	682,170	60,626,900

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The adjustments that caused the restatement of these financial statements and are indicated in column Adjustments Tax provisions are as follow:

- (a) Related to the anticipation of income tax and social contribution for the year 2013 in the amount of R\$13,704.
- (b) Refers to the reduction of deferred income tax and social contribution on tax losses and negative basis, in the amount of R\$30,268.
- (c) These adjustments result from: (i) R\$171,368 referring to payment of income tax at source on remittance of funds abroad at the rate of 35%; (ii) R\$60,546 referring to payment related to REFIS installment payment; and (iii) R\$20,003 related to the payment of the principal amount of anticipated of income tax and social contribution.

(d) Related to corresponding entries of the adjustments mentioned in items (a), (b) and (c), above. **The main adjustments that are indicated in column Adjustments Other are as follow:**

- (a) Refers, mainly, to the reclassification of R\$413,721 to financial investments and other immaterial reclassifications to other payables and other receivables .
- (b) Refers to the reclassification of cash and cash equivalents of Brazilian government bonds (*Letras Financeiras do Tesouro* LFT) whose original maturity exceeds three months, immediate liquidity and realization is expected in the short term.
- (c) Refers, mainly to: (i) decrease of R\$146,852 in accounts receivable due to revenue of 2016 recognized by error in 2015; and (ii) increase of R\$157,227 due to revenue of 2015 recognized by error in 2016.

- (d) Refers, mainly to: (i) increase in the balance of inventories of R\$101,575, due to error arising in recognition of sales mentioned in item (c-i); (ii) increase of R\$502,027 due to inventories of 2015 recognized by error in 2016; and (iii) decrease in the balance of inventories by R\$12,111 due to the write-off storehouse materials.
- (e) Refers, mainly, to the reclassification of tax credits from taxes payable to taxes recoverable in the amount of R\$32,671.
- (f) Refers to the reclassification of R\$28,371 from current assets to non-current assets of Eletrobras credits.
- (g) Refers, mainly, to increase due to deferred income tax and deferred social contribution tax arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note affecting the statement of operation.
- (h) Refers to adjustments mainly related to: (i) corresponding entry in non-current assets of the adjustment mentioned in item (f) above; (ii) impairment of R\$81,303 in assets related to investments with little likelihood of realization and transfer of land in the amount of R\$47,166 to property, plant and equipment.
- Refers to adjustments to property, plant and equipment primarily related to: (i) addition of the land mentioned in item (h-ii) above; (ii) addition of R\$106,921 due to error in the classification of operating lease to finance lease.
- (j) Refers, mainly, to (i) increase in the amount of R\$648,311 related to purchase of goods to resale of 2015 that were recognized by error in 2016; (ii) increasing in trade payables in the amount of R\$24,764, related to expenses recorded in the wrong period; and (iii) write-off of R\$16,444 related to unduly recorded liabilities, related to previous years.
- (k) Immaterial errors related to the reclassification between borrowings and other liabilities .
- (l) Refers to adjustment on the provision for profit sharing paid in 2016.
- (m) Refers mainly to: (i) additions of PIS and COFINS of R\$29,146, mainly arising from acquisition of electric power and financial income related to the years of 2015, 2014 and 2013; (ii) decrease of R\$29,302 due to error in the tax calculation for 2015 with effect in the statement of operation and R\$32,039 due to error in tax calculation for 2013 with effect in accumulated losses; and (iii) increase of taxes payable, mainly related to the effect of the adjustment mentioned in item (e) above.
- (n) Refers to the increase in the balance of other liabilities of R\$20,613, due to error arising in recognition of liabilities.
- (o) Refers, mainly, to reclassification to borrowings of premium payments of bond transaction of Braskem America classified in financial income from previous years.

- (p) Refers to the recognition of counterparty risk in the measurement of derivative instruments of R\$65,000.
- (q) Refers to adjustments to deferred income tax and deferred social contribution tax liabilities arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note affecting the statement of operation.
- (r) Refers to the increase of R\$15,530 in the post-employment benefit plan related to the health plan.
- (s) Refers, mainly, to the additions in the amount of R\$102,825 due to error in the classification from operating lease to finance lease mentioned in the item (i) above.
- Refers, mainly, to: (i) corresponding entry of the adjustment mentioned in item (p) above, increasing the balance by R\$65,000; (ii) reduction of the balance due to reclassification from other comprehensive income to other income (expense), net of R\$40,509, due to adjustments to the actuarial liability of health plan benefit.
- (u) Refers to: (i) adjustments recorded in the statement of operation leading to the impact in the accumulated losses of R\$111,238; and (ii) other immaterial adjustments mentioned above, recorded in accumulated losses of R\$37,049.

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Opening balance sheet as of 1/1/2015

	1/1/2015			
Assets	Published in 2014	Adjustn Tax provisions	ient Other	Opening balance in 1/1/2015
Current assets		•		
Cash and cash equivalents	3,993,359		(102,088)(a)	3,891,271
Financial investments	89,729		104,702(b)	194,431
Trade accounts receivable	2,692,612		(283,466)(c)	2,409,146
Inventories	5,368,146		251,176(d)	5,619,322
Taxes recoverable	2,129,837		22,284(e)	2,152,121
Other receivables	287,876		(5,663)(f)	282,213
Other assets	199,640			199,640
	14,761,199		(13,055)	14,748,144
Non-current assets				
Taxes recoverable	1,045,428	13,704(a)		1,059,132
Deferred income tax and social contribution	870,206	(20,015)(b)	35,890(g)	886,081
Other receivables	91,905		(5,881)(h)	86,024
Investments	126,535			126,535
Property, plant and equipment	29,001,490		69,468(i)	29,070,958
Other assets	3,524,988			3,524,988
	34,660,552	(6,311)	99,477	34,753,718
Total assets	49,421,751	(6,311)	86,422	49,501,862
Liabilities and shareholders equity				
Current liabilities				
Trade payables	10,852,410		(12,535)(j)	10,839,875
Borrowings	1,418,542		928(k)	1,419,470
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203,392		30,042(1)	233,434
1,608,948		(15,137)(m)	1,593,811
14,083,292		3,298	14,086,590
18,918,021		8,708(n)	18,926,729
30,699	229,311(c)		260,010
603,490		23,521(o)	627,011
69,176		45,302(p)	114,478
291,040		67,263(q)	358,303
9,531,683			9,531,683
29,444,109	229,311	144,794	29,818,214
(2,924,057)		(19,115)(r)	(2,943,172)
	(235,622)(d)	(42,555)(s)	(278,177)
8,962,940			8,962,940
6,038,883	(235,622)	(61,670)	5,741,591
(144,533)			(144,533)
5,894,350	(235,622)	(61,670)	5,597,058
49,421,751	(6,311)	86,422	49,501,862
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The adjustments that caused the restatement of these financial statements and are indicated in column Adjustments Tax provisions are as follow:

- (a) Related to the anticipation of income tax and social contribution for the year 2013 in the amount of R\$13,704.
- (b) Refers to the reduction of deferred income tax and social contribution on tax losses and negative basis, in the amount of R\$20,015.
- (c) These adjustments result from: (i) R\$156,992 referring to payment of income tax at source on remittance of funds abroad at the rate of 35%; (ii) R\$54,035 referring to payment related to REFIS installment payment; and (iii) R\$18,284 related to the payment of the principal amount of anticipated of income tax and social contribution.
- (d) Related to corresponding entries of the adjustments mentioned in items (a), (b) and (c), above.

The main adjustments that are indicated in column Adjustments Other are as follow:

- (a) Refers, mainly, to the reclassification to financial investments of R\$104,702.
- (b) Refers to the reclassification of cash and cash equivalents of Brazilian government bonds (*Letras Financeiras do Tesouro* LFT) whose original maturity exceeds three months, immediate liquidity and realization is expected in the short term.
- (c) Refers, mainly to a decrease of R\$283,466 in accounts receivable due to revenue of 2015 recognized by error in 2014.
- (d) Refers, mainly, to the increase in the balance of inventories of R\$248,026, due to error arising in recognition of sales mentioned in item (c).
- (e) Refers, mainly, to the reclassification of tax credits from taxes payable to taxes recoverable in the amount of R\$22,224.
- (f) Refers to reduction due reclassification of advances to suppliers to trade payables .
- (g) Related to increase due to deferred income tax and deferred social contribution tax arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note affecting the statement of operation.
- (h) Immaterial errors related to the reclassification to other payables .
- (i) Refers to adjustments to property, plant and equipment primarily related to: (i) addition of R\$77,147 due to error in the classification of operating lease to finance lease.
- (j) Refers, mainly, to reduction by the write-off of R\$10,585 related to unduly recorded liabilities, related to previous years.
- (k) Immaterial errors related to reclassification between borrowings and other payables .

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- (l) Related to (i) additions of PIS and COFINS of R\$24,098, mainly arising from acquisition of electric power and financial income related to the years of 2014 and 2013; (ii) reduction related to error in tax calculation for 2013 with effect in accumulated losses in the amount of R\$21,794; and (ii) increase of taxes payable, mainly related to the effect of the adjustment mentioned in item (e) above.
- (m) Refers, mainly to the write-off of notes unduly recorded in the amount of R\$10,254, related to previous years.
- (n) Refers, mainly, to reclassification to borrowings of premium payments of bond transaction of Braskem America classified in financial income from previous years.
- (o) Related to adjustments to deferred income tax and social contribution liabilities arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note affecting the statement of operation.
- (p) Refers to the increase of R\$45,302 in the post-employment benefit plan related to the health plan.
- (q) Refers, mainly, to: (i) increase in the amount of R\$73,803 due to error in the classification from operating lease to finance lease mentioned in the item (i) above; and (ii) reduction of the balance due to reclassification mentioned in the item (h) above in the amount of R\$5,881.
- (r) Refers, mainly, to: (i) reduction of the balance due to adjustments on the actuarial liability of health plan benefit in the amount R\$27,964; and (ii) increase related to deferred taxes based on the adjustments on the actuarial liability in the amount of R\$9,508.
- (s) Refers, mainly, to: (i) adjustments recorded in the statement of operation leading to the impact in the accumulated losses in the amount of R\$21,330; and (ii) other immaterial adjustments mentioned above, recorded in accumulated losses in the amount of R\$12,943.

