

# INTRODUCTION TO COLAS



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### **Profile**



Colas is a worldwide leader in construction and maintenance of transport infrastructures

#### Activities

- Construction and maintenance of diversified road-related infrastructures (including road safety and signaling)
- ✓ Production and sale of construction materials
- ✓ Construction, renewal and maintenance of rails and related systems
- ✓ Others: waterproofing, sale of refined products, pipeline









# 2012 key figures



#### Key financial indicators

- ✓ Sales: €13.0bn
- ✓ Operating profit: €406m
- ✓ Net profit¹: €302m
- ✓ Net debt at end-December: €170m
- ∼ 63,000 employees

#### Key activity indicators

- ✓ Bread-and-butter activity: ~ 100,000 projects a year
- ✓ Average project size: ~ €100k
- √ 800 work centers and 1,400 production sites in almost 50 countries





Bus lane, St Nazaire, France

# Industrial activity: 2012 key figures



#### Widespread industrial footprint

- √ 736 quarries
- ✓ 138 emulsion plants
- ✓ 567 asphalt plants
- ✓ 212 ready-mix concrete plants
- ✓ 2 bitumen refineries

#### Production of raw materials

- ✓ Aggregates: 102 Mt
- ✓ Emulsions: 1.6 Mt
- ✓ Asphalt mix: 42 Mt
- ✓ Ready Mix Concrete: 2.8 million m³
- ✓ Bitumen: 1.1 Mt<sup>1</sup>

#### High level of aggregates reserves

- ✓ 2.6 Bnt, i.e ~ 25 years of production of authorized reserves²
- ✓ 2 Bnt of additional potential reserves<sup>2</sup>



Quarry



**Emulsion plant** 

# The stake in Cofiroute, a valuable asset



- Consolidated using the equity method
  - Contribution not included in operating income
- Motorways concession company founded in 1970 by 6 companies among which Colas
- Shareholders

✓ Colas: 16.7%

✓ Vinci: 83.3%

- Assets under operation
  - ✓ Interurban network of 1,200 km in northwest France
  - ✓ A86 toll tunnel (West of Paris)
- 2012 dividend (paid in 2012): €48m¹

#### **Key financials**

€m	2012
Sales (100%)	1,337
Net profit (100%)	294
Net debt at year-end (100%)	2,877
Colas' share of net profit (16.7%)	49
Dividend paid to Colas (16.7%)	48

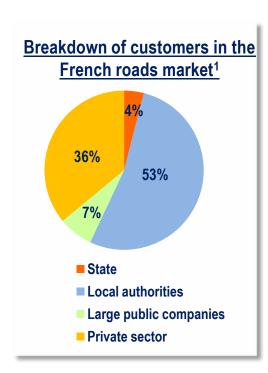
#### **Network under operation**



# **Customers' profile**



- Public customers: 63% of Colas' sales
  - ✓ A widespread focus on regular maintenance works in order to avoid obsolescence
  - ✓ Specificities of the French local administrations
    - Diversity of players: more than 50k local authorities in France, o/w 37k municipalities
    - Sound financial situation: the golden rule is to keep the operating budget balanced. Low and stable debt: approx. 8% GDP
- Private customers: 37% of Colas' sales
  - ✓ Main customers: property developers, commercial and industrial platforms, logistics hubs, Oil & Gas/mining companies, etc.



### A worldwide leader in the road market



- A worldwide leader in the road market
  - ✓ No.1 in France
  - Leadership positions in many countries thanks to long-standing presence
- Among the largest worldwide road construction materials producers
  - ✓ No.1 in asphalt mixes
  - ✓ No.1 in emulsions
  - ✓ No.8 in aggregates (No.2 in France)







