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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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# FORM F-3

# **REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

Under

The Securities Act of 1933

## CRESUD SOCIEDAD ANÓNIMA COMERCIAL, INMOBILIARIA,

## FINANCIERA Y AGROPECUARIA

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

# **CRESUD** INC.

(Translation of the Registrant s name in English)

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Not Applicable

(Jurisdiction of incorporation)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities Amount to	Proposed maximum aggregate price	Proposed maximum aggregate offering	Amount of
to be registered be registered	per common share (1)(4)	price(4)	registration fee(6)
Common shares, Ps.1.00 par value per			
share(1)(2)(3)(7) 180,000,000	US\$1.835	US\$330,300,000	US\$10,210.02
Rights to subscribe for common shares (and			
ADS rights)(3) 320,774,772	None	None	None
Warrants to purchase common shares(4) 180,000,000	None	None	None
Common shares, Ps.1.00 par value per share, issuable upon exercise of warrants(5)(8)60,000,000	US\$1.92675	US\$115,605,000	US\$4,540.80

- (1) Proposed maximum aggregate price per common share calculated, solely for purposes of determining the SEC registration fee, on the basis of the closing price of the Registrant s ADSs on the NASDAQ on February 20, 2008, divided by 10.
- (2) Includes common shares that may be offered and sold in the form of American Depositary Shares to holders of ADS rights. This amount also includes common shares that are to be offered in Argentina and elsewhere outside the United States but may be resold from time to time in the United States during the distribution.
- (3) American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts issuable upon deposit of common shares registered hereby have been registered under a separate Registration Statement on Form F-6.
- (4) No separate consideration will be received by the Registrant for the rights to subscribe for common shares, the rights to subscribe for ADSs evidencing common shares or the warrants prior to their exercise.
- (5) Proposed maximum aggregate price per common share calculated, solely for purposes of determining the SEC registration fee, on the basis of 105% of the closing price of the Registrant s ADSs on the NASDAQ on February 20, 2008, divided by 10.
- (6) Previously paid.
- (7) For the common shares, Ps.1.00 par value per share, 156,000,000 shares were registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price per common share of US\$2.060 with the Form F-3 filing on September 12, 2007 (Registration No. 333-146011) for a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of US\$321,360,000. Based on the fee rate of \$30.70 per million registered, a fee of \$9,865.75 was paid. Through Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 we registered an additional 24,000,000 shares at a proposed maximum aggregate price per common share of US\$1.834 for a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of US\$44,016,000. Based on the fee rate of \$39.30 per million registered, we paid a fee of \$1,729.82.
- (8) For the common shares, Ps.1.00 par value per share, issuable upon exercise of warrants, 52,000,000 shares were registered at a proposed maximum aggregate price per common share of US\$2.472 with the Form F-3 filing on September 12, 2007 (Registration No. 333-146011) for a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of US\$128,544,000. Based on the prior fee rate of \$30.70 per million registered, a fee of \$3,946.30 was paid. Through Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 we registered an additional 8,000,000 shares at a proposed maximum aggregate price per common share of US\$1.9257 for a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of US\$1.9257 for a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of US\$15,405,600. Based on the fee rate of \$39.30 per million registered we paid, a fee of \$605.44.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

Prospectus

# CRESUD SOCIEDAD ANÓNIMA COMERCIAL, INMOBILIARIA,

# FINANCIERA Y AGROPECUARIA

Cresud Inc.

#### Rights to Subscribe for Common Shares in the Form of American Depositary Shares and Warrants

We are granting to our common shareholders rights to subscribe for 180,000,000 new common shares, together with the right to receive 180,000,000 warrants to acquire additional common shares. Each common share held of record at 6:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one right to subscribe for common shares, or common share right. Each common share right will entitle its holder to subscribe for 0.561141 new common shares, to subscribe at the same price for additional common shares remaining unsubscribed after the preemptive rights offering pursuant to its exercise of accretion rights, and to receive free of charge, for each new common shares), rights agent, will make available to holders of our American Depositary Shares, or ADSs (each of which represents 10 common shares), rights, or ADS rights, to subscribe for new ADSs, together with the right to receive warrants to acquire additional common shares. Each ADS held of record at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one ADS right. Each ADS right will entitle its holder to subscribe for 0.561141 new common shares of accretion rights, and to receive free of charge, for each new common shares), rights, or ADS rights, to subscribe for new ADSs, together with the right to receive warrants to acquire additional common shares. Each ADS held of record at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one ADS right. Each ADS right will entitle its holder to subscribe for 0.561141 new ADSs, to subscribe at the same price for additional common shares in the form of ADSs remaining unsubscribed after the preemptive rights offering pursuant to its exercise of accretion rights, and to receive free of charge, for each new ADS that it purchases pursuant to this offering 10 warrants, each of which will entitle such holder to purchase 0.3333333 additional common shares.

On March 11, 2008 we reported to the Argentine Comisión Nacional de Valores and the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and released to PR Newswire (i) a definitive subscription price for this rights offering of PS.5.0528 for the new common shares and US\$16.00 for the new ADSs and (ii) a warrant exercise price of US\$1.68 per each of our common shares. Each warrant entitles its holder to purchase 0.33333333 common shares and as a result three warrants must be exercised to purchase one common share. The subscription price for each new common share will be payable in U.S. dollars outside Argentina or in Argentine pesos in Argentina, determined on the basis of the seller s reference exchange rate (*tipo de cambio vendedor*) of US\$1 = Ps.3.158, as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* on March 10, 2008. The subscription price for each New ADS will be payable in U.S. dollars.

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	Price to the Public	Proceeds to Company
Definitive subscription price per new common share <sup>(2)</sup>	Ps. 5.0528	US\$ 46,080,000
Definitive subscription price per new ADS <sup>(3)</sup>	US\$16.00	US\$241,920,000
Rights to subscribe for common shares and ADS rights	US\$ 0.00	US\$0.00
Warrants <sup>(4)</sup>	US\$ 0.00	US\$0.00
Total offering <sup>(4)</sup>		US\$288,000,000

- (1) After payment of transaction expenses by us, currently estimated at approximately US\$8.84 million.
- (2) Corresponds to approximately 28,800,000 common shares expected to be subscribed in Argentina, based on the definitive subscription price of Ps. 5.0528 for each new common share. Proceeds have been converted to U.S. dollars on the basis of the exchange rate of US\$1 = Ps.3.158 as quoted by *Banco de la Nación*

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Argentina on March 10, 2008.

- (3) Corresponds to approximately 151,200,000 common shares expected to be subscribed in the form of ADSs, each of which represents 10 common shares, based on the definitive subscription price of US\$16.00 for each new ADS.
- (4) No separate consideration will be received by us for the granting of the rights to subscribe for common shares, the rights to subscribe for ADSs evidencing common shares or the warrants prior to their exercise.

# Investing in our common shares, ADSs and warrants involves significant risks. See <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page 31.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Joint-Dealer Managers

Citi

**Deutsche Bank Securities** 

# Co-Dealer Manager

**Raymond James** 

March 11, 2008

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Any holder of common share rights may transfer any whole number of common share rights. Common share rights trade on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange until March 14, 2008. The ADS rights will not be transferable.

Our ADSs are traded on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol CRESY, and our common shares are traded on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange under the symbol CRES. On March 10, 2008, the closing prices on the NASDAQ Global Select Market per ADS and on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange per common share were US\$15.75 and Ps.5.00, respectively. We have applied to list the warrants on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and we intend to have the warrants listed on the American Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ.

Prior to their expiration on May 22, 2015, the warrants will be exercisable during the six-day period from and including the 17th through the 22nd day of each February, May, September and November (to the extent such dates are business days in New York City and in the City of Buenos Aires), commencing with such period from and including May 17 through to May 22, 2008. The warrants will be freely transferable. We will accept the exercise of warrants to purchase whole new common shares. Three warrants must be exercised in order to purchase one new common share. The exercise price of US\$1.68 for new common shares to be purchased pursuant to the exercise of warrants will be payable in U.S. dollars. ADS holders wishing to obtain additional ADSs upon exercise of their warrants must deposit the common shares acquired under the warrants with The Bank of New York, as our depositary, to obtain ADSs in accordance with the terms of the deposit agreement.

We are granting these preemptive rights to subscribe for newly issued common shares as required under Argentine law and, although not obligated to do so, have elected to register the common shares to which these preemptive rights relate with the Securities and Exchange Commission in order to extend to our U.S. shareholders and holders of ADSs an equal opportunity to participate in our preemptive rights offering.

The offering of new common shares and warrants by means of rights to holders of common shares will expire at 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on March 18, 2008 (the expiration of the common share subscription period ). The offering of new ADSs and warrants by means of ADS rights to holders of ADSs will expire at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on March 13, 2008 (the expiration of the ADS subscription period ).

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No person is authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized. This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities other than the securities described in this prospectus, or an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities in any circumstances in which such offer or solicitation is unlawful. The delivery of this prospectus shall not, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in our affairs since the date hereof, or that the information contained or incorporated by reference herein or therein is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of such information.

As used in this prospectus, the terms Cresud, we, us and our may refer, depending upon the context, to Cresud Sociedad Anónima Comercial, Inmobiliaria, Financiera y Agropecuaria, to one or more of our consolidated subsidiaries or to all of them taken as a whole, unless we state otherwise or the context indicates otherwise. Our headquarters are located at Moreno 877, 23rd Floor, (C1091AAQ) Buenos Aires, Argentina, our telephone number is +54 (11) 4814-7800, and our website is www.cresud.com.ar.

#### PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL AND CERTAIN OTHER INFORMATION

#### Cresud

This prospectus contains our audited consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007. This prospectus also incorporates by reference our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007. This prospectus also contains our unaudited financial statements as of December 31, 2006 and 2007 and for the six-month periods ended on such dates. We prepare our consolidated financial statements in Pesos and in conformity with the generally accepted accounting principles in Argentina, as set forth by the *Federación Argentina de Consejo Profesionales de Ciencias Económicas* (FACPCE) and as implemented, adapted, amended, revised and/or supplemented by the *Consejo Profesional de Ciencias Económicas de la Ciudad Autonoma de Buenos Aires* (CPCECABA) (collectively Argentine GAAP) and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, which differ in certain significant respects from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Such differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in our consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). See Note 17 to our audited consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this prospectus for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to us, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of our net income and shareholders equity.

In order to comply with regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, we recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on an undiscounted basis. This accounting practice represented a departure from Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2005 and 2006. However, such departure has not had a material effect on our financial statements. As further discussed below, the CPCECABA issued revised accounting standards. One of these standards required companies to account for deferred income taxes on an undiscounted basis, thus aligning the accounting to that of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Since the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* adopted the CPCECABA standards effective for our fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, there is no longer a difference on this subject between Argentine GAAP and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations.

Additionally, after considerable inflation levels for the second half of 2002 and the first months of 2003, on March 25, 2003, the Argentine government instructed the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* to issue the necessary regulations to preclude companies under its supervision from presenting price-level restated financial statements. Therefore, on April 8, 2003, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* issued a resolution providing for the discontinuance of inflation accounting as of March 1, 2003. We complied with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution and accordingly recorded the effects of inflation until February 28, 2003. Comparative figures were restated until that date, using a conversion factor of 1.1232. Since Argentine GAAP required companies to discontinue inflation adjustments only as from October 1, 2003, the application of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution represented a departure from Argentine GAAP. However, due to low inflation rates during the period from March to September 2003, such a departure has not had a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

#### IRSA

As of December 31, 2007, we owned a 34.6% equity interest in IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima (IRSA). In compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, also contained in this prospectus are the audited consolidated financial statements of IRSA as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007. This prospectus also includes IRSA s unaudited consolidated financial statements as of and for the six-month periods ended December 31, 2006 and 2007.

IRSA prepares its consolidated financial statements in Pesos and in conformity with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* which differ in certain significant respects from U.S. GAAP. Such differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in the consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the SEC. See Note 28 to IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP as they relate to IRSA and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of IRSA s net income and shareholders equity.

In order to comply with *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations, IRSA recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on an undiscounted basis. This accounting practice represented a departure from Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2005 and 2006. However, such departure has not had a material effect on the IRSA s consolidated financial statements. As further discussed below, the CPCECABA issued revised accounting standards. One of these standards required companies to account for deferred income taxes on an undiscounted basis, thus aligning the accounting to that of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Since the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* adopted the CPCECABA standards effective for IRSA s fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, there is no longer a difference on this subject between Argentine GAAP and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations.

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As of December, 2007, IRSA owned an 11.8% equity interest in Banco Hipotecario that represented 7.0% if IRSA s total consolidated assets at such date. In compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, also included in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007, which is incorporated herein by reference, are the audited consolidated financial statements of Banco Hipotecario as of June 30, 2006 and 2007, and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

#### **Incorporation by Reference**

We incorporate by reference the Form 20-F described below and any future filings made by us with the SEC under Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until the transactions contemplated by this prospectus are consummated or this offering is terminated. Any such information incorporated by reference would be an important part of this prospectus. Any such future filings shall be deemed to automatically update and supersede the information contained herein or in documents previously incorporated by reference to the extent not modified or superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed. As of the date of this prospectus, our annual report on Form 20-F (filed under an English translation of our corporate name, Cresud Inc.) for the year ended June 30, 2007, is incorporated herein by reference.

We will provide, without charge, to any person to whom a copy of this prospectus is delivered, upon written request, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference herein (not including the exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference in such documents). Requests should be directed to us at our headquarters located at Moreno 877, 23rd floor, (C1091AAQ) Buenos Aires, Argentina.

#### Adoption by the Comisión Nacional de Valores of CPCECABA standards

Effective July 1, 2006, we adopted Technical Resolution No. 22 Agricultural Activities issued by FACPCE (RT No. 22). RT No. 22 prescribes the accounting treatment, financial statement presentation and disclosures related to agricultural activity. Agricultural activity is the management by an entity of the biological transformation of living animals or plants (biological assets) for sale, into agricultural produce, or into additional biological assets. RT No. 22 prescribes, among other things, the accounting treatment for biological assets during the period of growth, degeneration, production, and procreation, and for the initial measurement of agricultural produce at the point of harvest. It requires measurement at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs from initial recognition of biological assets up to the point of harvest, other than when fair value cannot be measured reliably on initial recognition. RT No. 22 requires that a change in fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs of a biological asset be included in profit or loss for the period in which it arises. RT No. 22 also requires that gains or losses arising on initial recognition of RT No. 22 did not have a significant impact in our measurement and recognition of biological transformation. Rather, it changed the format of our income statement. Under RT No. 22 we disclose certain components of our costs as separate line items in the income statement. Adoption of RT No. 22 did not result in any change to our consolidated gross profit for any of the periods presented.

Also, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* issued General Resolutions 485 and 487 on December 29, 2005 and January 26, 2006, respectively, adopting, with certain modifications, new accounting standards previously issued by the CPCECABA through its Resolution CD 93/2005. These standards were effective for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. The most significant changes included in the accounting standards adopted by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* relate to (i) changes in the impairment test of long-lived assets and (ii) changes to deferred income tax accounting. Under the new standards, the carrying value of a long-lived asset is considered impaired when the expected cash flows from such asset are separately identifiable and less than its carrying value. Expected cash flows are determined primarily using the anticipated cash flows discounted at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. The new standards also provide for the accounting treatment of differences between the tax basis and book basis of non-monetary items for deferred income tax calculation purposes when companies prepare price-level restated financial statements. The new accounting standard mandates companies to treat these differences as temporary but allows a one-time accommodation to continue treating those differences as permanent at the time of adoption of the standard. As a result, we elected to continue treating differences as permanent. In addition, the new standards provide for the recognition of deferred income taxes on a non-discounted basis.

#### General

Certain amounts which appear in this prospectus (including percentage amounts) may not sum due to rounding. Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated certain Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by the Central Bank for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.1490 = US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent or could have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls. Total may not sum due to rounding.

References to fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 are to the fiscal years ended June 30 of each such year.

The summary consolidated income statement data for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2004 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2003, 2004 and 2005 have been derived from our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007 which is incorporated by reference herein.

In this prospectus where we refer to Peso, Pesos, or Ps. we mean Argentine pesos, the lawful currency in Argentina; when we refer to U.S. dollars, or US\$ we mean United States dollars, the lawful currency of the United States of America; and when we refer to Central Bank we mean the Argentine Central Bank (*Banco Central de la República Argentina*).

#### **Market Data**

Market data used throughout this prospectus were derived from reports prepared by unaffiliated third-party sources. Certain market data which appear herein (including percentage amounts) may not sum due to rounding.

#### SUMMARY

The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. This summary is not complete and does not contain all the information you should consider before investing in our securities. You should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements section, and our consolidated financial statements and related notes, before making an investment decision. As used in this prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires, references to Cresud, we, us and our refer to Cresud Sociedad Anónima Comercial, Inmobiliaria, Financiera y Agropecuaria and our consolidated subsidiaries.

#### **Our Company**

We are a leading Argentine agricultural company with a growing presence in the Brazilian agricultural sector through our investment in BrasilAgro Companhia Brasileira de Propriedades Agrícola (BrasilAgro). We are currently involved in a range of activities including crop production, cattle raising and milk production. Our business model, which we seek to roll out abroad, taking into account the specific conditions of each country, focuses on the acquisition, development and exploitation of properties having attractive prospects for agricultural production and/or value appreciation and the selective disposition of such properties where appreciation has been realized. Our shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and our ADSs are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

As of December 31, 2007, we owned 17 farms with approximately 445,075 hectares. Approximately 25,534 hectares of the land we own are used for crop production, approximately 97,942 hectares are for beef cattle production, 3,951 hectares are for milk production and approximately 3,243 hectares are leased to third parties for crop and beef cattle production. The remaining 314,405 hectares of land reserve are primarily natural woodlands. In addition, through Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. we have the rights to 162,000 hectares of land for a 35-year period that can be extended for another 29 years. Also, during the six months ended December 31, 2007, we leased 31,174 hectares from third parties for crop production and 32,494 hectares for beef cattle production.

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, we had consolidated sales of Ps.78.2 million, Ps.112.3 million, Ps.110.3 million and Ps.68.1 million, production income of Ps.67.5 million, Ps.65.4 million, Ps.102.8 million and Ps.35.7 million, and consolidated net income of Ps.76.8 million, Ps.32.9 million, Ps.49.4 million and Ps.14.5 million, respectively. During the period from June 30, 2005 to December 31, 2007, our total consolidated assets increased 60.2% from Ps.743.4 million to Ps.1,191 million, and our shareholders equity increased 62.7% from Ps.523.1 million to Ps.851.0 million.

The following table sets forth, at the dates indicated, the amount of land used for each production activity (including owned and leased land):

		At June 30	),	At December 31,
	2005(1)	2006(1) (in	2007(1)(2) hectares)	2007(1)(2)
Grains(3)	39,831	41,283	53,579	66,987
Cattle	96,380	129,946	114,097	130,436
Milk	1,776	1,698	2,609	3,951
Natural woodlands(4)	263,177	258,477	325,728	314,405
Owned farmlands leased to others	9,978	14,229	13,771	8,375
Total	411,142	445,633	509,784	524,154

(1) Includes 35.7% of approximately 8,299 hectares owned by Agro Uranga S.A., an affiliated Argentine company in which we own a non-controlling 35.7% interest. See Cresud s Business Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.

- (2) Includes 24.0% of approximately 170 hectares owned by Cactus Argentina S.A., an affiliated Argentine company in which we have a non-controlling 24.0% interest. See Cresud s Business Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.
- (3) Includes wheat, corn, sunflower, soybean, sorghum and others.

(4) We use part of our land reserves to produce fence posts, rods and a small amount of charcoal.

We are also indirectly engaged in the Argentine real estate business through our holding of 34.6% of the common shares of IRSA, one of Argentina s largest real estate companies. IRSA is engaged in a range of diversified real estate activities including residential properties, office buildings, shopping centers and luxury hotels in Argentina. A majority of our directors are also directors of IRSA, and we are under common control by the same group of controlling shareholders. As of December 31, 2007, our investment in IRSA represented approximately 43.2% of our total consolidated assets, and during the six months ended December 31, 2007, our gain from our investment in IRSA was Ps.7.2 million.

In September 2005, we, together with certain Brazilian partners, founded BrasilAgro, a startup company organized to exploit opportunities in the Brazilian agricultural sector. In April 2006, BrasilAgro increased its capital through a global and domestic offering of common shares, and as of December 31, 2007, we owned approximately 8.3% of the outstanding common shares of BrasilAgro. As of December 31, 2007, our investment in BrasilAgro represented approximately 7.1% of our total consolidated assets.

#### **Our Strategy**

We seek to maximize our return on assets and overall profitability by (i) identifying, acquiring and exploiting agricultural properties having attractive prospects for agricultural production and/or long-term value appreciation and selectively disposing of properties as appreciation is realized, (ii) optimizing the yields and productivity of our agricultural properties through the implementation of state-of-the-art technologies and agricultural techniques and (iii) preserving the value of our significant long-term investment in the urban real estate sector held through our affiliate IRSA.

#### Focus on maximizing value of our agricultural real estate assets

We conduct our agricultural activities with a focus on maximizing the value of our real estate assets. We seek to rotate our portfolio of properties over time by purchasing large parcels of land which we believe have a high potential for appreciation and selling them selectively as opportunities arise to realize attractive capital gains. We believe that our ability to realize gains from appreciation of our farmlands is based on the following principles:

Acquiring under-utilized properties and enhancing their land use: We seek to purchase under-utilized properties at attractive prices and develop them to achieve more productive uses. We seek to do so by (i) transforming non-productive land into cattle feeding land, (ii) transforming cattle feeding land into land suitable for more productive agricultural uses, (iii) enhancing the value of agricultural lands by changing their use to more profitable agricultural activities and (iv) reaching to the final stage of the real estate development cycle by transforming rural properties into urban areas as the boundaries of urban development continue to extend into rural areas. To do so, we generally focus on acquisitions of properties outside of highly developed agricultural regions and/or properties whose value we believe is likely to be enhanced by proximity to existing or expected infrastructure.

Applying modern technologies to enhance operating yields and property values. We believe that an opportunity exists to improve the productivity and long-term value of inexpensive and/or underdeveloped land by investing in modern technologies such as genetically modified and high yield seeds, direct sowing techniques, machinery, crop yield optimization through land rotation, irrigation and the use of fertilizers and agrochemicals. To enhance our cattle production, we use genetic technology and have a strict animal health plan controlled periodically through traceability systems. In addition, we have introduced a feedlot to optimize our beef cattle management and state-of-the-art milking technologies in our dairy business.

Anticipating market trends. We seek to anticipate market trends in the agribusiness sector by (i) identifying opportunities generated by economic development at local, regional and worldwide levels, (ii) detecting medium- and long-term increases or decreases in supply and demand caused by changes in the world s food consumption patterns and (iii) using land for the production of food and energy and for residential use, in each case in anticipation of such market trends.

*International expansion*. Although most of our properties are located in different areas of Argentina, we are actively analyzing various expansion opportunities in other Latin American countries. We believe that an attractive opportunity exists to acquire and develop agricultural properties outside Argentina, and our objective is to replicate our business model in such other countries which include, among others, Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay. For example, in 2005 we and several Brazilian partners founded BrasilAgro, a startup company organized to exploit opportunities in the Brazilian agricultural sector. As of June 30, 2007, Brasilagro had acquired and committed purchases for over 80,000 hectares of land.

#### Increase and optimize production yields

We seek to increase and improve our production yields through the following initiatives:

*Implementation of technology.* We seek to continue using state-of-the-art technology to increase production yields. We plan to make further investments in machinery and the implementation of agricultural techniques such as direct sowing to improve cereal production. We believe that we may improve crop yields by using high-potential seeds (GMOs) and fertilizers and by introducing advanced land rotation techniques. In addition, we intend to continue installing irrigation equipment in some of our farms to achieve higher output levels.

We seek to continue improving beef cattle production through the use of advanced breeding techniques and technologies related to animal health. We plan to improve the use of pastures and expect to make further investments in infrastructure, including installation of watering troughs and electrical fencing.

We have implemented an individual animal identification system, using plastic tags for our beef cattle and RFID tags for our dairy cattle, to comply with national laws on traceability. Also, we acquired software from Westfalia Co. which enables us to store individual information about each of our dairy cows. In the beef cattle business, we recently initiated Argentina s first vertically integrated beef cattle processing operation by entering into a partnership with Cactus Feeders and Tyson Foods to set up Cactus Argentina S.A. (Cactus), a feedlot and slaughterhouse operator.

In connection with our milk production, we plan to continue developing our activities through the use of state-of-the-art technology and advanced feeding and techniques relating to animal health. For example, in May 2007 we opened one of the most modern dairy production facilities in Argentina, achieving a daily production capacity of more than 40,000 litres.

Increased production. We seek to increase our crop, beef cattle and milk production in order to achieve economies of scale by:

Increasing our owned land in various regions of Argentina by taking advantage of attractive land purchase opportunities as they arise.

Leasing productive properties to supplement our expansion strategy, using our liquidity to make productive investments in our principal agricultural activities. We believe that leasing enhances our ability to diversify our production and geographic focus, in particular in areas not offering attractive prospects for appreciation of land value.

Developing productive properties in areas where agricultural production is not developed to its full potential. As of June 30, 2007, we owned land reserves in excess of 329,828 hectares, which is located in under-utilized areas where agricultural production is not yet fully developed. We believe that technological tools are available to improve the productivity of such land and enhance its long-term value. However, existing or future environmental regulations may prevent us from completely developing our land reserves, requiring us to maintain a portion of such land as unproductive land reserves.

Diversifying market and weather risk by expanding our product and land portfolio. We seek to continue diversifying our operations to produce a range of different agricultural commodities in different markets, either directly or in association with third parties. We believe that a diversified product mix mitigates our exposure to seasonality, commodity price fluctuations, extreme weather conditions and other factors affecting the agricultural sector. To achieve this objective in Argentina, we expect to continue to own and lease farmlands in various regions with differing weather patterns and to continue to seed a range of diversified products. Moreover, we believe that continuing to expand our agricultural operations outside of Argentina will enhance our ability to produce new agricultural products, further diversifying our mix of products, and mitigate further our exposure to regional weather conditions and country-specific risks.

#### Preservation of long-term value of our investment in IRSA

We seek to maintain the long-term value of our significant investment in the urban real estate sector through IRSA. We believe that IRSA is an ideal vehicle through which to participate in the urban real estate market due to its substantial and diversified portfolio of residential and commercial properties, the strength of its management and what we believe are its attractive prospects for future growth and profitability.

#### **Recent Developments**

*Exercise of our warrants and conversion of our convertible notes.* The term for the exercise of our outstanding warrants and the conversion of our outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. Throughout the conversion and exercise periods, holders of our warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 49,867,018 warrants and converted an aggregate of 49,910,874 convertible notes, respectively, increasing our capital stock to 320,774,772 issued and outstanding shares. As of the date of this prospectus, there are no outstanding warrants or convertible notes to acquire our shares.

*Exercise of IRSA s Warrants and Conversion of Convertible Notes.* Between September 25, 2007 and October 25, 2007, we acquired an additional 82.5 million common shares of IRSA by (i) exercising all of our warrants to acquire 60.5 million IRSA common shares for an aggregate purchase price of US\$39.6 million and (ii) converting US\$12.0 million of IRSA s 8% convertible notes due 2007 into 22.0 million common shares. As a result, our investment in IRSA s common shares increased from 25% on June 30, 2007 to 34.6% on December 31, 2007. The term for the exercise of IRSA s remaining warrants and the conversion of its outstanding convertible notes expired on November 14, 2007. After the exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes described above, we have no further warrants or convertible notes of IRSA.

Solares de Santa María, City of Buenos Aires (formerly Santa María del Plata). Solares de Santa María is a mixed-use development project which IRSA intends to develop on a 70-hectare property facing the Río de la Plata in the southern port of Puerto Madero, 10 minutes from downtown Buenos Aires. This proposed project is currently expected to have residential complexes, as well as offices, stores, hotels, sport and nautical clubs, schools, supermarkets and parking lots. We initially sought approval for this project in late 1997, and on November 9, 2007, the Executive Branch of the City of Buenos Aires issued Decree No. 1584/2007, approving this project. Notwithstanding such Decree, several operational and implementation issues remain to be approved by the City of Buenos Aires. In addition, a member of the Legislative Branch of the City of Buenos Aires recently initiated a lawsuit (acción de amparo) challenging such Decree, alleging that it did not meet certain procedural requirements and requesting an injunction to suspend construction until the resolution of the legal challenge. As of the date of this prospectus, the injunction has been granted, but we have not been notified of any decision with respect to the merits of the pending claim.

*Partial sale of La Nación building.* On January 8, 2008, IRSA sold to Techint Compañía Técnica Internacional Sociedad Anónima Comercial e Industrial an undivided 29.9% interest in an office building known as Edificio La Nación located at Bouchard 551, in the City of Buenos Aires. The sale price for such undivided interest was US\$34.4 million which was paid in cash prior to closing. The portion of Edificio La Nación sold represents a surface area of 9,946 square meters and 133 parking spaces.

Acquisition of Shopping Center. On December 28, 2007, IRSA s subsidiary, Alto Palermo S.A. or Alto Palermo , executed a bill of sale for a partial bulk transfer with INC S.A., pursuant to which Alto Palermo agreed to acquire a shopping center known as Soleil Factory which is located in the greater Buenos Aires metropolitan area. Closing of this transaction is subject to certain conditions set forth in the deed of

transfer, including the approval of the *Argentine Comisión National de Defensa de la Competencia*, or Antitrust Authority . The purchase price was US\$20.7 million, of which Alto Palermo paid into escrow US\$8.1 million upon the execution of the bill of sale. The unpaid balance is US\$12.6 million which accrues interest at an annual rate of 5% (plus value added tax) and is to be paid in 7 years, together with the seventh and last annual installment of the accrued interest. On January 22, 2008, Alto Palermo requested the Antitrust Authority s clearance of the transfer of the Soleil Factory shopping center to Alto Palermo, and as of the date of this prospectus, the Antitrust Authority has not reached a decision.

In addition, Alto Palermo executed a letter of intent for the acquisition, development and exploitation of a new shopping center on a parcel of land owned by INC S.A. in the City of San Miguel de Tucumán, Province of Tucumán, for an amount of US\$1.3 million, of which Alto Palermo paid US\$0.05 million on January 2, 2008. This transaction is subject to certain conditions set forth in the letter of intent, including Alto Palermo s acquisition of the Soleil Factory shopping center.

Our headquarters are located at Moreno 877, 23rd floor, (C1091AAQ) Buenos Aires, Argentina. Our telephone number is +54 (11) 4814-7800, and our website is www.cresud.com.ar.

#### THE OFFERING

This summary highlights certain information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before deciding to purchase our securities. We urge you to read the entire prospectus carefully, including the Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements sections, along with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes.

Offering of Common Share Rights and ADS Rights

We are granting to our common shareholders rights, or common share rights, to subscribe for 180,000,000 new common shares and 180,000,000 warrants to acquire additional common shares. Each common share held of record at 6:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one common share right. Each common share right will entitle its holder to subscribe for 0.561141 new common shares and to receive free of charge, for each new common share that it purchases pursuant to this offering, one warrant to purchase 0.33333333 additional common shares.

The Bank of New York, as our ADS rights agent, has made available to holders of ADSs, rights or ADS Rights, to subscribe for new ADSs and warrants to acquire additional common shares which may be delivered in the form of ADSs. Each ADS held of record at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one ADS right. Each ADS right will entitle its holder to subscribe for 0.561141 new ADS and to receive free of charge, for each new ADS that it purchases pursuant to this offering, 10 warrants, each of which will entitle such holder to purchase 0.33333333 additional common shares.

Subscription period for the common share rights and	From March 4, 2008, through 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on March 18,		
ADS rights	2008, in the case of the common share rights (the common shares subscription period )		
	and from March 4, 2008, through 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on March 13, 2008, in		
	the case of the ADS rights (the ADS subscription period ).		

To exercise common share rights, you must deliver to our common shares agent, a properly completed subscription form accompanied by a certificate of ownership issued by the *Caja de Valores* or evidence of assignment of the common share rights in your favor by 1:00 p.m. on March 18, 2008, or your common share rights will lapse and will have no further value. Deposit in the mail will not constitute delivery to us.

To exercise the ADS rights, you must deliver to the ADS rights agent a properly completed ADS rights subscription form and pay the amount specified below for each ADS subscribed or sought pursuant to accretion rights by 5:00 p.m. New York City time on March 13, 2008, or your ADS rights will lapse and will have no further value, except the right to receive a cash payment if the Depositary receives U.S. dollars in respect of a sale of unexercised common share rights. Deposit in the mail will not constitute delivery to the ADS rights agent.

The amount you pay will be the definitive subscription price plus the depositary s issuance fee of US\$0.05 per new ADS.

The exercise of common share rights and ADS rights is irrevocable and may not be canceled or modified.

Accretion rights

Concurrently with the exercise of their common share rights, holders of common shares may exercise their statutory accretion rights with respect to common shares not subscribed for by other holders of common shares in the exercise of their respective preemptive rights, by indicating the maximum number of additional common shares they would like to purchase pursuant to their accretion rights, which shall not exceed the amount of common shares subscribed by such holder in the exercise of its preemptive rights. Common shares relating to such accretion rights will be allocated pro rata to each exercising holder of common shares that has requested additional shares through

the exercise of accretion rights based on the ratio of the number of new common shares available after exercise of the common share rights to the aggregate number of new common shares to be subscribed for pursuant to accretion rights.

	Concurrently with the exercise of their preemptive rights, ADS holders that subscribe for new ADSs pursuant to their ADS rights may indicate on their subscription forms a number of additional ADSs for which they would be willing to subscribe pursuant to their accretion rights which shall not exceed the number of new ADSs subscribed by such holder in the exercise of its preemptive rights. If accretion rights are allocated to the depositary, the ADS rights agent will allocate additional ADSs to ADS holders that requested them. If the amount of additional ADSs available pursuant to accretion rights are insufficient to satisfy all requests, we will allocate the available additional ADSs ratably among requesting ADS holders in proportion to the number of additional ADSs they requested.
	On March 19, 2008, which is one business day after the end of the common shares subscription period, we will notify holders of our common shares and our ADS holders who have indicated that they wish to exercise their accretion rights of the aggregate number of unsubscribed common shares and ADSs, as applicable, by publication of a notice in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and the CNV web site. Based on this notice, we will allocate unsubscribed common shares to holders of common shares and ADSs to ADS holders, as applicable, in accordance with their accretion rights.
Results of the offering	On March 25, 2008, which is the third Argentine business day after the end of the common shares subscription period, we will notify holders of our common shares and ADS holders by publication of a notice in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and PR Newswire of the final results of the offering pursuant to common share rights and ADS rights.
Definitive subscription price	On March 11, 2008, we published in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, the website of the Comisión Nacional de Valores and released to PR Newswire the definitive subscription price for each of the new common shares and ADSs of Ps.5.0528 and US\$16.00, respectively.

The subscription price for each new ADS will be payable in U.S. dollars. Holders of new ADSs must also pay an amount sufficient to cover the fee of the depositary that is US\$0.05 per new ADS.

The subscription price for each new common share will be payable in U.S. dollars outside Argentina or in Argentine pesos in Argentina, determined on the basis of the seller s reference exchange rate (*tipo de cambio vendedor*) of US\$1 = Ps.3.158, as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* on March 10, 2008.

If a holder exercised rights at the indicative subscription price that was published on February 25, 2008 and prior to the release of the definitive subscription price on March 11, 2008, and the amount paid with a subscription was more than the definitive subscription price plus applicable fees, the ADS rights agent will notify the subscriber of the excess and will return such excess to the relevant subscriber as promptly as practicable after completion of this offering.

Payment for exercise of preemptive rights The new common shares subscribed pursuant to the common share rights must be paid in cash or by wire transfer to the common shares agent no later than 1:00 p.m. on March 18, 2008, which is the last business day of the common shares subscription period. The new ADSs subscribed pursuant to the ADS rights must be paid by wire transfer or by certified or official bank check or money order to the ADS rights agent no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2008, which is the last business day of the ADS subscription period.

Payment for exercise of accretion rights

The new common shares subscribed pursuant to the accretion rights must be paid by wire transfer or by certified or official bank check or money order to the common share rights agent no later than 1:00 p.m. on March 25, 2008 which is the second business day after the end of the common shares subscription period.

The new ADSs subscribed pursuant to the accretion rights must be paid in cash, by wire transfer or by certified or official bank check or money order to the ADS rights agent no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2008 which is the last business day of the ADS subscription period.

Fractional common shares and ADSs	We will accept subscriptions for whole new common shares and new ADSs only and will round down any subscription submitted for fractional new common shares and fractional new ADSs to the nearest whole number of new common shares or new ADSs, as applicable.
Use of unsubscribed ADSs and common shares	After expiration of the common shares subscription period and the ADS subscription period, we may cancel the unsubscribed common shares or sell them to third parties at such times as our board of directors may determine. The price for such sales may not be more favorable to the purchaser than the price offered herein. We currently intend to offer any unsubscribed common shares to the public promptly after completion of this offering.

Issuance and delivery of new common shares and new The new common shares and warrants acquired pursuant to the preemptive rights will be issued and made available on the next Argentine business day following the expiration of the common shares subscription period.

The new ADSs and warrants acquired pursuant to the preemptive rights will be issued and made available as soon as practicable after the new common shares are deposited with the Depositary s custodian in Argentina.

The new common shares acquired pursuant to the accretion rights will be issued and made available on the second Argentine business day following the expiration of the common shares subscription period.

The new ADS acquired pursuant to the accretion rights will be issued and made available as soon as practicable after the new common shares are deposited with the Depositary s custodian in Argentina.

We will register new common shares issued upon exercise of common share rights and related warrants in our share register as soon as practicable after our receipt of payment with respect to such exercise. Certificates representing the new common shares will be issued upon request.

ADRs, if applicable, evidencing new ADSs, and the related warrants, will be made available to subscribing ADS holders as soon as practicable upon receipt by the depositary (or its agents) of the new common shares subscribed for.

Transferability	Any holder of common share rights may transfer its common share rights. Common share rights will be eligible to trade on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange from February 28, 2008 to March 14, 2008 but will not be eligible to trade on any securities exchange in the United States
The ADS rights will not be transferable.	United States.
Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. The proceeds from the	able law, sell the common shares rights underlying the unexercised ADS rights on the sale of common shares rights underlying the unexercised ADS rights will be, to the extent olders in U.S. dollars pursuant to the deposit agreement.
Combined offering	In connection with this rights offering, we intend to offer the unsubscribed common shares, if any, in the form of ADSs in the United States and other jurisdictions outside Argentina, provided certain conditions are met and our board of directors approves such subsequent offering. The price for such sale may not be more favorable for the purchaser than the price offered herein.
No exchanges of common share rights or ADS rights	You may not surrender ADS rights for the purpose of withdrawing rights to subscribe for common shares or deposit common share rights to obtain ADS rights.
Listing of common shares	The common shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange under the symbol CRES. We have requested authorization to list the new common shares rights underlying the rights on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange.
Listing of ADSs	The ADSs are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol CRESY. We have requested authorization to list the new ADSs issuable pursuant to the ADS rights on the NASDAQ.
Dealer Managers	Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. will act as joint-dealer managers and Raymond James & Associates, Inc. will act as co-dealer manager, in connection with this rights offering.
ADS rights agent	The Bank of New York
Common share rights agent	Raymond James Argentina Sociedad de Bolsa S.A.
Depositary The Warrants	The Bank of New York
Maximum number of warrants We will issue, free of charge:	We will issue up to a maximum of 180,000,000 warrants, assuming all of the common shares and ADS available for purchase in this rights offering are purchased.

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One warrant to each holder of our common share rights for each new common share it purchases in the common share rights offering; and

10 warrants to each ADS rights holder for each new ADS it purchases in the ADS rights offering.

Exercise of the warrants

To exercise the warrants, you must deliver to the warrant agent a properly completed purchase form, accompanied by a certificate of ownership, if any, and full payment of the exercise price by 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) during the exercise periods referred to below.

Upon exercise, each warrant will entitle the holder thereof to purchase 0.33333333 of our common shares. Prior to their expiration, the warrants will be exercisable during the six-day period from and including the 17th through the 22nd day of each February, May, September and November (to the extent that such dates are business days in New York City and in Buenos Aires), commencing with such period from and including May 17 through May 22, 2008.

ADS holders wishing to obtain additional ADSs upon exercise of their warrants must deposit the common shares acquired under the warrants with the Bank of New York, as our depositary, to obtain ADSs in accordance with the terms of the deposit agreement.

Unexercised warrants will not entitle their holders to any rights to vote at or attend our shareholders meetings or to receive any dividends in respect of our common shares. The number of our common shares for which, and the price at which, a warrant is exercisable are subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, as provided in the warrant agreement relating to the warrants.

We will accept exercises of warrants for whole, new common shares only and will round down any warrant exercise submitted for fractional, new common shares to the nearest whole number of new common shares.

Exercise price

Each warrant will entitle its holder to purchase 0.33333333 additional common shares for an exercise price of U.S.\$1.68 per common share that will be payable in U.S. dollars. Three warrants must be exercised to purchase each common share.

If, as of the payment date of the warrant exercise price, payment in U.S. dollars is legally prevented in Argentina, holders of warrants will be entitled to pay the exercise price directly to us, in Pesos in an amount equal to the Argentine peso equivalent of the U.S. dollar exercise price of the warrants determined on the basis of the seller s reference exchange rate (*tipo de cambio vendedor*) published by *Banco de la Nación Argentina*, or if such information is not available, by Bloomberg, for the purchase of Pesos in exchange for U.S. dollars on the business day preceding the payment date of the exercise price of the warrants.

Expiration of warrants	The warrants will expire automatically and become void on May 22, 2015.
Transferability	Any holder of warrants may transfer its warrants at any time after the date of issuance. Warrants will be eligible to trade on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and we intend to have the warrants listed on the American Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ.
Shelf registration	We have agreed that until the earlier to occur of the exercise or expiration of all the warrants, we will keep a registration statement current with respect to the issuance of our common shares from time to time upon exercise of the warrants.
Listing	We have applied to have the warrants listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. We intend to have the warrants listed on the American Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ.
Warrant agent	The Bank of New York.
Representative of the warrant agent in Argentina	Banco Santander Río S.A.
General	

Use of proceeds

We currently estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately US\$279.6 million, after deducting estimated fees and expenses, based on the definitive subscription price of Ps.5.0528 and on the assumptions that (i) all of the common shares and ADSs available for purchase in this rights offering are purchased and (ii) none of the warrants are exercised upon consummation of this offering. *The amount of net proceeds set forth above represents only an estimate (based on the stated assumptions) and may differ significantly from the net proceeds we actually receive from this offering.* 

We currently intend to use the net proceeds of this offering as follows:

Approximately US\$100 million to US\$180 million to finance the growth of our core business through new investments in agricultural activities in Latin America. We intend to focus primarily on investments in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Paraguay and Bolivia but may make limited investments in other countries to the extent we believe such investments are consistent with our business strategy.

Approximately one third of the net proceeds for additional investments in IRSA, through market purchases of outstanding shares and/or subscriptions of preemptive and accretion rights issued in connection with future capital increases of IRSA; and

Approximately US\$40 million for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

The amount of proceeds we will receive from this offering will depend on the extent to which our shareholders elect to exercise their rights to subscribe for new common shares. The extent to which our shareholders elect to do so is beyond our control and cannot be predicted with certainty. If a significant percentage of our shareholders do not exercise their rights to subscribe for new common shares, our net proceeds could be materially less than the amount indicated above (which assumes that 100% of the common shares and ADSs available for purchase will be purchased).

Although we are constantly evaluating investment opportunities, at this time we do not have any binding commitment to make any material investments not identified in this prospectus. Because several of the proposed investments above are uncertain at this time, the net proceeds from this offering may not be fully used in the short term. Until those investments are made, we intend to invest the net proceeds of this offering in high quality, liquid financial instruments. The allocation of the net proceeds from this offering will be influenced by prevailing market conditions from time to time, and as a result, we reserve the right to reallocate all or a portion of such anticipated uses to other uses we deem consistent with our strategy.

Outstanding common shares immediately before and after the preemptive rights offering after the preemptive rights offering capital stock consists of approximately 320,774,772 common shares.

Immediately after this preemptive rights offering, a total of 500,774,772 common shares are expected to be outstanding (assuming all of the new common shares and ADSs available for purchase in this rights offering are purchased, and that none of the warrants are immediately exercised upon consummation of this offering).

Dividends	Under Argentine law, the declaration, payment and amount of dividends on the common shares are subject to the approval of the our shareholders and to certain requirements of Argentine law. Pursuant to the deposit agreement, holders of ADSs will be entitled to received dividends, if any, declared on the common shares represented by such ADSs to the same extent as the holders of the common shares. Cash dividends will be paid in Pesos and will be converted by the depositary into U.S. dollars at the prevailing exchange rate on the date of conversion and paid to the holders of ADSs net of any dividend distribution fees, currency conversion expenses taxes or governmental charges. See Dividends and Dividend Policy, Description of Capital Stock and Description of the American Depositary Receipts.
Voting Rights	Holders of our common shares are entitled to one vote for each common share at any of our shareholders meeting. See Description of Capital Stock. Pursuant to the deposit agreement and subject to Argentine law and our bylaws, holders of ADSs are entitled to instruct the depositary to vote or cause to be voted the number of common shares represented by such ADSs. See Description of the American Depositary Receipts.
Principal shareholders	Inversiones Financieras del Sur S.A., or IFISA, our largest shareholder and a company of which our director, Eduardo Elsztain, is the largest beneficial owner, has indicated to us that it intends to exercise all of its statutory preemptive rights and possibly some of its accretion rights in connection with this offering. See Related Party Transactions.
Information	Any questions or requests for assistance may be directed to:
	Citigroup Global Markets, Inc., as joint-dealer manager, at 388 Greenwich Street, 33rd Floor, New York, New York 10013, or by calling 1-212-816-4346.
	Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., as joint-dealer manager at 60 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005 or by calling 1-212-250-9838.
	Raymond James & Associates Inc., as co-dealer manager at 880 Cavillon Park Way, St. Petersburg, Florida 33716 or by calling 1-727-567-1000.
	The Bank of New York, as ADS rights agent, at 101 Barclay Street, New York, New York 10281, or by calling 1-800-507-9357, in the case of holders of ADSs, or
	Raymond James Argentina Sociedad de Bolsa S.A., our common share rights agent, at San Martin 344, 22nd Floor, Buenos Aires, Argentina, or by calling +54 (11) 4850-2500 collect, in the case of holders of our common shares, or

Cresud Sociedad Anónima Comercial Inmobiliaria, Financiera y Agropecuaria, Moreno 877, 23rd Floor, (C1091AAQ) Buenos Aires, Argentina, or by calling +54 (11) 4814-7800 collect.

For additional information concerning the common shares, the ADSs and the warrants, see Description of Capital Stock, Description of the American Depositary Receipts and Description of the Warrants.

Risk factors

See Risk Factors for a discussion of certain significant risks you should consider before making an investment decision.

#### Timetable for the Offering

Publication of non-binding indicative subscription price	February 25, 2008
Common shares record date 6:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time)	February 27, 2008
ADS record date 5:00 p.m. (New York City time)	February 27, 2008
Common share rights commence trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange	February 28, 2008
Common shares subscription period	March 4, 2008 to March 18, 2008
ADS subscription period	March 4, 2008 to March 13, 2008
Publication of the definitive subscription price for the new common shares and the new ADSs	March 11, 2008
Expiration date for holders of ADS rights	March 13, 2008
End of common share rights trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange	March 14, 2008
Expiration date of common shares subscription period	March 18, 2008
Allocation of accretion rights	March 19, 2008
Delivery date for new common shares pursuant to common share preemptive rights	On or about March 19, 2008
Delivery date for new common shares pursuant to common share accretion rights	On or about March 25, 2008
Delivery date for the new ADS pursuant to ADS preemptive rights	On or about March 25, 2008
Delivery date for the new ADS pursuant to ADS accretion rights	On or about March 25, 2008

#### SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

The following summary consolidated financial data has been derived from our consolidated financial statements as of the dates and for each of the periods indicated below. This information should be read in conjunction with and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our consolidated financial statements and the discussion in Cresud s Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary consolidated statement of income data for the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2006 and 2007 have been derived from our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 have been derived from our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary consolidated income statement data for the years ended June 30, 2003 and 2004 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2003, 2004 and 2005 have been derived from our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007 which is incorporated by reference herein.

Effective July 1, 2006, we adopted RT No. 22 which prescribes the accounting treatment, financial statement presentation, and disclosures related to agricultural activity. Agricultural activity is the management by an entity of the biological transformation of living animals or plants (biological assets) for sale, into agricultural produce, or into additional biological assets. RT No. 22 prescribes, among other things, the accounting treatment for biological assets during the period of growth, degeneration, production, and procreation, and for the initial measurement of agricultural produce at the point of harvest. It requires measurement at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs from initial recognition of biological assets up to the point of harvest, other than when fair value cannot be measured reliably on initial recognition. RT No. 22 requires that a change in fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs of a biological asset be included in profit or loss for the period in which it arises. RT No. 22 also requires that gains or losses arising on initial recognition of RT No. 22 did not have a significant impact in our measurement and recognition of biological transformation. Rather, it changed the format of our income statement. Under RT No. 22 we disclose certain components of our costs as separate line items in the income statement. Adoption of RT No. 22 did not result in any change to our consolidated gross profit for any of the periods presented.

In order to comply with regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, we recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on an undiscounted basis. This accounting practice represented a departure from Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005. However, such a departure has not had a material effect on the consolidated financial statements as of those dates. As further discussed below, the CPCECABA issued revised accounting standards. One of these standards required companies to account for deferred income taxes on an undiscounted basis, thus aligning the accounting to that of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Since the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* adopted the CPCECABA standards effective for our fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, there is no longer a difference on this subject between Argentine GAAP and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores regulations*.

Additionally, after considerable inflation levels for the second half of 2002 and the first months of 2003, on March 25, 2003, the Argentine government instructed the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* to issue the necessary regulations to preclude companies under its supervision from presenting price-level restated financial statements. Therefore, on April 8, 2003, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* issued a resolution providing for the discontinuance of inflation accounting as of March 1, 2003. We complied with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution and accordingly recorded the effects of inflation until February 28, 2003. Comparative figures were restated until that date, using a conversion factor of 1.1232. Since Argentine GAAP required companies to discontinue inflation adjustments only as from October 1, 2003, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution represented a departure from Argentine GAAP. However, due to low inflation rates during the period from March to September 2003, such a departure has not had a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

As of December 31, 2007 we owned a 34.6% equity interest in IRSA that represented 43.2% of our total consolidated assets of such date. In compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, also contained in this prospectus are the audited consolidated financial statements of IRSA as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007. This prospectus also includes IRSA s unaudited consolidated financial statements as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007.

#### Summary Consolidated Financial and Other Information for Cresud

	2003(1)	As of and for the year ended June 30, 2004 2005 2006 (in Ps., except for ratios)			30, 2007	2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)	As of and for the six montl December 31, 2006 2007 (in Ps., except for ratios)		hs ended 2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)
NGOME							(unau	dited)	
INCOME STATEMENT DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Production income:									
Crops	24,883,609	24,369,232	44,052,970	37,005,907	72,426,012	22,992,385	6,586,411	12,840,230	4,077,558
Beef cattle	16,584,204	20,637,512	19,993,923	20,452,655	19,462,410	6,178,543	11,125,808	13,528,391	4,296,091
Milk	2,414,992	3,191,948	3,463,144	7,892,462	10,911,397	3,463,936	5,478,723	9,339,925	2,965,997
101111X	2,111,552	5,191,910	5,105,111	7,092,102	10,911,997	5,105,750	5,176,725	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	2,903,997
Total production income	43,882,805	48,198,692	67,510,037	65,351,024	102,799,819	32,634,864	23,190,942	35,708,546	11,339,646
Cost of production:									
Crops	(18,770,450)	(17,616,790)	(34,463,844)	(35,799,706)	(52,401,684)	(16,635,455)	(8,007,741)	(10,454,611)	(3,319,978)
Beef cattle	( , , , ,	(15,112,209)	(17,012,337)	(18,780,372)	(15,050,438)	(4,777,917)	(8,258,522)	(9,746,041)	(3,094,964)
Milk	(1,483,172)	(1,307,962)	(2,094,975)	(5,845,360)	(8,476,391)	(2,690,918)	(3,537,970)	(6,252,352)	(1,985,504)
		()/	()	(-))	(-) /	()			()
Total cost of production	(29,066,777)	(34,036,961)	(53,571,156)	(60,425,438)	(75,928,513)	(24,104,290)	(19,804,233)	(26,453,004)	(8,400,446)
Gross income from	(,,,,,,,,,,,)	(81,000,001)	(00,071,100)	(00,120,100)	(10,520,010)	(21,101,200)	(1),001,200)	(20,100,001)	(0,100,110)
production	14,816,028	14,161,731	13,938,881	4,925,586	26,871,306	8,530,574	3,386,709	9,255,542	2,939,200
•	1,010,020	1,101,701	10,900,001	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	20,071,000	0,000,071	2,200,703	,200,012	2,707,200
Sales:									
Crops	50,167,010	26,838,376	30,893,216	61,659,566	53,401,376	16,952,818	13,239,915	35,118,126	11,152,152
Beef cattle	20,566,175	27,723,604	36,826,885	33,713,479	31,966,582	10,148,121	15,400,961	14,697,505	4,667,356
Milk	2,414,992	3,191,948	3,463,144	7,892,462	9,730,929	3,089,184	4,603,474	8,958,759	2,844,954
Feed lot	4,453,320	7,120,335	2,129,838	2,721,377	3,102,229	984,835	3,102,229	0.040.001	
Other	1,985,004	4,778,545	4,859,931	6,353,777	12,116,372	3,846,467	5,072,774	9,349,281	2,968,968
Total sales	79,586,501	69,652,808	78,173,014	112,340,661	110,317,488	35,021,425	41,419,353	68,123,671	21,633,430
Cost of sales:									
Crops	(47,129,107)	(23,941,415)	(30,460,110)	(53,286,035)	(50,434,966)	(16,011,100)	(13,761,324)	(32,477,083)	(10,313,459)
Beef cattle	(19,450,110)	(26,478,681)	(35,810,780)	(32,993,523)	(30,272,710)	(9,610,384)	(14,732,739)	(13,518,741)	(4,293,027)
Milk	(2,414,992)	(3,191,948)	(3,463,144)	(7,892,462)	(9,730,929)	(3,089,184)	(4,603,474)	(8,958,759)	(2,844,954)
Feed lot	(4,193,288)	(6,185,771)	(1,855,278)	(2,318,102)	(2,823,865)	(896,465)	(2,784,316)		
Other	(1,387,411)	(1,196,060)	(1,546,204)	(2,093,332)	(5,870,058)	(1,863,510)	(1,519,840)	(4,868,595)	(1,546,077)
Total cost of sales	(74,574,908)		(73,135,516)	(98,583,454)	(99,132,528)	(31,470,644)	(37,401,693)	(59,823,178)	(18,997,516)
Gross income from sales	5,011,593	8,658,933	5,037,498	13,757,207	11,184,960	3,550,781	4,017,660	8,300,493	2,635,914
Gross profit	19,827,621	22,820,664	18,976,379	18,682,793	38,056,266	12,081,354	7,404,369	17,556,035	5,575,114
Selling expenses	(6,115,048)	(5,740,115)	(6,599,566)	(10,151,452)	(9,971,891)	(3,165,680)	(2,639,664)	(5,069,107)	(1,609,751)
Administrative expenses	(4,567,091)	(4,957,250)	(7,271,279)	(11,560,307)	(16,628,088)	(5,278,758)	(8,550,529)	(9,000,360)	(2,858,164)
Net gain on sale of									
farms	4,869,484	1,668,751	19,987,989	9,897,186	22,255,710	7,065,305		3,233,104	1,026,708
Gain from valuation of									
other assets at net								17 40 4 45 5	5 522 225
realization value								17,424,454	5,533,329
Unrealized gain on									
inventories: Beef cattle	12 402 776	2 226 255	11 620 770	2 9 1 7 7 1 1	5 102 042	1 610 002	1 460 229	2657122	842 700
	12,402,776	2,236,255	11,620,779	2,847,711	5,102,943	1,619,982	1,469,238	2,657,122	843,799
Crops	1,590,397	1,783,574	(456,710)	1,391,209	(805,910)	(255,844)	1,935,168	(4,389,461)	(1,393,922)

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Operating income	28,008,139	17,811,879	36,257,592	11,107,140	38,009,030	12,066,359	(381,418)	22,411,787	7,117,112
Financial results, net	(11,065,223)	(18,969)	63,751,386	12,373,958	(10,457,994)	(3,319,998)	(4,343,286)	(7,275,790)	(2,310,508)
Gain on equity investees	67,706,143	26,669,884	28,087,632	22,140,997	40,198,825	12,761,532	22,953,379	9,005,199	2,859,701
Other expense, net	(2,091,884)	(363,761)	(5,065,386)	(3,367,594)	(4,250,800)	(1,349,460)	(1,205,586)	(2,413,581)	(766,460)
Management fee	(7,224,996)	(3,567,003)	(8,533,213)	(3,836,470)	(5,484,697)	(1,741,174)	(2,108,111)	(1,582,959)	(502,686)
Income before income									
tax and minority interest	75,332,179	40,532,030	114,498,011	38,418,031	58,014,364	18,417,258	14,914,978	20,144,656	6,397,160
Income tax expense	(10,531,263)	(8,570,269)	(37,787,594)	(5,431,831)	(8,375,095)	(2,658,760)	2,140,134	(5,631,806)	(1,788,443)
Minority interest	224,045	141,261	88,501	(102,924)	(277,000)	(87,937)	(16,557)	(40,194)	(12,764)
Net income	65,024,961	32,103,022	76,798,918	32,883,276	49,362,269	15,670,562	17,038,555	14,472,656	4,595,953

	2003(1)	2004	s of and for the 2005 Ps., except for ra	year ended Jun 2006 atios)	e 30, 2007	2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)	2006	d for the six mont December 31, 2007 pt for ratios) (unaudited)	hs ended 2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)
U.S. GAAP									
Total sales	71,878,218	62,179,287	75,582,982	105,371,504	104,493,979	33,172,692			
Total cost of									
sales	(50,578,787)	(40,330,843)	(52,000,895)	(83,441,671)	(62,333,457)	(19,788,399)			
Gross profit	21,299,431	21,848,444	23,582,087	21,929,833	42,160,522	13,384,293			
Administrative									
expenses	(9,025,339)	(4,561,060)	(16,466,503)	(14,298,716)	(21,878,033)	(6,945,407)			
Operating									
income	6,159,044	11,547,269	516,018	(2,520,335)	10,346,605	3,284,637			
Financial									
results, net	(27,336,810)	(8,998,813)	54,964,547	2,017,841	(18,181,646)	(5,771,951)			
Gain on equity									
investees	67,342,113	3,455,098	47,201,959	21,758,975	40,562,309	12,876,923			
Income before									
income tax									
and minority									
interest	48,941,947	7,197,759	117,631,326	27,864,275	50,856,515	16,144,925			
Income tax									
expense	(2,646,951)	(3,945,940)	(31,025,373)	(272,575)	(1,244,203)	(394,985)			
Minority			~~~	(10 <b>0</b> 00)					
interest	83,008	35,483	88,501	(102,924)	(277,000)	(87,937)			
Net income	46,378,004	3,287,302	86,694,454	27,488,776	49,335,312	15,662,003			
BALANCE SHEET DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Current									
assets:									
Cash and									
banks and	22.262.222	14 (04 1(1	74 446 152	22 221 140	06 770 000	27 546 602	22.946.001	7 221 016	2 206 200
investments	23,363,232	14,624,161	74,446,153	32,221,149	86,772,082	27,546,693	22,846,991	7,231,016 92,485,202	2,296,290
Inventories Trade and	23,305,421	35,441,885	46,293,640	28,932,135	52,460,289	16,654,060	49,476,568	92,485,202	29,369,705
other									
receivables,									
net	13,639,837	24,221,264	32,002,331	33,829,580	77,542,466	24,616,656	26,902,554	58,098,594	18,449,855
Other Assets	15,057,057	24,221,204	52,002,551	55,627,500	77,542,400	24,010,030	20,702,554	19,802,484	6,288,499
								17,002,404	0,200,477
Non-current									
assets:									
Other	(70.017	101 750	6 480 224	26.005.000	12 226 562	12 705 902	41 010 700	20 500 042	10.054.604
receivables	672,817	101,758	6,480,334	36,005,292	43,236,560	13,725,892	41,210,720	38,589,842	12,254,634
Inventories	37,796,987	44,740,030	53,223,179	62,712,423	68,345,438	21,696,964	66,616,712	71,183,737	22,605,188
Investments	338,604,025	393,382,176	394,899,782	505,423,985	541,328,760	171,850,400	520,682,569	759,183,241	241,087,088
Negative	(10.247.500)	(25 060 246)	(20 420 922)	(76 005 000)	(67 206 200)	(21 267 107)	(72 145 012)	(12/ 670 150)	(1) 760 516
goodwill, net	(19,347,598)	(25,869,346)	(30,430,822)	(76,825,838)	(67,306,386)	(21,367,107)	(72,145,013)	(134,678,152)	(42,768,546)
Property and	150 022 466	160 026 472	166 407 506	224 775 512	245 010 561	78 060 702	236 440 472	255 200 642	81.260.022
equipment, net	150,932,466	160,026,473	166,497,596	224,775,512	245,919,561	78,069,702	236,440,473	255,890,648	81,260,923
Intangible assets, net	369,637			23,581,646	23,581,646	7,486,237	23,581,646	23,581,646	7,488,614
Total assets	569,336,824	646,668,401	743,412,193	870,655,884	1,071,880,416	340,279,497	915,613,220	1,191,368,258	378,332,251

Current liabilities:									
Trade									
accounts									
payable	8,002,449	10,840,177	17,894,529	26,438,528	30,935,851	9,820,905	38,330,776	41,017,073	13,025,428
Short-term debt	1,425,499	8,090,261	11,499,782	66,421,573	122,749,734	38,968,169	139,817,661	217,809,995	69,167,988
Other liabilities, taxes, charges, salaries and social security	- 1-0.050	10.000	26 505 000	0.040.000			0.500.010		
payable	7,158,058	10,370,898	36,585,829	9,048,990	14,006,121	4,446,388	9,532,913	21,584,718	6,854,467
Non-current liabilities:									
Long-term									
debt	137,995,607	125,920,201	114,798,751	99,550,449	27,085,386	8,598,535	25,988,936	2,093,796	664,908
Taxes payable	22,749,374	26,213,217	39,285,385	42,770,882	51,312,237	16,289,599	40,516,058	56,945,343	18,083,628
T ( 1									
Total liabilities	177,330,987	181,434,754	220,064,276	244.230.422	246,089,329	78,123,596	254,186,344	339,450,925	107,796,419
Minority	177,550,707	101,151,751	220,001,270	211,230,122	210,007,527	70,125,570	251,100,511	559,150,925	107,790,119
interest	206,712	65,451	276,947	559,871	836,872	265,674	576,428	934,075	296,626
Shareholders									
equity	391,799,125	465,168,196	523,070,970	625,865,591	824,954,215	261,890,227	660,850,448	850,983,258	270,239,205
U.S. GAAP									
Non-current assets:									
Inventories	11,158,969	14,371,493	16,950,827	26,348,869	32,297,175	10,253,071			
Investments	206,463,936	236,526,965	289,309,184	444,010,858	597,100,979	189,555,866			
Total assets	423,698,035	478,020,170	625,764,749	843,456,953	1,158,910,758	367,908,177			
Non-current liabilities:									
Long-term									
debt	82,925,903	76,346,451	74,810,412	69,708,185	4,722,857	1,499,320			
Taxes payable Total	54,668,735	53,809,128	60,714,471	59,020,118	60,586,895	19,233,935			
liabilities	151,247,284	155,443,201	199,627,882	228,821,956	233,001,458	73,968,717			
Shareholders		,	,		,,	,, 00,, 17			
equity	272,349,817	322,511,158	425,859,920	614,066,773	925,072,428	293,673,787			

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	2003(1)	2004 (i	As of and for the y 2005 (in Ps., except for rat	year ended June 30 2006 tios)	30, 2007	2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)	2006	the six months ende 2007 ept for ratios) (unaudited)	led December 31, 2007(2) (in US\$, except for ratios)
ASH FLOW								(ullauuicu)	
ATA									
gentine AAP									
et cash ovided by sed in) erating tivities	12,435,796	(280,751	1) (10,100,935)	(21,470,041)	(56,140,794)	(17,822,474)	(5,817,210)	(11,191,401)	(3,553,954
et cash ovided by sed in)	12,700,770	(200,751	) (10,100,733)	(21,770,071)	(50,170,777)	(17,022,777)	(3,017,210)	(11,121,701)	(3,300,701)
vesting tivities	(200,614,009)	(25,089,388	8) 62,734,033	(110,865,934)	(866,877)	(275,199)	(10,501,262)	(136,718,341)	(43,416,431)
et cash ovided by sed in) hancing									
tivities	165,644,376	16,670,247	7 1,691,457	92,250,539	115,813,757	36,766,272	10,288,190	68,982,621	21,906,199
. <i>S. GAAP(9)</i> et cash (used									
) provided by erating tivities	14,521,304	(13,156,027	7) 54,735,816	(3,839,611)	(62,359,968)	(19,796,815)			
et cash (used ) provided by vesting	, ,								
tivities	(194,782,124)	(12,983,501	1) (1,918,881)	(133,000,622)	5,295,891	1,681,235			
et cash ovided by sed in) hancing									
tivities	165,644,376	16,670,247	7 1,691,457	92,250,539	115,813,757	36,766,272			
fects of change rate	(12 (56 210)	1 272 28(	(192 927)	4 504 528	56 406	17.007			
anges fects of flation counting	(13,656,319) 4,863,453	1,272,280	0 (183,837)	4,504,528	56,406	17,907			
	4,003,433								
THER NANCIAL ATA									
gentine AAP									
asic net income									
r share(3) iluted net	0.54	0.23	3 0.49	0.19	0.20	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.01
come per are(4)	0.19	0.13	3 0.25	0.13	0.16	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.01
are(4) asic net income	0.19	0.15	0.23	0.15	0.16	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.01
ar $ADS(3)(5)$	5.40	2.30	0 4.90	1.93	2.00	0.63	0.77	0.46	0.15
iluted net	1.90	1.30	0 2.50	1.32	1.60	0.51	0.57	0.46	0.15

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DS(4)(5)									
eighted average									
mmon shares	121,388,429	137,137,783	155,343,629	170,681,455	247,149,373		221,502,597	313,743,488	313,743,488
eighted average		157,157,705	155,545,627	170,001,100	247,149,575		221,302,377	515,775,100	515,715,100
mber of									
mmon shares Itstanding plus sumed									
nversion(6)	246,526,666	321,214,392	321,214,392	321,214,392	321,214,392		321,214,392	313,743,488	313,743,488
ividends	1.50	2.00	10.00		0.05	2.00			
id(7) ividends per	1.50	3.00	10.00	5.50	8.25	3.00			
ividends per are ividends per	0.012	0.020	0.059	0.024	0.026	0.008			
DS(5)	0.12	0.20	0.59	0.24	0.26	0.08			!
epreciation and nortization	3,825,546	3,937,141	4,169,139	5,112,088	4,333,122	1,375,594	2,155,559	2,384,843	757,333
apital penditures(8)	31,129,070	15 190 386	25 050 614	55 770 620	20 226 622	9,310,039	12 844 652	14 051 502	4 462 230
ross	31,129,070	15,189,386	25,959,614	55,770,620	29,326,622	9,310,039	13,844,652	14,051,592	4,462,239
argin(10)	45.2%	47.3%	28.1%	28.6%	37.0%	37.0%	31.9%	49.2%	49.2
perating	(2.00)	27.00	50 70	17.00	27.00	27.00			(2.8)
argin(11) et margin(12)	63.8% 148.2%			17.0% 50.3%	37.0% 48.0%	37.0% 48.0%		62.8% 40.5%	
atio of current	170.270	00.070	113.070	30.370	+0.070	10.070	15.510	TU /0	10.5
sets to current ibilities	3.64	2.54	2.31	0.93	1.29	1.29	0.53	0.63	0.63
atio of									
areholders									
uity to total ibilities atio of non	2.21	2.56	2.38	2.56	3.35	3.35	2.60	2.51	2.51
rrent assets to tal assets	0.89	0.89	0.79	0.89	0.80	0.80	0.89	0.85	0.85
S. GAAP									
<b>S. GAAP</b> asic net income									
r share(3)	0.38	0.02	0.56	0.16	0.20	0.06			
iluted net									
come per are(4)	0.19	0.02	0.34	0.15	0.18	0.06			
are(4) asic net income	0.19	0.02	0.34	0.15	0.10	0.00			
r ADS(3)(5)	3.80	0.24	5.58	1.61	2.00	0.63			
iluted net									
come per DS(4)(5)	1.90	0.24	3.38	1.54	1.80	0.57			
DS(4)(5) eighted	1.70	0.24	5.50	1.34	1.00	0.57			
erage number common									
ares itstanding	121,388,429	137,137,783	155,343,629	170,681,455	247,149,373				
eighted	121,300,729	137,137,705	155,545,029	170,001,-55	247,147,575				
erage number common									
ares itstanding plus sumed									
nversion(6)	194,235,230	137,137,783	283,140,627	282,836,274	308,253,058				
ross	20.60	25 107	21.20%	20.80%	40.20%	10.20%			

29.6%

35.1%

31.2%

20.8%

40.3%

40.3%

argin(10)

perating						
argin(11)	8.6%	18.6%	0.7%	(2.4%)	9.9%	9.9%
et margin(12)	64.5%	5.3%	114.7%	26.1%	47.2%	47.2%

- (1) We have complied with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution in connection with the discontinuance of inflation accounting and accordingly have recorded the effects of inflation until February 28, 2003. We have restated comparative figures until that date. In addition, in fiscal year 2003, as required by Argentine GAAP, we restated the prior year s financial statements to give retroactive effect to new accounting standards adopted in that year, except for certain valuation and disclosure criteria that in accordance with the transition provisions were applied prospectively. See notes 2.d and 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.
- (2) Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by *Banco de La Nación Argentina* for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.149 = US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent, could have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls.
- (3) Basic net income per share is computed by dividing the net income available to common shareholders for the period by the weighted average common shares outstanding during the period.
- (4) Diluted net income per share is computed by dividing the net income for the period by the weighted average number of common shares assuming the total conversion of outstanding notes. See Notes 13 and 17.II.f) to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details on the computation of earning per share under Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, respectively.
- (5) Determined by multiplying per share amounts by ten (one ADS equals ten common shares).
- (6) Assuming the (i) conversion into common shares of all of our outstanding convertible notes due 2007 and (ii) exercise of all outstanding warrants to purchase our common shares. The term for the exercise of our outstanding warrants and the conversion of our outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. During the conversion and exercise periods, holders of our warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 49,867,018 warrants and converted an aggregate of 49,910,874 convertible notes, respectively. As a result, as of December 31, 2007 the number of common shares outstanding was 320,774,772.
- (7) On October 10, 2007, our shareholders held their ordinary annual meeting at which the payment of a cash dividend of Ps.8.25 million was approved.
- (8) Includes the purchase of farms and other property and equipment.
- (9) This table is intended to present cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities under Argentine GAAP but following the classification guidelines of SFAS No. 95 under U.S. GAAP. See Note 17.II.e) to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details of the differences in classifications affecting the categories of cash flows.
- (10) Gross profit divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is gross profit divided by sales.
- (11) Operating income divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is operating income divided by sales.
- (12) Net income divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is net income divided by sales.

#### SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION FOR IRSA

The following table presents IRSA s summary consolidated financial and other information as of and for each of the periods indicated. This data is qualified in its entirety by reference to, and should be read together with IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto and IRSA s Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary consolidated income statement data for the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2007 have been derived from IRSA s unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2006 and 2007 included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2006 have been derived from IRSA s unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2005 and 2006 which are not included in this prospectus. The summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2006 and 2007, and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007 included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary consolidated income statement data for the year ended June 30, 2004 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2005 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2005 and 2006 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2006 which are not included in this prospectus. We have made certain reclassifications to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2005 and 2006 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2006, as originally issued, to conform to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary consolidated income statement data for the year ended June 30, 2003 and the summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2004 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2005 which are not included in this prospectus. We have made certain reclassifications to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2005, as originally issued, to conform to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2003 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004 which are not included in this prospectus. The accountants report on the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004, stated that IRSA had a significant investment in Banco Hipotecario, which represented approximately 7.3% of IRSA s total consolidated assets as of June 30, 2004 and further stated that the accountants report of the consolidated financial statements of Banco Hipotecario (which IRSA accounted for under the equity method of accounting) included an explanatory paragraph describing that the quality of Banco Hipotecario s financial condition and results of operations depended to a significant extent on macroeconomic and political conditions prevailing from time to time in Argentina. Further, the accountants report described that the political and economic crisis of late 2001 and early 2002 and the Argentine government s actions to address such crisis had a significant adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s business activity and that Banco Hipotecario was significantly dependent on the Argentine government s ability to perform its obligations to Banco Hipotecario, and to the entire financial and banking system in Argentina, in connection with federal secured loans, federal government securities and on its obligations to approve and deliver government securities under various laws and regulations. The accountants report stated that these uncertainties could have had an adverse effect in the valuation of the investment in Banco Hipotecario. We have made certain reclassifications to Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004, as originally issued, to conform to its consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007, which is incorporated by reference herein.

References to fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 are to IRSA s fiscal years ended June 30 of each such year.

IRSA currently owns 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario, Argentina s leading mortgage lender in terms of outstanding mortgage loans. Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, are included in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007, which is incorporated by reference herein. Banco Hipotecario maintains its financial books and records in pesos and prepares its financial statements in conformity with the Central Bank s policies which prescribe the reporting and disclosure requirements for banks and financial institutions in Argentina (Central Bank accounting rules). These rules differ in certain significant respects from Argentine GAAP. A narrative description of significant differences between Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP are set forth in Note 6 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements included in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007 which is incorporated by reference herein. Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP are set forth in Note 6 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements shown in such consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and regulations of the SEC. See Note 37 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and regulations of the SEC. See Note 37 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of Banco Hipotecario s net income and shareholders equity.

