



## BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS IN SQM

**Santiago, Chile. April 28, 2015.-** Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (SQM) (NYSE: SQM; Santiago Stock Exchange: SQM-B, SQM-A) was informed that following the Company's General Ordinary Meeting held on April 24, 2015, Mrs. Joanne L. Boyes and Messrs. Hernán Büchi B., Juan Antonio Guzmán M., Robert A. Kirkpatrick, Hans Dieter Linneberg A., Arnfinn F. Prugger, Wolf von Appen B. and Edward J. Waitzer were named as new Directors of SQM S.A.

In accordance with article 17 of Chilean Law 18,045, the new Board members have notified us of their positions in SQM and the "SQM Group".

Joanne L. Boyes: No shares in SQM or the "SQM Group".

Hernán Büchi B.: No shares in SQM or the "SQM Group".

Juan Antonio Guzmán M.: No shares in SQM and has 10,066,989 shares in Oro Blanco S.A. with a value of CLP18,623,930.

Robert A. Kirkpatrick: No shares in SQM or the "SQM Group"

Hans Dieter Linneberg A.: 455 share of SQM S.A. (400 Series-A and 55 Series B) with a value of CLP 7,136,105

Arnfinn F. Prugger: No shares in SQM or the "SQM Group".

Wolf von Appen B.: No shares in SQM or the "SQM Group".

Edward J. Waitzer: 10.000 shares (ADRs) of SQM with a value of US\$219,400 and has no shares with the "SQM Group".

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## About SQM

SQM is an integrated producer and distributor of specialty plant nutrients, iodine, lithium, potassium-related fertilizers and industrial chemicals. Its products are based on the development of high quality natural resources that allow the Company to be a leader in costs, supported by a specialized international network with sales in over 110 countries. SQM's development strategy aims to maintain and strengthen the Company's position in each of its businesses.

The leadership strategy is based on the Company's competitive advantages and on the sustainable growth of the different markets in which it participates. SQM's main competitive advantages in its different businesses include:

- Low production costs based on vast and high quality natural resources;
- Know-how and its own technological developments in its various production processes;
- Logistics infrastructure and high production levels that allow SQM to have low distribution costs;
- High market share in all its core products;
- International sales network with offices in 20 countries and sales in over 110 countries;
- Synergies from the production of multiple products that are obtained from the same two natural resources;
- Continuous new product development according to the specific needs of its different customers;
- Conservative and solid financial position.

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Forward-looking statements are neither historical facts nor assurances of future performance. Instead, they are estimates that reflect the best judgment of SQM management based on currently available information. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they involve a number of risks, uncertainties and other factors that are outside of our control and could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated in such statements. Therefore, you should not rely on any of these forward-looking statements. Readers are referred to the documents filed by SQM with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the most recent annual report on Form 20-F, which identifies important risk factors that could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements are based on information available to SQM on the date hereof and SQM assumes no obligation to update such statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.