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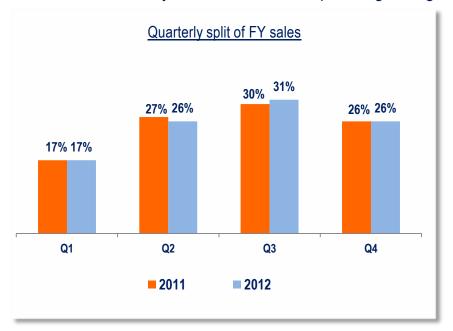
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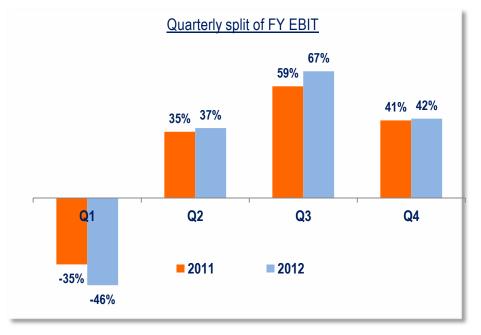
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# **Strong seasonality of activity**



- Activity is highly sensitive to weather conditions and Q1 is therefore never meaningful
  - ✓ Q1 equates to ~17% of FY sales on average (less than 10% in North America)
  - ✓ Q1 always accounts for an operating loss given low sales





### A few reminders before modeling



### Backlog

- ✓ It represents only about 5 to 7 months of activity
- ✓ Its maturity might vary depending on the amount of long-term contracts.
- ✓ It is seasonal.

### Oil products and energy prices

- ✓ In road works, an increase in bitumen and oil prices is usually passed on to customers, and therefore generates sales but is neutral for EBIT
  - Many contracts have a short duration and/or include indexation/escalation clauses
  - > Bitumen storage and occasional hedging policy mitigate price changes
- However a sustained and significant increase in energy prices might have an impact on clients' budgets and therefore activity volumes
- **Exchange rates have no material impact** on financials other than the conversion effects
  - Sales and costs of foreign subsidiaries are denominated in the same currency



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# **Vertically integrated business model (1/2)**



#### Raw materials

### **Processing**

#### Works



**Quarries and gravel pits** 



Binder and emulsion plants



Road safety equipment plants



Road works



Bitumen plants



**Asphalt mixing plants** 



Ready mix concrete plants



Railway works



Road safety works

A presence across the value chain

# **Vertically integrated business model (2/2)**



- Vertical integration
  - Secures supplies
  - Ensures product quality
  - Enhances profitability
  - Contributes to margin resilience
  - Improves competitiveness



A key competitive advantage for the Group as road works and material activity are complementary and mutually beneficial

### Proximity of a local player combined with the strengths of a global leader



- A flat and decentralized organization providing strong flexibility...
  - ✓ Strong local market knowledge
  - Competitive advantage thanks to the proximity with customers that enables fast reaction to local market needs
  - ✓ Optimized raw material transportation
- ...combined with the strengths of a global Group
  - Capacity to leverage global expertise and resources
    - Project financing, specifications, design, construction and maintenance
  - ✓ Global technical network for R&D and innovation
    - Campus for Science and Techniques (CST), 50 laboratories and about 2,000 researchers, engineers and technicians
  - ✓ Financial strength



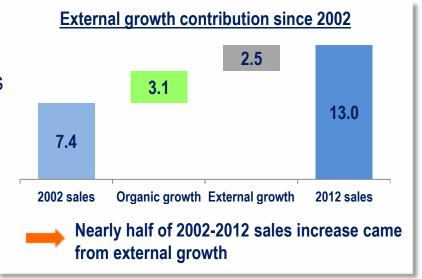
A73 motorway in Canada

# Successful external growth track record



External growth is key to increase presence
 both in new countries and in existing operations

 More than 170 acquired and successfully integrated companies since 2002 as a result of a steady acquisition policy



External growth is value-creating: companies acquired can leverage on the size, the know-how and the processes of a global leader to improve their profitability

# A strong expertise in Railways



- A comprehensive railway business
- A strong know-how in both maintenance of existing infrastructure and construction of turnkey projects
  - ✓ Long-term rail maintenance contracts providing good visibility
    - Network renewal contracts in France secured until end-2015.
    - > A leader in maintenance on the British rail network through several multi-annual schemes
  - ✓ Track record in urban transport, especially tramways
    - Leader in France with participation in almost all existing tramway lines
  - ✓ Ability to hand over large complex new line projects thanks to strong engineering skills
    - Nîmes-Montpellier high-speed rail bypass contract
  - ✓ Well-recognized international know-how
    - Metro and tramways in Cairo (Egypt), Geneva (Switzerland), Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), etc.
- Good sales dynamic at Colas Rail: €644m in 2012, up 10% YoY
  - Business size has tripled since 2006