#### Summary Consolidated Financial and Other Information for IRSA

	2003 (in t	As of 2004 thousands Ps.(2	and for the ye 2005 2), except ratio	2006	ne 30, 2007	2007(1) (in thousan <b>(äs</b> th US\$, except ratios)	2006		, 2007(1)
								(unaudited)	
INCOME									
STATEMENT DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Revenues: Development and sale of									
properties	46,616	30,257	32,311	103,966	75,751	24,056	30,753	63,011	20,010
Office and other	40,010	30,237	52,511	105,900	75,751	24,030	30,733	05,011	20,010
non-shopping center									
rental properties	17,770	15,144	19,431	30,565	55,683	17,683	22,989	44,823	14,234
Shopping centers	88,819	113,216	165,529	215,003	270,266	85,826	133,224	172,567	54,801
Credit card operations	24,935	30,034	64,558	122,969	212,965	67,629	89,296	139,901	44,427
Hotel operations	57,730	71,295	87,120	103,763	122,681	38,959	62,651	75,974	24,126
Financial operations and	07,700	, 1,270	07,120	100,100	122,001	00,909	02,001	10,211	21,120
others	625	859	940	1,414	1,410	448	1,418	340	108
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Total revenues	236,495	260,805	369,889	577,680	738,756	234,600	340,331	496,616	157,706
Costs	(154,667)	(147,416)	(168,074)	(243,831)	(311,647)	(98,967)	(142,749)	(209,659)	(66,580)
Gross profit (loss):	(134,007)	(147,410)	(100,074)	(2+3,031)	(511,047)	(90,907)	(1+2,7+9)	(209,039)	(00,500)
Development and sale of									
properties	89	4,408	14,769	49,766	17.928	5,693	(73)	15,594	4,952
Office and other	07	-,-00	14,707	+7,700	17,720	5,075	(13)	15,574	7,752
non-shopping center									
rental properties	8,677	6,871	11,685	21,578	38,984	12,380	18,303	29,809	9,466
Shopping centers	30,061	52,734	95,748	137,621	179,154	56,892	94,167	124,082	39,404
Credit card operations	16,605	18,069	41,456	79,036	136,714	43,415	55,553	82,831	26,304
Hotel operations	26,357	31,246	38,196	45,792	53,721	17,060	28,968	34,554	10,973
Financial operations and	20,337	51,210	50,170	13,772	55,721	17,000	20,700	51,551	10,975
others	39	61	(39)	56	608	193	664	87	28
0	0,	01	(0))	20	000	170		07	
Total gross profit	81,828	113,389	201,815	333,849	427,109	135,633	197,582	286,957	91,126
Gain from recognition of	01,020	115,569	201,015	555,049	427,109	155,055	197,502	200,957	91,120
inventories at net									
realizable value			17,317	9,063	20,737	6,585	6,965	1,382	439
Selling expenses	(28,555)	(21,988)	(36,826)	(60,105)	(113,709)	(36,110)	(43,034)	(61,382)	(19,493)
Administrative expenses	(46,493)	(51,400)	(70,670)		(113,707) (141,427)	(44,912)	(62,333)	(85,376)	(17,112)
Gain on purchasers	(10,195)	(01,100)	(10,010)	(20,002)	(111,127)	(11,912)	(02,555)	(00,070)	(27,112)
rescissions of sales	9								
Net (loss) income from									
retained interest in									
securitized receivables	(4,077)	261	423	2,625	3,254	1,033	5,514	320	102
Gain from operations	( ))			,	-,	-,	.,		
and holdings of real									
estate assets, net	21,507	63,066	27,938	12,616	2,568	815			
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	2003	As of 2004	and for the ye 2005	ear ended Ju 2006	ne 30, 2007	2007(1)		As of and for the six months end December 31, 2006 2007 2007(1)		
		thousands Ps.(2				(in thousa <b>(ids</b> th US\$, except ratios)			. ,	
								(unaudited	1)	
Operating income (loss):										
Development and sale of	2 2 4 2	100	20 544	44.055	( 155	1.0/2	(2,000)	1161	1 222	
properties	2,262	183	20,566	44,277	6,177	1,962	(2,889)	4,164	1,322	
Office and other										
non-shopping center	4 600				10 10 1					
rental properties	1,688	29,685	13,220	11,862	19,626	6,232	10,424	17,481	5,551	
Shopping centers	18,709	58,771	81,638	105,583	124,832	39,642	68,732	94,813	30,109	
Credit card operations	(4,616)	4,490	13,546	24,836	32,636	10,364	17,775	13,823	4,390	
Hotel operations	6,176	10,138	11,066	14,552	14,653	4,653	9,988	11,533	3,662	
Financial operations and										
others		61	(39)	56	608	193	664	87	28	
Total operating income	24,219	103,328	139,997	201,166	198,532	63,046	104,694	141,901	45,062	
Amortization of goodwill	(6,631)	(2,904)	(1,663)	(1,080)	(1,472)	(467)	(498)	616	196	
(Loss) gain on equity										
investees	(14,701)	26,653	67,207	41,657	40,026	12,711	15,034	(9,066)	(2,879)	
Financial results, net	315,645	12,203	(11,848)	(40,926)	4,099	1,302	12,305	(54,853)	(17,419)	
Other income (expenses),										
net	96	(12,856)	(14,089)	(18,263)	(14, 100)	(4,478)	(6,327)	(4,500)	(1,429)	
Income before taxes and										
minority interest	318,628	126,424	179,604	182,554	227,085	72,113	125,208	74,098	23,531	
Income tax and	, ,			, i				, î	,	
minimum presumed										
income tax	3,529	(25,720)	(53,207)	(58,791)	(87,539)	(27,799)	(37,878)	(46,451)	(14,751)	
Minority interest	(35,712)	(12,842)	(23,152)	(27,190)	(32,449)	(10,305)	(21,210)	(21,863)	(6,943)	
Net income	286,445	87,862	103,245	96,573	107,097	34,010	66,120	5,784	1,837	
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U.S. GAAP										
Revenues	280,690	327,424	426,499	621,012	867,452	275,469				
Costs	(208,149)	(216,742)	(235,341)	(321,788)	(413,957)	(131,457)				
Gross profit	72,541	110,682	191,158	299,224	453,495	144,012				
Gain from recognition of										
inventories at net										
realizable value										
Selling expenses	(28,555)	(23,937)	(36,255)	(66,278)	(104,997)	(33,343)				
Administrative expenses	(50,139)	(57,928)	(77,451)	(97,956)	(142,714)	(45,320)				
Gain on purchasers										
rescissions of sales	9									
Net income (loss) from										
retained interest in										
securitized receivables	1,392	(1,526)	4,591	(12,274)	(115)	(37)				
Operating (loss) income	(4,752)	27,291	82,043	121,716	205,669	65,312				
(Loss) gain on equity										
investees	(5,621)	(20,161)	138,560	64,697	42,957	13,641				
Financial results, net	265,753	21,195	(31,072)	(50,854)	(43,705)	(13,879)				
Other incomes										
(expenses), net	9,880	(4,026)	(10,271)	(7,338)	(13,433)	(4,266)				
Income before taxes and										
minority interest	265,260	24,299	179,259	128,221	191,488	60,808				
Income tax and										
minimum presumed										
income tax	3,020	(12,528)	(34,747)	(18,678)	(39,176)	(12,441)				

Minority interest	(33,154)	(8,946)	(15,114)	(19,597)	(49,090)	(15,589)
Net income	235,126	2,825	129,398	89,946	103,222	32,778

	2003	2004	of and for the 2005 nds Ps.(2), exc	2006	une 30, 2007	2007(1) (in thousandin US\$, except ratios)	2006		onths ended 31 2007(1) s) (in thousands US\$, except ratios)
BALANCE SHEET DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Cash and banks and									
current investments	232,001	163,900	211,934	233,438	856,707	272,057	288,741	575,100	182,629
Inventories	23,854	29,711	99,811	162,110	256,203	81,360	141,765	156,204	49,604
Mortgages and	23,051	29,711	<i>yy</i> ,011	102,110	230,203	01,500	111,705	150,201	19,001
lease receivables,									
net	39,181	37,267	73,246	147,955	212,065	67,344	219,014	253,336	80,450
Non-current	, -	,		.,	,	,-	- ,-		,
investments(3)	412,789	519,499	542,863	647,981	673,273	213,805	618,534	692,542	219,924
Fixed assets, net	1,235,223	1,274,675	1,445,551	1,413,212	2,027,311	643,795	1,682,841	2,340,503	743,253
Total current assets	297,476	261,651	389,735	481,788	1,175,790	373,385	583,165	982,900	312,131
Total assets	2,081,956	2,208,326	2,524,426	2,740,121	4,144,899	1,316,259	3,099,306	4,155,974	1,319,776
Short-term debt(4)	96,159	143,126	130,728	142,140	214,193	68,019	409,607	87,619	27,824
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Total current									
liabilities	188,738	256,022	310,977	419,228	652,082	207,076	756,968	558,219	177,269
Long-term debt(5)	592,104	468,807	422,412	295,282	1,222,423	388,194	228,129	1,099,243	349,077
Total non-current	0,2,10	100,007	,	270,202	1,222,120	000,191	220,129	1,055,210	019,011
liabilities	629,988	522,213	515,381	385,138	1,395,693	443,218	350,768	1,263,996	401,396
Minority interest	454,044	470,237	445,839	449,989	450,410	143,033	414,993	458,672	145,656
Shareholders equity	809,186	959,854	1,252,229	1,485,766	1,646,714	522,932	1,576,577	1,875,087	595,455
U.S. GAAP									
Cash and banks and	221 202	162 425	212.955	222.022	856,318	271,933			
current investments Inventories	231,293 23,584	163,435 25,374	212,855 46,702	233,032 61,720	160,961	51,115			
Mortgages and	25,564	25,574	40,702	01,720	100,901	51,115			
lease receivables,									
net	39,181	37,267	72,577	145,718	205,267	65,185			
Other receivables	57,101	57,207	12,511	145,710	203,207	05,105			
and prepaid									
expenses	80,799	127,114	113,395	131,502	241,656	76,741			
Non-current					,	,			
investments(3)	281,583	327,883	436,063	599,679	590,646	187,566			
Fixed assets, net	1,221,859	1,230,020	1,392,626	1,360,136	1,912,457	607,322			
Intangible assets,									
net	1,629	666	712	468	22,226	7,058			
Total current assets	313,595	270,883	386,051	471,053	1,183,147	375,721			
Total assets	1,874,299	1,923,456	2,291,808	2,503,812	3,997,217	1,269,361			
Trade accounts			<0.0 <b>7</b> 0						
payable	30,432	46,414	68,372	136,362	293,522	93,211			
Other liabilities	40,382	46,524	90,106	94,655	101,764	32,316			
Short-term debt(4)	83,217	135,661	111,994	120,172	216,829	68,856			
Total current									
liabilities	202,679	260,521	314,939	431,422	669,983	212,761			
Long-term debt(5)	600,616	465,099	413,812	298,570	1,225,212	389,080			
Total non-current	000,010	T05,099	713,012	270,570	1,223,212	569,000			
liabilities	801,806	696,791	698,344	558,951	1,603,747	509,288			
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Minority interest	367,012	378,404	357,062	355,385	366,381	116,348			
Shareholders equity	502,803	587,740	921,718	1,158,364	1,358,739	431,483			
CASH FLOW									
DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Net cash provided									
by operating									
activities	93,945	74,691	93,490	194,685	163,099	51,794	93,615	114,916	36,493
Net cash used in									
investing activities	(40,603)	(97,186)	(126,682)	(136,567)	(510,774)	(162,202)	(209,172)	(359,528)	(114,172)

	2003	2004	of and for the 2005 nds Ps.(2), ex	e year ended 2006 cept ratios)	June 30, 2007	2007(1) (in thousand <b>i</b> n US\$, except ratios)	2006 thousands Ps.(	2007	onths ended 31 2007(1) os) (in thousands US\$, except ratios)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing								(unuunteu)	
activities	109,439	(47,649)	52,868	(36,767)	892,258	283,346	143,972	(21,129)	(6,710)
U.S. GAAP(6)									
Net cash provided by operating activities Net cash used in	55,135	92,378	105,655	192,589	111,936	35,547			
investing activities	(52,260)	(105,061)	(141,746)	(128,687)	(470,318)	(149,355)			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	109,439	(47,649)	52,868	(36,767)	900,907	286,093			
Effect of exchange	109,439	(47,049)	52,808	(30,/0/)	900,907	280,095			
rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	51,743	(8,081)	2,899	(5,784)	2,058	654			
Effect of inflation accounting	(1,472)								
OTHER FINANCIAL DATA Argentine GAAP									
Capital expenditures(7)	10,991	26,908	79,997	116,201	419,377	133,178	247,152	362,530	115,125
Depreciation and amortization(8)	69,437	65,491	74,091	80,979	96,996	30,802	41,490	58,560	18,596
Ratio of current assets to current liabilities	1.576	1.022	1.253	1.149	1.803	1.803	0.770	1.761	1.761
Ratio of shareholders equity to total									
liabilities	0.988	1.233	1.515	1.847	0.804	0.804	1.423	1.029	1.029
Ratio of non-current assets to total assets	0.857	0.882	0.846	0.824	0.716	0.716	0.812	0.763	0.763
Working capital(9)	108,738	5,629	78,758	62,560	523,708	166,309	(173,803)	424,681	134,862

- (1) Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by Banco de la Nación Argentina for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.149 per US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent, could have been or could be converted into Dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls . Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (2) In thousands of constant Pesos of December 31, 2007. Includes adjustment for inflation through February 28, 2003. Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (3) Includes IRSA s 11.8% investment in Banco Hipotecario and IRSA s investments in undeveloped parcels of land.
- (4) Includes short-term debt (including the current portion of seller financing) and current mortgages payable.
- (5) Includes long-term debt (including the non-current portion of seller financing) and non-current mortgages payable.
- (6) This table is intended to present cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities under Argentine GAAP but following the classification guidelines of SFAS No. 95 under U.S. GAAP. See Note 28 to IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details of the differences in classifications affecting the categories of cash flows.
- (7) Includes the purchase of fixed assets (including facilities and equipment), undeveloped parcels of land and renovation and remodeling of hotels and shopping centers.
- (8) Corresponds to depreciation and amortization included in operating income.
- (9) Working capital is calculated by subtracting consolidated current liabilities from consolidated current assets.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

You should carefully consider the risks described below, in addition to the other information contained in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. We also may face additional risks and uncertainties that are not presently known to us, or that we currently deem immaterial, which may impair our business. In general, you take more risk when you invest in the securities of issuers in emerging markets such as Argentina than when you invest in the securities of issuers in the United States. You should understand that an investment in our common shares, ADSs and warrants involves a high degree of risk, including the possibility of loss of your entire investment.

#### **Risks Relating to Argentina**

#### Argentina s current growth and stabilization may not be sustainable.

During 2001 and 2002, Argentina experienced a period of severe political, economic and social crisis. Although the economy has recovered significantly over the past three years, uncertainty remains as to whether the current growth and relative stability are sustainable. Sustainable economic growth is dependant on a variety of factors, including international demand for Argentine exports, the stability and competitiveness of the Peso against foreign currencies, confidence among consumers as well as foreign and domestic investors and stable and relatively low inflation.

The Argentine economy remains fragile for the following reasons:

unemployment remains high;

the availability of long-term fixed rate credit is limited;

investment as a percentage of GDP remains low;

the current fiscal surplus could become a fiscal deficit;

inflation has risen recently and threatens to accelerate;

the country s public debt remains high and international financing is limited; and

the recovery has depended to some extent on high commodity prices, which are volatile and outside the control of the country, and excess capacity, which has reduced considerably.

A substantial part of our operations, properties and customers are located in Argentina. As a result, our business is to a very large extent dependent upon the economic conditions prevailing in Argentina.

#### The continuing rise of inflation may have an adverse effect on the economy.

After several years of price stability, the devaluation of the Peso in January 2002 imposed pressures on the domestic price system that generated high inflation throughout 2002. In 2003, inflation substantially stabilized. However, inflationary pressures have since reemerged with consumer prices increasing by 6.1% during 2004 and increasing by 12.3% in 2005. As a result of the execution of fixed price agreements and restrictions on, and in certain cases, suspension of, exports, consumer prices only increased by 9.8% in 2006. According to the Argentine statistics and census agency (Instituto Nacional de Estadisticas y Censos), or INDEC, the consumer price index increased by 8.5% during 2007.

In the past, inflation has materially undermined the Argentine economy and the government s ability to create conditions conducive to growth. A return to a high inflation environment could slow the rebound in the long term credit market and real estate market and may also undermine Argentina s foreign competitiveness by diluting the effects of the Peso devaluation and negatively impacting the level of economic activity and employment.

If inflation remains high or continues to rise, Argentina s economy may be negatively impacted which could have an adverse effect on our business.

# Argentina s ability to obtain financing from international markets is limited which may affect its ability to implement reforms and foster economic growth.

In the first half of 2005, Argentina restructured part of its sovereign debt that had been in default since the end of 2001. As of September 30, 2007, the Argentine government announced that as a result of the restructuring, it had approximately US\$137.1 billion in total outstanding debt remaining. Of this amount, approximately US\$28.1 billion are defaulted bonds owned by creditors who did not participate in the restructuring of the external financial debt.

Some noteholders in the United States, Italy and Germany have filed legal actions against Argentina, and holdout creditors may initiate new suits in the future. Additionally, foreign shareholders of certain Argentine companies have filed claims in excess of US\$17 billion before the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes, or ICSID, alleging that certain government measures are inconsistent with the fair and equitable treatment standards set forth in various bilateral treaties to which Argentina is a party.

Argentina s past default and its failure to restructure completely its remaining sovereign debt and fully negotiate with the holdout creditors may prevent Argentina from reentering the international capital markets. Litigation initiated by holdout creditors as well as ICSID claims may result in material judgments against the Argentine government and could result in attachments of, or injunctions relating to, assets of Argentina that the government intended for other uses. As a result, the government may not have the financial resources necessary to implement reforms and foster growth which could have a material adverse effect on the country s economy and, consequently, our business.

#### Significant devaluation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the Argentine economy as well as our financial performance.

Despite the positive effects of the real depreciation of the Peso in 2002 on the competitiveness of certain sectors of the Argentine economy, it has also had a far-reaching negative impact on the Argentine economy and on businesses and individuals financial condition. The devaluation of the Peso has had a negative impact on the ability of Argentine businesses to honor their foreign currency-denominated debt, initially led to very high inflation, significantly reduced real wages, had a negative impact on businesses whose success is dependent on domestic market demand, such as utilities and the financial industry, and adversely affected the government s ability to honor its foreign debt obligations.

If the Peso devalues significantly, all of the negative effects on the Argentine economy related to such devaluation could recur, with adverse consequences to our business. Moreover, it would likely result in a decline in the value of our common shares and the ADSs as measured in U.S. dollars.

#### Significant appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the Argentine economy.

A substantial increase in the value of the Peso against the U.S. dollar also presents risks for the Argentine economy. The appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar negatively impacts the financial condition of entities whose foreign currency-denominated assets exceed their foreign currency-denominated liabilities, such as us. In addition, in the short term, a significant real appreciation of the Peso would adversely affect exports. This could have a negative effect on GDP growth and employment as well as reduce the Argentine public sector s revenues by reducing tax collection in real terms, given its current heavy reliance on taxes on exports. The appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar could have an adverse effect on the Argentine economy and our business.

#### Government measures to preempt or respond to social unrest may adversely affect the Argentine economy.

During its crisis in 2001 and 2002, Argentina experienced social and political turmoil, including civil unrest, riots, looting, nationwide protests, strikes and street demonstrations. Despite Argentina s ongoing economic recovery and relative stabilization, social and political tension and high levels of poverty and unemployment continue. Future government policies to preempt, or in response to, social unrest may include expropriation, nationalization, forced renegotiation or modification of existing contracts, suspension of the enforcement of creditors rights, new taxation policies, including royalty and tax increases and retroactive tax claims, and changes in laws and policies affecting foreign trade and investment. Such policies could destabilize the country and adversely and materially affect the economy, and thereby our business.

# Exchange controls and restrictions on transfers abroad and capital inflow restrictions have limited, and can be expected to continue to limit, the availability of international credit.

In 2001 and 2002, Argentina imposed exchange controls and transfer restrictions substantially limiting the ability of companies to retain foreign currency or make payments abroad. These restrictions have been substantially eased, including those requiring the Central Bank s prior authorization for the transfer of funds abroad in order to pay principal and interest on debt obligations. However, Argentina may re-impose exchange control or transfer restrictions in the future, among other things, in response to capital flight or a significant depreciation of the Peso. In addition, the government issued Decree No. 616/2005 in June 2005 that established new controls on capital inflows that could result in less availability of international credit. Pursuant to such Decree, the Ministry of Economy s Resolution No. 292/2005 was repealed and it was established that any indebtedness in favor of foreign creditors by individuals and legal entities residing in Argentina and conducting business in the private sector must be settled in Argentina and must mature no earlier than 365 days irrespective of the manner of settlement, except in the following cases: transactions related to foreign trade financing and original issuances of debt instruments admitted to public offering and listed in self-regulated stock exchanges.

Therefore, (a) any cash inflows in the domestic foreign exchange market arising from debts incurred with foreign creditors by individuals or legal entities in the private sector and (b) transfers by non-residents to acquire financial assets or liabilities of any kind in the financial and non-financial private sector, excluding direct foreign investment and original issuances of debt instruments admitted to public offering and listed on self-regulated stock exchanges, must meet the following requirements: (i) they may be remitted abroad only after expiration of a term of at least 365 days counted after the date on which such funds officially entered the Argentine foreign exchange market; (ii) the amounts resulting from the exchange rate settlement transaction are to be deposited in an account opened at an Argentine banking system institution, (iii) a non-transferable, non-interest bearing deposit of 30% of the amount being settled is to be made in the name of the depositor for a term of 365 days and (iv) such deposit is to be held in U.S. dollars at one of the Argentine banking system institutions and may not be used as guarantee or collateral of any loan. Non-compliance with the requirements laid down in Decree 616/2005 shall be punished in accordance with the Criminal Foreign Exchange Regime.

Additional controls could have a negative effect on the economy and our business if imposed in an economic environment where access to local capital is substantially constrained. Moreover, in such event, restrictions on the transfers of funds abroad may impede your ability to receive dividend payments as a holder of ADSs.

#### Payment of dividends to non-residents has been limited in the past and may be limited again.

Beginning on February 2002, any payment of dividends, irrespective of amount, outside Argentina needed prior authorization from the Central Bank. In December 2002 the rule was amended through Communication A 3845 which required Argentine companies to obtain prior authorization from the Central Bank to purchase currency in excess of US\$150,000 (in the aggregate) per calendar month. This rule applied, among others, to the payment of dividends.

On January 7, 2003, the Central Bank issued communication A 3859 which is still enforceable and pursuant to which Argentine companies have no limitation on their ability to purchase foreign currency and transfer it outside Argentina to pay dividends, to the extent such dividend payments result from an approved and audited financial statement. In the future, similar restrictions may be enacted by the Argentine government or the Central Bank again and, if this were to occur, it could have an adverse effect on the value of our common shares and the ADSs.

#### The stability of the Argentine banking system is uncertain.

During 2001 and the first half of 2002, a very significant amount of deposits were withdrawn from financial institutions. This massive withdrawal of deposits was largely due to the loss of confidence of depositors in the Argentine government s ability to repay its debts, including its debts within the financial system, and to maintain peso-dollar parity in the context of its solvency crisis.

To prevent a run on the U.S. dollar reserves of local banks, the government restricted the amount of money that account holders could withdraw from banks and introduced exchange controls restricting capital outflows. The government subsequently imposed new restrictions and released a schedule stating how and when deposits would become available.

These measures taken by the government to protect the solvency of the banking system, in particular the emergency laws that converted certain U.S. dollar-denominated debts into Pesos, generated significant opposition directly against banks from depositors frustrated by the loss of their savings. Many depositors instituted court challenges, eventually at the Supreme Court level, on constitutional grounds seeking restitution of their deposits in their original currency. Under Argentine law, Supreme Court rulings are limited to the particular facts and defendants in the case, although lower courts tend to follow precedent set by the Supreme Court. Initial Supreme Court rulings struck down on constitutional grounds pesification pursuant to Law No. 25,561 (the Public Emergency Law ). However, the Supreme Court has found in subsequent holdings that emergency laws enacted by the Argentine Congress were necessary to mitigate the crisis, the regulations were not disproportionate to the emergency, and the measures did not violate the constitutional property rights of those affected. For instance, the Supreme Court held on December 27, 2006 in *Massa, Juan Agustin* vs. *Poder Ejecutivo Nacional* y Otro that banks should repay deposits originally denominated in U.S. dollars in Pesos at an exchange rate of Ps.1.40 per US\$1.00, subject to CER or *Coefficiente de Estabilización de Referencia* indexation, plus interest, at a 4% annual rate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, numerous other cases challenging the constitutionality of the pesification pursuant to the Public Emergency Law are still pending. We cannot assure you that the Supreme Court will consistently uphold the views expressed in its latest rulings, or that future rulings will not negatively affect the banking system as a whole. If the Argentine government is called upon to provide additional financial assistance to the banks through the issuance of additional government debt, this could add to Argentina s outstanding debt and would increase the burdens of t

While the condition of Argentina s financial system has improved and depositors affected by the restrictions imposed in 2001 and 2002 have regained access to their deposits, albeit mainly in Pesos and subject to certain restrictions, you should not underestimate the long-term implications of the most recent crisis for Argentina s economy and the credibility of its financial system. Adverse economic developments, even if not related to or attributable to the financial system, could easily result in deposits flowing out of the banks and into the foreign exchange market, as depositors seek to shield their financial assets from a new crisis. Any run on deposits could create liquidity or even solvency problems for financial institutions and bring about similar measures or other government interventions.

#### The Argentine economy could be adversely affected by economic developments in other global markets.

Financial and securities markets in Argentina are influenced, to varying degrees, by economic and market conditions in other global markets. Although economic conditions vary from country to country, investors perception of the events occurring in one country may substantially affect capital flows into and securities from issuers in other countries, including Argentina. The Argentine economy was adversely impacted by the political

and economic events that occurred in several emerging economies in the 1990s, including Mexico in 1994, the collapse of several Asian economies between 1997 and 1998, the economic crisis in Russia in 1998 and the Brazilian devaluation in January 1999. In addition, Argentina continues to be affected by events in the economies of its major regional partners. Furthermore, the Argentine economy may be adversely affected by events in developed economies which are trading partners or that impact the global economy.

In the future, political and economic crises in the international markets can be expected to adversely affect the Argentine economy and its financial system and therefore our business.

#### **Risks Relating to Brazil**

The Brazilian government has exercised and continues to exercise influence over the Brazilian economy, which together with Brazil s historically volatile political and economic conditions could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Our business is dependent to some extent on the economic conditions in Brazil. As of December 31, 2007, approximately 7.1% of our consolidated assets were located in Brazil through our affiliate BrasilAgro.

Historically, the Brazilian government has changed monetary, credit, tariff, and other policies to influence the course of Brazil s economy. Such government actions have included increases in interest rates, changes in tax policies, price controls, currency devaluations, as well as other measures such as imposing exchange controls and limits on imports and exports.

Our operations in Brazil may be adversely affected by changes in public policy at federal, state and municipal levels with respect to public tariffs and exchange controls, as well as other factors, such as:

fluctuation in exchange rates in Brazil;

monetary policy;

exchange controls and restrictions on remittances outside Brazil, such as those which were imposed on such remittances (including dividends) in 1989 and early 1990;

inflation in Brazil;

interest rates;

liquidity of the Brazilian financial, capital and lending markets;

fiscal policy and tax regime in Brazil; and

other political, social and economical developments in or affecting Brazil. Actions of the Brazilian government in the future could have a significant effect on economic conditions in Brazil, which could adversely affect private sector companies such as BrasilAgro, and thus, could adversely affect us.

Although inflation in Brazil has stabilized in recent years, increased inflation may adversely affect the operations of BrasilAgro which could adversely impact our financial condition and results of operations.

Brazil has experienced high and generally unpredictable rates of inflation for many years in the past. Inflation itself, as well as governmental policies to combat inflation, have had significant negative effects on the Brazilian economy in general. Inflation, government efforts to control inflation, and public speculation about future governmental actions have had, and can be expected to continue to have, significant impact on the

Brazilian economy and on our operations in Brazil. As measured by the Brazilian *Índice Nacional de Preços au Consumido*r (National Consumer Price Index), or INPC, inflation in Brazil was 6.1%, 5.1%, 2.8%, 2.1% and 5.16% in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively. We cannot assure you that levels of inflation in Brazil will not increase in future years and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. Inflationary pressures may lead to further government intervention in the economy, including the introduction of government policies that could adversely affect the results of operations of BrasilAgro and consequently our financial condition and results of operations and the market price of our common shares and ADSs.

# The Brazilian real is subject to depreciation and exchange rate volatility which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Brazil s rate of inflation and the government s actions to combat inflation have also affected the exchange rate between the real and the U.S. dollar. As a result of inflationary pressures, the Brazilian currency has been devalued periodically during the last four decades. Throughout this period, the Brazilian federal government has implemented various economic plans and utilized a number of exchange rate policies, including sudden devaluations, periodic mini devaluations (during which the frequency of adjustments has ranged from daily to monthly), floating exchange rate systems, exchange controls and dual exchange rate markets. During 2005, 2006 and 2007 the real appreciated 11.8%, 8.7% and 17.2%, respectively, against the U.S. dollar. Despite the recent appreciation there can be no assurance that the real will not depreciate against the U.S. dollar in the future, or that the rate of exchange between the real and the dollar will not fluctuate significantly. In the event of a devaluation of the real, the financial condition and results of operations of our Brazilian subsidiary could be adversely affected.

Depreciation of the *real* relative to the U.S. dollar may increase the cost of servicing foreign currency-denominated debt that we may incur in the future, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. In addition, depreciation of the *real* could create additional inflationary pressures in Brazil that may adversely affect our results of operations. Depreciation generally curtails access to international capital markets and may prompt government intervention. It could also reduce the U.S. dollar value of BrasilAgro s revenues, distributions and dividends, and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the market price of our common shares. On the other hand, the appreciation of the real against the U.S. dollar may lead to the deterioration of Brazil s public accounts and balance of payments, as well as to lower economic growth from exports.

## The Brazilian government imposes certain restrictions on currency conversions and remittances abroad which could affect the timing and amount of any dividend or other payment we receive.

Brazilian law guarantees foreign shareholders of Brazilian companies the right to repatriate their invested capital and to receive all dividends in foreign currency provided that their investment is registered with the *Banco Central do Brazil*, or the Brazilian Central Bank. We registered our investment in BrasilAgro with the Brazilian Central Bank on April 28, 2006. Although dividend payments related to profits obtained subsequent to April 28, 2006 are not subject to income tax, after the sum of repatriated capital and invested capital exceeds the investment amount registered with the Brazilian Central Bank, repatriated capital is subject to a capital gains tax of 15%. There can be no assurance that the Brazilian government will not impose additional restrictions or modify existing regulations that would have an adverse effect on an investor s ability to repatriate funds from Brazil nor can there be any assurance of the timing or duration of such restrictions, if imposed in the future.

#### Widespread uncertainties, corruption and fraud relating to ownership of real estate may adversely affect our business.

There are widespread uncertainties, corruption and fraud relating to title ownership of real estate in Brazil. In Brazil, ownership of real property is conveyed through filing of deeds before the relevant land registry. In certain cases, land registry recording errors, including duplicate and/or fraudulent entries, and deed challenges frequently occur, leading to judicial actions. Property disputes over title ownership are frequent, and, as a result, there is a risk that errors, fraud or challenges could adversely affect us, causing the loss of all or substantially all of our properties.

In addition, our land may be subject to expropriation by the Brazilian government. An expropriation could materially impair the normal use of our lands or have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. In addition, social movements, such as *Movimento dos Trabalhadores Rurais Sem Terra and Comissão Pastoral da Terra*, are active in Brazil. Such movements advocate land reform and mandatory property redistribution by the government. Land invasions and occupations of rural areas by a large number of individuals is common practice for these movements, and, in certain areas, including some of those in which we are likely to invest, police protection and effective eviction proceedings are not available to land owners. As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that our properties will not be subject to invasion or occupation by these groups. A land invasion or occupation could materially impair the normal use of our lands or have a material adverse effect on us or the value of our common shares or ADRs.

# The lack of efficient transportation, and adequate storage or handling facilities in certain of the regions in which we operate may have a material adverse effect on our business.

One of the principal disadvantages of the agriculture industry in some of the regions of Brazil is that they are located a long distance from major ports in some cases, nearly 1,500 kilometers. Efficient access to transportation infrastructure and ports is critical to the profitability in the agricultural industry. Furthermore, as part of our business strategy, we intend to acquire and develop land in specific areas where existing transportation is poor. A substantial portion of agricultural production in Brazil is currently transported by truck, a means of transportation significantly more expensive than the rail transportation available to the U.S. and other international producers. As a result, we may be unable to obtain efficient transportation to make our production reach our most important markets in a cost-effective manner, if at all.

#### **Risks Relating to Our Region**

#### Our business is dependent on economic conditions in the countries where we intend to operate.

We anticipate that a portion of the proceeds from the offering will be invested in farmland in Argentina, Brazil and possibly other countries in and outside Latin America. Because demand for agricultural products and farmland usually is correlated to economic conditions prevailing in the local market, which in turn is dependent on the macroeconomic condition of the country in which the market is located, our financial condition and results of operations are, to a considerable extent, dependent upon political and economic conditions prevailing from time to time in the countries where we operate. Latin American countries have historically experienced uneven periods of economic growth, as well as recession, periods of high inflation and economic instability. Certain countries have experienced severe economic crises, which may still have future effects. As a result, governments may not have the financial resources necessary to implement reforms and foster growth. Any of these adverse economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on our business. Some of the countries where we intend to operate are recovering from recent economic crises. Notwithstanding the positive economic results recorded recently in such countries, we cannot assure you that economic conditions will continue to improve or that our operations will experience positive results in the future.

# We face the risk of political and economic crises, instability, terrorism, civil strife, expropriation and other risks of doing business in emerging markets.

In addition to Argentina and Brazil, we intend to conduct our operations in other Latin-American countries. Economic and political developments in these countries, including future economic changes or crises (such as inflation or recession), government deadlock, political instability, terrorism, civil strife, changes in laws and regulations, expropriation or nationalization of property, and exchange controls could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Although economic conditions in one country may differ significantly from another country, we cannot assure that events in one country alone will not adversely affect our business or the market value of, or market for, our common shares or ADRs.

#### Governments in the countries where we intend to operate exercise significant influence over their economies.

Emerging market governments, including governments in the countries where we intend to operate, frequently intervene in the economies of their respective countries and occasionally make significant changes in policy and regulations. Governmental actions to control inflation and other policies and regulations have often involved, among other measures, price controls, currency devaluations, capital controls and limits on imports. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may be adversely affected by changes in government policies or regulations, including factors, such as:

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inflation rates;

interest rates;

tariff and inflation control policies;

import duties on information technology equipment;

liquidity of domestic capital and lending markets;

electricity rationing;

tax policies; and

other political, diplomatic, social and economic developments in or affecting the countries where we intend to operate. An eventual reduction of foreign investment in any of the countries where we intend to operate may have a negative impact on such country s economy, affecting interest rates and the ability of companies such as us to access financial markets.

#### Local currencies used in the conduct of our business may be subject to exchange rate volatility and exchange controls.

The currencies of many countries in Latin America have experienced substantial volatility in recent years. Currency movements, as well as higher interest rates, have materially and adversely affected the economies of many Latin American countries, including countries in which we operate or intend to operate. The depreciation of local currencies creates inflationary pressures that may have an adverse effect on us generally, and may restrict access to international capital markets. On the other hand, the appreciation of local currencies against the U.S. dollar may lead to deterioration in the balance of payments of the countries where we intend to operate, as well as to a lower economic growth.

In addition, we may be subject to exchange control regulations in these Latin-American countries which might restrict our ability to convert local currencies into U.S. dollars.

# Inflation and certain government measures to curb inflation may have adverse effects on the economies of the countries where we intend to operate, our business and our operations.

Most countries where we intend to operate have historically experienced high rates of inflation. Inflation and some measures implemented to curb inflation have had significant negative effects on the economies of Latin American countries. Governmental actions taken in an effort to curb inflation, coupled with speculation about possible future actions, have contributed to economic uncertainty at times in most Latin American countries. The countries where we intend to operate may experience high levels of inflation in the future that could lead to further government intervention in the economy, including the introduction of government policies that could adversely affect our results of operations. In addition, if any of these countries experience high rates of inflation, we may not be able to adjust the price of our services sufficiently to offset the effects of inflation on our cost structures. A high inflation environment would also have negative effects on the level of economic activity and employment and adversely affect our business and results of operations.

# Developments in other markets may affect the Latin American countries where we intend to operate, and as a result our financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected.

The market value of securities of companies such as us, may be, to varying degrees, affected by economic and market conditions in other global markets. Although economic conditions vary from country to country, investors perception of the events occurring in one country may substantially affect capital flows into and securities from issuers in other countries, including Latin American countries. Various Latin American economies have been adversely impacted by the political and economic events that occurred in several emerging economies in recent times. Furthermore, Latin American economies may be affected by events in developed economies which are trading partners or that impact the global economy.

#### Land in Latin-American countries may be subject to expropriation or occupation.

Our land may be subject to expropriation by governments of the countries where we operate and intend to operate. An expropriation could materially impair the normal use of our lands or have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. In addition, social movements, such as *Movimento dos Trabalhadores Rurais Sem Terra and Comissão Pastoral da Terra* in Brazil, are active in certain of the countries where we operate or intend to operate. Such movements advocate land reform and mandatory property redistribution by governments. Land invasions and occupations of rural areas by a large number of individuals is common practice for these movements, and, in certain areas, including some of those in which we are likely to invest, police protection and effective eviction proceedings are not available to land owners. As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that our future properties will not be subject to invasion or occupation by these groups. A land invasion or occupation could materially impair the normal use of our lands or have a material adverse effect on us or the value of our common shares or ADRs.

#### **Risks Relating to Our Business**

#### Fluctuation in market prices for our agriculture products could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Prices for cereals, oilseeds and by-products, like those of other commodities, can be expected to fluctuate significantly. The prices that we are able to obtain for our agriculture products depend on many factors beyond our control, including:

prevailing world prices, which historically have been subject to significant fluctuations over relatively short periods of time, depending on worldwide demand and supply;

changes in the agricultural subsidy levels in certain important countries (mainly the United States and countries in the European Union) and the adoption of other government policies affecting industry market conditions and prices; and

demand for and supply of competing commodities and substitutes. Our financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected if the prices of grains and agricultural by-products were to decline below current levels.

#### Unpredictable weather conditions may have an adverse impact on our crop and beef cattle production.

The occurrence of severe adverse weather conditions, especially droughts, hail or floods, is unpredictable and may have a potentially devastating impact upon our crop production and, to a lesser extent, our beef cattle production. The occurrence of severe adverse weather conditions may reduce yields on our farms or require us to increase our level of investment to maintain yields. As a result, we cannot assure you that future severe adverse weather conditions will not adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

#### Disease may strike our crops without warning potentially destroying some or all of our yields.

The occurrence and effect of crop disease and pestilence can be unpredictable and devastating to crops, potentially destroying all or a substantial portion of the affected harvests. Even when only a portion of the crop is damaged, our results of operations could be adversely affected because all or a substantial portion of the production costs for the entire crop have been incurred. Although some crop diseases are treatable, the cost of treatment is high, and we cannot assure that such events in the future will not adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

#### Our cattle are subject to diseases.

Diseases among our cattle herds, such as tuberculosis, brucellosis and foot-and-mouth disease, can have an adverse effect on milk production and fattening, rendering cows unable to produce milk or meat for human consumption. Outbreaks of cattle diseases may also result in the closure of certain important markets, such as the United States, to our cattle products. Although we abide by national veterinary health guidelines, which include laboratory analyses and vaccination, to control diseases among the herds, especially foot-and-mouth disease, we cannot assure that future outbreaks of cattle diseases will not occur. A future outbreak of diseases among our cattle herds may adversely affect our beef cattle and milk sales which could adversely affect our operating results and financial condition.

# We may be exposed to material losses due to volatile crop prices since we hold significant uncovered futures and options positions to hedge our crop price risk.

Due to the fact that we do not have 100% of our crops hedged, we are unable to have minimum price guarantees for all of our production and are therefore exposed to significant risks associated with the level and volatility of crop prices. We are subject to fluctuations in crop prices which could result in receiving a lower price for our crops than our production cost. We are also subject to exchange rate risks related to our crops that are hedged, because our futures and options positions are valued in U.S. dollars, and thus are subject to exchange rate risk.

In addition, if severe weather or any other disaster generates a lower crop production than the position already sold in the market, we may suffer material losses in the repurchase of the sold contracts.

#### The creation of new export taxes may have an adverse impact on our sales.

In order to prevent inflation and variations in the exchange rate from adversely affecting prices of primary and manufactured products (including agricultural products), and to increase tax collections and reduce Argentina s fiscal deficit, the Argentine government has imposed new taxes on exports. Pursuant to Resolution No. 11/02 of the Ministry of Economy and Production, as amended by Resolution 35/02, 160/2002, 307/2002 and 530/2002, effective as of March 5, 2002, the Argentine government imposed a 20%, 10% and 5% export tax on primary and manufactured products. On November 12, 2005, pursuant to Resolution No. 653/2005, the Ministry

of Economy and Production increased the tax on beef cattle exports from 5% to 10%, and on January 2007 increased the tax on soybean exports from 23.5% to 27.5%. Pursuant to Resolutions No. 368/07 and 369/07, both dated November 12, 2007, the Ministry of Economy and Production further increased the tax on soybean exports from 27.5% to 35.0% and also the tax on wheat and corn exports from 20.0% to 28.0% and from 20.0% to 25.0%, respectively.

Export taxes might have a material and adverse effect on our sales. We produce exportable goods and, therefore, an increase in export taxes is likely to result in a decrease in our products price, and, therefore, may result in a decrease of our sales. We cannot guarantee the impact of those or any other future measures that might be adopted by the Argentine government on our financial condition and result of operations.

#### Government intervention in our markets may have a direct impact on our prices.

The Argentine government has set certain industry market conditions and prices in the past. In order to prevent a substantial increase in the price of basic products as a result of inflation, the Argentine government is adopting an interventionist policy. In March 2002, the Argentine government fixed the price for milk after a conflict among producers and the government. During 2005, the Argentine government adopted measures in order to increase the domestic availability of beef and reduce domestic prices. The Argentine government increased the withholding rate and established a minimum weight requirement for animals to be slaughtered. In March 2006, the foreign sales of cuts of beef cattle were momentarily suspended. The latter measure was softened once prices decreased. Moreover, on December 27, 2007, the Ministry of Economy enacted Resolution No. 24/2007 requiring prior governmental authorization for exports of beef until March 31, 2008. There can be no assurance that the Argentine government will not interfere in other areas by setting prices or regulating other market conditions. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that we will be able to freely negotiate all our products prices in the future or that the prices or other market conditions that the Argentine government could impose will allow us to freely negotiate the price of our products.

#### We may increase our crop price risk since we could have a long position in crop derivatives.

In order to improve the use of land and capital allocation, we may have a long position in crops in addition to our own production. This strategy increases our crop price risk, generating material losses in a downward market.

# We do not maintain insurance on our crop storage facilities; therefore, if a fire or other disaster damages some or all of our harvest, we will not receive any compensation.

We store a significant portion of our grain production during harvest due to the seasonal drop in prices that normally occurs at that time. Currently, we have approximately 15,341 tons of storage capacity at various farms and plan to further increase our storage capacity. We do not maintain insurance on our storage facilities. Although our storage capacity is in several different locations, and it is unlikely that a natural disaster affects all of our silos simultaneously, a fire or other natural disaster which damages the stored grain, particularly if such event occurs shortly after harvesting, could have an adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

#### Worldwide competition in the markets for our products could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We experience substantial worldwide competition in each of our markets and in many of our product lines. The market for cereals, oil seeds and by-products is highly competitive and also sensitive to changes in industry capacity, producer inventories and cyclical changes in the world s economies, any of which may significantly affect the selling prices of our products and thereby our profitability. Due to the fact that many of our products are agricultural commodities, they compete in the international markets almost exclusively on the basis of price. Many other producers of these products are larger than us, and have greater financial and other resources. Moreover, many other producers receive subsidies from their respective countries while we do not receive any

such subsidies from the Argentine government. These subsidies may allow producers from other countries to produce at lower costs than us and/or endure periods of low prices and operating losses for longer periods than we can. Any increased competitive pressure with respect to our products could materially and adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

# If we are unable to maintain our relationship with our customers, particularly with the single customer who purchases our entire raw milk production each month, our business may be adversely affected.

Though our cattle sales are diversified, we are and will continue to be significantly dependent on a number of third party relationships, mainly with our customers for crop and milk sales. In 2007, we sold our products to approximately 140 customers. Sales to our ten largest customers represented approximately 71% of our net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Of these customers, our biggest three customers, Cargill S.A., Mastellone Hnos. S.A. and Quickfood S.A, represented, in the aggregate, approximately 46% of our net sales, while the remaining seven customers in the aggregate represented approximately 26% of our net sales in fiscal 2007.

In addition, we currently sell our entire raw milk production to one customer in Argentina, Mastellone Hnos. S.A. For the year ended June 30, 2007, these sales represented approximately 8.8% of our total revenues. There can be no assurance that this customer will continue to purchase our entire raw milk production or that, if it fails to do so, we could enter into satisfactory sale arrangements with new purchasers in the future.

We sell our crop production mainly to exporters and manufacturers that process the raw materials to produce meal and oil, products that are sent to the export markets. The Argentine crop market is characterized by a few purchasers and a great number of sellers. Although most of the purchasers are international companies with strong financial conditions, we cannot assure you that this situation will remain the same in the future or that this market will not get more concentrated in the future.

We may not be able to maintain or form new relationships with customers or others who provide products and services that are important to our business. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that our existing or prospective relationships will result in sustained business or the generation of significant revenues.

#### Our business is seasonal, and our revenues may fluctuate significantly depending on the growing cycle.

Our agribusiness business is highly seasonal in nature. The harvest and sale of crops (corn, soybean and sunflower) generally occurs from February to June. Wheat is harvested from December to January. Our operations and sales are affected by the growing cycle of the crops we process and by decreases during the summer in the price of the cattle we fatten. As a result, our results of operations have varied significantly from period to period, and are likely to continue to vary, due to seasonal factors.

#### Our principal shareholder has the ability to direct our business and affairs, and its interests could conflict with yours.

As of December 31, 2007, our largest beneficial shareholder, Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain, was the beneficial owner of 32.1% of our common shares. As of December 31, 2007, such beneficial ownership consisted of 102,876,754 of our common shares owned through Inversiones Financieras del Sur S.A., or IFISA, a company of which, our director, Mr. Elsztain is the largest beneficial owner. As a result of his significant influence over us, Mr. Elsztain, through IFISA, has been able to elect a majority of the members of our board of directors, direct our management and determine the result of substantially all resolutions that require shareholders approval, including fundamental corporate transactions and our payment of dividends by us.

The interests of our principal shareholder and management may differ from, and could conflict with, those of our other shareholders. From time to time we engage in transactions with related parties on terms we consider arm s length. For example, pursuant to a consulting agreement we pay a management fee equal to 10% of our annual net income to Consultores Asset Management S.A., formerly known as Dolphin Fund Management

S.A. (Consultores Asset Management), a company whose capital stock is 85% owned by Eduardo Elsztain and 15% owned by Saúl Zang, the first vice-chairman of our board of directors. This performance based fee could be viewed as an incentive for Consultores Asset Management to favor riskier or more speculative investments than would otherwise be the case. In addition, as of December 31, 2007 Mr. Elsztain was the beneficial owner, due to his indirect shareholding through Cresud of approximately 36.3% of the common shares of IRSA, an Argentine company that currently owns approximately 62.5% of the common shares of its subsidiary Alto Palermo whose chief executive officer is Mr. Alejandro G. Elsztain, Mr. Eduardo Elsztain s brother and our chief executive officer of Cresud. We cannot assure you that our principal shareholders will not cause us to forego business opportunities that their affiliates may pursue or to pursue other opportunities that may not be in our interest, all of which may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition and the value of our common shares and the ADSs.

#### We depend on our chairman and senior management.

Our success depends, to a significant extent, on the continued employment of Eduardo S. Elsztain, our president and chairman of the board of directors, and Alejandro G. Elsztain, our chief executive officer. The loss of their services for any reason could have a material adverse effect on our business. If our current principal shareholders were to lose their influence on the management of our business, our principal executive officer.

Our future success also depends in part upon our ability to attract and retain other highly qualified personnel. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in hiring or retaining qualified personnel, or that any of our personnel will remain employed by us.

#### The Investment Company Act may limit our future activities.

Under Section 3(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, an investment company is defined in relevant part to include any company that owns or proposes to acquire investment securities that have a value exceeding 40% of such company s unconsolidated total assets (exclusive of U.S. government securities and cash items). Investments in minority interests of related entities as well as majority interests in consolidated subsidiaries which themselves are investment companies are included within the definition of investment securities for purposes of the 40% limit under the Investment Company Act.

Companies that are investment companies within the meaning of the Investment Company Act, and that do not qualify for an exemption from the provisions of such Act, are required to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are subject to substantial regulations with respect to capital structure, operations, transactions with affiliates and other matters. In the event such companies do not register under the Investment Company Act, they may not, among other things, conduct public offerings of their securities in the United States or engage in interstate commerce in the United States. Moreover, even if we desired to register with the Commission as an investment company, we could not do so without an order of the Commission because we are a non-U.S. corporation, and it is unlikely that the Commission would issue such an order.

In recent years we have made a significant minority investment in the capital stock of IRSA, an Argentine company engaged in a range of real estate activities. As of December 31, 2007, we owned approximately 34.6% of IRSA s outstanding shares. As of December 31, 2007, our total investment in IRSA represented approximately 43.2% of our total assets. Although we believe we are not an investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act, our belief is subject to substantial uncertainty, and we cannot give you any assurance that we would not be determined to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act. As a result, the uncertainty regarding our status under the Investment Company Act may adversely affect our ability to offer and sell securities in the United States or to U.S. persons. The United States capital markets have historically been an important source of funding for us, and our future financing ability may be adversely affected by a lack of access to the United States capital markets, our only recourse would be to file an application to the SEC for an exemption from the provisions of the Investment Company Act which is a lengthy and highly uncertain process.

Moreover, if we offer and sell securities in the United States or to U.S. persons and we were deemed to be an investment company and not exempted from the application of the Investment Company Act, contracts we enter into in violation of, or whose performance entails a violation of, the Investment Company Act, including any such securities, may not be enforceable against us.

#### We hold Argentine securities which are more volatile than U.S. securities and carry a greater risk of default.

We currently have and in the past have had certain investments in Argentine government debt, corporate debt, and equity securities. In particular, we hold a significant interest in IRSA, an Argentine company that has suffered material losses, particularly during fiscal years 2001 and 2002. Although our holding of these investments, excluding IRSA, tends to be short term, investments in such securities involve certain risks, including:

market volatility, higher than those typically associated with U.S. government and corporate securities; and

loss of principal.

Some of the issuers in which we have invested and may invest, including the Argentine government, have in the past experienced substantial difficulties in servicing their debt obligations, which have led to the restructuring of certain indebtedness. We cannot assure that the issuers in which we have invested or may invest will not be subject to similar or other difficulties in the future which may adversely affect the value of our investments in such issuers. In addition, such issuers and, therefore, such investments, are generally subject to many of the risks that are described in this section with respect to us, and, thus, could have little or no value.

#### We could be adversely affected by our investment in IRSA if IRSA s value decreases.

We currently own 34.6% of IRSA s outstanding shares. As of June 30, 2007, we owned 25.0% of IRSA s outstanding shares which represented an investment of Ps.344.6 million through the purchase of shares and the conversion of convertible notes. In addition, as of such date, we owned 12.5 million of IRSA s warrants. As of December 31, 2007, our investment in IRSA was Ps.514.5 million, representing 43.2% of our total consolidated assets.

Our investment in IRSA is subject to risks common to investments in commercial and residential properties in general, many of which are not within IRSA s control. Any one or more of these risks might materially and adversely affect IRSA s business, financial condition or results of operations. The yields available from equity investments in real estate depend on the level of sales or rental income generated and expenses incurred. In addition, other factors may affect the performance and value of a property adversely, including local economic conditions where the properties are located, macroeconomic conditions in Argentina and the rest of the world, competition from other real estate developers, IRSA s ability to find tenants, tenant default or rescission of leases, changes in laws and governmental regulations (including those governing usage, zoning and real property taxes), changes in interest rates (including the risk that increased interest rates may result in decreased sales of lots in the residential development properties) and the availability of financing. IRSA may also be unable to respond effectively to adverse market conditions or may be forced to sell one or more of its properties at a loss because the real estate market is relatively illiquid. Certain significant expenditures, such as debt service, real estate taxes, and operating and maintenance costs, generally are not reduced in circumstances resulting in a reduction in income from the investment.

It is possible that these or other factors or events will impair IRSA s ability to respond to adverse changes in the performance of its investments, causing a material decline in IRSA s financial condition or results of operations which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

While IRSA s share price increased during fiscal years 2005, 2006 and 2007, we cannot assure you that the share price will not decline in the future. Given the relative size of our investment in IRSA, any decline could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

#### We could be materially and adversely affected by our investment in BrasilAgro.

As of December 31, 2007, our investment in BrasilAgro represented 7.1% of our total consolidated assets. BrasilAgro was formed on September 23, 2005 to exploit opportunities in the Brazilian agricultural sector. BrasilAgro seeks to acquire and develop future properties to produce a diversified range of agricultural products (which may include sugarcane, grains, cotton, forestry products and livestock). BrasilAgro is a recently incorporated company that has been operating for one and a half years. As a result, it has a developing business strategy and limited track record. BrasilAgro s business strategy may not be successful, and if not successful, BrasilAgro may be unable to successfully modify its strategy. BrasilAgro s ability to implement its proposed business strategy may be materially and adversely affected by many known and unknown factors. If we were to write-off our investments in BrasilAgro, this would likely materially and adversely affect our business. As of June 30, 2007 we owned 7.4% of the outstanding common shares of BrasilAgro. As of December 31, 2007 we owned 8.25% of the outstanding common shares of BrasilAgro.

# We may invest in countries other than Argentina and Brazil and cannot give you any current assurance as to the countries in which we will ultimately invest, and we could fail to list all risk factors for each possible country.

We have a broad and opportunistic business strategy and you should understand that we may invest in countries other than Argentina and Brazil including countries in other emerging markets outside Latin America such as Africa. As a result, it is not possible at this time to identify all risk factors that may affect our future operations and the value of our common shares and ADSs.

#### We will be subject to extensive environmental regulation.

Our activities are subject to a wide set of federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment, which impose various environmental obligations. Obligations include compulsory maintenance of certain preserved areas in our properties, management of pesticides and associated hazardous waste and the acquisition of permits for water use. Our proposed business is likely to involve the handling and use of hazardous materials that may cause the emission of certain regulated substances. In addition, the storage and processing of our products may create hazardous conditions. We could be exposed to criminal and administrative penalties, in addition to the obligation to remedy the adverse affects of our operations on the environment and to indemnify third parties for damages, including the payment of penalties for non-compliance with these laws and regulations. Since environmental laws and their enforcement are becoming more stringent in Argentina, our capital expenditures and expenses for environmental compliance may substantially increase in the future. In addition, due to the possibility of future regulatory or other developments, the amount and timing of environmental regulation may result in reductions of other strategic investments which may consequently decrease our profits. Any material unforeseen environmental costs may have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition or prospects.

As of December 31, 2007, we owned land reserves in excess of 314,405 hectares, most of which is located in under-utilized areas where agricultural production is not fully developed. Existing or future environmental regulations may prevent us from completely developing our land reserves, requiring us to maintain a portion of such land as unproductive land reserves. For example, on November 28, 2007, the National Congress passed Law No. 26,331, known as the Forests Law which establishes minimum budgets for provincial expenditures to promote protection, restoration, conservation and sustainable use of native forests. The Forests Law prevents the owners of lands, including native forests, from deforesting or converting forested areas into non-forest lands for other commercial uses without a prior permit from each local government granting of such permit requires the preparation, evaluation and approval of an environmental impact report. The Forests Law

further provides that each province must adopt a plan for the implementation of the Forest Law within one year and that no deforestation is permitted during such one-year period. In addition, the Forests Law also establishes a national policy for the sustainable use of native forests which purports to afford the preferential use rights to aboriginal and farming communities that reside near such forest. In this case, the relevant provincial authority is not to grant permits without formal public hearings and the written consent of such communities.

We cannot assure you that current or future development applications will be approved, and if so, to what extent we will be allowed to develop our land.

#### Increased energy prices could adversely affect our operations.

We require substantial amounts of fuel oil and other resources for our harvest activities and transport of our agricultural products. We rely upon third parties for our supply of the energy resources consumed in our operations. The prices for and availability of energy resources may be subject to change or curtailment, respectively, due to, among other things, new laws or regulations, imposition of new taxes or tariffs, interruptions in production by suppliers, worldwide price levels and market conditions. The prices of various sources of energy may increase significantly from current levels. An increase in energy prices could materially adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

#### Risks Relating to IRSA s Business

#### IRSA s performance is subject to risks associated with its properties and with the real estate industry.

IRSA s economic performance and the value of its real estate assets, and consequently the value of its securities, are subject to the risk that if IRSA properties do not generate sufficient revenues to meet its operating expenses, including debt service and capital expenditures, IRSA s cash flow and ability to pay distributions to its shareholders will be adversely affected. Events or conditions beyond IRSA s control that may adversely affect IRSA s operations or the value of its properties include:

downturns in the national, regional and local economic climate;

volatility and decline in discretionary spending;

competition from other office, industrial and commercial buildings;

local real estate market conditions, such as oversupply or reduction in demand for office, or other commercial or industrial space;

changes in interest rates and availability of financing;

the exercise by its tenants of their legal right to early termination of their leases;

vacancies, changes in market rental rates and the need to periodically repair, renovate and re-lease space;

increased operating costs, including insurance expense, utilities, real estate taxes, state and local taxes and heightened security costs;

civil disturbances, earthquakes and other natural disasters, or terrorist acts or acts of war which may result in uninsured or underinsured losses;

significant expenditures associated with each investment, such as debt service payments, real estate taxes, insurance and maintenance costs which are generally not reduced when circumstances cause a reduction in revenues from a property;

declines in the financial condition of IRSA s tenants and IRSA s ability to collect rents from its tenants;

changes in IRSA s ability or its tenants ability to provide for adequate maintenance and insurance, possibly decreasing the useful life of and revenue from property; and

law reforms and governmental regulations (such as those governing usage, zoning and real property taxes). If any one or more of the foregoing conditions were to affect IRSA s business, it could have a material adverse effect on IRSA s financial condition and results of operations.

#### IRSA s investment in property development or redevelopment may be less profitable than IRSA anticipates.

IRSA is engaged in the development and construction of office space, retail and residential properties, frequently through third-party contractors. Risks associated with IRSA s development, re-development and construction activities include the following, among others:

abandonment of development opportunities and renovation proposals;

construction costs of a project may exceed its original estimates for reasons including raises in interest rates or increases in the costs of materials and labor, making a project unprofitable;

occupancy rates and rents at newly completed properties may fluctuate depending on a number of factors, including market and economic conditions, resulting in lower than projected rental rates and a corresponding lower return on IRSA s investment;

pre-construction buyers may default on their purchase contracts or units in new buildings may remain unsold upon completion of construction;

the unavailability of favorable financing alternatives in the private and public debt markets;

sale prices for residential units may be insufficient to cover development costs;

construction and lease-up may not be completed on schedule, resulting in increased debt service expense and construction costs; and

IRSA may be unable to obtain, or may face delays in obtaining, necessary zoning, land-use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations, or IRSA may be affected by building moratoria and anti-growth legislation. *The real estate industry in Argentina is increasingly competitive.* 

IRSA s real estate and construction activities are highly concentrated in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, where the real estate market is highly competitive due to a scarcity of properties in sought-after locations and the increasing number of local and international competitors.

Furthermore, the Argentine real estate industry is generally highly competitive and fragmented and does not have high-entry barriers restricting new competitors from entering the market. The main competitive factors in the real estate development business include availability and location of land, price, funding, design, quality, reputation and partnerships with developers. A number of residential and commercial developers and real estate services companies compete with IRSA in seeking land for acquisition, financial resources for development and prospective purchasers

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and tenants. Other companies, including joint ventures of foreign companies and local companies, have become increasingly active in the real estate business in Argentina, further increasing this

competition. To the extent that one or more of IRSA s competitors are able to acquire and develop desirable properties, as a result of greater financial resources or otherwise, IRSA s business could be materially and adversely affected. If IRSA is not able to respond to such pressures as promptly as its competitors, or the level of competition increases, IRSA s financial condition and results of its operations could be adversely affected.

In addition, many of IRSA s shopping centers are located in close proximity to other shopping centers, numerous retail stores and residential properties. The number of comparable properties located in the vicinity of IRSA s properties could have a material adverse effect on its ability to lease retail space in IRSA s shopping centers or sell units in its residential complexes and on the rent price or the sale price that IRSA is able to charge. We cannot assure you that other shopping center operators, including international shopping center operators, will not invest in Argentina in the near future. As additional companies become active in the Argentine shopping center market, such increased competition could have a material adverse effect on IRSA s results of operations.

#### IRSA faces risks associated with property acquisitions.

IRSA has in the past acquired, and intends to acquire in the future, properties, including large properties (such as the acquisition of Abasto de Buenos Aires or Alto Palermo Shopping) that would increase IRSA s size and potentially alter its capital structure. Although IRSA believes that the acquisitions that IRSA has completed in the past and that it expects to undertake in the future, have, and will, enhance IRSA s future financial performance, the success of such transactions is subject to a number of uncertainties, including the risk that:

IRSA may not be able to obtain financing for acquisitions on favorable terms;

acquired properties may fail to perform as expected;

the actual costs of repositioning or redeveloping acquired properties may be higher than IRSA s estimates;

acquired properties may be located in new markets where IRSA may have limited knowledge and understanding of the local economy, absence of business relationships in the area or unfamiliarity with local governmental and permitting procedures; and

IRSA may not be able to efficiently integrate acquired properties, particularly portfolios of properties, into its organization and to manage new properties in a way that allows us to realize cost savings and synergies.

# Some of the land IRSA has purchased is not zoned for development purposes, and IRSA may be unable to obtain, or may face delays in obtaining the necessary zoning permits and other authorizations.

IRSA owns several parcels of land which are not zoned for development purposes or for the type of developments IRSA intends to propose, including Santa María del Plata, Puerto Retiro and Terrenos de Caballito. In addition, IRSA does not yet have the required land-use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations. IRSA cannot assure you that it will continue to be successful in its attempts to rezone land and to obtain all necessary permits and authorizations, or that rezoning efforts and permit requests will not be unreasonably delayed. Moreover, IRSA may be affected by building moratoria and anti-growth legislation. If IRSA is unable to obtain all of the governmental permits and authorizations it needs to develop its present and future projects as planned, IRSA may be forced to make unwanted modifications to such projects or abandon them altogether.

#### Acquired properties may subject IRSA to unknown liabilities.

Properties that IRSA acquire may be subject to unknown liabilities for which IRSA would have no recourse, or only limited recourse, to the former owners of such properties. As a result, if a liability were asserted against IRSA based upon ownership of an acquired property, IRSA might be required to pay significant sums to settle it, which could adversely affect its financial results and cash flow. Unknown liabilities relating to acquired properties could include:

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liabilities for clean-up of undisclosed environmental contamination;

law reforms and governmental regulations (such as those governing usage, zoning and real property taxes); and

#### liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business. Some potential losses are not covered by insurance, and certain kinds of insurance coverage may become prohibitively expensive.

IRSA currently carries liability, fire, business interruption, flood, extended coverage and rental loss insurance on all of its properties. Although IRSA believes the policy specifications and insured limits of these policies are generally customary, there are certain types of losses, such as lease and other contract claims and terrorism and acts of war that generally are not insured. Should an uninsured loss or a loss in excess of insured limits occur, IRSA could lose all or a portion of the capital it has invested in a property, as well as the anticipated future revenue from the property. In such an event, IRSA might nevertheless remain obligated for any mortgage debt or other financial obligations related to the property. We cannot assure you that material losses in excess of insurance proceeds will not occur in the future. If any of IRSA s properties were to experience a catastrophic loss, it could seriously disrupt IRSA s operations, delay revenue and result in large expenses to repair or rebuild the property.

In addition, we cannot assure you that IRSA will be able to renew insurance coverage in an adequate amount or at reasonable prices. Insurance companies may no longer offer coverage against certain types of losses, such as losses due to terrorist acts and mold, or, if offered, these types of insurance may be prohibitively expensive. Moreover, IRSA does not purchase life or disability insurance for any of its key employees. If any of IRSA s key employees were to die or become incapacitated, IRSA could experience losses caused by a disruption in its operations which will not be covered by insurance, and this could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and results of operations.

#### Demand for IRSA s premium properties which target the high-income demographic may be insufficient.

IRSA has focused on development projects intended to cater to affluent individuals and has entered into property swap agreements pursuant to which IRSA contributes its undeveloped properties to ventures with developers who will deliver to IRSA units in full-service apartments in premium locations of downtown Buenos Aires, such as the Renoir towers. These developments are currently estimated to be completed in 2008 and will bring to the market over 11,500 square meters of high quality residential apartments. At the time the developers return these properties to IRSA, demand for premium apartments could be significantly lower than IRSA currently projects. In such case, IRSA would be unable to sell these apartments at the prices or in the time frame IRSA estimated, which could have a material adverse effect on IRSA s financial condition and results of operations.

#### It may be difficult to buy and sell real estate quickly and transfer restrictions apply to some of IRSA s properties.

Real estate investments are relatively illiquid and this tends to limit IRSA s ability to vary its portfolio promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions. In addition, significant expenditures associated with each equity investment, such as mortgage payments, real estate taxes and maintenance costs, are generally not reduced when circumstances cause a reduction in income from the investment. If income from a property declines while the related expenses do not decline, IRSA s business would be adversely affected. A significant portion of IRSA s properties are mortgaged to secure payment of indebtedness, and if IRSA is unable to meet its mortgage payments, IRSA could lose money as a result of foreclosure on the properties by the various

mortgagees. In addition, if it becomes necessary or desirable for IRSA to dispose of one or more of the mortgaged properties, it might not be able to obtain a release of the lien on the mortgaged property without payment of the associated debt. The foreclosure of a mortgage on a property or inability to sell a property could adversely affect IRSA s business. In transactions of this kind, IRSA may also agree, subject to certain exceptions, not to sell the acquired properties for significant periods of time.

#### IRSA s level of debt may adversely affect its operations and its ability to pay its debt as it becomes due.

IRSA has had, and expects to continue to have, substantial liquidity and capital resource requirements to finance its business. As of December 31, 2007, IRSA s consolidated financial debt was Ps.1,186.8 million (including accrued and unpaid interest and deferred financing costs). The fact that IRSA is leveraged may affect its ability to refinance existing debt or borrow additional funds to finance working capital, acquisitions and capital expenditures. This would require IRSA to allocate a substantial portion of cash flow to repay principal and interest, thereby reducing the amount of money available to invest in operations, including acquisitions and capital expenditures. IRSA s leverage could place IRSA at a disadvantage compared to its competitors who are less leveraged and limit its ability to react to changes in market conditions, changes in the real estate industry and economic downturns. Although IRSA has successfully restructured its debt, we cannot assure you that IRSA will not relapse and become unable to pay its obligations.

IRSA may not be able to generate sufficient cash flows from operations to satisfy its debt service requirements or to obtain future financing. If IRSA cannot satisfy its debt service requirements or if IRSA defaults on any financial or other covenants in its debt arrangements, the holders of IRSA s debt will be able to accelerate the maturity of such debt or cause defaults under the other debt arrangements. IRSA s ability to service debt obligations or to refinance them will depend upon its future financial and operating performance, which will, in part, be subject to factors beyond IRSA s control such as macroeconomic conditions and regulatory changes in Argentina. If IRSA cannot obtain future financing, it may have to delay or abandon some or all of its planned capital expenditures, which could adversely affect IRSA s ability to generate cash flows and repay its obligations.

#### IRSA is subject to risks inherent to the operation of shopping centers that may affect its profitability.

Shopping centers are subject to various factors that affect their development, administration and profitability. These factors include:

the accessibility and the attractiveness of the area where the shopping center is located;

the intrinsic attractiveness of the shopping center;

the flow of people and the level of sales of each shopping center rental unit;

increasing competition from internet sales;

the amount of rent collected from each shopping center rental unit; and

the fluctuations in occupancy levels in the shopping centers.

An increase in operating costs, caused by inflation or other factors, could have a material adverse effect on IRSA if its tenants are unable to pay higher rent due to the increase in expenses. Moreover, the shopping center business is closely related to consumer spending and to the economy in which customers are located. All of IRSA s shopping centers are in Argentina, and, as a consequence, their business could be seriously affected by potential recession in Argentina. For example, during the economic crisis in Argentina, spending decreased significantly, unemployment, political instability and inflation significantly reduced consumer spending in Argentina, lowering tenants sales and forcing some tenants to leave IRSA s shopping centers. If this were to occur again, it could have a material adverse effect on the revenues from the shopping center activity.

## The loss of significant tenants could adversely affect both the operating revenues and value of IRSA s shopping center and other rental properties.

If certain of IRSA s most important tenants were to experience financial difficulties, including bankruptcy, insolvency or a general downturn of business, or if IRSA simply failed to retain their patronage, its business could be adversely affected. IRSA s shopping centers and, to a lesser extent, its office buildings are typically anchored by significant tenants, such as well known department stores who generate shopping traffic at the mall. A decision by such significant tenants to cease operations at IRSA s shopping centers or office buildings could have a material adverse effect on the revenues and profitability of the affected segment and, by extension, on IRSA s financial condition and results of operations. The closing of one or more significant tenants may induce other tenants at an affected property to terminate their leases, to seek rent relief and/or cease operating their stores or otherwise adversely affect occupancy at the property. If IRSA is not able to successfully lease the affected space again, the bankruptcy and/or closure of significant tenants, could have an adverse effect on both the operating revenues and underlying value of the properties involved.

#### IRSA is subject to payment default risks due to its investments in credit card businesses through its subsidiary Alto Palermo.

IRSA s subsidiary Alto Palermo owns an 80% interest in Tarshop S.A. (Tarshop), a credit card company that originates credit card accounts to promote sales from Alto Palermo s tenants and other selected retailers. During the six months ended December 31, 2007, Tarshop had net revenues of Ps.139.9 million, representing 44.2% of Alto Palermo s revenues and 28.2% of IRSA s consolidated revenues for such period. Credit card businesses such as Tarshop are adversely affected by defaults or late payments by card holders on credit card accounts, difficulties enforcing collection of payments, fraudulent accounts and the writing off of past due receivables. The present rates of delinquency, collection proceedings and loss of receivables may vary and be affected by numerous factors beyond IRSA s control, which, among others, include:

adverse changes in the Argentine economy;

adverse changes in the regional economies;

political instability;

increases in unemployment; and

#### erosion of real and/or nominal salaries.

These and other factors may have an adverse effect on rates of delinquency, collections and receivables, any one or more of which could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations of Tarshop s credit card business. In addition, if IRSA s credit card business is adversely affected by one or more of the above factors, the quality of IRSA s securitized receivables is also likely to be adversely affected. Therefore, IRSA could be adversely affected to the extent that IRSA holds an interest in any such securitized receivables.

#### IRSA s subordinated interest in Tarshop s securitized assets may have no value.

Tarshop S.A., an Alto Palermo subsidiary, is a credit card company that originates credit card accounts to promote sales from Alto Palermo s tenants and other selected retailers. Tarshop s accounts receivables, which consist of cash flows from consumer financing and personal loans, are placed into a number of trust accounts that securitize those receivables. Tarshop sells beneficial interests in these trust accounts through the sale of debt certificates, but remains a beneficiary of these trust accounts by holding Ps. 116.9 million in equity certificates as of December 31, 2007.

We cannot assure you that collection of payments from credit card accounts will be sufficient to distribute earnings to holders of participation certificates, which would reduce Tarshop s earnings. In addition, local authorities might increase credit card or trust account regulations, negatively affecting Tarshop s revenues and results of operation.

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#### IRSA is subject to risks affecting the hotel industry.

The full-service segment of the lodging industry in which IRSA s hotels operate is highly competitive. The operational success of IRSA s hotels is highly dependant on IRSA s ability to compete in areas such as access, location, quality of accommodations, rates, quality food and beverage facilities and other services and amenities. IRSA s hotels may face additional competition if other companies decide to build new hotels or improve their existing hotels to increase their attractiveness.

In addition, the profitability of IRSA shotels depends on:

IRSA s ability to form successful relationships with international and local operators to run its hotels;

changes in tourism and travel patterns, including seasonal changes; and

# taxes and governmental regulations affecting wages, prices, interest rates, construction procedures and costs. *IRSA s business is subject to extensive regulation and additional regulations may be imposed in the future.*

IRSA s activities are subject to federal, state and municipal laws, and to regulations, authorizations and licenses required with respect to construction, zoning, use of the soil, environmental protection and historical patrimony, consumer protection and other requirements, all of which affect IRSA s ability to acquire land, develop and build projects and negotiate with customers. In addition, companies in this industry are subject to increasing tax rates, the creation of new taxes and changes in the taxation regime. IRSA is required to obtain licenses and authorizations with different governmental authorities in order to carry out its projects. Maintaining IRSA s licenses and authorizations can be a costly provision. In the case of non-compliance with such laws, regulations, licenses and authorizations, IRSA may face fines, project shutdowns, cancellation of licenses and revocation of authorizations.

In addition, public authorities may issue new and stricter standards, or enforce or interpret existing laws and regulations in a more restrictive manner, which may force IRSA to make expenditures to comply with such new rules. Development activities are also subject to risks relating to potential delays or an inability to obtain all necessary zoning, environmental, land-use, development, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations. Any such delays or failures to obtain such government approvals may have an adverse effect on IRSA s business.

In the past, the Argentine government imposed strict and burdensome regulations regarding leases in response to housing shortages, high rates of inflation and difficulties in accessing credit. Such regulations limited or prohibited increases on rental prices and prohibited eviction of tenants, even for failure to pay rent. Most of IRSA s leases provide that the tenants pay all costs and taxes related to their respective leased areas. In the event of a significant increase in the amount of such costs and taxes, the Argentine government may respond to political pressure to intervene by regulating this practice, thereby negatively affecting IRSA s rental income. We cannot assure you that the Argentine government will not impose similar or other regulations in the future. Changes in existing laws or the enactment of new laws governing the ownership, operation or leasing of properties in Argentina could negatively affect the Argentine real estate market and the rental market and materially and adversely affect IRSA s operations and profitability.

