

4. Significant accounting policies

a. **Statement of compliance** - The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards released by IASB.

b. **Basis of measurement** - The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain long-term non-monetary assets and financial instruments which were recognized at fair value upon transition to IFRS. Historical cost is generally measured as the fair value of the consideration received for the assets. The consolidated financial statements are prepared in pesos, the legal currency of the United Mexican States and are presented in thousands, except as noted otherwise.

i. Historical cost

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

ii. Fair value

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Entity takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of IFRS 2, leasing transactions that are within the scope of IAS 17, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realizable value in IAS 2 or value in use in IAS 36.

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorized into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

c. **Basis of consolidation** - The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of Grupo Carso and its subsidiaries controlled by it. Control is achieved when Grupo Carso:

- Has power over the investee;
- Is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- Has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Entity reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

When Grupo Carso has less than a majority of the voting rights of an investee, it has power over the investee when the voting rights are sufficient to give it the practical ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee unilaterally. Grupo Carso considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether or not its voting rights in an investee are sufficient to give it power, including:

- The size of Grupo Carso holding of voting rights relative to the size and dispersion of holdings of the other vote holders;
- Potential voting rights held by Grupo Carso, other vote holders or other parties;
- Rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- Any additional facts and circumstances that indicate that Grupo Carso has, or does not have, the current ability to direct the relevant activities at the time that decisions need to be made, including voting patterns at previous shareholders' meetings.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when Grupo Carso obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Entity loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from the date the Entity gains control until the date when the Entity ceases to control the subsidiary.

Net income and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Entity and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Entity and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with Grupo Carso accounting policies.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Entity are eliminated in full on consolidation.

The ownership percentages over the capital stock of its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 are shown below:

Subsidiary	Country of incorporation and operations	Activity	Ownership %	
			December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013
Carso Infraestructura y Construcción, S.A. de C.V. and subsidiaries ("CICSA")	Mexico, Central America and South America	Performance of several branches of engineering including those related to infrastructure works, such as: highway construction and maintenance, water system works, water treatment plants and dams; duct installations for the telecommunications and gas sectors, including fiber-optic networks and gas pipelines, among others; oil well drilling and services related to this industry; the design and construction of oil platforms and oil industry equipment; the construction of industrial, commercial and residential real property.	99.93	99.93
Grupo Conduumex, S.A. de C.V. and subsidiaries ("Conduumex")	Mexico, U.S.A., Central America, South America and Spain	Manufacture and sale of cable products used in the construction, automotive, energy and telecommunications industries; manufacture and sale of copper and aluminum products and sale of automotive parts; manufacture and sale of transformers and lighting solutions.	99.58	99.58
Grupo Sanborns, S.A.B. de C.V. and subsidiaries ("Sanborns")	Mexico, El Salvador and Panama	Operation of department stores, gift shops, record stores, restaurants, cafeterias and management of shopping malls through the following commercial brands, principally: Sanborns, Sears, Saks Fifth Avenue, Mix-up and iShop.	83.39	82.77
Carso Energy, S.A. de C.V. and subsidiary	Mexico and Colombia	Holding of shares of entities in the sector of exploration and production of oil, gas and other hydrocarbons.	100.00	100.00

i. Changes in the Entity ownership interests in existing subsidiaries

Changes in the Entity ownership interests in subsidiaries that do not result in the Entity losing control over the subsidiaries are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Entity's interests and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognized directly in equity and attributed to owners of Grupo Carso.

When the Entity loses control of a subsidiary, a gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interests. All amounts previously recognized in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Entity had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable IFRSs). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under IAS 39, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or a joint venture.

- d. **Cash and cash equivalents** - Consist mainly of bank deposits in checking accounts and short-term investments, highly liquid and easily convertible into cash or with a maturity of three months upon its acquisition and are subject to insignificant value change risks. Cash is stated at nominal value and cash equivalents are valued at fair value; any fluctuations in value are recognized in results of the period. Cash equivalents are represented by money market funds and short-term bank investments in pesos and U.S. dollars.
- e. **Business combinations** - Acquisitions of businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Entity, liabilities incurred by the Entity to the former owners of the acquire and the equity interests issued by the Entity in exchange for control of the acquire. Acquisition-related costs are generally recognized in profit or loss as incurred.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognized at their fair value, except that:

- Deferred tax assets or liabilities, and assets or liabilities related to employee benefit arrangements are recognized and measured in accordance with IAS 12 *Income Taxes* and IAS 19 respectively;
- Liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment arrangements of the acquire or share-based payment arrangements of the Entity entered into to replace share-based payment arrangements of the acquire are measured in accordance with IFRS 2 at the acquisition date; and
- Assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with IFRS 5 *Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* are measured in accordance with that Standard.



Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquire, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquire (if any) over the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. If, after reassessment, the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquire and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquire (if any), the excess is recognized immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

Non-controlling interests that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the Entity's net assets in the event of liquidation may be initially measured either at fair value or at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the recognized amounts of the acquirer's identifiable net assets. The choice of measurement basis is made on a transaction-by-transaction basis. Other types of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value or, when applicable, on the basis specified in another IFRS.

When the consideration transferred by the Entity in a business combination includes assets or liabilities resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement, the contingent consideration is measured at its acquisition-date fair value and included as part of the consideration transferred in a business combination. Changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration that qualify as measurement period adjustments are adjusted retrospectively, with corresponding adjustments against goodwill. Measurement period adjustments are adjustments that arise from additional information obtained during the 'measurement period' (which cannot exceed one year from the acquisition date) about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date.

The subsequent accounting for changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration that do not qualify as measurement period adjustments depends on how the contingent consideration is classified. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity. Contingent consideration that is classified as an asset or a liability is remeasured at subsequent reporting dates in accordance with IAS 39, or IAS 37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, as appropriate, with the corresponding gain or loss being recognized in profit or loss.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Entity's previously held equity interest in the acquire is remeasured to its acquisition-date fair value and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognized in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquire prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Entity reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period (see above), or additional assets or liabilities are recognized, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognized at that date.

- f. **Goodwill** - The goodwill arising from a business combination are recognized at historical cost as an asset at the date that control is acquired (the acquisition date), less impairment losses recognized, if any. Goodwill is the excess of the consideration transferred the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquired over the fair value of the acquirer's interest in the equity of the acquired and / or on the net at the date of acquisition identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

When the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of such excess is recognized in earnings as a gain on purchase.

Goodwill is not amortized and is subject to annual impairment testing. For purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each cash-generating unit for which the Entity expects to obtain benefits. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of unit, proportionately, based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. The impairment loss recognized for goodwill purposes cannot be reversed in a subsequent period.

When a subsidiary is disposed-off, the amount attributable to goodwill is included in determining the gain or loss on the disposal.

- g. **Investments in associates and joint ventures** - An associate is an entity over which the Entity has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint arrangement. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates or joint ventures are incorporated in these consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment, or a portion thereof, is classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for in accordance with IFRS 5. Under the equity method, an investment in an associate or a joint venture is initially recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognize the Entity's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate or joint venture. When the Entity's share of losses of an associate or a joint venture exceeds the Entity's interest in that associate or joint venture (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Entity's net investment in the associate or joint venture), the Entity discontinues recognizing its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognized only to the extent that the Entity has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture.

An investment in an associate or a joint venture is accounted for using the equity method from the date on which the investee becomes an associate or a joint venture. On acquisition of the investment in an associate or a joint venture, any excess of the cost of the investment over the Entity's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the investee is recognized as goodwill, which is included within the carrying amount

of the investment. Any excess of the Entity's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment, after reassessment, is recognized immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the investment is acquired.

The requirements of IAS 39 are applied to determine whether it is necessary to recognize any impairment loss with respect to the Entity's investment in an associate or a joint venture. When necessary, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets* as a single asset by comparing its recoverable amount (higher of value in use and fair value less costs to sell) with its carrying amount. Any impairment loss recognized forms part of the carrying amount of the investment. Any reversal of that impairment loss is recognized in accordance with IAS 36 to the extent that the recoverable amount of the investment subsequently increases.

The Entity discontinues the use of the equity method from the date when the investment ceases to be an associate or a joint venture, or when the investment is classified as held for sale. When the Entity retains an interest in the former associate or joint venture and the retained interest is a financial asset, the Entity measures the retained interest at fair value at that date and the fair value is regarded as its fair value on initial recognition in accordance with IAS 39. The difference between the carrying amount of the associate or joint venture at the date the equity method was discontinued, and the fair value of any retained interest and any proceeds from disposing of a part interest in the associate or joint venture is included in the determination of the gain or loss on disposal of the associate or joint venture. In addition, the Entity accounts for all amounts previously recognized in other comprehensive income in relation to that associate or joint venture on the same basis as would be required if that associate or joint venture had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. Therefore, if a gain or loss previously recognized in other comprehensive income by that associate or joint venture would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities, the Entity reclassifies the gain or loss from equity to profit or loss (as a reclassification adjustment) when the equity method is discontinued.