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Statement of operations for 2015

			2015		
		Discontinued			
	Published	operations	Adjustr		Restated
Continued operations		Note 5(b) Ta	ax provisions	Other	
Net sales revenue	47,282,996	(682,371)		279,364(a)	46,879,989
Cost of products sold	(36,902,086)	510,365		(336,302)(b)	(36,728,023)
	10,380,910	(172,006)		(56,938)	10,151,966
Income (expenses)					
Selling and distribution	(1,122,012)	38,856			(1,083,156)
General and administrative	(1,325,342)	59,327		(14,455)(c)	(1,280,470)
Research and development	(176,431)			6,796(d)	(169,635)
Results from equity investments	2,219				2,219
Other income (expenses), net	(707,153)	25,029		(49,080)(e)	(731,204)
	7,052,191	(48,794)		(113,677)	6,889,720
Financial results					
Financial expenses	(3,158,498)	8,052	(22,606)(a)	9,650(f)	(3,163,402)
Financial income	595,674	(8,677)		(2,064)(g)	584,933
Exchange rate variations, net	70,318	32,592			102,910
	(2,492,506)	31,967	(22,606)	7,586	(2,475,559)
Profit before income tax and social contribution	4,559,685	(16,827)	(22,606)	(106,091)	4,414,161
Current and deferred income tax					
and social contribution	(1,660,905)	10,445	(10,253)(b)	359(h)	(1,660,354)
Profit for the year of continued operations	2,898,780	(6,382)	(32,859)	(105,732)	2,753,807

Discontinued operations results					
Profit (loss) from discontinued					
operations		16,827			16,827
Current and deferred income tax					
and social contribution		(10,445)			(10,445)
		6,382			6,382
Profit for the year	2,898,780		(32,859)	(105,732)	2,760,189
Attributable to:					
Company s shareholders	3,140,311		(32,859)	(105,732)	3,001,720
Non-controlling interest in					
Braskem Idesa	(241,531)				(241,531)
Profit for the year	2,898,780		(32,859)	(105,732)	2,760,189

	Basic a	Parent company Basic and diluted - in R\$ per share			
	Published	Adjustment	Restated		
Profit per share attributable to					
the shareholders of the Company					
of continued operations at the					
end of the year (R\$)					
Earnings per share - common	3.9474	(0.1766)	3.7708		
Earnings per share - preferred					
shares class A	3.9474	(0.1766)	3.7708		
Earnings per share - preferred					
shares class B	0.6065		0.6065		

The adjustments that caused the restatement of these financial statements and are indicated in column Adjustments Tax provisions are as follow:

- (a) Referring to interest accrual based on the variation in the Selic rate related to the extemporaneous taxes.
- (b) Related to adjustments to deferred income tax and social contribution arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note.

The main adjustments that are indicated in column Adjustments Other are as follow:

- (a) Mainly referring to: (i) decrease of R\$146,211 related to revenue from 2016 recognized by error in 2015; (ii) increase of R\$155,872 related to revenue from 2015 recognized by error in 2016; (iii) increase of R\$298,746 due to revenue of 2015 recognized by error in 2014; and (iv) decrease of R\$21,768 due to a reclassification from financial expenses related to commercial discounts.
- (b) Mainly referring to: (i) decrease of costs of products sold of R\$101,184 related to adjustments of sales mentioned in item (a-i) and increase of costs of products sold of R\$145,023 and R\$262,263 related to adjustments of sales mentioned in item (a-ii) and (a-iii); and (ii) an increase of R\$24,764 of freight costs in fiscal year 2015 previously recorded in 2016.

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- (c) Immaterial errors classified as general and administrative expenses.
- (d) Refers to the reclassification of expenses to other income (expenses), net .
- (e) Mainly referring to: (i) impairment of assets related to investments with little likelihood of realization, in the amount of R\$80,601; (ii) reversal of provision for health plan of R\$42,318; (iii) write-off storehouse materials of R\$12,111.
- (f) Mainly referring to: (i) adjustments mentioned in item (a-iv) above; and (ii) interest expenses from the health plan benefit of R\$8,364.
- (g) Immaterial errors classified as financial income.
- (h) Mainly referring to: (i) reduction of R\$19,201 related to adjustments in deferred income tax, unduly recorded in previous years; and (ii) impacts in current and deferred income tax and social contribution arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note.

Statement of operations for 2014

			2014		
	Published	Discontinued operations	Adjustn		Restated
Continued operations			Tax provisions	Other	
Net sales revenue	46,031,389	(621,117)		(274,375)(a)	45,135,897
Cost of products sold	(40,057,341)	479,319		226,313(b)	(39,351,709)
	5,974,048	(141,798)		(48,062)	5,784,188
Income (expenses)					
Selling and distribution	(1,155,800)	46,094	72,299(a)		(1,037,407)
General and administrative	(1,210,124)	59,148		(44,535)(c)	(1,195,511)
Research and development	(138,441)			10,308(d)	(128,133)
Results from equity investments	3,929				3,929
Other income (expenses), net	95,596	28,783	(102,893)(b)	21,287(e)	42,773
	3,569,208	(7,773)	(30,594)	(61,002)	3,469,839
Financial results					
Financial expenses	(2,706,963)	12,541	(20,073)(c)	(1,887)(f)	(2,716,382)
Financial income	401,394	(1,734)		209(g)	399,869
Exchange rate variations, net	(85,074)	958			(84,116)

	(2,390,643)	11,765	(20,073)	(1,678)	(2,400,629)
Profit before income tax and social contribution	1,178,565	3,992	(50,667)	(62,680)	1,069,210
Current and deferred income tax and social contribution	(452,264)	(4,042)	(71,942)(d)	37,220(h)	(491,028)
Profit for the year of continued operations	726,301	(50)	(122,609)	(25,460)	578,182
Discontinued operations results					
Loss from discontinued operations		(3,992)			(3,992)
Current and deferred income tax					
and social contribution		4,042			4,042
		50			50
Profit for the year	726,301		(122,609)	(25,460)	578,232
Attributable to:					
Company s shareholders	864,064		(122,609)	(25,460)	715,995
Non-controlling interest in					
Braskem Idesa	(137,763)				(137,763)
Profit for the year	726,301		(122,609)	(25,460)	578,232

	Parent company Basic and diluted - in R\$ per share				
	Published Adjustment Resta				
Profit per share attributable to					
the shareholders of the					
Company of continued					
operations at the end of the year					
Earnings per share - common	1.0857	(0.1864)	0.8993		
Earnings per share - preferred					
shares class A	1.0857	(0.1864)	0.8993		
Earnings per share - preferred					
shares class B	0.6062		0.6062		

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The adjustments that caused the restatement of these financial statements and are indicated in column Adjustments Tax provisions are as follow:

- (a) During the investigation mentioned in the note 34, were identified payments for services to without corresponding evidence of the services being rendered. These payments were reclassified from selling and distribution expenses, as originally reported, to other income (expenses), net in the amount of R\$72,299.
- (b) Referring to: (i) effect related to extemporaneous taxes in amount of R\$30,594; and (ii) reclassification from selling and distribution expenses in the amount of R\$72,299 mentioned in item (a) above.
- (c) Refers to recognize of fine and interest related to the extemporaneous taxes.
- (d) Mainly referring to: (i) payment related to REFIS installment payment in the amount of R\$54,035; (ii) payment of the principal amount of anticipated of income tax and social contribution in the amount of R\$18,284; and (iii) deferred income tax and social contribution due to the statement adjustments presented.

The main adjustments that are indicated in column Adjustments Other are as follow:

- (a) Mainly referring to: (i) the decrease of R\$283,254 related to revenue from 2015 recognized by error in 2014;
 (ii) the increase of R\$36,726 due to revenue of 2014 recognized by error in 2013; and (iii) decrease of R\$21,641 due to a reclassification from financial expenses related to commercial discounts.
- (b) Mainly referring to: (i) decrease of costs of products sold of R\$247,828 and an increase of costs of products sold of R\$31,367 related to adjustment of sales mentioned in item (a-i) and (a-ii); and (ii) an decrease of R\$6,145 of freight costs in fiscal year 2014 previously recorded in 2015.
- (c) Mainly referring to increase related to the reclassification of management fee in the amount of R\$43,490 from other income (expenses), net .
- (d) Refers to the reclassification of expenses to other income (expenses), net .
- (e) Mainly referring to: (i) increase in the amount of R\$10,396 related to PIS and COFINS; (ii) increase of the corresponding entry mentioned in item (d); and (iii) decrease of the corresponding entry mentioned in item (c).
- (f) Mainly referring to: (i) decrease related to the adjustment mentioned in item (a-iii); (ii) increase related interest expenses from the health plan benefit of R\$7,527; and (iii) increase of R\$14,676 due to reversal of recognition of counterparty risk in the measurement of derivative instruments.
- (g) Immaterial errors classified as financial income .
- (h) Mainly referring to the impacts in current and deferred income tax and social contribution arising from all adjustments mentioned in this note.

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Statement of cash flow for 2015

	2015 Published Adjustment Tax provisions Other			Restated
Profit before income tax and social contribution and for the				
result with discontinued operations	4,559,685	(22,606)	(106,091)	4,430,988
Adjustments for reconciliation of profit				
Depreciation, amortization and depletion	2,114,929		10,867	2,125,796
Results from equity investments	(2,219)			(2,219)
Interest and monetary and exchange variations, net	3,249,558		(66,981)	3,182,577
Other	130,758			130,758
	10,052,711	(22,606)	(162,205)	9,867,900
Changes in operating working capital	110.000			
Held-for-trading financial investments	118,929		(263,884)	(144,955)
Trade accounts receivable	(38,586)		(304,030)	(342,616)
Inventories	(161,419)		(340,315)	(501,734)
Taxes recoverable	831,507		10,401	841,908
Other receivables	(132,865)		122,691	(10,174)
Trade payables	(2,205,683)		687,395	(1,518,288)
Taxes payable	221,371	22,606	(23,751)	220,226
Other payables	708,267		26,084	734,351
Other assets and liabilities, net	49,633			49,633
Cash from operations	9,443,865		(247,614)	9,196,251
Interest paid	(1,086,166)			(1,086,166)
Income tax and social contribution paid	(232,302)			(232,302)
Net cash generated by operating activities	8,125,397		(247,614)	7,877,783
Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment	(4,057,123)		(46,759)	(4,103,882)

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Others investments	(16,383)		(16,383)
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,073,506)	(46,759)	(4,120,265)
Net cash provided by financing activities	(97,491)		(97,491)
Exchange variation on cash of foreign subsidiaries	(508,036)		(508,036)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,446,364	(294,373)	3,151,991
Represented by Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning for the year	3,993,359	(102,088)	3,891,271
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	7,439,723	(396,461)	7,043,262
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,446,364	(294,373)	3,151,991

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Statement of cash flow for 2014

	Published Ta	20 Adjus x provision	tment	Restated
Profit before income tax and social contribution and for the				
result with discontinued operations	1,178,565	(50,667)	(62,680)	1,065,218
Adjustments for reconciliation of profit				
Depreciation, amortization and depletion	2,056,362		3,088	2,059,450
Results from equity investments	(3,929)			(3,929)
Interest and monetary and exchange variations, net	1,560,734		5,425	1,566,159
Gain from divestment in subsidiary	(277,338)			(277,338)
Other	9,805			9,805
	4,524,199	(50,667)	(54,167)	4,419,365
Changes in operating working capital				
Held-for-trading financial investments	(19,057)		(49,613)	(68,670)
Trade accounts receivable	144,087		265,283	409,370
Inventories	(270,351)		(229,089)	(499,440)
Taxes recoverable	486,082		(1,834)	484,248
Other receivables	27,832		7,264	35,096
Trade payables	(419,476)		(1,317)	(420,793)
Taxes payable	(539,262)	50,667	12,533	(476,062)
Other payables	677,071		72,085	749,156
Other assets and liabilities, net	(259,684)			(259,684)
Cash from operations	4,351,441		21,145	4,372,586
Interest paid	(421,431)			(421,431)
Income tax and social contribution paid	(138,144)			(138,144)
Net cash generated by operating activities	3,791,866		21,145	3,813,011

Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment	(5,301,778)	(77,025)	(5,378,803)
Others investments	324,702		324,702
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,977,076)	(77,025)	(5,054,101)
Net cash provided by financing activities	894,400		894,400
Exchange variation on cash of foreign subsidiaries	(51,690)		(51,690)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(342,500)	(55,880)	(398,380)
Represented by			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning for the year	4,335,859	(46,208)	4,289,651
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	3,993,359	(102,088)	3,891,271
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(342,500)	(55,880)	(398,380)

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2.5 Statement of cash flows - 2016

In the statement of cash flows for the year 2016, the final balance of cash and cash equivalents includes the corresponding amounts of the subsidiaries Quantiq and IQAG. On the other hand, in the consolidated balance sheet, all the assets of these subsidiaries, including cash balances and cash equivalents, are included in the item non-current assets held for sale (Note 5 (a)). The reconciliation between the statement of cash flows and the balance sheet is as follows:

	2016
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	
Balance as presented in the cash flow	6,778,010
Cash and cash equivalents included in non-current assets held fo	
sale	(76,146)
Cash and cash equivalents in current assets	6,701,864

3 Application of critical estimates and judgments

Critical estimates and judgments are those that require the most difficult, subjective or complex judgments by management, usually as a result of the need to make estimates that affect issues that are inherently uncertain. Estimates and judgments are continually reassessed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results can differ from planned results due to differences in the variables, assumptions or conditions used in making estimates.

The Company makes a series of other estimates that are presented in the respective notes, such as allowance for doubtful accounts, fair-value adjustment of inventories and provision for repairing environmental damage.

In order to provide an understanding of the way the Company forms its judgments on future events, the variables and assumptions used in critical estimates are presented below:

3.1 Deferred income tax (IR) and social contribution (CSL)

The recognition and the amount of deferred taxes assets depend on the generation of future taxable income, which requires the use of an estimate related to the Company s future performance. These estimates are included in the business plan, which is annually prepared by the Executive Board and submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. This plan uses as main variables the price of the products manufactured by the Company, price of inputs, gross domestic product of each country where the Company operates, exchange variation, interest rate, inflation rate and fluctuations in the supply and demand of inputs and finished products. These variables are obtained from expert external consultants, based on the Company s historical performance and its capacity to generate taxable income and specific incentives from the Brazilian government for the petrochemical sector in Brazil.

Information on deferred income tax and social contribution is presented in Note 20(c).

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3.2 Fair value of derivative and non-derivative financial instruments

The Company evaluates the derivative financial instruments at their fair value and the main sources of information are the stock exchanges, commodities and futures markets, disclosures of the Central Bank of Brazil and quotation services like Bloomberg and Reuters. Nevertheless, the high volatility of the foreign exchange and interest rate markets in Brazil has been causing significant changes in future rates and interest rates over short periods of time, leading to significant changes in the market value of swaps and other financial instruments.

The fair values of non-derivative, quoted financial instruments are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset and for unlisted securities is not active, the Company establishes fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm s length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models that make maximum use of market inputs and rely as little as possible on information provided by the Company s Management.

Information on derivative and non-derivative financial instruments is presented in Note 17.

3.3 Useful life of assets

The Company recognizes the depreciation and depletion of its long-lived assets based on their useful life estimated by independent appraisers and approved by the Company s technicians taking into consideration the experience of these professionals in the management of Braskem s plants. The useful lives initially established by independent appraisers are normally reviewed at the end of every year by the Company s technicians in order to check whether they need to be changed. This review may take place during the year in case of possible non-recurring events.

The main factors that are taken into consideration in the definition of the useful life of the assets that compose the Company s industrial plants are the information of manufacturers of machinery and equipment, level of the plants operations, quality of preventive and corrective maintenance and the prospects of technological obsolescence of assets.

The Company s management also decided that (i) depreciation should cover all assets value because when the equipment and installations are no longer operational, they are sold by amounts that are immaterial; and (ii) land is not depreciated because it has an indefinite useful life.

The useful lives applied to the assets determined the following average (%) depreciation and depletion rates:

	2016	2015
Buildings and improvements	3.49	3.42
Machinery, equipment and installations	9.34	8.42
Mines and wells	8.83	8.89
Furniture and fixtures	10.36	10.48
IT equipment	20.53	20.55
Lab equipment	9.65	9.80
Security equipment	9.78	9.91
Vehicles	22.72	19.09
Other	18.97	18.98
Other	18.97	

Information on property, plant and equipment is presented in Note 13.

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3.4 Impairment test and analysis

(a) Tangible and intangible assets with defined useful lives

On the reporting date of each of its financial statements, the Company conducts an analysis to determine the existence of any indication that the book balance of long-lived tangible assets and intangible assets with defined useful lives may not be recoverable. This analysis is conducted to assess the existence of scenarios that could adversely affect its cash flow and, consequently, its ability to recover the investment in such assets. These scenarios arise from issues of a macroeconomic, legal, competitive or technological nature.

Some significant and notable aspects considered by the Company in this analysis include: (i) the possibility of an oversupply of products manufactured by the Company or of a significant reduction in demand due to adverse economic factors; (ii) the prospects of material fluctuations in the prices of products and inputs; (iii) the likelihood of the development of new technologies or raw materials that could materially reduce production costs and consequently impact sales prices, ultimately leading to the full or partial obsolescence of the industrial facilities of the Company; and (iv) changes in the general regulatory environment that make the production process of Braskem infeasible or that significantly impact the sale of its products. For this analysis, the Company maintains an in-house team with a more strategic vision of the business and also remains in permanent contact with a team of external consultants. If the aforementioned variables indicate any material risk to cash flows, the Management of Braskem conducts impairment tests in accordance with Note 3.4(b).

The Company s assets are grouped initially under operating Segments, based on product lines and production site location. Within each Segment, assets are grouped into Cash-generating units (CGU), based solely on the production site location (country and, for Basic Petrochemicals, region in Brazil). Based on these concepts, the assets are grouped as follows:

Reportable operating segments:

Basic petrochemicals:

CGU UNIB Bahia: represented by assets of the basic petrochemicals plants located in the state of Bahia;

CGU UNIB South: represented by assets of the basic petrochemicals plants located in the state of Rio Grande do Sul;

CGU UNIB Southeast: represented by assets of the basic petrochemicals plants located in the states of Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo; Polyolefins:

CGU Polyethylene: represented by assets of the PE plants located in Brazil;

CGU Polypropylene: represented by assets of the PP plants located in Brazil;

CGU Renewables: represented by the assets of the Green PE plant located in Brazil; Vinyls:

CGU Vinyls: represented by assets of PVC and chloride soda plants located in Brazil; United States and Europe:

CGU Polypropylene USA: represented by assets of PP plants located in the United States;

CGU Polypropylene Europe: represented by assets of PP plants located in Germany; Mexico:

Represented by the assets of the ethylene and PE plants located in Mexico.

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Discontinuation of the Chemical Distribution operating segment:

This segment was represented by the assets of the subsidiaries Quantiq and IQAG, and was discontinued based on the decision to divest such companies (Note 5).

(b) Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives

The balances of goodwill from future profitability arising from business combinations are tested for impairment once a year. These tests are based on the projected cash generation for a five-year period, which are extracted from the business plan of the Company and cited in Note 3.1. In addition to the projected cash flow for the period from 2017 to 2021, perpetuity is also calculated based on the long-term vision and without considering growth in real terms for this calculation.Cash flows and perpetuity are adjusted to present value at a discount rate based on the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC).

The goodwill allocated to the Polyolefins operating segment (Note 14 (a)) was generated in a business combination that resulted in the simultaneous acquisition of polypropylene and polyethylene plants. The main raw materials of these plants were already supplied by the Company, which allowed for the obtainment of significant synergies in the operation. These synergies were one of the main drivers of that acquisition. Accordingly, the Company s management tested this goodwill for impairment in the ambit of their operating segment since the benefits of the synergies are associated with all units acquired.

The remaining existing goodwill is allocated to the UNIB Sul CGU and to the Vinyls operating segment (Note 14(a)).

Goodwill from future profitability are presented in Note 14. Said note also presents the results of impairment tests.

3.5 Contingencies

Existing contingent liabilities and provisions are mainly related to discussions in the judicial and administrative spheres arising from primarily labor, pension, civil and tax lawsuits and administrative procedures.

The Management of Braskem, based on the opinion of its external legal advisors, classifies these proceedings in terms of probability of loss as follows:

Probable loss these are proceedings for which there is a higher probability of loss than of a favorable outcome, i.e., the probability of loss exceeds 50%. For these proceedings, the Company recognizes a provision that is determined as follows:

- (i) labor claims the amount of the provision corresponds to the amount to be disbursed as estimated by the Company s legal counsels;
- (ii) tax claims the amount of the provision corresponds to the value of the matter plus charges corresponding to the variation in the Selic rate; and

(iii) other claims the amount of the provision corresponds to the value of the matter. Possible loss these are proceedings for which the possibility of loss is greater than remote. The loss may occur, however, the elements available are not sufficient or clear to allow for a conclusion on whether the trend is for a loss or a gain. In percentage terms, the probability of loss is between 25% and 50%. For these claims, except for the cases arising from business combinations, the Company does not recognize a provision and mentions the most significant ones in a note to the financial statements (Note 23.2). In business combination

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transactions, in accordance with the provision in IFRS 3, the Company records the fair value of the claims based on the assessment of loss. The amount of the provision corresponds to the value of the matter, plus charges corresponding to the variation in the Selic rate, multiplied by the probability of loss, as determined by our external counsels.

The Company s management believes that the estimates related to the outcome of the proceedings and the possibility of future disbursement may change in view of the following: (i) higher courts may decide in a similar case involving another company, adopting a final interpretation of the matter and, consequently, advancing the termination of the of a proceeding involving the Company, without any disbursement or without implying the need of any financial settlement of the proceeding; and (ii) programs encouraging the payment of the debits implemented in Brazil at the Federal and State levels, in favorable conditions that may lead to a disbursement that is lower than the one that is recognized in the provision or lower than the value of the matter.

The Company s contingencies are presented in Note 23.

3.6 Hedge accounting

The Company designated liabilities in foreign currency to hedge the future cash flows generated by its exports. This decision was based on two important concepts and judgments: (i) the performance of exports according to its business plan (Note 3.2), which are inherent to the market and business where it operates, and (ii) the ability of the Company to refinance its liabilities in U.S. dollar, since the priority financing in U.S. dollar is part of the Company s guidelines and strategy. In addition to the ability to refinance its U.S. dollar liabilities, the maintenance of a minimum level of net liabilities in U.S. dollar is envisaged in the Financial Policy of the Company.