#### Lease Law No. 23,091 imposes restrictions that limit IRSA s flexibility.

Argentine laws governing leases impose certain restrictions, including the following:

lease agreements may not contain inflation adjustment clauses based on consumer price indexes or wholesale price indexes. Although many of IRSA s lease agreements contain readjustment clauses, these are not based on an official index nor do they reflect the inflation index. In the event of litigation it may be impossible for us to adjust the amounts owed to IRSA under its lease agreements;

residential leases must comply with a mandatory minimum term of two years and retail leases must comply with a mandatory minimum term of three years except in the case of stands and/or spaces for special exhibitions;

lease terms may not exceed ten years, except for leases regulated by Law No. 25,248 (which provides that leases containing a purchase option are not subject to term limitations); and

tenants may rescind commercial lease agreements after the initial six-month period. As a result of the foregoing, IRSA is exposed to the risk of increases of inflation under its leases and the exercise of rescission rights by its tenants could materially and adversely affect IRSA s business and we cannot assure you that IRSA s tenants will not exercise such right, especially if rent values stabilize or decline in the future.

#### Eviction proceedings in Argentina are difficult and time consuming.

Although Argentine law permits a summary proceeding to collect unpaid rent and a special proceeding to evict tenants, eviction proceedings in Argentina are difficult and time-consuming. Historically, the heavy workloads of the courts and the numerous procedural steps required have generally delayed landlords efforts to evict tenants. Eviction proceedings generally take between six months and two years from the date of filing of the suit to the time of actual eviction.

Historically, delinquency regarding IRSA s office rental space has been very low, approximately 2%, and IRSA has usually attempted to negotiate the termination of lease agreements with defaulting tenants after the first few months of non-payment in order to avoid legal proceedings. Delinquency may increase significantly in the future, and such negotiations with tenants may not be as successful as they have been in the past. Moreover, new Argentine laws and regulations may forbid or restrict eviction proceedings, and in such case, they would likely have a material and adverse effect on IRSA s financial condition and results of operation.

#### IRSA s assets are concentrated in the Buenos Aires area.

IRSA s principal properties are located in the City of Buenos Aires and the Province of Buenos Aires and a substantial portion of its revenues are derived from such properties. For the six months ended December 31, 2007, more than 83% of IRSA s consolidated revenues were derived from properties in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area including the City of Buenos Aires. Although IRSA owns properties and may acquire or develop additional properties outside Buenos Aires, IRSA expects to continue to depend to a large extent on economic conditions affecting those areas, and therefore, an economic downturn in those areas could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and results of operations.

#### IRSA faces risks associated with potential expansion to other Latin American markets.

From 1994 to 2002, IRSA had substantial investments outside of Argentina, including Brazil Realty, which was sold in 2002, and Fondo de Valores Inmobiliarios in Venezuela, which was sold in 2001. IRSA continues to believe that Brazil and other Latin American countries offer attractive opportunities for growth in the real estate sector. IRSA will continue to consider investment opportunities outside of Argentina as they arise.

Investments in Brazil and other Latin American countries are subject to significant risks including sovereign risks and risks affecting these countries real estate sectors. These risks include competition by well-established as well as new developers, unavailability of financing or financing on terms that are not acceptable to

IRSA, exchange rate fluctuations, lack of liquidity in the market, rising construction costs and inflation, extensive and potentially increasing regulation and bureaucratic procedures to obtain permits and authorizations, political and economic instability that may result in sharp shifts in demand for properties, risks of default in payment and difficulty evicting defaulting tenants.

### If the bankruptcy of Inversora Dársena Norte S.A. is extended to IRSA s subsidiary Puerto Retiro, IRSA will likely lose a significant investment in a unique waterfront land reserve in the City of Buenos Aires.

On November 18, 1997, in connection with the acquisition of IRSA s subsidiary Inversora Bolívar S.A. (Inversora Bolívar), IRSA indirectly acquired 35.2% of the capital stock of Puerto Retiro. Inversora Bolívar had purchased such shares of Puerto Retiro from Redona Investments Ltd. N.V. in 1996. In 1999, IRSA, through Inversora Bolívar, increased its interest in Puerto Retiro to 50.0% of its capital stock. On April 18, 2000, Puerto Retiro received notice of a complaint filed by the Argentine government, through the Ministry of Defense, seeking to extend the bankruptcy of Inversora Dársena Norte S.A. (Indarsa). Upon filing of the complaint, the bankruptcy court issued an order restraining the ability of Puerto Retiro to dispose of, in any manner, the real property it had purchased in 1993 from Tandanor S.A. (Tandanor). Puerto Retiro appealed the restraining order which was confirmed by the court on December 14, 2000.

In 1991, Indarsa had purchased 90% of Tandanor, a formerly government owned company, which owned a large piece of land near Puerto Madero of approximately 8 hectares, divided into two spaces: Planta 1 and 2. After the purchase of Tandanor by Indarsa, in June 1993 Tandanor sold Planta 1 to Puerto Retiro, for a sum of US\$18 million pursuant to a valuation performed by J.L. Ramos, a well-known real estate brokerage firm in Argentina. Indarsa failed to pay to the Argentine government the outstanding price for its purchase of the stock of Tandanor. As a result the Ministry of Defense requested the bankruptcy of Indarsa. Since the only asset of Indarsa was its holding in Tandanor, the Argentine government is seeking to extend the bankruptcy to the other companies or individuals which, according to its view, acted as a single economic group. In particular, the Argentine government has requested the extension of the bankruptcy to Puerto Retiro which acquired Planta 1 from Tandanor.

The time for producing evidence in relation to these legal proceedings has expired. The parties have submitted their closing arguments and are awaiting a final judgment. However, the judge has delayed his decision until a final judgment in the criminal proceedings against the former Defense Minister and former directors of Indarsa has been delivered. We cannot give you any assurance that IRSA will prevail in this proceeding, and if the plaintiff s claim is upheld by the courts, all of the assets of Puerto Retiro would likely be used to pay Indarsa s debts and IRSA s investment in Puerto Retiro, valued at Ps.54.8 million as of December 31, 2007. As of December 31, 2007, IRSA had not established any reserve in respect of this contingency.

#### Property ownership through joint ventures may limit IRSA s ability to act exclusively in its interest.

IRSA develops and acquires properties in joint ventures with other persons or entities when it believes circumstances warrant the use of such structures. For example, in the Shopping Center segment, as of December 31, 2007, IRSA owned 62.5 % of Alto Palermo, while Parque Arauco S.A. owned 29.6 %. In the Development and Sale segment, as of December 31, 2007, IRSA held majority ownership interests in various properties, including 100% ownership of Pereiraola S.A. and 100% of Caballito. IRSA also held an ownership interest of 50% in Puerto Retiro and Cyrsa. In the Hotel operations segment, IRSA owns 50% of the Llao Llao Hotel, while another 50% is owned by the Sutton Group. IRSA owned 80% of the Hotel Libertador, while 20% is owned by Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina S.A. as of December 31, 2007. In the financial services sector, IRSA owned 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario, while the Argentine government has a controlling interest in it.

IRSA could become engaged in a dispute with one or more of its joint venture partners that might affect its ability to operate a jointly-owned property. Moreover, IRSA s joint venture partners may, at any time, have business, economic or other objectives that are inconsistent with its objectives, including objectives that relate to the timing and terms of any sale or refinancing of a property. For example, the approval of certain of the other investors is required with respect to operating budgets and refinancing, encumbering, expanding or selling any of

these properties. In some instances, IRSA s joint venture partners may have competing interests in its markets that could create conflicts of interest. If the objectives of IRSA s joint venture partners are inconsistent with its own objectives, IRSA will not be able to act exclusively in its interests.

If one or more of the investors in any of IRSA s jointly owned properties were to experience financial difficulties, including bankruptcy, insolvency or a general downturn of business, there could be an adverse effect on the relevant property or properties and in turn, on IRSA s financial performance. Should a joint venture partner be declared bankrupt, IRSA could become liable for its partner s share of joint venture liabilities.

#### IRSA may not be able to recover the mortgage loans it has provided to purchasers of units in its residential development properties.

In recent years, IRSA has provided mortgage financing to purchasers of units in its residential development properties. Before January 2002, IRSA s mortgage loans were U.S. dollar-denominated and accrued interest at a fixed interest rate generally ranging from 10% to 15% per year and for terms generally ranging from one to fifteen years. However, on March 13, 2002, the Central Bank converted all U.S. dollar denominated debts into Peso denominated debts at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 = U.S.\$1.00. In addition, the Central Bank imposed maximum interest rates of 3% for residential mortgage loans to individuals and 6% for mortgage loans to businesses. These regulations adversely affected the U.S. dollar value of IRSA s outstanding mortgages.

Beside risks normally associated with providing mortgage financing, including the risk of default on principal and interest, other regulatory risks such as suspension of foreclosure enforcement proceedings could adversely affect IRSA s cash flow. Argentine law imposes significant restrictions on IRSA s ability to foreclose and auction properties. Thus, when there is a default under a mortgage, IRSA does not have the right to foreclose on the unit. Instead, in accordance with Law No. 24,441, in order to reacquire a property IRSA is required to purchase it at a court ordered public auction, or at an out-of-court auction. However, the Public Emergency Law temporarily suspended all judicial and non-judicial mortgage and pledge enforcement actions. Several laws and decrees extended this mortgage foreclosure suspension period. On June 14, 2006, a new suspension period was approved, which established a 180-day suspension period for mortgage foreclosure proceedings affecting debtors only dwellings and where the original loan was no higher than Ps.100,000.

Law No. 25,798 enacted November 5, 2003, and implemented by Decrees No. 1284/2003 and No. 352/2004, among others, sets forth a system to restructure delinquent mortgage payments to prevent foreclosures on a debtor s only dwelling (the Mortgage Refinancing System ). The Mortgage Refinancing System establishes a trust over assets contributed by the Argentine government and income from restructured mortgage loans. *Banco de la Nación Argentina*, in its capacity as trustee of said trust, enters into debt restructuring agreements with delinquent mortgage debtors establishing the following terms: (i) a grace period on the mortgage loan of one year and (ii) monthly installment payments on the mortgage loan not to exceed 30% of the aggregate income of the family living in the mortgage to settle the amounts outstanding on the mortgage loan. The sum restructured under the Mortgage Refinancing System may not exceed the appraisal value of the property securing the mortgage after deducting any debts for taxes and maintenance. The Mortgage Refinancing System was established for a limited period of time, during which parties to a mortgage loan agreement could opt to participate in it. However, it was extended by a number of decrees and laws.

Law No. 26,167 enacted in November 2006 established a special proceeding to replace ordinary trials regarding the enforcement of mortgage loans. Such special proceedings give creditors ten days to inform the debtor of the amounts owed to them and later agree with the debtor on the amount and terms of payment. If the parties fail to reach an agreement, payment conditions are to be determined by the judge.

We cannot assure you that laws and regulations relating to foreclosure on real estate will not continue to change in the future or that any changes will not adversely affect IRSA s business, financial condition or result of operations.

#### IRSA is dependent on its chairman Eduardo Elsztain and certain other senior managers.

IRSA s success depends on the continued employment of Eduardo S. Elsztain, IRSA s chief executive officer, president and chairman of the board of directors, who has significant expertise and knowledge of IRSA s business and industry. The loss of or interruption in his services for any reason could have a material adverse effect on its business. IRSA s future success also depends in part upon IRSA s ability to attract and retain other highly qualified personnel. We cannot assure you that IRSA will be successful in hiring or retaining qualified personnel. A failure to hire or retain qualified personnel may have a material adverse effect on IRSA s financial condition and results of operations.

#### IRSA may face potential conflicts of interest relating to its principal shareholders.

IRSA s largest beneficial owner is Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain, through his indirect shareholding through us and he exercises substantial influence over IRSA. As of December 31, 2007, such beneficial ownership consisted of: (i) 199,312,028 shares held by us, (ii) 10,823,022 shares held by IFISA, (iii) 234,400 shares held by Consultores Venture Capital Limited, a stock corporation organized under the laws of Uruguay, (iv) 1,154,279 held by Dolphin Fund PLC, a limited liability company organized under the laws of Isle of Man and (v) 311,367 shares held directly by Mr. Elsztain.

Conflicts of interest between IRSA s management, IRSA and IRSA s affiliates may arise in the performance of IRSA s respective business activities. As of December 31, 2007, Mr. Elsztain also beneficially owned (i) approximately 32.1% of Cresud s common shares and (ii) approximately 62.5% of the common shares of IRSA s subsidiary Alto Palermo. We cannot assure you that IRSA s principal shareholders and their affiliates will not limit or cause IRSA to forego business opportunities that their affiliates may pursue or that the pursuit of other opportunities will be in IRSA s interest.

#### Due to the currency mismatches between its assets and liabilities, IRSA has significant currency exposure.

As of December 31, 2007, the majority of IRSA s liabilities, such as IRSA s 8.5% notes due 2017, Alto Palermo s Series I Notes, the mortgage loan to IRSA s subsidiary Hoteles Argentinos S.A., Alto Palermo s convertible notes are denominated in U.S. dollars while IRSA s revenues and most of its assets as of December 31, 2007, are denominated in Pesos. This currency gap exposes IRSA to a risk of exchange rate volatility, which would negatively affect its financial results if the dollar were to appreciate against the Peso. Any further depreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar will correspondingly increase the amount of IRSA s debt in Pesos, with further adverse effects on its results of operation and financial condition and may increase the collection risk of IRSA s leases and other receivables from its tenants and mortgage debtors, most of whom have Peso-denominated revenues.

#### Risks Relating to IRSA s Investment in Banco Hipotecario

#### IRSA s investment in Banco Hipotecario is subject to risks affecting Argentina s financial system.

As of December 31, 2007, IRSA owned 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario which represented 7.0% of IRSA s consolidated assets at such date. As of December 31, 2007 such ownership remains constant. Substantially all of Banco Hipotecario s operations, properties and customers are located in Argentina. Accordingly, the quality of its loan portfolio, its financial condition and results of operations depend to a significant extent on economic and political conditions prevailing in Argentina. The political and economic crisis in Argentina during 2002 and 2003 and the Argentine government s actions to address it have had and may continue to have a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s business, financial condition and results of operations.

Financial institutions are subject to significant regulation relating to functions that historically have been mandated by the Central Bank and other regulatory authorities. Measures adopted by the Central Bank have had, and future regulations may have, a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s financial condition and results of operations.

On July 25, 2003, the Central Bank announced its intention to adopt new capital adequacy requirements that it will implement gradually through to 2009. In addition, the IMF and other multilateral agencies encouraged the Argentine government to impose minimum capital adequacy, solvency and liquidity requirements consistent with international standards, which could impose material operating restrictions on Banco Hipotecario.

Laws and decrees implemented during the economic crisis in 2001 and 2002 have substantially altered contractual obligations affecting Argentina s financial sector. Recently, the Argentine Congress has considered various initiatives intended to reduce or eliminate a portion of the mortgage loan portfolio on the debt owed to Banco Hipotecario. Also, there have been certain initiatives intended to review the terms pursuant to which Banco Hipotecario was privatized. As a result, we cannot assure you that the Argentine legislature will not enact new laws that will have a significant adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s shareholders equity or that the Argentine government would compensate Banco Hipotecario for the resulting loss. These uncertainties could have a material adverse effect on the value of IRSA s investment in Banco Hipotecario.

# Banco Hipotecario relies heavily on mortgage lending and the value of IRSA s investment in it depends in part on its ability to implement successfully its new business diversification strategy.

Historically, Banco Hipotecario has been engaged exclusively in mortgage lending and related activities. As a result, factors having an adverse effect on the mortgage market have a greater adverse impact on Banco Hipotecario than on its more diversified competitors. Due to its historic concentration in this recession-sensitive sector, Banco Hipotecario is particularly vulnerable to adverse changes in economic and market conditions in Argentina due to their adverse effect on (i) demand for new mortgage loans and (ii) the asset quality of outstanding mortgage loans. The last economic crisis had a material adverse effect on its liquidity, financial conditions and results of operations. In addition, a number of governmental measures that apply to the financial sector have had a material adverse effect particularly on Banco Hipotecario, impairing its financial condition.

In light of the economic conditions in Argentina for the foreseeable future, Banco Hipotecario cannot rely exclusively on mortgage lending and related services. Accordingly, Banco Hipotecario has adapted its business strategy to confront the challenges of these new market conditions. Banco Hipotecario s ability to diversify its operation will depend on how successfully it diversifies its product offerings and transforms itself into a financial institution that no longer relies solely on mortgage lending.

In the past years Banco Hipotecario has made several investments that are designed to enable it to develop retail banking activities. Banco Hipotecario must overcome significant challenges to achieve this goal including, among others, its lack of experience and client relationships outside the mortgage sector, the existence of large, well-positioned competitors and significant political, regulatory and economic uncertainties in Argentina. As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that Banco Hipotecario will be successful in developing significant retail banking activities in the foreseeable future, if at all. If Banco Hipotecario is unable to diversify its operations by developing its retail banking activities and other non-mortgage banking activities, the value of IRSA s substantial investment in Banco Hipotecario would likely be materially and adversely affected.

# Banco Hipotecario s mortgage loan portfolio is not adequately indexed for inflation and any significant increase in inflation could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition.

In accordance with Emergency Decree No. 214/02 and its implementing regulations, pesified assets and liabilities were adjusted for inflation as of February 3, 2002 by application of the Coeficiente de Estabilización de Referencia, or CER, a consumer price inflation coefficient. On May 6, 2002, the Executive Branch issued a decree providing that mortgages originally denominated in U.S. dollars and converted into Pesos pursuant to Decree No. 214/2002 and mortgages on property constituting a borrower s sole family residence may be adjusted for inflation only pursuant to a coefficient based on salary variation, the CVS, which during 2002 was significantly less than inflation as measured by the wholesale price index, or WPI. Through December 31, 2002, the WPI and the CVS posted cumulative increases of 118.2% and 0.2%, respectively, and the CER increased 41.4%. During 2003, inflation rose by 4.3% as measured by the WPI, 3.7% as measured by the CER and 15.8% as measured by the CVS. As a result, only 10% of Banco Hipotecario s mortgage loans are adjusted for inflation in accordance

with the CER, 30% are adjusted in accordance with the CVS and 60% remain entirely unindexed. Additionally, pursuant to Law No. 25,796, Section 1, repealed effective April 1, 2004, the CVS as an indexation mechanism applied to the relevant portion of Banco Hipotecario s mortgages loans. The CVS increased until it was repealed by 5.3%, whereas the increase in CER was 5.5% as of December 31, 2004 and the WPI increased by 7.9%. During 2005 the CER was 11.75% and the WPI 10.7%, while in 2006 the CER and WPI increased by 10.3% and 7.1%, respectively. In 2007 CER and WPI increased by 8.5% and 14.4% respectively.

Argentina s history prior to the adoption of the Convertibility Law which set the exchange rate of the Argentine Peso to the U.S. dollar at Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00, raises serious doubts as to the ability of the Argentine government to maintain a strict monetary policy and control inflation. As a result of the high inflation in Argentina from 2002 onwards, Banco Hipotecario s mortgage loan portfolio experienced a significant decrease in value and if inflation were to increase significantly once again, it might continue to undergo a major decrease in value. Accordingly, an increase in Banco Hipotecario s funding and other costs due to inflation might not be offset by indexation, which could adversely affect its liquidity and results of operations.

#### Legislation limiting Banco Hipotecario s ability to foreclose on mortgaged collateral may have an adverse effect on it.

Like other mortgage lenders, the ability to foreclose on mortgaged collateral to recover on delinquent mortgage loans impacts the conduct of Banco Hipotecario s business. In February 2002, the Argentine government amended Argentina s Bankruptcy Law, suspending bankruptcies and foreclosures on real estate that constitutes the debtor s primary residence, initially for a six-month period and subsequently extended until November 14, 2002. Since 2003, the Argentine government has approved various laws that have suspended, in some cases, foreclosures for a period of time in accordance with Law No. 25,972 enacted on December 18, 2004, and, in some cases, temporarily suspended all judicial and non-judicial mortgage and pledge enforcement actions. Several laws and decrees extended this mortgage foreclosure suspension period. Most recently, on June 14, 2006, Argentine Law 26,103 was enacted which established a 180-day suspension period for mortgage foreclosure proceedings affecting debtors where the subject mortgage related to the debtor s sole residence and where the original loan was not greater than Ps.100,000.

Law No. 25,798, enacted November 5, 2003, and implemented by Decrees No. 1284/2003 and No. 352/2004, among others, sets forth a system to restructure delinquent mortgage payments to prevent foreclosures on a debtor s sole residence (the Mortgage Refinancing System). The Mortgage Refinancing System establishes a trust composed of assets contributed by the Argentine government and income from restructured mortgage loans. *Banco de la Nación Argentina*, in its capacity as trustee of said trust, enters into debt restructuring agreements with delinquent mortgage debtors establishing the following terms: (i) a grace period on the mortgage loan of one year and (ii) monthly installment payments on the mortgage loan not to exceed 30% of the aggregate income of the family living in the mortgage to settle the amounts outstanding on the mortgage loan. The sum restructured under the Mortgage Refinancing System may not exceed the appraisal value of the property securing the mortgage after deducting any debts for taxes and maintenance. The Mortgage Refinancing System was established for a limited period of time, during which parties to mortgage loan agreements could opt to participate and was subsequently extended by a number of decrees and laws.

Law No. 26,167, enacted on November 29, 2006, suspended foreclosures and also established a special proceeding for the enforcement of certain mortgage loans. Such special proceedings give creditors a 10-day period to inform the court of the amounts owed under the mortgage loan. Soon thereafter, the judge will call the parties for a hearing in order to reach an agreement on the amount and terms of payment thereunder. In case of failure by the parties to reach such agreement, they will have a 30-day negotiation period, and if the negotiations do not result in an agreement, then, payment and conditions will be determined by the courts.

On November 29, 2006, Law No. 26,177 created the *Unidad de Reestructuración*, a government agency responsible for the revision of each of the mortgage loans granted by the state-owned Banco Hipotecario Nacional, the predecessor of Banco Hipotecario, before the enactment of the Convertibility Law in 1991. The

*Unidad de Reestructuración* also makes non-binding recommendations to facilitate the restructuring of such mortgage loans. If no agreement is reached, the *Unidad de Reestructuración* will submit a proposal to the National Congress, which may recommend forgiveness or other write-off of such loans, extensions of their scheduled maturities or other subsidies that adversely affect Banco Hipotecario s ability to foreclose on such mortgage loans.

The government recently enacted Law No. 26,313 which established a mandatory restructuring of certain mortgage loans that were granted by the former Banco Hipotecario Nacional prior to April 1, 1991 for the purchase, improvement, construction and/or expansion of single family residences, or for the repayment of loans that were used for any of these purposes. The language of this law is to a certain degree unclear with respect to its scope of application. Neither the Ministry of Economy nor the Central Bank have issued corresponding regulations explaining the application of the law as yet. Banco Hipotecario interprets this new law as being applicable only to non-performing mortgage loans granted before April 1, 1991 which were already restructured pursuant to former regulations. However, if the regulations to be issued under the law were interpreted to require that the new recalculation be applied to all mortgage loans granted prior to April 1, 1991, including performing loans, Banco Hipotecario S.A., as legal successor to the former Banco Hipotecario Nacional, may suffer a material financial loss because this new law does not contemplate the payment of any damages or compensation to Banco Hipotecario for losses arising of such mandatory restructuring.

We cannot assure you that the Argentine government will not enact further new laws restricting Banco Hipotecario s ability to enforce its rights as creditors. Any such limitation on its ability to successfully implement foreclosures could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and results of operations.

#### Banco Hipotecario s non-mortgage loan portfolio has grown rapidly and is concentrated in the low- and middle-income segments.

As a result of Banco Hipotecario s strategy to diversify its banking operations and develop retail and other non-mortgage banking activities, in recent years its portfolio of non-mortgage loans has grown rapidly. During the period between December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2007, Banco Hipotecario s portfolio of non-mortgage loans grew 141.3% from Ps.816.7 million to Ps.1,970.6 million. A substantial portion of its portfolio of non-mortgage loans consists of loans to low- and middle-income individuals and, to a lesser extent, middle-market companies. These individuals and companies are likely to be more seriously affected by adverse developments in the Argentine economy than high income individuals and large corporations. Consequently, in the future Banco Hipotecario may experience higher levels of past due non-mortgage loans that would likely result in increased provisions for loan losses. In addition, large-scale lending to low- and middle-income individuals and middle-market companies is a new business activity for Banco Hipotecario, and as a result its experience and loan-loss data for such loans are necessarily limited. Therefore, we cannot assure you that the levels of past due non-mortgage loans and resulting charge-offs will not increase materially in the future.

# Given the current valuation criteria of the Central Bank for the recording of BODEN and other public securities on Banco Hipotecario s balance sheets, its most recent financial statements may not be indicative of its current financial condition.

Banco Hipotecario prepares its financial statements in accordance with Central Bank accounting rules which differ in certain material respects from Argentine GAAP. During 2002, Central Bank accounting rules were modified in several respects that materially increased certain discrepancies between Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP. In accordance with Central Bank accounting rules, Banco Hipotecario s consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2007 includes US\$680.4 million of BODEN issued by the Argentine government as compensation for pesification, as well as an US\$85.7 million asset representing its right to acquire additional BODEN. Banco Hipotecario s consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2007 also includes Ps.227.2 million representing Central Bank borrowings which Banco Hipotecario incurred to finance its acquisition of the additional BODEN. Since September 30, 2005 Banco Hipotecario has subscribed additional BODEN 2012 in the amount of US\$773.5 million and reduced Central Bank borrowings in the amount of Ps.1,844.0 million. Additionally, its most recent consolidated annual income statements include the accrual of interest income to be received on BODEN not yet received and interest to be paid adjusted by CER on Central Bank borrowings.

In accordance with Central Bank accounting rules, the BODEN reflected on Banco Hipotecario s consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2007 have been recorded at 100% of face value. However, the BODEN are unsecured debt obligations of the Argentine government which recently defaulted on a significant portion of its indebtedness. As of December 31, 2007, the BODEN were not rated and were trading in the secondary market at a price of approximately US\$91.4 for every US\$100 of outstanding value. Carrying BODEN at a value equal to their full face value, which is in excess of their current market value, has the effect of increasing Banco Hipotecario s total assets recorded on its consolidated balance sheet. In this important respect, its most recent consolidated audited annual financial statements are not comparable to its historic financial statements and have been prepared according to accounting principles that differ materially from Argentine GAAP.

#### Due to interest rate and currency mismatches of its assets and liabilities, Banco Hipotecario has significant currency exposure.

As of December 31, 2007, Banco Hipotecario s foreign currency-denominated liabilities exceeded its foreign currency-denominated assets by approximately US\$201.8 million. Substantially all of Banco Hipotecario s foreign currency assets consist of dollar-denominated BODEN, but Banco Hipotecario s liabilities in foreign currencies are denominated in both U.S. Dollars and Euros. This currency gap exposes Banco Hipotecario to risk of exchange rate volatility which would negatively affect Banco Hipotecario s financial results if the U.S. Dollar were to depreciate against the Peso and/or the Euro. We cannot assure you that the U.S. Dollar will not appreciate against the Peso, or that we will not be adversely affected by Banco Hipotecario s exposure to risks of exchange rate fluctuations.

### Because of its large holdings of BODEN and guaranteed government loans, Banco Hipotecario has significant exposure to the Argentine public sector.

On December 23, 2001, the Argentine government declared the suspension of payments on most of its sovereign debt, which as of December 31, 2001, totaled approximately US\$144.5 billion, a substantial portion of which was restructured by the issuance of new bonds in the middle of 2005. Additionally, the Argentine government has incurred, and is expected to continue to incur, significant new debt obligations, including the issuance of compensatory bonds to financial institutions. As of December 31, 2007, Banco Hipotecario had a total of US\$766.1 million of BODEN issued by the Argentine government. Given Banco Hipotecario s BODEN holdings, Banco Hipotecario has a significant exposure to the Argentine government s solvency. Further, defaults by the Argentine government on its debt obligations, including the BODEN and other government securities (such as the guaranteed government loans) held by Banco Hipotecario, would materially and adversely affect its financial condition which would in turn affect IRSA s investment.

# Banco Hipotecario operates in a highly regulated environment, and its operations are subject to regulations adopted, and measures taken, by the Central Bank, the Comisión Nacional de Valores and other regulatory agencies.

Financial institutions are subject to significant regulation relating to functions that historically have been mandated by the Central Bank and other regulatory authorities. Measures adopted by the Central Bank have had, and future regulations may have, a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s financial condition and results of operations. For example, on July 25, 2003, the Central Bank announced its intention to adopt new capital adequacy requirements that it will implement gradually through 2009. In addition, the IMF and other multilateral agencies encouraged the Argentine government to impose minimum capital adequacy, solvency and liquidity requirements consistent with international standards, which could impose material operating restrictions on Banco Hipotecario.

Similarly, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, which authorizes Banco Hipotecario s offerings of securities and regulates the public markets in Argentina, has the authority to impose sanctions on Banco Hipotecario and its board of directors for breaches of corporate governance. Under applicable law, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* has the authority to impose penalties that range from minor regulatory enforcement sanctions to significant monetary fines, to disqualification of directors from performing board functions for a period of time, and (in an extreme case) prohibiting issuers from making public offerings, if they were to determine that there was wrongdoing or material violation of law. Although Banco Hipotecario is not currently party to any proceeding before the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, we cannot assure you that the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* will not initiate new proceedings against Banco Hipotecario, its shareholder or directors or impose further sanctions.

Commencing in early 2002, laws and decrees have been implemented that have substantially altered the prevailing legal regime and obligations established in contract. In the recent past, various initiatives have been presented to Congress intended to reduce or eliminate the debt owed to Banco Hipotecario on a portion of its mortgage loan portfolio and there were initiatives intended to review the terms pursuant to which Banco Hipotecario Nacional was privatized. As a result, we cannot assure you that the legislative branch will not enact new laws that will have a significant adverse impact on Banco Hipotecario s shareholders equity or that, if this were to occur, the Argentine government would compensate us for the resulting loss.

#### The Argentine government may prevail in all matters to be decided at a Banco Hipotecario s general shareholders meeting.

According to the Privatization Law and Banco Hipotecario s by-laws, holders of Class A and Class D Shares have special voting rights relating to certain corporate decisions. Whenever such special rights do not apply (with respect to the Class A Shares and the Class D Shares) and in all cases (with respect to the Class B Shares and the Class C Shares), each share of common shares entitles the holder to one vote. Pursuant to Argentine regulations, Banco Hipotecario may not issue new shares with multiple votes.

The holders of Class D Shares have the right to elect nine of Banco Hipotecario s board members and their respective alternates. In addition, for so long as Class A Shares represent more than 42.0% of Banco Hipotecario s capital, the Class D Shares shall be entitled to three votes per share, provided that holders of Class D Shares will be entitled to only one vote per share in the case of a vote on:

a fundamental change in Banco Hipotecario s corporate purpose;

a change in Banco Hipotecario s domicile outside of Argentina;

dissolution prior to the expiration of Banco Hipotecario s corporate existence;

a merger or spin-off after which Banco Hipotecario would not be the surviving corporation;

a total or partial recapitalization following a mandatory reduction of capital; and

approval of voluntary reserves, other than legally mandated reserves, when their amount exceeds Banco Hipotecario s capital stock and its legally mandated reserves.

In addition, irrespective of what percentage of Banco Hipotecario s outstanding capital stock is represented by Class A Shares, the affirmative vote of the holders of Class A Shares is required to adopt certain decisions. Class D Shares will not be converted into Class A Shares, Class B Shares or Class C Shares by virtue of their reacquisition by the Argentine government, PPP, or Programa de Propiedad Participada (or the Shared Property Program), participants or companies engaged in housing development or real estate activities.

According to the Privatization Law, there are no restrictions on the ability of the Argentine government to dispose of its Class A shares, and all but one of such shares could be sold to third parties in a public offering. If

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the Class A shares represent less than 42% of Banco Hipotecario s total voting stock as a result of the issuance of new shares other than Class A shares or otherwise, the Class D shares IRSA holds will automatically lose their triple voting rights. If this were to occur, IRSA would likely lose its current ability, together with IRSA s affiliates that also hold Class D shares of Banco Hipotecario, to exercise substantial influence over decisions submitted to the vote of Banco Hipotecario s shareholders.

#### Banco Hipotecario will continue to consider acquisition opportunities which may not be successful.

From time to time in recent years, Banco Hipotecario has considered certain possible acquisitions or business combinations, and Banco Hipotecario expects to continue to consider acquisitions that it believes offer attractive opportunities and are consistent with its business strategy. We cannot assure you, however, that Banco Hipotecario will be able to identify suitable acquisition candidates or that Banco Hipotecario will be able to acquire promising target financial institutions on favorable terms. Additionally, its ability to obtain the desired effects of such acquisitions will depend in part on its ability to successfully complete the integration of those businesses. The integration of acquired businesses entails significant risks, including:

unforeseen difficulties in integrating operations and systems;

problems assimilating or retaining the employees of acquired businesses;

challenges retaining customers of acquired businesses;

unexpected liabilities or contingencies relating to the acquired businesses; and

the possibility that management may be distracted from day-to-day business concerns by integration activities and related problem solving.

#### Risks Relating to the Common Share Rights, the ADS Rights and to Our ADSs, Common Shares and Warrants

#### Shares eligible for sale could adversely affect the price of our common shares and American Depositary Shares.

The market prices of our common shares and ADSs could decline as a result of sales by our existing shareholders of common shares or ADSs in the market, or the perception that these sales could occur. These sales also might make it difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate.

The ADSs are freely transferable under US securities laws, including those ADSs held by our affiliates. IFISA, which as of December 31, 2007, owned approximately 32.1% of our common shares (or approximately 102,826,754 common shares which may be exchanged for an aggregate of 10,282,675 ADSs), is free to dispose of any or all of its common shares or ADSs at any time in its discretion. Sales of a large number of our common shares and/or ADSs would likely have an adverse effect on the market price of our common shares and the ADS.

# We are subject to certain different corporate disclosure requirements and accounting standards than domestic issuers of listed securities in the United States.

There is less publicly available information about the issuers of securities listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange than information publicly available about domestic issuers of listed securities in the United States and certain other countries. In addition, all listed Argentine companies must prepare their financial statements in accordance with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* which differ in certain significant respects from U.S. GAAP. For this and other reasons, the presentation of Argentine financial statements and reported earnings may differ from that of companies in other countries in this and other respects.

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We are exempted from the rules under the Exchange Act prescribing the furnishing and content of proxy statements, and our officers, directors and principal shareholders are exempted from the reporting and short-swing profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

#### Investors may not be able to effect service of process within the U.S., limiting their recovery of any foreign judgment.

We are a publicly held corporation (*sociedad anónima*) organized under the laws of Argentina. Most of our directors and our senior managers, and most of our assets are located in Argentina. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or such persons or to enforce against us or them, in United States courts, judgments obtained in such courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States federal securities laws. We have been advised by our Argentine counsel, Zang, Bergel & Viñes, that there is doubt as to whether the Argentine courts will enforce to the same extent and in as timely a manner as a US or foreign court, an action predicated solely upon the civil liability provisions of the United States federal securities laws or other foreign regulations brought against such persons or against us.

### If we are considered to be a passive foreign investment company for United States federal income tax purposes, U.S. holders of our equity securities would suffer negative consequences.

Based on the current composition of our income and the valuation of our assets, including goodwill, we do not believe we were a passive foreign investment company (PFIC) for United States federal income tax purposes for the taxable year ending June 30, 2007. We may, however, become a PFIC for the taxable year ending June 30, 2008, or any future taxable years. The determination of whether we are a PFIC is made annually. Accordingly, it is possible that we may be a PFIC in the current or any future taxable year due to changes in our asset or income composition. The volatility and instability of Argentina s economic and financial system may substantially affect the composition of our income and assets. In addition, the composition of our income and assets will be affected by how, and how quickly, we invest the proceeds from this offering (including what portion of the proceeds is used to increase our ownership interest in IRSA). The cash proceeds of this offering, if not timely deployed, will be treated as passive assets. Furthermore, the investment of such proceeds in assets that in our hands are considered passive assets for purposes of the PFIC tests may result in our characterization as a PFIC. If we become a PFIC, U.S. holders of our equity securities will be subject to certain United States federal income tax rules that have negative consequences for U.S. holders such as additional tax and an interest charge upon certain distributions by us or upon a sale or other disposition of our equity securities at a gain, as well as additional reporting requirements. Please see Taxation Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences Passive Foreign Investment Company for a more detailed discussion of the consequences if we are deemed a PFIC. You should consult your own tax advisors regarding the application of the PFIC rules to your particular circumstances.

#### You may be unable to exercise voting rights with respect to the common shares underlying your ADSs at our shareholders meetings.

As a holder of ADSs, we will not treat you as one of our shareholders and you will not have shareholder rights. The depositary will be the holder of the common shares underlying your ADSs and holders may exercise voting rights with respect to the common shares represented by the ADSs only in accordance with the deposit agreement relating to the ADSs. There are no provisions under Argentine law or under our by-laws that limit the exercise by ADS holders of their voting rights through the depositary with respect to the underlying common shares. However, there are practical limitations on the ability of ADS holders to exercise their voting rights due to the additional procedural steps involved in communicating with these holders. For example, holders of our common shares will receive notice of shareholders meetings through publication of a notice in an *Official Gazette* in Argentina, an Argentine newspaper of general circulation and the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and will be able to exercise their voting rights by either attending the meeting in person or voting by proxy. ADS holders, by comparison, will not receive notice directly from us. Instead, in accordance with the deposit agreement, we will provide the notice to the depositary. If we ask it to do so, the depositary will mail to holders of ADSs the notice of

the meeting and a statement as to the manner in which instructions may be given by holders. To exercise their voting rights, ADS holders must then instruct the depositary as to voting the common shares represented by their ADSs. Due to these procedural steps involving the depositary, the process for exercising voting rights may take longer for ADS holders than for holders of common shares and common shares represented by ADSs may not be voted as you desire.

#### Under Argentine law, shareholder rights may be fewer or less well defined than in other jurisdictions.

Our corporate affairs are governed by our by-laws and by Argentine corporate law, which differ from the legal principles that would apply if we were incorporated in a jurisdiction in the United States, such as the States of Delaware or New York, or in other jurisdictions outside Argentina. In addition, your rights or the rights of holders of our common shares to protect your or their interests in connection with actions by our board of directors may be fewer and less well defined under Argentine corporate law than under the laws of those other jurisdictions. Although insider trading and price manipulation are illegal under Argentine law, the Argentine securities markets are not as highly regulated or supervised as the US securities markets or markets in some other jurisdictions. In addition, rules and policies against self dealing and regarding the preservation of shareholder interests may be less well defined and enforced in Argentina than in the United States, putting holders of our common shares and ADSs at a potential disadvantage.

#### You will experience immediate and substantial dilution in the book value of the common shares or ADSs you purchase in this offering.

Because the offering price of the common shares and ADSs being sold in this offering will be substantially higher than the net tangible book value per share, you will experience immediate and substantial dilution in the book value of these common shares. Net tangible book value represents the amount of our tangible assets on a pro forma basis, minus our pro forma total liabilities. Moreover, if you do not exercise your common share rights or ADS rights, as the case may be, you will also experience immediate and substantial dilution in the book value of your common shares or ADSs. See Dilution.

#### The market price for our ADSs could be highly volatile, and our ADSs could trade at prices below the initial offering price.

The market price for our ADSs after this offering is likely to fluctuate significantly from time to time in response to factors including:

fluctuations in our periodic operating results;

changes in financial estimates, recommendations or projections by securities analysts;

changes in conditions or trends in our industry;

changes in the economic performance or market valuation of our competitors;

announcements by our competitors of significant acquisitions, divestitures, strategic partnerships, joint ventures or capital commitments;

events affecting equities markets in the countries in which we operate;

legal or regulatory measures affecting our financial conditions;

departures of management and key personnel; or

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potential litigation or the adverse resolution of pending litigation against us or our subsidiaries.

Volatility in the price of our ADSs may be caused by factors outside of our control and may be unrelated or disproportionate to our operating results. In particular, announcements of potentially adverse developments, such as proposed regulatory changes, new government investigations or the commencement or threat of litigation against us, as well as announced changes in our business plans or those of competitors, could adversely affect the trading price of our common shares, regardless of the likely outcome of those developments or proceedings. Broad market and industry factors could adversely affect the market price of our ADSs, regardless of our actual operating performance. As a result, our ADSs may trade at prices significantly below the initial public offering price.

### Restrictions on the movement of capital out of Argentina may impair your ability to receive dividends and distributions on, and the proceeds of any sale of, the common shares underlying the ADSs.

The Argentine government may impose restrictions on the conversion of Argentine currency into foreign currencies and on the remittance to foreign investors of proceeds from their investments in Argentina. Argentine law currently permits the government to impose these kind of restrictions temporarily in circumstances where a serious imbalance develops in Argentina s balance of payments or where there are reasons to foreign exchange control measures that included restrictions on the free disposition of funds deposited with banks and on the transfer of funds abroad, including dividends, without prior approval by the Central Bank, some of which are still in effect. Among the restrictions that are still in effect are those relating to the payment prior to maturity of the principal amount of loans, bonds or other securities owed to non-Argentine residents, the requirement for Central Bank approval prior to acquiring foreign currency for certain types of investments and the requirement that 30% of certain types of capital inflows into Argentina be deposited in a non-interest bearing account in an Argentine bank for a period of one year.

Although the transfer of funds abroad in order to pay dividends no longer requires Central Bank approval, restrictions on the movement of capital to and from Argentina such as the ones which previously existed could, if reinstated, impair or prevent the conversion of dividends, distributions, or the proceeds from any sale of common shares, as the case may be, from Pesos into U.S. dollars and the remittance of the U.S. dollars abroad. We cannot assure you that the Argentine government will not take similar measures in the future. In such a case, the depositary for the ADSs may hold the Pesos it cannot convert for the account of the ADS holders who have not been paid.

# The protections afforded to minority shareholders in Argentina are different from and more limited than those in the United States and may be more difficult to enforce.

Under Argentine law, the protections afforded to minority shareholders are different from, and much more limited than, those in the United States and some other Latin American countries. For example, the legal framework with respect to shareholder disputes, such as derivative lawsuits and class actions, is less developed under Argentine law than under U.S. law as a result of Argentina s short history with these types of claims and few successful cases. In addition, there are different procedural requirements for bringing these types of shareholder lawsuits. As a result, it may be more difficult for our minority shareholders to enforce their rights against us or our directors or controlling shareholder than it would be for shareholders of a US company.

#### Holders of common shares may determine not to pay any dividends.

In accordance with Argentine corporate law we may pay dividends to shareholders out of net and realized profits, if any, as set forth in our audited financial statements prepared in accordance with Argentine GAAP. The approval, amount and payment of dividends are subject to the approval by our shareholders at our annual ordinary shareholders meeting. The approval of dividends requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting. As a result, we cannot assure you that we will be able to generate enough net and realized profits so as to pay dividends or that our shareholders will decide that dividends will be paid.

#### Our ability to pay dividends is limited by law and by certain loan agreement covenants.

In accordance with Argentine corporate law, we may pay dividends in Pesos out of retained earnings, if any, to the extent set forth in our audited financial statements prepared in accordance with Argentine GAAP. In addition, we are party to a loan agreement which imposes restrictions on our ability to pay dividends in excess of US\$5 million per calendar year.

#### Our shareholders ability to receive cash dividends may be limited.

Our shareholders ability to receive cash dividends may be limited by the ability of the depositary to convert cash dividends paid in Pesos into U.S. dollars. Under the terms of our deposit agreement with the depositary for the ADSs, to the extent that the ADS depositary can in its judgment convert Pesos (or any other foreign currency) into U.S. dollars on a reasonable basis and transfer the resulting U.S. dollars to the United States, the ADS depositary will promptly as practicable convert or cause to be converted all cash dividends received by it on the deposited securities into U.S. dollars. If in the judgment of the depositary this conversion is not possible on a reasonable basis (including as a result of applicable Argentine laws, regulations and approval requirements), the ADS depositary may distribute the foreign currency received by it or in its discretion hold such currency uninvested for the respective accounts of the owners entitled to receive the same. As a result, if the exchange rate fluctuates significantly during a time when the depositary cannot convert the foreign currency, you may lose some or all of the value of the dividend distribution.

#### You might be unable to exercise preemptive or accretion rights with respect to the common shares underlying your ADSs.

Under Argentine corporate law, if we issue new common shares as part of a capital increase, our shareholders will generally have the right to subscribe for a proportional number of common shares of the class held by them to maintain their existing ownership percentage, which is known as preemptive rights. In addition, shareholders are entitled to the right to subscribe for the unsubscribed common shares of either the class held by them or other classes which remain unsubscribed at the end of a preemptive rights offering, on a pro rata basis, which is known as accretion rights. You may not be able to exercise the preemptive or accretion rights relating to the common shares underlying your ADSs unless a registration statement under the US Securities Act of 1933 is effective with respect to those rights or an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act is available. We are not obligated to file a registration statement with respect to the common shares relating to these preemptive rights, and we cannot assure you that we will file any such registration statement. Unless we file a registration statement or an exemption from registration is available, you may receive only the net proceeds from the sale of your preemptive rights by the depositary or, if the preemptive rights cannot be sold, they will be allowed to lapse. As a result, US holders of common shares or ADSs may suffer dilution of their interest in our company upon future capital increases.

#### The warrants are exercisable under limited circumstances and will expire.

Each warrant will be exercisable only if the common share rights or ADS rights to which such warrant relates have been exercised, and such warrant will be exercisable during the six-day period from and including the 17<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup> days of each February, May, September and November (to the extent that such are business days in Buenos Aires and in New York City), commencing with such period from and including May 17<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008. The warrants will automatically expire on May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We currently estimate that the net proceeds of this offering will be approximately US\$279.6 million, after deducting estimated fees and expenses, based on the definitive subscription price of Ps.5.0528 and on the assumptions that (i) all of the common shares and ADSs available for purchase in this rights offering are purchased, and (ii) none of the warrants are exercised upon consummation of this offering. *The amount of net proceeds set forth above represents only an estimate (based on the stated assumptions) and may differ significantly from the net proceeds we actually receive from this offering.* 

We currently intend to use the net proceeds of this offering as follows:

Approximately US\$100 million to US\$180 million to finance the growth of our core business through new investments in agricultural activities in Latin America. We intend to focus primarily on investments in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Paraguay and Bolivia but may make limited investments in other countries to the extent we believe such investments are consistent with our business strategy.

Approximately one third of the net proceeds for additional investments in IRSA, through market purchases of outstanding shares and/or subscriptions of preemptive and accretion rights issued in connection with future capital increases of IRSA; and

Approximately US\$40 million for working capital and other general corporate purposes.

The amount of proceeds we receive from this offering will depend on the extent to which our shareholders elect to exercise their rights to subscribe for new common shares. The extent to which our shareholders elect to do so is beyond our control and cannot be predicted with certainty. If a significant percentage of our shareholders do not exercise their rights to subscribe for new common shares, our net proceeds could be materially less than the amount indicated above (which assumes that 100% of the common shares and ADSs available for purchase will be purchased).

Although we are constantly evaluating investment opportunities, at this time we do not have any binding commitment to make any material investments not identified in this prospectus. Because several of the proposed investments above are uncertain at this time, the net proceeds from this offering may not be fully used in the short term. Until those investments are made, we intend to invest the net proceeds of this offering in high quality, liquid financial instruments. The allocation of the net proceeds from this offering will be influenced by prevailing market conditions from time to time, and as a result we reserve the right to reallocate all or a portion of such anticipated uses to other uses we deem consistent with our strategy.

#### MARKET INFORMATION

Our common shares are traded in Argentina on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, under the trading symbol CRES. Since March 1997, our ADSs, each presenting 10 common shares, have been listed on the NASDAQ under the trading symbol CRESY. The Bank of New York is the depositary with respect to the ADSs.

The table below shows the high and low daily closing prices of our common shares in Pesos and the quarterly trading volume of our common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange for the first quarter of 2002 through December 2007. The table also shows the high and low daily closing prices of our ADSs in U.S. dollars and the quarterly trading volume of our ADSs on the NASDAQ for the first quarter of 2002 through December 2007. Each ADS represents ten common shares.

	Buenos Aire	Buenos Aires Exchange Ps. per Share		NASDAQ US\$ per AD		er ADS
	Share Volume	High	Low	ADS Volume	High	Low
Fiscal Year 2002						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	4,238,215	0.94	0.83	356,700	9.4	8.38
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	22,366,137	0.86	0.62	316,700	8.38	5.99
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	89,256,220	1.84	0.71	349,900	6.77	5.60
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	4,271,862	2.28	1.82	1,182,000	6.52	5.04
Annual	120,132,434	2.28	0.62	2,205,300	9.4	5.04
Fiscal Year 2003						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	9,390,116	2.43	1.47	1,506,964	6.52	3.99
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	2,924,294	2.35	1.70	1,030,157	6.08	4.48
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4,101,037	2.72	1.70	3,279,484	8.40	5.06
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	3,915,643	2.66	2.04	1,899,432	9.73	6.62
Annual	20,331,090	2.02	2.04	7,716,037	9.73	3.99
Fiscal Year 2004						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	4,037,206	2.65	2.24	2,491,280	9.29	7.74
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	2,789,601	4.40	2.58	11,026,601	14.91	9.04
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	7,309,323	3.86	2.84	8,085,500	12.49	10.06
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	3,572,063	3.52	2.54	4,892,233	12.54	8.38
Annual	17,708,183	4.40	2.84	26,495,614	14.91	7.74
Fiscal Year 2005						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	1,827,036	3.62	2.94	2,433,951	12.22	9.81
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	1,452,712	4.37	3.41	4,400,896	14.99	11.23
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	1,355,908	4.91	3.79	10,671,890	16.87	12.93
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	4,597,793	4.03	2.88	7,392,284	13.74	9.78
Annual	9,233,449	4.91	2.88	24,899,021	16.87	9.78
Fiscal Year 2006						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	3,968,113	4.03	3.19	5,448,497	13.97	11.10
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	4,915,037	3.93	3.10	5,316,532	13.71	10.12
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4,582,691	4.38	3.22	8,431,362	14.44	10.42
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	4,003,720	5.73	3.73	17,830,919	19.45	12.10
Annual	17,469,361	5.73	3.10	37,027,310	19.45	10.12
Fiscal Year 2007						
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	1,812,774	4.68	3.90	5,288,618	15.43	12.42
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	1,793,537	5.30	4.35	9,816,001	17.53	14.23
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	3,439,865	6.73	5.06	9,712,198	22.08	16.58
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	13,792,055	7.37	6.12	7,522,056	24.28	19.81
Annual	20,838,231	7.37	3.90	32,338,873	24.28	12.42
September 2007	938,971	7.21	6.19	3,050,829	22.65	19.50
October 2007	1,105,518	7.85	7.08	3,126,437	24.95	22.62
November 2007	1,241,156	7.84	5.97	2,418,631	24.95	18.50
December 2007	1,688,781	6.57	5.73	1,294,874	20.92	18
January 2008	850,442	6.16	5.35	2,436,885	19.78	17.24

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1,061,194	5.81	5.32	2,316,019	18.30	16.53
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The high and low daily prices of our common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange in Pesos on March 10, 2008 were Ps.5.37 and Ps.4.99. The high and low daily prices of our ADSs in the NASDAQ Global Select Market in U.S. dollars on March 10, 2008 were US\$16.50 and US\$15.16.

As of December 31, 2007 ADRs evidencing 29,781,746 ADSs were outstanding (equivalent to 297,817,460 common shares or 92.8% of the total number of issued common shares).

#### **Argentine Securities Markets**

#### Comisión Nacional de Valores

The *Comisión Nacional de Valores* is a separate governmental entity with jurisdiction covering the territory of Argentina. Its main purpose is to ensure transparency of Argentina s securities markets, to watch over the market price formation process and to protect investors. The *Comisión Nacional de Valores* supervises corporations authorized to issue securities to the public, the secondary markets where these securities are traded, and all persons and corporations involved in any capacity in the public offering and trading of these securities. Pension funds and insurance companies are regulated by separate government agencies. The Argentine markets are governed generally by Law No. 17,811, as amended, which created the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* and regulates stock exchanges, stockbrokers, market operations and the public offerings of securities. There is a relatively low level of regulation of the market for Argentine securities and of investors activities in such market, and enforcement of existing regulatory provisions has been extremely limited. Furthermore, there may be less publicly available information about Argentine companies than is regularly published by or about companies in the United States and certain other countries. However, the Argentine government and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, taking into consideration the deeper global awareness of the importance of having adequate corporate governance practices and a legal framework to enforce principles such as full information, and transparency, have issued decree No. 677/2001. This decree has the objective of determining the rights of the financial consumer, increasing market transparency and an adequate legal framework to increase the investor s protection within the capital market. Most of its reforms are in line with world trends pertaining to corporate governance practices that have already been adopted by many emerging markets.

In order to offer securities to the public in Argentina, an issuer must meet certain requirements of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regarding assets, operating history, management and other matters, and only securities for which an application for a public offering has been approved by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* may be listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. This approval does not imply any kind of certification or assurance related to the merits or the quality of the securities, or the issuer s solvency. Issuers of listed securities are required to file unaudited quarterly financial statements and audited annual financial statements, as well as various other periodic reports, with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* and the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange .

#### Securities Exchanges in Argentina

There are 11 securities exchanges in Argentina, of which the principal exchange for the Argentine securities market is the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange , which handles approximately 95% of all equity trading in the country.

#### Buenos Aires Stock Exchange

The Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is a non-profit and self-regulated organization.

The securities that may be listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange are stocks, corporate bonds, convertible corporate bonds, close-end investment funds, financial trust, indexes, derivatives and public bonds. The Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is legally qualified for admission, suspension, and delisting of securities according to its own rules approved by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Furthermore, the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange works very closely with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* in surveillance activities. Also under a special agreement, registration and listing applications are directly filed with the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange for simultaneous processing.

#### Mercado de Valores de Buenos Aires S.A. ( MERVAL )

The MERVAL is a corporation (*sociedad anónima*) whose 183 shareholder members are the only individuals and entities authorized to trade, either as principal or as agent, in the securities listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. Trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is conducted by continuous open outcry, or the traditional auction system, from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each business trading day of the year. Trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is also conducted through a *Sistema Integrado de Negociación Asistida por Computadora* (SINAC). SINAC is a computer trading system that permits trading in debt and equity securities. SINAC is accessed by brokers directly from workstations located at their offices. Currently, all transactions relating to listed notes and listed government securities can be effected through SINAC.

#### Over the Counter Market

The *Mercado Abierto Electrónico S.A.* (MAE) is a corporation (*sociedad anónima*) exchange organized under the laws of Argentina, which operates as a self-regulatory organization under the supervision of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. The MAE works as an electronic environment to process over the counter transactions. It is an electronic market where both government securities and corporate bonds are traded through spot and forward contracts.

The MAE has 90 brokers/dealers members, which include national banks, provincial banks, municipal banks, private national banks, foreign banks, cooperative banks, financial institutions, foreign exchange entities and pure brokers/dealers (exclusively engaged in brokerage activities). Both Argentine or foreign capital banks and financial institutions may be the MAE s brokers/dealers. Securities to be traded must be registered with the pertinent supervising authorities and may be traded in the Mercado Abierto Electrónico, in other exchanges or in both of them concurrently.

#### Securities Central Depositary

*Caja de Valores S.A.* is a private corporation organized under the laws of Argentina which acts as central depositary of public bonds and private securities. It was established in 1974 by Act 20,643, and it is supervised by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Those authorized to make deposits of securities with the *Caja de Valores* are stockbrokers, banking financial institutions, and mutual funds. The majority shareholders of the *Caja de Valores S.A.* are the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and the MERVAL (49.98% each).

#### Information regarding the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange

	As of Deceml	As of December 31,		As of June 30,	
	2004	2005	2006	2007	
Market capitalization (in billions of Ps.)	689.9	771.3	1,229.3	1,335.9	
Average daily trading volume (in millions of Ps.)	52.6	74.6	61.4	69.9	
Number of listed companies	107	104	106	107	

Although companies may list all of their capital stock on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, in many cases a controlling block is retained by the principal shareholders resulting in only a relatively small percentage of many companies stock being available for active trading by the public on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange.

As of December 31, 2007, approximately 109 companies had equity securities listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. During the year ended December 31, 2007, approximately 78.1% of the total market capitalization of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange was represented by the securities of ten most important Argentine companies.

The Argentine securities markets are substantially more volatile than the securities markets in the United States and certain other developed countries. The MERVAL experienced a 13% increase in 1995, a 25% increase in 1996, a 6% increase in 1997, a 37% decrease in 1998, a 28% increase in 1999, a 24% decrease in 2000, a 29% decrease in 2001, a 77% increase in 2002, a 104% increase in 2003, a 28% increase in 2004, a 13% increase in 2006 and a 5% increase for the six month period ended June 30, 2007. In order to control price volatility, the MERVAL operates a system pursuant to which the negotiation of a particular stock or debt security is suspended for a 15- minute period when the price of the security registers a variation on its price between 10% and 15% and between 15% and 20%. Any additional 5% variation on the price of the security after that results in additional 10 minute successive suspension periods.

#### DIVIDENDS AND DIVIDEND POLICY

Pursuant to Argentine law, the distribution and payment of dividends to shareholders is valid only if they result from realized and net earnings of the company pursuant to annual financial statements approved by the shareholders. The approval, amount and payment of dividends are subject to the approval by our shareholders at our annual ordinary shareholders meeting. The approval of dividends requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote at the meeting.

In accordance with Argentine law and our by-laws, net and realized profits for each fiscal year are allocated as follows:

5% of such net profits is allocated to our legal reserve, until such reserve amounts to 20% of our capital stock;

a certain amount determined at a shareholders meeting is allocated to compensation of our directors and the members of our Supervisory Committee; and

additional amounts are allocated for the payment of dividends or to optional reserve funds, or to establish reserves or for whatever other purpose our shareholders determine.

On May 2, 2006, we entered into a US\$8 million loan agreement with Credit Suisse which imposes restrictions on our ability to pay dividends. Under this loan agreement, which matures on November 2, 2008, we are not permitted to make dividends or other restricted payments (including purchases or redemptions of our capital stock), in cash, obligations or other property, in an aggregate amount exceeding US\$5 million in any calendar year.

The following table sets forth the dividend payout ratio and the amount of dividends paid on each fully paid common share for the mentioned years. Amounts in Pesos are presented in historical, non-inflation adjusted Pesos as of the respective payment dates. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls.

Year	Total Dividend (millions of Pesos)	Dividend per Common Share <sup>(1)</sup> (Pesos)
1996		
1997		
1998	3.8	0.099
1999	11.0	0.092
2000	1.3	0.011
2001	8.0	0.030
2002		
2003	1.5	0.012
2004	3.0	0.020
2005	10.0	0.059
2006	5.5	0.024
2007	8.3	0.026

(1) Corresponds to per share payments. To calculate the dividends paid per ADS, the payment per share should be multiplied by ten. Amounts

in Pesos are presented in historical Pesos as of the respective payment date. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls. Future dividends with respect to our common shares, if any, will depend on, among other things, our results of operations, cash requirements, financial condition, contractual restrictions, business opportunities, provisions of applicable law and other factors that our shareholders at a general shareholders meeting may deem relevant. As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that we will pay any dividends at any time in the future.

#### CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our consolidated capitalization in accordance with Argentine GAAP as of December 31, 2007 and as adjusted to give the effect of the sale of 180,000,000 common shares at the definitive price of Ps.5.0528 per common share. The table below should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by Cresud s Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	As of December 31, 2007		
	Actual (thousands of P	As adjusted <sup>(1)</sup> s.) (unaudited)	
Short-term debt (guaranteed and secured)	25,548,031	25,548,031	
Short-term debt (unguaranteed and unsecured)	192,261,964	192,261,964	
Long-term debt (guaranteed and secured) <sup>(2)</sup>	0	0	
Minority interest	934,075	934,075	
Shareholders equity:			
Common stock	320,774,772	500,774,772	
Inflation adjustment of common stock	166,218,124	166,218,124	
Paid-in capital	166,202,798	869,143,234	
Legal reserve <sup>(3)</sup>	15,644,814	15,644,814	
Reserve for new developments <sup>(4)</sup>	158,743,802	158,743,802	
Accumulated retained earnings	14,472,656	14,472,656	
Translation differences	8,926,292	8,926,292	
Total shareholders equity	850,983,258	1,733,923,694	
Total capitalization <sup>(5)</sup>	1,069,727,328	1,952,667,764	

- (1) Assumes net proceeds of the rights offering of US\$279.6 million resulting from the issuance of 180,000,000 common shares, net of expenses, related to the rights offering.
- (2) As of December 31, 2007, an amount of 1,834,860 ADRs of IRSA are restricted as collateral for our long-term financing. The collateral is based on a fixed ratio of debt coverage, accordingly, such amounts may be released and/or increased depending on the market value of the shares underlying the ADRs and subsequent payments.
- (3) Under Argentine law, we are required to allocate 5% of our net income to a legal reserve until the amount of such legal reserve equals 20% of our outstanding capital.
- (4) Pursuant to a resolution of the *Inspección General de Justicia*, companies should indicate the intended use of the accumulated retained earnings balance of the period. Accordingly, we transferred the balance of accumulated retained earnings to a special reserve labeled as Reserve for New Developments. This reclassification has no impact on our total shareholders equity.
- (5) Total capitalization consists of the sum of short-term and long-term debt, minority interest and shareholders equity.

#### EXCHANGE RATES AND EXCHANGE CONTROLS

#### **Exchange Rates**

In April 1991, Argentine law established a fixed exchange rate according to which the Central Bank was statutorily obliged to sell U.S. dollars to any individual at a fixed exchange rate of Ps.1.00 per US\$1.00. On January 7, 2002, the Argentine congress enacted the Public Emergency Law, abandoning over ten years of fixed Peso-U.S. dollar parity at Ps.1.00 per US\$1.00. After devaluing the Peso and setting the official exchange rate at Ps.1.40 per US\$1.00, on February 11, 2002, the government allowed the Peso to float. The shortage of U.S. dollars and their heightened demand caused the Peso to further devalue significantly in the first half of 2002. Since June 30, 2002, the Peso has appreciated versus the U.S. dollar from an exchange rate of Ps.3.79=US\$1.00 to an exchange rate of Ps.3.1580=US\$1.00 as of January 31, 2007 as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* at the U.S. dollar selling rate. The Central Bank may indirectly affect this market through its active participation.

The following table presents the high, low, average and period closing exchange rate for the purchase of U.S. dollars stated in *nominal* Pesos per U.S. dollar.

	Exchange Rate			
	High <sup>(1)</sup>	Low (2)	Average (3)	Period Closing
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2002	3.7400	0.9990	1.8206	3.7900
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2003	3.7400	2.7120	3.2565	2.8000
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2004	2.9510	2.7100	2.8649	2.9580
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2005	3.0400	2.8460	2.9230	2.8670
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2006	3.0880	2.8590	3.0006	3.0860
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2007	3.1080	3.0480	3.0862	3.0930
August 2007	3.1780	3.1330	3.1530	3.1560
September 2007	3.1650	3.1310	3.1477	3.1500
October 2007	3.1790	3.1420	3.1597	3.1420
November 2007	3.1500	3.124	3.1357	3.1450
December 2007	3.1420	3.1320	3.1393	3.1490
January 2008	3.1580	3.1280	3.1453	3.1580
February 2008	3.1490	3.1310	3.1390	3.1410

Source: Banco de la Nación Argentina

(1) The high exchange rate stated was the highest closing exchange rate of the month during the fiscal year or any shorter period, as indicated.

(2) The low exchange rate stated was the lowest closing exchange rate of the month during the fiscal year or any shorter period, as indicated.(3) Average month-end closing exchange rates.

Fluctuations in the Peso-dollar exchange rate may affect the equivalent in dollars of the price in Pesos of notes on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. Increases in Argentine inflation or devaluation of the Argentine currency could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

#### **Exchange Controls**

On December 1, 2001, Decree No. 1570/2001 imposed significant limitations upon the availability of the bank deposits as well as foreign exchange controls which restricted cash outflows. In 2001 and 2002 and until February 7, 2003, the Central Bank, among other restrictive measures, restricted the transfer of U.S. dollars abroad without its prior approval except for transfers related to foreign trade transactions, payments of expenses or withdrawals made abroad through debit or credit cards issued in Argentina. In 2003 and 2004, the government substantially eased these restrictions.

From February to December 2002, any distribution of dividends outside Argentina was subject to prior authorization from the Central Bank. In December 2002, the rule was amended and purchases of foreign currency were authorized without prior authorization for an amount equal to US\$150,000 (in the aggregate) per calendar month.

On January 7, 2003, the Central Bank issued Communication A 3859 which is still in place. Pursuant to this communication, purchases of foreign currency and distributions of dividends outside Argentina by Argentine companies are subject to no limitation, provided that such purchases or distributions of dividends are duly approved and reflected in the audited financial statements of such companies.

Restrictions also apply to foreign investments in Argentina. On June 26, 2003, the government set restrictions on capital flows into Argentina which mainly consisted of a prohibition against the transfer abroad of any funds until 180 days after their entry into the country. Since the Argentine crisis, the Central Bank has gradually softened most of the foreign exchange restrictions that were in place during the crisis. However, starting on June 10, 2005 the government established further restrictions on capital flows into Argentina. As of June 10, 2005, certain transactions have to be registered with the Central Bank, all currency inflow has to remain in Argentina for a minimum term of 365 days, and a mandatory deposit equivalent to 30% of the total currency inflow is required. This deposit which must be made in U.S. dollars with a local financial institution does not bear interest and cannot be used as collateral and it will only be returned after 365 days of its constitution. Pursuant to Decree No. 616/2005, these restrictions do not apply, between others, to the primary subscription of shares of resident companies which are allowed to do public offering and listed on a self-regulated market.

# THE RIGHTS OFFERING

## **Statutory Preemptive and Accretion Rights**

Pursuant to our bylaws and as required by Argentine law, each existing holder of our common shares has the following rights:

a preemptive right to subscribe for new shares in all issues of common shares in proportion to such shareholder s respective shareholding, and

an accretion right which provides that if any new common shares are not subscribed for by our shareholders pursuant to their preemptive rights, the shareholders which have exercised their preemptive rights are entitled to subscribe for such unsubscribed common shares in proportion to the number of new common shares purchased by such exercising shareholders pursuant to their exercise of preemptive rights.

On October 10, 2007, our shareholders authorized the future issuance of up to 180,000,000 common shares. We are granting to our common shareholders rights, or common share rights, to subscribe for 180,000,000 new common shares, together with the right to receive up to 180,000,000 warrants to acquire additional common shares. Each common share held of record at 6:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on February 27, 2008 entitles its holder to one right to subscribe for common shares, or common share right. Each common share right will entitle its holder to (i) subscribe for 0.561141 common shares pursuant to its exercise of preemptive rights, (ii) to subscribe at the same price for additional common shares remaining unsubscribed after the preemptive rights offering pursuant to its exercise of accretion rights and (iii) and to receive free of charge, for each new common share that it purchases pursuant to this offering, one warrant to purchase 0.33333333 additional common shares.

The Bank of New York, as our Depositary, will make available to our ADS holders, ADS rights to subscribe for new ADS and to receive warrants to acquire additional shares in the form of ADS. Each ADS held of record at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on February 27, 2008, entitles its holder to one ADS right. Each ADS right will entitle its holder to (i) subscribe for 0.561141 new ADSs, (ii) to subscribe at the same price for additional common shares in the form of ADSs remaining unsubscribed after the preemptive rights offering pursuant to its exercise of accretion rights and (iii) to receive free of charge, for each new ADS that it purchases pursuant to this offering, 10 warrants, each of which will entitle such holder to purchase 0.33333333 additional common shares.

On March 11, 2008 we reported to the Argentine Comisión Nacional de Valores and the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and released to PR Newswire (i) a definitive subscription price for this rights offering of Ps.5.0528 for the new common shares and US\$16.00 for the new ADSs and (ii) a warrant exercise price of US\$1.68 per each of our common shares. Each warrant entitles its holder to purchase 0.33333333 common shares and as a result three warrants must be exercised to purchase one common share. The subscription price for each new common share will be payable in U.S. dollars outside Argentina or in Argentine pesos in Argentina, determined on the basis of the seller s reference exchange rate (*tipo de cambio vendedor*) of US\$1 = PS.3.158, as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* on March 10, 2008. The subscription price for each new ADS will be payable in U.S. dollars.

The Bank of New York acts as depositary for the ADSs and may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, sell common shares rights underlying the unexercised ADS rights on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. The proceeds from the sale of common share rights underlying the unexercised ADS rights will be, to the extent permitted by applicable law, distributed to the ADS holders in U.S. dollars pursuant to the deposit agreement.

#### **Subscription Forms**

As described below, different deadlines are applicable to the subscription forms and the instruction letter. To subscribe for common shares or ADSs in the exercise of preemptive and accretion rights, each holder of such right must fill in and submit the relevant forms to the common share rights agent or the ADS rights agent, as the case may be. Such submission will represent an irrevocable exercise of preemptive and accretion rights to purchase common shares or ADSs, as the case may be. In the case of holders of common shares, such form must be accompanied by a certificate of ownership issued by the *Caja de Valores* or evidence of assignment of the rights in his/her favor. Timely submission of these documents is necessary for effective subscription of common shares, and prospective subscribers should carefully review these documents.

Forms for completion and submission have been delivered with this prospectus. Prospective subscribers requiring additional or replacement copies of such forms, may obtain them upon request from The Bank of New York in its capacity as our ADS rights agent or Raymond James Argentina S.A. in its capacity as our common share rights agent. Our ADS rights agent will not accept subscriptions for common shares from holders of our common shares.

# **Subscription Period**

From March 4, 2008 through 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentine time) on March 18, 2008 in the case of the common share rights (the common shares subscription period ) and from March 4, 2008 through 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on March 13, 2008 in the case of the ADS rights (the ADS subscription period ).

To exercise common share rights, you must deliver to our common shares agent, a properly completed subscription form accompanied by a certificate of ownership issued by the *Caja de Valores* or evidence of assignment of the common share rights in your favor by 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time) on March 18, 2008, or your common share rights will lapse and will have no further value. Deposit in the mail will not constitute delivery to us.

To exercise the ADS rights, you must deliver to the ADS rights agent a properly completed ADS rights subscription form and pay an amount specified below for each ADS subscribed or sought pursuant to accretion rights by 5:00 p.m. New York City time on March 13, 2008, or your ADS rights will lapse and will have no further value, except the right to receive a cash payment if the depositary receives U.S. dollars in respect of a sale of unexercised common share rights. Deposit in the mail will not constitute delivery to the ADS rights agent. The amount you pay will be the definitive subscription price plus the depositary s issuance fee of US\$0.05 per new ADS.

The exercise of common share rights and ADS rights is irrevocable and may not be canceled or modified.

#### **Important Dates**

The summary timetable set forth below lists certain important dates relating to the exercise of rights:

Publication of non-binding indicative subscription price	February 25, 2008
Common shares record date 6:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires, Argentina time)	February 27, 2008
ADS record date 5:00 p.m. (New York City time)	February 27, 2008

Common share rights commence trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange	February 28, 2008
Common shares subscription period	March 4, 2008 to March 18, 2008
ADS subscription period	March 4, 2008 to March 13, 2008
Publication of the definitive subscription price for the new common shares and the new ADSs	March 11, 2008
Expiration date for holders of ADS rights	March 13, 2008
End of common share rights trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange	March 14, 2008
Expiration date of common shares subscription period	March 18, 2008
Allocation of accretion rights	March 19, 2008
Delivery date for new common shares pursuant to common shares preemptive rights	On or about March 19, 2008
Delivery date for common shares pursuant to common shares accretion rights	On or about March 25, 2008
Delivery date for the new ADSs pursuant to ADS preemptive rights	On or about March 25, 2008
Delivery date for the new ADSs pursuant to ADS accretion rights	On or about March 25, 2008

#### **Fractional Entitlements**

We will not issue fractional common shares or ADSs, pursuant to this rights offering or the exercise of the warrants, and entitlements to common shares or ADSs will be rounded down to the nearest whole common share or ADS, as the case may be.

#### **Trading of Common Share and ADS Rights**

Common share rights will trade separately from such common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange from the third business day preceding the subscription period. A holder of record of common shares that sells rights on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange will transfer to the purchaser thereof the right to participate in this rights offering and shall have no further right to participate in the rights offering, regardless of whether such holder continues to hold its common shares.

The ADS rights will not be transferable and will not be listed on any exchange.

The Bank of New York will act as depositary for the ADSs and may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, sell the common share rights underlying the unexercised ADS rights on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange.

## **Common Share Rights Agent**

Raymond James Argentina Sociedad de Bolsa S.A., located at San Martin 344, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Buenos Aires, Argentina is acting as our common share rights agent for the common share rights offering. Holders of common shares who wish to subscribe for additional common shares must subscribe through the common share rights agent. The common share rights agent will not accept subscriptions from holders of ADSs.

## **ADS Rights Agent**

The Bank of New York, located at 101 Barclay Street, New York, New York 10286, is acting as the ADS rights agent. Holders of ADSs who wish to subscribe for additional ADSs must subscribe through the ADS rights agent. The ADS rights agent will not accept subscriptions from holders of common shares.

#### **Non-Binding Indicative Subscription Price**

On February 25, 2008, we published in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and released to PR Newswire a non-binding indicative subscription price for each of the new common shares and ADSs of Ps.5.37 and US\$17.01, respectively.

Subscriptions for ADSs pursuant to the exercise of common share rights, ADS rights and accretion rights that were submitted prior to our publication of the definitive subscription price on March 11, 2008 are binding and irrevocable even though the definitive subscription price is different than the indicative subscription price.

If a holder exercised rights at the indicative subscription price that was published on February 25, 2008 and prior to the release of the definitive subscription price on March 11, 2008, and the amount delivered in connection with a subscription form was more than the definitive subscription price plus applicable fees, the ADS rights agent will reimburse such excess to the relevant subscriber as promptly as practicable after completion of this offering.