The Entity continues to use the equity method when an investment in an associate becomes an investment in a joint venture or an investment in a joint venture becomes an investment in an associate. There is no remeasurement to fair value upon such changes in ownership interests.

When the Entity reduces its ownership interest in an associate or a joint venture but the Entity continues to use the equity method, the Entity reclassifies to profit or loss the proportion of the gain or loss that had previously been recognized in other comprehensive income relating to that reduction in ownership interest if that gain or loss would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities.

When a group entity transacts with an associate or a joint venture of the Entity, profits and losses resulting from the transactions with the associate or joint venture are recognized in the Entity's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in the associate or joint venture that are not related to the Entity.

h. Revenue recognition - Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable considering the amount of sales returns, discounts and other similar discounts or rebates. Revenues are recognized based on the criteria below:

- **Sale of goods** - The sale of goods is recognized when the inherent risks and rewards are transferred to the customer, provided the respective income can be reliably measured, it is likely that the Entity will receive the economic benefits associated with the transaction, the costs that have been or will be incurred to perform the transaction can be reliably measured, the Entity is not continuously involved in the ownership of the goods and does not retain effective control over them. Generally, revenues recognition coincides with the date on which the goods are delivered and ownership is legally transferred to the customer.
- **Finance income on credit sales** - Finance income on credit sales recognized when it is accrued and is generated by credit card transactions (Sanborns, Sears, Saks, Dorian's and Mixup).
- **Services** - Provided are recognized when the service is rendered.
- **Rentals** - Is recognized on a straight-line basis as lease services are provided and maintenance fees are collected; these amounts are recognized throughout the period of the lease contract from which they are derived.
- **Construction contracts** - When can be estimated reliably the results of a construction contract revenue is recognized using the percentage-of-completion method based on costs incurred, taking into account the expected costs and revenues at the end of the project, as the activity takes place. Changes in the performance of work, and estimated profit, including those that may arise for prizes conclusion derived from projects in advance, contractual penalties and final agreements in contracts, are recognized as income in the periods in which revisions are made or approved by customers.

Under different contracts, recognized revenues do not necessarily reflect the amounts billable to customers. Management periodically evaluates the fairness of its accounts receivable. In those cases in which the recovery of these amounts entails certain difficulties, additional allowances for doubtful accounts are created and applied to the results of the year in which they are determined. The estimate prepared for this reserve is based on management's judgment and also considers prevailing circumstances when it is determined.

Contract costs include labor, raw materials, subcontractor, project startup and indirect costs. The Entity periodically evaluates the fairness of the estimates used to determine the work completion percentage. If, as a result of this evaluation, the Entity considers that the estimated costs to be incurred until project conclusion exceed expected revenues, a provision is recognized for the estimated losses of the period in question. In the case of works projects financed by the Entity in which the contract value includes work execution and financing revenues, the net financial expense (income) needed for project development forms part of the respective contract costs, which are recognized in results based on project work completion. In this type of contract, the total project amount can be collected from the customer until the termination date by submitting periodic project work completion reports for the customer's approval, which enable the Entity to obtain project financing when required.

- **Changes to construction contracts** - Are recognized when the amount can be reliably quantified and there is reasonable evidence of approval by the customer. Revenues are recognized when claims can be measured reliably and when, derived from progress in the negotiations, there is reasonable evidence that the client will accept your payment.
- **Revenues from real property developments** - Are recognized on the date when the public deed is granted for the respective housing, when the rights, rewards and obligations derived from the real property are transferred to the buyer. If any uncertainty exists as regards future collections, revenues are recorded as they are generated. In those cases for which there are indications of recovery difficulties, additional allowances for doubtful accounts are created, thereby affecting the results of the year in which they are determined.
- **Dividends and interests** - Dividend income from other investments is recognized once the right of shareholders to receive this payment has been established (when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Entity and that the income can be reliably valued).

Interest income derived from financial assets is recognized when accrued, when it is likely that the Entity will receive the respective economic benefits and when these amounts can be reliably valued. Interest income is primarily generated by the operation of credit cards in department stores.

- i. **Loyalty programs for customers** - Awards are accounted for as a separate component of the initial sale transaction, measured at their fair value and recognized as deferred income in the statement of financial position, within other accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Deferred revenue is recognized in income once the award is redeemed or expires.
- j. **Leasing** - Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Assets held under finance leases are initially recognized as assets of the Entity at their fair value at the inception of the lease or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the consolidated statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation.