Braskem Idesa designated all of the financing it obtained for the construction of its industrial plant to protect part of its sales to be made in the same currency as said financing, the U.S. dollar. The sales estimate is included in the project that was presented to the banks/lenders, which, due to the consistency of the projection, granted Braskem Idesa a financing line to be paid exclusively using the cash generated by these sales. All the commercial considerations of the project were based on market studies conducted by expert consulting firms during the feasibility-analysis phase.

All hedge transactions conducted by the Company are in compliance with the accounting procedures and practices adopted by Braskem, and effectiveness tests are conducted for each transaction every quarter, which prove the effectiveness of its hedge strategy.

The Company determined that hedged items will be characterized by the first sales in U.S. dollars in each quarter until the amount designated for each period is reached (Note 17). The liabilities designated for hedge will be aligned with

the hedging maturity schedule and the Company s financial strategy.

Under the Financial Policy, the Company may contract financial derivatives (swaps, NDFs, options etc.) to hedge against unwanted changes in currencies and rates. These derivatives may be designated for hedge accounting in accordance with Management s judgment and when the application is expected to provide a material improvement in the demonstration of the compensatory effect on the variations of the hedged items.

4 Risk management

Braskem is exposed to market risks arising from variations in commodity prices, foreign exchange rates and interest rates, credit risks of its counterparties in cash equivalents, financial investments and trade accounts receivable, and liquidity risks to meet its obligations from financial liabilities.

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Braskem adopts procedures for managing market and credit risks that are in conformity with its Financial Policy approved by the Board of Directors on August 9, 2010. The purpose of risk management is to protect the Company s cash flows and reduce the threats to the financing of its operating working capital and investment programs.

4.1 Market risks

Braskem prepares a sensitivity analysis for foreign exchange rate and interest rate risks to which it is exposed, which is presented in Note 17.6.

(a) Exposure to commodity risks

Braskem s main feedstocks (naphtha, ethane, propane and propylene) and main products (PE, PP and PVC) are commodities quoted on international markets. A series of factors determine the dynamics of these quotes and said dynamic impacts the result and cash generation of Braskem, which in general does not seek financial instruments to hedge against price fluctuations.

(b) Exposure to foreign exchange risk

Braskem has commercial operations denominated in or pegged to foreign currencies. Braskem s inputs and products have prices denominated in or strongly influenced by international prices of commodities, which are usually denominated in U.S. dollar. Additionally, Braskem has long-term loans in foreign currencies that expose it to variations in the foreign exchange rate between the functional currency (Brazilian real, Mexican peso and Euro) and the foreign currency, in particular the U.S. dollar. Braskem manages its exposure to foreign exchange risk through the combination of debit, financial investments, accounts receivable and raw material purchases denominated in foreign currencies and through derivative operations. Braskem s Financial Policy for managing foreign exchange risks provides for the maximum and minimum coverage limits that must be observed and which are continuously monitored by its Management.

On December 31, 2016, Braskem prepared a sensitivity analysis for its exposure to the risks of fluctuation in the U.S. dollar, as informed in Note 17.6.

(c) Exposure to interest rate risk

Braskem is exposed to the risk that a variation in floating interest rates causes an increase in its financial expense due to payments of future interest. Debit denominated in foreign currency subject to floating rates is mainly subject to fluctuations in Libor. Debit denominated in local currency is mainly subject to the variation in the Long-Term Interest Rate (TJLP) and in the Interbank Certificate of Deposit (daily CDI) rate.

In 2015 and 2016, Braskem held swap contracts (Note 17.3.1) in which it: receives the pre-contractual rate and pays the CDI overnight rate; and receives Libor and pays a fixed rate (Note 17.3.1(b.ii)).

On December 31, 2016, Braskem prepared a sensitivity analysis for the exposure to the floating interest rates Libor, CDI and TJLP, as informed in Notes 17.6(c.1) and (c.2).

4.2 Exposure to credit risk

The transactions that subject Braskem to the concentration of credit risks are mainly in current accounts with banks, financial investments and trade accounts receivable in which Braskem is exposed to the risk of the financial institution or customer involved. In order to manage this risk, Braskem maintains bank current accounts and financial investments with major financial institutions, weighting concentrations in accordance with the credit rating and the daily prices observed in the Credit Default Swap market for the institutions, as well as netting contracts that minimize the total credit risk arising from the many financial transactions entered into by the parties.

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On December 31, 2016, approximately 23% of the amounts held in Cash and cash equivalents (Note 6) were allocated to financial institutions that had compensation agreements with the Company. The obligations covered by these agreements are included under Borrowings (Note 15). The effective netting of these amounts is possible only in the event of default by one of the parties.

With respect to the credit risk of customers, Braskem protects itself by performing a rigorous analysis before granting credit and obtaining secured and unsecured guarantees when considered necessary including credit insurance.

The maximum exposure to credit risk of non-derivative financial instruments on the reporting date is the sum of their carrying amounts less any provisions for impairment losses. On December 31, 2016, the balance of trade accounts receivable was net of allowance for doubtful accounts (Note 8).

4.3 Liquidity risk

Braskem has a calculation methodology to determine operating cash and minimum cash for the purpose of, respectively: (i) ensuring the liquidity needed to comply with obligations of the following month; and (ii) ensuring that the Company maintains liquidity during potential crises. These amounts are calculated mainly based on the projected operating cash generation, less short-term debits and working capital needs.

Braskem has two revolving credit lines for the purpose of managing liquidity risks, which may be used without restrictions in function of the Company s credit quality or in case of deterioration in the macroeconomic scenario, in the amounts of: (i) US\$750 million until December 2019; and (ii) US\$500 million until September 2019. These credit facilities enable Braskem to reduce the amount of cash it holds. As of December 31, 2016, none of these credit lines had been used.

The table below shows Braskem s financial liabilities, including amounts derived from the Leniency Agreement (Note 23.3), by maturity. These amounts are calculated from undiscounted cash flows and does not reconcile with the balance sheet.

		Restated		
	Mat	turity		
Until	Between	Between	More than	Total
one year	one and	three and	five years	

		three years	five years		
Trade payables	6,678,378	201,686			6,880,064
Borrowings	2,736,454	6,858,266	7,871,197	18,477,235	35,943,152
Braskem Idesa borrowings	985,004	1,622,544	2,248,464	8,707,034	13,563,046
Derivatives	29,042	861,302			890,344
Loan to non-controlling shareholder of					
Braskem Idesa				1,620,519	1,620,519
BNDESPAR (Note 25)	176,846				176,846
Leniency agreement (Note 23.3)	1,354,492	325,299	1,058,562	685,353	3,423,706
At December 31, 2016	11,960,216	9,869,097	11,178,223	29,490,141	62,497,677

4.4 Capital management

The ideal capital structure, according to Braskem's Management, considers the balance between own capital and the sum of all payables less the amount of cash and cash equivalents and financial investments. This composition meets the Company's objectives of perpetuity and of offering an adequate return to shareholders and other stakeholders. This structure also permits borrowing costs to remain at adequate levels to maximize shareholder remuneration.

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Due to the impact of the U.S. dollar on the Company s operations, the Management of Braskem believes that the own capital used for capital management purposes should be measured in this currency and on a historical basis. Moreover, the Company may temporarily maintain a capital structure that is different from this ideal. This occurs, for example, during periods of growth, when the Company may finance a large portion of its projects through borrowings, provided that this option maximizes return for shareholders once the financed projects start operating. In order to adjust and maintain the capital structure, the Management of Braskem may also consider the sale of non-strategic assets, the issue of new shares or even adjustments to dividend payments.

5 Non-current held-for-sale assets and discontinued operations

On January 10, 2017, Management of the Company signed a sales agreement of Quantiq and its subsidiary IQAG, which was approved by the Brazilian anti-trust counsel (CADE). The approval of the sale plan was made by Management during the second half of 2016 and the sale offer was approved by the Board of Directors occurred on January 9, 2017.

Quantiq is engaged in the distribution, sale and manufacture of petroleum-based and petrochemical solvents, the distribution and sale of process oils, other petroleum-based inputs, intermediate chemicals, special chemicals and pharmacons. IQAG is engaged in providing storage services.

Although the sale agreement was executed in January 2017, the consolidated financial statements of Quantiq and IQAG are presented as held-for-sale assets and discontinued operations, since Braskem had already received a firm offer by the buying party before December 31, 2016 and both the Company s Management and its Board of Directors were committed to the sale plan.

The operating profits or losses of Quantiq and IQAG were presented in the segment information as operating segment Chemical distribution. The operating results of this segment were R\$29,766 in 2016 and R\$53,608 in 2015.

The results of Quantiq and IQAG for 2014, 2015 and 2016 are presented in the line profit from discontinued operations on the consolidated statements of operations. The assets and liabilities of these companies in December 31, 2016 are presented in the lines non-current assets held-for-sale and non-current liabilities held-for-sale , respectively.

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(a) Assets and liabilities classified as held-for-sale

Consolidated balances sheets of Quantiq and IQAG.

	2016
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	76,146
Trade accounts receivable	65,626
Inventories	84,296
Taxes recoverable	45,859
Property, plant and equipment	61,037
Intangible assets	6,665
Other assets	20,075
Total assets	359,704
l otal assets	359,704
Liabilities	359,704
	359,704 62,692
Liabilities	
Liabilities Trade payables	62,692
Liabilities Trade payables Payroll and related charges	62,692 11,170
Liabilities Trade payables Payroll and related charges Dividends	62,692 11,170 6,371
Liabilities Trade payables Payroll and related charges Dividends Taxes payable	62,692 11,170 6,371 7,064

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(b) Results from discontinued operations

Consolidated statements of operations of Quantiq and IQAG.

	2016	2015	2014
Net sales revenue	830,754	874,702	842,715
Cost of products sold and services provided	(674,619)	(702,696)	(700,917)
Gross profit	156,135	172,006	141,798
Income (expenses)			
Selling and distribution	(45,938)	(38,856)	(46,094)
General and administrative	(77,258)	(59,327)	(59,148)
Other income (expenses), net	(608)	(25,029)	(28,783)
Operating profit	32,331	48,794	7,773
Financial results	8,429	(31,967)	(11,765)
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution	40,760	16,827	(3,992)
Current and deferred income tax and social contribution	(13,901)	(10,445)	4,042
Result with discontinued operations	26,859	6,382	50

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(c) Cash flow from discontinued operations

Consolidated cash flow statements of Quantiq and IQAG.