Tramway in Le Mans, France

# **Ability to adapt**



### Colas has a range of tools to adapt its costs

- Flexibility on personnel costs
  - ✓ Seasonal contracts in North America (can represent up to around 50% of workforce during peak season)
  - √ Temporary workers
  - ✓ Geographical mobility of teams to adjust staff
- Adjustment of capex
  - ✓ Ex: 33% cut in Group net capex in 2009
- Equipment transfers
- Sale of assets
- Adjustment of **structures** in very specific cases (Ex: Central Europe)

#### **Example of Central Europe**

- A €109m EBIT loss in 2010
- Breakeven in 2012 with sales down 60% since 2008

#### **Sales in Central Europe**



# **Demonstrated resilience of operations (1/2)**





Roundabout in Côtes d'Armor, France

- Operational resilience through a large part of recurring renovation-related activities
- Ability to mitigate the impact of economic downturns thanks to vertical integration
- Risk spread out through geographic diversification and a large number of projects

# Demonstrated resilience of operations (2/2)



Solid track record of sales growth and free cash flow¹ generation

Sales: 6% 10-y CAGR

Free cash flow<sup>1</sup>: 10% 10-y CAGR



Good track record for profitability



Healthy financial structure

- Low level of net debt and excellent liquidity
- A competitive advantage for tenders



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# Long-term transport infrastructure opportunities



- Structural needs for transport infrastructure supported by underlying drivers
  - ✓ Worldwide population: +2bn¹ over the next 40 years
  - ✓ Urbanization rate: +15%¹ by 2050
  - ✓ Global trade expected to double by 2026<sup>(2)</sup>
  - ✓ Increasingly demanding environmental requirements
  - ✓ Mobility and passenger transportation needs
- Transport capacity to be able to handle volumes 2 or 3 times current levels by 2030<sup>(3)</sup>
  - ✓ Infrastructure maintenance and network improvement strongly required in developed countries
  - ✓ New transport infrastructure construction needed in fast-growing economies

<sup>1)</sup> Source: United Nations – World Urbanization Prospects 2011

<sup>2)</sup> Source: HSBC Global Connections report

<sup>(3)</sup> Source: OECD study – Strategic Transport Infrastructure Needs to 2030

# Colas' main growth drivers





Kitimat site in British Columbia, Canada

- International expansion
- Growth in railways worldwide
- Increasing demand for innovative solutions

# International expansion in areas with high potential for long term operations COLAS



#### **North America**

- United States: huge road network in average conditions and strong desire to maintain and enhance it
- Canada: large road network requiring lots of maintenance

#### Australia

Dynamic economy benefitting from high mineral resources

#### Asia

Significant potential for transport infrastructure development

#### Indian Ocean

Opportunities for large projects

#### **Southern Africa**

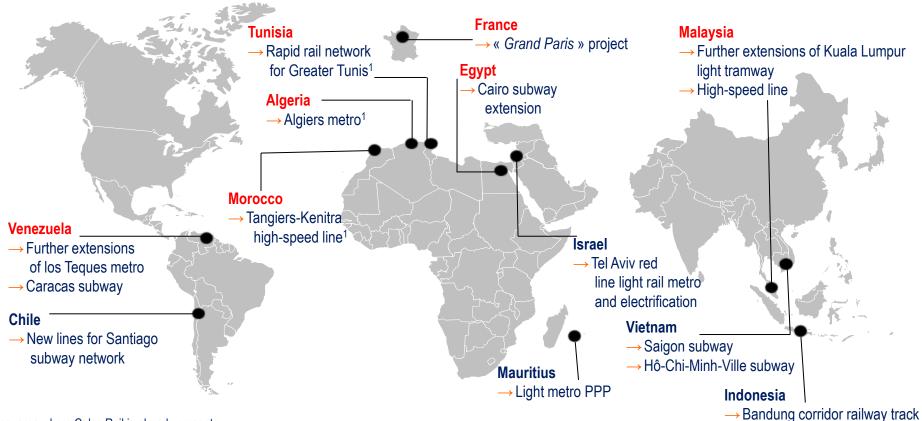
Strong demographic growth and dynamic economies