# **Definitive Subscription Price**

On March 11, 2008 we reported to the Argentine *Comisión Nacional de Valores* and the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and released to PR Newswire (i) a definitive subscription price for this rights offering of Ps.5.0528 for the new common shares and US\$16.00 for the new ADSs and (ii) a warrant exercise price of US\$1.68 per each of our common shares.

The subscription price for each new common share will be payable in U.S. dollars outside Argentina or in Argentine pesos in Argentina, determined on the basis of the seller s reference exchange rate (*tipo de cambio vendedor*) of US\$1 = Ps. 3.158 as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* on March 10, 2008.

The subscription price for each new ADS will be payable in U.S. dollars. Holders of new ADSs must also pay an amount sufficient to cover the fee of the depositary that is US\$0.05 per new ADS.

## **Accretion Rights**

Under Argentine law, if any shares are not subscribed for by shareholders in the exercise of their preemptive rights, the remaining shareholders who have exercised their preemptive rights shall have accretion rights pursuant to which they may purchase unsubscribed shares in proportion to the shares purchased by such exercising shareholder pursuant to their preemptive rights. Shareholders will be asked to indicate in the subscription form which they submit with respect to the exercise of their preemptive rights, the number of common shares they are willing to acquire pursuant to their accretion rights in the event there are common shares which remain unsubscribed after the exercise of preemptive rights. No later than two days after termination of the common shares subscription period, shareholders that have indicated that they wish to exercise accretion rights will be notified by publication of a notice in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange of the aggregate number of unsubscribed common shares. Based on this notice, we will allocate unsubscribed common shares to shareholders in accordance with their accretion rights.

ADS holders that subscribe for new ADSs pursuant to preemptive rights may indicate on their subscription forms a number of additional ADSs for which they would be willing to subscribe pursuant to accretion rights. ADS holders must submit the ADS subscription price (plus an amount sufficient to cover the fee of the depositary of US\$0.05 per new ADS) with their subscription forms for the full number of additional ADSs requested pursuant to accretion rights are allocated to the depositary, the ADS rights agent will allocate additional ADSs to ADS holders that requested them. If the amount of additional ADSs available pursuant to accretion rights are insufficient to fill in all requests, the ADS rights agent will allocate the available additional ADSs among requesting ADS holders pro rata to the numbers of additional ADSs they requested.

On March 19, 2008, which is one business day after the end of the common shares subscription period, we will notify holders of our common shares and ADS holders that have indicated that they wish to exercise their accretion rights of the aggregate number of unsubscribed common shares and ADSs, as applicable, by publication of a notice in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and issue a press release to PR Newswire. Based on this notice, we will allocate unsubscribed common shares to holders of common shares and ADSs to ADS holders, as applicable, in accordance with their accretion rights.

If we allocate to any subscribers fewer ADSs than the number such subscribers sought to acquire pursuant to their accretion rights, the ADS rights agent will notify such subscribers and will promptly reimburse them after completion of this offering for any excess amount which such subscribers may have paid to the ADS rights agent in connection with their indications of interest in exercising their accretion rights.

#### Method of Exercising the Rights

During the subscription period, holders of rights will be permitted to exercise their rights by delivering a signed subscription form to our common share rights agent or ADS rights agent. Our common share rights agent and ADS rights agent have discretion to refuse any improperly completed or delivered or unexecuted subscription form.

The common shares subscription period and the ADS subscription period, as the case may be, are the sole opportunity to exercise preemptive and accretion rights with respect to the common shares and ADSs, respectively. After 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires time) on March 18, 2008, any holder of common shares and after 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on March 13, 2008, any holder of ADSs who has not validly submitted a duly completed subscription form will be deemed to have forfeited its rights to subscribe for common shares or ADSs, as the case may be, and such rights will lapse.

## **Results of the Rights Offering**

On March 25, 2008, which is the second Argentine business day after the end of the common shares subscription period, we will notify holders of our common shares and ADS holders by publication of a notice in the bulletin of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and by issuing a press release to PR Newswire of the final results of the offering for common share rights and ADS rights.

#### **Payment and Method of Purchase**

Payment in full of the subscription price for common shares purchased pursuant to the exercise of preemptive rights and accretion rights relating to common shares must be received by our common share rights agent in Pesos by 1:00 p.m. (Buenos Aires time) on March 18, 2008 and March 25, 2008, respectively.

Payment in full of the subscription price for each ADS purchased pursuant to the exercise of preemptive rights and accretion rights relating to ADSs must be received by our ADS rights agent in U.S. dollars by 5:00 p.m. (New York time) on March 13, 2008.

Exercising shareholders who do not pay for their common shares or ADSs by such time on the payment date will forfeit their rights to such common shares or ADSs. Such payment should be made in cash (a) in the case of common shares rights, to our common share rights agent by means of a wire transfer to (i) checking account # 2968/9 at Banco de Valores S.A. (CBU #198 000 173 000 000 029 6897), CUIT # 30-68518222-6 for payment in Pesos, or (ii) Acc# 3612 9981 - Raymond James Argentina SBSA at Citibank NA, NYABA #021 000 089 for payment in U.S. dollars or (b) in the case of ADS rights, by certified or official bank check, money order or wire transfer to our ADS rights agent at The Bank of New York, ABA# 021000018, A/C# 8900060603, Account Name: Reorg. Incoming Wire Transfer, Ref: Cresud, by mail at The Bank of New York, Tender and Exchange Department, P.O. Box 11248, Church Street Station, New York, New York 10286-1248, or by hand, express mail or overnight courier at The Bank of New York, Tender and Exchange Department to our common share rights agent must be made either in Pesos or U.S. dollars, and any payment to our ADS rights agent must be made in U.S. dollars.

Failure to pay for the common shares or ADSs will result in non-compliance with the respective payment terms established above. In case of non-payment, our board of directors may take any action with respect to the common shares or ADSs that is allowed under Argentine corporate law. If our board of directors chooses to declare the rights of any non-paying party void, it must decide upon the treatment to be given to the unpaid common shares or ADSs which may be offered to third parties at the same subscription price.

THE METHOD OF DELIVERY OF SUBSCRIPTION FORM AND PAYMENT OF THE SUBSCRIPTION PRICE TO THE COMMON SHARE RIGHTS AGENT OR THE ADS RIGHTS AGENT WILL BE AT THE ELECTION AND RISK OF THE HOLDERS OF COMMON SHARE RIGHTS AND ADS RIGHTS. IF SENT BY MAIL, HOLDERS OF SUCH RIGHTS ARE URGED TO SEND SUBSCRIPTION FORMS AND PAYMENTS BY REGISTERED MAIL, PROPERLY INSURED, WITH RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, AND ARE URGED TO ALLOW A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF DAYS TO ENSURE DELIVERY TO THE COMMON SHARE RIGHTS AGENT OR THE ADS RIGHTS AGENT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, AND CLEARANCE OF PAYMENT PRIOR TO THE RELEVANT EXPIRATION DATE. HOLDERS OF COMMON SHARE RIGHTS AND ADS RIGHTS ARE STRONGLY URGED TO PAY, OR ARRANGE FOR PAYMENT, BY MEANS OF CERTIFIED OR CASHIER S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

# Use of Unsubscribed ADSs and Common Shares

After expiration of the common shares subscription period and the ADS subscription period, our board of directors may cancel the unsubscribed common shares and ADSs or sell them to third parties at such times as our board of directors may determine. The price for such sales may not be more favorable to the purchaser than the price offered herein. We currently intend to offer any unsubscribed common shares to the public promptly after completion of this offering.

## Determinations of Timeliness, Validity, Form and Eligibility

We, or the dealers acting as our agents, may reject non-binding indications of interest, based on the following criteria: (i) non-compliance with anti-money laundering regulations, (ii) delivery of an incomplete or otherwise defective subscription form or ADS rights certificate, as applicable, (iii) untimely delivery of a subscription form or ADS rights certificate, as applicable, or (iv) non-compliance with any other requirement for the subscription of common shares or ADSs set forth in this prospectus.

## DILUTION

As of December 31, 2007, our outstanding capital stock consisted of 320,774,772 common shares. If you invest in our common shares and ADSs in this offering, your ownership interest will be diluted to the extent of the difference between the offering price per common share and the pro forma net book value per common share and per ADS upon the completion of this rights offering. Dilution results from the fact that the per-common share offering price of common shares and the per-ADS offering price of ADS in this offering could be substantially in excess of the book value per common share and per ADS attributable to the common shares and ADSs.

## Dilution of shareholders participating in this offering

#### Dilution due to issuance of new common shares

As of December 31, 2007, we had a net tangible book value of Ps.826.7 million or Ps.2.58 per common share or US\$8.18 per ADS. Net tangible book value per share or common share represents the amount of our total tangible assets of Ps.1,167.1 million (total assets less intangible assets and net deferred tax assets) less total liabilities of Ps.339.5 million and minority interest of Ps.0.9 million, divided by 320,774,772, the total number of our common shares outstanding as of December 31, 2007. After giving effect to the sale of the 180,000,000 common shares offered by us in this offering and, after deducting the estimated offering expenses payable by us, our net tangible book value estimated at December 31, 2007 would have been approximately Ps.1,709.7 million, representing Ps.3.41 per common share and US\$10.84 per ADS. At the subscription offering price of Ps.5.0528 per common share, this represents an immediate increase in net tangible book value of Ps.0.84 per common share and US\$2.66 per ADS to existing shareholders and ADS holders, respectively, and an immediate dilution in tangible book value of Ps.1.64 per common share and US\$5.20 per ADS to purchasers of common shares and ADSs in this offering. Dilution for this purpose represents the difference between the price per common share paid by these purchasers and net tangible book value per common share immediately after the completion of this offering.

The following table illustrates this dilution of Ps.1.64 per common share to purchasers of common shares and common shares in the form of ADSs in this rights offering:

	Per Common	
	Share	Per ADS <sup>1</sup>
Definitive subscription price	Ps.5.05	US\$ 16.05
Net tangible book value as of December 31, 2007	2.58	8.18
Increase in net tangible book value attributable to shareholders who exercise		
their common share rights	0.84	2.66
Pro forma net tangible book value per common share after this offering	3.41	10.84
Dilution of shareholders who exercise their common share rights	1.64	5.20
% of dilution to shareholders who exercise their common share rights	32.43%	32.43%

(1) Converted into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by the Central Bank for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.1490 = US\$1.00 solely for this dilution analysis.

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## Dilution due to new warrants offered in this offering

The dilution resulting from the exercise of the new warrants issued pursuant to this rights offering will occur if such price of such exercise is lower than the pro forma net book value of the underlying share at the date of exercise. The percentage of such dilution will significantly depend on the difference between the exercise price and the pro forma net book value of the underlying shares.

The following table shows the dilution resulting from the exercise price of the new warrants and corresponding issuance of common shares (before deducting expenses, fees and commissions payable by us in connection with this rights offering):

	Per Common Share	Per ADS <sup>1</sup>
Definitive subscription price	Ps.5.05	US\$16.05
Exercise price of the warrants	5.31	16.85
Pro forma net book value after this offering and before the exercise of the warrants	3.41	10.84
Increase in pro forma net book value attributable to the issuance of warrants	0.20	0.64
Pro forma net book value after this offering and after the exercise of the warrants	3.62	11.48
Dilution (increase) in pro forma net book value of the warrants	1.69	5.36
Percentage of dilution (increase) of the issuance of the warrants	31.83%	31.83%

(1) Converted into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by the Central Bank for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.1490 = US\$1.00 solely for this dilution analysis.

#### Dilution of shareholders not participating in this offering

#### Dilution due to subscriptions for common shares and ADSs in this offering, and new warrants offered in this offering

Existing holders of our common shares and ADS holders who do not exercise their common share rights and the ADS rights, respectively, in the rights offering will have their ownership interests reduced such that a holder of our common shares who held ten percent of our capital stock before this rights offering will be reduced to holding 6.41% percent after the issuance of new common shares pursuant to this rights offering and 5.72% after the exercise of the warrants granted as a result of the exercise of the common share rights and the ADS rights.

### SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

The following selected consolidated financial data has been derived from our consolidated financial statements as of the dates and for each of the periods indicated below. This information should be read in conjunction with and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our consolidated financial statements and the discussion in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated statement of income data for the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2006 and 2007 have been derived from our unaudited interim consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated statement of income data for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 have been derived from our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The consolidated financial statements as of June 30 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007 have been audited by Price Waterhouse & Co. S.R.L., Buenos Aires, Argentina, a member firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers, an independent registered public accounting firm. The selected consolidated income statement data for the years ended June 30, 2004 and 2004 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2003, 2004 and 2005 have been derived from our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007 which is incorporated by reference herein.

Effective July 1, 2006, we adopted RT No. 22 which prescribes the accounting treatment, financial statement presentation, and disclosures related to agricultural activity. Agricultural activity is the management by an entity of the biological transformation of living animals or plants (biological assets) for sale, into agricultural produce, or into additional biological assets. RT No. 22 prescribes, among other things, the accounting treatment for biological assets during the period of growth, degeneration, production, and procreation, and for the initial measurement of agricultural produce at the point of harvest. It requires measurement at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs from initial recognition of biological assets up to the point of harvest, other than when fair value cannot be measured reliably on initial recognition. RT No. 22 requires that a change in fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs of a biological asset be included in profit or loss for the period in which it arises. RT No. 22 also requires that gains or losses arising on initial recognition of RT No. 22 did not have a significant impact in our measurement and recognition of biological transformation. Rather, it changed the format of our income statement. Under RT No. 22 we disclose certain components of our costs as separate line items in the income statement. Adoption of RT No. 22 did not result in any change to our consolidated gross profit for any of the periods presented.

In order to comply with regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, we recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on an undiscounted basis. This accounting practice represented a departure from Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005. However, such a departure has not had a material effect on the consolidated financial statements as of those dates. As further discussed below, the CPCECABA issued revised accounting standards. One of these standards required companies to account for deferred income taxes on an undiscounted basis, thus aligning the accounting to that of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Since the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* adopted the CPCECABA standards effective for our fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, there is no longer a difference on this subject between Argentine GAAP and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations.

Additionally, after considerable inflation levels for the second half of 2002 and the first months of 2003, on March 25, 2003, the Argentine government instructed the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* to issue the necessary regulations to preclude companies under its supervision from presenting price-level restated financial statements. Therefore, on April 8, 2003, the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* issued a resolution providing for the discontinuance of inflation accounting as of March 1, 2003. We complied with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution and accordingly recorded the effects of inflation until February 28, 2003. Comparative figures were restated until that date, using a conversion factor of 1.1232. Since Argentine GAAP required companies to discontinue inflation adjustments only as from October 1, 2003, the *Period Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution represented a departure from Argentine GAAP. However, due to low inflation rates during the period from March to September 2003, such a departure has not had a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

As of December 31, 2007, we owned a 34.6% equity interest in IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima (IRSA). In compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, also contained in this prospectus are the audited consolidated financial statements of IRSA as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007. This prospectus also includes IRSA s unaudited consolidated financial statements as of and for the six-month periods ended December 31, 2006 and 2007.

# Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Information for Cresud

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	2003(1)	AS 2004	of and for the 2005	2006 2006	ne 50, 2007	<b>2007</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	2006	December 31 2007	2007 <sup>(2)</sup>
	2005	2004	2005	2000	2007	(in US\$, except	(in Ps., excep		(in US\$, except
		(in Ps	s., except for ra	atios)		for ratios)		,	for ratios)
INCOME								(unaudited)	)
STATEMENT									
DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Production income:									
Crops	24,883,609	24,369,232	44,052,970	37,005,907	72,426,012	22,992,385	6,586,411	12,840,230	4,077,558
Beef cattle Milk	16,584,204	20,637,512	19,993,923 3,463,144	20,452,655	19,462,410	6,178,543	11,125,808	13,528,391 9,339,925	4,296,091
IVIIIK	2,414,992	3,191,948	5,405,144	7,892,462	10,911,397	3,463,936	5,478,723	9,559,925	2,965,997
Total production									
income	43,882,805	48,198,692	67,510,037	65,351,024	102,799,819	32,634,864	23,190,942	35,708,546	11,339,646
Cost of production:									
Crops	(18,770,450)	(17,616,790)	(34,463,844)	(35,799,706)	(52,401,684)	(16,635,455)	(8,007,741)	(10,454,611)	(3,319,978)
Beef cattle	(8,813,155)	(15,112,209)	(17,012,337)	(18,780,372)	(15,050,438)	(4,777,917)	(8,258,522)	(9,746,041)	(3,094,964)
Milk	(1,483,172)	(1,307,962)	(2,094,975)	(5,845,360)	(8,476,391)	(2,690,918)	(3,537,970)	(6,252,352)	(1,985,504)
Total cost of									
production	(29,066,777)	(34,036,961)	(53,571,156)	(60,425,438)	(75,928,513)	(24,104,290)	(19,804,233)	(26,453,004)	(8,400,446)
Gross income from	( - ) ) )	(- ,,,	(	(	(	( ) - ) /	( - , , ,	( -) /- /	(-,, -,
production	14,816,028	14,161,731	13,938,881	4,925,586	26,871,306	8,530,574	3,386,709	9,255,542	2,939,200
Sales:									
Crops	50,167,010	26,838,376	30,893,216	61,659,566	53,401,376	16,952,818	13,239,915	35,118,126	11,152,152
Beef cattle	20,566,175	27,723,604	36,826,885	33,713,479	31,966,582	10,148,121	15,400,961	14,697,505	4,667,356
Milk	2,414,992	3,191,948	3,463,144	7,892,462	9,730,929	3,089,184	4,603,474	8,958,759	2,844,954
Feed lot	4,453,320	7,120,335	2,129,838	2,721,377	3,102,229	984,835	3,102,229	0.240.291	2 0 ( 9 0 ( 9
Other	1,985,004	4,778,545	4,859,931	6,353,777	12,116,372	3,846,467	5,072,774	9,349,281	2,968,968
Total sales	79,586,501	69,652,808	78,173,014	112,340,661	110,317,488	35,021,425	41,419,353	68,123,671	21,633,430
Cost of sales:									
Crops	(47,129,107)	(23,941,415)	(30,460,110)	(53,286,035)	(50,434,966)	(16,011,100)	(13,761,324)	(32,477,083)	(10,313,459)
Beef cattle	(19,450,110)	(26,478,681)	(35,810,780)	(32,993,523)	(30,272,710)	(9,610,384)	(14,732,739)	(13,518,741)	(4,293,027)
Milk	(2,414,992)	(3,191,948)	(3,463,144)	(7,892,462)	(9,730,929)	(3,089,184)	(4,603,474)	(8,958,759)	(2,844,954)
Feed lot	(4,193,288)	(6,185,771)	(1,855,278)	(2,318,102)	(2,823,865)	(896,465)	(2,784,316)		
Other	(1,387,411)	(1,196,060)	(1,546,204)	(2,093,332)	(5,870,058)	(1,863,510)	(1,519,840)	(4,868,595)	(1,546,077)
Total cost of sales	(74,574,908)	(60,993,875)	(73,135,516)	(98,583,454)	(99,132,528)	(31,470,644)	(37,401,693)	(59,823,178)	(18,997,516)
Gross income from		(,,		(		(- , - , - , - ,			
sales	5.011.593	8,658,933	5.037.498	13,757,207	11,184,960	3,550,781	4,017,660	8,300,493	2,635,914
Gross profit	19,827,621	22,820,664	18,976,379	18,682,793	38,056,266	12,081,354	7,404,369	17,556,035	5,575,114
Selling expenses	(6,115,048)	(5,740,115)	(6,599,566)	(10,151,452)	(9,971,891)	(3,165,680)	(2,639,664)	(5,069,107)	(1,609,751)
Administrative							( ) )		
expenses	(4,567,091)	(4,957,250)	(7,271,279)	(11,560,307)	(16,628,088)	(5,278,758)	(8,550,529)	(9,000,360)	(2,858,164)
Net gain on sale of									
farms	4,869,484	1,668,751	19,987,989	9,897,186	22,255,710	7,065,305		3,233,104	1,026,708
Gain from recognition of other assets at net									
realizable value								17,424,454	5,533,329
Unrealized gain on									
inventories	10 10								<b></b>
Beef cattle	12,402,776	2,236,255	11,620,779	2,847,711	5,102,943	1,619,982	1,469,238	2,657,122	843,799
Crops	1,590,397	1,783,574	(456,710)	1,391,209	(805,910)	(255,844)	1,935,168	(4,389,461)	(1,393,922)

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Operating income	28,008,139	17,811,879	36,257,592	11,107,140	38,009,030	12,066,359	(381,418)	22,411,787	7,117,112
Financial results, net	(11,065,223)	(18,969)	63,751,386	12,373,958	(10,457,994)	(3,319,998)	(4,343,286)	(7,275,790)	(2,310,508)
Gain on equity									
investees	67,706,143	26,669,884	28,087,632	22,140,997	40,198,825	12,761,532	22,953,379	9,005,199	2,859,701
Other expense, net	(2,091,884)	(363,761)	(5,065,386)	(3,367,594)	(4,250,800)	(1,349,460)	(1,205,586)	(2,413,581)	(766,460)
Management fee	(7,224,996)	(3,567,003)	(8,533,213)	(3,836,470)	(5,484,697)	(1,741,174)	(2,108,111)	(1,582,959)	(502,686)
Income before									
income tax and									
minority interest	75,332,179	40,532,030	114,498,011	38,418,031	58,014,364	18,417,258	14,914,978	20,144,656	6,397,160
Income tax expense	(10,531,263)	(8,570,269)	(37,787,594)	(5,431,831)	(8,375,095)	(2,658,760)	2,140,134	(5,631,806)	(1,788,443)
Minority interest	224,045	141,261	88,501	(102,924)	(277,000)	(87,937)	(16,557)	(40,194)	(12,764)
Net income	65,024,961	32,103,022	76,798,918	32,883,276	49,362,269	15,670,562	17,038,555	14,472,656	4,595,953
U.S. GAAP									
Total sales	71,878,218	62,179,287	75,582,982	105,371,504	104,493,979	33,172,692			
Total cost of sales	(50,578,787)	(40,330,843)	(52,000,895)	(83,441,671)	(62,333,457)	(19,788,399)			
Gross profit	21,299,431	21,848,444	23,582,087	21,929,833	42,160,522	13,384,293			

	<b>2003</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	2004	As of and for the year ended June 30, 2005 2006 2007			2007 <sup>(2)</sup> (in US\$, except for	2006	for the three m December 31 2007 pt for ratios)		
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expenses Operating	(9,025,339)	(4,561,060)	(16,466,503)	(14,298,716)	(21,878,033)	(6,945,407)				
income Financial	6,159,044	11,547,269	516,018	(2,520,335)	10,346,605	3,284,637				
results, net	(27,336,810)	(8,998,813)	54,964,547	2,017,841	(18,181,646)	(5,771,951)				
Gain on equity investees	67,342,113	3,455,098	47,201,959	21,758,975	40,562,309	12,876,923				
Income before income tax and minority										
interest	48,941,947	7,197,759	117,631,326	27,864,275	50,856,515	16,144,925				
Income tax expense	(2,646,951)	(3,945,940)	(31,025,373)	(272,575)	(1,244,203)	(394,985)				
Minority interest	83,008	35,483	88,501	(102,924)	(277,000)	(87,937)				
Net income	46,378,004	3,287,302	86,694,454	27,488,776	49,335,312	15,662,003				
BALANCE SHEET DATA										
Argentine GAAP										
Current assets:										
Cash and										
banks and investments	23,363,232	14,624,161	74,446,153	32,221,149	86,772,082	27,546,693	22,846,991	7,231,016	2,296,290	
Inventories	23,305,421	35,441,885	46,293,640	28,932,135	52,460,289	16,654,060	49,476,568	92,485,202	29,369,705	
Trade and other										
receivables, net	13,639,837	24,221,264	32,002,331	33,829,580	77,542,466	24,616,656	26,902,554	58,098,594	18,449,855	
Other Assets	15,059,657	24,221,204	52,002,551	55,829,580	77,342,400	24,010,030	20,902,554	19,802,484	6,288,499	
Non-current										
assets: Other										
receivables	672,817	101,758	6,480,334	36,005,292	43,236,560	13,725,892	41,210,720	38,589,842	12,254,634	
Inventories Investments	37,796,987 338,604,025	44,740,030 393,382,176	53,223,179 394,899,782	62,712,423 505,423,985	68,345,438 541,328,760	21,696,964 171,850,400	66,616,712 520,682,569	71,183,737 759,183,241	22,605,188 241,087,088	
Negative	550,004,025	575,562,170	554,055,702	505,425,705	541,520,700	171,050,400	520,002,507	757,105,241	241,007,000	
goodwill, net Property and	(19,347,598)	(25,869,346)	(30,430,822)	(76,825,838)	(67,306,386)	(21,367,107)	(72,145,013)	(134,678,152)	(42,768,546)	
equipment, net	150,932,466	160,026,473	166,497,596	224,775,512	245,919,561	78,069,702	236,440,473	255,890,648	81,260,923	
Intangible assets, net	369,637			23,581,646	23,581,646	7,486,237	23,581,646	23,581,646	7,488,614	
Total assets	569,336,824	646,668,401	743,412,193	870,655,884	1,071,880,416	340,279,497	915,613,220	1,191,368,258	378,332,251	
Current liabilities:										
Trade accounts payable	8,002,449	10,840,177	17,894,529	26,438,528	30,935,851	9,820,905	38,330,776	41,017,073	13,025,428	
Short-term debt	1,425,499	8,090,261	11,499,782	66,421,573	122,749,734	38,968,169	139,817,661	217,809,995	69,167,988	
Other liabilities, taxes, expenses,	7,158,058	8,090,201	36,585,829	9,048,990	14,006,121	4,446,388	9,532,913	21,584,718	6,854,467	

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salaries and									
social security									
payable									
Non-current									
liabilities:									
Long-term									
debt	137,995,607	125,920,201	114,798,751	99,550,449	27,085,386	8,598,535	25,988,936	2,093,796	664,908
Taxes payable	22,749,374	26,213,217	39,285,385	42,770,882	51,312,237	16,289,599	40,516,058	56,945,343	18,083,628
1.2									
Total									
liabilities	177,330,987	181,434,754	220,064,276	244,230,422	246,089,329	78,123,596	254,186,344	339,450,925	107,796,419
Minority	177,550,987	101,454,754	220,004,270	244,230,422	240,009,529	76,125,590	234,100,344	559,450,925	107,790,419
•	206,712	65,451	276.047	559,871	836,872	265 (74	576 400	024 075	20( (2(
interest	206,712	05,451	276,947	559,871	830,872	265,674	576,428	934,075	296,626
Shareholders	201 700 125	465 160 106	522 070 070	(25.0(5.501	024.054.215	2(1,000,007	((0.050.440	050 002 050	270 220 205
equity	391,799,125	465,168,196	523,070,970	625,865,591	824,954,215	261,890,227	660,850,448	850,983,258	270,239,205
U.S. GAAP									
Non-current									
assets:									
Inventories	11,158,969	14,371,493	16,950,827	26,348,869	32,297,175	10,253,071			
Investments	206,463,936	236,526,965	289,309,184	444,010,858	597,100,979	189,555,866			
Total assets	423,698,035	478,020,170	625,764,749	843,456,953	1,158,910,758	367,908,177			
Non-current									
liabilities:									
Long-term									
debt	82,925,903	76.346.451	74,810,412	69.708.185	4,722,857	1,499,320			
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Taxes payable	54,668,735	53,809,128	60,714,471	59,020,118	60,586,895	19,233,935			
Total									
liabilities	151,247,284	155,443,201	199,627,882	228,821,956	233,001,458	73,968,717			
Shareholders									
equity	272,349,817	322,511,158	425,859,920	614,066,773	925,072,428	293,673,787			
CASH									
FLOW									
DATA									
Argentine									
GAAP									
Net cash									
provided by									
(used in)									
. ,									
operating	10 425 704	(000 751)	(10,100,027)	(21.470.041)	(56 140 70 1)	(17,000,17.1)	(5.017.010)	(11 101 401)	(2,552,054)
activities	12,435,796	(280,751)	(10,100,935)	(21,470,041)	(56,140,794)	(17,822,474)	(5,817,210)	(11,191,401)	(3,553,954)

					20		As of and for the three months ended			
	<b>2003</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	A 2004	s of and for the 2005	year ended June 2006	e 30, 2007	<b>2007</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	2006	December 31, 2007	<b>2007</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	
		(in P	's., except for ra	tios)		(in US\$, except for ratios)	(in Ps., excej	ot for ratios) (unaudited)	(in US\$, except for ratios)	
Net cash provided by (used in)								(unuunteu)		
investing activities	(200,614,009)	(25,089,388)	62,734,033	(110,865,934)	(866,877)	(275,199)	(10,501,262)	(136,718,341)	(43,416,431)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing	145 414 254	16 (70 247	1 (01 477	02 250 520	115 010 555	24 244 222	10 200 100	(0.002.(21	21 007 100	
activities	165,644,376	16,670,247	1,691,457	92,250,539	115,813,757	36,766,272	10,288,190	68,982,621	21,906,199	
U.S. GAAP <sup>(9)</sup> Net cash (used in) provided by operating										
activities Net cash (used in) provided by	14,521,304	(13,156,027)	54,735,816	(3,839,611)	(62,359,968)	(19,796,815)				
investing activities	(194,782,124)	(12,983,501)	(1,918,881)	(133,000,622)	5,295,891	1,681,235				
Net cash provided by (used in) financing										
activities Effects of	165,644,376	16,670,247	1,691,457	92,250,539	115,813,757	36,766,272				
exchange rate changes	(13,656,319)	1,272,280	(183,837)	4,504,528	56,406	17,907				
Effects of inflation accounting	4,863,453									
OTHER FINANCIAL DATA										
Argentine GAAP										
Basic net income per share <sup>(3)</sup>	0.54	0.23	0.49	0.19	0.20	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.01	
Diluted net income per share <sup>(4)</sup>	0.19	0.13	0.25	0.13	0.16	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.01	
Basic net income per	0.19	0.15	0.23	0.15	0.10	0.05	0.00	0.03	0.01	
ADS <sup>(3)(5)</sup> Diluted net	5.40	2.30	4.90	1.93	2.00	0.63	0.77	0.46	0.15	
income per ADS <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	1.90	1.30	2.50	1.32	1.60	0.51	0.57	0.46	0.15	
Weighted average number of common shares										
outstanding Weighted	121,388,429	137,137,783	155,343,629	170,681,455	247,149,373		221,502,597	313,743,488	313,743,488	
average number of common shares outstanding plus assumed										
conversion <sup>(6)</sup>	246,526,666	321,214,392	321,214,392	321,214,392	321,214,392		321,214,392	313,743,488	313,743,488	

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Dividends paid <sup>(7)</sup>	1.50	3.00	10.00	5.50	8.25	3.00			
Dividends per	1.50	5.00	10.00	5.50	0.25	5.00			
share	0.012	0.020	0.059	0.024	0.026	0.008			
Dividends per	0.12	0.20	0.50	0.04	0.04	0.00			
ADS <sup>(5)</sup> Depreciation	0.12	0.20	0.59	0.24	0.26	0.08			
and									
amortization	3,825,546	3,937,141	4,169,139	5,112,088	4,333,122	1,375,594	2,155,559	2,384,843	757,333
Capital									
expenditures <sup>(8)</sup>	31,129,070	15,189,386	25,959,614	55,770,620	29,326,622	9,310,039	13,844,652	14,051,592	4,462,239
Gross	45 0.01	47.20	20.10	20 (0	27.00	27.00	21.0%	40.20	40.00
margin <sup>(10)</sup> Operating	45.2%	47.3%	28.1%	28.6%	37.0%	37.0%	31.9%	49.2%	49.2%
margin <sup>(11)</sup>	63.8%	37.0%	53.7%	17.0%	37.0%	37.0%	(1.6)%	62.8%	62.8%
Net margin <sup>(12)</sup>	148.2%	66.6%	113.8%	50.3%	48.0%	48.0%	73.5%	40.5%	40.5%
Ratio of current assets to current									
liabilities	3.64	2.54	2.31	0.93	1.29	1.29	0.53	0.63	0.63
Ratio of									
shareholders									
equity to total									
liabilities	2.21	2.56	2.38	2.56	3.35	3.35	2.60	2.51	2.51
Ratio of non current assets to									
total assets	0.89	0.89	0.79	0.89	0.80	0.80	0.89	0.85	0.85
U.S. GAAP Basic net									
income per									
share <sup>(3)</sup>	0.38	0.02	0.56	0.16	0.20	0.06			
Diluted net									
income per									
share <sup>(4)</sup>	0.19	0.02	0.34	0.15	0.18	0.06			
Basic net income per									
$ADS^{(3)(5)}$	3.80	0.24	5.58	1.61	2.00	0.63			
Diluted net									
income per									
ADS <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	1.90	0.24	3.38	1.54	1.80	0.57			
Weighted									
average number of common									
shares									
outstanding	121,388,429	137,137,783	155,343,629	170,681,455	247,149,373				
Weighted									
average number									
of common shares									
outstanding									
plus assumed									
conversion <sup>(6)</sup>	194,235,230	137,137,783	283,140,627	282,836,274	308,253,058				
Gross									
margin <sup>(10)</sup>	29.6%	35.1%	31.2%	20.8%	40.3%	40.3%			
Operating margin <sup>(11)</sup>	8.6%	18.6%	0.7%	(2.4%)	9.9%	9.9%			
Net margin <sup>(12)</sup>	64.5%		114.7%	26.1%	47.2%	47.2%			
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(1) We have complied with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* resolution in connection with the discontinuance of inflation accounting and accordingly have recorded the effects of inflation until February 28, 2003. We have restated comparative figures until that date. In addition, in fiscal year 2003, as required by Argentine GAAP, we restated the prior year s financial statements to give retroactive effect to new accounting standards adopted in that year, except for certain valuation and disclosure criteria that in accordance with the transition provisions were applied prospectively. See notes 2.d and 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

- (2) Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.149 = US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent, could have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls.
- (3) Basic net income per share is computed by dividing the net income available to common shareholders for the period by the weighted average common shares outstanding during the period.
- (4) Diluted net income per share is computed by dividing the net income for the period by the weighted average number of common shares assuming the total conversion of outstanding notes. See Notes 13 and 17.II.f) to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details on the computation of earning per share under Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, respectively.
- (5) Determined by multiplying per share amounts by ten (one ADS equals ten common shares).
- (6) Assuming (i) conversion into common shares of all of our outstanding convertible notes due 2007 and (ii) exercise of all outstanding warrants to purchase our common shares. The term for the exercise of our outstanding warrants and the conversion of our outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. During the conversion and exercise periods, holders of our warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 49,867,018 warrants and converted an aggregate of 49,910,874 convertible notes, respectively, increasing our capital stock to 320,774,772 issued and outstanding shares. As of the date of this prospectus, there are no additional outstanding warrants or convertible notes to acquire our shares.
- (7) On October 10, 2007, our shareholders held their ordinary annual meeting at which the payment of a cash dividend of Ps.8.25 million was approved.
- (8) Includes the purchase of farms and other property and equipment.
- (9) This table is intended to present cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities under Argentine GAAP but following the classification guidelines of SFAS No. 95 under U.S. GAAP. See Note 17.II.e) to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details of the differences in classifications affecting the categories of cash flows.
- (10) Gross profit divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is gross profit divided by sales.
- (11) Operating income divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is operating income divided by sales.
- (12) Net income divided by the sum of production income, except for information under U.S. GAAP, where the ratio is net income divided by sales.

### SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION FOR IRSA

The following table presents IRSA s selected consolidated financial and other information as of and for each of the periods indicated. This data is qualified in its entirety by reference to, and should be read together with IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto and IRSA s Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated income statement data for the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2007 have been derived from IRSA s unaudited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2007 and for the six months ended december 31, 2006 have been derived from IRSA s unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2005 and 2007 included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2006 have been derived from IRSA s unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2005 and 2006 which are not included in this prospectus. The selected consolidated income statement data for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007 included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected consolidated income statement data for the year ended June 30, 2004 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2005 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2005 and 2006 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2006 which are not included in this prospectus. We have made certain reclassifications to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006, as originally issued, to conform to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected consolidated income statement data for the year ended June 30, 2003 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2004 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2005 which are not included in this prospectus. We have made certain reclassifications to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004 and 2005 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2005, as originally issued, to conform to the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2003 have been derived from IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004 which are not included in this prospectus. The accountants report on the consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004, stated that IRSA had a significant investment in Banco Hipotecario which represented approximately 7.3% of IRSA s total consolidated assets as of June 30, 2004 and further stated that the accountants' report of the consolidated financial statements of Banco Hipotecario (which IRSA accounted for under the equity method of accounting) included an explanatory paragraph describing that the quality of Banco Hipotecario s financial condition and results of operations depended to a significant extent on macroeconomic and political conditions prevailing from time to time in Argentina. Further, the accountants report described that the political and economic crisis of late 2001 and early 2002 and the Argentine government s actions to address such crisis had a significant adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario s business activity and that Banco Hipotecario was significantly dependent on the Argentine government s ability to perform its obligations to Banco Hipotecario, and to the entire financial and banking system in Argentina, in connection with federal secured loans, federal government securities and on its obligations to approve and deliver government securities under various laws and regulations. The accountants report stated that these uncertainties could have had an adverse effect in the valuation of the investment in Banco Hipotecario. We have made certain reclassifications to Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2003 and 2004 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2004, as originally issued, to conform to its consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

References to fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 are to IRSA s fiscal years ended June 30 of each such year.

IRSA currently owns 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario, Argentina s leading mortgage lender in terms of outstanding mortgage loans, and this prospectus also incorporates by reference our Form 20-F which includes Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2007 and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007. Banco Hipotecario maintains its financial books and records in pesos and prepares its financial statements in conformity with the Central Bank s policies which prescribe the reporting and disclosure requirements for banks and financial institutions in Argentina (Central Bank accounting rules). These rules differ in certain significant respects from Argentine GAAP. A narrative description of significant differences between Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP are set forth in Note 6 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements included in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended June 30, 2007 which is incorporated by reference herein. Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP also differ in certain significant aspects from U.S. GAAP. Such differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in such consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and regulations of the SEC. See Note 37 to Banco Hipotecario s audited consolidated financial statements for a description of the principal differences between Central Bank accounting rules and U.S. GAAP as they relate to Banco Hipotecario, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of Banco Hipotecario s net income and shareholders equity.

# Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Information for IRSA

		A			20		As of and		onths ended
	2003	AS 01 3 2004	and for the ye 2005	2006	2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup> (in thousands US\$, except	2006	December 3 2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup> (in thousands US\$, except
	(in t	housands Ps. <sup>(2</sup>	<sup>b)</sup> , except ratio	os)		ratios)(in th	ousands Ps.	<sup>(2)</sup> , except ra (unaudited	
INCOME STATEMENT								(	7
DATA									
Argentine GAAP									
Revenues:									
Development and sale of	16.616	20.257	22 211	100.077		24.054	20 772	(2.011	20.010
properties	46,616	30,257	32,311	103,966	75,751	24,056	30,753	63,011	20,010
Office and other									
non-shopping center rental			10 101			1 - 600			
properties	17,770	15,144	19,431	30,565	55,683	17,683	22,989	44,823	14,234
Shopping centers	88,819	113,216	165,529	215,003	270,266	85,826	133,224	172,567	54,801
Credit card operations	24,935	30,034	64,558	122,969	212,965	67,629	89,296	139,901	44,427
Hotel operations	57,730	71,295	87,120	103,763	122,681	38,959	62,651	75,974	24,126
Financial operations and									
others	625	859	940	1,414	1,410	448	1,418	340	108
Total revenues	236,495	260,805	369,889	577,680	738,756	234,600	340,331	496,616	157,706
Costs	(154,667)	(147,416)	(168,074)	(243,831)	(311,647)	(98,967)	(142,749)	(209,659)	(66,580)
Gross profit (loss):									
Development and sale of									
properties	89	4,408	14,769	49,766	17,928	5,693	(73)	15,594	4,952
Office and other									
non-shopping center rental									
properties	8,677	6,871	11,685	21,578	38,984	12,380	18,303	29,809	9,466
Shopping centers	30,061	52,734	95,748	137,621	179,154	56,892	94,167	124,082	39,404
Credit card operations	16,605	18,069	41,456	79,036	136,714	43,415	55,553	82,831	26,304
Hotel operations	26,357	31,246	38,196	45,792	53,721	17,060	28,968	34,554	10,973
Financial operations and									
others	39	61	(39)	56	608	193	664	87	28
Total gross profit	81,828	113,389	201,815	333,849	427,109	135,633	197,582	286,957	91,126
Gain from recognition of									
inventories at net realizable									
value			17,317	9,063	20,737	6,585	6,965	1,382	439
Selling expenses	(28,555)	(21,988)	(36,826)	(60,105)	(113,709)	(36,110)	(43,034)	(61,382)	(19,493)
Administrative expenses	(46,493)	(51,400)	(70,670)	(96,882)	(141,427)	(44,912)	(62,333)	(85,376)	(27,112)
Gain on purchasers									
rescissions of sales	9								
Net (loss) income from									
retained interest in									
securitized receivables	(4,077)	261	423	2,625	3,254	1,033	5,514	320	102
Gain from operations and									
holdings of real estate assets,									
net	21,507	63,066	27,938	12,616	2,568	815			
Operating income (loss):									

						As of and for the six months ended				
			and for the ye		,		••••	December	- )	
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	2006	2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	
						(in thousands US\$, except			(in thousands US\$, except	
	(in t	thousands Ps. <sup>(2</sup>	) excent ratio	e)		ratios) in thousands Ps. <sup>(2)</sup> , except ratios ratios)				
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Development and sale of								(		
properties	2,262	183	20,566	44,277	6,177	1,962	(2,889)	4,164	1,322	
Office and other non-shopping										
center rental properties	1,688	29,685	13,220	11,862	19,626	6,232	10,424	17,481	5,551	
Shopping centers	18,709	58,771	81,638	105,583	124,832	39,642	68,732	94,813	30,109	
Credit card operations	(4,616)	4,490	13,546	24,836	32,636	10,364	17,775	13,823	4,390	
Hotel operations	6,176	10,138	11,066	14,552	14,653	4,653	9,988	11,533	3,662	
Financial operations and	-,	-,	,	)	,	,	- ,	,	- ,	
others		61	(39)	56	608	193	664	87	28	
		01	(0))	20	000	190		07	-0	
Total operating income	24,219	103,328	139,997	201,166	198,532	63,046	104,694	141,901	45,062	
Amortization of goodwill	(6,631)	(2,904)	(1,663)	(1,080)	(1,472)	(467)	(498)	616	196	
(Loss) gain on equity	(2,001)	(=,> 0 .)	(1,000)	(-,000)	(-,)	(,)	(	010	170	
investees	(14,701)	26,653	67,207	41,657	40,026	12,711	15,034	(9,066)	(2,879)	
Financial results, net	315,645	12,203	(11,848)	(40,926)	4,099	1,302	12,305	(54,853)	(17,419)	
Other income (expenses), net	96	(12,856)	(14,089)	(18,263)	(14,100)	(4,478)	(6,327)	(4,500)	(1,429)	
Income before taxes and	90	(12,050)	(14,009)	(10,205)	(14,100)	(4,470)	(0, 527)	(4,500)	(1,429)	
minority interest	318,628	126,424	179,604	182,554	227,085	72,113	125,208	74,098	23,531	
Income tax and minimum	518,028	120,424	179,004	162,334	227,085	72,113	125,208	74,090	25,551	
	2 520	(25, 720)	(52 207)	(59 701)	(97 520)	(27,700)	(27 070)	(16 151)	(14,751)	
presumed income tax	3,529	(25,720)	(53,207)	(58,791)	(87,539)	(27,799)	. , ,	(46,451)		
Minority interest Net income	(35,712) 286,445	(12,842) 87,862	(23,152) 103,245	(27,190) 96,573	(32,449) 107,097	(10,305) 34,010	(21,210) 66,120	(21,863) 5,784	(6,943) 1,837	
Net meome	200,445	07,002	105,245	90,575	107,097	54,010	00,120	5,764	1,037	
U.S. GAAP										
Revenues	280,690	327,424	426,499	621,012	867,452	275,469				
Costs	(208,149)	(216,742)	(235,341)	(321,788)	(413,957)	(131,457)				
Gross profit	72,541	110,682	191,158	299,224	453,495	144,012				
Gain from recognition of										
inventories at net realizable										
value										
Selling expenses	(28,555)	(23,937)	(36,255)	(66,278)	(104,997)	(33,343)				
Administrative expenses	(50,139)	(57,928)	(77,451)		(142,714)	(45,320)				
Gain on purchasers rescissions										
of sales	9									
Net income (loss) from										
retained interest in securitized										
receivables	1,392	(1,526)	4,591	(12,274)	(115)	(37)				
Operating (loss) income	(4,752)	27,291	82,043	121,716	205,669	65,312				
(Loss) gain on equity	(1,702)	_,	02,010	121,710	200,007	00,012				
investees	(5,621)	(20,161)	138,560	64,697	42,957	13,641				
Financial results, net	265,753	21,195	(31,072)	(50,854)	(43,705)	(13,879)				
Other incomes (expenses), net	9,880	(4,026)	(10,271)	(7,338)	(13,433)	(4,266)				
Income before taxes and	2,000	(4,020)	(10,271)	(7,550)	(15,455)	(4,200)				
minority interest	265,260	24,299	179,259	128,221	191,488	60,808				
Income tax and minimum	205,200	27,277	179,239	120,221	171,400	00,000				
presumed income tax	3,020	(12 528)	(3/ 7/7)	(18,678)	(39,176)	(12,441)				
		(12,528)	(34,747)							
Minority interest	(33,154)	(8,946)	(15,114)	(19,597)	(49,090)	(15,589)				
Net income	235,126	2,825	129,398	89,946	103,222	32,778				

						As of and for the six months ended				
	As of and for the year ended June 30,					(1)	December 31,			
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup> (in thousands	2006	2007	2007 <sup>(1)</sup> (in thousands	
						US\$, except			US\$, except	
	(in	thousands Ps.(	<sup>2)</sup> , except ratio	os)	ratios) (in thousands Ps. <sup>(2)</sup> , except ratios) ratios)					
BALANCE SHEET					(unaudited)					
DATA										
Argentine GAAP										
Cash and banks and										
current investments	232,001	163,900	211,934	233,438	856,707	272,057	288,741	575,100	182,629	
Inventories	23,854	29,711	99,811	162,110	256,203	81,360	141,765	156,204	49,604	
Mortgages and lease										
receivables, net	39,181	37,267	73,246	147,955	212,065	67,344	219,014	253,336	80,450	
Non-current	410 700	510,400	542.062	(47.001	(70.070	212.005	(10.524	(02.542	210.024	
investments <sup>(3)</sup>	412,789	519,499	542,863	647,981	673,273	213,805	618,534	692,542	219,924	
Fixed assets, net Total current assets	1,235,223 297,476	1,274,675 261,651	1,445,551 389,735	1,413,212 481,788	2,027,311 1,175,790	643,795 373,385	1,682,841 583,165	2,340,503 982,900	743,253 312,131	
Total cullent assets	297,470	201,051	569,755	401,700	1,175,790	575,565	585,105	982,900	512,151	
Total assets	2,081,956	2,208,326	2,524,426	2,740,121	4,144,899	1,316,259	3,099,306	4,155,974	1,319,776	
Short-term debt(4)	96,159	143,126	130,728	142,140	214,193	68,019	409,607	87,619	27,824	
Total current liabilities	188,738	256,022	310,977	419,228	652,082	207,076	756,968	558,219	177,269	
Long-term debt <sup>(5)</sup>	592,104	468,807	422,412	295,282	1,222,423	388,194	228,129	1,099,243	349,077	
Total non-current										
liabilities	629,988	522,213	515,381	385,138	1,395,693	443,218	350,768	1,263,996	401,396	
Minority interest	454,044	470,237	445,839	449,989	450,410	143,033	414,993	458,672	145,656	
Shareholders equity	809,186	959,854	1,252,229	1,485,766	1,646,714	522,932	1,576,577	1,875,087	595,455	
U.S. GAAP										
Cash and banks and										
current investments	231,293	163,435	212,855	233,032	856,318	271,933				
Inventories	23,584	25,374	46,702	61,720	160,961	51,115				
Mortgages and lease receivables, net	39,181	37,267	72,577	145,718	205,267	65,185				
Other receivables and	39,101	57,207	12,311	145,710	205,207	05,185				
prepaid expenses	80,799	127,114	113,395	131,502	241,656	76,741				
Non-current			,		,					
investments <sup>(3)</sup>	281,583	327,883	436,063	599,679	590,646	187,566				
Fixed assets, net	1,221,859	1,230,020	1,392,626	1,360,136	1,912,457	607,322				
Intangible assets, net	1,629	666	712	468	22,226	7,058				
Total current assets	313,595	270,883	386,051	471,053	1,183,147	375,721				
Total assets	1,874,299	1,923,456	2,291,808	2,503,812	3,997,217	1,269,361				
Trade accounts	20, 122	16 11 1	<0.0 <b>70</b>	126.262		02.211				
payable	30,432	46,414	68,372	136,362	293,522	93,211				
Other liabilities	40,382	46,524	90,106	94,655	101,764	32,316				
Short-term debt <sup>(4)</sup>	83,217	135,661	111,994	120,172	216,829	68,856				
Total current liabilities	202,679	260,521	314,939	431,422	669,983	212,761				
Long-term debt <sup>(5)</sup>	600,616	465,099	413,812	298,570	1,225,212	389,080				
Total non-current	000,010	,	.15,012	_>0,570	.,,1	567,000				
liabilities	801,806	696,791	698,344	558,951	1,603,747	509,288				
Minority interest	367,012	378,404	357,062	355,385	366,381	116,348				
Shareholders equity	502,803	587,740	921,718	1,158,364	1,358,739	431,483				
CASH FLOW DATA										
Argenting GAAP										

Argentine GAAP

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Net cash provided by									
operating activities	93,945	74,691	93,490	194,685	163,099	51,794	93,615	114,916	36,493
Net cash used in									
investing activities	(40,603)	(97,186)	(126,682)	(136,567)	(510,774)	(162,202)	(209,172)	(359,528)	(114,172)

		As of	and for the ye	or orded Iu	uno 30		As of and for the six months ended December 31,		
	2003	2004 AS 01 3	2005	2006 2006	2007	<b>2007</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	2006	2007	2007(1)
						(in thousands US\$, except			(in thousands US\$, except
	(in thousands Ps. <sup>(2)</sup> , except ratios)								atios)ratios)
Net cash provided by (used in)									
financing activities	109,439	(47,649)	52,868	(36,767)	892,258	283,346	143,972	(21,129)	(6,710)
U.S. GAAP <sup>(6)</sup>									
Net cash provided by operating									
activities	55,135	92,378	105,655	192,589	111,936	35,547			
Net cash used in investing									
activities	(52,260)	(105,061)	(141,746)	(128,687)	(470,318)	(149,355)			
Net cash provided by (used in)	109,439	(47,649)	52,868	(36,767)	900,907	286,093			
financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes	109,459	(47,049)	52,000	(30, 707)	900,907	280,095			
on cash and cash equivalents	51,743	(8,081)	2,899	(5,784)	2,058	654			
Effect of inflation accounting	(1,472)	(0,001)	2,077	(3,701)	2,050	001			
OTHER FINANCIAL DATA Argentine GAAP									
Capital expenditures <sup>(7)</sup>	10,991	26,908	79,997	116,201	919,377	133,178	247,152	362,530	115,125
Depreciation and	10,771	20,700	19,991	110,201	515,577	155,170	217,132	502,550	115,125
amortization <sup>(8)</sup>	69,437	65,491	74,091	80,979	96,996	30,802	41,490	58,560	18,596
Ratio of current assets to									
current liabilities	1.576	1.022	1.253	1.149	1.803	1.803	0.770	1.761	1.761
Ratio of shareholders equity to									
total liabilities	0.988	1.233	1.515	1.847	0.804	0.804	1.423	1.029	1.029
Ratio of non-current assets to	0.057	0.000	0.046	0.024	0.716	0.714	0.012	0.7(2	0.7(2
total assets Working conital <sup>(9)</sup>	0.857 108,738	0.882	0.846 78,758	0.824	0.716 523,708	0.716 166,309	0.812 (173,803)	0.763	0.763
Working capital <sup>(9)</sup>	108,738	5,629	10,138	62,560	525,708	100,509	(1/3,803)	424,081	134,862

- (1) Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* for December 31, 2007 which was Ps.3.149 per US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent, could have been or could be converted into Dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls . Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (2) In thousands of constant Pesos of December 31, 2007. Includes adjustment for inflation through February 28, 2003. Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (3) Includes IRSA s 11.8% investment in Banco Hipotecario and IRSA s investments in undeveloped parcels of land.
- (4) Includes short-term debt (including the current portion of seller financing) and current mortgages payable.
- (5) Includes long-term debt (including the non-current portion of seller financing) and non-current mortgages payable.
- (6) This table is intended to present cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities under Argentine GAAP but following the classification guidelines of SFAS No. 95 under U.S. GAAP. See Note 28 to IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for details of the differences in classifications affecting the categories of cash flows.
- (7) Includes the purchase of fixed assets (including facilities and equipment), undeveloped parcels of land and renovation and remodeling of hotels and shopping centers.
- (8) Corresponds to depreciation and amortization included in operating income.
- (9) Working capital is calculated by subtracting consolidated current liabilities from consolidated current assets.

# CRESUD S MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

# AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **Consolidated Operating Results**

The following management s discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read together with Selected Consolidated Financial Data and our consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. This discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements include such words as, expects, anticipates, intends, believes and similar language. Our actual results may differ materially and adversely from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including without limitation those set forth elsewhere in this prospectus.

For purposes of the following discussion, unless otherwise specified, references to fiscal years 2005, 2006 and 2007 relate to the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively.

We maintain our financial books and records in Pesos. We prepare our consolidated financial statements in conformity with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* which differ in significant respects from U.S. GAAP. These differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in the financial statements as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the SEC. See Note 17 to our audited consolidated financial statements set forth elsewhere herein for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to us, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of our net income and shareholders equity.

In order to comply with *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations, we discontinued inflation accounting as of March 1, 2003, and we recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on a non-discounted basis. These accounting practices represent departures from Argentine GAAP. However, we believe that such departures have not had a material effect on our financial statements.

#### **Effects of Devaluation and Economic Crisis**

All of our assets are located and our operations are performed in Argentina. Accordingly, our financial condition and results of operations depend substantially upon economic conditions prevailing in Argentina. Due to the four-year-old recession ended on the second quarter of 2002, the Argentine economy has deteriorated sharply. However, during 2003, certain signs of economic recovery appeared and have continued from 2004 through 2007.

In the fourth quarter of 1998, the Argentine economy entered into a recession that caused the gross domestic product to decrease in real terms by 3.4% in 1999, 0.8% in 2000 and 4.4% in 2001. During the second half of 2001, Argentina s recession worsened significantly, precipitating a serious political and economic crisis. During 2002, the gross domestic product decreased 10.9% compared to 2001, and during the first three quarters of 2003, the gross domestic product increased 7.3%. In 2003, the economy began to recover, closing the year with year on year growth of 11.7%. Exceeding growth expectations, in 2004 the GDP increased 9.0% in comparison with 2003 and during 2005 the economy also expanded strongly at a rate of 9.2%. During 2006 and 2007 Argentine economy, in terms of GDP, continued to grow at an annual rate of 8.5%.

On December 23, 2001, President Adolfo Rodriguez Saá declared the suspension of the payment of foreign debt and later President Eduardo Duhalde ratified his decision. On January 6, 2002, the Congress enacted the Public Emergency Law which repeals several provisions of the Convertibility Law which prevailed in Argentina for 10 years, and the executive branch announced the devaluation of the Peso the establishment of a dual exchange rate system in which certain limited transactions will occur at a fixed rate of Ps.1.4 to US\$1.0 and all other transactions will be settled at a floating market rate depending on supply and demand. This new legislation had a material adverse effect on our financial position and the results of our operations in fiscal year 2002 mainly through its effects in IRSA which was partially offset during fiscal year 2004, 2005 and 2006.

During fiscal year 2005, the Government of President Néstor Kirchner submitted a proposal to creditors to continue the payments of external debt. The official offer for the sovereign debt exchange obtained very good results and was supported by 76.07% of its creditors. The Government was able to record a partial remission of the debt in terms of current value of 65.2% which exceeds any remission recorded in any other debt restructuring process in other countries. This significant achievement represented an opportunity for the country to recover reliability internationally and gave way to an economic context of higher feasibility. On the other hand, in February 2006, the government paid the total debt to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) through the payment of US\$9.530 million, reducing significantly the sovereign debt of the country.

This significant advancement represented an opportunity for the country to recover the international market reliability and allowed generating an economic context of higher feasibility which in turn will encourage the concretion of future investments.

#### **Factors Affecting Comparability**

#### Purchase and Sale of Farms

Our strategy includes the identification, acquisition, exploitation and selective disposition of rural properties that have attractive prospects for long-term value appreciation. As a part of this strategy, from time to time we purchase and sell farms. The acquisition or disposition of farms in any given period may make the production results of that period difficult to compare to those of other periods.

#### Seasonality

Our business activities are inherently seasonal. Harvest and sales of grains (corn, soybean and sunflower) in general take place from February to June. Wheat is harvested from December to January. Others segments of our activities, such as our sales of cattle and milk and our forestry activities tend to be more of a successive character than of a seasonal character. However, the production of beef and milk is generally higher during the second quarter, when pasture conditions are more favorable. In consequence, there may be significant variations in results from one quarter to the other.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

We derive our revenues primarily from (i) the sale of crops, milk and live beef cattle, (ii) cattle feed lot operations, (iii) leasing of our farms to third parties and (iv) commodity brokerage activities.

*Sales.* We recognize revenue on sales of crops, milk and beef cattle when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. We recognize revenue from cattle feeding operations, primarily comprised of feeding, animal health and yardage, and revenue from operating leases and brokerage activities as services are performed.

From time to time we sell properties which we consider not essential to our core operations in order to profit from real estate appreciation opportunities. We record farmland sales under the accrual method of accounting and do not recognize such sales until (i) the sale is consummated, (a sale is not considered consummated until (a) the parties are bound by the terms of a contract, (b) all consideration has been exchanged, (c) any permanent financing for which the seller is responsible has been arranged and (d) all conditions precedent to closing have been performed); (ii) we determine that the buyer s initial and continuing investments in the property being sold are adequate to demonstrate its commitment to pay for the property (the adequacy of a buyer s initial investment is measured by (a) its composition and (b) its size compared with the sale value of the property); (iii) the corresponding receivable is not subject to future subordination (our receivable will not be placed in or occupy a lower rank, class or position with respect to other obligations of the buyer) and (iv) we have transferred to the buyer the usual risks and rewards of ownership and have no continuing substantial involvement in the property.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

In connection with the preparation of our consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus, we have relied on variables and assumptions derived from historical experience and various other factors that we deemed reasonable and relevant. Although we review these estimates and assumptions in the ordinary course of business, the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations often requires our management to make judgments regarding the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain on the carrying value of our assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ significantly from those estimated under different variables, assumptions or conditions. We have described each of the following critical accounting policies and estimates in order to provide an understanding about how our management forms judgments and views with respect to such policies and estimates, as well as the sensitivity of such policies and estimates:

investments in affiliates;

impairment of long-lived assets;

intangible assets concession rights;

derivative instruments; and

#### deferred income tax. *Investments in affiliates*

We use the equity method of accounting for investments in affiliates in which we have significant influence (including both IRSA and BrasilAgro). Critical accounting policies of these affiliates include provision for allowances and contingencies, impairment of long-lived assets, accounting for debt restructuring and accounting for deferred income taxes.

As of December 31, 2007, investments in affiliates were Ps.598.6 million, representing 50.2% of our total assets.

#### IRSA

As of June 30, 2007, we owned approximately 25.0% of the common shares of IRSA, one of Argentina s largest real estate companies. On September 25, 2007, we converted US\$12.0 million of IRSA s convertible notes into 22.0 million common shares of IRSA. On September 30, 2007, we exercised 20.5 million of our IRSA warrants to acquire an additional 37.6 million common shares of IRSA for an aggregate purchase price of US\$24.6 million. Additionally, on October 25, 2007, we exercised 12.5 million of our warrants to acquire an additional 22.9 million common shares of IRSA for an aggregate purchase price of US\$15.0 million. After the exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes described above, we do not hold any additional warrants or convertible notes of IRSA. The term for the exercise of IRSA s outstanding warrants and the conversion of IRSA s outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. Throughout the conversion and exercise periods, holders of IRSA s warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 99,896,806 warrants and converted an aggregate of 99,942,343 convertible notes, respectively, increasing IRSA s capital stock to 578,676,460 issued and outstanding shares. As of the date of this prospectus, there are no further warrants or convertible notes to acquire IRSA s hares. As a result of the exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes, our investment in IRSA s common shares increased from 25% as of June 30, 2007 to 34.6% as of December 31, 2007.

IRSA is engaged in a range of diversified real estate activities including residential properties, office buildings, shopping centers and luxury hotels in Argentina. A majority of our directors are also directors of IRSA, and we are under common control by the same group of controlling shareholders. At December 31, 2007, our investment in IRSA (including its convertible notes) represented approximately 43.2% of our total consolidated assets, and during the six months ended December 31, 2007, our gain from our investment in IRSA was Ps.7.2 million.

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### BrasilAgro

As of December 31, 2007, we owned 8.25% of BrasilAgro and have the ability to exercise significant influence over such company. We value our investment in BrasilAgro under the equity method of accounting because of (a) our capacity to affect the operational and financial decisions due to the fact that (i) in accordance with BrasilAgro s by-laws, we are entitled to appoint three of BrasilAgro s nine directors (including the president of its board of directors every other two years), (ii) three are designated by BrasilAgro s other shareholders and (iii) the remaining three are independent directors appointed jointly by all shareholders and (b) our rights under the shareholders agreement among us, Tarpon Agro Llc, Tarpon Investimentos S.A., Cape Town LLC and Elie Horn which in the aggregate own 14.7% of BrasilAgro s capital and voting stock as of December 31, 2007. Under the terms of this shareholders agreement, the signatories have agreed to vote together in shareholder meetings in respect of matters related to proposals to change directors' and administrators' fees, increases of capital stock and declaration of dividends, among other issues.

#### Impairment of long-lived assets

We periodically evaluate the carrying value of our long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. We consider the carrying value of a long-lived asset to be impaired when the expected cash flows, from such asset are separately identifiable and less than its carrying value. In that event, a loss would be recognized based on the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair market value of the long-lived asset. We determine the fair market value primarily using independent appraisal valuations and utilizing anticipated cash flows discounted at a rate commensurate to the risk involved.

Under Argentine GAAP, the impairment loss is recorded in the income statement against a liability account. This liability account is a contra account to fixed assets which means it is presented on the balance sheet as a direct reduction from the book value of the fixed assets to arrive at the fixed asset s carrying value at any particular point in time. The liability account is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset decreasing depreciation expense each period. Under Argentine GAAP, a previously recognized impairment loss should only be reversed when there is a subsequent change in estimates used to compute the fair market value of the asset. In that event, the new carrying amount of the asset should be the lower of its fair market value or the net carrying amount the asset would have had if no impairment had been recognized. Both the impairment expense and the impairment reversal are recognized in earnings.

We believe that the accounting policy concerning the impairment of long-lived assets is a critical accounting policy, because considerable judgment is necessary to estimate future cash flows and may differ from actual results. For example, farms are non-depreciable assets, and their value could be calculated as a perpetuity (i.e., dividing the expected return of each farm by a discount rate commensurate with the market risk involved). As farming is a low-risk business we used a 6% discount rate for the purposes of the perpetuity value calculation. Even if there had been a 20% reduction in the expected return, it would not have been necessary to recognize any loss for impairment of our farm assets.

#### Intangible assets concession rights

We recorded the concession from the Province of Salta received upon our acquisition Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. (Agropecuaria Cervera) as an amortizable intangible asset at its fair value. Concession rights will be amortized over the life of the concession which was set at 35 years, with an option to extend it for an additional 29-year period. Amortization will start as from the commencement of substantial activities.

This intangible asset will be tested for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. If the carrying amount of an intangible asset exceeds its fair value based on

estimated future undiscounted cash flows, an impairment loss would be indicated. The amount of the impairment loss to be recorded would be based on the excess of the carrying amount of the intangible asset over its discounted future cash flows. Judgment is used in assessing whether the carrying amount of intangible assets is not expected to be recoverable over their estimated remaining useful lives. The determination of fair value requires significant management judgment including estimating future sales volumes, selling prices and costs, changes in working capital, investments in property and equipment and the selection of an appropriate discount rate. Sensitivities of these fair value estimates to changes in assumptions for sales volumes, selling prices and costs are also tested.

#### Derivative instruments

We record all derivative instruments as assets or liabilities on our balance sheet at fair value. We record changes in the fair value of derivatives either in income or other comprehensive income, as appropriate. The gain or loss on derivatives designated as fair value hedges and the offsetting loss or gain on the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are included in current income in the period that changes in fair value occur. The gain or loss on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges is included in other comprehensive income in the period that changes in fair value occur and is reclassified to income in the same period that the hedged item affects income.

#### Deferred income tax

We record income taxes using the deferred tax liability method. Accordingly, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recorded or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. We have treated the differences between the price-level restated amounts of assets and liabilities and their historical basis as permanent differences for deferred income tax calculation purposes.

At the end of the fiscal year there are temporary net liabilities (tax liabilities) mainly originated in the beef cattle valuation and the sale of and reimbursement in fixed assets. Management has made estimations that allow us to recognize this deferred tax.

We believe that the accounting estimate related to deferred income tax is a critical accounting estimate because:

it is highly susceptible to change from period to period because it requires us to make assumptions, such as future revenues and expenses, exchange rates and inflation among others; and

the impact that calculating income tax using this method would have on assets or liabilities reported on our consolidated balance sheet as well as on the income tax result reported in our consolidated statement of income could be material. Adoption by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* of CPCECABA standards

The *Comisión Nacional de Valores* issued General Resolutions 485 and 487 on December 29, 2005 and January 26, 2006, respectively, adopting, with certain modifications, the new accounting standards previously issued by CPCECABA through its Resolution CD 93/2005. These standards became effective for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. The most significant changes included in the accounting standards adopted by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* relate to:

changes in the impairment test of long-lived assets; and

changes to deferred income tax accounting.

Under the new standards, the carrying value of a long-lived asset is considered impaired by a company when the expected cash flows from such asset is separately identifiable and less than its carrying value. Expected cash flows are determined primarily using the anticipated cash flows discounted at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. The new standards also provide for the accounting treatment of differences between the tax basis and book basis of non-monetary items for deferred income tax calculation purposes when companies prepare price-level restated financial statements. The new accounting standard mandates companies to treat these differences as temporary differences but allows a one-time accommodation to continue treating the differences between the tax basis and indexed book basis of non-monetary items as permanent at the time of adoption of the standard. As a result, we elected to continue treating differences as permanent. In addition, the new standards provide for the recognition of deferred income taxes on a non-discounted basis.

#### Principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP

The principal differences, other than inflation accounting, between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP are related to the following:

Effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments on our equity investment in IRSA;

Valuation of inventories;

Deferred income tax;

Elimination of gain on acquisition of minority interest;

Available-for sale securities;

Effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments on our equity investees excluding IRSA;

Accounting for stock options;

Accounting for convertible notes;

Effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments on management fee; and

Effect of changes in the classification of securities.

In addition, certain other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP have been included in the U.S. GAAP reconciliation. See Note 17 to our audited consolidated financial statements included else where in this prospectus.

Net income under Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 was approximately Ps.76.8 million, Ps.32.9 million and Ps.49.4 million, respectively, compared to approximately Ps.86.7 million, Ps.27.5 million and Ps.49.3 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP. Shareholders equity under Argentine GAAP as of June 30, 2006 and 2007, was Ps.625.9 million and Ps.825.0 million, respectively, compared to Ps.614.1 million and Ps.925.1 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP.

# **Segment Information**

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We are required to disclose segment information in accordance with RT 18. RT 18 establishes standards for reporting information about operating segments in annual financial statements and requires reporting of selected information about operating segments in interim financial reports issued to shareholders. Operating segments are components of a company about which separate financial information is available that is regularly evaluated by the chief operating decision maker(s) in deciding how to allocate resources and assess performance. The statement also establishes standards for related disclosures about a company s products and services, geographical areas and major customers.

We are primarily engaged in agricultural operations which are subject to risk, including market prices, weather conditions and environmental concerns. From time to time, we sell properties to profit from real estate appreciation opportunities and which, in the judgment of management, are surplus to the Company s primary operations. Gain on the sale of properties is presented in a separate line within operating income in the consolidated statement of income.

For the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, our principal operations were carried out in Argentina, our country of domicile. As discussed in Note 2.f to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus, in September 2005, we formed BrasilAgro to replicate our business strategy in Brazil. The results of this equity investee are included in our Non Operating segment.

We conduct business in five business segments, organized primarily on a product-line basis, with each segment offering a variety of different but interrelated products:

Our Crops segment includes the planting and harvesting and sale of fine and coarse grains and oilseeds, including wheat, corn, soybeans and sunflowers.

Our Beef cattle segment consists of (i) the raising and fattening of beef cattle from our owned cattle stock and (ii) the purchase and fattening of beef cattle, for sale to meat processors.

Our Milk segment consists of the production of milk for sale to dairy companies.

Our Feed lot segment includes our cattle feeding operation.

Our Others segment consists of services and leasing of our farms to third parties, and commodity brokerage activities. Our Non Operating segment includes gains or losses from equity investees and depreciation for corporate assets. Accordingly, segment information for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005 and 2006 includes our pro rata portion of the results of our equity interest in Cactus on a line-by-line basis due to our proportional consolidation of such results for such fiscal years. As of January 1, 2007, however, we began accounting for our investment in Cactus under the equity method of accounting. Accordingly, the segment information for the year ended June 30, 2007 includes the gain on this equity investee under the Non Operating segment.

We evaluate the performance of our business segments based on segment gain which constitutes gross profit less selling expenses plus unrealized gains or losses on inventories. In the column titled Total, total segment gain (the addition of the five operating business segments) does not include gain or loss on equity investees which is included in the Non Operating segment and is not included in the Total for performance evaluation purposes. Accounting policies of the five reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. Intercompany transactions between segments, if any, are eliminated.

Financial information for each segment follows:

# Six months ended December 31, 2007

						Non	
	Crops	Beef Cattle	Milk	Feed Lot	Others	operating	Total
Production income	12,840,230	13,528,391	9,339,925				35,708,546
Cost of production	(10,454,611)	(9,746,041)	(6,252,352)				(26,453,004)
Sales	35,118,126	14,697,505	8,958,759		9,349,281		68,123,671
Cost of sales	(32,477,083)	(13,518,741)	(8,958,759)		(4,868,595)		(59,823,178)
Unrealized (loss) gain on Inventories	(4,389,461)	2,762,655	(105,533)				(1,732,339)
Selling expenses	(3,510,297)	(908,358)	(68,883)		(581,568)		(5,069,107)
Gain on equity investees						9,005,199	
Segment gain	(2,873,096)	6,815,411	2,913,157		3,899,118		10,754,589
Depreciation	(1,307,326)	(627,013)	(76,999)		(79,359)	(294,146)	(2,384,843)
Assets Six months ended December 31, 2006	255,787,771	164,794,265	33,927,435	11,402,815	2,046,797	723,409,175	1,191,368,258

						Non	
	Crops	Beef Cattle	Milk	Feed Lot	Others	operating	Total
Production income	6,586,411	11,125,808	5,478,723				23,190,942
Cost of production	(8,007,741)	(8,258,522)	(3,537,970)				(19,804,233)
Sales	13,239,915	15,400,961	4,603,474	3,102,229	5,072,774		41,419,353
Cost of sales	(13,761,324)	(14,732,739)	(4,603,474)	(2,784,316)	(1,519,840)		(37,401,693)
Unrealized (loss) gain on Inventories	1,935,168	1,417,078	(9,923)	62,083			3,404,406
Selling expenses	(1,603,099)	(573,579)	(38,005)		(424,982)		(2,639,664)
Gain on equity investees						22,953,379	
Segment gain	(1,610,670)	4,379,007	1,892,826	379,996	3,127,952		8,169,111
Depreciation	(1,067,464)	(588,319)	(347,270)	(19,870)	(6,638)	(125,998)	(2,155,559)
Assets <b>Year ended June 30, 2007</b>	176,865,618	136,485,232	51,347,274	4,409,482	2,534,963	543,970,651	915,613,220

		Crops	В	Beef Cattle	М	lilk	Fe	eed lot		Others	Non Operating <sup>(i)</sup>		Total
Income Statement													
Data													
Production income	Ps.	72,426,012	Ps.	19,462,410	Ps. 10,	911,397	Ps.		Ps.		Ps.	Ps.	102,799,819
Cost of													
production		(52,401,684)		(15,050,438)	(8,	476,391)							(75,928,513)
Sales		53,401,376		31,966,582	9,	730,929	3	3,102,229	1	2,116,372			110,317,488
Cost of sales		(50,434,966)		(30,272,710)	(9,	730,929)	(2	2,823,865)	(	5,870,058)			(99,132,528)
Unrealized													
(loss) / gain													
on													
inventories		(805,910)		4,195,377		845,483		62,083					4,297,033

Selling							
expenses	(7,779,324)	(1,155,190)	(78,466)		(958,911)		(9,971,891)
Gain on equity investees						40,198,825	
Segment	14 405 504	0 146 021	2 202 022	240 447	5 297 402		22 291 409
gain	14,405,504	9,146,031	3,202,023	340,447	5,287,403		32,381,408
Operating margin <sup>(ii)</sup>	11.4%	17.8%	15.5%	11.0%	43.69	6	15.2%
Depreciation	(2,032,714)	(1,198,203)	(431,035)		(164,730)	(506,440)	(4,333,122)
Balance Sheet Data							
Assets <sup>(iii)</sup>	Ps. 207,607,195	Ps. 165,295,847	Ps. 28,954,741	Ps. 11,166,028	Ps. 1,736,875	Ps. 657,119,730	Ps. 1,071,880,416

(i) Not included in the segment gain.

(ii) Segment gain divided by the sum of production income and sales.

(iii) Includes Ps.436,554,114 related to our equity interests in IRSA, BrasilAgro, Cactus and Agro Uranga. Remaining assets comprise cash and banks, current investments, trade account receivables, other receivables and intangible assets.

