

BlueScope Asia Day Malaysia Business

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Malaysia – Our business in context

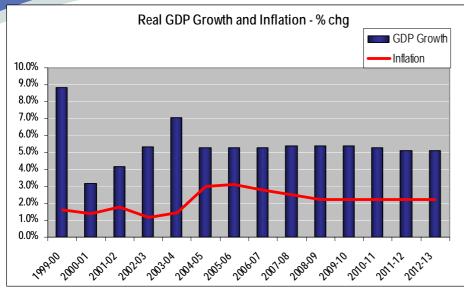


- Building solutions facility, BlueScope Lysaght
- Metallic coating and painting facility, BlueScope Steel

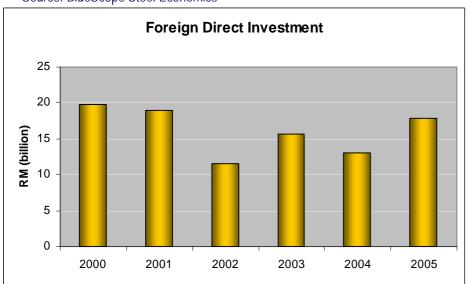
Ownership

- BlueScope Steel (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd
 - 60% BSL, 40% PNB
- Coated facilities (at Kapar)
 - 160,000T Metallic Coating Line
 - 70,000T Paint Line
- Lysaght facilities
 - Shah Alam
 - Singapore
 - Bandar Seri Begawan
 - Kota Kinabalu
 - Kuching
 - Bintulu

Malaysia – Economy



Source: BlueScope Steel Economics



Economy

- Steady GDP growth of ~5%
- Inflation less than 3%
- Recovery in FDI's

Population

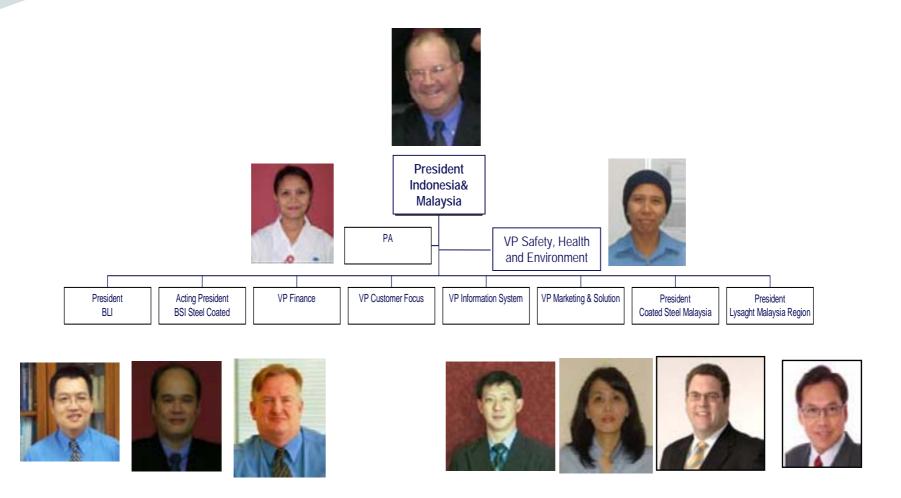
- 26 million
- Young population with 53% under the age of 25 years
- Relative high GDP per capita of US\$5,300

Political

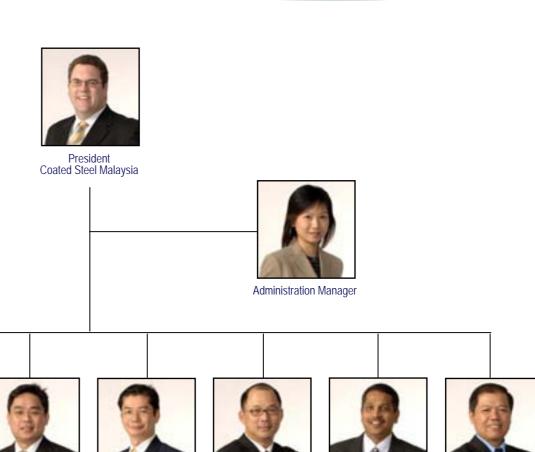
- Very stable government
- Ruling party in power at federal level since independence