	2016	2015	2014
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution	40,760	16,827	(3,992)
Adjustments for reconciliation of profit (loss)			
Depreciation, amortization and depletion	5,428	5,639	5,834
Interest and monetary and exchange variations, net	(867)	17,090	17
Other	93	61	
	45,414	39,617	1,859
Changes in operating working capital	41,642	(18,720)	3,469
Cash from operations	87,056	20,897	5,328
Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment	(5,491)	(8,749)	(4,859)
Other		214	
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,491)	(8,535)	(4,859)
Short-term and long-term debt			
Obtained		44,254	
Payments	(57,543)	(2,121)	(350)
Related parties			
Obtained	26,469	24,553	19,951
Payments	(35,094)	(24,646)	(19)
Dividends paid	(6,029)	(2,380)	(12,907)
Net cash provided by financing activities	(72,197)	39,660	6,675
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	9,368	52,022	7,144
Represented by			

Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning for the year	66,778	14,756	7,612
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	76,146	66,778	14,756
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	9,368	52,022	7,144

6 Cash and cash equivalents

		2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Cash and banks	(i)	2,178,611	873,966	227,237
Cash equivalents:				
Domestic market		2,914,685	2,015,274	2,148,946
Foreign market	(i)	1,608,568	4,154,022	1,515,088
Total		6,701,864	7,043,262	3,891,271

(i) On December 31, 2016, it includes cash and banks of R\$172,390 (R\$96,830 on December 31, 2015) and cash equivalents of R\$29,169 (R\$37,809 on December 31, 2015) of the subsidiary Braskem Idesa, available for use exclusively in its project.

This item includes cash, bank deposits and highly liquid financial investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. Investments normally only qualify as cash equivalent if they have a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

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Cash equivalents in Brazil are mainly represented by fixed-income instruments and time deposits held by the FIM Jupiter fund. Cash equivalents abroad mainly comprise fixed income instruments issued by first-class financial institutions (time deposit) with high market liquidity.

7 Financial investments

		2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Loans and receivables				
Time deposit investments	(i)	434,015		85,573
Held-for-trading				
Letras financeiras do tesouro - LFT	(ii)	755,712	413,721	104,702
Other		756	1,172	4,155
Held-to-maturity				
Quotas of investment funds in credit rights			46,193	42,495
Total		1,190,483	461,086	236,925
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Current assets		1,190,483	414,893	194,431
Non-current assets			46,193	42,494
Total		1,190,483	461,086	236,925

(i) Time deposit given as cash collateral to fulfill the commitment of Braskem with for the project finance of the subsidiary Braskem Idesa.

(ii) Government bonds held-for-trading refers to Brazilian floating-rate government bonds (LFTs). These bonds have maturity above three months, immediate liquidity and expected realization in the short term.

8 Trade accounts receivable

The Company s billing period is generally 30 days; therefore, the amount of the trade accounts receivable corresponds to their fair value on the date of the sale. The Company realizes part of its trade accounts receivable through the sale of trade notes to funds that acquire receivables. These operations are not entitled to recourse, for which reason the trade notes are written-off at the moment of the operation.

	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Customers		Restated	Restateu
Domestic market	869,306	1,439,133	1,523,458
Foreign market	1,215,626	1,664,371	1,233,569
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(380,559)	(327,974)	(322,831)
Total	1,704,373	2,775,530	2,434,196
Current assets	1,634,137	2,755,708	2,409,146
Non-current assets	70,236	19,822	25,050
Total	1,704,373	2,775,530	2,434,196

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The breakdown of trade accounts receivable by maturity is as follows:

	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Accounts receivables not past due	1,668,063	2,486,662	1,973,466
Past due securities:			
Up to 90 days	173,125	309,585	531,966
91 to 180 days	15,325	52,757	45,271
As of 180 days	228,419	254,500	206,324
	2,084,932	3,103,504	2,757,027
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(380,559)	(327,974)	(322,831)
Total customers portfolio	1,704,373	2,775,530	2,434,196

The changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts are presented below:

	2016	2015	1/1/2015
Balance of provision at the beginning of the year	(327,974)	(322,831)	(282,753)
Provision in the year	(102,065)	(51,368)	(81,078)
Write-offs	38,499	46,225	41,000
Transfers of non-current assets held for sale	10,981		
Balance of provision at the end of the year	(380,559)	(327,974)	(322,831)

The methodology adopted by the Company for recognizing the provision for impairment is based on the history of losses and considers the sum of (i) 100% of the amount of receivables past due for over 180 days; (ii) 50% of the amount of receivables past due between 90 and 180 days; (iii) 100% of the amount of receivables under judicial collection (iv) all the receivables from the first renegotiation maturing within more than 24 months; and (v) 100% of the receivables arising from a second renegotiation with customers. Receivables from subsidiaries are not considered in this calculation. This methodology is revised on an annual basis by the Management of the Company.

9 Inventories

		2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Finished goods		3,444,898	4,017,910	3,932,380
Raw materials, production inputs and packaging		1,407,399	1,510,244	1,067,512
Maintenance materials		312,167	289,568	247,327
Advances to suppliers	(i)	103,267	315,234	346,885
Imports in transit and other		31,816	110,787	94,206
Total		5,299,547	6,243,743	5,688,310
Current assets		5,238,014	6,108,697	5,619,322
Non-current assets		61,533	135,046	68,988
Total		5,299,547	6,243,743	5,688,310

In this item, includes advance to a power supplier that is being realized through a reduction in the electricity tariff between January 1, 2016 and January 31, 2022, of which R\$15,069 in current and R\$61,533 in non-current.

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Inventories of finished products are stated at average cost of purchase or production or the estimated price of sale or acquisition, excluding taxes, whichever is lower.

The value of finished products includes raw materials, ancillary and maintenance materials used, depreciation of industrial facilities, expenses with Company s and third-party personnel involved in industrial production and maintenance, and logistics expenses with the transfer of these products from the plants to the sale terminals.

On December 31, 2016, finished products has lower value than the net realizable value and it is not necessary to record a provision. In 2015, a provision of R \$2,875 was recorded. For this estimate, the Company considers the sale price projected for the period during which it expects to sell the product. This period is determined based on the historical data for the turnover of the respective inventory.

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10 Related parties

Balance sheet for associated companies, jointly-controlled investment and related companies 2016 2015									
	Odebrecht and			Odebrecht aildetrobras and					
Balance sheet	subsidiaries	ubsidiaries	Other	Total	subsidiaries	subsidiaries	Other	Total	
Assets									
Current									
Trade accounts									
receivable	5,634	33,843	28,390	67,867	12,851	141,550	33,997	188,398	
Inventories		5,434		5,434	138,619			138,619	
Dividends and									
interest on capital			14,986	14,986			1,998	1,998	
Related parties	50			50		9,927	580	10,507	
Non-current									
Advances to									
suppliers					58,443			58,443	
Related parties									
Intercompany loan	l					78,332		78,332	
Other receivabels						66,301		66,301	
Total assets	5,684	39,277	43,376	88,337	209,913	296,110	36,575	542,598	
Liabilities									
Current									
Trade payables	77,461	904,090	1,226	982,777	284,973	1,400,485	2,011	1,687,469	
Total liabilities	77,461	904,090	1,226	982,777	284,973	1,400,485	2,011	1,687,469	

Transactions between associated companies, jointly-controlled investment and related companies 2016 2015

Other

Total

2014

	Petrobras and subsidiaries			debrecht and subsidiaries	Petrobras and subsidiaries			Debrecht and Debre	Petrobras and subsidiaries
)51	2,023,815	562,709	2,635,575	64,093	1,620,335	475,836	2,160,264	82,750	1,817,056
		56 170			10 400 (10	100 600	1 (200 021		10.100.000
103(i)	12,291,190	56,170	13,911,463	3,692,625(i)	12,488,618	108,688	16,289,931	3,631,198(i)	18,183,600
(21)	6,452		6,431		6,723		6,723		964
		41,845	41,845			44,466	44,466		
								277,338(ii)	

- (i) Includes expenses with the Braskem Idesa project, of which R\$734,263 related to fiscal year 2016,R\$3,177,121 related to fiscal year 2015 and R\$3,297,400 related to fiscal year 2014 (Note 17).
- (ii) Amount related to divestment in subsidiary (Note 1(a.i)).
- (iii) The entities that have received the payments without corresponding services mentioned in Note 23.3(b) were considered as related parties of Braskem.

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As provided for in the Company s bylaws, the Board of Directors has the exclusive power to decide on any contract with related parties, except to the purchase of raw materials that exceed R\$ 5,000 per operation or R\$ 15,000 altogether per year. This prevision encompasses contracts between the Braskem S.A. and its subsidiaries with (i) any of its common shareholders and (ii) directors of the Company, its shareholder or its subsidiary or its respective related parties.

Pursuant to Brazilian Corporation Law, officers and directors are prohibited from: (i) performing any acts of liberality with the use of the Company s assets and in its detriment; (ii) intervening in any operations in which these officers and directors have a conflict of interest with the Company or in resolutions in which they participate; and (iii) receiving, based on their position, any type of personal advantage from third parties, directly or indirectly, without an authorization under the Bylaws or by the shareholders meeting.

As part of the control to identify related parties, the officers and directors of Braskem are asked, on an annual basis, if they or their direct family members have any kind of relevant interaction, equal to or greater than R\$5,000, with companies that transact with Braskem and its subsidiaries. Such interaction may be in the form of holding an equity interest or participating in the management process of the company. For fiscal years 2015 and 2016, the companies that were informed by the managers are included in this note.

The related parties that have significant relationship with the Company are as follows:

Odebrecht and its direct and indirect subsidiaries:

Agro Energia Santa Luzia S.A.

Cetrel S.A. (Cetrel).

Construtora Norberto Odebrecht S.A. (CNO).

Odebrecht Agroindustrial Participações S.A.

Santo Antônio Energia S.A. (SAESA).

Usina Conquista do Pontal S.A. **Petrobras and its direct and indirect subsidiaries:**

Petrobras: shareholder of Braskem.

Petrobras Distribuidora (BR Distribuidora).

Refinaria Alberto Pasqualini (REFAP). Joint ventures of Braskem:

Refinaria de Petróleo Riograndense S.A (RPR).

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The main agreements with related parties, in the period ended December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, except subsidiaries of the Company, are as follows:

Odebrecht and its subsidiaries:

(i) In March 2016, an agreement was entered into with Usina Conquista do Pontal S.A., with Agro Energia Santa Luzia S.A. and with Odebrecht Agroindustrial Participações S.A. to ensure the continued supply of hydrous ethanol to the Company, with technical flexibilities and differentiated commercial conditions, through an advance duly restated by the market rate and guaranteed by Odebrecht S.A., the balance of which was fully settled during 2016. The price of hydrous ethanol is based on the Monthly Rate published by the Luiz de Queiroz College of Agriculture (ESALQ) Hydrous Fuel São Paulo, in R\$/liter, of the reference month and with a discount. The agreement has an estimated maximum amount of R\$305,000 and is valid through April 30, 2017.

On December 27, 2016, the Company signed an amendment modifying the type of invoicing for feedstock purchases. The amendment determines that the price practiced at time of delivery is the lesser of the ceiling established in the amendment and the reference established in the original contract.

- (ii) In July 2016, a service agreement was executed by Cetrel to treat wastewater produced by the Braskem industrial units located in the Camaçari Petrochemical Complex. The agreement has an estimated maximum value of R\$77.000 and is valid through December 31, 2019.
- (iii) In August 2016, a power purchase agreement was executed with SAESA to supply Braskem s industrial units. The agreement has an estimated maximum value of R\$517,000 and is valid for 13 years as from January 1, 2017.