Year ended June 30, 2006

	Crops	Beef Cattle	Milk	Feed lot	Others	Non Operating <sup>(i)</sup>	Total
Income	Crops	Der Catte	WIIK	reculot	others	Operating	Total
Statement							
Data							
Production							
income	Ps. 37,005,907	Ps. 20,452,655	Ps. 7,892,462	Ps.	Ps.	Ps.	Ps. 65,351,024
Cost of							((0.105.100)
production	(35,799,706)	(18,780,372)	(5,845,360)	0.501.055	6 9 5 9 5 5 5		(60,425,438)
Sales Cost of sales	61,659,566	33,713,479	7,892,462	2,721,377	6,353,777		112,340,661
Unrealized	(53,286,035)	(32,993,523)	(7,892,462)	(2,318,102)	(2,093,332)		(98,583,454)
gain / (loss)							
on inventories	1,391,209	2,979,122	(144,941)	13,530			4,238,920
Selling	1,591,209	2,979,122	(1++,)+1)	15,550			4,230,920
expenses	(8,657,797)	(1,026,535)	(51,782)	(53,852)	(361,486)		(10,151,452)
Gain on							
equity							
investees						22,140,997	
Segment gain	2,313,144	4,344,826	1,850,379	362,953	3,898,959		12,770,261
Onematine							
Operating margin <sup>(ii)</sup>	2.3%	8.0%	11.7%	13.3%	61.4%		7.2%
Depreciation	(2,071,636)	(1,385,720)	(540,989)	(304.637)	(78,714)	(730,392)	(5,112,088)
•	(2,071,030)	(1,505,720)	(3+0,202)	(304,037)	(70,714)	(150,592)	(3,112,000)
Balance							
Sheet Data							
Assets <sup>(iii)</sup>	Ps. 133,840,099	Ps. 147,615,752	Ps. 20,382,880	Ps. 3,641,461	Ps. 3,903,962	Ps. 561,271,730	Ps. 870,655,884
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(i) Not included in the segment gain.

(ii) Segment gain divided by the sum of production income and sales.

(iii) Includes Ps.391,545,431 related to our equity interests in IRSA, BrasilAgro and Agro Uranga. Remaining assets comprise cash and banks, current investments, trade account receivables, other receivables and intangible assets.

Year ended June 30, 2005

	Crops	Beef Cattle	Milk	Feed lot	Others	Non Operating <sup>(i)</sup>	Total
Income Statement Data	Crops					operating	
Production income Cost of	Ps. 44,052,970	Ps. 19,993,923	Ps. 3,463,144	Ps.	Ps.	Ps.	Ps. 67,510,037
production Sales	(34,463,844) 30,893,216	(17,012,337) 36,826,885	(2,094,975) 3,463,144	2,129,838	4,859,931		(53,571,156) 78,173,014
Cost of sales Unrealized	(30,460,110)	(35,810,780)	(3,463,144)	(1,855,278)	(1,546,204)		(73,135,516)
(loss) / gain on inventories	(456,710)	10,160,759	1,460,020				11,164,069

Selling							
expenses	(4,789,970)	(1,542,432)	(33,263)	(3,925)	(229,976)		(6,599,566)
Gain on equity investees						28,087,632	
Segment gain	4,775,552	12,616,018	2,794,926	270,635	3,083,751		23,540,882
Operating margin <sup>(ii)</sup>	6.4%	22.2%	40.4%	12.7%	63.5%		16.2%
Depreciation	(1,874,960)	(1,223,081)	(375,340)	(296,316)	(84,364)	(315,078)	(4,169,139)
Balance Sheet Data							
Assets(iii)	Ps. 133,819,848	Ps. 140,555,289	Ps. 18,289,060	Ps. 4,198,895	Ps. 1,798,025	Ps. 444,751,076	Ps. 743,412,193

(i) Not included in the segment gain.

(ii) Segment gain divided by the sum of production income and sales.

(iii) Includes Ps.258,960,447 related to our equity interests in IRSA and Agro Uranga. Remaining assets comprise cash and banks, current investments, trade account receivables and other receivables.

# Cresud s Results of Operations

Effective July 1, 2006, we adopted RT No. 22 which prescribes the accounting treatment, financial statement presentation, and disclosures related to agricultural activity. Agricultural activity is the management by an entity of the biological transformation of living animals or plants (biological assets) for sale, into agricultural produce, or into additional biological assets. RT No. 22 prescribes, among other things, the accounting treatment for biological assets during the period of growth, degeneration, production, and procreation, and for the initial measurement of agricultural produce at the point of harvest. It requires measurement at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs from initial recognition of biological assets up to the point of harvest, other than when fair value cannot be measured reliably on initial recognition. RT No. 22 requires that a change in fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs of a biological asset be included in profit or loss for the period in which it arises. RT No. 22 also requires that gains or losses arising on initial recognition of agricultural produce at fair value less

estimated point-of-sale costs to be included in profit or loss for the period in which it arises. In agricultural activity, a change in physical attributes of a living animal or plant directly enhances or diminishes economic benefits to the entity. RT No. 22 is applied to agricultural produce which is the harvested product of the entity s biological assets, only at the point of harvest. Accordingly, RT No. 22 does not deal with the processing of agricultural produce after harvest; for example, the processing of milk into cheese.

Biological transformation comprises the processes of growth, degeneration, production, and procreation that cause qualitative or quantitative changes in a biological asset. Biological assets are living unharvested crops, heads of cattle and dairy cows. Agricultural produce such as harvested crops, beef milk and raw materials are the harvested product of biological assets. Biological transformation results in the following types of outcomes: asset changes through (i) growth (an increase in quantity or improvement in quality of an animal or plant), (ii) degeneration (a decrease in the quantity or deterioration in quality of an animal or plant), or (iii) procreation (creation of additional living animals or plants).

The adoption of RT No. 22 did not have an impact in our measurement and recognition of biological transformation. Rather, it changed the format of our income statement. Under RT No. 22 we break down the components of our costs as separate line items in the income statement. The adoption of RT 22 did not change our gross profit for any of the periods presented.

Prior to the adoption of RT No. 22, gains or losses arising from initial recognition of biological assets and agricultural produce as well as changes in biological assets were included as a deduction from costs of sales. Under RT No. 22 these changes are disclosed separately in the income statement under the line item titled Production income in our income statement.

Also, prior to the adoption of RT No. 22, costs directly related to the transformation of biological assets and agricultural produce were also included as an addition to costs of sales. Under RT No. 22, these costs are disclosed separately in the income statement under the line item titled Cost of production in our income statement due to the direct relationship to the transformation of biological assets and agricultural produce.

The adoption of RT No. 22 did not affect our recognition of revenue which is included in the line item titled Sales in our income statement. See Note 3 a) to our consolidated financial statements. As a result of the adoption of RT No. 22, our costs of sales show direct costs related to the sales of agricultural produce other than selling expenses. RT No. 22 intends to purport that costs of sales are not significant in agricultural activities while costs of biological transformation into agricultural produce represent the major costs of these activities.

In addition, under RT No. 22, the exhibits titled Cost of Sales and Cost of Production included in Notes 18 e) and f) to our consolidated financial statements present a reconciliation of changes in the carrying amount of biological assets between the beginning and the end of the relevant periods. This reconciliation includes (a) the gain or loss arising from changes in fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs; (b) increases due to purchases; (c) decreases attributable to sales and biological assets classified as held for sale; (d) decreases due to harvest; (e) increases resulting from business combinations, if any; (f) other changes.

The following terms used herein with the meanings specified:

*Production Income.* We recognize production income when there is a change in biological assets. For example, we recognize production income when crops are harvested or a cow is born or gains a certain amount of weight. Biological assets are living animals or plants, such as unharvested crops, heads of cattle and dairy cows. Agricultural produce such as harvested crops, beef, milk and raw materials are the harvested product of biological assets.

Cost of Production. Our cost of production consists of costs directly related to the transformation of biological assets and agricultural produce.

*Sales*. Our sales consists of revenue on the sales of crops, milk and beef cattle. Sales are recognized when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred, the price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. Revenue from cattle feeding operations, primarily comprised of feeding, animal health and yardage, and revenue from operating leases and brokerage activities are recognized as services are performed.

*Cost of Sales.* Our cost of sales consists of (i) the book value of the product sold at the time of sale and (ii) certain direct costs related to the sales of agricultural produce other than selling expenses.

Unrealized gain on inventory. Our gain from inventory holding consists of the changes in the carrying amount of biological assets between the beginning and the end of current period.

## Six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006

### **Production Income**

Production income was Ps.35.7 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007, 54.0% higher than the amount recorded for the same period in the previous year. This was primarily attributable to an increase of Ps.6.3 million in our Crops segment, an increase of Ps.3.9 million in our Milk segment, and an increase of Ps.2.4 million our Beef Cattle segment.

## Crops

Production income from our Crops segment increased 95.0%, from Ps.6.6 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.12.8 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 52.8% increase in production volumes, from 19,744 tons in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 30,176 tons in the six months ended December 31, 2007 due to a 11.7% increase in volumes of wheat harvested during the six months ended December 31, 2007 and a 248.2% increase in residual corn harvested during the six months ended December 31, 2007 but which had been planted during the growing season prior to such six-month period, compared to such residual corn harvested during the six months ended December 31, 2006 and which had been planted prior to such six-month period; and

a 20.6% increase in average grain prices compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006. The 52.8% increase in the production volume from our Crops segment was mainly as a result of our harvest of a larger area of crops, from 7,669 hectares as of December 31, 2006 to 8,377 hectares as of December 31, 2007 (including 938 hectares in concession from our subsidiary Agropecuaria Cervera S.A.).

In addition, the production volume in our Crops segment was favorably impacted by a 39.9% increase in our average yields, from 2.57 tons per hectare during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 3.60 tons per hectare during the six months ended December 31, 2007 mainly as a result of an increase in the wheat planted which has a higher yield than other crops, the lease of more productive lands and more favorable weather conditions.

The average grain price (at market value) increased 20.6%, from Ps.334 per ton for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.402 per ton for the six months ended December 31, 2007.

The following table shows the average Rosario board prices per ton as of December 31, 2006 and 2007:

	Six months er	nded December 31,
	2006	2007
Wheat	Ps. 371	Ps. 487
Sunflower	590	1,180
Maize	393	379
Soybean	635	901

Source: Rosario Commodities Exchange. *Beef Cattle* 

Production income for our Beef Cattle segment increased 21.6%, from Ps.11.1 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.13.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 34.9% increase in the average price of kilogram of cattle produced, from Ps.2.1 during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.2.9 during the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a 21.9% increase in births during the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in the preceding year; and

partially offset by a 9.8% decrease in the production volume of beef cattle from 5,200 tons for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 4,689 tons for the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily a result of our no longer consolidating the results of Cactus, due to the decrease of our equity interest in Cactus from 50% to 24%, compared to our proportional consolidation of Cactus results during the six months ended December 31, 2006. The decrease in production volume was also due to a 8.8% decrease in the number of cattle heads slaughtered in the feedlot during the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to the same period of the preceding year.

The number of hectares dedicated to beef cattle production increased from 119,361 hectares as of December 31, 2006 to 130,395 hectares as of December 31, 2007. This increase was mainly due to a higher amount of hectares leased and to the conversion of land reserves into cattle grazing lands in the Los Pozos farm during the six months ended December 31, 2007, partially offset by a reduction in cattle grazing hectares due to our sale of the Tapenagá farm.

#### Milk

Revenues from milk production increased 70.5%, from Ps.5.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007, including a Ps.0.4 million income generated by our recategorization of dairy cattle to reflect the various stages of its life cycle. This increase was primarily due to:

a 59.5% increase in average prices of milk, from Ps.0.52 per liter in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.83 per liter in the six months ended December 31, 2007; and

a 22.0% increase in the volume of milk produced, from 8.9 million liters during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 10.9 million liters during the same period of 2007. This increase in volume reflected (i) an increase in the average number of dairy cows (from 2,665 during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 3,116 during the six months ended December 31, 2007) partially due to the beginning of production at our new dairy at La Juanita farm which increased its milking capacity to 1,800 cows

and (ii) a 4.4% increase in daily milk production efficiency per cow, from 18.5 liters per cow per day during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 19.4 liters during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Cost of production

Our cost of production increased 33.6% from Ps.19.8 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.26.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase was mainly attributable to a Ps.2.7 million increase in our Milk segment, a Ps.2.5 million increase in our Crops segment, and a Ps.1.5 million increase in our Beef Cattle segment.

## Crops

Cost of production of our Crops segment increased 30.6%, from Ps.8.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.10.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a 52.8% increase in grain production volume due to a larger production area in the six months ended on December 31, 2007, compared to the same period in 2006.

Cost of production per ton decreased 27.8%, from Ps.489 in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.354 in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of an increase in overall production levels and improved yields per hectare in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006 which was not accompanied by an increase in our fixed costs of production.

#### Beef Cattle

Cost of production in our Beef Cattle segment increased by 18.0%, from Ps.8.3 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.7 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007. The increased production cost in the Beef Cattle segment during the six months ended December 31, 2007 was mainly due to an increase in feeding costs as a result of an increase in grain prices due to the effects of a drought during the winter months in the southern hemisphere. Our cost per kilogram of cattle produced increased 30.9%, from Ps.0.96 in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.1.26 in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a lower volume of beef cattle production without a proportionate reduction in our fixed costs of production.

### Milk

Cost of production from our Milk segment increased 76.7%, from Ps.3.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.6.3 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily due to:

a 22.0% increase in milk production for the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006; and

the impact of higher feeding costs as a consequence of increases in the prices of milk and other raw materials. As a result, our cost of production per liter of milk increased from Ps.0.40 in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.58 in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Sales

Sales for the six months ended December 31, 2007 increased 64.5%, from Ps.41.4 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.68.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a Ps.21.9 million increase in our Crops segment, a Ps.4.4 million increase in our Milk segment and a Ps.4.3 million increase in our Others segment, partially offset by a Ps.3.1 million decrease in sales in our Feedlot segment and Ps.0.7 million decrease in our Beef Cattle segment due to the effect of our no longer consolidating the sales of Cactus.

# Crops

Sales for our Crops segment increased 165.2%, from Ps.13.2 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.35.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 110.7% increase in our sales volume, from 31,256 tons in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 65,853 in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to higher inventories at the beginning of the fiscal period (74,563 tons at the beginning of the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to 28,315 tons at the beginning of the six months ended December 31, 2006); and

a 27.8% increase in the average price of the crops we sell, from Ps.424 per ton in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.541 per ton in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

	Crops Inv Six months ender	
	2006	2007 (in tons)
Inventories at beginning of fiscal period	28,315	74,563
Purchases	4,952	9,942
Production	19,744	30,176
Sales	(31,256)	(65,853)
Consumption	(7,275)	(9,738)
Inventories at end of fiscal period	14,480	39,090

Beef Cattle

Sales from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 4.6%, from Ps.15.4 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.14.7 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to a 11.0% decrease in the volume of beef cattle sales, from 6,696 tons in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 5,956 tons in the six months ended December 31, 2007, principally due to the effect of our no longer consolidating the results of Cactus as a result of the decrease of our equity interest in Cactus from 50.0% to 24.0%, compared to our proportional consolidation of Cactus results during the six months ended December 31, 2006.

This decrease in volume was partially offset by a 7.3% increase in the average price per kilogram of beef cattle from Ps.2.30 in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.2.47 in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

Our average stock of beef cattle increased from 95,010 heads in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 97,130 head in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of the increase of heads of cattle at our Los Pozos farm, partially offset by the cattle sold in connection with our sale of the Tapenagá farm.

#### Milk

Sales from our Milk segment increased 94.6%, from Ps.4.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 59.5% increase in average prices of milk, from Ps.0.52 per liter in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.83 per liter in the six months ended December 31, 2007; and

a 22.0% increase in production volumes, principally due to a higher average number of dairy cows and an improvement in the efficiency of our average daily milk production.

## Feedlot

As a result of the decrease of our equity interest in Cactus from 50.0% to 24.0%, there were no sales from our Feedlot segment in the six months ended December 31, 2007 due to the effect of our no longer consolidating the results of Cactus, compared to our proportional consolidation of its sales during the six months ended December 31, 2006.

## Others

Sales from our Others segment increased 84.3% from Ps.5.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.3 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to:

a Ps.3.9 million increase from fees due to our commodity brokerage services providers; and

a Ps.0.4 million increase from sale of services rendered to third parties and others. *Cost of sales* 

Cost of sales for the six months ended December 31, 2007 increased 59.9%, from Ps.37.4 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.59.8 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a Ps.18.7 million increase in our Crops segment, a Ps.4.4 million increase in our Milk segment, and a Ps.3.3 million increase in our Others segment, partially offset by our no longer consolidating Cactus results, compared to our proportional consolidation of Ps.2.8 million in the Feedlot segment and Ps.1.2 million in the Beef Cattle segment.

Cost of sales as a percentage of our net sales was 90.3% in the six months ended December 31, 2006 and 87.8% in the six months ended on December 31, 2007.

#### Crops

Cost of sales for our Crops segment increased 136.0%, from Ps.13.8 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.32.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

an 110.7% increase in grain sales volumes in the six months ended December 31, 2006, compared to the six months ended December 31, 2007; and

a 27.8% increase in the average market value of grains during the six months ended December 31, 2007 which resulted in a corresponding increase in the book value of our crops sold, increasing our costs of sales in like amount. The average cost per ton sold in 2007 increased 12.0%, from Ps.440 in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.493 in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily due to a 29.8% increase in the market value of our grains during the six months ended December 31, 2007 which resulted in an increase in our cost of sales due to the increased book value of the crops at the time of sale.

#### Beef Cattle

Cost of sales for our Beef Cattle segment decreased 8.2%, from Ps.14.7 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.13.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a 11.0% decrease in the volume of beef cattle sales compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006; partially offset by a general increase in the prices of beef cattle which resulted in a corresponding increase in the book value of our beef cattle sold, increasing our costs of sales in like amount.

## Milk

Cost of sales for our Milk segment increased 94.6%, from Ps.4.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to:

a 59.5% increase in the price of milk which resulted in an increase in our cost of sales due to the increased book value of the milk at the time of sale; and

a 22.0% increase in production volumes.

#### Feedlot

As a result of the decrease of our equity interest in our subsidiary Cactus from 50.0% to 24.0%, there were no costs for our Feedlot segment in the six months ended December 31, 2007 due to the effect of our no longer consolidating the results of Cactus, compared to our proportional consolidation of its sales during the six months ended December 31, 2006.

#### Others

Cost of sales from our Others segment increased 220.3%, from Ps.1.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.4.9 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to higher costs from brokerage activities related to an increased number of commodity trading transactions through Futuros y Opciones.com and costs generated to services rendered to third parties.

#### Gross profit

As a result of the above-mentioned factors, gross profit increased 137.1%, from Ps.7.4 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.17.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007. Our gross margin, calculated as our gross profit divided by our production income, increased from 31.9% in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 49.2% in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 358.7% increase in gross profit from our Crops segment, from a Ps.1.9 million loss for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a Ps.5.0 million profit for the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a 40.3% increase in gross profit from our Beef Cattle segment, from Ps.3.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.5.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a 59.1% increase in gross profit from our Milk segment, from Ps.1.9 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.3.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007; and

a 26.1% increase in gross profit from our Others segment, from Ps.3.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.4.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Selling expenses

Selling expenses increased 92.0% from Ps.2.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.5.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007. Selling expenses of our Crops, Beef Cattle and Others segments represented 76.0%, 11.2% and 12.8%, respectively, of our total selling expenses for the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Crops

Selling expenses for our Crops segment as a percentage of sales for this segment decreased from 12.1% in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 11.0% in the six months ended December 31, 2007, as a result of higher sales prices of these commodities as compared to the previous period. Selling expenses per ton of grain sold increased 12.3%, from Ps.51 per ton in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.58 per ton in the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily as a result of higher costs of freight, conditioning and storage.

## Beef Cattle

Selling expenses for our Beef Cattle segment as a percentage of sales for this segment was 3.7% in the six months ended December 31, 2006, compared to 3.9% in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Milk

Milk sales did not generate significant selling expenses during the six months ended December 31, 2006 or during the six months ended December 31, 2007, due to the fact that all our production was marketed directly to dairy producers during such periods.

#### Others

Selling expenses for our Others segment as a percentage of sales for this segment decreased from 8.4% in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 6.2% in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased 5.3%, from Ps.8.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of the increase in directors fees, fees for services (including consulting fees with respect to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, accounting, legal and tax fees), depreciation of fixed assets, partially offset by a slight decrease in salaries, social security contributions and office and administration expenses.

## Net gain on sale of farms

Net gain on the sale of farms was Ps.3.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily as a result of our sale on October 22, 2007 of 4,974 hectares of the Los Pozos farm for a price of Ps.3.5 million, compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006 during which there were no sales of farms generating income.

## Gain from valuation of other assets at net realization value

Gain from valuation of other assets at net realization value was Ps. 17.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to no gain reported during the same period of 2006. This gain was generated during the six months ended December 31, 2007 in connection with the preliminary agreement dated December 31, 2007 that we entered into to sell 2,471 hectares of the La Esmeralda farm for a price of US\$6.3 million. Although this sale has not yet been consummated, the property to be sold has been revalued at the proposed sale price in accordance with Argentine GAAP, and as a result a gain of approximately US\$5.2 million was recognized due to such revaluation.

## Gain from inventory holding

Gain from inventory holding decreased 150.9%, from a Ps.3.4 million profit in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a Ps.1.7 million loss in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of a Ps.12.7 million loss from transactions in the Buenos Aires Futures and Options Exchange Market during the six months ended December 31, 2007 which was partially offset by a Ps.10.9 million gain from the holding of grains, beef cattle and raw materials.

## **Operating income (loss)**

Operating income increased from a Ps.0.4 million loss in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a Ps.22.4 million income in the six months ended December 31, 2007. Our operating margin calculated as operating income (loss) divided by our production income was (1.6)% in the six months ended December 31, 2006, compared to a positive operating margin of 62.8% in the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 137.1% increase in gross profit, from Ps.7.4 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.17.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a 92.0% increase in selling expenses, from Ps.2.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.5.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a 5.3% increase in administration expenses from Ps.8.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007;

a Ps.3.2 million income resulting from the sale of farms and a Ps.17.4 million gain as a consequence of the valuation of other assets at their net realization value; and

partially offset by a Ps.5.1 million net decrease in our gains from inventory holdings for the six months ended December 31, 2007, as compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006.

# Net financial results

Our net financial expense was Ps.4.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 compared to Ps.7.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of:

a Ps.3.0 million increase in expense for financial interest in the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006; and

a Ps.1.4 million increase mainly as a result of higher expenses for debit and credit tax in the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006.

These financial expense increases were partially offset by a Ps.1.5 million increase in income related to net foreign exchange differences in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006.

Our net financial expense for the six months ended December 31, 2007 was primarily a result of (i) a Ps.9.2 million expense generated by the negative impact of debt financing interest, and (ii) a Ps.1.9 million expense generated by debit and credit tax. These increased expenses were partially offset by (i) a Ps.2.4 million gain in net foreign exchange differences, (ii) a Ps.1.3 million income mainly as a result of the positive income from other financial interest; and (iii) a Ps.0.1 million income from securities and equities trade transactions.

#### Other income and expenses, net

Other income and expenses, net was a Ps.1.2 million loss and a Ps.2.4 million loss in the six months ended December 31, 2006 and the six months ended December 31, 2007, respectively, primarily as a result of the negative impact of Ps.1.7 million recorded in respect of personal asset tax payments which pursuant to Argentine law we are required to make on behalf of our shareholders.

## Gain on equity investments

Gain on equity investments decreased 60.8%, from Ps.23.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.9.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to:

a Ps.7.2 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2007 (including amortization of goodwill), compared to a Ps.20.1 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2006, related to our investment in IRSA;

a Ps.1.6 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to a Ps.0.4 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2006, related to our investment in Agro Uranga S.A.; and

a Ps.0.2 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to a Ps.2.4 million gain in the six months ended December 31, 2006, related to our investment in BrasilAgro.

Gain on equity investments in the six months ended December 31, 2007 includes our investment in Cactus, due to the decrease of our equity interest in this company during the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to our consolidation of Cactus results in the six months ended December 31, 2006.

## Management fee

Under the consulting agreement entered into with Consultores Asset Management S.A., we pay a fee equal to 10% of our net income for agricultural advisory services and other management services. These fees totaled Ps.2.1 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006 and Ps.1.6 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Income tax

Our income tax was a Ps.2.1 million of positive income in the six months ended December 31, 2006 and Ps.5.6 million expense in the six months ended December 31, 2007. We recognize our income tax expense on the basis of the deferred tax liabilities method, thus recognizing the temporary differences between accounting tax assets and liabilities. The main temporary differences were derived from beef cattle and fixed assets valuation.

For purposes of determining the deferred tax assets and liabilities, the 35% tax rate expected to be in force at the time of their reversion or use, according to the legal provisions enacted as of the date of issuance of these financial statements has been applied to the identified temporary differences and tax losses.

#### Minority interest

Our minority interest during the six months ended December 31, 2007 did not change compared to the six months ended December 31, 2006. During both periods we recorded a Ps.0.1 million loss.

#### Net income

As a result of the above-mentioned factors, our net income was Ps.14.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to Ps.17.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2006. Our net margin, calculated as net income for the period divided by production income, was 40.5% in the six months ended December 31, 2007, compared to 73.5% for the six months ended December 31, 2006.

### Fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 compared to fiscal year ended June 30, 2006

## **Production income**

Production income was Ps.102.8 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 57.3% higher than the amount recorded the previous fiscal year. This was primarily attributable to a Ps.35.4 million increase in our Crops segment and a Ps.3.0 million increase in our Milk segment, partially offset by a Ps.1.0 million decrease in production income of our Cattle segment.

## Crops

Production income from our Crops segment increased 95.7%, from Ps.37.0 million for the fiscal year 2006 to Ps.72.4 million for fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 64.2% increase in production volumes, from 106,867 tons in our fiscal year 2006 to 175,455 tons in our fiscal year 2007 (the corn and soy production increased 155.8% and 43.2%, respectively, partially offset by decreases of 23.6% and 6.9% in wheat and sunflower production, respectively); and

a 19.2% increase in average prices for our grains.

The 64.2% increase in production volumes from our Crops segment was mainly due to a 29.7% increase in the total sown surface for production, from 37,022 hectares during fiscal year 2006 to 49,244 hectares during fiscal year 2007. Our owned sown surface for production increased from 20,018 hectares during fiscal year 2006 to 22,712 hectares during fiscal year 2007, and our leased sown surface for production increased from 17,004 hectares during fiscal year 2006 to 25,307 hectares during fiscal year 2007. The sown surface for production under concession through our subsidiary Agropecuaria Cervera was 1,225 hectares.

The 64.2% increase in production volumes from our Crops segment was also due to a 23.4% increase in our average yields, from 2.89 tons per hectare in our fiscal year 2006 to 3.56 tons per hectare in our fiscal year 2007. This increase in average total yields was a result of better weather conditions in comparison to the previous fiscal year.

The average prices for our grains (at realizable net value) increased 19.2 % in fiscal year 2007, from Ps.346 per ton in our fiscal year 2006 to Ps.413 per ton in our fiscal year 2007.

The following table sets forth the average board prices as of June, 30 2007 and 2006:

	Year ende	d June 30,
	2006	2007
Wheat	Ps.312	Ps.393
Sunflower	513	676
Corn	240	343
Soybean	508	597

## Source: Rosario Commodities Exchange.

## Beef Cattle

Production income from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 4.8%, from Ps.20.5 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 to Ps.19.5 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Production volumes increased slightly 1.1%, from 9,803 tons in fiscal year 2006 to 9,913 tons in fiscal year 2007.

It is worth mentioning that during the current fiscal year, the income and volume of beef cattle production include the proportional consolidation of 50.0% in the subsidiary Cactus for only 6 months up to December 2006 (due to the change of valuation method for decrease in our share participation, from 50.0% to 24.0%) compared to the proportional consolidation of this subsidiary during fiscal 2006.

The increase in volume is mainly due to a higher volume of beef cattle generated in our own fields and to the improvement of weather conditions on the production of grass. These were negatively impacted by the lasting effect of the 2006 drought on this fiscal year. Also, during fiscal year 2007 a lower number of cattle finished in feed lot was noted, as a consequence of the effects of the drought that affected fiscal year 2006.

Although our Cattle segment had a price increase in the rodeo categories, the re-categorization of cattle produced a negative impact on the production income of the current fiscal year which generated a 5.9% decrease in the average value per kilogram of beef cattle produced, from Ps.2.1 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.2.0 in fiscal year 2007. Consequently, the categories that generated a higher number of kilograms were those that did not suffer a significant price increase. Beef cattle are re-categorized to reflect different stages in their life cycle.

The number of hectares dedicated to beef cattle production increased from 100,724 hectares in fiscal year 2006 (29,222 leased hectares corresponding to contracts expired before closing of fiscal year 2006 are not included) to 114,056 hectares in fiscal year 2007 (41 hectares corresponding to Cactus are not included). This increase was mainly due to a higher number of hectares leased and to the conversion of hectares of land reserve into cattle in the Los Pozos farm during the current fiscal year, negatively compensated by the retirement of cattle hectares due to the sale of the Tapenagá farm.

## Milk

Milk production income increased 38.3%, from Ps.7.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.10.9 million in fiscal year 2007, including Ps.1.2 million generated by the re-categorization of milking yard cattle. Milking yard cattle are re-categorized to reflect different stages in their life cycle. This increase was primarily as a result of (i) a 14.2% increase in production volumes, from 14.6 million liters in fiscal year 2006 to 16.7 million liters in fiscal year 2007, and (ii) a 7.9% increase in average prices of milk, from Ps.0.54 per liter in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.58 per liter in fiscal year 2007.

This increase in production income was mainly due to (i) higher production volume of the milk, (ii) an increase in the average number of milking cows (from 2,410 in fiscal year 2006 to 2,677 in fiscal year 2007), in part due to the start of production in the new milking yard of our La Juanita farm, Province of Buenos Aires which increased its milking capacity to 1,800 cows and (iii) a 2.8% improvement in the efficiency level of average daily milk production per cow (from 16.6 liters in fiscal year 2006 to 17.1 liters in the fiscal year 2007).

## Cost of production

Cost of production increased 25.7%, from Ps.60.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.75.9 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase is mainly attributable to a Ps.16.6 million increase in our Crops segment and a Ps.2.6 million increase in our Milk segment, partially offset by a Ps.3.7 million decrease in our Beef Cattle segment.

#### Crops

Cost of production from our Crops segment increased 46.4%, from Ps.35.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.52.4 million for the fiscal year 2007. This increase is mainly due to a 64.2% increase in the volume of production in our Crops segment as a consequence a 29.7% increase in surface produced in our fiscal year 2007 compared to the previous fiscal year.

Cost of production per ton decreased 12.5 %, from Ps.345 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.302 in fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of better yields that had the effect of reducing the cost per ton produced in fiscal year 2007. Cost of production in fiscal year 2006 reflected the negative effects of a drought on certain farms.

## Beef Cattle

Cost of production from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 19.9%, from Ps.18.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.15.1 million for the fiscal year 2007. The direct cost per kilogram produced decreased 30.4%, from Ps.1.28 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.89 in fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a higher volume of beef cattle production that allowed diluting the cost per kilogram produced in the current fiscal year.

Lower cost of production from our Beef Cattle business segment as compared to the previous fiscal year is mainly attributable to the increase in feeding and health costs in line with the effects of the drought.

Considering the our total production increase in the current fiscal year, the decrease in costs of production was due to higher number of tons produced per hectare assigned to the activity, from 0.07 ton per hectare in fiscal year 2006 to 0.08 ton per hectare in fiscal year 2007.

#### Milk

Cost of production from our Milk segment increased 45.0%, from Ps.5.8 million in our fiscal year 2006 to Ps.8.5 million in our fiscal year 2007. Such increase was mainly due to:

a 14.2% increase in milk production in fiscal year 2007, and

the impact of higher feeding costs as a consequence of the increase in corn prices and other raw materials of the milk segment. Cost of production from our Milk business segment per thousand liters increased from Ps.401 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.509 in fiscal year 2007.

#### Sales

Sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 decreased 1.8%, from Ps.112.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.110.3 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a Ps.8.3 million decrease in our Crops segment and a Ps.1.7 million decrease in our Beef Cattle segment, partially offset by higher sales in our Milk, Feedlot and Other segments of Ps.1.8 million, Ps.0.4 million and Ps.5.8 million, respectively.

#### Crops

Sales from our Crops segment decreased 13.4%, from Ps.61.7 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.53.4 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a (24.0%) decrease in sales volume, from 164,104 tons in fiscal year 2006 to 124,652 tons in fiscal year 2007 and a 14.0% increase in average prices, from Ps.376 per ton in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.428 in fiscal year 2007.

Although the production volume of grain in fiscal year 2007 was 64.2% higher than in fiscal year 2006, our sales volume was lower in fiscal year 2007 than in fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of lower levels of grain inventories at the beginning of fiscal year 2007 (90,060 tons at the beginning of fiscal year 2006 compared to 28,315 tons at the beginning of fiscal year 2007).

	Grain Inv Year ender	
	2006	2007
	(in to	ons)
Inventories at the beginning of the fiscal year	90,060	28,315
Purchases	21,182	9,202
Production	106,867	175,455
Sales	(164,104)	(124,652)
Transfer of unharvested crops to expenses	(25,690)	(13,757)
Inventories at the end of the fiscal year	28,315	74,563

Beef Cattle

Sales from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 5.2%, from Ps.33.7 million in our fiscal year 2006 to Ps.32.0 million in our fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a 9.7% decrease in sales volume, from 14,762 tons in fiscal year 2006 to 13,332 tons in fiscal year 2007 which was partially offset by a 5.0% increase in the average price per kilogram, from Ps.2.28 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.2.40 in fiscal year 2007.

The decrease in the sales volume was mainly due to a lower number of finished cattle in the feedlot, from 21,400 in fiscal year 2006 to 11,900 in fiscal year 2007, as a consequence of lower beef cattle purchases during fiscal year 2007.

The average cattle stock increased from 91,500 heads in fiscal year 2006 to 97,111 in fiscal year 2007.

Milk

Sales from our Milk segment increased 23.3%, from Ps.7.9 million in our fiscal year 2006 to Ps.9.7 million in our fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 14.2% increase in production volume due to an increase in the average number of milking cows and improvement in the efficiency level of average daily milk production per cow; and

a 7.9% increase in average prices of milk, from Ps.0.54 per liter in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.58 per liter in fiscal year 2007.

# Feedlot

Sales from our Feedlot segment increased 14.0%, from Ps.2.7 million in our fiscal year 2006 to Ps.3.1 million in our fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of:

an increase in the level of occupation of our feedlot, from 15,400 heads in fiscal year 2006 to 19,400 heads in fiscal year 2007,

an increase in the price of the feed as a consequence of an increase in the price of corn, and

the fact that during fiscal year 2007 the cattle raiser sent for feeding in our feedlot cattle of higher weight which consumed larger feed volumes.

It should be mentioned that, we have changed the valuation method of our investment in Cactus because of a decrease in our share participation in Cactus, from 50.0% to 24.0% compared with the proportional consolidation of this subsidiary during fiscal year 2006.

## Other

Sales from our Other segment increased 90.7%, from Ps.6.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.12.1 million for fiscal year 2007, mainly due to a Ps.0.3 million increase in sales of services, Ps.0.8 increase in sales from leasing of our farms to third parties and Ps.3.4 million increase from commodity brokerage services (from Futuros y Opciones.com). Sales of services to third parties are services for weighing and re-conditioning of cereal and watering.

Although the number of owned hectares leased to third parties during fiscal year 2007 was slightly lower in fiscal year 2007 than in fiscal year 2006, the higher average leasing prices more than compensated for the reduction in hectares leased.

## Cost of sales

Cost of sales for our fiscal year 2007 were Ps.99.1 million, 0.6% lower than cost of sale for fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of lower cost of sales in our Grain and Cattle segments of 5.4% and 8.2%, respectively which were partially offset by higher cost of sales in our Milk, Feedlot and Other segments of 23.3%, 21.8% and 180.4%, respectively.

Cost of sales as percentage of net sales were 87.8% in fiscal year 2006 and 89.9% in fiscal year 2007.

## Crops

Cost of sales from our Crops segment decreased 5.4%, from Ps.53.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.50.4 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 24.0% reduction in the volume of grain sold in fiscal year 2007 compared to fiscal year 2006; and

a higher average prices of commodities in fiscal year 2007. The average cost per ton sold in fiscal year 2007 increased 24.6%, from Ps.325 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.405 in fiscal year 2007.

## Beef Cattle

Cost of sales from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 8.2%, from Ps.33.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.30.3 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of a 9.7% decrease in production volume of Cattle compared to fiscal year 2006 due to a lower number of finished cattle in the feedlot.

## Milk

Cost of sales from our Milk segment increased 23.3%, from Ps.7.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.9.7 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a 14.2% increase in production volume of milk in fiscal year 2007.

#### Feedlot

Cost of sales from our Feedlot business segment increased 21.8%, from Ps.2.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.2.8 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of a 26.0% increase in average occupation of the feedlot in fiscal year 2007 and to higher volumes of feed consumed due to incoming cattle of higher average weight that required higher feeding costs. The price per ton of feed portion increased 37.0%, from Ps.207 in year 2006 to Ps.284 in year 2007, mainly due to an increase in the price of corn during fiscal year 2007. The cost of feedlot services as percentage of sales increased 85.2% in fiscal year 2006 to 91.0% in fiscal year 2007. It should be mentioned that, we have changed the valuation method of our investment in Cactus because of a decrease in our share participation in Cactus, our subsidiary engaged in the feed lot business, from 50.0% to 24.0% compared with the proportional consolidation of this subsidiary during fiscal year 2006.

## Other

Cost of sales from our Other segment increased 180.4%, from Ps.2.1 million for the fiscal year 2006 to Ps.5.9 million for the fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of higher costs arising from Futuros y Opciones.com and costs generated by services to third parties.

# Gross profit

As a result of the above mentioned factors, gross profit increased 103.7%, from Ps.18.7 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.38.1 million for fiscal year 2007. Our gross margin, calculated as our gross profit divided by the sum of our production income increased from 28.6% for fiscal year 2006 to 37.0% for fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of:

a 140.0% increase in gross profit from our Crops segment, from Ps.9.6 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.23.0 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 155.2% increase in gross profit from our Beef Cattle segment, from Ps.2.4 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.6.1 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 18.9% increase in gross profit from our Milk segment, from Ps.2.0 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.2.4 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 31.0% decrease in gross profit from our Feed Lot segment, from Ps.0.4 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.3 million for fiscal year 2007; and

a 46.6% increase in gross profit from our Other segment, from Ps.4.3 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.6.2 million for fiscal year 2007.

## Selling expenses

Selling expenses decreased 1.8%, from Ps.10.2 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.10.0 million for fiscal year 2007. Selling expenses of the Crops, Beef Cattle and Other segments represented 77.8%, 11.4% and 10.0%, respectively, of our total selling expenses in fiscal year 2007.

## Crops

Selling expenses of Crops as a percentage of sales of Crops increased from 14.1% in fiscal year 2006 to 14.5% in fiscal year 2007 as a result of higher cost of freight, conditioning and storage. Selling expenses per ton of grain sold increased 17.8%, from Ps.53 per ton in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.62 per ton in fiscal year 2007.

## Beef Cattle

Selling expenses of Beef Cattle as a percentage of sales of Cattle were 3.1% in fiscal year 2006 and 3.6% in fiscal year 2007.

## Milk

Milk sales did not generate significant selling expenses during fiscal years 2006 or 2007, as all the production was marketed directly to dairy producers.

## Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased 43.8%, from Ps.11.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.16.6 million in fiscal year 2007, mainly due to the increase in fees and compensations for services (includes consulting fees with respect to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, accounting, legal and tax fees and migration system), salaries and social contributions, taxes, rates and contributions and office and administration expenses.

## Net gain on sale of farms

Net gain on sale of farms increased 124.9%, from Ps.9.9 million for the fiscal year 2006 to Ps.22.3 million for fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of the following sales:

Fiscal year 2007:

On June 6, 2007 we sold 20,833 hectares of the Tapenagá farm for Ps.22.0 million, generating a gain of approximately Ps.15.4 million;

On June 5, 2007 we sold a fraction of 14,516 hectares of the Los Pozos farm for Ps.6.7 million, generating a gain of approximately Ps.6.4 million; and

On January 19, 2007 we sold a fraction of 50 hectares of the El Recreo farm for Ps.0.7 million, generating a gain of approximately Ps.0.5 million.

Fiscal year 2006:

On July 25, 2005 we sold 5,727 hectares of the El Gualicho farm in the Province of Córdoba for Ps.17.5 million, generating a gain of Ps.9.9 million.

# Gain from inventory holding

Gain from inventory holding increased 1.4%, from Ps.4.2 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.4.3 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of an increase during fiscal year 2007 of prices for our holdings of cattle, grains and raw materials.

## **Operating** income

Operating income increased 242.2%, from Ps.11.1 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.38.0 million in fiscal year 2007. Our operating margin, calculated as our operating income divided by the sum of our production income increased from 17.0% for fiscal year 2006 to 37.0% for fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of:

a 103.7% increase in gross profit, from Ps.18.7 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.38.1 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 1.8% decrease in selling expenses, from Ps.10.2 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.10.0 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 43.8% increase in administrative expenses, from Ps.11.6 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.16.6 million for fiscal year 2007;

a 124.9% increase in net gain on sale of farms, from Ps.9.9 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.22.3 million for fiscal year 2007; and

a 1.4% increase in unrealized gain on inventory, from Ps.4.2 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.4.3 million for fiscal year 2007.

## Net financial results

We had net financial income of Ps.12.4 million in our fiscal year 2006 compared to a net financial loss of Ps.10.5 million for the fiscal year 2007. The principal differences between both fiscal years were:

Ps.14.9 million of income realized in fiscal year 2006 in connection with our exchange of convertible bonds of IRSA for shares of Agropecuaria Cervera;

Ps.5.1 million increase in net interest expense in fiscal year 2007 compared to fiscal year 2006 as a result of higher levels of average debt during fiscal; and

Ps.3.2 million increase in fiscal year 2007 in the loss generated by the differences in exchange rates. Our net financial loss in fiscal year 2007 arise from (i) a Ps.10.0 million loss generated by the negative impact of interest for debt financing, (ii) a Ps.1.9 million loss generated by the debits and credits tax and (iii) a Ps.1.9 million loss derived from exchange differences and other factors. These losses were partially offset by (i) Ps.1.1 million of income derived from operations with securities and shares and (ii) Ps.2.2 million of interest income from convertible notes issued by IRSA, including interest paid from convertible bonds issued by Cresud and other interest.

### Other income and expenses, net

Other income and expenses, net, represented a net expense of Ps.3.4 million in fiscal year 2006 compared to a net expense of Ps.4.3 million in fiscal year 2007, mainly due to a higher negative impact of Ps.0.6 million for the tax on personal assets of our shareholders.

#### Gain on equity investments

Gain on our equity investments increased 81.6%, from income of Ps.22.1 million in fiscal year 2006 to income of Ps.40.2 million in fiscal year 2007 and the difference was primarily as a result of:

higher income of Ps.9.7 million of gain with respect to our investment in IRSA (including amortization of goodwill of Ps.2.9 million);

higher income of Ps.6.7 million of gain with respect to our investment in BrasilAgro;

higher income of Ps.2.0 million of gain with respect to our investment in Agro Uranga S.A.; and

lower income of Ps.0.3 million with respect to our investments in other subsidiaries and affiliates companies which partially offset the above-mentioned gains.

During fiscal year 2007 our shareholding in Cactus Argentina S.A. decreased from 50.0 % to 24.0% due to the addition of a new shareholder on December 31, 2006; and as a result we consolidated 50.0% of Cactus results of operations through December 31, 2006 and 24% thereafter.

## Management Fee

Under the consulting agreement entered into with Consultores Asset Management, we pay a fee equal to 10% of our net income for agricultural advisory services and other management services. The fees amounted to Ps.5.5 million and Ps.3.8 million in the fiscal years 2007 and 2006,

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respectively.

## Income tax expense

Our Income tax expenses increased 54.2%, from Ps.5.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.8.4 million in fiscal year 2007. We recognized our income tax expense on the basis of the deferred tax liability method, thus

recognizing temporary differences between accounting and tax assets and liabilities measurements. The main temporary differences derive from cattle stock and fixed assets valuation. For purposes of determining the deferred assets and liabilities, the tax rate expected to be in force at the time of their reversion or use, according to the legal provisions enacted as of the date of issuance of these financial statements (35%) has been applied to the identified temporary differences and tax losses. Our effective tax rate in fiscal year 2007 was 17.0% compared to 16.5% in fiscal year 2006.

## Minority interest

During fiscal years 2006 and 2007, a negative participation of third parties of Ps.0.1 million and Ps.0.3 million respectively was recorded to reflect the minority participation in the income of subsidiaries.

### Net income

Due to the above-mentioned issues, our net income increased 50.1%, from Ps.32.9 million for fiscal year 2006 to Ps.49.4 million for fiscal year 2007. Our net margin, calculated as our net income for a fiscal year divided by the sum of our production income was 50.3% for fiscal year 2006 and 48.0% for fiscal year 2007.

#### Fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 compared to fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

### **Production income**

Production income for our fiscal year 2006 was Ps.65.4 million, 3.2% lower than the amount recorded during fiscal year 2005. The decrease in production income was mainly due to a lower production income in our Crops segment with a decrease of 16.0%, compensated by an increase in Production income in our Cattle and Milk business segments of 2.3% and 127.9%, respectively.

### Crops

Production income from our Crops segment decreased 16.0%, from Ps.44.1 million in our fiscal year 2005 to Ps.37.0 million in fiscal year 2006. Production volumes decreased 28.7%, from 149.785 tons in fiscal year 2005 to 106,867 tons in fiscal year 2006 (sunflower production increased 45.3% and wheat, corn and soybean decreased 8.1%, 52.0% and 12.2%, respectively). This overall decrease in production volumes was mainly due to lower yields per crop in the harvest of fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2005, mainly as a consequence of the drought in fiscal year 2006.

The decrease in production income had a positive impact of 7.2% during fiscal year 2006, as a consequence of the increase in prices of commodities.

The following table sets forth the average Rosario board prices per ton as of June 30, 2005 and 2006:

	Year ended	d June 30,
	2005	2006
Wheat	Ps.285	Ps.312
Sunflower	513	513
Corn	198	240
Soybean	478	508

#### Source: Rosario Commodities Exchange.

The 28.7% decrease in production volumes in our Grains segment was mainly due to the adverse consequences of the drought during fiscal year 2006, partially offset by a 2.0% increase in the total sown surface for production, from 36,293 hectares during fiscal year 2005 to 37,022 hectares during fiscal year 2006. Our owned sown surface for production increased from 19,994 hectares during fiscal year 2005 to 20,018 hectares during fiscal year 2006, and our leased sown surface for production increased from 16,299 hectares during fiscal year 2005 to 17,004 hectares during year 2006.

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## Beef Cattle

Production income from our Cattle business segment increased 2.3%, from Ps.20.0 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.20.5 million in our fiscal year 2006. Production volumes decreased 8.0%, from 10.657 tons in fiscal year 2005 to 9.803 tons in fiscal year 2006.

This decrease resulted from the effects of the drought that adversely affected the grass in fields where we produce beef cattle at lower price, and lower numbers of finished cattle in the feed lot. The number of privately owned hectares engaged in cattle production decreased 20.6%, from 126,879 hectares in fiscal year 2005 to 100,724 hectares in fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of our sale of the Nacurutú and El Gualicho farms, partially offset by our purchase of the San Pedro farm and the conversion of hectares of land reserve to cattle in Los Pozos farm.

The lower production volume was partially offset by a 10.3% increase in average cattle prices during the fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2005.

## Milk

Production income from our Milk business segment increased 127.9%, from Ps.3.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.7.9 million during our fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

a 99.5% increase in production volumes, from 7.3 million liters in fiscal year 2005 to 14.6 million liters in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of (i) our inauguration on March 1, 2005 of a large milking yard in our field El Tigre having last generation technology and (ii) to a lesser extent, a change in the feeding system as a consequence of the drought; and

14.2% increase in average prices of milk in fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2005. *Cost of production* 

Cost of production for the fiscal year 2006 was Ps.60.4 million, 12.8% higher than the cost of production recorded during fiscal year 2005. This increase is mainly attributable to a Ps.1.3 million increase in our Grains segment, a Ps.1.8 million increase in our Cattle segment, and a Ps.3.7 million increase in our Milk segment.

#### Crops

Cost of production from our Crops segment increased 3.9%, from Ps.34.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.35.8 million in our fiscal year 2006. Direct and indirect costs per ton produced were 53.2% higher in fiscal year 2006 due to a decrease in the production level of cereals respect to the previous fiscal year, as a consequence of the drought. Consequently, the cost of production per ton produced was Ps.345 in fiscal year 2006 compared to Ps.225 in fiscal year 2005. This lower volume of cereals production did not allow a higher absorption or dilution of the costs structure. The increase in cost of production was mainly attributable to and increase in the price of raw materials.

#### Beef Cattle

Cost of production from our Beef Cattle segment increased 10.4%, from Ps.17.0 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.18.8 million in our fiscal year 2006. Direct costs per kilogram produced increased 12.1%, from Ps.1.14 in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.1.28 in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of (i) higher fattening and health costs as a consequence of the drought and (ii) to a lesser extent, the increase in the price of raw materials during fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2005. Although our total production volume decreased 8.0% in fiscal year 2006 compared to 2005, the increase in costs of production reflected a lower volume of tons produced per hectare, from 0.08 tons per hectare in fiscal year 2005 to 0.07 tons per hectare in fiscal year 2006.

## Milk

Cost of production from our Milk segment increased 179.0%, from Ps.2.1 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.5.8 million in our fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

a 99.5% increase in the level of milk production during fiscal year 2006;

a 16.2% increase in the direct and indirect costs as a consequence of the drought during fiscal year 2006; and

inauguration of our milking yard of the El Tigre farm which only generated income during the last four months of fiscal year 2005. Cost of production per thousand liters from the Milk segment increased from Ps.286 in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.401 in fiscal year 2006.

#### Sales

Sales for our fiscal year 2006 increased 43.7%, from Ps.78.2 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.112.3 million in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of a Ps.30.8 million increase in our Grain segment, Ps.4.4 million increase in our Milk segment, Ps.0.6 million increase in our Feed Lot segment and a Ps.1.5 million increase in our Other segment, partially offset by a Ps.3.1 million decrease in our Cattle segment.

## Crops

Sales from our Crops segment increased 99.6%, from Ps.30.9 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.61.7 million in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

a 86.2% increase in the volume of sales in fiscal year 2006, from 164,104 tons in fiscal 2005 to 88,123 tons in fiscal year 2006; and

a 7.2% increase in average prices in fiscal year 2006, from Ps.351 per ton in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.376 per ton in fiscal year 2006. Although our volume of grain production volume was 28.7% lower in fiscal year 2006 than in fiscal year 2005, we had higher sales in this segment due to higher grain inventories at beginning of fiscal year 2006 compared to the beginning of fiscal year 2005.

	0 - 11 - 11	Grain Inventories Year ended June 30,	
	2005	2006	
	(in t	(in tons)	
Inventories at the beginning of the fiscal year	34,424	90,060	
Purchases	18,480	21,182	
Production	149,785	106,867	
Sales	(88,123)	(164,104)	
Transfer of unharvested crops to expenses	(24,506)	(25,690)	
Inventories at the end of the fiscal year	90,060	28,315	

Source: Rosario Commodities Exchange.

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#### Beef Cattle

Sales from our Beef Cattle segment decreased 8.5%, from Ps.36.8 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.33.7 million for fiscal year 2006. The decrease of 17.0% in the sales volume from this segment was compensated by an increase of 10.3% in the price of ton sold. Sales volume from this segment decreased from 17.783 tons to 14,762 tons, and the price of sale increased from Ps.2.07 per kilogram in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.28 per kilogram in fiscal year 2006. The decrease in the sales volume was mainly due to a lower level of beef cattle production of 854 tons and lower cattle stocks of 4,017 tons at the beginning of the fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2005. The cattle-beef average stock decreased from 96,231 heads in fiscal year 2005 to 91,500 in fiscal year 2006.

#### Milk

Sales from the Milk segment increased 127.9%, from Ps.3.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.7.9 million during fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

a 99.5% increase in the production volume, mainly generated by the inauguration on March 1, 2005 of our milking yard of El Tigre farm; and

a 14.2% increase in average prices for milk, from Ps.474 per thousand liters in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.541 per thousand liters in fiscal year 2006.

#### Feedlot

Sales from our Feedlot segment increased 27.8%, from Ps.2.1 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.7 million in our fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of the fact that during fiscal year 2006 the cattle raiser sent to our feed lot cattle of higher weight which required higher volumes of feed. This positive factor was partially offset by a 5.5% reduction in occupation levels of our feedlot, from an average of 16,300 heads during fiscal year 2006.

#### Other

Sales from Other segment increased 30.7%, from Ps.4.9 million during fiscal year 2005 to Ps.6.4 million in our fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of a higher level of income from watering and other services to third parties and the increase of income arising from Futuros y Opciones.com.

# Cost of sales

Cost of sales for our fiscal year 2006 were Ps.98.6 million, 34.8% higher than cost of sale for fiscal year 2005, primarily as a result of higher cost of sales in our Grain, Milk, Feedlot and Other segments of 74.9%, 127.9%, 24.9% and 35.4% respectively which were partially offset by lower cost of sales in our Cattle segment of 7.9%.

Cost of sales as percentage of net sales were 93.6% in fiscal year 2005 and 87.8% in fiscal year 2006.

#### Crops

Cost of sales from our Crops segment increased 74.9%, from Ps.30.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.53.3 million during fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of:

a 86.2% increase in grains sales volume;

higher average price levels of commodities during fiscal year 2006; and

higher level of grain inventories at the beginning of fiscal year 2006 that reduced our cost of sales for such fiscal year. *Beef Cattle* 

Cost of sales from our Beef Cattle business segment decreased 7.9%, from Ps.35.8 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.33.0 million during fiscal year 2006. This decrease was mainly due to a 17.0% decrease in sales volume compared to the previous fiscal year, as a consequence of the drought that adversely affected agricultural areas by reducing the average number of finished cattle sent to the feed lot. These effects were partially offset by a 10.3% increase in the average price of beef cattle during fiscal year 2006.

#### Milk

Cost of sales from our Milk segment increased 127.9%, from Ps.3.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.7.9 million during fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of a 99.5% increase in milk sales volume during fiscal year 2006.

#### Feedlot

Cost of sales from our Feedlot segment increased 24.9%, from Ps.1.9 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.3 million in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

higher volumes of feed consumed as a consequence of incoming beef cattle of higher weight which consumed more feed, and

an 8.5% increase in the average price per ton of feed, from Ps.191 in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.207 in fiscal year 2006, as a consequence of the increase in the price of corn during fiscal year 2006.

Cost of sales of this segment as percentage of sales from this segment decreased from 87.1% in fiscal year 2005 to 85.2% during our fiscal year 2006.

#### Other

Cost of sales from our Other segment increased 35.4%, from Ps.1.6 million in our fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.1 million in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of higher costs arising from Futuros y Opciones.com.

#### Gross profit

As a result of the above-mentioned issues, our gross profit decreased 1.5%, from Ps.19.0 million during fiscal year 2005 to Ps.18.7 million in fiscal year 2006. Our gross margin, calculated as our gross profit divided by the sum of our production income increased from 28.1% for fiscal year 2005 to 28.6% for fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of:

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a 4.4% decrease in gross profit from our Grain segment, from Ps.10.0 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.9.6 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 40.2% decrease in gross profit from our Cattle segment, from Ps.4.0 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.4 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 49.6% increase in gross profit from our Milk segment, from Ps.1.4 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.2.0 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 46.9% increase in gross profit from our Feed Lot segment, from Ps.0.3 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.0.4 million for fiscal year 2006; and

28.6% increase in gross profit from our Other segment, from Ps.3.3 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.4.3 million for fiscal year 2006. *Selling expenses* 

Selling expenses increased 53.8%, from Ps.6.6 million during fiscal year 2005 to Ps.10.1 million in our fiscal year 2006. Selling expenses from our Crops segment represented 85.4% of our total selling expenses, selling expenses from our Beef Cattle segment represented 10.2% of our total selling expenses, and the remaining 3.9% was represented by selling expenses from our Other segment.

#### Crops

Selling expenses from the Crops segment as a percentage of sales from the same segment decreased from 15.3% during fiscal year 2005 to 14.1% during fiscal year 2006 as a result of lower cost of freight, conditioning and storage. Selling expenses per ton of grain sold decreased 1.7%, from Ps.54 in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.53 per ton in fiscal year 2006.

#### Beef Cattle

Selling expenses from our Beef Cattle segment as percentage of sales from this segment decreased from 4.0% in fiscal year 2005 to 3.1% during fiscal year 2006 due to better commercial agreements with our clients.

#### Milk

Milk sales did not generate significant selling expenses during fiscal years 2005 or 2006, as all the production was marketed directly to dairy producers.

#### Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased 59.0%, from Ps.7.3 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.11.6 million in fiscal year 2006, mainly due to the increase in fees and other payments for services (includes consulting fees with respect to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, accounting, legal and tax fees and migration system), salaries and social contributions, taxes, rates and contributions and office and administration expenses.

# Net gain on sale of farms

Net gain on sale of farms decreased 50.5%, from Ps.20.0 million for the fiscal year 2005 to Ps.9.9 million for fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of the following sales:

#### Fiscal year 2006:

On July 25, 2005 we sold 5,727 hectares of the El Gualicho farm in the Province of Córdoba for Ps.17.5 million, generating a gain of approximately Ps.9.9 million.

Fiscal year 2005:

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On February 1, 2005 we sold 30,350 hectares of the Nacurutú farm in the Province of Santa Fe for Ps.16.3 million, generating a gain of Ps.7.6 million;

On June 8, 2005, we sold 977 hectares of the San Enrique farm in the Province of Santa Fe for Ps.14.7 million, generating a gain of Ps.12.3 million; and

On June 29, 2005, we sold 2 hectares located in the Province of Catamarca for Ps.0.06 million, generating a gain of Ps.0.06 million. *Gain from inventory holding* 

Gain from inventory holding decreased Ps.62.0%, from Ps.11.2 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.4.2 million in fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of an increase during fiscal year 2007 of prices for our holdings of cattle, grains and raw materials.

#### **Operating** income

Operating income decreased 69.4%, from Ps.36.3 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.11.1 million in fiscal year 2006. Our operating margin, calculated as our operating income divided by the sum of our production income decreased from 53.7% for fiscal year 2005 to 17.0% for fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of:

a 1.5% decreased in gross profit, from Ps.19.0 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.18.7 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 53.8% increase in selling expenses, from Ps.6.6 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.10.2 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 59.0% increase in administrative expenses, from Ps.7.3 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.11.6 million for fiscal year 2006;

a 50.5% decrease in net gain on sale of farms, from Ps.20.0 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.9.9 million for fiscal year 2006; and

62.0% decrease in gain from inventory holding, from Ps.11.2 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.4.2 million for fiscal year 2006. *Net financial results* 

Our net financial income decreased 80.6%, from Ps.63.8 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.12.4 million in fiscal year 2006. The principal differences between both fiscal years were:

a Ps.53.9 million decrease of income realized in connection with a higher sale of notes of IRSA during fiscal year 2005 compared to fiscal year 2006; and

a Ps.3.6 million increase from net effect generated by the difference of exchange and interests Our net financial income for fiscal year 2006 arose from (i) Ps.14.9 million of income for the sale of notes issued by IRSA and (ii) Ps.2.2 million of income derived from net exchange rate differences. These gains were partially offset by (i) a Ps.2.2 million loss generated by the tax on debits and credits and (ii) a Ps.2.5 million loss derived from interest and other.

#### Other income and expenses, net

Other income and expenses, net for fiscal year 2006 represented a loss of Ps.3.4 million compared to a loss of Ps.5.1 million during fiscal year 2005, primarily as a result of a lower negative impact of Ps.1.4 million for the personal assets tax on our shareholders.

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#### Gain on equity investments

Income from related companies decreased 21.2%, from income of Ps.28.1 million in fiscal year 2005 to income of Ps.22.1 million during fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of:

lower income of Ps.3.7 million of gain with respect to our investment in IRSA (including amortization of goodwill of Ps.0.3 million);

a loss of Ps.2.5 million with respect to our investment in BrasilAgro;

lower income of Ps.0.6 million of gain with respect to our investment in Agro Uranga S.A.; and

lower income of Ps.0.8 million with respect to our investments in other subsidiaries and affiliates companies which partially offset the above-mentioned gains.

#### Management fee

Under the consulting agreement entered into with Consultores Asset Management, we pay a fee equal to 10% of our net income for agricultural advisory services and other management services. The fees amounted to Ps.3.8 million and Ps.8.5 million in the fiscal years 2006 and 2005, respectively.

#### Income tax expense

Our Income tax expenses decreased 85.6%, from Ps.37.8 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.5.4 million in fiscal year 2006. We recognized its income tax expense on the basis of the deferred tax liability method, thus recognizing temporary differences between accounting and tax assets and liabilities measurements. The main temporary differences derive from cattle stock and fixed assets valuation. For purposes of determining the deferred assets and liabilities, the tax rate expected to be in force at the time of their reversion or use, according to the legal provisions enacted as of the date of issuance of these financial statements (35%) has been applied to the identified temporary differences and tax losses.

#### Minority interest

During fiscal years 2005 and 2006, a positive participation of third parties of Ps.0.1 million and a negative participation of third parties of Ps.0.1 million respectively was recorded to reflect the minority participation in the income of subsidiaries.

#### Net income

Due to the above-mentioned issues, our net income decreased 57.2%, from Ps.76.8 million for fiscal year 2005 to Ps.32.9 million for fiscal year 2006. Our net margin, calculated as our net income for a fiscal year divided by the sum of our production income was 113.8% for fiscal year 2005 and 50.3% for fiscal year 2006.

#### **Our Liquidity and Capital Resources**

#### Liquidity

Our principal sources of liquidity have historically been:

cash generated by operations;

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cash from borrowings and financings arrangements (including cash from the exercise of warrants); and

cash proceeds from the sale of farms.

Our principal cash requirements or uses (other than in connection with our operating activities) have historically been:

capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment (including acquisitions or purchases of farms);

interest payments and repayments of short-term and long-term debt; and

#### payments of dividends.

Our liquidity and capital resources include our cash and cash equivalents, proceeds from operating activities, sales of real estate investments, bank borrowing, long-term debt and capital financing.

#### Cash Flows

The table below shows, for the periods indicated, our cash flows:

	For the y	For the year ended June 30,			For the six months ended December 31,	
	2005	2006 2006		2006	2007	
				(unaud	lited)	
		(ir	(in millions of Pesos)			
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(10.1)	(21.5)	(56.1)	(5.8)	(11.2)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	1.7	92.3	115.8	10.3	69.0	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	62.7	(110.9)	(0.9)	(10.5)	(136.7)	

Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents

As of December 31, 2007, we had cash and cash equivalents of Ps.6.3 million, a decrease from Ps.85.2 million as of June 30, 2007. This decrease was primarily due to our acquisition and improvement of fixed assets of Ps.14.1 million, a decrease in investments in related companies of Ps.143.0 million, cash outflows used in operating activities for Ps.11.2 million and dividend payments of Ps.8.3 million, partially offset by cash inflows from our sale of farms for Ps.3.0 million, cash proceeds from the exercise of warrants to acquire our common shares for Ps.11.2 million and the net proceeds from short-term debt for Ps.69.8 million.

54.3

(40.1)

58.8

(6.0)

As of December 31, 2006, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.21.3 million, a decrease from the Ps.27.4 million balance as of June 30, 2006. The decrease was primarily due to our acquisition and improvement of fixed assets of Ps.13.8 million, cash outflows used in operating activities for Ps.5.8 million and dividend payments of Ps.5.5 million, partially offset by cash inflows from the sale of farms for Ps.0.1 million, cash proceeds from the exercise of our warrants for Ps.8.4 million and the net proceeds from short-term debt for Ps.9.7 million.

As of June 30, 2007, we had cash and cash equivalents of Ps.86.2 million, an increase from the Ps.27.4 million balance as of June 30, 2006. The increase was primarily due to our acquisition and improvement of fixed assets for Ps.29.3 million, cash inflows from the sale of farms for Ps.25.3 million, cash outflows used in operating activities for Ps.56.1 million and dividend payments of Ps.5.5 million, partially offset by cash proceeds from the exercise of warrants for Ps.84.2 million and the net proceeds from short-term and long-term debt for Ps.39.4 million.

As of June, 2006, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.27.4 million, a decrease from the Ps.67.5 million balance as of June 30, 2005. This decrease was primarily due to our acquisition and improvement of fixed assets for Ps.55.8 million, an increase in investments in related companies of Ps.64.6 million, cash outflows used in operating activities for Ps.21.5 million and dividend payments of Ps.10.0 million, partially offset by cash proceeds from the exercise of warrants for Ps.53.6 million and the net proceeds from short-term and long-term debt for Ps.65.0 million.

(78.9)

Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Operating Activities

#### Six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007

Net cash used in operations increased from Ps.5.8 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.11.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007. The increase in net cash used in operating activities was primarily due to an increase in current investments of Ps.4.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 compared to the six months ended December 31, 2007, an increase in other receivable of Ps.12.9 million, an increase in inventories of Ps.24.3 million and an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.2.9 million which were partially offset by a Ps.21.3 million decrease in trade accounts receivable, a decrease in social security payable, taxes payable and advances to customers of Ps.9.2 million, and dividends collected of Ps.1.6 million. Our operating activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.11.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to a Ps.37.4 million decrease in current investments, in trade accounts receivable, in social security payable, taxes payable and advances to customers, in trade accounts payable and dividends receivable, in social security payable, taxes payable and advances to customers, in trade accounts payable and dividends receivable, in social security payable, taxes payable and advances to customers, in trade accounts payable and dividends receivable and inventories.

#### Fiscal Year ended June 30 2006 and 2007

Net cash used in operations increased from Ps.21.5 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.56.1 million in fiscal year 2007. The increase in net cash used in operating activities was primarily due to the increase in current investments of Ps.1.1 million in fiscal year 2006 compared to fiscal year 2007, an increase in trade accounts receivable of Ps.27.2 million, an increase in other payables of Ps.3.8 million and an increase in inventories of Ps.39.6 million which were partially offset by a Ps.28.7 million decrease in other receivables, in trade accounts payable and in social security payable, expenses, taxes payable and advances to customers. Our operating activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.56.1 million for fiscal year 2007, essentially due to a decrease in current investments, in social security payable, expenses, taxes payable and advances to customers and dividends collect of Ps.13.1 million that was offset by an increase in trade accounts receivables, inventories and trade accounts payable amounting to Ps.83.9 million.

#### Fiscal Year ended June 30 2005 and 2006

Net cash used in operations increased from Ps.10.1 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.21.4 million in fiscal year 2006. The increase in net cash used in operations activities was primarily due to the increase in other receivables, in trade accounts payable and in social security payable, expenses, taxes payable and advances to customers for Ps.40.3 million which were partially offset by a decrease in current investments of Ps.3.2 million in fiscal year 2005 compared to fiscal year 2006. Our operating activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.21.5 million for fiscal year 2006, essentially due to a decrease in current investments, inventories other debts and dividends collect of Ps.23.2 million that was offset by an increase in trade accounts receivable, other receivables, taxes payable, and advances to customers amounting to Ps.51.5 million.

#### Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities

#### Six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007

Net cash used in investing activities decreased from Ps.10.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a net cash outflow of Ps.136.7 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007. Our investing activities resulted in a net cash outflow of Ps.143.0 million primarily as a result of investments in related companies and our acquisition and improvement of fixed assets for Ps.14.1 million, partially offset by our sale of productive agricultural assets for Ps.3.0 million and our collection of secured receivables from sale of farms for Ps.17.3 million.

# Fiscal Year ended June 30 2006 and 2007

Net cash used in investing activities increased from Ps.110.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to a net cash out-flows of Ps.0.9 million in fiscal year 2007. Our investing activities resulted in net cash outflow of Ps.0.7 million in fiscal year 2007 mainly due to the acquisition and upgrading of fixed assets for Ps.29.3 million partially offset by the sale of fixed assets for Ps.25.3 million and collection of secured receivables from sale of farms for Ps.3.9 million.

# Fiscal Year ended June 30 2005 and 2006

Net cash used in investing activities decreased from Ps.62.7 million in fiscal year 2005 to a net cash out-flows of Ps.110.9 million in fiscal year 2006. Our investing activities resulted in net cash outflow of Ps.110.9 million in fiscal year 2006 mainly due to investments in related companies of Ps.64.6 million and the acquisition and upgrading of fixed assets for Ps.55.8 million partially offset by the sale of fixed assets for Ps.5.6 million and collection of secured receivables from sale of farms for Ps.5.7 million.

# Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities

# Six months ended December 31, 2006 and 2007

Net cash provided from financing activities increased from Ps.10.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.69.0 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily due to a Ps.60.1 million increase in proceeds from loans and by Ps.2.8 million of proceeds received from the exercise of warrants to acquire new shares of our common stock partially offset by a Ps.2.8 million increase in dividend payments for Ps.2.8 million and by our payment of a Ps.1.5 million secured payable from the purchase of farms. Our financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.69.0 million primarily due to the exercise of warrants and proceeds from financial loans for Ps.105.0 million partially offset by dividend payments, payments of financial loans and by the payment of secured payable from the purchase of farms for Ps.36.0 million.

# Fiscal Year ended June 30 2006 and 2007

Net cash provided from financing activities increased from Ps.92.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.115.8 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily due to a decrease in proceeds of financial loans for Ps.25.6 million partially offset by the increase by the exercise of warrants for Ps.30.6 million and by the payment of secured payable from the purchase of farms for Ps.14.3 million. Our financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.115.8 million primarily due to the exercise of warrants and proceeds from financial loans for Ps.168.7 million partially offset by dividend payments and payments of financial loans for Ps.50.6 million.

# Fiscal Year ended June 30 2005 and 2006

Net cash provided from financing activities increased from Ps.1.7 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.92.3 million in fiscal year 2006 primarily due to a increase in proceeds of financial loans for Ps.72.4 million and by the exercise of warrants for Ps.42.7 million partially offset by the payment of secured payable from the purchase of farms for Ps.16.5 million. Our financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.92.3 million primarily due to the exercise of warrants and proceeds from financial loans for Ps.137.8 million partially offset by dividend payments, payments of financial loans and payment of secured payable from purchase of farms for Ps.29.0 million.

We believe our working capital is sufficient for our present requirements. In the event that cash generated from our operations is at any time insufficient to finance our working capital, we would seek to finance such working capital needs through new debt, equity financing or selective asset sales.

#### **Our Indebtedness**

#### Convertible Note due 2007

On November 21, 2002, we issued US\$50.0 million of convertible notes due November 2007. The convertible notes accrue interest at 8% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis. The conversion price is US\$0.5078 per common share which means that each convertible note may be exchanged for 1.9693 common shares. Additionally each convertible note contains a warrant attached that grants an option to acquire 1.9693 shares at a price of US\$0.6093 each.

From the date of issuance through June 30, 2007, the holders of our convertible notes exercised their conversion rights for a total of 47.2 million units with a face value of US\$1.0 each, issuing 92.9 million common shares with a face value of Ps.1.0 each. In addition, from the date of issuance through June 30, 2007, warrants issued by us were exercised for a total amount of 46.9 million, and 92.3 million shares were issued in exchange. We received funds aggregating US\$56.2 million.

As of June 30, 2007, the outstanding amount of our convertible notes and warrants was US\$2.8 million and 3.1 million, respectively, and the amount of our outstanding shares was 309,576,220. The term for the exercise of our outstanding warrants and the conversion of our outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. During the conversion and exercise periods, holders of our warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 49,867,018 warrants and converted an aggregate of 49,910,874 convertible notes, respectively, increasing our capital stock to 320,774,772 issued and outstanding shares. As of December 31, 2007, there are no additional outstanding warrants or convertible notes to acquire our shares.

#### Credit Suisse Loan Agreement

On May 2, 2006, we entered into a loan agreement with Credit Suisse for a total consideration of US\$8 million. The maturity of this loan agreement is on November 2, 2008, and the interest rate is 3-month LIBOR plus 375 basis points. The Credit Suisse loan agreement was initially secured by a repo on IRSA s convertible bonds for a total of US\$10 million which were subsequently replaced for 1,834,860 of IRSA s GDRs, plus a U.S. dollar-denominated amount that fluctuates in accordance with the trading price of IRSA s shares.

The Credit Suisse loan agreement imposes certain restrictions on our payment of dividends. We can pay or distribute, directly or indirectly, whether in cash or other property or in obligations to any other person up to US\$5,000,000 for any calendar year:

any dividend or other distribution on our capital stock or any interest on capital, excluding any dividends, distributions or interest paid solely in our capital stock or in options, warrants or other rights to acquire capital stock;

in respect of the purchase, acquisition, redemption, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition for value of any of our capital stock or any warrants, rights or options to acquire such capital stock;

in respect of the return of any capital to our stockholders as such;

in connection with any distribution or exchange of property in respect of our capital stock, warrants, rights, options, obligations or securities to or with our stockholders as such; or

in return of any irrevocable equity contributions or in payment of interest other. *Other Loans* 

As a result of the investment opportunities seized in the course of the previous fiscal year, such as our ownership interest in BrasilAgro and IRSA, the acquisition of farms and the growing investments in developments in Northwestern Argentina in the course of this fiscal year, we have assumed indebtedness for levels higher than those incurred in previous fiscal years, totaling as of December 31, 2007 indebtedness in the

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We also have a loan agreement with Banco Patagonia dated August 13, 2007 for US\$2,000,000 at an annual interest rate of 5.9% which is scheduled to mature on February 11, 2008. Pursuant to this agreement, we may not distribute cash dividends in an amount greater than the income resulting from our financial statements for the relevant fiscal year, nor shall we reduce our capital stock, except in case of mandatory reduction due to financial losses. We repaid the loan from Banco Patagonia at its scheduled maturity on February 11, 2008. We also have a loan agreement with Banco Santander Río dated July 11, 2007 for Ps.9.0 million with an annual interest rate of 10.4% which is scheduled to mature on July 6, 2008.

As of December 31, 2007 we had total loans for Ps.217.8 million, composed by: non-guaranteed loans, for Ps.154.9 million denominated in Pesos and Ps.37.7 million denominated in United States Dollars; and Ps.25.2 million are guaranteed loan contracts for the purpose of financing our investment in BrasilAgro.