National road in Madagascar

# **Examples of opportunities for Colas Rail**





**France**: area where Colas Rail is already present **Chile**: area where Colas Rail is not present yet

(1) Contracts recently awarded to Colas Rail

Colas Rail **order book** at end-March 2013: **€1.3bn**, up **26%** YoY

### Innovative solutions for customers



- Develop innovative products and services anticipating customer needs
  - Customers are increasingly concerned about environment (i.e. gas emissions reduction), road safety, reduction
    of noise and pollution and energy/raw material cost savings
  - ✓ Thanks to its R&D capabilities, Colas can offer products and services fitting customer requests
- Provide a portfolio of services matching large private customer expectations (mining, energy, industry)
  - Example: contracts for mining projects in Madagascar with Sherritt and Rio Tinto
- Increase business in complex projects(PPP/PFIs, concessions and other long-term contracts)
  - ✓ Increasing demand from public customers
  - Extension to small/medium sized projects as well as infrastructure maintenance



Viaduct for M60 motorway in Hungary



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# A 4-pillar strategy



- Strengthen and expand the network of international operations
  - Consolidation of leadership positions in existing operations
  - ✓ Selected geographical expansion
- Expand offering to customers
  - Develop innovative products anticipating customers needs and provide turnkey services
  - ✓ Increase business in complex and large projects, but small "bread-and-butter" contracts will remain the core business
- Pursue vertical integration
  - Secure supplies
  - ✓ Improve competitiveness
- Keep on developing the railway activity



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### Colas' two main road markets



### **Mainland France**

#### Market size

- Civil works: ~€40bn¹
  - Of which roads: ~€20bn²
- ✓ Aggregates: ~340 Mt<sup>3</sup>

### Competition

- ✓ 3 large players: Colas (leader), Eurovia (Vinci) and Eiffage TP representing ~50% of the market
- Other competitors
  - Medium-size regional road works companies
  - 1,400 small road works companies
  - For materials: large cement groups (Lafarge, Cemex, Holcim, Ciments Français, Vicat) and 1,600 small aggregates producers

### **North America**

#### Market size

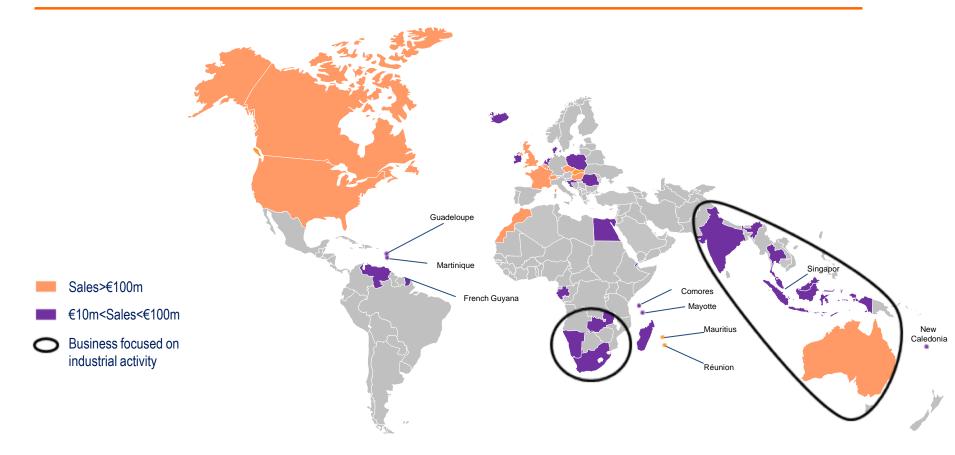
- ✓ USA: ~USD 80bn<sup>4</sup>
- ✓ Canada: ~USD 13bn<sup>5</sup>