Petrobras and its subsidiaries:

On December 23, 2015, Braskem and Petrobras entered into an agreement for the annual purchase of 7 million tons of petrochemical naphtha for five years. This agreement includes commercial renegotiation rights for both parties as of the third year, in case of changes in certain market conditions. The established price is 102.1% of ARA international benchmark, which is the average price of inputs in the European ports of Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Antwerp).

- (ii) In February 2016, the agreement with Petrobras for the purchase of aliphatic solvent was extended until March 2017, under the same terms and conditions of the agreement signed in July 2015.
- (iii) As from June 2016, Braskem maintains agreements for the sale of gasoline to BR Distribuidora, which is renewed on a monthly basis. Sales in the year amount to R\$474,472.
- (iv) In November 2016, the Company entered into an agreement with Petrobras for the purchase of 108,000 tons of polymer-grade propylene through REFAP, with duration of 5 years.

Joint ventures of Braskem:

- (i) In 2016, the sales of gasoil to RPR amounted to R\$95,125. The product is used as feedstock in its diesel oil production process and the agreements were made on a spot basis.
- (ii) Since March 2016, Braskem has had agreements for the sale of gasoline to RPR, renewable on a monthly basis. Sales in the year amount to R\$264,615.

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(b) Key management personnel

The Company considers Key management personnel to be the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board, composed of the CEO and vice-presidents. Not all the members of the Executive Board are members of the statutory board.

Income statement transactions	2016	2015	2014
Remuneration			
Short-term benefits	44,277	46,562	35,963
Post-employment benefit	515	272	256
Long-term incentives			560
Total	44,792	46,834	36,779

11 Taxes recoverable

		2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Brazil				
IPI		38,909	23,996	20,456
Value-added tax on sales and services (ICMS) - normal				
operations	(a)	495,339	403,842	413,066
ICMS - credits from PP&E		125,145	121,954	131,153
Social integration program (PIS) and social contribution on				
revenue (COFINS) - normal operations		32,823	69,431	675,983
PIS and COFINS - credits from PP&E		253,503	230,030	244,194
Income tax and social contribution (IR and CSL)	(b)	605,058	958,567	706,427
REINTEGRA program	(c)	53,129	274,654	263,771
Federal supervenience	(d)	155,533	173,436	170,264
Other		1,046	14,281	9,217
Other countries				
Value-added tax		132,152	277,751	547,947

Income tax (IR)	19,103	80,600	27,439
Other	2,628	1,559	1,336
Total	1,914,368	2,630,101	3,211,253
Current assets	826,015	1,312,341	2,152,121
Non-current assets	1,088,353	1,317,760	1,059,132
Total	1,914,368	2,630,101	3,211,253
Total	, , ,		

(a) ICMS normal operations

Accumulated ICMS credits over the past few years arises mainly from domestic sales subject to deferred taxation and export sales.

The Management of the Company has been prioritizing a series of actions to maximize the use of these credits and currently does not expect losses on their realization. These include the maintenance of the terms of the agreements with the states in which the Company produces petrochemical products in order to defer the ICMS tax levied on naphtha purchases, which increases the effective monetization of the balances.

(b) IR and CSL

Accumulated IR and CSL arises from prepayments of these taxes and retentions on income from financial investments over the past few years.

The realization of these credits occurs in two ways: (i) offset of overdue or falling due liabilities related to taxes levied by the Federal Revenue Service; or (ii) cash reimbursement. Diverse tax refund claims were already filed with Brazil s Federal Revenue Service.

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(c) **REINTEGRA Program**

The REINTEGRA program aims to refund to exporters the federal taxes levied on the production chain for goods sold abroad. The amount to be refunded is equivalent to the following percentages of all export revenue, in accordance with Federal Law 13,043/14 and Executive Order 8,543/15:

- (i) 3%, between October 1, 2014 and February 28, 2015;
- (ii) 1%, between March 1, 2015 and November 30, 2015;

(iii) 0.1% between December 1, 2015 and December 31, 2016;

(iv) 2% between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017; and

(v) 3% between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

Such credits may be realized in two ways: (i) by offsetting own debits overdue or undue related to taxes levied by the Federal Revenue Service; or (ii) by a cash reimbursement.

In the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, the Company recognized credits in the amount of R\$8,694 (R\$102,273 in 2015) and offset the amount of R\$230,220 (R\$91,389 in 2015). In the Statement of operations, credits were recognized in the item Cost of products sold.

(d) Federal supervenience

This item includes credits arising from legal discussions regarding the legality and constitutionality of various taxes and contributions in which the Company has already obtained a favorable ruling or has unquestionable precedents in its favor. These amounts will be realized after the use of other credits described above in this Note.

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12 Investments in subsidiaries and jointly-controlled investments

(a) Information on investments

	Interest in totalAdjusted net profit (loss)and votingfor the year				Adjusted equity		
	capital (%) - 2016	2016	2015	2014	2016	2015	
Jointly-controlled investment							
RPR	33.20	86,682	24,784	(3,166)	175,896	145,551	
Odebrecht Comercializadora de Energia							
S.A. (OCE)	20.00	(5,720)	10,490	129	5,721	11,441	
Associates							
Borealis Brasil S.A. (Borealis)	20.00	10,538	(3,914)	7,246	162,629	158,366	

(b) Changes in investments

			Effect		Balance at	
	Dec/2015	on equity	of results	Write-off	income	Dec/2016
Associates						
Borealis	31,673	(1,200)	2,053			32,526
	31,673	(1,200)	2,053			32,526
Jointly-controlled investments						
OCE	2,289		(1, 144)			1,145
RPR	48,328	(12,914)	28,780		(5,790)	58,404
Other	4,064			(3,826)		238
	54,681	(12,914)	27,636	(3,826)	(5,790)	59,787
Total	86,354	(14,114)	29,689	(3,826)	(5,790)	92,313

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(c) Impact on the consolidation of Braskem Idesa

In compliance with IFRS 12, the Company is presenting the financial statements of the subsidiary in which the non-controlling shareholder holds interest, and the effects on the Company s consolidated statements.

alance sheet	Consolidate without the Brasken consoli	e effects of n Idesa	Braskem Idesa	consolidated (i)		Eliminations		Consolidate
ssets	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015 Restated
urent								
ash and cash uivalents	6,500,265	6,908,623	201,599	134,640			6,701,864	7,043,263
nancial vestments	1,190,483	414,893					1,190,483	414,893
ade accounts ceivable	1,455,893	2,652,706	247,465	120,848	(69,221)	(17,846)	1,634,137	2,755,708
ventories	4,862,571	5,935,568	375,443	173,129			5,238,014	6,108,697
ixes coverable	710,982	1,093,270	115,033	219,071			826,015	1,312,341
ther ceivables	278,865	475,663	27,170	29,260		(57)	306,035	504,866
	14,999,059	17,480,723	966,710	676,948	(69,221)	(17,903)	15,896,548	18,139,768
on-current sets held for								
le	359,704						359,704	
	15,358,763	17,480,723	966,710	676,948	(69,221)	(17,903)	16,256,252	18,139,768
on-current								
ixes coverable	1,088,304	1,317,691	49	69			1,088,353	1,317,760
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eferred tax	189,613	2,379,250	1,463,502	825,416			1,653,115	3,204,660
elated parties	4,690,672	4,556,671		(ii)	(4,690,672)	(4,412,038)		144,633
ther								
ceivables	648,511	800,169	29,823	32,011			678,334	832,180
operty, plant								
d equipment	18,814,175	19,683,454	11,171,400	15,134,641(iii)	(648,865)	(717,806)	29,336,710	34,100,289
tangible	2,667,708	2,806,734	141,379	80,870			2,809,087	2,887,604
	28,098,983	31,543,969	12,806,153	16,073,007	(5,339,537)	(5,129,844)	35,565,599	42,487,132
otal assets	43,457,746	49,024,692	13,772,863	16,749,955	(5,408,758)	(5,147,747)	51,821,851	60,626,90
abilities and areholders								
uity urrent								
ade payables	6,335,452	11,962,001	278,905	429,400	(69,221)	(17,846)	6,545,136	12,373,55
orrowings	2,594,463	1,969,993	210,905	127,100	(07,221)	(17,040)	2,594,463	1,969,993
askem Idesa	2,0 > 1,100	1,7 07,7 70					2,0 7 1,100	-,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
orrowings			10,437,791	302,266			10,437,791	302,260
yroll and			, ,	,			, ,	,
lated charges	540,405	588,148	22,050	22,138			562,455	610,280
ixes payable	611,231	968,308	12,849	34,965			624,080	1,003,273
ther payables	2,053,031	1,333,814	125,955	49,808			2,178,986	1,383,622
	12,134,582	16,822,264	10,877,550	838,577	(69,221)	(17,846)	22,942,911	17,642,99
on-current								
bilities held								
r sale	95,396						95,396	
	12,229,978	16,822,264	10,877,550	838,577	(69,221)	(17,846)	23,038,307	17,642,99
on-current								
Dan								
reements	20,736,604	25,380,518					20,736,604	25,380,518
askem Idesa	, ,	, ,					, ,	, ,
orrowings				11,975,167				11,975,16
counts								
yable to								
lated parties			4,698,881	4,372,482(ii)	(4,698,881)	(4,372,482)		
on-controlling								
an in								
askem Idesa		(v)	1,620,519	1,538,784			1,620,519	1,538,784
ovision for								
sses on	2 052 (27	2054654		(*)	(2,052,(27))	$(2 0 \in A \in A)$		
bsidiaries	3,053,637	2,054,654	6 771	(iv)	(3,053,637)	(2,054,654)	1 705 711	2 1 4 2 0 4
ther payables	4,698,937	3,136,882	6,774	7,065			4,705,711	3,143,94
	28,489,178	30,572,054	6,326,174	17,893,498	(7,752,518)	(6,427,136)	27,062,834	42,038,410

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nareholders uity								
tributable to e Company s areholders	2,738,590	1,630,374	(3,430,861)	(1,982,120)	3,430,861	1,982,120	2,738,590	1,630,374
on-controlling terest in askem Idesa					(1,017,880)	(684,885)	(1,017,880)	(684,885
	2,738,590	1,630,374	(3,430,861)	(1,982,120)	2,412,981	1,297,235	1,720,710	945,489
otal liabilities Id areholders								
uity	43,457,746	49,024,692	13,772,863	16,749,955	(5,408,758)	(5,147,747)	51,821,851	60,626,900

(i) Consolidation of Braskem Idesa with its direct subsidiary Braskem Idesa Serviços.

(ii) Loan from Braskem Holanda as part of shareholders contribution to the Braskem Idesa project.

(iii) Adjustment corresponding to the capitalization of a portion of financial charges of the abovementioned loan.

(iv) Provision recorded in the subsidiary Braskem Holanda for the negative shareholders equity of Braskem Idesa.