Operating lease payments are recognized as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term, except where another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed. Contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

- k. **Foreign currencies** - In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognized at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences on monetary items are recognized in profit or loss in the period in which they arise except for:

- Exchange differences on foreign currency borrowings relating to assets under construction for future productive use, which are included in the cost of those assets when they are regarded as an adjustment to interest costs on those foreign currency borrowings.
- Exchange differences on transactions entered into in order to hedge certain foreign currency risks (see Note 11c. below for hedging accounting policies)
- Exchange differences on monetary items receivable from or payable to a foreign operation for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur (therefore forming part of the net investment in the foreign operation), which are recognized initially in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to profit or loss on repayment of the monetary items.

For the purposes of presenting these consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Entity's foreign operations are translated into Currency Units using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity (and attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

On the disposal of a foreign operation (i.e. a disposal of the Entity's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, or a partial disposal of an interest in a joint arrangement or an associate that includes a foreign operation of which the retained interest becomes a financial asset), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the owners of the Entity are reclassified to profit or loss.

In addition, in relation to a partial disposal of a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation that does not result in the Entity losing control over the subsidiary, the proportionate share of accumulated exchange differences are re-attributed to non-controlling interests and are not recognized in profit or loss. For all other partial disposals (i.e. partial disposals of associates or joint arrangements that do not result in the Entity losing significant influence or joint control), the proportionate share of the accumulated exchange differences is reclassified to profit or loss.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments to identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed through acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Exchange differences arising are recognized in other comprehensive income.

The functional and recording currency of Grupo Carso and all of its subsidiaries is the Mexican peso, except for foreign subsidiaries whose functional and recording currency are as shown below:

Company	Currency in which transactions are recorded	Functional currency
Cablana, S.A.	Euro	Euro
Cablana do Brasil, Limitada	Brazilian Real	Brazilian Real
Carso Construcción de Costa Rica, S.A.	Colon	US Dollar
Cicsa Colombia, S.A.	Colombian Peso	Colombian Peso
Carso Construcción de Dominicana, S. de R.L. (antes Cicsa Dominicana, S.A.)	Dominican Peso	Dominican Peso
Cicsa Ingeniería y Construcción Chile Ltda, S. de R.L.	Chilean Peso	Chilean Peso
Tabasco Oil Company, LLC, Sucursal en Colombia	Colombian Peso	US Dollar
Cicsa Jamaica Limited	Jamaican Dollar	Jamaican Dollar
Cicsa Perú, S.A.C.	New Sol	New Sol
Cobre de México, S.A. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Servicios Integrales GSM, S. de R.L. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Bronco Drilling MX, S.A. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Arcomex, S.A. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Arneses Eléctricos Automotrices, S.A. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Conduxmex Inc.	US Dollar	US Dollar
Conutel Austral Comercial e Industrial, Limitada	Chilean Peso	Chilean Peso
Cometel de Centroamérica, S.A.	Quetzal	Quetzal
Cometel de Honduras, S.A.	Lempira	Lempira
Cometel de Nicaragua, S.A.	Cordoba	Cordoba
Cometel de Colombia, S.A.S.	Colombian Peso	Colombian Peso
Cordaflex, S.A. de C.V.	Mexican Peso	US Dollar
Cupro do Brasil, Limitada	Brazilian Real	Brazilian Real
Grupo Sanborns Internacional, S.A. (Panamá)	US Dollar	US Dollar
Nacel de Centroamérica, S.A.	Quetzal	Quetzal
Nacel de Honduras, S.A.	Lempira	Lempira
Nacel de Nicaragua, S.A.	Córdoba	Córdoba
Nacel de El Salvador, S.A.	US Dollar	US Dollar
Procisa Ecuador, S.A.	US Dollar	US Dollar
Procisa do Brasil Projetos, Constructores e Instalaciones, Ltd.	Brazilian Real	Brazilian Real
Procosertel, S.A.	Argentine peso	Argentine peso
Procosertel Uruguay, S.A.	Uruguayan peso	Uruguayan peso
Corporación de Tiendas Internacionales, S.A. de C.V. (El Salvador)	US Dollar	US Dollar
Carso Construcción de Puerto Rico, L.L.C.	US Dollar	US Dollar
Procisa, S.A.S.	Colombian Peso	Colombian Peso

The entities listed above are considered foreign operations under IFRS.

- l. Borrowing costs** - Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalization.

All other borrowing costs are recognized in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

- m. Government grants** - Are not recognized until there is reasonable assurance that the Entity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognized in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Entity recognizes as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate. Specifically, government grants whose primary condition is that the Entity should purchase, construct or otherwise acquire non-current assets are recognized as deferred revenue in the consolidated statement of financial position and transferred to profit or loss on a systematic and rational basis over the useful lives of the related assets.

Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Entity with no future related costs are recognized in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

The benefit of a government loan at a below-market rate of interest is treated as a government grant, measured as the difference between proceeds received and the fair value of the loan based on prevailing market interest rates.

- n. **Employee retirement benefits and statutory employee profit sharing ("PTU")** - Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognized as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

The seniority premium liability for all personnel, non-union personnel pensions and retirement payments treated as pensions are considered in defined benefit plans. The cost of these benefits is determined by using the projected unit credit method and the actuarial valuations prepared at the end of each reporting period. Actuarial gains and losses are immediately recognized in other comprehensive income, net of deferred tax, based on the net asset or liability recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position, so as to reflect the over- or underfunded status of employee benefit plan obligations. Similarly, past service costs are recognized in results when the plan is modified or when restructuring costs are incurred.

Retirement benefit obligations recognized in the statement of financial position represent the current value of the defined benefit obligation adjusted according to actuarial gains and losses and the past service costs, less the fair value of plan assets. When plan assets exceed the liabilities of the defined benefit plan, they are valued according to the lower of: i) the defined benefit plan surplus, and ii) the present value of any economic benefits derived from the plan and available as future plan contribution reimbursements or reductions.

Statutory employee profit sharing

PTU is recorded in the results of the year in which it is incurred.

- o. **Income taxes** - Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

1. Current tax

Current income tax ("ISR") is recognized in the results of the year in which is incurred. Until December 31, 2013, current income tax was calculated as the higher of the ISR and the Business Flat Tax ("IETU").

Until 2013 Grupo Carso has the authorization of the Secretary of Finance and Public Credit in Mexico to prepare its income tax on a consolidated basis, which includes the proportional taxable income or loss of its Mexican subsidiaries, abrogated with effect from January 1, 2014. For its part, the tax provisions of the foreign subsidiaries are determined based on the taxable income of each individual entity.

Beginning in 2014 Grupo Carso has the authorization of the Secretary of Finance and Public Credit in Mexico to prepare its income tax on a fiscal integration basis (Please see note 27).

2. Deferred income tax

Deferred tax is recognized on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognized for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognized if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

As a consequence of the 2014 Tax Reform, as of December 31, 2013 deferred IETU is no longer recognized.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Entity is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognized to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilize the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realized, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Entity expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets for investment properties that are measured using the fair value model, the carrying amounts of such properties are presumed to be recovered entirely through sale, unless the presumption is rebutted. The presumption is rebutted when the investment property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale. The Administration expects to recover the total fair value through sale.

3. Current and deferred tax

Current and deferred tax are recognized in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively. Where current tax or deferred tax arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, the tax effect is included in the accounting for the business combination.

4. Tax on assets

The tax on assets ("IMPAC") expected to be recovered is recorded as a tax receivable.

- p. **Inventories and cost of sales** - Are stated at the lower of cost of acquisition and / or construction or net realizable value (estimated selling price less all costs to sell), as follows:

- **Industrial inventories, construction and commercial** - Are valued using the first- in first-out and / or average cost methods depending on the activity of each entity; including the cost of materials, direct costs and an appropriate portion of fixed and variable overhead costs that are incurred in the production of inventory by the Entity. Impairments are reflected as reductions in the carrying amount of inventories.
- **Real estate inventories** - Inventory of properties substantially completed are valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value. The lands to be developed are tested for impairment if there are indications that its value will not be recoverable. The real estate inventory includes all direct costs of land, construction and other development and incurred during the development stage, as well as financing costs. The cost of real estate developments, including the ground, materials, subcontracts, and those indirect costs related to the property developments, such as indirect labor, purchases, repairs and depreciation. General and administrative costs are expensed as incurred.

In the event that the estimated total property development costs exceed the estimated total revenue, the expected loss is recognized through the income statement. Cost of sales of real estate inventories is determined and prorated based on total costs of the related projects.

The Entity classifies land as long-term inventories when sale is estimated to be completed after one year.

- q. **Property, machinery and equipment** - As of January 1, 2011, property, machinery and equipment were valued at deemed cost (depreciated cost adjusted for an inflation index), or fair value determined through appraisals for certain items of property, machinery and equipment. Subsequent acquisitions are recorded at acquisition cost. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method based on the remaining useful lives of the related assets which are reviewed yearly; the effect of any change in the accounting estimate is recognized on a prospective basis. Depreciation of machinery and equipment in certain subsidiaries is calculated based on units produced during the period in relation to the total estimated production of the assets over their service lives.