### Very fragmented markets

- Example in the USA: 5 major players in asphalt mix represent a ~20% market share
- Main competitors in the USA
  - Subsidiaries of global groups: CRH, and for construction materials, Lafarge, Holcim, Cemex and Hanson
  - Large national players: Granite and, for construction materials, Vulcan and Martin Marietta
  - Many regional or local contractors or small producers

# A diversified geographical footprint





# **Activity in mainland France**



- Very dense network of work centers and production sites
- Road activity new organization: 7 regional subsidiaries and one single brand





Works on the "Promenade des Anglais" in Nice, France

### **Activity in North America**





Construction of motorway 73 from Saint-Georges-de-Beauce to Quebec City, Canada



Extension of the port of Anchorage, Alaska



Refurbishing a bridge in Port Royal, Pennsylvania

#### United States

- Presence in 27 states with a dense local footprint
- ✓ Intensive industrial activity and bitumen storage
- Activity diversification: maintenance of heavy works structures, works for oil companies on shale gas projects, etc.

#### Canada

- Strong Eastern and Western coverage with a presence in 6 provinces
- ✓ Historical presence in Quebec
- Solid footprint in Alberta, British Columbia,
   Yukon and Northwest Territories
- Recent penetration of Saskatchewan province,
   a high growth potential area

# **Activity in Europe (excluding France)**





Refurbishment of the Antwerp ring road, Belgium



Maintenance and management of road and motorway network in UK



Widening of Avenue Bukowska to four lanes in Poznań, Poland



Cycle-path in La Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland

### Western Europe

- Activity oriented on long-term maintenance contracts, runway maintenance and production of emulsions in the UK
- Strong positions in Switzerland, Belgium, Denmark and Ireland
- ✓ No exposure to Southern Europe
- Significant railway activity, mainly in the UK

### Central Europe

- Presence maintained after downsizing to adapt to the current level of activity
- Main countries are Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Poland and Croatia

### Activity in the rest of the world





Construction of the Tamarind Road, Réunion island



Works on a mining site in Madagascar



Building a road Route RN 1 in Bir Guendouz in the Sahara desert. Morocco



Operating the Kemaman refinery, Malaysia

- Asia/Australia: focus on industrial activities
  - Production, distribution, storage and sale of bitumen and emulsions
  - ✓ Local partnerships
- Africa: strong presence in Morocco, Gabon and emulsion production in Southern Africa
- Indian Ocean: road works, civil engineering and large projects, with a focus on mining customers in Madagascar

#### French Overseas Departments:

- Roadworks and strong position in construction materials
- ✓ In addition, building and civil engineering in Réunion island
- Large tramway and subway projects underway in Venezuela, Malaysia and North of Africa

### Impressive track record in complex projects



### A63 motorway concession in France



- Upgrading and widening of a 105-km section in southwest France awarded in January 2011
- 40-year concession (Colas share: 16%)
- Construction works (duration: 3.5 years) worth €0.5bn (Colas share: 51%)

### M6 - M60 motorway in Hungary



- Construction of a 80-km section including many engineering structures between 2008 and 2010
- ➤ €1.1bn PPP contract (Colas share: €330m)
- 30-year concession (Colas share: 30%)

# Impressive track record in complex projects



# Long-term motorway maintenance contracts in the UK

- 3 long-term MAC contracts for network management and maintenance of road motorways including engineering structures
- Value of the contracts for Colas: £220m.



### **CMA** contract in Alberta (Canada)



- Maintenance of Alberta motorway network
- 4 sections for ColasCanada (out of 30 in the province) with 5-year duration (extendable)
- First contract for ColasCanada awarded in 2006
- Value of the contract for Colas: CAD 190m<sup>1</sup>

(1) Cumulative sales since 2006

# **Appendix**



- Authorized reserves refers to the annual tonnages authorized by the authorities, multiplied by the number of years remaining until expiration of the operating permit, at all premises controlled by the group. This figure cannot exceed the number of tonnes that are economically viable within the scope of the permit.
- **Potential reserves** refers to tonnages currently on controlled premises, with the reasonable likelihood that a local permit will be obtained, and not already counted under "Authorized reserves". This figure cannot exceed fifty years of production, based on the assumption that a permit will be obtained or an existing permit renewed.