(v) Loan owed to the non-controlling shareholder as part of shareholders contribution to the project.

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Statement of operations

	Consolidated without the Brasken	e effects of n Idesa						
	consoli		Braskem Idesa		Elimin		Consoli	
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
								Restated
Net sales	46,343,171	46,509,068	1,495,018	472,257	(174,201)	(101,336)	47,663,988	46,879,989
revenue	40,545,171	40,509,008	1,495,018	472,257	(1/4,201)	(101,550)	47,003,988	40,879,989
Cost of	(24 124 201)	(26.200.267	(070.450)	(400000)	164 001	(7,07)	(24.040.(10))	(2(729,022))
products sold	(34,134,381)	(36,308,267) (970,459)	(486,832)	164,221	67,076	(34,940,619)	(36,728,023)
	12,208,790	10,200,801	524,559	(14,575)	(9,980)	(34,260)	12,723,369	10,151,966
Income								
(expenses)								
Selling and								
distribution	(1,293,713)	(1,045,223) (117,115)	(37,933)			(1,410,828)	(1,083,156)
General and								
administrative	(1,393,075)	(1,271,919) (123,855)	(42,811)	39,731	34,260	(1,477,199)	(1,280,470)
Research and								
development	(162,010)	(169,635)				(162,010)	(169,635)
Results from								
equity								
investments	(923,096)	(723,337)	963	953,174	724,593	30,078	2,219
Other income								
(expenses), net	(3,621,215)	(727,519) (130,948)	(3,685)			(3,752,163)	(731,204)
			150 (11	(00.041)	002 025	52 4 50 2	5 0 51 0 45	
	4,815,681	6,263,168	152,641	(98,041)	982,925	724,593	5,951,247	6,889,720
Financial								
results								
	(3,054,334)	(3,141,488) (688,868)	(19,340)	172,240	(2,574)	(3,570,962)	(3,163,402)

Financial expenses		-	-					
Financial income	955,423	801,491	3,193	18,382	(268,494)	(234,940)	690,122	584,933
Exchange rate variations, net	(2,115,993)	795,543	(1,094,424)	(353,886)		(338,747)	(3,210,417)	102,910
	(4,214,904)	(1,544,454)	(1,780,099)	(354,844)	(96,254)	(576,261)	(6,091,257)	(2,475,559)
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution	600,777	4,718,714	(1,627,458)	(452,885)	886,671	148,332	(140,010)	4,414,161
IR and CSL - current and deferred	(1,039,107)	(1,723,376)	423,061	63,022			(616,046)	(1,660,354)
Profit (loss) for the year of continued operations	(438,330)	2,995,338	(1,204,397)	(389,863)	886,671	148,332	(756,056)	2,753,807
Discontinued operations results								
Profit (loss) from discontinued	40.760	16 027					40.7(0	16.927
operations IR and CSL - current and	40,760	16,827					40,760	16,827
deferred	(13,901)	(10,445)					(13,901)	(10,445)
	26,859	6,382					26,859	6,382
Profit (loss) for the year	(411,471)	3,001,720	(1,204,397)	(389,863)	886,671	148,332	(729,197)	2,760,189

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Statement of cash flows

	Consolidated without the Brasken consoli 2016	e effects of n Idesa	Braskem consolid 2016		Elimin: 2016	ations 2015	Consoli 2016	dated 2015 Restated
Profit (loss) before income tax and social contribution and for the result with discontinued operations	641,537	4,735,541	(1,627,458)	(452,885)	886,671	148,332	(99,250)	4,430,988
Adjustments for reconciliation of profit (loss)	- ,	, <u>,</u> -		(-))		- ,	(,,	, - ,
Depreciation, amortization								
and depletion	2,381,160	2,125,050	331,691	746	(29,751)		2,683,100	2,125,796
Results from equity								
investments	923,096	722,374			(953,174)	(724,593)	(30,078)	(2,219)
Interest and monetary and exchange								
variations, net	1,464,918	2,209,202	1,615,334	973,375	(54,244)		3,026,008	3,182,577
Leniency agreement	2,853,230						2,853,230	
Other	40,530	130,758	486				41,016	130,758
	8,304,471	9,922,925	320,053	521,236	(150,498)	(576,261)	8,474,026	9,867,900

Changes in								
operating								
working capital								
Held-for-trading								
financial								
investments	(649,535)	(144,955)					(649,535)	(144,955)
Trade accounts								
receivable	1,083,117	(311,326)	(126,617)	(49,136)	51,375	17,846	1,007,875	(342,616)
Inventories	966,974	(566,798)	(104,636)	65,064			862,338	(501,734)
Taxes			,					· · · /
recoverable	976,770	539,097	81,334	302,811			1,058,104	841,908
Other	,			,				, ,
receivables	396,702	(52,880)	21,308	(23,995)			418,010	(76,875)
Trade payables	(4,052,705)	(1,308,889)	(150,495)	(191,553)	(51,375)	(17,846)	(4,254,575)	(1,518,288)
Taxes payable	(674,466)	293,090	382,335	(72,864)	(==,= ; = ; =)	(,,-)	(292,131)	220,226
Other payables	637,734	98,321	175,811	752,364			813,545	850,685
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Cash from								
operations	6,989,062	8,468,585	599,093	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)	7,437,657	9,196,251
operations	0,,,0,,00	0,100,000	0,,,,,,,,	1,000,727	(100,150)	(0,0,201)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Interest paid	(1,323,294)	(1,086,166)	(215,224)				(1,538,518)	(1,086,166)
Income tax and	(-,,-,-,-,-,)	(-,,,	()				(-,)	(-,,
social								
contribution								
paid	(1,152,847)	(232,302)					(1,152,847)	(232,302)
pula	(1,152,017)	(232,302)					(1,152,017)	(232,302)
Net cash								
generated by								
operating								
activities								
uctivities	4.512.921	7.150.117	383.869	1.303.927	(150.498)	(576.261)	4.746.292	7.877.783
	4,512,921	7,150,117	383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)	4,746,292	7,877,783
Proceeds from	4,512,921	7,150,117	383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)	4,746,292	7,877,783
Proceeds from the sale of fixed	4,512,921	7,150,117	383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)	4,746,292	7,877,783
the sale of fixed			383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)		
the sale of fixed assets	4,512,921 564	7,150,117 1,282	383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)	4,746,292 564	7,877,783 1,282
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to			383,869	1,303,927	(150,498)	(576,261)		
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant	564	1,282					564	1,282
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment			383,869 (1,278,614)	1,303,927 (3,339,518)	(150,498) 150,498	(576,261) 576,261		
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of	564 (1,711,039)	1,282 (1,340,625)					564 (2,839,155)	1,282 (4,103,882)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets	564 (1,711,039) (35,780)	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106)					564 (2,839,155) (35,780)	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of	564 (1,711,039)	1,282 (1,340,625)					564 (2,839,155)	1,282 (4,103,882)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other	564 (1,711,039) (35,780)	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106)					564 (2,839,155) (35,780)	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used	564 (1,711,039) (35,780)	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106)					564 (2,839,155) (35,780)	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used in investing	564 (1,711,039) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106) 2,441	(1,278,614)	(3,339,518)	150,498	576,261	564 (2,839,155) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106) 2,441
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used	564 (1,711,039) (35,780)	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106)					564 (2,839,155) (35,780)	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used in investing activities	564 (1,711,039) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106) 2,441	(1,278,614)	(3,339,518)	150,498	576,261	564 (2,839,155) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106) 2,441
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used in investing activities	564 (1,711,039) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106) 2,441	(1,278,614)	(3,339,518)	150,498	576,261	564 (2,839,155) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106) 2,441
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used in investing activities Short-term and long-term debt	564 (1,711,039) (35,780) 33,497 (1,712,758)	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106) 2,441 (1,357,008)	(1,278,614)	(3,339,518)	150,498	576,261	564 (2,839,155) (35,780) 33,497 (2,840,874)	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106) 2,441 (4,120,265)
the sale of fixed assets Acquisitions to property, plant and equipment Acquisitions of intangible assets Other Net cash used in investing activities Short-term and	564 (1,711,039) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (1,340,625) (20,106) 2,441	(1,278,614)	(3,339,518)	150,498	576,261	564 (2,839,155) (35,780) 33,497	1,282 (4,103,882) (20,106) 2,441

Braskem Idesa borrowings						
Obtained			503,921	1,501,939	503,921	1,501,939
Payments			(469,282)	(510,715)	(469,282)	(510,715)
Related parties						
Obtained loans (payment of						
loans)	(882,158)	(898,213)	882,158	898,213		
Dividends paid Repurchase of	(1,997,984)	(482,117)			(1,997,984)	(482,117)
treasury shares		(927)				(927)
Net cash generated in financing						
activities	(3,674,109)	(1,986,928)	916,797	1,889,437	(2,757,312)	(97,491)
Exchange variation on cash of foreign subsidiaries	541,734	(454,965)	44,908	(53,071)	586,642	(508,036)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(332,212)	3,351,216	66,960	(199,225)	(265,252)	3,151,991
Represented by						
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning						
for the year	6,908,623	3,557,407	134,639	333,864	7,043,262	3,891,271
Cash and cash equivalents at the end for the year	6,576,411	6,908,623	201,599	134,639	6,778,010	7,043,262
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Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(332,212)	3,351,216	66,960	(199,225)	(265,252)	3,151,991

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13 Property, plant and equipment

(a) Change

				Rest	ated		
					Projects and		
			Buildings and	Machinery, Equipment and	Stoppage in Progress		
Cost		Land 526,786	Improvements 5,415,826	Facilities 37,514,207	(i) 5,526,477	Other 1,205,559	Total 50,188,855
Accumulated		520,780	3,413,820	57,514,207	3,320,477	1,205,559	30,188,833
depreciation/depletion			(904,325)	(14,537,865)		(646,376)	(16,088,566)
Balance as of December 31, 2015		526,786	4,511,501	22,976,342	5,526,477	559,183	34,100,289
Acquisitions		528		69,378	2,372,332	108,493	2,550,731
Capitalized financial charges					367,780		367,780
Foreign currency							
translation adjustment		(44,467)	(1,193,660)	(3,020,354)	(597,286)	(14,349)	(4,870,116)
Transfers by concluded							
projects	(ii)	1,718	1,351,594	2,478,445	(3,960,360)	128,603	
Other, net of depreciation/depletion			(701)	(9,984)	(199,829)	66,072	(144,442)
Depreciation / depletion			(221,649)	(2,275,513)	(1)),02))	(103,224)	(2,600,386)
Non-current assets held			(221,047)	(2,275,515)		(105,224)	(2,000,500)
for sale	(iii)	(12,910)	(28,013)	(9,402)	(13,149)	(3,672)	(67,146)
Net book value		471,655	4,419,072	20,208,912	3,495,965	741,106	29,336,710
Cost		471,655	5,530,714	36,804,409	3,495,965	1,404,759	47,707,502

Accumulated						
depreciation/depletion		(1,111,642)	(16,595,497)		(663,653)	(18,370,792)
Balance as of	171 (55	4 410 072	20 200 012	2 405 065	741 107	20 226 710
December 31, 2016	471,655	4,419,072	20,208,912	3,495,965	741,106	29,336,710

- (i) On December 31, 2016, the main amounts included in this account refer to the expenses with planned shutdown maintenance in Brazil and plants abroad and which are in preparation or in progress (R\$838,501), to the capitalized financial charges (R\$225,273), to the spare parts inventories (R\$520,224), to the strategic projects in Brazil (R\$329,256), whose main project is related to the processing of Ethane at UNIB Bahia, to the expenses with strategic projects of Braskem America (R\$431,986), such as the construction of the new UTEC plant. The remainder corresponds mainly to diverse projects aimed at maintenance of plants production capacity..
- (ii) Related mainly to expenses incurred with Braskem Idesa s project, which were transferred to the definite accounts as follows: R\$1,539,206 to Machinery, equipment and installations and R\$1,289,425 to Buildings and improvements.
- (iii) Transfer of Quantiq and IQAG assets to Non-current assets held for sale (Note 5).

