

RIO TINTO (NYSE: RTP; LONDON: RIO)**HEADQUARTERS:** London, UK/Melbourne, Australia**CEO:** Tom Albanese**MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS:** Growth Fund of America, Ishares MSCI, Aberdeen Global, Vanguard International, Fundamental Investors, American FDS, College Retirement, Artio International Equity, Bernstein.**2010 NET INCOME:** US\$14.3 billion**2010 NET SALES:** US\$56.6 billion**2010 ASSETS:** US\$112.4 billion**MARKET CAPITALIZATION:** US\$139.3 billion**NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES:** 76,894¹³²

Rio Tinto's operations dump gold and copper mine tailings into the Ajkwa River at Grasberg, West Papua, into the Cassidaigne Canyon in the Mediterranean Sea, and into Carol Lake near its iron ore mine in Labrador, Canada. The company is also a major partner of the Diavik Mine in Canada, which destroyed a small lake for the construction of its tailings pond. Rio Tinto was previously involved in dumping into the Jaba river at the notorious Bougainville copper-gold-silver mine in Papua New Guinea and in dumping into the Bismarck Sea from the Lihir gold mine. Through its subsidiary Alcan it was involved in dumping of bauxite residue into Lake Batata in Brazil as well.¹³³

TECK (NYSE: TCK; TORONTO: TCK.A)**HEADQUARTERS:** Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**CEO:** Don Lindsay**MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS:** BlackRock, Royal Bank of Canada, Fidelity Management and Research, I.G. Investment Management, Greystone Managed Investments, Harris Financial Corp., Mc Lean Budden Ltd., CIBC, TD Asset Management, UBS Global Asset Management.**2010 NET INCOME:** US\$1.9 billion**2010 SALES:** US\$9.3 billion**2010 ASSETS:** US\$28.8 billion**2009 MARKET CAPITALIZATION:** US\$31.6 billion**NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES:** 9,100¹³⁴

Teck is dumping copper and zinc tailings into Trout Pond in Newfoundland and Labrador in Canada. The company previously dumped tailings into Garrow Lake at its former Polaris lead-zinc mine on Little Cornwallis Island in Nunavut, Canada. Teck had previously considered dumping into the ocean at its Petaquilla mine in Panama. Teck is also developing marine mining in partnership with Nautilus.¹³⁵

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BELOW: Panguna mine, Bougainville island, Papua New Guinea.