	Depreciation weighted average rate	% Residual values
Buildings and leasehold improvements	1.4 to 10	5 and 10
Machinery and equipment	4.1 to 5	
Vehicles	25	5, 10 and 25
Furniture and equipment	5 to 12.8	
Computers	16.7 to 41.2	

Borrowing costs incurred during the period of construction and installation of qualifying property, machinery and equipment are capitalized.

The gain or loss on the sale or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is calculated as the difference between the resources received from sale and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognized in results.

Properties in the course of construction for production, supply or administrative purposes are carried at cost, less any recognized impairment loss. Cost includes professional fees and, for qualifying assets, borrowing costs capitalized in accordance with the Entity's accounting policy. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over their expected useful lives on the same basis as owned assets or, if your life is less, within the relevant lease.

- r. **Investment property** - Are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation (including property under construction for such purposes). Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

An investment property is derecognized upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognized.

- s. **Intangible assets** - Are recognized in the accompanying balance sheets only if they can be identified, provide future economic benefits and control exists over such assets. Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are not amortized and the carrying value of these assets is subject to annual impairment testing, and intangible assets with a defined useful life are amortized systematically based on the best estimate of their useful life, determined in accordance with the expected future economic benefits. The useful life, residual value and amortization method are subject to annual impairment assessment; any change is recorded on a prospective basis.

The disbursements caused by research activities are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Intangible assets recognized by the Entity mainly relate to costs incurred during the evaluation phase, which are capitalized as other assets during the exploration and evaluation of the Project, and are amortized on the straight-line basis over the useful life of the concession or of the Project, whichever is lower.

Plans and projects for environmental control are presented within other assets. The expenses that are made for this concept are applied to the provision for environmental remediation and the subsequent increase to such provision is debited to the net income of the year, only if it corresponds to present obligations or to other future obligations, in the year that they are determined.

- t. Intangible assets acquired in business combination** - Are recognized at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost). Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are reported at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately.

In assessing value in use, the estimated cash flows future cash are discounted present value using a discount rate before tax that reflects current market valuations, the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which have not been adjusted future cash flows.

- u. Impairment of tangible and intangible assets other than goodwill** - At the end of each reporting period, the Entity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Entity estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. When a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

When an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset (or cash generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

- v. Provisions** - Are recognized when the Entity has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Entity will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognized as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material).

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognized as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

- **Provision to remedy environmental damage** - The Entity has adopted environmental protection policies within the framework of applicable laws and regulations. However, due to their activities, the industrial subsidiaries, sometimes perform activities that adversely affect the environment. Consequently, the Entity implements remediation plans (which are generally approved by the competent authorities) that involve estimating the expenses incurred for this purpose.

The estimated costs to be incurred could be modified due to changes in the physical condition of the affected work zone, the activity performed, laws and regulations, variations affecting the prices of materials and services (especially for work to be performed in the near future), as well as the modification of criteria used to determine work to be performed in the affected area, etc.

The fair value of a liability for asset retirement obligations is recognized in the period incurred. The liability is measured at fair value and is adjusted to its present value in subsequent periods, as expense is recorded. The corresponding asset retirement costs are capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset and depreciated over the asset's useful life.

- **Restructurings** - A restructuring provision is recognized when the Entity has developed a detailed formal plan for the restructuring and has raised a valid expectation in those affected that it will carry out the restructuring by starting to implement the plan or announcing its main features to those affected by it. The measurement of a restructuring provision includes only the direct expenditures arising from the restructuring, which are those amounts that are both necessarily entailed by the restructuring and not associated with the ongoing activities of the entity.
- **Reserve for purchase of own shares** - Purchases and sales of shares are recognized directly in reserve acquisition of treasury shares at cost of acquisition and placement respectively. Any gain or loss is recognized in the net stock issuance premium.

- w. Financial instruments** - Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognized immediately in profit or loss.

i. Financial assets -

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss' (FVTPL), 'held-to-maturity' investments, 'available-for-sale' (AFS) financial assets and 'loans and receivables'. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognized and derecognized on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

– Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets are classified as of FVTPL when the financial asset is either held for trading or it is designated as of FVTPL.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- It has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- On initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Entity manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- It is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

A financial asset other than a financial asset held for trading may be designated as of FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- Such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- The financial asset forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Entity's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the Entitying is provided internally on that basis; or
- It forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IAS 39 permits the entire combined contract to be designated as of FVTPL.

Financial assets at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognized in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognized in profit or loss incorporates any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset and is included in the 'other income (expenses) - Net' line item. Fair value is determined in the manner described in note 12.

– Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturity dates that the Entity has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity. Subsequent to initial recognition, held-to maturity investments are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

– Financial assets classified as held for sale

AFS financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated as AFS or are not classified as (a) loans and receivables, (b) held-to-maturity investments or (c) financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

Listed redeemable notes held by the Entity that are traded in an active market are classified as AFS and are stated at fair value at the end of each reporting period. The Entity also has investments in unlisted shares that are not traded in an active market but that are also classified as AFS financial assets and stated at fair value at the end of each reporting period (because the Entity's management consider that fair value can be reliably measured). Fair value is determined in the manner described in note 12. The gains and losses generated by fair value changes are recognized in other comprehensive income and accrued in the investment revaluation reserve, while excluding impairment losses, interest calculated through the effective interest method and exchange losses and gains, which are recognized in results. When the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve is reclassified to profit or loss.

Dividends on AFS equity instruments are recognized in profit or loss when the Entity's right to receive the dividends is established.

The fair value of AFS monetary financial assets denominated in a foreign currency is determined in that foreign currency and translated at the spot rate prevailing at the end of the reporting period. The foreign exchange gains and losses that are recognized in profit or loss are determined based on the amortized cost of the monetary asset. Other foreign exchange gains and losses are recognized in other comprehensive income.

AFS equity investments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and derivatives that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity investments are measured at cost less any identified impairment losses at the end of each reporting period.

– Loans and receivables

Loans, accounts receivable from customers and other accounts receivable with fixed or determinable payments which are not traded on an active market are classified as loans and accounts receivable. Loans and accounts receivable are valued at their applied cost by using the effective interest method less any impairment. An allowance for bad debts is recognized in results when the Entity has objective evidence that accounts receivable are impaired. Interest income is recognized by applying the effective interest rate, while excluding short-term accounts receivable when interest recognition is insignificant.

– Effective interest rate method

Is a method for calculating the applied cost of a financial instrument and assigning income or financial cost throughout the period in question. The effective interest rate is the rate used to discount estimated future cash flows (including all fees and basis points paid or received and which form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts during the expected life of the financial instrument (or, when appropriate, during a shorter period) based on the initially recognized net book value of the financial asset or liability.

Interest is recognized based on the effective interest rate for debt instruments other than financial assets classified as FVTPL.

– Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at FVTPL, are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired when there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been affected.

For AFS equity investments, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is considered to be objective evidence of impairment.

For all other financial assets, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- Significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- Breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- It becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or financial re-organization; or
- The disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties.

For certain categories of financial assets, such as trade receivables, assets are assessed for impairment on a collective basis even if they were assessed not to be impaired individually. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Entity's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio that exceed 90 days ago payments, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortized cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognized is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets that are carried at cost, the amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment loss will not be reversed in subsequent periods.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a trade receivable is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognized in profit or loss.

When an AFS financial asset is considered to be impaired, cumulative gains or losses previously recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss in the period.

For financial assets measured at amortized cost, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the investment at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortized cost would have been had the impairment not been recognized.

In respect of AFS equity securities, impairment losses previously recognized in profit or loss are not reversed through profit or loss. Any increase in fair value subsequent to an impairment loss is recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of investments revaluation reserve.

– Derecognition of financial assets

The Entity derecognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another party. If the Entity neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Entity recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Entity retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Entity continues to recognize the financial asset and also recognizes a collateralized borrowing for the proceeds received.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain or loss that had been recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity is recognized in profit or loss.

On derecognition of a financial asset other than in its entirety (e.g. when the Entity retains an option to repurchase part of a transferred asset), the Entity allocates the previous carrying amount of the financial asset between the part it continues to recognize under continuing involvement, and the part it no longer recognizes on the basis of the relative fair values of those parts on the date of the transfer. The difference between the carrying amount allocated to the part that is no longer recognized and the sum of the consideration received for the part no longer recognized and any

cumulative gain or loss allocated to it that had been recognized in other comprehensive income is recognized in profit or loss. A cumulative gain or loss that had been recognized in other comprehensive income is allocated between the part that continues to be recognized and the part that is no longer recognized on the basis of the relative fair values of those parts.

ii. Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Classification as debt or equity - Debt and equity instruments issued by a group entity are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity Instruments - An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity. Equity instruments issued by a group entity are recognized at the proceeds received, net of direct issuance costs.

Repurchase of the Entity's own equity instruments is recognized and deducted directly in equity. No gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Entity's own equity instruments.