Source: RHB Research

SINDOMALAY management team



Malaysia – Mid stream management team



VP Marketing & Business Development

VP Customer Service & Supply Chain

VP Strategy & External Affairs

VP Commercial

VP Human

Resource

VP Manufacturing

VP Sales

Safety Professional

Malaysia – Downstream management team



Malaysia – Our people









Multicultural team

Malaysia – Our safety



Zero Harm, Together We Work, Forever We Care Excellent record with more than 1,000 days LTI free

Malaysia – Our performance

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006(e)
External Despatches (tonnes000's)				
■Domestic	58	87	103	
■Export	30	44	53	
Total	88	131	156	
Sales Revenue (A\$m)				
Total Sales	\$125.9m	\$147.1m	\$177.4m	
EBIT				In the range of
(A\$m)	\$22.3m	\$21.2m	\$9.3m	\$2m - \$5m
Net Operating Assets (pre-tax A\$m)	\$109m	\$131m	\$155m	
Business development and pre-operating costs included in EBIT	-	-	-	approx (\$1m)

Malaysia – Current operations

- The midstream business results have been good up to 2004, growing at 22% CAGR.
- However, in the 1st Quarter of FY2006, it experienced "the perfect storm".
- "The Perfect Storm":
 - Selling Prices dropped 20% in mid 2005, at the time the business was holding 50k tonnes of higher priced CRC that ended up representing 150 days of sales over the coming months.
 - The paint line fire in July 05 to date has reduced EBIT by MYR6m
 - Overall low activity in construction sector (6 quarters of negative growth), due to change in Prime Minister who exercised restraint in government spending
 - Market share push by competitors
- The business has now started on the road to recovery.

Malaysia – "The road to recovery"

Leadership

- Transitioned new team, 60% change
- Segmented sales and marketing management structure
- Clear and strong performance management

Internal Efficiency

- Value creation program
- Yield improvement
- Supply chain management

Increasing Margins

- Cleared high priced aged stock & reduce yield loss
- Widen margins through restructured market offer
- Procurement gains from new CRC sourcing strategy
- Increased promotion of brands to secure price premium

Domestic Growth - Our Customers As Our Partners

- Roof & Walling industrial & commercial
 - Sustained premium for all 3 tiers of products
 - Differentiated market offer to competitors
 - Product innovation
- Manufacturing
 - Product development
 - Development of new channels to market
- Residential
 - Enhanced cluster co-operation
 - Product development
- Develop core export markets
- Opportunistic Export eg. Aceh seeding for Indonesia

Malaysia – Feedstock sources

Current Source

- Cold rolled coil (CRC) from
 - BlueScope (Springhill, Australia), SUS (Thailand), PTKS (Indonesia), POSCO (Korea) and Mycron (Malaysia)
 - Trialling other sources
- 2. Other materials
 - Zinc from Korea Zinc, Korea
 - Aluminium from Comalco, Australia
 - Paint from Akzo Nobel

Other Influences

CRC stocks

- Lead time from CRC suppliers ranges from 45-90 days
- CRC inventory target is 45 days on hand or in transit; and another 15-45 days on order

Tariff regime

- 50% import duties on flat steel products from non-ASEAN countries
- 5% import duties on flat steel products from ASEAN countries
- BlueScope Steel Malaysia has import duty exemption for its CRC feed
- Import permits are required for imports of all flat steel products

Malaysia – Our opportunities

Capacity	Capacity Utilisation (% of Prime Product)					
	FY2003 - 2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	
Metal coated line						
160,000 tonnes	83%	78%	84%	95%	107%	
Paint line						
70,000 tonnes	98%	82% (1)	91% (2)	100% (2)	100% (2)	