The machinery, equipment and facilities of the Company require inspections, replacement of components and maintenance in regular intervals. The Company makes shutdowns in regular intervals that vary from two to six years to perform these activities. These shutdowns can involve the plant as a whole, a part of it, or even relevant pieces of equipment, such as industrial boilers, turbines and tanks. Shutdowns that take place every six years, for example, are usually made for the maintenance of industrial plants as a whole. Expenses with each scheduled shutdown are included in property, plant and equipment items that were the subject matter of the stoppage and are fully depreciated until the beginning of the following related stoppage. The expenditures with personnel, the consumption of small materials, maintenance and the related services from third parties are recorded, when incurred, as production costs. Property, plant and equipment items are depreciated on a straight-line basis. Projects in progress are not depreciated. Depreciation begins when the assets are available for use.

Based on the analysis cited in Note 3.4(a), the Management of Braskem believes that the plants will operate at their full capacity, or close to it, within the projected period, therefore impairment tests of these assets were not necessary. The prices of products manufactured by the Company are quoted in international markets, in the short or medium term, and adjust to the prices of raw materials to preserve the historical margins of the business.

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In 2016, charges amounting to R\$367,780 (2015 R\$787,371) were capitalized. The average rate of these charges in the year was 8.12% p.a. (7.80% p.a. in 2015).

(b) **Property, plant and equipment by country**

	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Brazil	16,939,745	17,637,392	18,434,300
Mexico	10,522,536	14,416,835	9,260,814
USA	1,668,399	1,748,282	1,155,696
Germany	205,650	297,278	218,753
Other	380	502	1,395
	29,336,710	34,100,289	29,070,958

14 Intangible assets

	Goodwill based on expected future profitability	Brands and Patents	Software licenses	Customers and Suppliers Agreements	Total
Cost	3,187,722	298,438	536,786	795,782	4,818,728
Accumulated amortization	(1,128,804)	(100,782)	(336,029)	(365,509)	(1,931,124)
Balance as of December 31, 2015	2,058,918	197,656	200,757	430,273	2,887,604
Acquisitions			35,780		35,780
Foreign currency translation adjustment		(37,074)	(10,186)	(23,183)	(70,443)

Average annual rates of amortization			5.93%	31.37%	6.00%	
Balance as of December 31, 2016		2,058,874	228,632	202,337	319,244	2,809,087
Accumulated amortization		(1,128,848)	(110,880)	(364,336)	(453,644)	(2,057,708)
Cost		3,187,722	339,512	566,673	772,888	4,866,795
Net book value		2,058,874	228,632	202,337	319,244	2,809,087
Non-current assets held for sale	(i)	(44)		(6,621)		(6,665)
Amortization			(10,098)	(45,690)	(88,135)	(143,923)
Other, net of amortization				(32)	289	257
stoppage in progress (PP&E)			78,148	28,329		106,477
Transfers from projects and						

(i) Transfer of Quantiq and IQAG assets to Non-current assets held for sale (Note 5). The Company adopts the following accounting practice for each class of intangible assets:

(a) Goodwill based on future profitability

The existing goodwill was determined in accordance with the criteria established by the accounting practices adopted in Brazil before the adoption of the IASB and represent the excess of the amount paid over the amount of equity of the entities acquired.

These goodwill was systematically amortized until December 2008. As from 2009, it has been subject to annual impairment tests.

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At the end of 2016, Braskem conducted this test using the value in use method (discounted cash flow) and did not identify any loss, as shown in the table below:

	Allocated goodwill	Cash flow (CF)	Book value (i)	CF/Book value
CGU and operating segments				
CGU - UNIB - South	926,854	7,312,051	1,991,908	3.7
Operating segment - Polyolefins	939,667	26,858,040	5,144,650	5.2
Operating segment - Vinyls	192,353	3,282,147	2,979,167	1.1

(i) This item includes, in addition to goodwill, the long-lived assets and working capital of each operating segment.

The assumptions adopted to determine the discounted cash flow are described in Note 3.4(b). The WACC used was 13.08% p.a. For the Vinyls segment, an adjusted WACC of 14.14% p.a. was adopted for the 5 years of the projection, to reflect the tax incentive described in Note 29(a). To calculate the perpetuity of this segment, the same discount rate adopted by the other segments was used. The WACC adopted for 2015 was 13.91% p.a. The inflation rate adopted for perpetuity was 4.7%.

Given the potential impact on cash flows of the discount rate and perpetuity, Braskem conducted a sensitivity analysis based on changes in these variables, with cash flows shown in the table below:

	+0.5% on discount rate	-0.5% on perpetuity
CGU and operating segments		
CGU - UNIB - South	6,978,365	6,951,557
Operating segment - Polyolefins	25,752,618	25,663,810
Operating segment - Vinyls	3,160,037	3,167,252

The main assumptions used for projecting cash flows are related to the projections for macroeconomic indicators, international prices and global and local demand in the countries where Braskem has production plants.

The macroeconomic indicators are provided by a widely recognized consulting firm and include items such as: exchange, inflation and interest rates, as well as other indicators.

The prices of key petrochemical products are obtained from projections formulated by an international consulting firm. However, the final prices take into consideration meetings of specific internal committees and the knowledge of the Company s experts in the formulation of references for each market. For the projected period, most of the prices projected internally were even more conservative than those originally projected by the international consulting firm.

As in the case of prices, global demand projections also are contracted from a specific consulting firm and, in the markets where the Company operates more directly, are considered additional variables for the composition of local demand.

In the Vinyls segment, whose main product is PVC, the amount of projected cash flow exceeded the book value of the assets by 10%. The main variables affecting this business are related to fluctuations in the exchange rate, international spreads (especially those related to the prices of naphtha, PVC and caustic soda) and Brazilian demand. Actual fluctuations in these important variables that differ from the Company s projections could lead to an amount of cash flow that is less than the value of the assets. In this line, a reduction in the PVC spread in Brazilian real (taking into consideration the combined effect of exchange rates and international prices) of 4.3% or a reduction in local demand of 12.2% would result in a cash flow equivalent to the book value of the assets.

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(b) Intangible assets with defined useful lives

(b.1) Trademarks and patents

The technologies acquired from third parties, including those acquired through business combination, are recorded at the cost of acquisition and/or fair value and other directly attributed costs, net of accumulated amortization and provision for impairment, when applicable. Technologies that have defined useful lives and are amortized using the straight-line method based on the term of the purchase agreement (between 10 and 20 years). Expenditures with research and development are accounted for in profit or loss as they are incurred.

(b.2) Contractual customer and supplier relationships

Contractual customer and supplier relationships arising from a business combination were recognized at fair value at the respective acquisition dates. These contractual customer and supplier relationships have a finite useful life and are amortized using the straight-line method over the term of the respective purchase or sale agreement (between 14 and 28 years).

(b.3) Software

All software booked has defined useful life estimated between 3 and 10 years and is amortized using the straight-line method. Costs associated with maintaining computer software programs are recognized in profit or loss as incurred.

(c) Intangible assets by country

	2016	2015	1/1/2015
Brazil	2,526,371	2,583,208	2,626,099
Mexico	141,379	80,870	
USA	115,355	220,083	205,329
Germany	25,956	3,415	4,245
Other	26	28	55

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15 Borrowings

	Annual financial charges	2016	2015 Restated	1/1/2015 Restated
Foreign currency				
Bonds	Note 15 (a)	14,216,539	17,004,617	11,776,438
Advances on exchange contracts	US dollar exchange variation + 3.30%	362,779	255,809	
Export prepayment	Note 15 (b)	777,801	549,036	427,074
BNDES	Note 15 (c)	201,147	409,076	396,439
Export credit notes	Note 15 (d)	1,173,127	1,405,227	956,010
Working capital	US dollar exchange variation + 1.74% above Libor	1,644,487	1,907,145	633,104
Transactions costs		(199,570)	(237,127)	(251,020)
		18,176,310	21,293,783	13,938,045
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Current liabilities		1,128,524	764,524	525,241
Non-current liabilities		17,047,786	20,529,259	13,412,804
Total		18,176,310	21,293,783	13,938,045
Local currency				
Export credit notes	Note 15 (d)	2,098,894	2,350,965	2,435,839
BNDES	Note 15 (c)	2,418,899	3,001,776	3,137,035
BNB/ FINAME/ FINEP/ FUNDES	6.19%	580,647	642,739	762,757
BNB/ FINAME/ FINEP/ FUNDES	TJLP + 1.90%	1,850	2,177	8,512
Fundo de Desenvolvimento do	6.50%			
Nordeste (FDNE)		46,991	51,939	51,090
Other	CDI + 0.04%	19,321	23,714	26,928
Transactions costs		(11,845)	(16,582)	(14,007)
		5,154,757	6,056,728	6,408,154
Current liabilities		1,465,938	1,205,469	894,229

Non-current liabilities	3,688,819	4,851,259	5,513,925
Total	5,154,757	6,056,728	6,408,154
<u>Foreign currency and local</u> currency			
Current liabilities	2,594,463	1,969,993	1,419,470
Non-current liabilities	20,736,604	25,380,518	18,926,729
Total	23,331,067	27,350,511	20,346,199

(a) Bonds

	Issue amount		Interest		
Issue date	US\$	Maturity	(% per year)	2016	2015
September - 2006	275,000	January - 2017	8.00	188,325	225,637
June - 2008	500,000	June - 2018	7.25	433,766	539,327
May - 2010	400,000	May - 2020	7.00	156,985	188,088
May - 2010	350,000	May - 2020	7.00	1,152,440	1,380,764
October - 2010	450,000	no maturity date	7.38	1,492,434	1,757,160
April - 2011	750,000	April - 2021	5.75	2,465,361	2,953,803
July - 2011	500,000	July - 2041	7.13	1,680,507	2,013,453
February - 2012	250,000	April - 2021	5.75	824,535	987,894
February - 2012	250,000	no maturity date	7.38	829,130	976,200
May - 2012	500,000				