Financial liabilities - Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities at FVTPL or other financial liabilities.

iii. Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities including loans are initially valued at their fair value, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently valued at their applied cost by using the effective interest rate method, while interest expenses are recognized on an effective return basis.

iv. Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Entity derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Entity's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable is recognized in profit or loss.

- x. **Derivative financial instruments** - The Entity enters into a variety of derivative financial instruments trading and hedging in order to manage its exposure to risk of: a) interest rate, b) rate debt and y c) metal prices. Further details of derivative financial instruments are disclosed in Note 13.

When derivatives are entered into to hedge risks, and such derivatives meet all hedging requirements, their designation is documented at the beginning of the hedging transaction, describing the transaction's objective, characteristics, accounting treatment and how the effectiveness of the instrument will be measured.

Derivatives are initially recognized at fair value at the date the derivative contracts are entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at the end of each reporting period. The resulting gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship. The Entity designates certain derivatives either as fair value hedges of recognized assets or liabilities or firm commitments (fair value hedges), hedges of highly probable forecasted transactions or foreign currency risk hedges of firm commitments (cash flow hedges).

A derivative with a positive fair value is recognized as a financial asset whereas a derivative with a negative fair value is recognized as a financial liability. A derivative is presented as a long-term asset or liability if the maturity date of the instrument is 12 months or more, and it is not expected to be realized or canceled within those 12 months. Other derivatives are presented as short-term assets and liabilities.

- Hedge accounting

The Entity designates certain hedging instruments, which include derivatives, embedded derivatives and non-derivatives in respect of foreign currency risk, as either fair value hedges, cash flow hedges, or hedges of net investments in foreign operations. Hedges of foreign exchange risk on firm commitments are accounted for as cash flow hedges.

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the entity documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Entity documents whether the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk.

Note 13 sets out details of the fair values of the derivative instruments used for hedging purposes.

- Cash Flow Hedges

At the start of each hedge, the Entity documents the hedging relationship and objective, together with its risk management strategy. This documentation includes the manner in which the Entity will measure the effectiveness of the hedge with regards to offsetting changes to the fair value of the hedged item or the cash flow attributable to the hedged risk.

The Entity recognizes all assets and liabilities resulting from transactions involving derivative financial instruments at fair value in the consolidated statement of changes in financial position, regardless of its reason for holding these instruments. Fair value is determined based on the prices reported on recognized markets; however, when they are not quoted on a market, the Entity utilizes valuation techniques accepted by the financial sector. The decision to enter into an economic or accounting hedge is based on an analysis of market conditions and expectations concerning domestic and international economic scenarios.

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of cash flow hedging reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

Amounts previously recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss, in the same line as the recognized hedged item. However, when the hedged forecast transaction results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the non-financial asset or non-financial liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Entity revokes the hedging relationship, when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or when it no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. Any gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognized when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognized in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss accumulated in equity is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

– Fair value hedges

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recognized in profit or loss immediately, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk. The change in the fair value of the hedging instrument and the change in the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are recognized in profit or loss in the line item relating to the hedged item.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Entity revokes the hedging relationship, when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or when it no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. The fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortized to profit or loss from that date.

– Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted for similarly to cash flow hedges. Any gain or loss on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of foreign currency translation reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognized immediately in profit or loss and is included in the caption “other (income) expense”.

Gains and losses on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve are reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the foreign operation.

– Embedded derivatives

The Entity reviews its executed contracts to identify any embedded derivatives which must be separated from the host contract for valuation and accounting purposes. When an embedded derivative is identified in other financial instruments or other contracts (host contracts) are treated as separate derivatives when they meet the definition of a derivative, their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the contracts are not measured at FVTPL with changes through income.

An embedded derivative is presented as a long-term asset or liability when the respective hybrid instrument will mature in 12 months or more and when is not expected to be realized or canceled during that 12-month period. Other embedded derivatives are presented as short-term assets or liabilities.

During the reporting period, the Entity did not enter into any fair value hedges for its net investment in foreign transactions or embedded derivatives.

- y. **Statement of cash flows** - The indirect method is used for presenting cash flows from operating activities, such that the net income is adjusted for changes in operating items not resulting in cash receipts or disbursements, and for items corresponding to cash flows from investing and financing activities. Interest received is presented as an investing activity and interest paid is presented as a financing activity.
- z. **Earnings per share** - (i) The basic earnings per common share is calculated by dividing the net consolidated profit attributable to the controlling interest by the weighted average of common outstanding shares during the year, and (ii) The basic profit per common share for discontinued operations is calculated by dividing the result for discontinued operations by the weighted average of common outstanding shares during the year.