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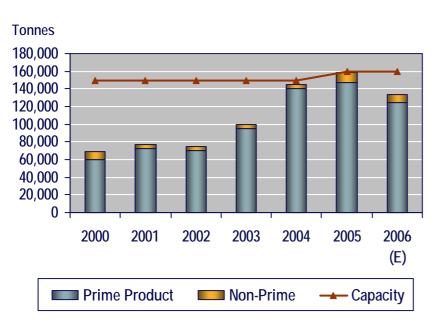
- (1) Paintline utilisation rate is low in FY2006 due to fire at CPL and product mix change to thinner gauges
- (2) Utilisation is impacted by increased thin gauge production

Opportunities to grow include the following:

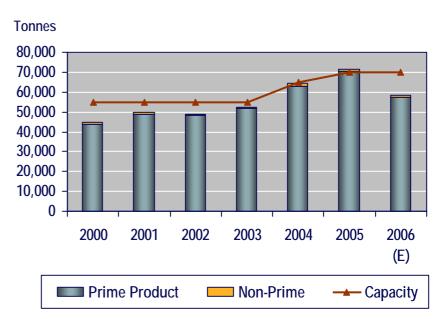
- Residential markets (via inter-material growth)
- Manufacturing segment penetration
- Multistorey commercial segment
- Acquisitions

Malaysia – Metal coating line and paint line production profile



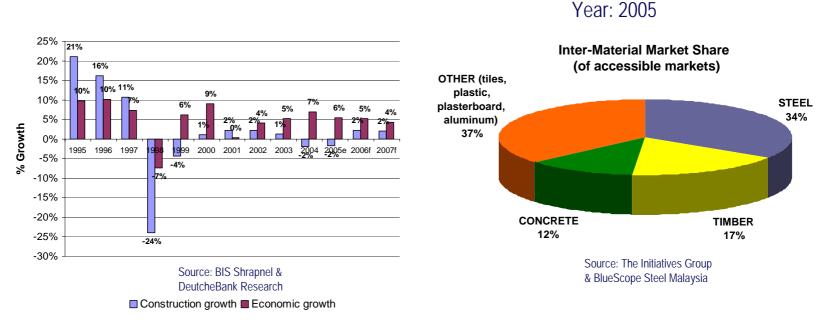


PAINT LINE



Malaysia – Our markets

- Approximately 60% of total sales in Malaysia are to the domestic market, whilst 40% exported.
- 90% of domestic sales is to the building & construction industry and 10% to manufacturing industry.
- Domestic building & construction sales split 60% industrial/ commercial sector and 40% residential sector.



Strategy is to:

- Grow residential market through trusses, roofing and eventually wall framing,
- Penetrate manufacturing market by providing chromate-free steel & deep drawing grades
- Aggressively grow market share in our core roofing and walling market via continued product innovation and market leadership.

Malaysia – Our markets (cont.)



- Current principal markets are located in:
 - Klang Valley (greater Kuala Lumpur)
 - Singapore
- Other regional opportunities



- Penang
- Johor Bahru
- Sarawak
- Sabah
- Coated steel market in Malaysia
 Domestic Imports
 Supply

Metal coated	30%	70%
Painted	80%	20%

Malaysia – Opportunities / challenges

Opportunities - Midstream

- Residential markets
- Manufacturing segment
- Yield improvement
- Structural cost improvement
- Acquisition growth

Challenges - Midstream

- Feed availability (Cold rolled coil)
- Potential government policy change to source a proportion of feed locally
- Competitive market with excess domestic capacities

Opportunities - Downstream

- Decking for integrated resorts in Singapore
- Potentially more volume for Aceh
- Building solution, PEB's and residential steel house solutions.
- Multistorey market
- Acquisition growth

Challenges - Downstream

On-going growth in Building Solutions

Downstream Progress into Building Solutions



























Malaysia – Summary

Midstream

- Business has turned around and become profitable again
- Significant opportunities to grow domestic markets
- Yield improvement opportunities
- Structural cost improvement opportunities
- Feed availability and rapidly rising feed & coating metal cost are issues that will be actively managed

Downstream

Businesses are progressing into building solutions

Supporting Information

Malaysia – Fiscal regime

- Corporate tax rate
 - Malaysia 28%
 - Singapore 20%

- Other
 - Unutilised tax losses



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