For the 2008 fiscal year we intend to match these maturities to our cash flows and do not rule out a reduction in the indebtedness as a result of future cash inflows arising from our ordinary course of business, the sale of assets or the exercise of warrants attached to our convertible notes.

The following table presents our indebtedness as of December 31, 2007:

	Currency	Under 1 year	Over 1 year and up to 2 years in million of co	Timetable of M Over 2 year and up to 3 years nstant Pesos as o	Aaturity or Dep Over 3 year and up to 5 years of December 31,	Over 5 years	Total	Interest rate Annual average %
Loans								
Unsecured loans	Ps.	154.9					154.9	Floating (average 9.53)
Unsecured loans	US\$	37.7					37.7	5.9 7.2
Secured loan	US\$	25.2					25.2	Libor + 3.75
Total debt		217.8					217.8	

(1) Exchange rate as of December 31, 2007 US1.00 = Ps.3.149.

(2) Includes accrued interests

#### **Our Capital Expenditures**

For the six months ended December 31, 2007, our capital expenditures were Ps. 14.1 million. Our principal investments consisted of the development of our land reserves (including Ps.7.5 million in development of Los Pozos and Agropecuaría Cervera S.A farms), the acquisition of farms (including Ps. 0.4 million of the partial payment for the purchase of La Adela , Ps.0.2 million for the purchase of the 8 de Julio farm and Ps.0.1 million in forestry activities). Other capital expenditures include Ps.1.0 million in wire fences, Ps.1.0 million for the improvement of our dairy farms, Ps.1.0 million for the improvement of facilities and Ps.0.6 million for machinery.

Capital expenditures totaled Ps.29.3 million, Ps.55.8 million and Ps.25.9 million for the fiscal years ended June 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, including property and equipment acquired in business combinations. Our capital expenditures consisted of the acquisition and improvement of productive agricultural assets, as well as purchases of farms.

Our future capital expenditures for the remainder of fiscal year 2008 will depend on the prevailing prices of land for agriculture and cattle as well as the evolution of commodity prices.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, our main investments consisted of Ps.9.7 million in the acquisition of real estate (including Ps.5.7 million in development of land reserve, Ps.3.9 million as partial

payment for the purchase of 8 de Julio farm and Ps.0.1 million in forestry activities), Ps.1.5 million in improvements (including Ps.0.6 million in wire fences, Ps.0.3 million in watering troughs, Ps.0.2 million in roads, Ps.0.2 million in improvements in third parties buildings and Ps.0.2 million in corrals and leading lanes), Ps.0.9 million in facilities, Ps.0.3 million in vehicles, Ps.14.6 million for construction in progress (including Ps.10.8 million in development of land reserve, Ps.2.4 million in dairy farm and Ps.1.3 million in wire fences, new pastures, improvement in the main house and water extractions), Ps.0.8 million in machinery, Ps.0.6 million in computer and communication accessories, Ps.0.7 million in construction, Ps.0.1 million in forest products post and Ps.0.1 million in advances.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, our main investments consisted of Ps.49.2 million in the acquisition of real estate (including Ps.39.3 million as partial payment for the purchase of San Pedro farm, Ps.9.7 million in development of land reserve and Ps.0.2 million in forestry activities), Ps.0.6 million in improvements, Ps.0.1 million in furniture and equipment, Ps.1.2 million in facilities (including Ps.0.8 million in general machinery and Ps.0.4 million in milking facility), Ps.1.3 million in new pastures, Ps.0.9 million in vehicles, Ps.0.2 million in construction, Ps.1.13 million in machinery (including Ps.0.8 million in general machinery and Ps.0.3 million in milking machinery), Ps.0.3 million in computer and communication accessories, Ps.0.9 million in construction in progress, Ps.0.1 million in feed lot and Ps.0.7 million in advances.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, our main investments consisted of Ps.12.5 million in the acquisition of real estate (including Ps.8.9 million in the purchase of El Invierno farm, Ps.1.1 million in the additional purchase of 72 hectares of La Adela farm, Ps.2.3 million in development of land reserve and Ps.0.2 million in forestry activities), Ps.0.2 million in improvements, Ps.0.1 million in furniture and equipment, Ps.4.2 million in facilities (including Ps.1.9 million in irrigation facilities, Ps.1.8 million in milking facilities and Ps.0.5 million in general facilities), Ps.1.1 million in new pastures, Ps.0.3 million in vehicles, Ps.0.6 million in construction, Ps.1.8 million in machinery (including Ps.1.2 million in irrigation machinery, Ps.0.4 million in milking machinery and Ps.0.1 million in general machinery), Ps.0.3 million in construction in progress (including Ps.2.2 million in development of land reserve, Ps.1.0 million in watering troughs, Ps.0.6 million in roads and Ps.0.6 million in wire fences), Ps.0.1 million in feed lot and Ps.0.1 million in advances.

# **Our Contractual Obligations**

The following table shows our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2007:

	Payments due by period (in millions of Pesos) (5)							
	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years	Total			
Short-term debt:								
Convertible notes accrued interest								
Convertible notes <sup>(2)</sup>								
Charitable donations <sup>(1)</sup>	1.2				1.2			
Unsecured loans <sup>(3)</sup>	192.6				192.6			
Secured loan <sup>(4)</sup>	25.2				25.2			
Secured farm purchase obligations	12.0				12.0			
Unsecured farm purchase obligations								
Management fee payable <sup>(1)</sup>	1.4				1.4			
Total	232.4	0	0	0	232.4			

(1) Obligations do not accrue interest.

(2) Accrued interest at a fixed rate of 8% per annum.

(3) Accrues interest at an average rate of 9.584% for checking account overdrafts and an average rate of 6.2623% for export financings.

(4) Accrues interest at a variable rate equal to Libor + 3.75% per annum.

(5) Includes accrued interest, as of December 31, 2007.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

At December 31, 2007, we did not have any off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations with unconsolidated entities or others that are reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

### **Trend Information**

Our future operating results may be affected by variations in some factors, such as adverse changes in the price of commodities or the yield of crops. Accordingly, historical tendencies may not be representative of our future results. Our past results must not be considered indicative of our future performance. To mitigate certain risks associated with changes in weather and prices, we seek to apply hedging mechanisms through futures and option agreements in the grain market and to diversify our geographic areas of production.

#### **Product Prospects**

The sources of the following information are the Secretaría de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación de la República Argentina, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Instituto Interamericano de Cooperación para la Agricultura, Márgenes Agropecuarios, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and our information.

#### Wheat

USDA projections for the 2007/2008 campaign at global level estimate a production of approximately 612 million tons of wheat, 3% higher than the previous campaign. In the Northern Hemisphere, where many crops have reached a well-developed stage, a wheat production increase is forecast especially in North America and Europe.

As regards Argentina, USDA projects a 14 million-ton production for the 2007/2008, 8% lower than the prior-year campaign. It is estimated that the sowed area will decrease by 3% due to the significant number of hectares that will be assigned to sunflower and soybean. A decrease in exports of about 14% is also expected.

#### Corn

Globally, USDA calculates a 777.1 million tons of corn and final stocks of 108.4 million, vis-à-vis 701 and 100.9 million, respectively, in the previous cycle. These figures show the impact of ethanol that takes up most of the production surplus. Given the demand of soybean and corn, in the fodder as well as in the power markets, and considering the current corn scarcity, it seem inevitable that in 2007/2008 the world area earmarked for corn will increase to the detriment of soybean.

The ongoing high corn prices would encourage farmers in Argentina and Brazil to increase the corn-sowed area to the detriment of the soybean area. For Argentina, USDA estimates that production would reach approximately 24 million tons, 7% higher than the previous campaign.

#### Soybean

In the case of soybean, for the 2007/2008 campaign, USDA projects a world production of 222.1 million tons, 14 million less than the previous year. This decrease is due to the USA decision to allot more land to corn to the detriment of the soybean sowed area by 15% in respect of the last campaign, estimating a 71 million-ton production. With world consumption growing from 9 million tons to 234.2 million tons, there would be a 12 million deficit, bringing world stock to 52 million tons.

On the other hand, USDA projects an increase in soybean sowing in South America where the soybean area is expected to increase by 1.4 million hectares in Brazil and 900,000 hectares in Argentina. Argentine production is estimated at approximately 47 million tons, slightly lower than the previous year.

#### Sunflower

Globally, sunflower production for the 2007/2008 campaign is projected at approximately 31 million tons compared to 32 million tons in the previous year. This decrease is due to a smaller sunflower sowing area in the main producing countries in the Northern Hemisphere. Sunflower production in the European Union is projected at 5.8 million tons vis-à-vis 6.2 million tons in the previous campaign.

International prices of vegetable oils, specially palm, rapeseed and soybean oils, are currently strong due to biofuel demand, a situation that affects sunflower oil prices. In Argentina, the interest for sunflower increased and it was reflected by a larger sowed areas based on high seed and oil prices which are expected to increase during the 2007/08 campaign vis-à-vis the previous cycle.

#### Beef Cattle

World beef prices have remained generally stable since late 2006. World beef exportable supplies continue to be limited due to the slow recovery of beef exports from North America to the main Asian markets, due to the discovery of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) cases.

In many developing countries, consumers are diversifying traditional eating habits, leaving aside basic cereals and adopting more westernized foods such as beef. Although we believe that world beef production is likely to increase in 2008, export taxes, restrictions on beef exports and other government policies currently being enforced in Argentina to restrain increases in beef prices in the Argentine market are likely to result in a decrease in beef production for 2008.

#### Milk

In recent months, prices of many dairy products in the international market have reached high levels, essentially due to the fact that world milk production has not kept pace with increasing demand. Although milk production in Argentina slightly decreased during 2007, we believe it is likely to grow in 2008. Investments made in the milk producing sector, in spite of export taxes, are enabling Argentina to focus on global export markets, especially in the powdered milk and cheese sectors. However, growth may be adversely affected by high prices in cereal crops, fodder cereals that reduce available pastures and adversely affect the profitability of dairy products.

# Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

In the normal course of business, we are exposed to commodity price, interest rate and exchange rates risks, primarily related to our integrated crop production activities and changes in exchanges rates and interest rates. We manage our exposure to these risks through the use of various financial instruments, none of which are entered into for trading purposes. We have established policies and procedures governing the use of financial instruments, specifically as it relates to the type and volume of them. The use of financial derivatives instruments is oriented to our core business and is supervised by internal control policies.

The following discusses our exposure to these risks. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially as a result of a number of factors including those set forth in the risk factors section of this Prospectus. Uncertainties that are either non-financial or unable to be quantified, such as political, economic, tax, other regulatory, or credit risks, are not included in the following assessment of our market risks.

### Interest Rate Risk

The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve principal while at the same time maximizing yields without significantly increasing risk. To achieve this objective, we maintain our portfolio of cash equivalents and short-term investments in a variety of securities, including both government and corporate obligations and money market funds.

Investments in both fixed rate and floating rate interest earning instruments carry varying degrees of interest rate risk. Fixed rate securities may have their fair market value adversely impacted due to a rise in interest rates. In general, longer dated securities are subject to greater interest rate risk than shorter dated securities. While floating rate securities are generally subject to less interest rate risk than fixed rate securities, floating rate securities may produce less income than expected if interest rates decrease. Due in part to these factors, our investment income may fall short of expectations or we may suffer losses in principal if securities that have declined in market value due to changes in interest rates are sold. To date, we have not utilized derivative financial instruments to hedge interest rate risk; however, there can be no assurance as to the employment of hedging strategies in the future.

#### Foreign Exchange Risk

From April 1, 1991, until the beginning of 2002, Convertibility Law No. 23,928 was applicable to Argentina. This law established a fixed exchange rate, under which the Central Bank was obliged to sell U.S. dollars to any person at a fixed rate of one Peso per U.S. dollar. Accordingly, the foreign currency fluctuations were reduced to a minimum level, during this period.

The primary economic change implemented by the current Argentine government in January 2002 was the announcement of the devaluation of the Peso. Due to the end of the Convertibility Plan, our foreign exchange exposure has increased considerably.

Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations could impact our cash flow in Pesos, since some of our products and inputs are payable in U.S. dollars. Although most of our liabilities are denominated in Pesos, a small percentage is in U.S. dollars, and fluctuations in the foreign currency exchange rate may affect us.

Foreign currency exchange restrictions imposed by the Argentine government in the future could prevent or restrict our access to U.S. dollars, thus affecting our ability to service our U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities. Also, fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Peso and the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the U.S. dollar equivalent of the Peso price of our common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and as a result would likely affect the market price of our ADSs in the United States.

	As of December 51, 2007							
	Expected contractual maturity date (Ps. million)							
	Average Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Long-Term Outstanding Debt 2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	Under 1 year	More than 1 and not more than 2 years	More than 2 and not more than 3 years	More than 3 and not more than 5 years	More than 5 and not more than 10 years	
Long-Term Debt:								
Fixed rate (US\$ denominated)	6.50%	37.7	37.7					
Variable rate (US\$ denominated) <sup>(1)</sup>	Libor + 375%	25.2	25.2					
Fixed rate (Ps. denominated)								
Variable rate (2) (Ps. denominated)	15.57%	154.9	154.9					
These amounts were converted to Pesos	at an exchange rate	of Ps 3 1/0 per	115\$					

As of December 31, 2007

These amounts were converted to Pesos at an exchange rate of Ps. 3.149 per US\$

(3) Includes accrued interests as of December 31, 2007.

<sup>(1)</sup> Average interest rate means the weighted average prevailing interest rate as of December 31, 2007.

<sup>(2)</sup> It includes a Ps. 10 millions loan with Banco Ciudad de Bs. As. In order to fix the interest rate of this loan we agreed an interest rate swap with Citibank. As consequence of this swap, our interest rate expenses add to 15.95%

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#### Sensitivity to Exchange Rates and Interest Rates

We estimate, based on composition of our balance sheet as of December 31, 2007, that every variation in the exchange rate of Ps.0.10 against the U.S. dollars, plus or minus, would result in a variation of approximately Ps.6.29 million of our consolidated financial indebtedness.

We estimate, based on the current composition of our balance sheet as of December 31, 2007, that every variation in the interest rate of 100 basis points, plus or minus, to our current floating-rate consolidated debt in Pesos would result in a variation of approximately Ps.1.53 million of interest expense on an annual basis, assuming no change in the principal amount of this indebtedness, while the same variation in the interest rate to our current floating-rate consolidated debt in US Dollars would result in a variation of approximately US\$0.79 million of interest expense on an annual basis, assuming no change in the principal amount of this indebtedness. This analysis is based on the assumption that such variation of interest rates occurred at the same time for the different type of floating rates to which our actual debt is exposed.

This sensitivity analysis provides only a limited, point-in-time view of the market risk sensitivity of certain of our financial instruments. The actual impact of our market foreign exchange rate and/or interest rate changes on our financial instruments may differ significantly from the impact shown in the sensitivity analysis.

#### Commodity Price Risk and Derivative Financial Instruments

We use derivative instruments to hedge risks arising out of our core agribusiness operations. We use a variety of commodity-based derivative instruments to manage our exposure to price volatility stemming from its integrated crop production activities. These instruments consist mainly of crop future contracts and put and call option contracts. Contract positions are designed to ensure that we will receive a defined minimum price for certain quantities of our production. The counterparties to these instruments generally are major financial institutions. In entering into these contracts, we have assumed the risk that might arise from the possible inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts.

We usually cover up to 40% of our crop production in order to finance the operating costs. The hedge consists of taking positions on purchased puts or sold futures and calls that assure a fixed exit price. In the past, we have never kept a short position greater than our crop inventories. From time to time we may keep an additional long position in derivatives to improve the use of land and capital allocation (i.e., the use of land for rent). It is not our current intention to be exposed in a long derivative position in excess of 50% of our real production.

Derivative financial instruments involve, to a varying degree, elements of market and credit risk not recognized in our financial statements. The market risk associated with these instruments resulting from price movements is expected to offset the market risk of the underlying transactions, assets and liabilities, being hedged. The counterparties to the agreements relating to our futures and options contracts generally are large institutions with credit ratings equal to or higher than ours. We continually monitor the credit rating of such counterparties and seek to limit our financial exposure to any one financial institution. While the contract or notional amounts of derivative financial instruments provide one measure of the volume of these transactions, they do not represent the amount of our exposure to credit risk. The amounts potentially subject to credit risk (arising from the possible inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts) are generally limited to the amounts, if any, by which the counterparties obligations under the contracts exceed our obligations to the counterparties.

# Futures and Options

As of December 31, 2007, we had outstanding futures and options as follows:

Сгор	Tons	Deposit/Cost (Ps.)	Premium Paid (Collected) (Ps.)	Option Market Value as of 12/31/07 (Ps.)	Market Value (Loss) Gain as of 12/31/07 (Ps.)
<u>FUTURES</u>	10115	(1 5.)	(Concercu) (1 s.)	12/31/07 (13.)	12/31/07 (13.)
Purchase					
Soybeans	2,720				(76.904)
NDF (*)	_,				20,359
Sale					
Corn	18,300	398,263			(1,015,306)
Soybean	22,700	705,743			(3,378,488)
Wheat	6,300	137,107			98,804
NDF (*)					83,820
<u>OPTIONS</u>					
Call Buy					
Corn	15,875		510,265	914,386	404,121
Soybean	8,160		548,739	546,876	(1,863)
<u>Call sale</u>					
Corn	15,875		(280,587)	(795,473)	(514,886)
Soybean	10,160	76,683	(549,982)	(627,912)	(77,930)
<u>Put Buy</u>					
Corn	500		6,218	155	(6,063)
Wheat	15,875		553,402	58,388	(495,014)
Soybeans	9,520		87,246	24,470	(62,776)
Put Sale					
Corn	15,875		(157,782)	(31,963)	125,819
Soybean	11,520	62	(204,728)	(25,091)	179,637
Total	153,380	1,317,858	512,791	63,836	4,716,670
10(a)	155,580	1,317,038	512,791	05,650	4,710,070

(\*) NDF: Non Delivery Forwards.

The deposits/cost on open futures and options as of December 31, 2007 was Ps.1.3 million, and futures generated an unrealized loss of Ps.4.2 million. The premiums paid for open options as of December 31, 2007 were Ps.0.5 million; the market value of such options was of Ps. 0.06 million. The options resulted in an unrealized loss of Ps.0.45 million. The total unrealized loss on open futures and options was Ps.4.7 million as of December 31, 2007.

The fair value of our futures and options contracts is determined by calculating the market value of futures contracts, the market value of options acquired and sold and the margin deposits of these contracts. We use valuation models only for internal analysis. Therefore, figures set forth in our tables reflect real market prices used for pricing portfolio.

We use the options operations to combine them with the futures operations, only as a means to reduce the exposure towards the decrease of the prices, as the fact of being a producer implies the position of being bought, up to the moment that the grains are harvested and sold.

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# IRSA S MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

# AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus included elsewhere in this offering memorandum. This management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements include, among others, those statements including the words will, expects, anticipates, intends, believes and similar language. IRSA s actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many risk factors, including those set forth elsewhere in this prospectus.

For purposes of the following discussion, unless otherwise specified, references to fiscal years 2005, 2006 and 2007 relate to IRSA s fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively.

IRSA maintains its financial books and records in Pesos. IRSA prepares its consolidated financial statements in conformity with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* which differ in significant respects from U.S. GAAP. These differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in the financial statements as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the SEC. See Note 28 to IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus herein for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to IRSA, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of its net income and shareholders equity.

In order to comply with *Comisión Nacional de Valores* regulations, IRSA discontinued inflation accounting as of March 1, 2003 and recognized deferred income tax assets and liabilities on a non-discounted basis. These accounting practices represented departures from Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005. However, IRSA believes that such departures did not have a material effect on its financial statements.

### **IRSA** s Results of Operations

#### Overview

IRSA s historical financial results have been, and are expected to continue to be, materially affected by the general level of economic activity and growth of per capita disposable income in Argentina (and in particular in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area where its activities and investments are concentrated). From December 2001 through most of 2002, Argentina experienced a crisis that virtually paralyzed its economy and led to radical changes in government policies. Argentina s trade and fiscal deficits and the rigidity of its fixed exchange rate system (known as the convertibility regime), combined with the country s excessive reliance on foreign capital and with its mounting external debt, resulted in a deep contraction of the economy and in banking and fiscal crises when capital started to leave the country.

In response to the political and economic crisis, the Argentine government undertook a number of far-reaching initiatives that significantly changed the monetary and foreign exchange regime and the regulatory framework for conducting business in Argentina. Between December 2001 and January 2002, Argentina abolished the fixed parity between the Peso and the U.S. dollar, rescheduled bank deposits, restricted bank withdrawals, asymmetrically pesified debts and suspended payment on a significant portion of its public debt.

Most sectors of the Argentine economy were severely affected by the crisis and regulatory changes. In April 2002, the economy started its path to stabilization and realized a clear improvement of economic variables during the second half of the year, mainly as a result of expanding exports and decreasing imports. While the devaluation of the Peso had significant adverse consequences, it did result in a positive balance for Argentina s current account which fostered a reactivation of domestic production. The sharp decline in the Peso s value against foreign currencies, together with a decline in production costs in U.S. dollar terms, made Argentine products relatively inexpensive in the export markets. At the same time, the costs of imported goods increased significantly due to the devaluation of the Peso, forcing Argentine consumers to substitute their purchase of foreign goods with domestic products, substantially boosting domestic demand for domestic products.

During the second half of 2002, Argentina s GDP increased 4.4%, and the consumer price index inflation was 8.0% for the six-month period ended December 31, 2002, compared to 30.5% for the six-month period ended June 30, 2002. The improving economic conditions, particularly the reduction of capital outflows from the Argentine economy and the banking system, allowed the government to begin lifting restrictions on bank withdrawals in November 2002.

Despite the improvement in economic conditions during the second half of 2002, Argentina s overall GDP contracted 10.9% for the full year, receding to 1993 values, investment collapsed (with, for example, negative growth of 43% in the second quarter compared to the second quarter of 2001), and inflation increased sharply. The main impact of the crisis was the tremendous social hardship. Unemployment rose from 12.9% to 19.7% between 1998 and 2002, real wages declined 24% in 2002, and the poverty index increased from 29% of the population in 2000 to 52% in 2002.

In May 2003, Argentina s political environment was reorganized when Dr. Néstor Kirchner took office as president. The economy continued to show indications of recovery, as GDP grew 8.8% in 2003. A combination of sound fiscal and monetary policies kept consumer price inflation under control at 3.5% in 2003. During 2003, Argentina moved towards normalizing its relationship with the IMF, withdrew all the national and provincial governments quasi-money securities from circulation (amounting to Ps.7.8 billion), and eliminated all deposit restrictions. The trade balance experienced a sustained surplus, aided by the rise in commodity prices and export volumes. Social indicators also improved. The unemployment rate decreased to 17.3% in 2003 and real wages began to recover.

During 2004 and 2005, the Argentine economy continued to grow. GDP grew 9.0% in 2004 and 9.0% in 2005 according to the Central Bank s survey of independent forecasting firms. Inflation remained relatively low in 2004 although it almost doubled to 6.1% from 2003, and it increased to 12.3% during 2005 and 9.8% during 2006. According to INDEC, inflation during 2007 was 8.5%.

In June 2005, the Argentine government completed a restructuring of the federal government s public debt which had been in default since December 2001. Argentina reduced the outstanding principal amount of its public debt from US\$191.3 billion to US\$126.6 billion and negotiated lower interest rates and extended payment terms. Approximately US\$19.5 billion of defaulted bonds held by creditors who did not participate in the exchange offer remain outstanding.

Over the past four years, the Argentine economy has recovered significantly from the crisis, and the business environment has largely stabilized. IRSA believes that the current recovery has led to significant improvements and sets the stage for growth opportunities. Nevertheless, we cannot assure you that the favorable economic conditions that Argentina has experienced in recent years will continue. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to Argentina.

# Economic Recovery and Improvements in IRSA s Business Segments

#### Shopping centers

The profitability of IRSA s shopping center business is highly sensitive to consumer spending, overall GPD growth in Argentina and availability of financing. The contraction in consumer spending and the greater reliance on informal and low quality products that characterized the Argentine economy during the crisis has been significantly lessened along with an increase in GPD growth. This economic reactivation has significantly increased the revenues of Alto Palermo, IRSA s subsidiary engaged in shopping center ownership and operation. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA s shopping center revenues were Ps.165.5 million, Ps.215.0 million, Ps.270.3 million and Ps.172.6 million, respectively.

# Credit card operations

Tarshop is a subsidiary of Alto Palermo through which IRSA has rolled out a credit card business. Economic reactivation and the consequent increase in consumer spending have been fueling the growth in this business as in the case of the shopping center segment. Conceived originally as a marketing tool intended to stimulate sales at IRSA s shopping centers, Tarshop s credit card business has extended beyond IRSA s shopping centers, becoming one of the fastest growing credit card businesses in the consumer credit industry in Argentina. As of December 31, 2007, Tarshop had 837,000 outstanding credit card accounts with more than Ps.835 million in outstanding loans most of which had been securitized as of such date. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, the revenues of IRSA s credit card operations were Ps.64.6 million, Ps.123.0 million, Ps.213.0 million and Ps.139.9 million, respectively.

# Development and sale of properties

Demand for new residential units is influenced by a number of factors, including employment rates, short-term and long-term interest rates, availability of government-sponsored and private mortgage financing programs and products, consumer confidence, governmental policies, demographic factors and, to a lesser extent, changes in property taxes, energy costs and federal income tax rates. In addition, the feasibility of developing and marketing new residential units depends on a number of factors such as the inventory of existing units, zoning restrictions, government policies, cost and availability of land, construction and sales costs and the availability of financing on reasonable terms, among other factors. At the time of the crisis, residential sales came to a virtual standstill and real estate prices fell sharply. During the last four years, the market has begun to recover, making gradual progress. This continuing market stabilization accounts for much of the revenue increase in IRSA s development and sale of properties segment. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA s development and sale of properties segment had revenues of Ps.32.3 million, Ps.104.0 million, Ps.75.8 million and Ps.63.0 million, respectively.

#### Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The profitability of offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment is similarly affected by the macroeconomic factors described above. Favorable market conditions and the incidence of bankruptcy are also closely related to levels of vacancy and to the price at which IRSA can lease its premises which in turn adversely affect IRSA s revenues in this segment. During the 2001 Argentine economic crisis and its aftermath, few development projects were built in Argentina. However, demand for office space and rental properties has increased substantially during the last four years, significantly raising prices. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA s offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment had revenues of Ps.19.4 million, Ps.30.6 million, Ps.55.7 million and Ps.44.8 million respectively.

#### Hotel operations

The revenues from IRSA s hotel business are also highly sensitive to market conditions. For example, the devaluation of the Peso following the repeal of the Convertibility Law made Argentina a less expensive, and therefore a more attractive tourist destination, significantly increasing the influx of foreign tourists. The appreciation of foreign currency also made domestic travel destinations more appealing to the Argentines, many of whom replaced foreign travel with local travel. During fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA s Hotel operations segment had revenues of Ps.87.1 million, Ps.103.8 million, Ps.122.7 million and Ps.76.0 million, respectively.

#### **Factors Affecting Comparability of Results of Operations**

Described below are certain considerations that will facilitate an understanding of IRSA s overall operating results. These factors are based upon the information which is currently available to IRSA and do not represent all of the factors that are relevant to an understanding of IRSA s current and future results of operations.

#### Recent gains on equity investees

IRSA currently owns 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario, Argentina s leading mortgage lender in terms of mortgage loans granted, and provider of mortgage-related insurance and mortgage loan services. Banco Hipotecario consummated a restructuring of its financial indebtedness in 2004 and since that time has recorded improving results of operations. For fiscal years ended June 30, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA s investment in Banco Hipotecario generated a gain of Ps.47.0 million, a gain of Ps.41.4 million and a loss of Ps.9.4 million respectively. The gains IRSA recorded in its 2006 and 2007 fiscal years, and the loss recorded in its six months ended December 31, 2007, represented 48.7%, 38.6%, and 161.8%, respectively, of its consolidated net income for such years and periods. We cannot give you any assurance that IRSA s investment in Banco Hipotecario will generate similar gains, if any, in the future.

#### Variability of results due to substantial property acquisitions and dispositions

The development and sale of large residential and other properties does not yield a stable, recurring stream of revenue. On the contrary, large acquisitions and sales significantly affect revenues for a reporting period, making it difficult to compare IRSA s year-to-year results. For example, the Ps.31.0 million sale to a third party of 10% of the parcel known as Santa María de Plata and the Ps.26.2 million sale of plot Z of Dock III have significantly impacted IRSA s results for its 2007 fiscal year. IRSA s historical revenues have varied from period to period depending upon the timing of sales of properties, and IRSA s future period-on-period results of operations are likely to continue to vary, perhaps significantly, as a result of periodic acquisitions and dispositions of properties.

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

In connection with the preparation of the IRSA s consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus, IRSA has relied on variables and assumptions derived from historical experience and various other factors that IRSA deemed reasonable and relevant. Although IRSA reviews these estimates and assumptions in the ordinary course of business, the portrayal of its financial condition and results of operation often requires IRSA s management to make judgments regarding the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain on the carrying value of its assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from those estimated under different variables, assumptions or conditions. In order to provide an understanding about how IRSA s management forms its judgments about future events, including the variables and assumptions underlying the estimates, and the sensitivity of those judgments to different variables and conditions, we have included comments related to each critical accounting policy described as follows:

revenue recognition;

purchase accounting of real estate assets;

useful lives of real estate assets;

provision for allowances and contingencies;

impairment of long-lived assets;

debt restructuring;

deferred income tax; and

minimum presumed income tax.

#### **Revenue** recognition

IRSA primarily derives its revenues from domestic office space and shopping center leases and services operations, from the development and sale of properties, from credit card operations and from hotel operations.

Accounting for real estate barter transactions. During the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 IRSA entered into certain non-monetary transactions with unrelated third parties pursuant to which IRSA sold parcels of land in the ordinary course of business in exchange for other real estate properties. Under Argentine GAAP, these transactions were recorded based on the fair value of the assets involved and, as a result, a gain or loss was recognized at the time of the exchange. IRSA believes that this accounting policy is a critical accounting policy because the impact of accounting for real estate barter transactions under this method could have a material effect on IRSA s consolidated balance sheet as well as on its results of operations.

*Recognition of inventories at net realizable value.* Inventories, on which IRSA received payments in advance that establishes the sales price and the terms and conditions of the contract assuring the closing of the transaction and the realization of the gain, are valued at net realizable value. At June 30, 2007, payments for Ps.20.7 million were valued according to these criteria which was principally applied to the following developments: Dock III Plot X for Ps.18.4 million and San Martín de Tours for Ps.1.5 million. IRSA believes that the accounting policy related to recognition of inventories at net realizable value is a critical accounting policy because the impact of accounting under this method could have a material effect on IRSA s consolidated balance sheet as well as on its results of operations. The performance of a sensitivity analysis which reduced the market value of the properties by 5%, would have resulted in a smaller Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value 30, 2007.

*Leases and services from shopping center operations.* IRSA accounts for its leases with tenants as operating leases. IRSA generally charges tenants a rent which consists of the higher of (i) a monthly base rent (the Base Rent ) and (ii) a specified percentage of the tenant s monthly gross retail sales (the Percentage Rent ) (which generally ranges between 4% and 8% of tenant s gross sales). Furthermore, pursuant to the rent escalation clause in most leases, the tenant s Base Rent generally increases between 4% and 7% each year during the term of the lease. Certain of IRSA s lease agreements contain provisions which provide for rents based on a percentage of sales or based on a percentage of sales volume above a specified threshold. IRSA determines the compliance with specific targets and calculate the additional rent on a monthly basis as provided for in the contracts. Thus, IRSA does not recognize contingent rents until the required thresholds are exceeded.

IRSA s lease agreements vary from 36 to 120 months. Law No. 24,808 provides that tenants may rescind commercial lease agreements after the initial six months, upon not less than 60 days written notice, subject to penalties of one and a half months rent if the tenant rescinds during the first year of its lease, and one month of rent if the tenant rescinds after the first year of its lease.

IRSA also charges its tenants a monthly administration fee, prorated among the tenants according to their leases which varies from shopping center to shopping center, relating to the administration and maintenance of the common area and the administration of contributions made by tenants to finance promotional efforts for the overall shopping centers operations. IRSA recognizes administration fees monthly when earned. In addition to rent, IRSA generally charges tenants admission rights. Admission rights are non-refundable admission fees that tenants may be required to pay upon entering into a lease or upon lease renewal. An admission right is normally paid in one lump sum or in a small number of monthly installments. IRSA recognizes admission rights using the straight-line method over the life of the respective lease agreements. Furthermore, the lease agreements generally provide for the reimbursement of real estate taxes, insurance, advertising and certain common area maintenance costs. These additional rents and tenant reimbursements are accounted for on the accrual basis.

IRSA also derives revenues for parking lot fees charged to visitors. IRSA recognizes parking revenues as services are performed.

#### Leases and services from office and other buildings

IRSA accounts for its leases with tenants as operating leases. IRSA charges tenants a base rent on a monthly basis. IRSA recognizes rental income on a straight-line basis over the term of the leases.

*Development and sale of properties.* IRSA records revenue from the sale of properties when all of the following criteria are met: (a) the sale has been consummated (a sale is not considered consummated until (i) the parties are bound by the terms of a contract, (ii) all consideration has been exchanged, (iii) any permanent financing for which the seller is responsible has been arranged and (iv) all conditions precedent to the closing have been performed); (b) IRSA determines that the buyer s initial and continuing investments are adequate to demonstrate a commitment to pay for the property (the adequacy of a buyer s initial investment is measured by (i) its composition and (ii) its size compared with the sales value of the property); (c) IRSA s receivables are not subject to future subordination (IRSA s receivables will not be placed in or occupy a lower rank, class or position with respect to other obligations of the buyer); and (d) IRSA has transferred to the buyer the risk and rewards of ownership and does not have a continuing involvement in the property.

IRSA generally enters into purchase and sale agreements with purchasers of units in its residential development properties prior to the commencement of construction. Pursuant to this practice, IRSA initiates its marketing and sales efforts on the basis of already-commissioned architectural designs and model units. As a general rule, purchasers pay a booking charge for the units and subsequently enter into fixed price purchase and sale agreements. The balance of the purchase price is due upon delivery of the constructed and completed unit.

Construction of such residential development properties is done pursuant to turn-key contracts with major Argentine and South American construction companies that provide for construction to be completed within a prescribed period and budget, subject to customary exceptions.

IRSA uses the percentage-of-completion method of accounting with respect to sales of development properties under construction effected under fixed-priced contracts. Under this method, revenue is recognized based on the ratio of costs incurred to total estimated costs applied to the total contract price. IRSA does not commence revenue and cost recognition until such time as the decision to proceed with the project is made and construction activities have begun.

The percentage-of-completion method of accounting requires management to prepare budgeted costs (i.e., the estimated costs of completion) in connection with sales of properties and/or units. All changes to estimated costs of completion are incorporated into revised estimates during the contract period.

Under this method of accounting, revenues for work completed may be recognized in the statement of income prior to the period in which actual cash proceeds from the sale are received. In this situation, a deferred asset is recorded. Alternatively, and as is more common for IRSA, where property and/or unit purchasers pay IRSA an advance down-payment and monthly cash installments prior to the commencement of construction, a liability is recorded. This is recorded as a customer advance in the financial statements.

# Credit card operations

IRSA derives revenues from credit card transactions which primarily are comprised of (i) merchant discount fees which are recognized when transactional information is received and processed by IRSA; (ii) data processing services which consist of processing and printing cardholders account statements, and which are recognized as services are provided; (iii) life and disability insurance expenses to cardholders which are recognized on an accrual basis and (iv) interest income generated by financing and lending activities.

# Hotel operations

IRSA recognizes revenues from occupation of rooms, catering, and restaurant facilities as earned on the close of each business day.

#### Purchase accounting of real estate assets

IRSA allocates the purchase price to assets acquired and liabilities assumed on a gross basis based on their fair values at the date of acquisition pursuant to the provisions of Technical Resolution No. 18 Specific Considerations for the Preparation of Financial Statements issued by FACPCE (RT No. 18). In estimating the fair value of the tangible and intangible assets and liabilities acquired, IRSA considers information obtained about each property as a result of IRSA s due diligence, marketing and leasing activities. It applies various valuation methods, such as estimated cash flow projections utilizing appropriate discount and capitalization rates, estimates of replacement costs net of depreciation, and available market information. Depending upon the size of the acquisition, IRSA may engage an outside appraiser to perform a valuation of the tangible and intangible assets acquired. IRSA is required to make subjective estimates in connection with these valuations and allocations.

When the sum of the individual fair values of the identifiable tangible and intangible assets exceeds the purchase price paid, negative goodwill exists. Under Argentine GAAP, when negative goodwill exists after an acquiring entity initially assigns values to all assets acquired and liabilities assumed, RT No. 18 states that the entity must first reassess whether all acquired assets and assumed liabilities have been identified and properly valued. If an amount of negative goodwill still results after this reassessment, intangible assets acquired (including above and below market leases, in-place leases and tenant relationships, as applicable), are subject to reduction. If after all of these intangible assets are reduced to zero and an amount of negative goodwill still remains, the remaining unallocated negative goodwill is amortized under the straight-line method over the weighted average useful life of the main tangible assets acquired.

#### Useful lives of real estate assets

IRSA is required to make subjective assessments as to the useful lives of its properties for purposes of determining the amount of depreciation to reflect on an annual basis with respect to those properties. These assessments have a direct impact on IRSA s net income. If IRSA would lengthen or shorten the expected useful life of a particular asset, it would be depreciated over more or less years and result in less or more depreciation expense and higher or lower net income.

#### Provisions for allowances and contingencies

IRSA provides for losses relating to mortgage, lease and other accounts receivable. The allowance for losses is recognized when, based on current information and events, it is probable that IRSA will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the terms of its agreements. Allowances are determined on a case-by-case basis, where applicable, by considering the present value of expected future cash flow or the fair market value of collateral if the loan is securitized. Determinations that an allowance should be recognized are dependent on information available at the time of the determination. As a result, future adjustments to the allowance may be necessary if future economic conditions differ substantially from the assumptions used at the time of the determination. IRSA has considered all events and/or transactions subject to reasonable and standard estimation procedures. The consolidated financial statements reflect these considerations.

IRSA has certain contingent liabilities with respect to existing or potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings, including those involving labor and other matters. IRSA accrues liabilities when it is probable that future costs will be incurred and such costs can be reasonably estimated. Such accruals are based on developments to date, IRSA s estimate of the outcomes of these matters and IRSA s lawyers experience in contesting, litigating and settling other matters. As the scope of the liabilities becomes better defined, there may be changes in the estimates of future costs which could have a material effect on IRSA s future results of operations and financial condition or liquidity.

# Impairment of long-lived assets

IRSA periodically evaluates the carrying value of its long-lived assets for impairment. IRSA considers the carrying value of a long-lived asset to be impaired when the expected cash flows, undiscounted and without

interest, from such asset is separately identifiable and less than its carrying value. IRSA determines the fair market value of a long-lived asset primarily using independent appraisals and utilizing anticipated cash flows discounted at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. The reposition value is mainly determined using independent appraisals or projections of future cash flows. In that event, a loss would be recognized based on the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair market value of the long-lived asset. Impairments are allocated to the results of the period.

Under Argentine GAAP a previously recognized impairment loss is reversed when there is a subsequent change in estimates used to compute the fair market value of the asset. In that event, the new carrying value of the asset is the lower of its fair market value or the net carrying value the asset would have had if no impairment had been recognized. Both the impairment charge and the impairment reversal are recognized in earnings. U.S. GAAP prohibits the reversal of a previously recognized impairment charge.

IRSA believes that the accounting estimate related to asset impairment is a critical accounting estimate because:

it is highly susceptible to change from period to period because it requires company management and/or independent appraisers to make assumptions such as, future sales and cost of sale, future vacancy rates and future prices which requires significant adjustments because actual prices and vacancy rates have fluctuated in the past and are expected to continue to do so; and

the impact that recognizing an impairment would have on assets reported on IRSA s balance sheet as well as on the results of IRSA s operations could be material. Independent appraisals about future sales prices and future vacancy rates require significant judgment because actual sales prices and vacancy rates have fluctuated in the past and are expected to continue to do so.

As of June 30, 2002, IRSA had reviewed its assets in all segments for impairments due to the continued deterioration of the Argentine economy. As a result, as of June 30, 2002, IRSA had recognized an impairment of Ps.140.6 million. During fiscal years 2003 and 2005, IRSA also recognized, impairment losses totaling Ps.14.0 million and Ps.0.2 million, respectively. As a result of increases in the fair market values of the assets for which IRSA had recognized impairment losses, IRSA partially reversed those impairment losses, recognizing gains of Ps.25.4 million, Ps.63.0 million, Ps.28.2 million, Ps.12.6 million and Ps.2.6 million, for the years ended June 30, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 respectively. Assets related to our business segments represented approximately 98.5% of IRSA s total long-lived assets as of June 30, 2007.

The fair market value of IRSA s office and rental properties was determined following the rent value method, taking into consideration each property s future cash flow, its comparability with other properties in the market and its historic vacancy rates. The price per square meter of IRSA s properties varies according to the category and type of building, and to each property s idiosyncratic traits. Vacancy rates are the lowest in history with rates below 2%. Moreover, IRSA currently believes that a significant amount of new office space, comparable to its existing buildings, is not likely to become available in the City of Buenos Aires during IRSA s next two or three fiscal years. IRSA applied an assumed 5% vacancy rate in preparing its cash flow analyses. For buildings IRSA considers to be Class A (those having the best location and condition) the average price per square meter used was between Ps.68 and Ps.74 per square meter per month, while for buildings IRSA considers to be Class A/B (having very good location and/or condition) the average price was between Ps.37 and Ps.49 per square meter per month, and for buildings IRSA considers Class B/C (those having good location and/or condition) it was Ps.31 per square meter per month. The performance of a sensitivity analysis which would have reduced the fair market value of these properties by 5%, would have resulted in a smaller reversal of impairment losses of Ps.0.4 million, as of June 30, 2007.

With respect to IRSA s Hotel Operations segment, the discounted cash flows methodology was applied by taking the forecasts of each hotel in a 10-year flow and discounting such estimated amounts at rates according to risk, location and other relevant factors. The cash flows to be discounted considered revenues per room, per guest, per additional expense as well as the fixed and variable expenditures related to the transaction. Rate

increases and occupancy variations were estimated based on the information supplied by each hotel s management and comparing them to industry-specific data in the local market. IRSA believes that tourism activities and related industries in Argentina have grown in the range of 13% to 18% over the last 12 months, well above worldwide figures, according to inbound traveling and spending statistics provided by the National Tourism Agency.

Shopping centers were valued according to the rent value method. IRSA calculated discount rates considering each property s location, its comparability with other properties in the market, its historic rental income, vacancy rates and cash flow. The average discount rates IRSA used ranged between 10.0% and 10.4%, and the average price per leasable square meter was Ps.7,043 and the average vacancy rate was calculated taking into consideration the real vacancy.

IRSA used the open market method for determining the fair market value of its land reserves and inventories. IRSA estimated the value of each site by taking into consideration the value of the property according to its surface area and location, as well as the availability of inventory. The performance of a sensitivity analysis which would have reduced the fair market value of these properties by 5% would have resulted in increased recognition of impairment losses as of June 30, 2007, of Ps.0.7 million.

# Debt restructuring

*Extension of the maturity date of Alto Palermo s Convertible Notes.* On August 20, 2002, Alto Palermo issued an aggregate amount of US\$50.0 million of unsecured convertible notes in exchange for cash and the settlement of certain liabilities. These convertible notes accrue interest at a fixed annual interest rate of 10% (payable semiannually), are convertible at any time at the option of the holder into common shares (at a conversion ratio of US\$0.3240 per share) and originally matured on July 19, 2006. On May 2, 2006, Alto Palermo s noteholders resolved to extend the maturity date of these convertible notes through July 19, 2014, the remaining terms and conditions remained unchanged.

Under Argentine GAAP, an exchange or modification of debt instruments is deemed to result in a substantially different debt instrument if the present value of the cash flows under the terms of the new debt instrument is at least 10% different from the present value of the remaining cash flows under the terms of the original instrument. The new debt instrument should be initially recorded at fair value, and that amount should be used to determine the extinguishment gain or loss to be recognized.

Fair value should be determined by the present value of the future cash flows to be paid under the terms of the new debt instrument discounted at a rate commensurate with the risks of the debt instrument and time value of money. If it is determined that the original and new debt instrument are not substantially different, then a new effective interest rate is to be determined based on the carrying amount of the original debt instrument and the revised cash flows.

IRSA believes that the accounting policy related to the extension of Alto Palermo s convertible notes maturity date is a critical accounting policy because it required IRSA s management to make an estimate of the present value of the future cash flows, using an estimated discount rate which is highly susceptible to changes from period to period. The impact on the fair market value of IRSA s debt instruments could be material. Based on the analysis performed, IRSA concluded that the instruments were not substantially different and accordingly the old instrument was not extinguished.

# Deferred income tax

IRSA recognizes income tax using the liability method. Accordingly, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recorded or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in

tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Technical Resolution No. 17 requires companies to record a valuation allowance for that component of net deferred tax assets which is not recoverable.

IRSA believes that the accounting estimate related to deferred income tax is a critical accounting estimate because:

it is highly susceptible to change from period to period because it requires company management to make assumptions, such as future revenues and expenses, exchange rates and inflation among others; and

the impact that calculating income tax using this method would have on assets or liabilities reported on IRSA s consolidated balance sheet as well as on the income tax result reported in IRSA s consolidated statement of income could be material. *Minimum presumed income tax* 

IRSA calculates the minimum presumed income tax provision by applying the current 1% rate on computable assets at the end of the year. This tax complements the income tax. IRSA s tax obligation each year will coincide with the highest amount due under either of these two taxes. However, if the minimum presumed income tax provision exceeds income tax in a given year, the amount in excess of income tax can be offset against income tax arising in any of the following ten years.

IRSA has recognized the minimum presumed income tax provision paid in previous years as a credit as IRSA estimates that it will offset future years income tax.

IRSA believes that the accounting policy relating to the minimum presumed income tax provision is a critical accounting policy because it requires management to make estimates and assumptions with respect to IRSA s future results that are highly susceptible to change from period to period, and as such the impact on IRSA s financial position and results of operations could be material.

#### Principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP

The principal differences, other than inflation accounting, between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP are related to the following:

the impact of certain U.S. GAAP adjustments on equity investees;

the accounting for marketable securities;

the application of different useful lives for depreciation purposes;

the deferral of certain preoperating and organization expenses under Argentine GAAP which are expensed as incurred under U.S. GAAP;

the accounting for a mortgage payable with no stated interest;

the accounting for securitization programs;

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the application of certain U.S. GAAP adjustments to the estimation of the fair value of net assets acquired;

the present-value accounting;

the restoration of previously recognized impairment losses accounting;

the accounting for convertible notes;

the accounting for troubled debt restructuring;

the accounting for real estate barter transactions;

the accounting for the appraisal revaluation of fixed assets;

the revenue recognition of deferred brokerage commissions over the term of the respective leases;

the escalation of rental revenue under straight-line method over the term of the leases;

the amortization of fees related to the Senior Notes;

the accounting for software obtained for internal use;

the accounting for increasing rate debt;

the accounting for certain inventories to which we have received advance payments that fix sales price and the contractual terms assure the closing of the sale and the realization of the gain;

the differences between the price-level restated amounts of assets and liabilities and their historical basis, that under Argentine GAAP, are treated as permanent differences in accounting for deferred income tax calculation purposes while under U.S. GAAP are treated as temporary differences;

the effect of the reversal of gain from recognition of financial receivables at net realizable value;

the effect of the reversal of capitalized exchange differences;

the effects on deferred income tax of the foregoing taxes of the above-mentioned reconciling items, as appropriate;

the effect on minority interest of the above-mentioned reconciling items, as appropriate;

the cumulative effect of initial application of SAB 108; and

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the deferral of certain revenues from life and disability insurance and origination fees. In addition, certain other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP have been included in the U.S. GAAP reconciliation. See note 17 to IRSA s audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Net income under Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 was approximately Ps.103.2 million, Ps.96.6 million and Ps.107.1 million, respectively, compared to approximately Ps.129.4 million, Ps.89.9 million and Ps.103.2 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP. Shareholders equity under Argentine GAAP as of June 30, 2006 and 2007, was Ps.1,485.8 million and Ps.1,646.7 million, respectively, compared to Ps.1,158.4 million and Ps.1,358.7 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP.

#### **Business Segment Reporting**

IRSA has determined that its reportable segments are those based on IRSA s method of internal reporting. Accordingly, IRSA has six reportable segments. These segments are shopping centers, credit card operations, development and sale of properties, offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, hotel operations and financial operations and others.

A general description of each segment follows:

*Shopping centers.* This segment includes the operating results of IRSA s shopping centers principally consisting of lease and service revenues from tenants.

*Credit card operations.* IRSA operates a credit card consumer finance business through Alto Palermo s majority-owned subsidiary Tarshop. IRSA s Credit card operations consist primarily of lending and servicing activities relating to the credit card products IRSA offers to consumers at shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores. IRSA finances a substantial majority of IRSA s credit card activities through securitization of the receivables underlying the accounts IRSA originate. IRSA s revenues from credit card transactions are derived from interest income generated by financing and lending activities, merchants fees, insurance expenses for life and disability insurance and fees for data processing which consist of processing and printing cardholder s account statement.

Development and sale of properties. This segment includes the operating results of IRSA s construction and/or sale of residential buildings business.

*Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties.* This segment includes the operating results from IRSA s lease and service revenues for office space and other non-retail building properties.

Hotel operations. This segment includes the operating results of IRSA s hotels principally comprised of room, catering and restaurant revenues.

Financial operations and others. This segment primarily includes revenues and associated costs generated from the sale of equity securities, other securities-related transactions and other non-core activities.

IRSA measures its reportable segments based on net income. Inter-segment transactions, if any, are accounted for at current market prices. IRSA evaluates performance and allocate its resources to each segment based on net income. IRSA does not depend on any one customer for the majority of its business.

#### Allocation of expenses and other gains to business segments

#### Allocation of selling expenses to business segments

Selling expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel Operations segments are directly allocated to these segments. These expenses are incurred individually by these segments. All other selling expenses are allocated appropriately among the remaining segments based on the specific segment which incurred the expenses.

#### Allocation of administrative expenses to business segments

Administrative expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel Operations segments are directly allocated to these segments. These expenses are incurred individually by these segments. All other administrative expenses are prorated among the Development and sale of properties segment and the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segments based on the percentage of the operating assets and revenues generated by each segment. Accordingly, 53.1% and 46.9% of administrative expenses (excluding expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel Operations segments) are allocated to the Development and sale of properties segment and the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segments, respectively.

#### Allocation of results from retained interest in securitized receivables to business segments

Alto Palermo s profits from its interest in Tarshop are allocated to IRSA s Credit card operations segment.

#### Allocation of results from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net

These results are allocated to the segment that generates them which are Shopping centers, Development and sales of properties, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and Hotel Operations.

#### Allocation of the amortization of goodwill

Includes, principally, the amortization of goodwill generated from (i) the acquisition of Alto Palermo, (ii) the acquisition of Alto Palermo s subsidiaries, (iii) the purchase of Alto Palermo s convertible notes and (iv) the acquisition of 33% interest in Palermo Invest. The amortization is allocated to the segment that generates the corresponding goodwill.

#### Allocation of financial results to business segments

#### Financial results, net

Includes interest income, interest on discounting of assets and liabilities, gain on financial operations, financial expenses, exchange gain (loss) and other financial results allocated to each segment, as described below.

#### Gain (loss) on financial operations

The Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel operations segments each manage their financial operations individually. The results generated on such operations are directly allocated to these segments. The remaining financial gains or losses are shown in the Financial operations and others segment since they are not specifically generated by any other segment.

#### Interest income, interest on discounting of assets and liabilities and financial expenses

Only the results generated by Alto Palermo, Tarshop and IRSA s hotels are recorded in the Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel operations segments, respectively. The remaining results are prorated among Development and sale of properties, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Shopping centers, Credit card operations, Hotel operations and Financial operations and others in proportion to the corresponding assets to each segment.

#### Exchange gain (loss) and other financial results

In the case of Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel operations, exchange gains (losses) and other financial results are attributed to the segments giving rise to them. The remaining items are recorded in Financial Operations and Others as they are not directly related to any segment.

## Allocation of (Loss) gain on equity investees

(Loss) gain on equity investees is allocated to the corresponding segments. (Loss) gain on equity investees carrying out activities not falling under any of IRSA s segments of activity are recorded under Financial operations and Others.

## Allocation of other expenses, net

The Shopping centers, Credit card operations and Hotel operations segments each manage their expenses individually. The results generated by such operations are directly allocated to these segments. The remaining expenses are shown in the Financial operations and others segment since they are not specifically generated by any other segment.

#### Allocation of minority interest

Minority interests are allocated among IRSA s respective segments that generate them.

#### Allocation of income tax and minimum presumed income tax

The corresponding income tax is allocated to the segment that generates it and minimum presumed income tax is prorated among the Development and sale of properties, the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and the Financial Operations and Others segments.

The following tables show certain operating data by business activity:

As of and for the six months ended December 31, 2007	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties (1)	Shopping centers (in tho	Hotel operations usands of Ps.)	Credit card operations	Financial operations and other	Total
Income Statement Data							
Revenues	63,011	44,823	172,567	75,974	139,901	340	496,616
Costs	(47,417)	(15,014)	(48,485)	(41,420)	(57,070)	(253)	(209,659)
Gross profit	15,594	29,809	124,082	34,554	82,831	87	286,957
Gain from recognition of inventories							
at net realizable value	1,382						1,382
Selling expenses	(1,869)	(1,630)	(12,512)	(7,272)	(38,099)		(61,382)
Administrative expenses	(10,943)	(10,698)	(16,757)	(15,749)	(31,229)		(85,376)
Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables					320		320
Operating income	4,164	17,481	94,813	11,533	13,823	87	141,901
Gross margin (2)	0.25	0.67	0.72	0.45	0.59	0.26	0.58
Operating margin (3)	0.07	0.39	0.55	0.15	0.10	0.26	0.29
Depreciation and amortizations (4)	160	14,849	36,086	6,524	941		58,560
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	431,226	864,644	1,469,291	224,593	152,698		3,142,452
Non operating assets	25,152	34,342	57,987	15,519	9,318	871,204	1,013,522
Total assets	456,378	898,986	1,527,278	240,112	162,016	871,204	4,155,974
Operating liabilities	14,169	62,461	198,080	33,204	202,131		510,045
Non operating liabilities	222,280	189,990	607,133	175,725	48,681	68,361	1,312,170
Total liabilities	236,449	252,451	805,213	208,929	250,812	68,361	1,822,215

(1) Included offices, commercial and residential premises.

(2) Gross profit divided by revenues.

(3) Operating income divided by revenues.

(4) Included in operating income.

As of and for the six months ended December 31, 2006	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties <sup>(1)</sup>	Shopping centers (in tho	Hotel operations usands of Ps.)	Credit card operations	Financial operations and other	Total
Income Statement Data			(	usunus or 1 st)			
Revenues	30,753	22,989	133,224	62,651	89,296	1,418	340,331
Costs	(30,826)	(4,686)	(39,057)	(33,683)	(33,743)	(754)	(142,749)
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Gross profit	(73)	18,303	94,167	28,968	55,553	664	197,582
Gain from recognition of inventories							
at net realizable value	6,965						6,965
Selling expenses	(2,379)	(1,343)	(10,242)	(6,188)	(22,882)		(43,034)
Administrative expenses	(7,402)	(6,536)	(15,193)	(12,792)	(20,410)		(62,333)
Net income from retained interest in							
securitized receivables					5,514		5,514
Operating income	(2,889)	10,424	68,732	9,988	17,775	664	104,694
Gross margin <sup>(2)</sup>	(0.00)	0.80	0.71	0.46	0.62	0.47	0.58
Operating margin <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.09)	0.45	0.52	0.16	0.20	0.47	0.58
Depreciation and amortizations <sup>(4)</sup>		4,134	31,613	5,189	554		41,490
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets <sup>(5)</sup>	508,742	675,321	1,336,166	202,113	139,657		2,861,999
Non operating assets <sup>(5)</sup>	30,516	24,662	39,073	6,318	18,771	1,163,560	1,282,900
Total assets <sup>(5)</sup>	539,258	699,983	1,375,239	208,431	158,428	1,163,560	4,144,899
Operating liabilities <sup>(5)</sup>	31,472	83,073	199,616	23,304	165,713	, ,	503,178
Non operating liabilities <sup>(5)</sup>	278,615	247,763	734,370	153,117	44,722	86,010	1,544,597
Total liabilities <sup>(5)</sup>	310,087	330,836	933,986	176,421	210,435	86,010	2,047,775

(1) Gross profit divided by revenues.

(2) Operating income divided by revenues.

(3) Included in operating income.

(4) Information at June 30, 2007.

		Offices and other					
	Development	non-shopping				Financial	
As of and for year ended June 30, 2007	and sale of properties	center rental properties (1)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Credit card operations	operations and others	Total
As of and for year ended June 30, 2007	properties	properties (1)		ousands of Ps.		and others	Total
Income Statement Data			,		,		
Revenues	75,751	55,683	270,266	122,681	212,965	1,410	738,756
Costs	(57,823)	(16,699)	(91,112)	(68,960)	(76,251)	(802)	(311,647)
Gross profit	17,928	38,984	179,154	53,721	136,714	608	427,109
Gain from recognition of inventories at net							
realizable value	20,737						20,737
Selling expenses	(12,846)	(4,376)	(22,346)	(12,175)	(61,966)		(113,709)
Administrative expenses	(19,624)	(16,827)	(32,717)	(26,893)	(45,366)		(141,427)
Net income from retained interest in							
securitized receivables					3,254		3,254
(Loss) gain from operations and holdings of							
real estate assets, net	(18)	1,845	741				2,568
Operating income	6,177	19,626	124,832	14,653	32,636	608	198,532
Amortization of goodwill	286	1,044	(2,802)				(1,472)
(Loss) gain on equity investees	(491)		(818)	(412)		41,747	40,026
Financial results, net	(7,088)	(6,256)	(28,190)	(5,268)	825	50,076	4,099
Other income (expenses), net			(6,382)	160	3,034	(10,912)	(14, 100)
Income before taxes and minority interest	(1,116)	14,414	86,640	9,133	36,495	81,519	227,085
Income tax and minimum presumed income							
tax	(11,786)	(1,987)	(40,798)	(3,102)	(15,455)	(14,411)	(87,539)
Minority interest	(4)	(326)	(22,000)	(1,400)	(8,719)		(32,449)
Net income	(12,906)	12,101	23,842	4,631	12,321	67,108	107,097
Gross margin(2)	0.24	0.70	0.66	0.44	0.64	0.43	0.58
Operating margin(3)	0.08	0.35	0.46	0.12	0.15	0.43	0.27
Net margin(4)	(0.17)	0.22	0.09	0.04	0.06	47.59	0.14
Depreciation and amortization(5)	39	16,256	67,046	12,358	1,297		96,996
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	508,742	675,321	1,336,166	202,113	139,657		2,861,999
Non operating assets	30,516	24,662	39,073	6,318	18,771	1,163,560	1,282,900
Total assets	539,258	699,983	1,375,239	208,431	158,428	1,163,560	4,144,899
Operating liabilities	31,472	83,073	199,616	23,304	165,713		503,178
Non operating liabilities	278,615	247,763	734,370	153,117	44,722	86,010	1,544,597
Total liabilities	310,087	330,836	933,986	176,421	210,435	86,010	2,047,775

(1) Includes offices, commercial and residential premises.

(2) Gross profit divided by revenues.

(3) Operating income divided by revenues.

(4) Net income divided by revenues.

(5) Included in operating income.

As of and for year ended June 30, 2006	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties (1)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Credit card operations	Financial operations and others	Total
As of and for year chied june 30, 2000	properties	properties (1)		ousands of Ps.	•	and others	Total
Income Statement Data							
Revenues	103,966	30,565	215,003	103,763	122,969	1,414	577,680
Costs	(54,200)	(8,987)	(77,382)	(57,971)	(43,933)	(1,358)	(243,831)
Gross profit	49,766	21,578	137,621	45,792	79,036	56	333,849
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	9,063						9,063
Selling expenses	(1,797)	(1,020)	(15,700)	(10,688)	(30,900)		(60,105)
Administrative expenses	(12,807)	(11,315)	(25,837)	(20,998)	(25,925)		(96,882)
Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables					2,625		2,625
Gain from operations and holdings of real					2,025		2,023
estate assets, net	52	2,619	9,499	446			12,616
Operating income	44,277	11,862	105,583	14,552	24,836	56	201,166
Amortization of goodwill	,	,	(856)	,	(224)		(1,080)
(Loss) gain on equity investees			(1,599)	146		43,110	41,657
Financial results, net	(5,383)	(4,579)	(23,273)	(1,935)	106	(5,862)	(40,926)
Other expenses, net			(9,636)	(415)	(125)	(8,087)	(18,263)
Income before taxes and minority interest	38,894	7,283	70,219	12,348	24,593	29,217	182,554
Income tax and minimum presumed income							
tax	(2,053)	(2,451)	(40,220)	(3,852)	(8,238)	(1,977)	(58,791)
Minority interest		(1,077)	(14,582)	(4,157)	(7,374)		(27,190)
Net income	36,841	3,755	15,417	4,339	8,981	27,240	96,573
Gross margin(2)	0.48	0.71	0.64	0.44	0.64	0.04	0.58
Operating margin(3)	0.43	0.39	0.49	0.14	0.20	0.04	0.35
Net margin(4)	0.35	0.12	0.07	0.04	0.07	19.26	0.17
Depreciation and amortization(5)	253	7,903	62,337	9,671	815		80,979
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	386,740	359,725	1,139,767	145,796	74,148		2,106,176
Non operating assets	49,624	46,158	18,536	13,310	10,655	495,662	633,945
Total assets	436,364	405,883	1,158,303	159,106	84,803	495,662	2,740,121
Operating liabilities	15,183	52,688	129,653	21,281	97,969		316,774
Non operating liabilities	81,414	72,126	243,303	59,030	13,272	18,447	487,592
Total liabilities	96,597	124,814	372,956	80,311	111,241	18,447	804,366

(1) Includes offices, commercial and residential premises.

(2) Gross profit divided by revenues.

(3) Operating income divided by revenues.

(4) Net income divided by revenues.

(5) Included in operating income.

As of and for year ended June 30, 2005	Development and sale of properties	Offices and non- shopping center rental properties (1)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Credit card operations	Financial operations and others	Total
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Income Statement Data							
Revenues	32,311	19,431	165,529	87,120	64,558	940	369,889
Costs	(17,542)	(7,746)	(69,781)	(48,924)	(23,102)	(979)	(168,074)
Gross profit	14,769	11,685	95,748	38,196	41,456	(39)	201,815
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	17,317						17,317
Selling expenses	(1,961)	(922)	(10,655)	(9,792)	(13,496)		(36,826)
Administrative expenses	(10,080)	(9,771)	(16,548)	(19,434)	(14,837)		(70,670)
Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables					423		423
Gain from operations and holdings of real					725		423
estate assets, net	521	12.228	13.093	2.096			27,938
estate assets, net	521	12,220	15,075	2,070			21,950
Operating income (loss)	20,566	13,220	81,638	11,066	13,546	(39)	139,997
Amortization of goodwill			(1,421)		(242)		(1,663)
(Loss) gain on equity investees			(1,989)	12,197		56,999	67,207
Financial results, net	(5,633)	(4,127)	(17,380)	(4,189)	96	19,385	(11,848)
Other (expenses) income, net			(8,371)	223	56	(5,997)	(14,089)
Income before taxes and minority interest	14,933	9,093	52,477	19,297	13,456	70,348	179,604
Income tax and minimum presumed income							
tax	(13,089)	(1,784)	(28,751)	(1,179)	(4,864)	(3,540)	(53,207)
Minority interest		(2,112)	(16,317)	(3,824)	(899)		(23,152)
Net income	1,844	5,197	7,409	14,294	7,693	66,808	103,245
Gross margin(2)	0.46	0.60	0.58	0.44	0.64	(0.04)	0.55
Operating margin(3)	0.64	0.68	0.49	0.13	0.21	(0.04)	0.38
Net margin(4)	0.06	0.27	0.04	0.16	0.12	71.07	0.28
Depreciation and amortization(5)	252	6,672	57,885	8,824	458		74,091
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	343,803	364,420	1,093,242	133,035	31,538		1,966,038
Non-operating assets	55,442	58,766	3,586	2,136	7,092	431,366	558,388
Total assets	399,245	423,186	1,096,828	135,171	38,630	431,366	2,524,426
Operating liabilities	11,040	68,129	99,139	20,313	48,776		247,397
Non operating liabilities	96,332	72,266	296,788	44,735	11,365	57,475	578,961
Total liabilities	107,372	140,395	395,927	65,048	60,141	57,475	826,358

(1) Includes offices, commercial and residential premises.

- (2) Gross profit divided by revenues.
- (3) Operating income divided by revenues.
- (4) Net income divided by revenues.

(5) Included in operating income.

IRSA s Results of Operations for the six months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

## Revenues

Revenues increased by 45.9%, from Ps.340.3 million during the six month period ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.496.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007, principally due to an increase in revenue from IRSA s Credit Card Operations, Shopping Centers, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties and Hotel Operations segments, partially offset by a decrease in revenues from the Financial Operations and Others segment.

#### Development and Sale of Properties

Revenues from the Development and Sale of Properties segment increased by 104.9% from Ps.30.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.63.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. Revenues related to this business segment often vary significantly from period to period depending on (i) the number and the price of properties sold and (ii) properties under construction and the status of such projects.

This increase in revenues was principally due to revenues generated during the six months ended December 31, 2007 from the sale of Plot Y, Dock III for Ps.56.6 million and from the exchange of a parcel of land in the development known as *Torres Rosario* for housing units and garages valued at Ps.3.4 million.

#### Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Revenues from the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased by 95.0% from Ps.23.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.44.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase was principally due to an increase of Ps.22.3 million in revenue from office rentals from Ps.21.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.43.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. The Ps.22.3 million of increased revenues consisted primarily of (i) Ps.14.7 million in rental revenues from recently acquired class A office buildings, including Ps.6.6 million from Bouchard 551 (acquired in March 2007), Ps.5.1 million from Della Paolera 265 (acquired in August 2007) and Ps.3.0 million from Dock del Plata (acquired in November 2006) and (ii) Ps.7.6 million in rental revenues from increases in prices charged per square meter and higher occupancy rates (which increased from 98.1% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 98.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007).

#### Shopping Centers

Revenues from the Shopping Centers segment increased by 29.5% from Ps.133.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.172.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase was principally due to an increase of Ps.33.6 million from rental revenues and admission rights resulting from a 31.3% increase in tenants total sales. Tenants total sales increased from Ps.1,425.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.1,870.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.1,870.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. The average occupancy rate of IRSA s Shopping Centers decreased from 99.1% during 2006 to 98.7% during 2007.

## Hotel Operations

Revenues from the Hotel Operations segment increased 21.3% from Ps.62.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.76.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase was primarily due to (i) an increase of 16.9% in the average rate per hotel room (Ps.470.0 per night during the six months ended December 31, 2006 compared to Ps.549.0 per night during the same period in 2007); (ii) an increase in the average occupancy rate from 74.5% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 79.5% during the same period in 2007 and (iii) a 27.2% increase in the number of rooms at the Hotel Llao Llao during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Credit Card Operations

Revenues from the Credit Card Operations segment increased 56.7% from Ps.89.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.139.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase resulted primarily from (i) improved Argentine macroeconomic conditions during 2007 and a resulting increase in consumer spending; (ii) the issuance of 14,926 new Tarshop credit cards; (iii) the continuing expansion of services provided to Tarshop customers; (iv) an increase in fees charged for issuance of statements and credit cards; (v) an increase in interest revenue resulting primarily from increases in market interest rates; and (vi) an increase in credit card balances of 27.4% and (vii) an increase of 35.2% in the number of merchants who accept IRSA s credit cards.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Revenues from the Financial Operations and Others segment decreased Ps.1.1 million from Ps.1.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Costs

Costs increased 46.9% from Ps.142.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.209.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 as a result of increases in costs related to the Credit Card Operations, Development and Sale of Properties, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties, Shopping Centers and Hotel Operations segments.

Costs as percentage of IRSA s revenue increased from 41.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 42.2% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Costs related to the Development and Sale of Properties segment increased 53.8% from Ps.30.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.47.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. Costs related to this business segment often vary significantly from period to period depending on (i) the number and price of properties sold and (ii) properties under construction and the status of such projects.

The increase in costs during the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily resulted from costs of Ps.41.8 million relating to the sale of Plot Y, Dock III and costs of Ps.3.3 million relating to the exchange of a parcel of land in the development known as *Torres Rosario* for housing units and garages.

Costs related to the Development and Sale of Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 29.3% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 28.1% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Costs related to the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 220.4% from Ps.4.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.15.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. Depreciation is the most significant cost component in this segment.

The increase in costs for the six months ended December 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006 was primarily due to (i) an increase in depreciation expense of Ps.6.2 million as a result of the incorporation of three new rental buildings into IRSA s portfolio of properties, Bouchard 551, Della Paolera 265 and Dock del Plata and (ii) an increase in depreciation expense of Ps.3.2 million, as a result of a change in the remaining useful lives of IRSA s rental buildings which were in the aggregate reduced from an average of 496 months during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to an average of 253 months during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

Costs related to the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 20.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 33.5% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Shopping Centers

Costs related to the Shopping Centers segment increased 24.1% from Ps.39.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.48.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase in costs resulted primarily from (i) an increase in costs relating to not recovered expenses of Ps.2.1

million; (ii) an increased depreciation and amortization charge of Ps.4.3 million; (iii) an increase in costs related to reforms and modifications to the Shopping Centers of Ps.1.3 million and (iv) an increase in contingency costs of Ps.1.0 million.

Costs related to the Shopping Center segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 29.3% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 28.1% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Hotel Operations

Costs related to the Hotel Operations segment increased 23.0% from Ps.33.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.41.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily due to an increase in salaries and social security charges, depreciation of assets (remaining useful lives of IRSA s hotels were reduced from an average of 408 months to 207 months during these periods, respectively), food and beverage costs, repairs and maintenance, utilities and fees and commissions paid.

Costs of Hotel Operations as percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 53.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 54.5% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Credit Card Operations

Costs related to the Credit Card Operations segment increased 69.1% from Ps.33.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.57.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase was primarily due to (i) an increase of Ps.9.2 million in interest expense and commissions owed to third-party providers of collections and other related services; (ii) an increase of Ps.6.4 million in salaries and social security expense as a result of a 15.5% increase in the number of Tarshop s employees (from 1,184 employees as of December 31, 2006 to 1,368 employees as of the same period in 2007); (iii) an increase in fees and services owed to third parties of Ps.2.1 million for other services; (iv) an increase in tax rates, contributions and tax-related services of Ps.3.1 million and (v) an increase in lease rates and lease-related services of Ps.2.2 million.

Costs related to Credit Card Operations as percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 37.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 40.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Costs related to the Financial Operations and Others segment decreased Ps.0.5 million from Ps.0.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Gross profit

As a result of the above, gross profit increased 45.2% from Ps.197.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.287.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly as a result of the improvement in the gross profit of the Shopping Centers, Credit Card Operations, Development and Sale of Properties, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties and Hotel Operations segments which was partially offset by a decrease in the gross profit of Financial Operations and Others segment.

Gross profit, calculated as a percentage of revenue, decreased from 58.1% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 57.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value

During the six months ended December 31, 2007, IRSA recorded a gain of Ps.1.4 million from the recognition of inventories at net realizable value, primarily in connection with Plot X, Dock III in the amount of

Ps.1.3 million, compared to a gain of Ps.7.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006, primarily in connection with Plot X, Dock III in the amount of Ps.4.6 million and San Martin de Tours in the amount of Ps.2.2 million.

#### Selling expenses

Selling expenses increased 42.6% from Ps.43.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.61.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 principally due to an increase in selling expenses from the Credit Card Operations, Shopping Centers, Hotel Operations and Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segments, partially offset by a decrease in Development and Sale of Properties segment.

Selling expenses as percentage of revenue decreased from 12.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 12.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Selling expenses for the Development and Sale of Properties segment consist of sales tax, commissions and expenses derived from sales, advertising and marketing and provisions for doubtful accounts. Selling expenses decreased 21.4% from Ps.2.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.1.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007, mainly due to a decrease in commissions and other sales expenses and sales tax.

Selling expenses related to the Development and Sale of Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 7.7% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 3.0% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Selling expenses for the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased Ps.0.3 million from Ps.1.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.1.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 due principally to an increase in provisions for doubtful accounts.

Selling expenses for the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 5.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 3.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Shopping Centers

Selling expenses for the Shopping Centers segment increased 22.2% from Ps.10.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.12.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 due to (i) an increase in the provision for doubtful accounts of Ps.1.9 million; (ii) an increase of Ps.1.2 million in salaries and social security expenses and (iii) an increase of Ps.0.9 million in expositions and events.

Selling expenses for the Shopping Centers segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 7.7% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 7.3% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Hotel Operations

Selling expenses for the Hotel Operations segment increased 17.5% from Ps.6.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.7.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 principally due to an increase in commissions, sales tax, salaries and social security expenses and advertising and marketing expenses, due primarily to greater sales activity.

Selling expenses for the Hotel Operations segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 9.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 9.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Credit Card Operations

Selling expenses for the Credit Card Operations segment increased 66.5% from Ps.22.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.38.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 principally due to (i) an increase of Ps.6.0 million in advertising and marketing expenses; (ii) an increase of Ps.5.4 million in the provision for doubtful accounts and (iii) an increase in sales tax expense of Ps.3.3 million.

Selling expenses for the Credit Card Operations segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 25.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 27.2% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Administration expenses

Administration expenses increased 37.0% from Ps.62.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.85.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 due to an increase in activity in the Credit Card Operations segment and, to a lesser extent, increases in each of the remaining segments. The principal items included in administration expense are administrative personnel salary and social security expenses, fees and payments for services, directors fees, bank charges, depreciation of other fixed assets and taxes (other than sales taxes).

Administration expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased from 18.3% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 17.2% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Development and Sale of Properties

Administration expenses for the Development and Sale of Properties segment increased 47.8% from Ps.7.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.10.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily due to (i) an increase of Ps.1.6 million in fees and compensation for services; (ii) an increase of Ps.0.9 million in director fees; (iii) an increase of Ps.0.6 million in bank charges and (iv) an increase of Ps.0.5 million in salary, bonus and social security expenses.

