

## News release...

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# Results of Voting at 2006 Annual General Meetings of Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Limited

The Annual General Meetings of Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Limited were held on 12 April 2006 and 4 May 2006 respectively.

Under Rio Tinto's dual listed companies structure established in 1995, decisions on significant matters affecting shareholders of Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Limited in similar ways are voted on by a joint electoral procedure.

The following resolutions, which were put to Rio Tinto Limited and Rio Tinto plc shareholders on a poll at the respective Annual General Meetings, were subject to the joint electoral procedure and the aggregate results of the joint polls were as follows:

|  | FOR         | AGAINST    |
|--|-------------|------------|
| To elect Tom Albanese as a director (Resolution 4)   | 788,995,063 | 955,272    |
| To elect Sir Rod Eddington as a director (Resolution 5)                                    | 787,827,609 | 982,540    |
| To re-elect Sir David Clementi as a director (Resolution 6)                                | 785,705,651 | 3,090,273  |
| To re-elect Leigh Clifford as a director (Resolution 7)                                    | 788,618,690 | 1,451,604  |
| To re-elect Andrew Gould as a director (Resolution 8)                                      | 748,547,050 | 23,821,628 |
| To re-elect David Mayhew as a director (Resolution 9)                                      | 777,658,148 | 12,353,168 |
| Re-appointment of the auditors of Rio Tinto plc and auditors' remuneration (Resolution 10) | 779,301,957 | 10,152,964 |
| Approval of remuneration report (Resolution 11)  | 721,658,511 | 18,071,272 |
| Receipt of reports and financial statements (Resolution 12)                                | 750,849,906 | 2,213,309  |

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The following special resolutions were passed at the Rio Tinto Limited meeting held on 4 May 2006. The results of the polls were as follows:

|  | FOR         | AGAINST |
|--|-------------|---------|
| Renewal of off-market and on-market buy-back authorities (Resolution 1)              | 151,779,906 | 248,291 |
| Renewal of authorities to buy back shares held<br>by Rio Tinto plc<br>(Resolution 2) | 151,517,209 | 494,639 |

As previously announced, the board decided today not to put Resolution 3 to the meeting as a number of shareholders had indicated some concerns about the subject matter of that resolution. Resolution 3 dealt with proposed changes to the Rio Tinto Limited constitution and adoption of new Rio Tinto plc articles of association. As a consequence of this, the equivalent resolution at the earlier Rio Tinto plc meeting will be taken not to have been passed.

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