Administration expenses for the Development and Sale of Properties segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 24.1% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 17.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Administration expenses for the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 63.7% from 6.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.10.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase is principally due to (i) an increase of Ps.1.9 million in fees and compensation for services; (ii) an increase of Ps.1.2 million of directors fees; (iii) an increase of Ps.0.7 million of bank charges and (iv) and increase of Ps.0.3 million in salary and social security expenses.

Administration expenses for the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 28.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 23.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Hotel Operations

Administration expenses for the Hotel Operations segment increased 23.1% from Ps.12.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.15.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007, principally due to an increase of Ps.3.1 million in expenses mostly due to an increase in salary and social security expenses of Ps.2.3 million.

Administration expenses for the Hotel Operations segment as percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 20.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 20.7% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Shopping Centers

Administration expenses for the Shopping Centers segment increased 10.3% from Ps.15.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.16.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 principally due to (i) an increase in taxes of Ps.0.9 million, mainly from tax on banks debits and credits; (ii) an increase in directors fees of Ps.0.6 million and (iii) an increase in salary and social security expenses of Ps.0.4 million.

Administration expenses for the Shopping Centers segment as percentage of the revenue from this segment decreased from 11.4% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 9.7% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Credit Card Operations

Administration expenses for the Credit Card Operations segment increased 53.0% from Ps.20.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.31.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This increase is principally due to (i) an increase in salary and security charges of Ps.5.7 million as a result of salary increases and an increase of 15.5% in employees (from 1,184 employees as of December 31, 2006 to 1,368 employees as of December 31, 2007); (ii) an increase in expenses for fees and compensation for services of Ps.2.1 million; (iii) higher property lease expenses and taxes of Ps.2.6 million; and (iv) an increase in other personnel and other for Ps.1.0 million.

Administration expenses for the Credit Card Operations segment as percentage of the revenue from this segment decreased from 22.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 22.3% during 2007.

#### Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables

Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables relates to Tarshop s participation in the Tarjeta Shopping Credit Cards Trust. Net income decreased 94.2% from Ps.5.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### **Operating income**

Operating income increased 35.5% from Ps.104.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.141.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 mainly due to an increase in operating income from the Shopping Centers, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties, Development and Sale of Properties and Hotel Operations segments, partially offset by a decrease in the operating income from the Credit Card Operations and Financial Operations and Others segments.

Operating income as percentage of revenue decreased from 30.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 28.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Operating income from the Development and Sale of Properties segment increased 244.1% from a loss of Ps.2.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a gain of Ps.4.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily due to an increase in revenue and a decrease in selling expenses, partially offset by (i) an increase in costs, (ii) a reduction in the gain from valuation of inventories at net realizable value and (iii) an increase in administrative expenses.

Operating income from the Development and Sale of Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment increased from (9.4%) during the six months ended December 31, 2006 compared to 6.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Operating income from the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 67.7% from Ps.10.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.17.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 mostly due to an increase in revenue, partially offset by higher costs and an increase in administrative and selling expenses.

Operating income from the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 45.3% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 39.0% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

# Shopping Centers

Operating income from the Shopping Centers segment increased 37.9% from Ps.68.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.94.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 mostly due to an increase in revenues, partially offset by an increase in costs, selling expenses and administration expenses.

Operating income from the Shopping Centers segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment increased from 51.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 54.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Hotel Operations

Operating income from the Hotel Operations segment increased 15.5% from Ps.10.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.11.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2007 mostly due to an increase in revenue partially offset by an increase in costs, administrative and selling expenses.

Operating income from the Hotel Operations segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 15.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 15.2% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Credit Card Operations

Operating income from the Credit Card Operations segment decreased 22.2% from Ps.17.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.13.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 mostly due to an increase in costs and selling and administrative expenses and by a decrease in net income from retained interest in securitized receivables, partially offset by an increase in revenue.

Operating income from the Credit Card Operations segment as percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 19.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 compared to 9.9% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

## Financial Operations and Others

Operating income from the Financial Operations and Others segment decreased Ps.0.6 million from Ps.0.7 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.0.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

Operating income from the Financial Operations and Others segment as percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 46.8% during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to 25.6% during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Amortization of goodwill

The amortization of goodwill includes (i) the amortization of goodwill relating to the following subsidiaries of Alto Palermo: Shopping Alto Palermo S.A., FIBESA, Tarshop, ERSA and Empalme and (ii) IRSA s negative goodwill generated by the purchase of shares in Alto Palermo and Palermo Invest S.A. Amortization of goodwill increased Ps.1.1 million from a loss of Ps.0.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a gain of Ps.0.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### (Loss) gain on equity investees

Gain from equity investees decreased Ps.24.1 million from a revenue of Ps.15.0 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a loss of Ps.9.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This decrease principally resulted from a decrease of Ps.25.0 million in Banco Hipotecario s revenues from an income of Ps.15.6 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

The decrease in Banco Hipotecario s revenues during the six months ended December 31, 2007 was partially due to its negative results during the six months ended December 31, 2007 caused by primarily the effects of marking-to-market Banco Hipotecario s holdings of certain financial assets.

## Financial results, net

Financial results, net decreased Ps.67.2 million from a gain of Ps.12.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a loss of Ps.54.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. This loss was primarily derived from (i) a decrease of Ps.44.2 million in results of financial operations mainly due to a decrease of Ps.42.7 million in the market value of Dolphin fund Plc.; (ii) a negative exchange difference of Ps.5.6 million in comparison to the six months ended December 31, 2006 due to a depreciation during the current period of the Argentine peso against the US dollar; (iii) an increase of Ps.31.8 million for increased financing expenses principally due to the higher charge for interest paid as a result of the negotiable bonds issued by IRSA and Alto Palermo during the current fiscal year partially offset by (x) a decrease in interest generated by the repurchase, in October 2007, of IRSA s floating rate guaranteed negotiable obligations in the amount of US\$37.4 million; (y) the re-payment of an unsecured loan in the amount of US\$51.0 million and (z) the partial amortization of principal of the abovementioned debts until their settlement. These decreases were partially offset by an increase of Ps.18.1 million as a result of interest earned during the six months ended December 31, 2007 in comparison with the same period in 2006, primarily from gains on investment instruments and other interest earned by Alto Palermo.

#### Other expenses, net

Other expenses, net, decreased 28.9% from Ps.6.3 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.4.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 principally due to the effect of a higher recovery of reserves for doubtful accounts of Ps.3.7 million; partially offset by (i) a Ps.0.8 million increase in personal assets tax payments which pursuant to Argentine law IRSA is required to make on behalf of its shareholders and (ii) an increase of Ps.0.7 million in donation expenses.

#### Income before taxes and minority interest

As a result of the above mentioned issue, income before taxes and minority interest decreased Ps.51.1 million from Ps.125.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.74.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

#### Income tax and minimum presumed income tax

Income tax and minimum presumed income tax increased 22.6% from Ps.37.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.46.5 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007. IRSA applied the deferred tax method to calculate IRSA s income tax for the two periods recognizing the temporary differences in the accounting and in tax assets and liabilities.

#### **Minority interest**

This line item includes IRSA s proportional participation in subsidiaries where it holds a minority interest. The negative result caused by third parties participation in such subsidiaries increased 3.1% from a loss of Ps.21.2 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to a loss of Ps.21.9 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 primarily as a consequence of an increase in the income accounts in related companies in which IRSA has a minority interest and by IRSA s acquisition of the remaining 33.3% interest in Palermo Invest S.A. eliminating the minority interest effect of such entity

#### Net income

Due to the above mentioned issues, net income decreased Ps.60.3 million from Ps.66.1 million during the six months ended December 31, 2006 to Ps.5.8 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007.

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#### Revenues

Revenues increased 27.9% from Ps.577.7 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.738.8 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily due to increases in the revenues of each of IRSA s Credit card operations, Shopping Centers, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties and Hotel Operations segments, partially offset by a decrease in the revenues of IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties segment.

## Shopping Centers

Revenues from IRSA s Shopping Centers segment increased 25.7% from Ps.215.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.270.3 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase was principally due to a Ps.55.3 million increase in revenues from rentals and admission rights as a consequence of: (i) an 18.0% increase in the average rental price per square meter and (ii) a 24.3% increase in the total sales of IRSA s lessees, from Ps.2,273.3 million during fiscal year 2006 to Ps.2,825.8 million during fiscal year 2007, resulting in a Ps.552.5 million increase in revenues from variable rental payments. The average occupancy rate of IRSA s shopping centers decreased from 99.1% in fiscal year 2006 to 97.0% in fiscal year 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Revenues from IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties segment decreased 27.1% from Ps.104.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.75.8 million in fiscal year 2007. This business segment generally does not show consistently recurring revenues due to the nature of IRSA s business. As a result, period-on-period comparisons may vary significantly depending on the projects that IRSA is developing and their degree of completion. The decrease of the revenues of this segment in fiscal year 2006 was principally due to the absence in fiscal year 2007 of Ps.104.0 million of revenues which were recognized during fiscal year 2006 principally arising from the following operations:

Ps.41.8 million from the sale of parcel Y, Dock III;

Ps.23.0 million from the sale by IRSA subsidiary Alto Palermo of a parcel of land near its Paseo Alcorta shopping center;

Ps.22.8 million from the sale of block 36 of the parcel called Terrenos de Caballito; and

Ps.10.0 million from the sale of Edificios Cruceros units. The absence in fiscal year 2007 of the Ps.104.0 million of revenues mentioned above was partially offset by the following revenues recognized during fiscal year 2007:

Ps.31.0 million from the sale to third parties of 10% of IRSA s Santa María del Plata land reserve;

Ps.26.2 million from the sale of plot Z, Dock III;

Ps.8.6 million from the sale of units in San Martín de Tours; and

Ps.8.4 million from the sale of Edificios Cruceros units. Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Revenues from IRSA s Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties increased 82.2% from Ps.30.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.55.7 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase was primarily due to a Ps.25.5 million increase in the revenues from office rentals, from Ps.27.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.52.9 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase in revenues from office rentals was due to:

an increase, from 94.0% in fiscal year 2006 to 99.1% in fiscal year 2007, in IRSA s average occupancy rates in offices for lease due to IRSA s inclusion in fiscal year 2007 of Dock del Plata and Bouchard 551 and Reconquista 823 (which were 100.0% occupied);

a 93.3% increase in annual rentals from offices for lease arising principally from (i) price increases in the following buildings which increased IRSA s total leasable area of Class A buildings by 53% from 78.115 to 119.360 square meters: Intercontinental Plaza resulting in higher rents of Ps.5.5 million, Bouchard 710 resulting in higher rents of Ps.3.1 million, Maipú 1300 resulting in higher rents of Ps.2.5 million and Libertador 498 resulting in higher rents of Ps.2.4 million (ii) the acquisition of two new premium buildings: Bouchard 551 (acquired in March 2007) which generated rental revenues in fiscal year 2007 of Ps.3.9 million and Dock del Plata (acquired in November 2006) which generated rental revenues in fiscal year 2007 of Ps.3.1 million; and

The occupancy rate of the offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment increased from 96.9% in fiscal year 2006 to 97.4% during fiscal year 2007.

#### Hotel Operations

Revenues from IRSA shotel operations increased 18.2% from Ps.103.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.122.7 million in fiscal year 2007, principally due to a 23.7% increase in the average price per room in IRSA shotels, from Ps.379.0 in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.469.0 in fiscal year 2007. In fiscal year 2007, revenues from the Hotel Llao Llao increased Ps.8.9 million, revenues from the Hotel Intercontinental increased Ps.6.0 million and revenues from the Hotel Sheraton Libertador increased Ps.4.0 million, in each case compared to fiscal year 2006.

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These improvements in fiscal year 2007 were partially offset by a decrease in average occupancy rates from 78.7% in fiscal year 2006 to 74.0% during fiscal year 2007.

#### Credit Card Operations

Revenues from IRSA s Credit Card segment increased 73.2% from Ps.123.0 million during fiscal year 2006 to Ps.213.0 million during fiscal year 2007. This increase resulted from:

favorable macroeconomic conditions in fiscal year 2007 which showed a general increase in consumption;

an increase of 201,114 in newly issued credit cards;

the opening of four new branches;

a 90.5% increase in sales made with IRSA s shopping card and a 49% increase in the number of stores accepting IRSA s card; and

## financial operations and others.

Revenues from IRSA s Financial Operations and Others segment remained stable with respect to fiscal year 2006. Revenues included in this segment represents fees for services unrelated to IRSA s Others segments.

#### Costs

IRSA s costs increased 27.8% from Ps.243.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.311.6 million in fiscal year 2007 as a result of an increase in costs of each of IRSA s business segments during fiscal year 2007 other than Financial Operations and Others. IRSA s total costs as a percentage of IRSA s revenues remained flat at 42.2% for each of fiscal year 2006 and 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Costs related to Development and Sale of Properties increased 6.7%, from Ps.54.2 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.57.8 million in fiscal year 2007. This business segment generally does not show consistently recurring costs due to the nature of IRSA s business. As a result, period-on-period comparisons may vary significantly depending on the projects that IRSA is developing and their degree of completion. The increase in costs of this segment was principally due to the following costs incurred in fiscal year 2007:

Ps.26.2 million related to the sale of plot Z of Dock III;

Ps.12.9 million related to the sale of 10% of the Santa María del Plata land reserve;

Ps.8.2 million related to the sale of San Martín de Tours units; and

Ps.3.2 million related to the sale of Edificio Cruceros units.

The foregoing cost increases in fiscal year 2007 were partially offset by the non-recurrence in fiscal year 2007 of the following costs which were incurred in fiscal year 2006:

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Ps.18.4 million in costs related to the sale of Alcorta Plaza (through Alto Palermo);

Ps.11.3 million of costs related to the sale of block 36 of the parcel called Terrenos de Caballito ;

Ps.9.7 million of costs related to the sale of parcel Y, Dock III; and

Ps.8.8 million of costs related to the sale of Edificios Cruceros units. Costs included in this segment as percentage of revenues from such segment increased from 52.1% in fiscal year 2006 to 76.3% in fiscal year

2007.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Costs of the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 85.5%, from Ps.9.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.16.7 million in fiscal year 2007. The principal cost component in this office segment is the depreciation of buildings rented, and the increase in fiscal year 2007 was principally due to (i) Ps.3.1 million higher depreciation in fiscal year 2007 as a result of the addition of two new rental properties, Dock del Plata and Bouchard 551 and (ii) Ps.5.9 million higher depreciation as a result of a change in the determination of remaining useful life of IRSA s rental buildings which decreased from an average of 496 months in fiscal year 2006 to an average of 253 months in fiscal year 2007.

#### Shopping Centers

Costs of the Shopping Centers segment increased 17.7%, from Ps.77.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.91.1 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase was primarily due to:

a Ps.6.6 million increase in costs related to renovation of shopping center common areas;

a Ps.4.7 million increase in depreciation and amortization expenses due to the depreciation of fixed assets; and

a Ps.2.3 million increase in costs for unrecovered expenses.

The cost of the Shopping Centers segment as percentage of the revenues from such segment decreased from 36.0% in fiscal year 2006 to 33.7% during fiscal year 2007.

## Hotel Operations

Costs of Hotel Operations increased 19.0%, from Ps.58.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.69.0 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to increases in depreciation of assets, fees for commissions and services, food and beverages and salaries and social security expenses in each case related to increasing revenues from such segment. Costs of Hotel Llao Llao increased Ps.6.0 million, those of Hotel Intercontinental increased Ps.2.6 million and those of Hotel Sheraton Libertador increased Ps.2.4 million. Costs of hotel operations as percentage of revenues of such segment increased from 55.9% in fiscal year 2006 to 56.2% in fiscal year 2007.

## Credit Card Operations

Cost of the Credit card operations segment increased 73.6%, from Ps.43.9 million during fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 to Ps.76.3 million during fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. This increase which reflected the expansion of IRSA s credit card operations in fiscal year 2007, was primarily due to:

a Ps.11.0 million increase in the cost of salaries and social security expenses;

a Ps.9.8 million increase in expenses for interest and commissions;

a Ps.5.7 million increase in expenses for taxes, rates, contributions and services; and

a Ps.2.8 million increase in fees and services payable to third parties.

The cost of Credit card operations as percentage of revenues from such segment remained flat at 35.8% in each of fiscal years 2006 and 2007.

#### Financial Operations and Others

The cost of the Financial Operations and Others segment decreased Ps.0.6 million, from Ps.1.4 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.8 million in fiscal year 2007. Costs included in this line represent expenses unrelated to IRSA s other segments.

#### Gross profit

As a result of the above, gross profit increased 27.9% from Ps.333.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.427.1 million in fiscal year 2007. IRSA s gross margin, calculated as IRSA s gross profit divided by IRSA s revenues, remained at 57.8% in fiscal years 2006 and 2007 primarily as a result of improvements in the gross margin of IRSA s Shopping Centers and Financial Operations and Others segments, partially offset by a decrease in the gross margin of IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties, Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties, Hotel Operations and Credit card operations segments.

#### Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value

This line reflects the valuation at net realization value of inventories in respect of which IRSA received prepayments of rentals pursuant to contractual terms which establish the consummation of the sales and the resulting profits. This business segment generally does not show consistently recurring gains, and as a result, period-on-period comparisons may vary significantly depending on the projects that IRSA is developing and their degree of completion. During fiscal year 2007, IRSA recognized Ps.20.7 million of gain primarily in respect of the following developments:

Dock III Plot X in an amount equal to Ps.18.4 million; and

#### San Martín de Tours in an amount equal to Ps.1.5 million.

During fiscal year 2006, IRSA recognized a gain of Ps.9.1 million primarily in respect of: Edificios Cruceros in an amount equal to Ps.4.6 million, Torres Rosario in an amount equal to Ps.3.5 million, Dock III Plot Z in an amount equal to Ps.1.6 million and San Martín de Tours in an amount equal to Ps.(0.6) million.

#### Selling expenses

Selling expenses increased 89.2% from Ps.60.1 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.113.7 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to an increase in the selling expenses of the Credit card operations and Shopping Centers segments of Ps.31.1 million and Ps.6.6 million, respectively. Selling expenses as a percentage of revenues increased from 10.4% in fiscal year 2006 to 15.4% in fiscal year 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Selling expenses for this segment consist of commissions and expenses derived from sales, stamp tax and on gross sales (gross revenues). Selling expenses for Development and Sale of Properties increased Ps.11.0 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to a higher turnover tax expense during such fiscal year as a result of IRSA s sale of Solares de Santa María.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Selling expenses for the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased Ps.3.4 million, from Ps.1.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.4.4 million in fiscal year 2007 due to a Ps.1.9 million higher expense for bad debtors by IRSA s subsidiary Inversora Bolívar, and higher expenses for turnover tax and real estate commissions.

## Shopping Centers

Selling expenses for the Shopping Centers segment increased 42.3%, from Ps.15.7 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.22.3 million in fiscal year 2007 due to: (i) a Ps.2.0 million increase in the costs of salaries and social security expenses; (ii) a Ps.1.4 million increase in the expense for turnover tax; and (iii) a Ps.1.2 million increase in the expense for bad debts. Selling expenses related to Shopping Centers as a percentage of revenues from such segment increased from 7.3% in fiscal year 2006 to 8.3% in fiscal year 2007.

## Hotel Operations

Selling expenses for the Hotel segment increased 13.9% from Ps.10.7 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.12.2 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to increases in turnover tax, salaries and social security expenses and commissions for tourism agencies, in each case reflecting an increase in the revenues of the segment in line with higher activity.

# Credit Card Operations

Selling expenses for the Credit Card Operations segment increased 100.5%, from Ps.30.9 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 to Ps.62.0 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 principally due to:

a Ps.11.7 million increase in advertising expenses;

a Ps.11.8 million increase in the expense for bad debts; and

a Ps.5.8 million increase in the expense for turnover tax.

Selling expenses of Credit Card Operations as a percentage of the revenues from such segment increased from 25.1% in the fiscal year 2006 to 29.1% in fiscal year 2007.

## Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased 46.0% from Ps.96.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.141.4 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily due to an increase in administrative expenses in the Credit card operations segment and, to a lesser extent, increases in each of the remaining segments. Principal components of administrative expenses are salaries and social security expenses, directors fees, fees and remunerations for services and depreciation of fixed assets. Administrative expenses as a percentage of revenues increased from 16.8% in fiscal year 2006 to 19.1% in fiscal year 2007.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Administrative expenses of the Development and Sale of Properties segment increased 53.2%, from Ps.12.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.19.6 million in fiscal year 2007 due to: (i) a Ps.4.5 million increase for salaries, bonds and social security expenses and directors fees and (ii) a Ps.2.1 million increase in bank expenses. Administrative expenses of Development and Sale of Properties as a percentage of revenues from this segment increased from 12.3% in fiscal year 2006 to 25.9% in fiscal year 2007.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Administrative expenses of the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 48.7% from Ps.11.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.16.8 million in fiscal year 2007. The increase is principally due to an increase of Ps.4.0 million in salaries, bonds and social security expenses and fees to directors

and to a Ps.1.8 million increase in bank expenses. Administrative expenses of Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties as a percentage of revenues from such segment decreased from 37.0% in fiscal year 2006 to 30.2% in fiscal year 2007.

#### Hotel Operations

Administrative expenses of the Hotel segment increased 28.1% from Ps.21.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.26.9 million in fiscal year 2007, principally due to: (i) a Ps.1.7 million increase in administrative expenses of Hotel Intercontinental mostly due to an increase in salaries and social security expenses, commissions and depreciation of fixed assets, (ii) a Ps.1.4 million increase in administrative expenses of Hotel Sheraton Libertador principally due to an increase in fees for services and in salaries and social security expenses and (iii) a Ps.2.8 million increase in administrative expenses of Hotel Llao Llao principally due to increases in salaries and social security expenses, fees for services due to higher sales and taxes, rates and contributions. Administrative expenses of Hotel Operations as a percentage of revenues from such segment increased from 20.2% in fiscal year 2006 to 21.9% in fiscal year 2007.

#### Shopping Centers

Administrative expenses of the Shopping Centers segment increased 26.6%, from Ps.25.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.32.7 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to (i) a Ps.3.7 million increase in expenses for fees and third parties services; (ii) a Ps.2.0 million increase in the expense for directors fees and (iii) a Ps.1.3 million increase in expenses for taxes, rates and contributions mostly due to the tax on bank debits and credits. Administrative expenses of the Shopping Centers segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment remained essentially flat, increasing from 12.0% in fiscal year 2006 to 12.1% in fiscal year 2007.

#### Credit Card Operations

Administrative expenses of the Credit card operations segment increased 75.0%, from Ps.25.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.45.4 million in fiscal year 2007. This increase was primarily due to:

a Ps.11.4 million increase in expenses for salaries, compensation, social security expenses and personnel;

a Ps.2.4 million increase in expenses for rentals, taxes, rates and contributions; and

a Ps.3.0 million increase in expenses for fees and third parties services.

Administrative expenses of Credit card operations as a percentage of revenues from such segment increased from 21.1% in fiscal year ended 2006 to 21.3% during fiscal year 2007 as a result of a higher proportional average of these expenses in respect of the revenues increase of this segment.

## Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables

This gain reflects the result generated by Alto Palermo s participation in the Tarjeta Shopping credit card trusts. This gain increased 24.0%, from Ps.2.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.3.3 million in fiscal year 2007, primarily due to the creation in fiscal year 2007 of new credit card trusts in connection with new securitizations in such year.

#### Results from the operations and holdings of real estate assets, net

This line reflects the impairment losses and gains associated with the reversal of previously recognized impairment charges. Results from the operation and holding of real estate assets decreased 79.6%, from a gain of Ps.12.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to a gain of Ps.2.6 million in fiscal year 2007, principally recorded in Neuquén Project for Ps.2.2. million, Suipacha 652 for Ps.0.9 million, Avenida de Mayo 589 for Ps.0.7 million and Torres

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de Abasto for Ps.0.1 million, partially offset by a loss of Ps.1.5 million corresponding to Torres Rosario. During fiscal year 2006 the gain of Ps.12.6 million had been attributable to Caballito for Ps.6.5 million, Alto Rosario for Ps.3.5 million, Espacio Aéreo Coto for Ps.1.4 million, Torre Constitución for Ps.0.7 million and Reconquista 823 for Ps.0.6 million.

## **Operating** income

Operating income decreased 1.3% million from Ps.201.2 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.198.5 million in fiscal year 2007 mainly due to a decrease in the operating income of the Development and Sale of Properties segment that was partially offset by increases in operating income of each of IRSA s other segments. IRSA s operating margin, calculated as IRSA s operating income divided by IRSA s revenues, decreased from 34.8% for fiscal year 2006 to 26.9% for fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of decreases in the operating margins of IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties, Offices and other non-Shopping Center Rental Properties, Shopping Centers, and Credit Card segments, partially offset by an increase in the operating margin of IRSA s Financial Operations and Others segment.

# Development and Sale of Properties

Operating income from the Development and Sale of Properties segment decreased 86.0% from Ps.44.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.6.2 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily due to a decrease in the revenues from this segment and increases in selling and administrative expenses, partially offset by higher gain from recognition of inventories at their net realizable value during fiscal year 2007. The operating income of this segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment decreased from 42.6% during fiscal year 2006 to 8.2% during fiscal year 2007.

#### Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Operating income from the Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 65.5%, from Ps.11.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.19.6 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily due to an 82.2% increase in the revenues from this segment. The operating income of this segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment decreased from 38.8% during fiscal year 2006 to 35.2% during the fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of the effect during fiscal year 2007 of the adjustment in the remaining useful life of IRSA s rental buildings which generated a loss of Ps.5.9 million reflected in the cost of this segment. Without considering this effect IRSA s operating income as a percentage of IRSA s revenues would have been 45.8% instead of 35.2%.

## Shopping Centers

Operating income of Shopping Centers increased 18.2%, from Ps.105.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.124.8 million in fiscal year 2007 mostly due to a 25.7% increase in the revenues from this segment that was partially offset by increases of 17.7% in costs, 42.3% in selling expenses and 26.6% in administrative expenses. The operating income of this segment as a percentage of revenues from such segment decreased from 49.1% during fiscal year 2006 to 46.2% during fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a decrease during fiscal year 2007 in the gain generated by the reversal of previously recognized impairment expenses which was only Ps.0.7 million in fiscal year 2007 compared to Ps.9.5 million in fiscal year 2006.

#### Hotel Operations

Operating income of Hotel Operations increased from Ps.14.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.14.7 million in fiscal year 2007 mostly due to an increase in revenues from this segment that was partially offset by increases in costs and expenses. The operating income of this segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment decreased from 14.0% during fiscal year 2006 to 11.9% during fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of a Ps.2.4 million increase in depreciation due to a change in the determination of the remaining useful life of IRSA s three hotels which decreased from an average of 408 months in fiscal year 2006 to an average of 207 months in fiscal year 2007.

#### Credit Card Operations

Operating income of the Credit Card segment increased 31.4%, from Ps.24.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.32.6 million in fiscal year 2007 primarily due to a 73.2% increase in revenues from this segment that were partially offset by increases of 73.6% in costs, 100.5% in selling expenses and 75.0% in administrative expenses. The operating income of this segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment decreased from 20.2% during fiscal year 2006 to 15.3% during fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of the increase in selling expenses of almost 101% while the revenues from this segment increased 73.2%. IRSA s selling expenses in this segment increased at a greater rate than IRSA s revenues from this segment as a result of a Ps.11.9 million increase in the expense for bad debts.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Operating income of the Financial Operations and other operations segment increased Ps.0.5 million from Ps.0.1 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.0.6 million in fiscal year 2007. Operating revenues of this segment as a percentage of the revenues from such segment increased from 4.0% in fiscal year 2006 to 43.1% in fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of a 40.9% decrease in the costs of this segment.

#### Amortization of goodwill

The amortization of the goodwill includes: (i) amortization of the goodwill of the following subsidiaries of Alto Palermo: Shopping Alto Palermo S.A., FIBESA, Tarshop, ERSA and Empalme and (ii) of IRSA s own negative goodwill generated by IRSA s purchase of Alto Palermo and Palermo Invest S.A. shares. Amortization of goodwill increased (Ps.0.4 million), from a charge of Ps.1.1 million in fiscal year 2006 to a charge of Ps.1.5 million in fiscal year 2007.

## Financial results, net

Financial results, net increased Ps.45.0 million, from a net loss of Ps.40.9 million in fiscal year 2006 to a net gain of Ps.4.1 million in fiscal year 2007. The principal causes for this variation were:

the increase of Ps.40.4 million in results of financial operations mainly due to an increase of Ps.46.9 million in the fair market value of IRSA s investment in the mutual investment fund, Dolphin Fund Plc.;

a Ps.12.1 million positive exchange difference compared to fiscal year 2006 due to a lower depreciation during fiscal year 2007 of the Argentine peso versus the US dollar; and

Ps.9.9 million due to higher interest income in fiscal year 2007 of which Ps.7.6 million resulted from financial investments. These improvements were partially offset by a Ps.16.5 million increase in financial expenses in fiscal year 2007, principally due to a higher interest expense resulting from the issuance of bonds by IRSA and Alto Palermo during fiscal year 2007.

#### Gain on equity investees

Gain from related companies decreased 3.9% from a gain of Ps.41.7 million in fiscal year 2006 to a gain of Ps.40.0 million in fiscal year 2007. This decrease principally resulted from a Ps.5.7 million decrease in the gain of Banco Hipotecario, from Ps.47.0 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.41.4 million in fiscal year 2007. This decrease was partially offset by the absence in fiscal year 2007 of the Ps.4.0 million loss incurred in fiscal year 2006 from IRSA s investment in Abril S.A.

#### Other income and expenses, net

Other income and expenses, net, decreased 22.8%, from a net expense of Ps.18.3 million in fiscal year 2006 to a net expense of Ps.14.1 million in fiscal year 2007 principally due to: (i) a Ps.7.5 million decrease in the allowance for uncollectible loans and (ii) a Ps.3.1 million increase for the recovery of allowances which were partially offset in fiscal year 2007 by: (i) a Ps.4.5 million increase in charges for donations and (ii) a Ps.2.7 million increase in contingencies for lawsuits.

#### Income before taxes and minority interest

As a result of the above mentioned issue, income before taxes and minority interest increased 24.4% passing for an income of Ps.182.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to an income of Ps.227.1 million in fiscal year 2007.

#### Income tax and minimum presumed income tax

Income tax and minimum presumed income tax increased 48.9%, from Ps.58.8 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.87.5 million in fiscal year 2007. IRSA applied the deferred tax method to calculate IRSA s income tax for the two fiscal years, recognizing the temporary differences in the accounting and in tax assets and liabilities. IRSA s effective tax rate in the fiscal year 2007 was 38.5% compared to 32.2% in fiscal year 2006.

The Ps.28.7 million variation was principally caused by the net impact of:

Ps.23.6 million increase in the expense for income tax for IRSA s company, from Ps.4.0 million during fiscal year 2006 to Ps.27.6 million during fiscal year 2007 due to an expense of Ps.11.6 million of deferred tax mostly caused by the sale of Santa María del Plata during fiscal year 2007;

a Ps.12.9 million allowance for income tax in fiscal year 2007 mostly caused by the sale of shares in Banco Hipotecario and ownership units in Dolphin Fund Plc.;

a of Ps.7.8 million increase in the expense for income tax of Alto Palermo, from Ps.48.5 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.56.3 million in fiscal year 2007; and

a Ps.0.5 million increase in the expense for income tax of Nuevas Fronteras S.A. *Minority interest* 

The negative result caused by third parties participation in subsidiaries increased 19.3% from a charge of Ps.27.2 million in fiscal year 2006 to a charge of Ps.32.4 million in fiscal year 2007 as a consequence of an increase in the income accounts of related companies in which IRSA has a minority interest (principally in the Shopping Centers and Credit card operations segments).

#### Net income

Due to the above-mentioned issues, net income increased 10.9% from Ps.96.6 million in fiscal year 2006 to Ps.107.1 million in fiscal year 2007.

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## Revenues

IRSA s revenues increased 56.2% from Ps.369.9 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.577.7 million for its 2006 fiscal year, primarily as a result of increases in revenues in IRSA s Shopping Center and Development and Sale of Properties segments.

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## Shopping Centers

Revenues from IRSA s Shopping Center segment increased 29.9% from Ps.165.5 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.215.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The increase is attributed principally to an increase of Ps.48.1 million in revenues from leases and admission rights of IRSA s Shopping Centers, as a consequence of the 33.9% increase in sales by its tenants from Ps.1,698.1 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.2,273.3 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The average occupancy rate in IRSA s shopping centers was 99.1% for its 2006 fiscal year similar to 99% in its 2005 fiscal year.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Revenues from IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties segment increased 221.8% from Ps.32.3 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.104.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The increase in revenues from this segment was attributable principally to: (i) Ps.23.0 million of revenues from Alto Palermo s sale of Alcorta Plaza, a parcel of land by Paseo Alcorta shopping center; (ii) Ps.22.7 million of revenues from the sale of block 36 of the parcel named Terrenos de Caballito in IRSA s 2006 fiscal year; (iii) Ps.41.8 million of revenues from the sale of parcel Y of Dock III during IRSA s 2006 fiscal year; and (iv) Ps.10.0 million of revenues from IRSA s sale of units of Edificios Cruceros in its 2006 fiscal year, partially offset by the absence in its 2006 fiscal year of Ps.23.6 million of revenues from the sale of a parcel of Dock III and Ps.3.5 million of revenues from the sale of Madero 1020, both of which IRSA sold during its 2005 fiscal year.

# Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Revenues from IRSA s Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment increased 57.3%, from Ps.19.4 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.30.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year.

This increase was mainly due to: (i) a 52.1% increase in revenues from office rents, from Ps.18.0 million in IRSA s 2005 fiscal year, to Ps.27.4 million for its 2006 fiscal year. This increase in revenues is attributed to a 3.0% increase in average occupancy rates in IRSA s 2006 fiscal year and a 41.5% increase in average monthly rates of the majority of the buildings, principally due to the increase in accumulated annual rents in Bouchard 710 for Ps.5.4 million, Libertador 498 for 0.8 million, Maipú 1300 for Ps.0.7 million, Laminar Plaza for Ps.0.7 million, Suipacha 652 for Ps.0.4 million and Edificios Costeros Dock IV for Ps.0.5 million; and (ii) a 135.8% increase in revenues of other properties from Ps.0.9 million in IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps 2.1 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to Santa María del Plata for an amount of Ps.1.2 million. The rate of occupancy in this segment increased 3.2% from 94.0% in June 2005 to 97.0% in June 2006.

# Hotel Operations

Revenues from IRSA s hotel operations increased 19.1% from Ps.87.1 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.103.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to an 18.2% increase in average price per room of IRSA s hotels from Ps.320 in 2005 to Ps.379.0 in 2006. On the other hand, IRSA s average occupancy rates remained stable at 78.7% during its fiscal year 2006 compared to 75.4% in its 2005 fiscal year. Revenues from Hotel Intercontinental increased by Ps.6.1 million, revenues from the Hotel Llao Llao increased by Ps.5.8 million and revenues from Hotel Sheraton Libertador increased by Ps.4.7 million.

# Credit Card Operations

Revenues from credit card operations increased 90.5% from Ps.64.6 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.123.0 million in fiscal year 2006, reflecting improved macroeconomic conditions and a related increase in the level of private consumption which enabled IRSA to open new branches, increase the number of credit cards issued and expand the number of shops that accept IRSA s credit cards.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Revenues from IRSA s Financial Operations and Others segment increased 50.4% from Ps.0.9 million for its 2005 fiscal year, to Ps.1.4 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Revenues included in this segment represent fees for services with no specific allocation to any of the previous segments.

## Costs

IRSA s costs increased 45.1% from Ps.168.1 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.243.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year, reflecting an increase in costs in each of IRSA s business segments during its 2006 fiscal year. Total costs as a percentage of revenues decreased from 45.4% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 42.2% for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Shopping Centers

Costs related to Shopping Centers increased 10.9% from Ps.69.8 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.77.4 million for its 2006 fiscal year. This increase was primarily due to an increase in depreciation and amortization expenses of Ps.4.5 million and an increase in the expenses of unrecoverable expenses of Ps.2.6 million.

#### Development and Sale of Properties

Costs related to Development and Sale of Properties increased 209.0%, from Ps.17.5 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.54.2 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The increase in costs from this segment is mainly due to the following occurring: (i) Ps.18.4 million in costs related to the sale of Alcorta Plaza (through Alto Palermo); (ii) Ps.11.3 million in costs related to the sale of block 36 of the parcel named Terrenos de Caballito ; (ii) Ps.9.7 million in costs related to the sale of parcel Y of Dock III; (iv) of Ps.8.8 million in costs related to the sale of units of Edificios Cruceros, (v) a decrease due to the sale of a parcel of Dock III during IRSA s 2005 fiscal year for Ps.23.6 million and (vi) a decrease of Ps.3.5 million in connection with the sale of Madero 1020 during the previous fiscal year. Costs relating to Development and Sale of Properties as a percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 54.3% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 52.1% for its 2006 fiscal year.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Costs of Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties increased by 16.0% from Ps.7.7 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.9.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to the amortization in IRSA s 2006 fiscal year of Bouchard 710 which IRSA acquired in June 2005. The main component of cost for offices is the depreciation of leased properties.

#### Hotel Operations

Costs from hotel operations increased 18.5% from Ps.48.9 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.58.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year, primarily due to revenue increases. Higher costs for Hotel Operations are primarily due to an increase in the depreciation of the assets, salaries and social security contributions. Costs from Llao Llao Hotel increased Ps.5.3 million, costs from Hotel Intercontinental increased Ps.2.3 million and costs from Hotel Sheraton Libertador increased Ps.1.8 million. Costs from hotel operations as a percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 56.2% in IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 55.9% in its 2006 fiscal year.

## Credit Card Operations

The cost of sales relating to Credit Card operations rose 90.2% from Ps.23.1 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.43.9 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to (i) a cost increase of Ps.6.2 million in salaries and social security expenses and Ps.3.0 million in taxes, dues and contributions, Ps.1.3 million of electricity and telephone expenses mainly as a result of the expansion of IRSA s operations, (ii) a higher expense in commissions and interest by a margin of Ps.5.6 million and (iii) an increase in fees and services of Ps.2.3 million mainly due to the new issues under the securitization program.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Costs from the Financial Operations and Others segment increased by Ps.0.4 million from Ps.1.0 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.1.4 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Costs included in this line represent expenses incurred for the rendering of services that generate revenues.

## Gross profit

As a result of the foregoing, the gross profit increased by 65.4%, from Ps.201.8 million during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 to Ps.333.8 million during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

#### Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value

This line is generated as a result of valuing at the net realizable value those inventories for which IRSA has received purchase price or lease advances that fix prices, and the contract terms and conditions of the transactions that IRSA signed state the consummation of the sale and the gain. Ps.9.1 million were valued according to this criteria, which was principally applied to the following developments: Cruceros for Ps.4.6 million, Torres Rosario, for Ps.3.5 million, and Dock III Plot Z, for Ps.1.6 million and San Martín de Tours for Ps.0.6 million in losses.

#### Selling expenses

Selling expenses increased 63.2% from Ps.36.8 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.60.1 million for its 2006 fiscal year primarily due to an increase in selling expenses in IRSA s Credit Card, Shopping Center and Hotel segments. Selling expenses as a percentage of revenues increased from 10.0% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 10.4% for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Shopping Centers

Selling expenses relating to Shopping Centers increased 47.3% from Ps.10.7 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.15.7 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The increase was mainly due to an increase of Ps.2.0 million in the expense for gross sales taxes in line with IRSA s higher revenues, an increase of Ps.1.1 million in the expense for provision of bad debts and an increase of Ps.0.5 million in the expense of advertising.

## Development and Sale of Properties

Selling expenses from Development and Sale of Properties decreased 8.4% from Ps.2.0 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.1.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Selling expenses for Development and Sale of Properties are mainly commissions and expenses from sales, sealing and gross sales tax.

## Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Selling expenses relating to Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties increased 10.6% from Ps.0.9 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year 2005 to Ps.1.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Hotel Operations

Selling expenses relating to IRSA s Hotel Operations increased 9.2% from Ps.9.8 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.10.7 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to an increase in the gross sales tax, salaries and social security expenses and the tourism agencies commissions due to an increase in revenues in the segment in line with higher levels of activity.

#### Credit Card Operations

Selling expenses of the Credit Card segment increased 129.0%, from Ps.13.5 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.30.9 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly due to an increase of Ps.6.7 million in advertising expenses, a higher expense of Ps.3.8 million in gross sales taxes as a result of IRSA s higher revenues, and an increase in the expense for bad debts of Ps.6.2 million in line with the growth of IRSA s credit portfolio.

#### Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses increased 37.1%, from Ps.70.7 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.96.9 million for its 2006 fiscal year, due to an increase in administrative expenses for IRSA s Shopping Center segment and, to a lesser extent, each of IRSA s other business segments. The main components of administrative expenses are salaries and social security expenses, Directors fees, fees and compensation for services, and depreciation and amortization.

#### Shopping Centers

Administrative expenses of IRSA s Shopping Centers increased 56.1%, from Ps.16.5 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.25.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year primarily as a result of an increase in directors fees of Ps.3.4 million, an increase in the fees and services of third parties of Ps.3.2 million, an increase in salaries, bonuses and social security expenses of Ps.1.9 million, and an increase in taxes, rates and assessments of Ps.0.6 million, mainly due to the financial transactions tax.

#### Development and Sale of Properties

Administrative expenses of Development and Sale of Properties increased 27.1%, from Ps.10.1 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.12.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year, primarily due to (i) increases in expenses related to the design and implementation of IRSA s new SAP system; (ii) an increase of Ps.0.8 million in salaries and social security expenses, and (iii) an increase in directors fees of Ps.0.3 million. Administrative expenses for Development and Sale of Properties as a percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 31.2% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 12.3% for its 2006 fiscal year.

# Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Administrative expenses of Offices and Other increased 15.8%, from Ps.9.8 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.11.3 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The increase is mainly due to an increase of Ps.0.7 million in salaries and social security expenses and a Ps.0.3 million increase in directors fees.

#### Hotel Operations

Administrative expenses of IRSA s Hotel Operations increased 8.0%, from Ps.19.4 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.21.0 million for its 2006 fiscal year, primarily due to (i) a Ps.1.0 million increase from Hotel Intercontinental mainly due to an increase of Ps.0.7 million of fees and services to third parties, of Ps.0.1 million of salaries and social security expenses and Ps.0.1 million of depreciations; (ii) an increase of Ps.1.0 million in Hotel Sheraton Libertador mainly due to an increase of Ps.0.5 million in fees and compensation for services and of Ps.0.4 million in salaries and social security expenses; and (iii) a decrease of Ps.0.4 million in Hotel Llao Llao mainly due to a decrease of Ps.1.5 million related to lawsuits and to an increase of Ps.0.4 million in salaries and social security expenses, an increase of Ps.0.3 million in taxes, duties and contributions, an increase of Ps.0.2 million in fees and compensation for services and an increase of Ps.0.1 million in depreciation and amortization. Administrative expenses of Hotel Operations as a percentage of revenues from hotel operations decreased from 22.3% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 20.2% for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Credit Card Operations

Administrative expenses from the Credit Card segment increased 74.7%, from Ps.14.8 million in IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.25.9 million in its 2006 fiscal year, basically due to a Ps.5.9 million increase in salaries,

bonuses and social security expenses, Ps.2.4 million increase in fees and compensations for services, Ps.1.3 million increase in taxes and rent, and of Ps.1.6 million in insurance, amortization and others due to an expansion and increase of IRSA s operations.

#### Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables

This gain results from the interest held by Alto Palermo in the Tarjeta Shopping Credit Card Trusts. The results of these credit card trusts increased 520.6% from Ps.0.4 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.2.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year as a result of the expansion of IRSA s credit card business segment through Tarshop, Alto Palermo s subsidiary.

#### Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net

The results from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net, decreased 54.8%, from a gain of Ps.27.9 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a gain of Ps.12.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The decrease in income from the previous year is due to a lower amount of recovery on the allowance for impairment of long lived assets.

# **Operating** income

IRSA s operating income increased 43.7% from Ps.140.0 million for its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.201.2 million for its 2006 fiscal year primarily as a result of increases in IRSA s Shopping centers, Developments and sale of properties, Credit card operations and Hotel Operations segments, partially offset by a small decrease in IRSA s Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment. Operating income as a percentage of revenues increased from 37.8% from IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 34.8% for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Shopping Centers

Operating income from Shopping Centers increased 29.3% from Ps.81.6 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.105.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year primarily due to a 29.9% increase in revenues, accompanied by an increase of 10.9% in costs and an increase of 56.1% and 47.3% in selling and administrative expenses for this segment, respectively.

#### Development and Sale of Properties

Operating income from Development and Sales of properties increased 115.3%, from Ps.20.6 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.44.3 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Operating income from the Development and Sale of Properties segment as a percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 63.7% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 42.6% for its 2006 fiscal year primarily as a result of an increase of 209.0% in costs which was accompanied by an increase of 221.8% in revenues for this segment.

# Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Operating income from Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties decreased 10.3% from Ps.13.2 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.11.9 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Operating income from Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties as a percentage of revenues from this segment decreased from 68.0% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to 38.8% in its 2006 fiscal year primarily as a result of an increase of 57.3% in revenues accompanied with an increase of 16.0% in costs from this segment.

# Hotel Operations

Operating income from Hotel Operations increased 31.5% from Ps.11.1 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.14.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Operating income from Hotel Operations as a percentage of revenues from this segment increased from 12.7% for fiscal year 2005 to 14.0% in fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of a 18.5% increase in costs compared to a 19.1% increase in revenues.

#### Credit Cards Operations

Operating income from the Credit Card segment increased 83.3%, from Ps.13.5 million in fiscal year 2005 to Ps.24.8 million in fiscal year 2006. Operating income from the Credit Card segment as a percentage of revenue from this segment decreased from 21.0% from fiscal year 2005 to 20.2% in fiscal year 2006.

#### Financial Operations and Others

Operating income from Financial Operations and Others segment increased 243.6% from a loss of Ps.0.04 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a gain of Ps.0.1 million for its 2006 fiscal year. Operating income from Financial Operations and Other as a percentage of revenues from this segment increased from a loss of 4.1% for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a gain of 4.0% for its 2006 fiscal year. This is mainly attributable to an increase of 50.4% in revenues accompanied with an increase of 38.7% in costs from this segment.

#### Amortization of goodwill

Amortization of goodwill mainly includes: (i) the amortization of goodwill during this fiscal year, for the goodwill from the following subsidiaries of Alto Palermo: Shopping Alto Palermo S.A., Fibesa S.A., Tarshop S.A. and Emprendimiento Recoleta S.A., with no significant variation and (ii) the depreciation, during this year, of IRSA s own negative goodwill due to the purchase of Alto Palermo stock. Amortization of goodwill decreased 35.1% from a loss of Ps.1.7 million for fiscal year 2005 to a loss of Ps.1.1 million for fiscal year 2006, as a result of the incorporation of new negative goodwill as described in point (ii) above.

# Financial results, net

Financial results, net showed a variation of 245.4%, from a loss of Ps.11.8 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a loss of Ps.40.9 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The main reasons for this variation were: (i) a Ps.21.7 million increase in IRSA s loss attributable to variation in exchange rates, owing to the depreciation of the Peso to the U.S. dollar from Ps.2.887 in its 2005 fiscal year to Ps.3.086 in its 2006 fiscal year; (ii) the non-recurrence of Ps.2.2 million of discounts obtained in 2006 due to the cancellation with discount of financial loans owed by Mendoza Plaza Shopping S.A.; (iii) a loss with respect to the previous fiscal year of Ps.2.6 million of financial results mainly due to interest and other expenses in connection with the loan of Hoteles Argentinos S.A. and financial expenses from Alto Palermo, and (iv) the decrease of Ps.10.6 million in income from financial operations, due to Dolphin Fund PLC decrease in profits by Ps.16.3 million and NCH Development Partner Fund increase in profits by Ps.4.6 million and the gains from the interest rate swap agreement entered into with Deutsche Bank AG for Ps.1.2 million, and (v) the increase of Ps.7.4 million on interest gain as a result of the refinancing of the Hoteles Argentinos loan.

# Gain on equity investees

IRSA s gain on equity investments decreased 38.0% from a gain of Ps.67.2 million for its 2005 fiscal year to a gain of Ps.41.7 million for its 2006 fiscal year. This lower gain is mainly due to: (i) a lower gain by Banco Hipotecario of Ps.8.2 million from Ps.55.2 million to Ps.47.0 million as a result of a lower gain from Banco Hipotecario s investment in Sovereign Bonds (BODEN), (ii) a gain of Ps.12.2 million corresponding to the Hotel segment, and (iii) the negative impact of the dilution of IRSA s interest in Alto Palermo amounting to Ps.0.9 million.

# Other expenses, net

Other expenses, net increased 29.6% from net expenses of Ps.14.1 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to net expenses of Ps.18.3 million for its 2006 fiscal year, primarily due to the effect of (i) an increase of Ps.7.5

million in the allowance for doubtful accounts; (ii) an increase of Ps.1.9 million from non recoverable value added tax, (iii) a gain of Ps.2.4 million due to the accelerated accrual of unrealized revenues, (iv) a decrease of Ps.1.3 million in donation charges and (v) a lower charge of Ps.1.1 million for minimum presumed income tax.

#### Income before taxes and minority interest

As a result of the foregoing, income before taxes and minority interest increased 1.6%, from a gain of Ps.179.6 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year, to a gain of Ps.182.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Minority interest

Minority interest increased 17.4% from a loss of Ps.23.2 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a loss of Ps.27.2 million for its 2006 fiscal year, mainly as a result of an increase in net income from the Shopping Centers segment that generated an increase in the results of minority interest.

#### Income tax and minimum presumed income tax

Income tax and minimum presumed income tax expense increased 10.5%, from Ps.53.2 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year, to Ps.58.8 million for its 2006 fiscal year. The deferred tax allocation method was used to calculate the income tax corresponding to the two fiscal years, thus recognizing the temporary differences in the accounting and tax assets and liabilities. The variation of Ps.5.6 million was mainly due to the net impact of:

a Ps.14.8 million increase in Alto Palermo s income tax expense, from Ps.33.6 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to Ps.48.5 million for its 2006 fiscal year, due to an increase in taxable income resulting from IRSA s 57.0% increase in revenues during fiscal year 2006;

increased income tax expense of Nuevas Fronteras S.A., Baldovinos S.A., Inversora Bolívar S.A. and Llao Llao Resorts S.A. which during IRSA s 2006 fiscal year were Ps.1.9 million, Ps.1.0 million, Ps.2.7 million and Ps.0.5 million higher, respectively, than during its 2005 fiscal year;

a Ps.1.1 million decrease in IRSA s income tax expense; and

the variation in income tax expense for Buenos Aires Trade & Finance Center S.A. which changed from a Ps.12.6 million expense for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a Ps.0.2 million expense for its 2006 fiscal year, as a result of the swap agreement entered into in connection with parcel 1.c) of Dock III and the purchase agreement entered into in connection with parcel 1.d) of Dock III. IRSA s effective tax rate increased to 32.2% in fiscal year 2006 from 29.6% in fiscal year 2005.

#### Net income

As a result of the foregoing, net income decreased 6.5% from a gain of Ps.103.2 million for IRSA s 2005 fiscal year to a gain of Ps.96.6 million for its 2006 fiscal year.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

# Liquidity

IRSA s principal sources of liquidity have historically been:

cash generated by operations;

cash from borrowings and financings arrangements; and

cash proceeds from the sale of real estate.

IRSA s principal cash requirements or uses (other than in connection with IRSA s operating activities) have historically been:

capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment;

interest payments and repayments of short-term and long-term debt;

payments of dividends; and

acquisitions or purchases of real estate.

IRSA s liquidity and capital resources include IRSA s cash and cash equivalents, proceeds from bank borrowings and long-term debt, capital financing and sales of real estate investments.

As of December 31, 2007, IRSA had a working capital of Ps. 424.7 million. As of the same date, IRSA had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps. 442.8 million, an increase of 130.2% from the Ps. 192.4 million in cash and cash equivalents held as of December 31, 2006.

As of June 30, 2007, IRSA had a working capital of Ps.523.7 million. As of the same date, IRSA had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.708.5 million, an increase of 332.2% from the Ps.163.9 million in cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2006.

As of June 30, 2006, IRSA had a working capital of Ps.62.6 million. As of the same date, IRSA had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.163.9 million, an increase of 15.0% from the Ps.142.6 million in cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2005.

As of June 30 2005, IRSA had a working capital of Ps.78.8 million. As of the same date, IRSA had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.142.6 million, an increase of 16.0% from Ps.122.9 million in cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2004.

# **Cash Flow Information**

# **Operating** Activities

Second Quarter of 2008 Fiscal Year. IRSA s operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.114.9 million for the six-month period ended December 31, 2007 primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.205.9 millions, an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.36.0 million, and a decrease in current investments of Ps.16.8 million partially offset by an increase in mortgages and leases receivables of Ps.59.9 million, a decrease in customer advances, salaries and social security payable and taxes payable of Ps.50.1 million and an increase of other receivables of Ps.28.8.

2007 Fiscal Year. IRSA s operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.163.1 million for fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.276.0 million, an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.65.1 million, a decrease in inventories of Ps.29.0 million, and an increase in accrued interest of Ps.21.5 million partially offset by an increase in mortgages and leases receivables of Ps.79.7 million, and increase in Other receivables and prepaid expenses of Ps.79.6 million, an increase in non-current investments of Ps.35.6 million and an increase in current investments of Ps.29.8 million.

2006 Fiscal Year. IRSA s operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.194.7 million for fiscal year 2006 primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.218.5 million, an increase in trade accounts payable of

Ps.56.0 million, a decrease in inventories of Ps.25.1 million, an increase in accrued interest of Ps.14.0 million and a decrease in current investments of Ps.10.3 million partially offset by an increase in mortgages and leases receivables of Ps.80.3 million, a decrease in customer advances, salaries and social security payable and taxes payable of Ps.28.4 million and an increase in non-current investments of Ps.26.4 million.

2005 Fiscal Year. IRSA s operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.93.5 million for fiscal years 2005. The operating cash inflows for fiscal year 2005 primarily resulted from operating gains of Ps.127.2 million, an increase in customer advances, salaries and social security payable and taxes payable of Ps.12.0 million and an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.12.0 million partially offset by an increase in mortgages and leases receivables for Ps.49.2 million and a decrease in other liabilities of Ps.17.7 million.

# **Investment** Activities

*Second Quarter of 2008 Fiscal Year.* IRSA s investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.359.5 million for the six-month period ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of investments in fixed assets of Ps.362.4 million as follows: (i) the acquisition of the BankBoston Tower for Ps.173.9 millions, (ii) the investment of Ps.137.9 million through Alto Palermo due to: (a) the construction of the Panamerican Mall shopping center for Ps.50.5 million, (b) improvement of shopping centers for Ps.35.0 million, (c) upfront payment for the transfer of the Soleil Factory shopping center for Ps.25.3 million and (d) Ps.23.1 million for the acquisition of the Patio Olmos shopping center for Ps.20.3 millions. IRSA also invested Ps.0.1 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2007 Fiscal Year. IRSA s investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.510.8 million for fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of investments in fixed assets of Ps.410.1 million as follows: (i) the acquisition of Bouchard 551 for Ps.243.2 million, (ii) the investment of Ps.96.4 million thorough Alto Palermo primarily for improvements made in shopping centers (iii) improvements in the Hotel Operations segment for Ps.57.1 million, principally in the Hotel Llao Llao for Ps.49.4 million, and as a result of a decrease in minority interest of Ps.40.4 million principally due to the increase in IRSA s ownership in Palermo Invest and in Alto Palermo for Ps.27.5 million and Ps.7.2 million, respectively.

On December 12, 2006 IRSA purchased from different holders 34,710 shares of Canteras Natal Crespo for a total amount of Ps.1.8 million. After this transaction, IRSA s interest on Canteras (jointly with its partner ECIPSA) increased up to 98.45%.

2006 Fiscal Year. IRSA s investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.136.6 million for fiscal year 2006, primarily as a result of investments in fixed assets of Ps.54.1 million due to (i) improvements made in shopping centers amounting to Ps.33.6 million and (ii) improvements in the Hotel Operations segment for Ps.20.1 million. IRSA also invested Ps.62.1 million in undeveloped parcels of land primarily through IRSA s subsidiary Alto Palermo. IRSA also made investments of Ps.4.3 million to increase IRSA s ownership interest in Alto Palermo, and Ps.4.2 million in the acquisition of 43.2% of Canteras Natal Crespo S.A. Additionally, IRSA posted a guaranty deposit for Ps.8.6 million at Deustche Bank guaranteeing IRSA s obligations to Argentimo S.A. relating to an agreement entered into between Alto Palermo, Argentimo S.A. and Constructora San José Argentina S.A. for the acquisition of land for the development of a shopping center and a dwelling and/or office building.

2005 Fiscal Year. IRSA s investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.126.7 million for fiscal year 2005, primarily as a result of investments in fixed assets of Ps.79.3 million, due to (i) the development of Alto Rosario Shopping and improvements made in other shopping centers totaling Ps.50.9 million, and (ii) partial payment for the acquisition of Bouchard 710 for Ps.20.4 million. IRSA also invested Ps.35.0 million in the acquisition of an additional ownership interest of 49.9% in Mendoza Plaza Shopping and IRSA also made a payment of US\$4 million (Ps.11.7 million) in connection with a contract entered into with Credit Suisse in June 2005, pursuant to which, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, IRSA expects to take out a loan for US\$10.0 million, establishing a mortgage on an office building in the City of Buenos Aires.

# **Financing** Activities

*Second Quarter of 2008 Fiscal Year.* IRSA s financing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.21.1 million. IRSA's net cash provided by financing activities for the six-month period ended December 31, 2007 was primarily related to (i) the proceeds from short-term and long-term debt for Ps.171.5 million, mainly as a result of the re-purchase of our bonds amounting to US\$ 37.4 million, the payment of a US\$51 million unsecured loan and the settlement of advances in bank checking accounts, (ii) IRSA s issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.163.4 million, (iii) the payment of dividends to minority shareholders for Ps.23.9 million, (iv) the partial repayment of Ps.9.8 million of a mortgage payable and (iv) capital contribution by minority owners in related companies for Ps.20.7 million.

2007 Fiscal Year. IRSA s financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.892.2 million. IRSA s net cash provided by financing activities for fiscal year 2007 was primarily related to (i) the proceeds from short-term and long-term debt for Ps.1,199.7 million, primarily due to the issuance of IRSA s notes and Alto Palermo notes, (ii) IRSA s issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.26.0 million, partially offset by (a) the payment of short-term and long-term debt for Ps.292.2 million, (b) the payment of dividends to minority shareholders for Ps.23.2 million and (c) the partial repayment of Ps.18.0 million of a mortgage payable.

2006 Fiscal Year. IRSA s financing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.36.8 million. IRSA s net cash spent on financing activities for fiscal year 2006 was primarily related to the payment of short-term and long-term debt for Ps.82.5 million, the payment of dividends by IRSA s subsidiaries to minority shareholders totaling Ps.12.7 million, the repayment of debt owed to minority shareholders for Ps.5.2 million and a partial repayment of Ps.25.6 million of a mortgage payable, partially offset by IRSA s issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.43.6 million and proceeds from issuance of short-term and long-term debt totaling Ps.45.1 million.

2005 Fiscal Year. IRSA s financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.52.9 million. IRSA s net cash provided by financing activities for fiscal year 2005 relates to IRSA s issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.105.7 million, proceeds from issuance of short-term and long-term debt totaling Ps.117.2 million and proceeds from the settlement of a swap agreement for Ps.15.8 million, partially offset by the payment of short-term and long-term debt for Ps.167.3 million, the payment of dividends by IRSA s subsidiaries to minority shareholders totaling Ps.10.3 million, and the payment of Ps.5.8 million to Credit Suisse, establishing a guarantee for the debt of IRSA s subsidiary Hoteles Argentinos.

# Indebtedness

The following table sets forth the scheduled maturities of IRSA s outstanding debt as of December 31, 2007:

	Currency	Less than 1 year <sup>(1)</sup>	From 1 to 2 years (in million	From 2 to 3 years ns of pesos) <sup>(3)</sup>	From 3 to 4 years	More than 4 years	Total <sup>(2)</sup> %	Average annual interest rate %
Bank and other debt								
Tarshop s bank loans	Ps.	31.7	2.0				33.7	13.00
Hoteles Argentinos secured loan	US\$	2.0	1.5	16.0			19.5	10.83(5)
Alto Palermo 10% convertible notes								
due 2014	US\$	2.2				48.8	51.0	10.00
Alto Palermo 11% Series II notes <sup>(4)</sup>	Ps.	0.2	43.5	43.8	43.9	22.0	153.4	11.00
Alto Palermo 7.875% Series I notes								
due 2017 <sup>(4)</sup>	US\$	3.6	(0.5)	(0.5)	(0.5)	375.4	377.5	7.87
IRSA 8.5% notes due 2017 <sup>(4)</sup>	US\$	15.9	(0.9)	(0.9)	(0.9)	467.9	481.1	8.50
Debt related to purchase of								
subsidiaries	US\$	22.1	9.4		26.1		57.6	7.80
Total bank and other debt		77.7	55.0	58.4	68.6	914.1	1,173.8	

	Currency	Less than 1 year <sup>(1)</sup>	From 1 to 2 years (in million	From 2 to 3 years ns of pesos) <sup>(3)</sup>	From 3 to 4 years	More than 4 years	Total <sup>(2)</sup> %	Average annual interest rate %
Mortgages payable								
Mortgage payable Bouchard 710	US\$	7.0					7.0	8.50
Mortgage payable Terrenos Bariloche	US\$	2.9	3.1				6.0	7.00
Total mortgages payable		9.9	3.1				13.0	
Total debt		87.6	58.1	58.4	68.6	914.1	1,186.6	

(1) Includes accrued interest.

- (2) Figures may not sum due to rounding.
- (3) Exchange rate as of June 30, 2007: US\$1.00 = Ps.3.149.
- (4) Includes issuance expenses (under Argentine GAAP expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of debt are classified as short-term or long-term debts, as appropriate).
- (5) Calculated on the basis of the Libor swap curve as of December 31, 2007.

Prepayment of IRSA s Outstanding Indebtedness

On October 21, 2007, IRSA notified the holders of its secured floating rate notes due November 2009 and the lenders under its US\$51 million syndicated bank loan agreement of its intention to redeem all of the outstanding notes and repay all such outstanding loans in full, together with interest accrued to the redemption and repayment date, as applicable. On October 29, 2007, IRSA prepaid US\$24.3 million of principal and US\$0.3 million of accrued interest under the notes, and US\$14.9 million of principal and US\$0.21 million of accrued interest under the loans.

# Hoteles Argentinos secured loan

On March 23, 2005, Credit Suisse First Boston International acquired the US\$11.1 million indebtedness incurred by Hoteles Argentinos which had been in default since January 2002. On April 21, 2006, Hoteles Argentinos reduced the outstanding principal amount to US\$6.0 million with a prepayment, and the unpaid balance was restructured to mature in March 2010 with scheduled amortization payments as described below:

Date	Amount due (US\$ thousands)
March 15, 2008	213
September 15, 2008	225
March 15, 2009	239
September 15, 2009	253
March 15, 2010	5,070

Interest accrues on the unpaid principal of this loan at six-month LIBOR plus 7.0%.

In addition, IRSA entered into a credit default swap agreement with Credit Suisse International which, among other stipulations, secures payment of Hoteles Argentinos indebtedness and provides that, in the event of default, IRSA will be required to acquire the loan. Simultaneously with the amendment of Hoteles Argentinos loan agreement, IRSA amended the credit default swap with Credit Suisse International. Thus, IRSA would only assume 80.0% of Hoteles Argentinos indebtedness in the event of default. The remaining 20.0% was assumed by Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide Inc. (Starwood), an indirect minority shareholder in Hoteles Argentinos, which has also been instrumented through a credit default swap. To secure performance of IRSA s obligations under the agreement with Credit Suisse International, IRSA made an escrow deposit of US\$1.2 million.

The loan agreement of Hoteles Argentinos provides that it may not declare or pay any dividends or make any distribution on IRSA s capital stock, or purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire any of IRSA s shares, or make any distribution of assets, capital stock, warrants, rights, options, obligations or securities to IRSA s shareholders, except in an amount not to exceed the lesser of (x) Hoteles Argentino s excess cash flow for the preceding year, or (y) IRSA s consolidated retained earnings and consolidated profits earned; and then only if, after giving pro forma effect to such action, no default or event of default would occur as a consequence thereof.

#### Alto Palermo 10% convertible notes due 2014

On August 20, 2002 Alto Palermo issued US\$50.0 million unsecured convertible notes in exchange for cash and the liquidation of determined liabilities owed to IRSA s shareholders. These convertible notes mature on July 19, 2014, in accordance with the extension of the initially scheduled maturity date approved at a meeting of holders of such convertible notes on May 2, 2006. Such securities accrue interest payable biannually at a fixed annual rate of 10% and are convertible at any time at the option of the holder into common shares, face value of Ps.0.10 per share. The conversion rate per US dollar is the lesser of (i) 30.8642 and (ii) the result obtained by dividing the rate of exchange effective on the date of conversion by the face value of the common shares of Alto Palermo. As of December 31, 2007, as a result of conversions previously made, the outstanding principal amount of Alto Palermo s convertible notes was US\$47.2 million. In the event all the noteholders exercise their conversion rights, Alto Palermo s common shares from 782.0 million shares (having a face value of Ps.78.2 million) to 2,239.7 million shares (having a face value of Ps.224.0 million). As of December 31, 2007, IRSA held US\$31.7 million of Alto Palermo s convertible notes.

#### IRSA 8% convertible notes due 2007

On November 21, 2002, IRSA issued US\$100.0 million of convertible notes due November 2007. The convertible notes accrue interest at 8% per annum, payable on a semi-annual basis. The conversion price is US\$0.545 per common share, which means that each US\$1.00 principal amount of such convertible note may be exchanged for 1.8347 common shares. Additionally, each convertible note contains a warrant attached that grants its holder an option to acquire 1.8347 shares at a price of US\$0.6541 each.

From the date of issuance through June 30, 2007, the holders of IRSA s convertible notes exercised their conversion rights for a total of 81.1 million units with a face value of US\$1.0 each, issuing 148.8 million common shares with a face value of Ps.1.0 each. In addition, from the date of issuance through June 30, 2007, warrants issued by us were exercised for a total amount of US\$56.8 million, and 104.2 million shares were issued in exchange. IRSA received funds aggregating US\$68.1 million.

As of September 30, 2007, the outstanding amount of IRSA s convertible notes and warrants was 0.9 million and 14.0 million, respectively, and the amount of IRSA s outstanding shares was 551,779,869. The term for the exercise of IRSA s outstanding warrants and the conversion of IRSA s outstanding convertible notes issued on November 21, 2002 expired on November 14, 2007. Throughout the conversion and exercise periods, holders of IRSA s warrants and convertible notes exercised an aggregate of 99,896,806 warrants and converted an aggregate of 99,942,343 convertible notes, respectively, increasing IRSA s capital stock to 578,676,460 issued and outstanding shares. As of December 31, 2007 there are no further warrants or convertible notes to acquire IRSA s shares. As a result of the exercise of the warrants and conversion of the notes, our investment in IRSA s common shares increased from 25% on June 30, 2007 to 34.6% on December 31, 2007.

# Alto Palermo series I and series II notes

On May 11, 2007, Alto Palermo issued two new series of notes in an aggregate principal amount of US\$170 million. Series I consists of US\$120 million of notes due on May 11, 2017, which accrue interest at a fixed rate of 7.875% payable semi-annually on May 11 and November 11 of each year, commencing on November 11, 2007. The Series I notes mature in a single installment on May 11, 2017.

Series II consists of Ps.154 million (equivalent to US\$50 million) of notes which mature in seven, equal and consecutive semi-annual installments commencing on June 11, 2009, and which accrue interest at 11% per annum, payable on June 11 and December 11 of each year commencing on December 11, 2007.

#### IRSA 8.5% notes due 2017

On February 2, 2007, IRSA issued its 2017 fixed rate notes for a total amount of US\$150.0 million, which accrue interest at an annual interest rate of 8.5%, payable semi-annually and mature in a single installment on February 2, 2017. This bond also contains a covenant limiting IRSA s ability to pay dividends which may not exceed the sum of:

50% of its cumulative consolidated net income; or

75% of its cumulative consolidated net income if its consolidated interest coverage ratio for its most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 3.0 to 1; or

100% of cumulative consolidated net income if its consolidated interest coverage ratio for its most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 4.0 to 1; or

100% of the aggregate net cash proceeds (with certain exceptions) and the fair market value of property other than cash received by IRSA or by its restricted subsidiaries from (a) any contribution to IRSA s equity capital or to the capital stock of its restricted subsidiaries or issuance and sale of IRSA s qualified capital stock or the qualified capital stock of its restricted subsidiaries subsequent to the issue of IRSA s notes due 2017, or (b) issuance and sale subsequent to the issuance of IRSA s notes due 2017 of IRSA s indebtedness or of the indebtedness of its restricted subsidiaries that has been converted into or exchanged for its qualified capital stock.

# **Capital Expenditures**

Second Quarter of 2008 Fiscal Year. During the six-month period ended December 31, 2007, IRSA had capital expenditures of Ps.362.5 million. IRSA made investments in fixed assets of Ps.362.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2007 as follows: (i) the acquisition of BankBoston Tower for Ps.173.9 million, (ii) the investment of Ps.137.9 through Alto Palermo due to: (a) the construction of Panamerican Mall shopping center for Ps.50.5 million, (b) the improvement of shopping centers for Ps.35.0, (c) the upfront payment for the transfer of the Soleil Factory shopping center for Ps.25.3 million and (d) Ps.23.1 million for the acquisition of the Patio Olmos shopping center, and (iii) Ps.27.2 million in construction and improvements in the Hotel Operations segment, principally in Hotel Llao Llao for Ps.20.3 million. IRSA also invested Ps.0.1 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2007 Fiscal Year. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, IRSA had capital expenditures of Ps.419.4 million. IRSA made investments in fixed assets of Ps.410.1 million primarily in the acquisition of Bouchard 551 for Ps.243.2 million, the investment of Ps.96.4 million thorough Alto Palermo primarily for the improvement of Shopping Centers and Ps.57.1 million in the Hotel Segment, primarily in Llao Llao for Ps.49.4 million. IRSA also invested Ps.9.3 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2006 Fiscal Year. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, IRSA had capital expenditures of Ps.116.2 million. IRSA made investments in fixed assets of Ps.54.1 million primarily in shopping centers totaling Ps.33.6 million and in Hotel segment of Ps.20.1 million.

2005 Fiscal Year. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, IRSA had capital expenditures of Ps.80.0 million. IRSA made investments in fixed assets of Ps.79.3 million, primarily in shopping centers totaling Ps.50.9 million and in the acquisition of Bouchard 710 for Ps.20.4 million. IRSA also invested Ps.0.7 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

The following table shows IRSA s contractual obligations as of December 31, 2007:

	Payments due by period as of December 31, 200				
	Total	Less than 1 year	1 3 years (Ps. millions	3 5 years	More than 5 years
Short term debt obligations			(1 3. minon	,,	
Long term debt obligations					
Tarshop bank loans <sup>(1)</sup>	34	32	2		
Hoteles Argentinos S.A. secured loan <sup>(2)</sup>	20	2	18		
Alto Palermo 10% convertible notes due 2014 <sup>(3)</sup>	51	2			49
Alto Palermo 11% Series II notes <sup>(4)</sup>	153		87	44	22
Alto Palermo 7.875% Series I notes due 2017 <sup>(5)</sup>	378	4	(1)		375
IRSA 8.5% notes due 2017 <sup>(6)</sup>	481	16	(2)		467
	1,117	56	104	44	913
Purchase Obligations					
Seller financing for acquisition of Palermo Invest S.A. <sup>(7)</sup>	18	9	9		
Seller financing for acquisition of Empalme <sup>(8)</sup>	13	13			
Seller financing for acquisition of Rummaala	26			26	
Debt for the purchase of Verdier parcel	20			20	
Suppliers	1	1			
Mortgage payable Bouchard 1709	7	7			
Mortgage payable Llao Llao	6	3	3		
	91	33	12	46	
Other long term obligations					
Guarantee deposits	8	3	4		
Others	3		1		1
	11	3	5		1
Total <sup>(11)</sup>	1,219	92	121	90	914

- (1) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 13% per annum
- (2) Accrued interest at Libor rate + 700 bps
- (3) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 10% per annum
- (4) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 11% per annum
- (5) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 7.875% per annum
- (6) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 8.5% per annum
- (7) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 8% per annum.
- (8) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 6% per annum.
- (9) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 8.50% per annum.
- (10) Accrued interest at fixed rate of 7% per annum.
- (11) Not including unaccrued interest.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

At December 31, 2007, IRSA did not have any off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations with unconsolidated entities or others that are reasonably likely to have a material effect on IRSA s financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

#### Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosure About Market Risk

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In the normal course of business, IRSA is exposed to interest rate and exchange rates risks, primarily related to changes in exchanges rates and interest rates. IRSA manages its exposure to these risks through the use of various financial instruments, none of which are entered into for trading purposes. IRSA has established policies and procedures governing the use of such financial instruments. The use of financial derivatives instruments is related to IRSA s core business and is supervised by internal control policies.

The following discusses IRSA s exposure to these risks. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially as a result of a number of factors including those set forth in the risk factors section of this offering memorandum. Uncertainties that are either nonfinancial or nonquantifiable, such as political, economic, tax, other regulatory, or credit risks, are not included in the following assessment of IRSA s market risks.

# Interest Rate Risk

The primary objective of IRSA s investment activities is to preserve capital while maximizing yields without significantly increasing risk. To achieve this objective, IRSA maintains its portfolio of cash equivalents and short-term investments in a variety of securities, including both government and corporate obligations and money market funds.

Investments in both fixed rate and floating rate interest earning instruments carry varying degrees of interest rate risk. Fixed rate securities may have their fair market value adversely impacted as a result of a rise in interest rates. In general, securities with longer maturities are subject to greater interest rate risk than those with shorter maturities. While floating rate securities are generally subject to less interest rate risk than fixed rate securities, floating rate securities may produce less income than expected if interest rates decrease. Due in part to these factors, IRSA s investment income may fall short of expectations or IRSA may suffer losses in principal if securities that have declined in market value due to changes in interest rates are sold. To date, IRSA has not utilized derivative financial instruments to hedge interest rate risk; however, IRSA may employ hedging strategies in the future.

IRSA is also exposed to changes in interest rates primarily as a result of IRSA s borrowing activities, which include long-term borrowings used to maintain liquidity and fund IRSA s business operations. As of December 31, 2007, the largest part of IRSA s consolidated debt accrued interest at a fix rate. As a result, IRSA s interest expense is not very sensitive to changes in the general level of interest rates. IRSA estimates, based on the current composition of IRSA s balance sheet as of December 31, 2007, that every variation in the interest rate of 100 basis points to IRSA s current floating-rate consolidated debt would result in a variation of approximately Ps.0.06 million of interest expense on an annual basis, assuming no change in the principal amount of this indebtedness. This analysis is based on the assumption that such variation of interest rates occurred at the same time for the different type of floating rates to which IRSA s actual debt is exposed. See Indebtedness.

# Foreign Exchange Risk

From April 1, 1991, until the beginning of 2002, the Convertibility Law No. 23,928 was in effect in Argentina. This law established a fixed exchange rate, under which the Central Bank was obliged to sell U.S. dollars to any person at a fixed rate of one Peso per U.S. dollar. As a result, the foreign currency fluctuations were reduced to a minimum level, during this period. The primary economic change implemented by the current Argentine government in January 2002 was the announcement of the devaluation of the Peso. Due to the end of the Convertibility Plan, IRSA s foreign exchange exposure has increased considerably.

Foreign currency exchange restrictions imposed by the Argentine government in the future could prevent or restrict IRSA s access to U.S. dollars, and affect IRSA s ability to service its U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities, including the notes. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Peso and the U.S. dollar may also adversely affect the U.S. dollar equivalent of the Peso price of IRSA s common shares on the *Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires*, and as a result would likely affect the market price of IRSA s GDSs in the United States. Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations could also affect IRSA s cash flow in Pesos, since some of IRSA s products and inputs are payable in U.S. dollars. At December 31, 2007 most of IRSA s debt was denominated in U.S. dollars.

IRSA estimates based on composition of its balance sheet as of December 31, 2007, that every exchange rate variation of Ps.0.10 against the U.S. dollar, plus or minus, would result in a variation of approximately Ps.31.33 million of IRSA s consolidated financial indebtedness.

# **CRESUD S BUSINESS**

# **Our Company**

We are a leading Argentine agricultural company with a growing presence in the Brazilian agricultural sector through our investment in BrasilAgro Companhia Brasileira de Propriedades Agrícola (BrasilAgro). We are currently involved in a range of activities including crop production, cattle raising and milk production. Our business model, which we seek to roll out abroad, taking into account the specific conditions of each country, focuses on the acquisition, development and exploitation of properties having attractive prospects for agricultural production and/or value appreciation and the selective disposition of such properties where appreciation has been realized. Our shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and our ADSs are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.

As of December 31, 2007, we owned 17 farms with approximately 445,075 hectares. Approximately 25,534 hectares of the land we own are used for crop production, approximately 97,942 hectares are for beef cattle production, 3,951 hectares are for milk production and approximately 3,243 hectares are leased to third parties for crop and beef cattle production. The remaining 314,405 hectares of land reserve are primarily natural woodlands. In addition, through Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. we have the rights to 162,000 hectares of land for a 35-year period that can be extended for another 29 years. Also, during the six months ended December 31, 2007, we leased 31,174 hectares from third parties for crop production.

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and the six months ended December 31, 2007, we had consolidated sales of Ps.78.2 million, Ps.112.3 million, Ps.110.3 million and Ps.68.1 million, production income of Ps.67.5 million, Ps.65.4 million, Ps.102.8 million and Ps.35.7 million, and consolidated net income of Ps.76.8 million, Ps.32.9 million, Ps.49.4 million and Ps.14.5 million, respectively. During the period from June 30, 2005 to December 31, 2007, our total consolidated assets increased 60.2.% from Ps.743.4 million to Ps.1,191 million, and our shareholders equity increased 62.7% from Ps.523.1 million to Ps.851.0 million.

The following table sets forth, at the dates indicated, the amount of land used for each production activity (including owned and leased land):

	<b>2005</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	At June 30, 2006 <sup>(1)</sup> (in	2007 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> n hectares)	At December 31, 2007 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>
Crops <sup>(3)</sup>	39,831	41,283	53,579	66,987
Beef cattle	96,380	129,946	114,097	130,436
Milk	1,776	1,698	2,609	3,951
Natural woodlands <sup>(4)</sup>	263,177	258,477	325,728	314,405
Owned farmlands leased to others	9,978	14,229	13,771	8,375
Total	411,142	445,633	509,784	524,154

(1) Includes 35.7% of approximately 8,299 hectares owned by Agro Uranga S.A., an affiliated Argentine company in which we own a non-controlling 35.7% interest. See Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.

(2) Includes 24.0% of approximately 170 hectares owned by Cactus Argentina S.A., an affiliated Argentine company in which we have a non-controlling 24.0% interest. See Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.

(3) Includes wheat, corn, sunflower, soybean, sorghum and others.

(4) We use part of our land reserves to produce fence posts, rods and a small amount of charcoal.

We are also indirectly engaged in the Argentine real estate business through our holding as of December 31, 2007 of 34.6% of the common shares of IRSA, one of Argentina s largest real estate companies. IRSA is engaged in a range of diversified real estate activities including residential properties, office buildings, shopping centers and luxury hotels in Argentina. A majority of our directors are also directors of IRSA, and we are under common control by the same group of controlling shareholders. As of December 31, 2007, our investment in IRSA represented approximately 43.2% of our total consolidated assets, and during the six moths ended on December 31, 2007, our gain from our investment in IRSA was Ps.7.2 million.

In September 2005, we, together with certain Brazilian partners, founded BrasilAgro, a startup company organized to exploit opportunities in the Brazilian agricultural sector. In April 2006, BrasilAgro increased its capital through a global and domestic offering of common shares, and as of June 30, 2007, we owned 7.4% of the outstanding common shares of BrasilAgro. As of December 31, 2007, our investment in BrasilAgro represented approximately 7.1% of our total consolidated assets. As of December 31, 2007 we owned 8.25% of the outstanding common shares of BrasilAgro.

#### History

We were incorporated in 1936 as a subsidiary of *Credit Foncier*, a Belgian company engaged in the business of providing rural and urban loans in Argentina. We were incorporated to administer real estate holdings foreclosed by *Credit Foncier*. *Credit Foncier* was liquidated in 1959, and as a part of such liquidation, our shares were distributed to *Credit Foncier* s shareholders and in 1960 were listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. During the 1960s and1970s, our business shifted to exclusively agricultural activities.

During 1993 and 1994, Consultores Asset Management acquired on behalf of certain investors approximately 22% of our outstanding shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. In late 1994, an investor group led by Consultores Asset Management (and including Dolphin Fund plc.) purchased additional shares increasing their aggregate shareholding to approximately 51.4% of our outstanding shares. In 1995, we increased our capital through a rights offering and global public offering of ADRs representing our common shares and listed such ADRs on the NASDAQ.

Between 2000 and June 30, 2007, we invested approximately Ps.263.7 million to acquire approximately 25.0% of the outstanding common shares of IRSA. Between September 25, 2007 and October 25, 2007, we acquired an additional 82.5 million common shares of IRSA by (i) exercising all of our IRSA warrants to acquire 60.5 million common shares for an aggregate purchase price of US\$39.6 million and (ii) converting US\$12.0 million of IRSA s 8% convertible notes due 2007 into 22.0 million common shares. After the exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes, we have no further warrants or convertible notes of IRSA. As a result of these exercises and conversions, our investment in IRSA s common shares increased from 25% as of June 30, 2007 to 34.6% as of December 31, 2007.

#### Strategy

We seek to maximize our return on assets and overall profitability by (i) identifying, acquiring and exploiting agricultural properties having attractive prospects for agricultural production and/or long-term value appreciation and selectively disposing of properties as appreciation is realized, (ii) optimizing the yields and productivity of our agricultural properties through the implementation of state-of-the-art technologies and agricultural techniques and (iii) preserving the value of our significant long-term investment in the urban real estate sector held through our affiliate IRSA.

#### Focus on maximizing value of our agricultural real estate assets

We conduct our agricultural activities with a focus on maximizing the value of our real estate assets. We seek to rotate our portfolio of properties over time by purchasing large parcels of land which we believe have a high potential for appreciation and selling them selectively as opportunities arise to realize attractive capital gains. We believe that our ability to realize gains from appreciation of our farmlands is based on the following principles:

Acquiring under-utilized properties and enhancing their land use: We seek to purchase under-utilized properties at attractive prices and transform them to achieve more productive uses. We seek to do so by (i) transforming non-productive land into cattle feeding land, (ii) transforming cattle feeding land

into land suitable for more productive agricultural uses or (iii) enhancing the value of agricultural lands by changing their use to more profitable agricultural activities or (iv) reaching to the final stage of the real estate development cycle by transforming rural properties into urban areas as the boundaries of urban development continue to extend into rural areas. To do so, we generally focus on acquisitions of properties outside of highly developed agricultural regions and/or properties whose value we believe is likely to be enhanced by proximity to existing or expected infrastructure.

Applying modern technologies to enhance operating yields and property values. We believe that an opportunity exists to improve the productivity and long-term value of inexpensive and/or underdeveloped land by investing in modern technologies such as genetically modified and high yield seeds, direct sowing techniques, machinery, crop yield optimization through land rotation, irrigation and the use of fertilizers and agrochemicals. To enhance our cattle production, we use genetic technology and have a strict animal health plan controlled periodically through traceability systems. In addition, we have introduced a feedlot to optimize our beef cattle management and state-of-the-art milking technologies in our dairy business.

Anticipating market trends. We seek to anticipate market trends in the agribusiness sector by (i) identifying opportunities generated by economic development at local, regional and worldwide levels, (ii) detecting medium- and long-term increases or decreases in supply and demand caused by changes in the world s food consumption patterns and (iii) using land for the production of food and energy and for residential use, in each case in anticipation of such market trends.

*International expansion.* Although most of our properties are located in different areas of Argentina, we are actively analyzing various expansion opportunities in other Latin American countries. We believe that an attractive opportunity exists to acquire and develop agricultural properties outside Argentina, and our objective is to replicate our business model in such other countries which include, among others, Brazil, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay. For example, in 2005 we and several Brazilian partners founded BrasilAgro, a startup company organized to exploit opportunities in the Brazilian agricultural sector. As of June 30, 2007, Brasilagro had acquired and committed purchases for over 80,000 hectares of land.

#### Increase and optimize production yields

We seek to increase and improve our production yields through the following initiatives:

*Implementation of technology.* We seek to continue using state-of-the-art technology to increase production yields. We plan to make further investments in machinery and the implementation of agricultural techniques such as direct sowing to improve cereal production. We believe that we may improve crop yields by using high-potential seeds (GMOs) and fertilizers and by introducing advanced land rotation techniques. In addition, we intend to continue installing irrigation equipment in some of our farms to achieve higher output levels.

We seek to continue improving beef cattle production through the use of advanced breeding techniques and technologies related to animal health. We plan to improve the use of pastures and expect to make further investments in infrastructure, including installation of watering troughs and electrical fencing.

We have implemented an individual animal identification system, using plastic tags for our beef cattle and RFID tags for our dairy cattle, to comply with national laws on traceability. Also, we acquired software from Westfalia Co. which enables us to store individual information about each of our dairy cows. In the beef cattle business, we recently initiated Argentina s first vertically integrated beef cattle processing operation by entering into a partnership with Cactus Feeders and Tyson Foods to set up Cactus Argentina S.A. (Cactus), a feedlot and slaughterhouse operator.

In connection with our milk production, we plan to continue developing our activities through the use of state-of-the-art technology and advanced feeding and techniques relating to animal health. For example, in May 2007, we opened one of the most modern dairy production facilities in Argentina, achieving a daily production capacity of more than 40,000 litres. *Increased production.* We seek to increase our crop, beef cattle and milk production in order to achieve economies of scale by:

Increasing our owned land in various regions of Argentina by taking advantage of attractive land purchase opportunities as they arise.

Leasing productive properties to supplement our expansion strategy, using our liquidity to make productive investments in our principal agricultural activities. We believe that leasing enhances our ability to diversify our production and geographic focus, in particular in areas not offering attractive prospects for appreciation of land value.

Developing productive properties in areas where agricultural production is not developed to its full potential. As of June 30, 2007, we owned land reserves in excess of 329,828 hectares, which is located in under-utilized areas where agricultural production is not yet fully developed. We believe that technological tools are available to improve the productivity of such land and enhance its long-term value. However, existing or future environmental regulations may prevent us from completely developing our land reserves, requiring us to maintain a portion of such land as unproductive land reserves.

Diversifying market and weather risk by expanding our product and land portfolio. We seek to continue diversifying our operations to produce a range of different agricultural commodities in different markets, either directly or in association with third parties. We believe that a diversified product mix mitigates our exposure to seasonality, commodity price fluctuations, extreme weather conditions and other factors affecting the agricultural sector. To achieve this objective in Argentina, we expect to continue to own and lease farmlands in various regions with differing weather patterns and to continue to seed a range of diversified products. Moreover, we believe that continuing to expand our agricultural operations outside of Argentina will enhance our ability to produce new agricultural products, further diversifying our mix of products, and mitigate further our exposure to regional weather conditions and country-specific risks.

#### Preservation of long-term value of our investment in IRSA

We seek to maintain the long-term value of our significant investment in the urban real estate sector through IRSA. We believe that IRSA is an ideal vehicle through which to participate in the urban real estate market due to its substantial and diversified portfolio of residential and commercial properties, the strength of its management and what we believe are its attractive prospects for future growth and profitability.

#### **Our Principal Business Activities**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we conducted our operations on 17 owned farms and 40 leased farms. Some of the farms we own are engaged in more than one productive activity at the same time. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, our production volumes by principal product line:

	Year	Year ended June 30,		
	2005(1)	2006(1)	<b>2007</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	
Crops <sup>(2)</sup>	149,785	106,867	175,455	
Beef cattle <sup>(3)</sup>	10,657	9,803	9,913	
Milk <sup>(4)</sup>	7,312	14,588	16,663	

- (1) Does not include production from Agro-Uranga S.A.
- (2) Production measured in tons.
- (3) Production measured in tons of live weight. Production is the sum of the net increases (or decreases) during a given period in live weight of each head of beef cattle owned by us.
- (4) Production measured in thousands of liters.

#### **Crop** Production

Our agriculture production is mainly based on crops and oilseeds. Our crop production includes mainly wheat, corn, soybean and sunflower. Other crops, as sorghum, are sown occasionally and only represent a small percentage of total sown land.

The following table shows, for the periods indicated, our crop production volumes:

	Crop Produ Year ended J	
	2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 2006 <sup>(1)</sup> (in tons	
Wheat	23,719 21,78	8 16,651
Corn	65,777 31,55	8 80,728
Sunflower	5,024 7,30	6,797
Soybeans	48,730 42,79	61,283
Other	6,535 3,424	
Total	149,785 106,86	7 175,455

# (1) Does not include production from Agro-Uranga S.A.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated below, our owned and leased sown land for crop production:

		Sown Lan	d for Crop Prod	
	Y	ear ended Ju	ne 30,	Six months ended December 31,
	<b>2005</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	2006(2)	2007 <sup>(2) (3)</sup> (in hectares)	<b>2007</b> <sup>(2) (3)</sup>
Owned	24,423	24,279	28,272	35,813
Leased	16,299	17,004	25,307	31,174
Total	40,722	41,283	53,579	66,987

(1) Sown land may differ from Uses of Land, since some hectares are sown twice and therefore are counted twice.

(2) Includes hectares from Agro-Uranga S.A. See Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.

(3) Includes Agropecuaria Cervera s hectares.

As of June 30, 2007, our crop stocks consisted in 6,705 tons of wheat, 34,172 tons of corn, 27,890 tons of soybean, 2,203 tons of sorghum and 3,580 tons of sunflower; whereas as of June 30, 2006 such stocks consisted in 11,426 tons of wheat, 4,538 tons of corn, 11,662 tons of soybean, 193 tons of sorghum and 479 tons of sunflower. As of June 30, 2007, the surface of leased land was 47% of the total sown land.

We seek to diversify our mix of products and the geographic location of our farmlands to achieve an adequate balance between the two principal risks associated with our activities: weather conditions and the fluctuations in the prices of commodities. In order to reduce such risks, we own and lease land in several areas of Argentina with different climate conditions to permit us to be able to sow a diversified range of products. Our

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leased land for crops is located in pampa region, a favorable area for crop production. The leased farms are previously studied by technicians who analyze future production expectations based on the historic use of the land. The initial duration of lease agreements is typically one or three seasons. Leases of farms for production of grains generally consist of lease agreements with payments based on a fixed amount of Pesos per hectare or crop

sharing agreements ( aparcería ) with payments in kind based on a percentage of the crops obtained or a fixed amount of tons of grains obtained or their equivalent value in Pesos. The principal advantage of leasing farms is that leases do not require us to commit large amounts of capital to the acquisition of lands but permit us to obtain results similar to those generated by our owned farms.

Also, this strategy allows us to increase our scale in short term, reduce the risk of inclement weather and is also more profitable than farming exclusively on land that we own. The disadvantage of this strategy is that the cost of leasing can increase over time, in part, because increased demand for leased land increases the price of leased land.

Wheat seeding takes place from June to September, and harvesting takes place in December and January. Corn, soybean and sunflower are sown from September to December and are harvested from February to June. Grains are available to be sold as commodities after the harvest from December to June and we usually store part of our production until prices recover after the drop that normally takes place during the harvesting campaign. A major part of production, specially wheat and sunflower seeds, corn and sorghum is sold and delivered to buyers pursuant to agreements in which price conditions are fixed by reference to the market price at a specific time in the future that we determine. The rest of the production is either sold at current market prices or delivered to cover any futures contract that we may have entered into.

During fiscal year 2007, we invested approximately Ps 2.1 million in irrigation equipment, machinery and technology application through no till sowing.

# **Beef Cattle Production**

Our beef cattle production involves the breeding and fattening of our own animals. In some cases, if market conditions are favorable, we also purchase and fatten cattle which we sell to slaughterhouses and supermarkets. As part of our strategy to expand our activities within the beef cattle production chain, during 2003 we started to slaughter our own cattle after obtaining the needed licenses. As of June 2007, our beef cattle aggregated 83,727 heads, and we had a total surface area of 84,848 hectares dedicated to this business activity.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, our beef cattle activities generated sales of Ps.32.0 million, representing 29.0% of our consolidated sales, and our production was 9,913 tons, an increase of 1.1% compared to the previous fiscal year. This small increase in production was primarily due to a diminution of drought and improved availability of grass during fiscal year 2007, compared with the adverse weather conditions during fiscal year 2006.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated below, the beef cattle production volumes:

	Yea	r ended June	e 30,	Six months ended December 31,
	<b>2005</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>2006</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	2007(1)	<b>2007</b> <sup>(1)</sup>
Beef cattle production (in tons) <sup>(2)</sup>	10,657	9,803	9,913	4,689

#### (1) Does not include production from Agro-Uranga S.A.

(2) Production measured in tons of live weight. Production is the sum of the net increases (or decreases) during a given period in live weight of each head of beef cattle owned by us.

Management by lot in our pastures is aided by electrical fencing which may be easily relocated to supplement our land-rotation cycles. Our cattle herd is subject to a 160 kg to 360 kg fattening cycle by grazing in pastures located in our north farmlands where conditions are adequate for initial fattening. Cattle are subsequently fattened until they reach 430 kg in our San Luis feedlot. The feedlot fattening system leads to homogeneity in production and beef of higher quality and tenderness because of the younger age at which animals are slaughtered.

Our cattle breeding activities are carried out with breeding cows and bulls and its fattening activities apply to steer, heifers and calves. Breeding cows calve approximately once a year and their productive lifespan is from six to seven years. Six months after birth, calves are weaned and transferred to fattening pastures. Acquired cattle are directly submitted to the fattening process. Upon starting this process, cattle have been grazing for approximately one year to one and a half year in order to be fattened for sale. Steer and heifers are sold when they have achieved a weight of 380 430 kilograms and 280 295 kilograms, respectively, depending on the breed.

Pregnancy levels, which have been improving over the years, showed satisfactory levels of efficiency notwithstanding the adverse weather conditions. Genetics and herd management is expected to further improve pregnancy levels in the coming years. The breeding herd reproduction rate which has improved year after year, recorded satisfactory efficiency levels despite the adverse weather conditions during 2007. The implementation of technologies improved the reproductive indicators such as cattle still on technique, females artificial insemination with cattle genetic especially selected to the stock which is purchased from specialized companies in meat quality semen elaboration. Although it was implemented an strict sanitation calendar, adapted to each zone, animal category and month of the year. We use veterinarians products of the principal nationals and internationals laboratories. It is important to emphasize the work of a veterinarians advisers committee, who are external to us and they visit each establishment monthly to control and agreed tasks.

Currently, the cattle raising farms are officially registered as export farmlands pursuant to the identification and traceability rules in force in Argentina. Animals are individually identified, thus allowing for the development of special businesses in this area. Although the cattle farms have been qualified with the EurepGap N, which allows us to sell animals for consumption in Europe.

Within the process of de-commoditization and technological innovation, we implemented a self-developed identification and tracing system in compliance with European and the National Service of the Sanitation and Quality for Agricultural Food Products (*Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria*, or SENASA) standards. With the purpose of distinguishing our production and obtaining higher prices in production sales, we plan to extend the use of the tracing system to our whole herd.

Our beef cattle stock is organized into breeding and fattening activities. The following table indicates, for the periods indicated, the number of head of beef cattle for each activity:

		r ended Jun	/	Six months ended December 31,
	2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	$2006^{(2)}$	$2007^{(2)}$	$2007^{(2)}$
Breeding <sup>(1)</sup>	57,775	63,015	62,181	74,903
Fattening	25,816	17,654	21,546	14,690
Total	83,591	80,669	83,727	89,593

(1) For classification purposes, upon birth, all calves are considered to be in the breeding process.

(2) Does not include head of beef cattle from Agro-Uranga S.A. and Cactus. See Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies. We seek to improve beef cattle production and quality in order to obtain a higher price through advanced breeding techniques. We cross breed our stock of Indicus, British (Angus and Hereford) and Continental breeds to obtain herds with characteristics better suited to the pastures in which they graze. To enhance the quality of our herds even further, we plan to continue improvement of our pastures through permanent investment in seeds and fertilizers, an increase in the watering troughs available in pastures, and the acquisition of round bailers to cut and roll grass for storage purposes.

Our emphasis on improving the quality of our herd also includes the use of animal health-related technologies. We comply with national animal health standards that include laboratory analyses and vaccination aimed at controlling and preventing disease in our herd, particularly FMD (Foot and mouth disease).

Direct costs of beef production consist primarily of seeds for pasture (for instance, gatton panic, oats and barley) and purchases of cattle for fattening purposes.

During the fiscal year 2007 we invested approximately Ps.3.8 million in equipment, machinery, pastures and genetic improvement in relation to cattle production.

#### Milk Production

We conduct our milk business in three dairy facilities in two farms, La Juanita and El Tigre . We have a total capacity of 3,300 cows in milking per day and seek to increase total production through the application of last generation technologies including genetic improve management for milk production, feeding strategic planification based on cattle specific requirement and the use of individual traceability to know the productivity history of each animal. Also we use computer science in milk business to make more efficient the manual labor by developing the information created from the farms.

Our milk production is based on a herd of Holando Argentina dairy cows, genetically selected through the use of imported frozen semen of North American Holando bulls. Male calves are sold, at calving, for a given amount per head, whereas female calves are weaned after 24 hours, spend approximately 60 days in raising and approximately 100 being days fed on the basis of grass, grains and supplements. Young heifers then graze for an additional 12 to 15 month period, prior to artificial insemination at the age of 18 to 20 months and they calve nine months later. Heifers are subsequently milked for an average of 300 days. Milking dairy cows are once again inseminated during the 60 to 90 day period following. This process is repeated once a year during six or seven years. The pregnancy rate for our dairy cows is 80-90%.

Our dairy herd is milked mechanically twice a day. The milk obtained is cooled to less than five degrees centigrade and is then stored in a tank for delivery once a day to trucks sent by buyers. Dairy cows are fed mainly with grass, supplemented as needed with grains, hay and silage. For winter grazing, corn stubbles are also used.

We have invested in certain technologies that focus on genetic improvement, animal health and feeding in order to improve our milk production. These investments include imports of top quality frozen semen from genetically improved North American Holstein bulls, agricultural machinery and devices such as feed-mixer trucks, use of dietary supplements and the installation of modern equipment to control milk cooling. We are currently acquiring dietary supplements for our dairy cows and have made investments with the aim of increasing the quantity and quality of forage (pasture, alfalfa and corn silage) in order to reduce feeding costs.

During fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, milk production was 14.2% higher than in the prior fiscal year because an increase in the quantity of dairy cows and their individual production. In our farm named El Tigre we milk 2,000 cows per day. With a merry-go-round structure, which required a significant investment of Ps.3.9 million, we believe it is one of the largest dairy farms in Argentina.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the total number of our dairy cows, average daily production per cow and our total milk production:

	Ye	Year Ended June 30,		
	<b>2005</b> (1) (2)	2006(1) (2)	<b>2007</b> (1) (2)	December 31 2007 <sup>(1) (2)</sup>
Average dairy cows	1,212	2,410	2,677	3,116
Daily production (liters per cow)	16.5	16.5	17.1	19.4
Total production (thousands of liters)	7,312	14,588	16,663	10,855

(1) Does not include production from Agro-Uranga S.A. See Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies.

(2) Includes production of new dairy farm El Tigre, as from March 1, 2005.

During fiscal year 2005, we had 4,203 heads of cattle on 1,583 hectares involved in the production of milk. During fiscal year 2006, we had 6,214 heads of cattle on 1,505 hectares involved in the production of milk As of June 30, 2007, we applied 6,507 heads of cattle on 2,376 hectares to milk production.

During fiscal year 2007, we invested an approximate amount of Ps.3.5 million (including the milking yard in La Juanita farm) in equipment, machinery and survey, pastures and development for our milk rodeo.

#### Land Acquisitions

We intend to increase our farmland portfolio by acquiring large surfaces of land with high appreciation potential. We also intend to transform the land acquired from non-productive to cattle breeding, from cattle breeding to farming, or applying last generation technology to improve farming yields so as to generate higher appreciation.

In our view, the sector s potential lies in developing marginal areas and/or underutilized areas. As a result of current technology, we may achieve similar yields with higher profitability than core areas; this may result in the appreciation of land values.

At present, prices of farmlands used in agricultural production have increased in the southern hemisphere (mainly South America) but continue to be relatively low compared to the northern hemisphere (U.S. and Europe). Our financial strength relative to other Argentine producers enables us to increase our land holdings at attractive prices, increase our production scale and create potential for capital appreciation.

Several important intermediaries, with whom we usually work, bring farmlands available for sale to our attention. The decision to acquire farmlands is based on the assessment of a number of factors. In addition to the land s location, we normally carry out an analysis of soil and water, including the quality of the soil and its suitability for our intended use (crops, beef cattle, or milk production), classify the various sectors of the lot and the prior use of the farmland; analyze the improvements in the property, any easements, rights of way or other variables in relation to the property title; examine satellite photographs of the property (useful in the survey of soil drainage characteristics during the different rain cycles) and detailed comparative data regarding to neighboring farms (generally covering a 50-km area). Based on the foregoing factors, we assess the farmland in terms of the sales price compared against the production potential of the land and the appreciation potential of the capital. We consider that competition for the acquisition of farmlands is, in general, limited to small farmers for the acquisition of smaller lots, and that there is scarce competition for the acquisition of bigger lots.

In addition, we may consider the acquisition of farmlands in marginal zones and their improvement by irrigation in non-productive areas as well as the installation of irrigation devices in order to obtain attractive production yields and to create potential for capital appreciation.

On September 1, 2005, we signed the deed for the purchase of the San Pedro farm of 6,022 hectares located in the Department of Uruguay, Province of Entre Ríos. The purchase price was US\$16 million, of which US\$9.5 million was paid when signed the deed, US\$4.0 million was paid on December 14, 2005 and US\$0.73 million was paid on September 1, 2006. The remaining balance of US\$1.7 million plus interest of US\$0.1 million will be paid in September 2008.

On May 15, 2007, a bill of purchase was signed for a surface area of 90,000 hectares in the 8 de Julio farm, located south of the Deseado River in the Province of Santa Cruz. The transaction was agreed for a price of US\$2.4 million. Upon execution of the bill of purchase a payment was made for US\$1.2 million and possession over the farm was taken. On August 13, 2007, we paid US\$0.24 million and the balance shall be paid in September 2008, on the date the deed will be executed. This farm offers excellent potential for sheep production, both in terms of wool and mutton production. In addition, it has future potential as a tourist attraction and for leisure activities.

On December 17, 2007, we acquired for US\$0.14 million the remaining 25% of the 72 hectare of La Adela farm which amounted to 18 hectares.

The following chart shows, for the periods indicated below, certain information concerning our land acquisitions:

Fiscal year ended June 30	Number of farmlands	Amount of acquisitions (Ps. millions)
1997 <sup>(1)</sup>	2	10.2
1998 <sup>(2)</sup>	8	31.5
1999		
2000		
2001		
2002		
2003 <sup>(3)</sup>	1	25.0
2004		
2005 <sup>(4)</sup>	2	9.3
2006 <sup>(5)</sup>	1	45.9
2007 <sup>(6)</sup>	1	7.3
July 1, 2007 to date <sup>(7)</sup>	1	0.4

(1) Includes the acquisition of San Luis and La Sofia farms of 706 hectares and 4,926 hectares, respectively

(2) Includes the acquisition of Nacurutú, Tapenaga, Santa Bárbara y La Gramilla, La Sofia, La Suiza, La Esmeralda and Tourné fari 30,350 hectares, 27,312 hectares, 7,052 hectares, 1,223 hectares, 41,993 hectares, 11,841 hectares and 19,614 hectares, respectively. It also includes the acquisition of Las Vertientes which is a silo plant.

- (3) Includes the acquisition of El Tigre farm of 8,360 hectares.
- (4) La Adela and El Invierno 72 hectares and 1,946 hectares, respectively.
- (5) San Pedro farm of 6,022 hectares.
- (6) Includes the acquisition of 8 de Julio farm of 90,000 hectares.
- (7) Includes the acquisition of the remaining 25% of La Adela farm of 18 hectares.

#### Land Sales

We periodically sell properties that have reached a considerable appraisal to reinvest in new farms with higher appreciation potential. We analyze the possibility of selling based on a number of factors, including the expected future yield of the farmland for continued agricultural and livestock exploitation, the availability of other investment opportunities and cyclical factors that have a bearing on the global values of farmlands.

The following chart shows, for the periods indicated below, certain information concerning our land sales:

Fiscal year	Number of farmlands	Gross proceeds from sales (Ps. millions)	Profit / (Loss) <sup>(1)</sup> (Ps. millions)
1997 <sup>(2)</sup>	1	2.6	1.0
1998 <sup>(3)</sup>	1	6.8	4.1
1999 <sup>(4)</sup>	2	27.8	9.4
2000			
2001 <sup>(5)</sup>	2	9.0	3.0
2002 <sup>(6)</sup>	3	40.6	14.8
2003 <sup>(7)</sup>	2	12.0	4.9
2004 <sup>(8)</sup>	2	4.1	1.7
2005 <sup>(9)</sup>	2	29.8	20.0
2006 <sup>(10)</sup>	1	16.1	9.9

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2007 <sup>(11)</sup>	3	29.9	22.3
July 1, 2007 to date <sup>(12)</sup>	1	3.5	3.2

- (1) Includes the difference between the gross proceeds from sales (net all taxes and commissions) and the book value of the assets sold.
- (2) Includes the sale of the Siete Arboles farm of 7,975 hectares.
- (3) Includes the sale of 7,878 hectares of the Moroti and Santa Rita farms.
- (4) Includes the sale of the El Meridiano and Runciman farms of 6,302 and 3,128 hectares, respectively.
- (5) Includes the sale of the El Bañadito and Tourne farms of 1,789 and 19,614 hectares, respectively.
- (6) Includes the sale of the El Silencio, La Sofia and El Coro farms of 397 hectares, 6,149 hectares and 10,321 hectares, respectively.
- (7) Includes the sale of the Los Maizales and San Luis farms of 618 and 706 hectares, respectively.
- (8) Includes the sale of the 41-42 farm of 6,478 hectares and 5,997 hectares of IGSA s land reserves.
- (9) Includes the sale of the Nacurutu and San Enrique farms, of 30,350 and 977 hectares, respectively. It also includes the results of the sale of a two-hectare parcel owned by IGSA.
- (10) Includes the sale of the El Gualicho farm, of 5,727 hectares.
- (11) Includes the sale of 20,833 hectares of the Tapenagá farm and the partial sale of 14,516 hectares of Los Pozos farm and 50 hectares of the El Recreo farm.
- (12) Includes the partial sale of the Los Pozos . It does not include the sale of 2,471 hectares of La Esmeralda since this pending transfer had not been consummated as of December 31, 2007.

On December 27, 2007, we agreed to sell to Estancias San Bruno S.A. and Estancias El Algarrobo S.A. a 2,470-hectare parcel of the La Esmeralda farm in the Province of Santa Fe. Although we granted possession of the property on the date of execution of the sale agreement, the sale excludes rights to the production of the currently sown land which we retained. The aggregate sale price was US\$6.3 million, of which we collected US\$3.8 million upon execution of the sale agreement. The balance of US\$2.5million is payable on June 2, 2008. The book value of the parcel sold was approximately US\$309 per hectare and it was sold at U\$\$2,549 per hectare, resulting in a gain of approximately US\$5.2 million.

On June 6, 2007, we signed a deed of sale for the 20,833-hectare Tapenagá farm, located in the Province of Chaco. This deal was consummated for US\$7.3 million. The property was valued in the Company s books at US\$97.5 per hectare. Therefore, the transaction generated a US\$5.0 million profit. We have collected US\$3.7 million as of June 6, 2007 while the remaining balance of US\$3.7 million will be collected in equal payments in May of each of 2008, 2009 and 2010.

On June 5, 2007, we signed a deed of sale for a 14,516-hectare parcel of the Los Pozos farm, located in the Province of Salta. The price of the transaction was US\$2.2 million, or US\$150 per hectare. The book value of the lot sold was US\$7 per hectare. Therefore, this sale generated a US\$2.0 million profit. On October 22, 2007 we signed a deed for the transfer of an additional 4,974 hectares of our Los Pozos farm. The aggregate sale price was US\$1.1 million, of which we collected US\$0.34 million on August 21, 2007 and US\$0.68 million on October 19, 2007. The balance of US\$0.10 million plus accrued interest at a variable rate of LIBOR plus 600 basis points, is payable on August 21, 2008. The book value of this additional lot sold was approximately US\$10.0 per hectare and was sold at approximately US\$225 per hectare, resulting in a gain of approximately US\$1.0 million.

We also signed a deed of sale for a 50 hectare parcel of the El Recreo farm, located in Recreo, Province of Catamarca, on January 19, 2007 for Ps.0.7 million, which generated a Ps.0.5 million profit.

On August 28, 2006, IGSA signed a preliminary sale contract of 1,800 hectares of the establishment called El Recreo of its property, in the amount of US\$0.15 million. As advance payment we have received US\$0.05 million. As of June 30, 2007 this sale has not been reflected in the financial statements as the property of the land has not yet been transferred.

On July 25, 2005 we sold El Gualicho farm located in the Province of Córdoba, covering 5,727 hectares, for a total sales price of US\$5.7 million. This sale resulted in a gain of US\$3.4 million. We collected US\$3.4 million and will collect the balance in five equal annual installments through July 2010.

# Farms

As of June 30, 2007, we owned, together with our subsidiaries, 17 farms, with a total surface area of 449,991 hectares.

The following table sets forth our farm portfolio as of December 31, 2007:

		Farms Owned as of December 31, 2007					
		Gross Size	Date of				
	Province	(in hectares)	Acquisition	Primary Current Use			
La Adela	Buenos Aires	1,054	Original	Crop			
La Juanita	<b>Buenos</b> Aires	4,302	Jan. 96	Crop/Milk			
San Pedro	Entre Ríos	6,022	Sep. 05	Crop/Beef Cattle			
Las Vertientes	Córdoba	4		Silo			
La Esmeralda	Santa Fe	9,100	Jun. 98	Crop/Beef Cattle			
La Suiza	Chaco	41,993	Jun. 98	Beef Cattle			
Santa Bárbara/Gramilla	San Luis	7,052	Nov. 97	Crops under irrigation			
Cactu(s)	San Luis	41	Dec. 97	Feed lot			
				Beef Cattle/Natural			
Tali Sumaj / El Recteo	Catamarca	26,922	May. 95	Woodlands			
				Beef Cattle/Crop/			
Los Pozos	Salta	242,510	May 95	Natural Woodlands			
El Invierno	La Pampa	1,946	Jun. 05	Crop			
San Nicolás / Las Playas	Sta.Fe/Cba	2,965	May. 97	Crop/Beef Cattle			
El Tigre	La Pampa	8,365	Apr. 03	Crop/Milk			
				Natural Woodlands/			
8 de Julio	Santa Cruz	90,000	May. 07	Sheep Production			
Total		442,276	-				

(1) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 24.0% interest in Cactus Argentina S.A.

(2) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 99.99% interest in Inversiones Ganaderas S.A.

(3) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 35.723% interest in Agro-Uranga S.A.

*La Adela.* Located 60 kilometers northwest of Buenos Aires, La Adela is one of our original farms. In December 2001, La Adela s dairy parlor was closed down. Its total surface area is used for agricultural purposes. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 959 hectares were used for wheat, corn and soybean crops for high-yielding grain production. Between March 2005 and December 2007 we bought an additional 72 hectares which were added to the existing 982 hectares.

*La Juanita*. La Juanita, located 440 kilometers southwest of Buenos Aires, was acquired in January 1996. As of June 30, 2007, 3,179 heads of cattle were grazing in 716 hectares of sown and natural pastures, and 1,684 hectares were used in the production of grains. This farm produced 7.66 million liters of milk during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, with an average of 1,170 dairy cows being milked and 17.9 liters per cow per day.

*El Recreo*. Weather conditions in the El Recreo farm, located 970 kilometers northwest of Buenos Aires, in the province of Catamarca, and acquired in May 1995, are similar to the Tali Sumaj farm, with semi-arid climate and annual rainfall not in excess of 400 mm. This farm is maintained as a productive reserve.

On August 28, 2006, we signed a preliminary sale contract of 1,800 hectares of the El Recreo farm in the amount of US\$0.15 million. As advance payment we have received US\$0.05 million. This sale has not been recorded in our financial statements as the property of the land has not yet been transferred.

On January 19, 2007 we entered into a preliminary sales contract for 50 hectares of El Recreo farm owned by us and Arcor Sociedad Anónima Industrial y Comercial in the amount of Ps.0.7 million. The purchase price has been fully paid to us. This sale has been recognized as the possession of the parcel of land was effected at the time of signing the preliminary sales contract.

*Tali Sumaj.* The Tali Sumaj farm, located 1,000 kilometers northwest of Buenos Aires, in the province of Catamarca, was acquired in May 1995 and it is located in a semi-arid area. As of June 30, 2007, Tali Sumaj had 4,367 cattle head in approximately 12,700 hectares of pasture. The farm is divided into 16 lots with peripheral fencing and watering troughs with a reserve of 1,000,000 liters of water.

*Los Pozos*. The Los Pozos farm, located 1,600 kilometers northwest of Buenos Aires, in the Province of Salta, was acquired in May 1995. This property is located in a semi-arid area with average rainfall of 500 mm. The area is naturally suited to cattle raising and forestry activities (poles and wood coal), and it has agricultural potential for summer crops such as sorghum and corn, among others. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we used 1,240 hectares in agricultural production. We completed the development of tropical pastures in approximately 28,741 hectares. As of June 30, 2007, there were 30,992 heads of cattle in this farm. This farm has shown major growth through a complete cycle in the production of beef by succeeding in raising, re-raising and fattening steer to be sold at an average weight of 392 kg. In addition, we expect to sow a surface area of 63,000 hectares of pastures in this farm by the end of fiscal year 2008. On June 5, 2007 we signed the deed of sale of a surface area of 14,516 hectares of the farm Los Pozos. The agreed sale price was US\$2.2 million, which we have received. The sale generated a gain of US\$2.0 million. On October 22, 2007 we signed a deed for the transfer of an additional 4,974 hectares of our Los Pozos farm. The aggregate sale price was US\$1.1 million, of which we collected US\$0.34 million on August 21, 2007 and US\$0.68 million on October 19, 2007. The balance of US\$0.10 million plus accrued interest at a variable rate of LIBOR plus 600 basis points, is payable on August 21, 2008. The sale generated a gain of approximately US\$1.2 million.

*San Nicolás*. The San Nicolás farm is a 4,005 hectares farm owned by Agro-Uranga S.A., and is located in the Province of Santa Fe, approximately 45 kilometers from the Port of Rosario. As of June 30, 2007, approximately 5,736 hectares were in use, including double crops for agricultural production. The farm has two plants of silos with storage capacity of 14,950 tons.

*Las Playas*. The Las Playas farm has a surface area of 4,294 hectares and is owned by Agro-Uranga S.A. Located in the Province of Córdoba, it is used for agricultural and milk purposes. As of June 30, 2007, the farm had 540 hectares of pasture used for milk production and a sown surface area of 6,192 hectares including double crops, for grain production.

*La Gramilla and Santa Bárbara*. These farms have a surface area of 7,052 hectares in Valle del Conlara, in the Province of San Luis. Unlike other areas in the Province of San Luis, this valley has a high quality underground aquifer which makes these farms well suited for agricultural production after investments were made in the development of lands, pits and irrigation equipment. In the course of 2006/2007, a total of 689 hectares were sown under contractual arrangement with seed producers, and we leased 1,727 hectares to third parties.

*La Suiza*. La Suiza has a surface area of 41,993 hectares and is located in Villa Ángela in the Province of Chaco. It is used for raising cattle. As of June 30, 2007, La Suiza had a stock of approximately 24,344 heads of cattle.

*La Esmeralda*. La Esmeralda has a surface area of 9,100 hectares and is located in Ceres in the Province of Santa Fe. This farm, acquired in June 1998, has potential for both agricultural production and cattle raising. During the 2006/2007 farm season, we used a total area of 1,787 hectares for production of corn, sunflower and sorghum. We also leased 3,662 hectares to third parties for grain production. As of June 30, 2007, La Esmeralda had 9,937 head of cattle on 6,147 hectares. Our objective is to enhance its cattle raising efficiency and increase its surface area devoted to agriculture. On December 27, 2007, we agreed to sell to Estancias San Bruno S.A. and Estancias El Algarrobo S.A. a 2,470-hectare parcel of this farm. The aggregate sale price was US\$6.3 million of which we collected US\$3.8 upon execution of the sale agreement. The balance of US\$2.5 is payable on June 2, 2008. The sale generated a gain of approximately US\$5.2 million.

*El Tigre*. El Tigre was acquired on April 30, 2003 and has a surface area of 8,365 hectares. It is located in Trenel in the Province of La Pampa. As of June 30, 2007, 6,505 hectares were devoted to agriculture production. This farm produced 9.01 million liters of milk in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, with 1,507 cows being milked and an average daily production of 16.4 liters per cow.

*El Invierno.* El Invierno was acquired on June 24, 2005 and has a surface area of 1,946 hectares. It is located in Rancul in the Province of La Pampa, 621 kilometers to the west of Buenos Aires. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we used the land exclusively for agricultural production.

*San Pedro*. The farm in San Pedro was purchased on September 1, 2005. It has a surface area of 6,022 hectares and is located in Concepción del Uruguay, Province of Entre Ríos, which is 305 kilometers north of the province of Buenos Aires. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 1,100 hectares were used for livestock activities, and 5,344 hectares were used for agricultural production.

*8 de Julio*. The 8 de Julio farm was acquired on May 15, 2007 and has a surface area of 90,000 hectares. It is located in the department of Deseado in the Province of Santa Cruz. This farm offers potential possibilities for sheep production. In addition, we believe the land has potential for future tourism and recreational activities, as the southeast border of the farm is on 20 kilometers of coast. As of June 30, 2007, all the hectares were maintained as undeveloped land reserve. In the future we may use this farm for sheep production.

*Cactus.* The Cactus farm is a 170-hectare farm owned by Cactus and is located in Villa Mercedes, province of San Luis. Cactus is a joint venture between us, Cactus Feeders Inc., one of the largest feed lot companies in the United States, and Tyson Foods, a leading beef and poultry meat processing company. The feed lot began to operate in September 1999.

*Las Vertientes.* Las Vertientes farm is our largest storage facility with a surface area of 4 hectares and 10,000 tons capacity, located in Las Vertientes, Río Cuarto in the Province of Cordoba.

# Lease of Farms

We conduct our business on owned and leased land. Rental payments increase our production costs, as the amounts paid as rent are accounted for as operating expenses. As a result, production costs per hectare of leased land are higher than for the land owned by us.

Our land leasing policy is designed to supplement our expansion strategy, using our liquidity to make productive investments in our principal agricultural activities. On the other hand, our leasing strategy provides us with an added level of flexibility in the share of each of our products in total production, providing for greater diversification.

The initial duration of lease agreements is typically one crop campaign. Leases of farms for production of grains consist in lease agreements with payments based on a fixed amount of Pesos per hectare or crop sharing agreements ( aparcería ) with payments in kind based on a percentage of the crops obtained or a fixed amount of tons of grains obtained or their equivalent value in Pesos. Leases of farmlands for cattle breeding consist in lease agreements with fixed payments based on a fixed amount of Pesos per hectare or steer kilograms or capitalization agreements with payments in kind or in cash based on the weight gain in kilograms.

During fiscal year 2007, we leased from third parties a total of 40 fields, covering 53,059 hectares, of which 25,307 hectares were assigned to farming production, including the double harvest, and 29,208 hectares to cattle. The properties for agricultural production were leased, primarily, at a fixed price prior to harvest and only a small percentage were crop sharing agreements.

The following table shows the breakdown of the amount of hectares owned and leased land used for each of our principal production activities:

	2005	Year ended June 30, 2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 2007 <sup>(1)</sup>			(1)	Six months ended December 31, 2007 <sup>(1)</sup>		
	Owned <sup>(2)</sup>	Leased	Owned (2)	Leased	Owned (2)	Leased	Owned (2)	Leased
Crops	19,994	16,299	20,018	17,004	22,712	25,307	26,461	31,174
Cattle	126,879		97,299	3,425	84,848	29,208	97,901	32,494
Milk	1,583		1,505		2,376		3,723	

(1) Does not include the hectares of Agro-Uranga S.A.

(2) The land assigned to crops may differ from sown land, as some hectares are sown twice and therefore are counted twice as sown land.

Due to the rise in the price of land, we adopted a policy of not validating such prices and only leasing land at values that would ensure appropriate margins. For the 2007/2008 season, we leased 33,043 hectares of agricultural production.

# **Storage Facilities**

As of June 30, 2007, we had an approximate storage capacity of 15,341 tons (including 35.723% of the 14,950 tons available at Agro-Uranga S.A.).

The following table sets forth, at the dates, the capacity of our storage facilities:

	At June 30,			At December 31,		
	2005 (in tons)	2006 (in tons)	2007 (in tons)	2007 (in tons)		
El Gualicho	2,000					
Las Vertientes	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000		
San Nicolás (1)	5,341	5,341	5,341	5,341		
Total	18,001	15,341	15,341	15,341		

# (1) Owned through Agro-Uranga S.A. (representing 35.723% of the capacity). Land Management

In contrast to traditional Argentine farms, run by families, we centralize policy making in an executive committee that meets on a weekly basis in Buenos Aires. Individual farm management is delegated to farm managers who are responsible for farm operations. The executive committee lays down commercial and production rules based on sales, market expectations and risk allocation.

We rotate the use of our pasture lands between agricultural production and cattle feeding and the frequency depends on the location and characteristics of the farmland. The use of land rotates in four-year periods of cattle feeding and four to twelve years of agricultural production, according to the region. The use of preservation techniques (including exploitation by no till sowing) frequently allows us to extend agricultural exploitation periods.

Subsequent to the acquisition of the properties, we make investments in technology in order to improve productivity and to increase the value of the property. It may be the case that upon acquisition, a given extension of the property is sub-utilized or the infrastructure may be in need of improvement. We have invested in traditional fencing and in electrical fencing, watering troughs for cattle herds, irrigation equipment and machinery, among other things.

# **Principal Markets**

#### Crops

Our grains production is entirely sold in the local market. The prices of our grains are based on the market prices quoted in Argentine grains exchanges such as the *Bolsa de Cereales de Buenos Aires* and the *Bolsa de Cereales de Rosario* that take as a reference the prices in international grains exchanges. The largest part of this production is sold to exporters who offer and ship this production to the international market. Prices are quoted in relation to the month of delivery and the port in which the product is to be delivered. Different conditions in price, such as terms of storage and shipment, are negotiated between the end buyer and ourselves.

# Beef Cattle

Our beef cattle production is sold in the local market. The main buyers are slaughterhouses and supermarkets.

Prices in the beef cattle market in Argentina are fixed in the Liniers Market (on the outskirts of the province of Buenos Aires) where live animals are sold by auction on a daily basis. At Liniers Market, prices are negotiated by kilogram of live weight and are mainly determined by local supply and demand. Prices tend to be lower than in industrialized countries. Some supermarkets and meat packers establish their prices by kilogram of processed meat; in these cases, the final price is influenced by processing yields.

# Milk

During the fiscal years 2006 and 2007 we sold our entire milk production to the largest Argentine dairy company, Mastellone S.A., which in turn manufactures a range of mass consumption dairy products sold in Argentina and abroad. We negotiated with this company the prices of raw milk on a monthly basis in accordance with domestic supply and demand. We understand that other major dairy companies in Argentina would be willing and in a position to buy our milk production, in whole or in part, if we decided to diversify our sales of milk. The price of the milk we sell is mainly based on the percentage of fat and protein that it contains and the temperature at which it is cooled. The price we obtain from our milk also rises or drops based on the content of bacteria and somatic cells.

# Customers

For the fiscal year 2007 our sales were Ps.110.3 million and were made to approximately 140 customers. Sales to our ten largest customers represented approximately 72% of our net sales during the fiscal year 2006 and approximately 71% for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Of these customers, our biggest three customers, Cargill S.A., Mastellone Hnos. S.A. and Quickfood S.A., represented, in the aggregate, approximately 46% of our net sales, while the remaining seven customers in the aggregate represented approximately 26% of our net sales in fiscal year 2007. We have signed non-binding letters of intent with some of our largest customers that allow us to estimate the volume of the demand for certain products and to plan production accordingly. We generally enter into short-term agreements with a term of less than a year.

# Marketing Channels and Sales Methods

# Crops

We normally work with grains brokers and other intermediaries to trade in the exchanges. We sell part of our production in advance through futures contracts and buy and sell options for protection against a drop in prices. Approximately 30% of the futures and options contracts are closed through the Bolsa de Granos de Buenos Aires (Buenos Aires Grains Exchange) and 70% in the Chicago Board of Trade.

Our storage capabilities allow us to condition and storage grains with no third-party involvement and thus to capitalize the fluctuations in the price of commodities. Our largest storage facilities, with capacity for 10,000 tons are located in Las Vertientes, close to Río Cuarto, Province of Córdoba.

# Beef Cattle

We sell directly to local meat processors and supermarkets, such as Quickfood S.A., Frigorífico La Pellegrinense S.A., Friar S.A., Swift Armour S.A., Coto S.A., Supermercados Norte S.A., Finexcor S.A., Forestal Andina S.A., Madelan S.A., Frigorífico Bermejo S.A. and Frigorífico Amancay S.A. at prices based on the price determined at Liniers Market.

We usually are responsible for the costs of the freight to the market and, in general, we do not pay commissions on our transactions.

#### **Raw Materials**

The current direct cost of our production of grains varies in relation to each crop and normally includes the following costs: tillage, seeds, agrochemicals and fertilizers. We buy in bulk and store seeds, agrochemicals and fertilizers to benefit from discounts offered during off-campaign sales.

#### Competition

The agricultural and livestock sector is highly competitive with a huge number of producers. Cresud is one of Argentina's leading producers. However, if we compare the percentage of Cresud's production to the country's total figures, Cresud's production would appear as extremely low. Our leading position improves our bargaining power with suppliers and customers. In general, we obtain discounts in the region in the acquisition of supplies and an excess price in our seeds and cattle.

Historically, there have been few companies competing for the acquisition and leases of farmlands for the purpose of benefiting from land appreciation and optimization of yields in the different commercial activities. However, we anticipate the possibility that new companies, some of them international, may become active players in the acquisition of farmlands and the leases of sown land, which would add players to the market in coming years.

#### Seasonality

As is the case with any company in the agro-industrial sector, our business activities are inherently seasonal. Harvest and sales of grains (corn, soybean and sunflower) in general take place from February to June. Wheat is harvested from December to January. Others segments of our activities, such as our sales of cattle and milk and our forestry activities tend to be more of a successive character than of a seasonal character. However, the production of beef and milk is generally higher during the second quarter, when pasture conditions are more favorable. In consequence, there may be significant variations in results from one quarter to the other.

#### **Our Investments**

# BrasilAgro Companhia Brasileira de Propriedades Agrícolas

BrasilAgro was created in September 2005 in order to replicate our business in Brazil. BrasilAgro activities are engaged mainly in four business segments: (i) sugar cane, (ii) grains and cotton, (iii) forestry activities (iv) livestock. We created BrasilAgro together with our founding partners, Cape Town Llc, Tarpon Investimentos S.A., Tarpon Agro Llc, Agro Investments S.A. and Agro Managers S.A.

Cape Town Llc is a limited company incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, wholly owned by Mr. Elie Horn, the controlling shareholder and chief executive officer of Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. Empreendimentos e Participações. Tarpon Investimentos S.A. is an independent Brazilian asset manager engaged in the management of mutual funds focusing primarily on Brazilian equities. Tarpon Agro Llc is a company incorporated in the United States of America under the laws of the State of Delaware, and is owned by Tarpon Investimentos S.A. s shareholders and certain of its affiliates.

Part of the knowledge and experience required to implement BrasilAgro s proposed business plan will be initially provided pursuant to a consulting agreement with Paraná Consultora do Investimentos S.A., a special purpose advisory company, 50% owned by Tarpon BR, 37.5% owned by Consultores Asset Management, a company controlled by Mr. Eduardo Elsztain and 12.5% owned by Mr. Alejandro Elsztain. Tarpon BR is a joint venture between Tarpon and Mr. Elie Horn. We entered into a shareholder agreement with Tarpon Investimentos S.A., Tarpon Agro Llc, Cape Town LLC and Elie Horn stipulating, among other things, that both parties should have a joint vote at shareholders meetings and that both parties have a preemptive right to acquire shares of the other party.

BrasilAgro s board of directors is composed of nine members. We, as founder of BrasilAgro, appointed three members. Tarpon and Cape Town appointed three more members and, in addition, BrasilAgro has three independent directors.

On May 2, 2006, BrasilAgro s shares were listed in the Novo Mercado of the Brazilian Stock Exchange (BOVESPA) with the symbol AGRO3. BrasilAgro s shares were placed jointly with Banco de Investimentos Credit Suisse (Brazil) S.A. in the Brazilian market through investment mechanisms regulated by controlling authorities and with sales efforts pursuant to an exception from registration under the US Securities Act of 1933. The amount originally offered was Reais 432 million, equivalent to 432,000 book-entry common shares at a price of Reais 1,000 per share of BrasilAgro.

In addition, as is customary in the Brazilian market, BrasilAgro had an option to increase the size of the issuance by 20% and Banco de Investimentos Credit Suisse (Brazil) S.A. had another option to increase it by 15% (Green shoe). Given the high demand shown by the placement, both BrasilAgro and Banco de Investimentos Credit Suisse (Brazil) S.A. exercised such options increasing the placement up to 583,200 shares equivalent to Reais 583.2 million, which were fully placed and paid in.

In addition to the funds we originally contributed, we purchased shares in the offering for Reais 42.4 million (approximately US\$20.6 million). Following such contribution we now hold a total amount of 42,705 shares, equivalent to 7.4% of BrasilAgro s capital.

On January 19 and 22, 2007, we acquired 400 and 100 shares of BrasilAgro, respectively. Due to these new acquisitions, we increased our holding amounts to 43,205 shares which is equivalent to 7.4% of the capital stock of BrasilAgro.

When we founded BrasilAgro, we contributed Ps.63.1 million in cash in exchange for shares and 104,902 warrants to purchase additional BrasilAgro shares for 15 years and at the same price as was established in the initial public offering, Reais 1,000, adjusted by the Consumer Price Index Amplified, or IPCA. Should we decide to exercise such warrants, we might acquire 59,850 additional shares, thereby holding 14.1% of BrasilAgro s diluted capital stock. One third of these warrants may be exercised starting the first anniversary of the placement; another third may be exercised starting the second anniversary and the balance starting the third anniversary.

In addition, we received, at no cost, a second series of warrants for a total of 104,902, which may only be exercised at our discretion in the event of a tender offer. The exercise price of these warrants shall be the same price as the price offered in any such tender offer by the acquirer of BrasilAgro. The second series of warrants matures in the year 2021.

As of June 30, 2007, BrasilAgro had acquired its first four properties and it had entered into agreements for the acquisition of three additional properties in the first fiscal period of 2008:

On April 20, 2007, BrasilAgro signed a purchase commitment to acquire 75% of the estancia Araucaria, which has a total area of 15.543 hectares and is located in the municipality of Mineiros, Goiás. The property will be used for sugar cane growth. The total purchase price was 80 million Reais, payable in three installments. The first installment of 32 million Reais was paid on April 20, 2007 and the other installments are due at six month intervals after the first one.

On August 3, 2007, BrasilAgro entered into a purchase commitment to acquire the estancia Alto Taquarí which has a total area of 5.266 hectares and is located in the municipality of Alto Taquarí, Mato Grosso. This property will also be used for grow sugar cane and was purchased for 34 million Reais, payable in two installments. The first installment of 6.8 million Reais was paid on August 3, 2007 and the balance is due in May 2008.

In August 2007, BrasilAgro entered into two separate conditional purchase commitments, subject to due diligence, to acquire a total area of 37.799 hectares in the municipality of Correntina, Bahia. The area will be used for cattle-breeding and grain growing. The aggregate purchase price for both properties was R\$47.1 million Reais.

*Sao Pedro* is a farm in Chapadao do Sul (MS). With a surface area of 2,443 hectares, Sao Pedro was bought for US\$4.7 million. Located 1,000 km. from a major port, this farm was acquired at a price significantly lower than the average in the region. Its potential production area is 1,740 hectares. In our opinion, this land offers high potential for appreciation as a result of the sugar cane premises scheduled to be installed in the region.

*Cremaq* is a farm in Bahía Grande do Ribeiro (Piaui). Acquired for US\$19.7 million and with a surface area of 32,375 hectares, this farm has 3,000 hectares already in production and 16,000 hectares undergoing land clearing activities. It is estimated that the total production area will be 23,000 hectares. The farm is close to the Itaqui Port and to the Norte-Sul railway. Weather and topographic conditions in the area are quite suited to soybean, corn and cotton crops. This property has also been bought for a value lower than average in the region and it offers major appreciation potential.

*Engenho* is a farm in Maracaju, in the State of Mato Grosso do Sul. The farm was acquired for US\$4.7 million and it has 2,022 hectares. This farm is presently under a lease agreement and it yields amounts equivalent to 7.5 or 8 tons of sugar cane per year per hectare. Once the lease agreements currently in force are terminated, BrasilAgro is planning to develop sugar cane operations.

*Jatobá* is a farm in the Jaborandi district, in the State of Bahía. The acquisition price was US\$17.2 million and it has 31,603 hectares. BrasilAgro plans to start large-scale production of crops and cotton.

BrasilAgro will continue to focus its activities on agricultural real estate and on the development of its four main business lines: sugar cane; crops and cotton; forestry and cattle breeding.

## Futuros y Opciones.Com

In May 2000, we acquired 70% of the shares and an irrevocable purchase option for the 30% of the shares of Futuros y Opciones.Com S.A. (Futuros y Opciones.Com) for Ps.3.5 million. During the fiscal years 2001 and 2002, we made capital contributions for Ps.3.0 million. The site was launched in November 1999 and is aimed at becoming the most important agriculture business community in Latin America. Futuros y Opciones.Com has launched its e-commerce strategy in March 2001, in order to sell products, buy inputs, ask for loans, and obtain insurance, among other things. The main activity of Futuros y Opciones.Com is the grain brokerage.

The areas with the greatest potential for growth are: input commercialization, grain businesses and beef cattle operations. Regarding input commercialization, the business volume was concentrated in a smaller number of suppliers, the agreements with the suppliers were improved in order to increase the margin of the business, and contracts of direct distribution were achieved. In terms of grains, the brokerage department was created, with the purpose of participating directly in the business by trading and offering services. In beef cattle, Futuros y Opciones.Com had created an alliance with a leading broker in the sector, which will allow it to obtain use of its clients database and technological knowledge.

On May 31, 2005, the Ordinary Shareholders Meeting of Futuros y Opciones.Com decided that its capital stock should be increased by Ps.0.2 million with no additional paid-in capital and Ps.0.04 million with an additional paid-in premium of Ps.0.9 million, thus raising Futuros y Opciones.Com s capital stock from Ps.0.01 million to Ps.0.3 million. The capital stock was further increased by Ps.0.1 million through the issuance of 100,000 preferred shares.

This capitalization was conducted after absorbing unappropriated losses of Ps.4.3 million against the Irrevocable Contributions account for a total amount of Ps.2.1 million and the Adjustment to Irrevocable Contributions account for an amount of Ps.2.2 million. The corporate bylaws have thus been amended to incorporate the resolution adopted by the Shareholders Meeting, which delegated its implementation on the board of directors.

As a result of such capital increase, Cresud s investment has increased by Ps.0.6 million. This effect has been recognized in the additional paid-in capital account, pursuant to section 33 of the Argentine Corporation Law No. 19,550 under the Shareholders Equity section.

As of June 30, 2007, Futuros y Opciones.Com total revenues increased by 105% compared to the previous fiscal year, with 48% growth in the revenues yielded by its main business, the grains brokerage. In addition, the business consisting in sales of inputs grew by 431%, widely surpassing the budget projections.

During the fiscal year 2007, Futuros y Opciones.Com started to trade futures and options, it acquired a share in the Buenos Aires forward market *Mercado a Término de Buenos Aires* and has also become a dealer. Trading volumes have surpassed expectations and the service consisting in hedging with futures has turned into an essential tool for our customers to manage their price risks.

The portal keeps consolidating as the leading site for the agricultural and beef cattle sector where various private polls have agreed that it is the most visited site by farmers engaged in both agricultural and cattle-beef activities. The site presently has an average of 15,000 visitors per day and it is strengthening its position as a leading supplier of market information for the sector.

Futuros y Opciones.Com s goal is to become a leading company in the supply of financial and commercial services. To attain such objective, we will continue to enhance the range of products we offer to the sector in the coming fiscal years.

#### **Cactus Argentina**

Cactus was initially a joint venture between us and Cactus Feeders Inc., one of the largest feed lot companies in the United States. The site of the venture s operations is a 170-hectare farm in Villa Mercedes, in the Province of San Luis. The feed lot began operations in September 1999.

During fiscal year 2007, Cactus entered into a joint venture with Tyson Foods, Inc, a leading meat processing company, pursuant to which Tyson, through Provemex Holdings LLC, acquired a 52% equity interest in Cactus to establish the first integrated cattle operation in Argentina. Consequently, the stock holdings of Cactus Feeders, Inc and Cresud in Cactus were reduced to 24% each. Since December 31, 2006, we no longer use the proportional consolidation method to account for our investment in Cactus due to the reduction of our interest in Cactus from 50% to 24%.

On January 11, 2007, Cactus and us (solely as nominee for Argentine legal purposes) acquired 100% of the Exportaciones Agroindustriales Argentinas S.A. (EAASA) shares for Ps.16.8 million. EAASA owns a meat packing plant in Santa Rosa, Province of La Pampa with capacity to slaughter and process approximately 9,500 cattle heads per month. The idea of Cactus is to expand in the future the slaughter capacity to 15,000 heads per month.

Argentina s beef production is going through a change in which the best quality beef is produced in the central part of the country while the marginal areas are generating beef produced by animals adjusted to more difficult geographic and environmental situations. We believe that the location of the packing plant is unique, surrounded by a big beef production area and not far away from the feedlot that Cactus owns in Villa Mercedes, San Luis. Cattle produced at Cactus feedlot are being processed at EAASA s packing plant for the domestic and the foreign markets.

Cactus, has been a pioneer in feedlot services with a 25,000 heads of cattle capacity, depending on the size of the cattle. Cactus customer base changed during fiscal year 2007, as many companies related to the beef sector bought yearling cattle to be fed at the feed yard. To assure themselves a constant supply of high quality beef, these companies keep an inventory of cattle on feed.

During fiscal year 2007, Cactus recorded income as a result of the services supplied to farmers and investors and the profits generated by its own fattened cattle. Cactus continues to receive cattle from farmers that repeat their productive process whereby they breed and re-breed their animals in their own farms and finish them at Cactus.

On October 12, 2007, the administrative authority of Villa Mercedes, Province of San Luis, where Cactus feedlot is located, ordered its partial closure due to the emission of odors related to the animals. In addition, it ordered Cactus to file a mitigation plan with respect to odors. On December 5, 2007, the administrative authority permitted the feedlot to resume operations, authorizing it to accommodate up to 18,500 heads of cattle.

## Agropecuaria Cervera

On December 27, 2005, we and Inversiones Ganaderas S.A. (solely as nominee for Argentine legal purposes) acquired 100% of the shares of Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. ( Agropecuaria Cervera ), whose main asset is the concession for the start-up of production pertaining to a comprehensive biological, economic and social development project over various properties located in Anta, Province of Salta, and it is duly authorized to implement a large-scale project covering agricultural, cattle breeding and forestry activities. The concession agreement covers 162,000 hectares for a 35-year period with an option to extend it for another 29 years. In the framework of the concession, there is a development project aimed at applying 35,000 hectares to agricultural uses. As of June 30, 2007, we had not commenced significant land development activities. We surrendered 3.6 million of IRSA s convertible notes and paid Ps 3.17 million in cash for the acquisition of the concession.

Land development is also expected to continue in the framework of a project consisting of a total of 35,000 hectares which has been approved by the Secretariat of Environment and Sustainable Development of the Province of Salta.

#### **Regulation and Government Supervision**

#### Farming and Animal Husbandry Agreements

Agreements relating to farming and animal husbandry activities are regulated by Argentine law, the Argentine Civil Code and local customs.

According to the Law No. 13,246, all lease agreements related to rural properties and land are required to have a minimum duration of 3 years. Upon death of the tenant farmer, the agreement may continue with his successors. Upon misuse of the land by the tenant farmer or default on payment of the rent, the land owner may initiate an eviction proceeding.

Law No. 13,246 also regulates agreements for crop sharing pursuant to which one of the parties furnishes the other with farm animals or land with the purpose to share benefits between tenant farmer and land owner. These agreements are required to have a minimum term of duration of 3 years. The tenant farmer must perform himself the obligations under the agreement and may not, assign it under any circumstances. Upon the death, incapacity or impossibility of the tenant farmer, the agreement will be terminated.

## Quality Control of Grains and Cattle

The quality of the grains and the health measures of the cattle are regulated and controlled by the *Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria*, which is an entity within the Ministry of Economy and Production that oversees the farming and animal sanitary activities.

Argentine law establishes that the brands should be registered with each provincial registry and that there cannot be brands alike within the same province.

## Sale and Transportation of Cattle

Even though the sale of cattle is not specifically regulated, general contract provisions are applicable. Further, every province has its own rural code regulating the sale of cattle.

Argentine law establishes that the transportation of cattle is lawful only when it is done with the respective certificate that specifies the relevant information about the cattle. The required information for the certificate is established by the different provincial regulations, the inter-provinces treaties and the regulations issued by the *Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria*.

#### **Exportation Restriction of Beef**

The Argentine Agriculture department ( Secretaria de Agricultura Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos ), an entity within the Ministry of Economy and Production, oversees the farming and animal sanitary activities.

In addition the Secretaria de Agricultura Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos is in expense of the distribution in Argentina of the annual regular quota of top quality chilled beef without bones, the Cuota Hilton. The destination of the Cuota Hilton is the European Union.

In June 2007, pursuant to Resolution No 269/2007 the Secretaria de Agricultura Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos granted to our subsidiary Exportaciones Agroindustriales Argentinas S.A. an export quota of up to 423.6 tons of beef, under the Cuota Hilton.

#### Environment

The development of our agribusiness depends on a number of federal, state and municipal laws and regulations related to environmental protection.

We may be subject to criminal and administrative penalties, including taking action to reverse the adverse impact of our activities on the environment and to reimburse third parties for damages resulting from contraventions of environmental laws and regulations. Based on the Argentine Criminal Code, persons (including directors, officers and legal entity managers) who commit crimes against public health, such as poisoning or dangerously altering water, food or medicine used for public consumption and selling products that are dangerous to health, without the necessary warnings, may be subject to fines, imprisonment or both. Some courts have utilized these provisions in the Argentine Criminal Code to sanction the disexpense of substances which are hazardous to human health. At the administrative level, the penalties vary from notices and fines to the full or partial suspension of the activities, which may include the revocation or annulment of tax benefits, cancellation or interruption of credit lines granted by state banks and a restriction on entering into contracts with public entities.

The Forestry Legislation of Argentina prohibits the devastation of forest and forest land, as well as the irrational use of forest products. Landowners, tenants and holders of natural forests require an authorization from the Forestry Competent Authority for the cultivation of forest land. The legislation also promotes the formation and conservation of natural forests in properties used for agriculture and farmer purposes.

As of June 30, 2007, we owned land reserves in excess of 329,828 hectares, which are located in under-utilized areas where agricultural production is not yet fully developed. We believe that technological tools are available to improve the productivity of such land and enhance its long-term value. However, existing or future environmental regulations may prevent us from completely developing our land reserves, requiring us to maintain a portion of such land as unproductive land reserves.

In accordance with legislative requirements, we have applied for approval to develop certain parts of our land reserves, to the extent allowed. We cannot assure you that current or future development applications will be approved, and if so, to what extent we will be allowed to develop our land reserves. We intend to use genetically modified organisms in our agricultural activities. In Argentina, the cultivation of genetically modified organisms is subject to special laws and regulations and specific authorizations.

On November 28, 2007, the National Congress passed the law known as the Forests Law which establishes minimum budgets for provincial expenditures to promote protection, restoration, conservation and sustainable use of native forests. The Forests Law prevents the owners of lands, including native forests, from deforesting or converting forested areas to non-forest lands for other commercial uses without a prior permit from each local government granting of such permit requires the preparation, evaluation and approval of an environmental impact report. The Forests Law further provides that each province must adopt a plan for the implementation of the Forest Law within one year and that no deforestation is permitted during such one-year period. In addition, the Forests Law also establishes a national policy for the sustainable use of native forests which purports to afford the preferential use rights to aboriginal and farming communities that reside near such forest. In this case, the relevant provincial authority is not to grant permits without formal public hearings and the written consent of such communities.

#### **Property and Transfer Taxes**

*Value Added Tax.* Under Argentine law, the sale of cattle and grains are taxable at a rate equal to 10.5% of the sale price. The sale of milk is taxable at a rate equal to 21%. The sale of land is not taxable.

Gross Sales Tax. A local transfer tax is imposed on the sale price of cattle, grains and milk at a general rate of 1%. In some provinces the sale of primary goods is not taxable.

*Stamp Tax.* This is a local tax that 23 provinces and the City of Buenos Aires collect based on similar rules regarding subject matter, tax base and rates. In general, this tax is levied on acts validated by documents, (e.g. acts related to the constitution, transmission, or expiration of rights, contracts, contracts for sales of stock and company shares, public deeds relating to real property, etc.).

In the City of Buenos Aires (federal district) the stamp tax only applies to public deeds for the transfer of real estate, or for any other contract whereby the ownership of real property is transferred and commercial leases. The purchase and sale of real estate through public deed is not taxable if the real estate will be used for housing. In the City of Buenos Aires the tax rate is 2.5%. In the Province of Buenos Aires, the tax rate is 3% for public deeds of transfer of real property.

## Subsidiaries and Affiliated Companies

The following table includes a description of our subsidiaries and affiliated companies, all of which are organized under the laws of Argentina, as of December 31, 2007:

Subsidiaries	Effective Ownership Percentage	Property/Activity
Inversiones Ganaderas S.A.	99.99%	This company owns two farms located in the Province of Catamarca: Tali Sumaj and El Recreo .
Agropecuaria Cervera S.A.	99.99%	This company has the concession for the start-up of production pertaining to a comprehensive biological, economic and social development project in various properties located in the Department of Anta, in the Province of Salta, and it is duly authorized to implement a large-scale project covering agricultural, cattle breeding and forestry activities.

Subsidiaries	Effective Ownership Percentage	<b>Property/Activity</b>
Cactus Argentina S.A.	24.00%	This company represents our strategic alliance with Cactus Feeders Inc. and Tyson Foods Inc. for feed lot production. It owns a 170-hectare farm located in the district of Villa Mercedes in the Province of San Luis. It will have the capacity to support 75,000 head of beef cattle per year, in cycles of approximately 28,000 head each.
Agro-Uranga S.A.	35.72%	An agriculture, dairy and beef cattle company which owns two farms (Las Playas and San Nicolás) covering 8,299 hectares in the provinces of Santa Fe and Córdoba, and approximately 1,642 beef cattle head.
Futuros y Opciones.Com S.A.	70.00%	A leading agricultural web site which provides information about markets and services of economic and financial consulting through the Internet. The company has begun to expand the range of commercial services offered to the agricultural sector by developing direct sales of supplies, grain brokerage services and beef cattle operations.
IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima	34.6%	It is a leading Argentine company devoted to the development and management of real estate.
BrasilAgro Companhia Brasileira de Propriedades Agrícolas	8.25%	BrasilAgro is mainly involved in four areas: sugar cane, grains and cotton, forestry activities, and livestock.
Exportaciones Agroindustriales Argentinas S.A.	0.57%	Exportaciones Agroindustriales Argentinas S.A. (EAASA) a company that owns a cold storage plant in Santa Rosa, Province of La Pampa, with capacity to slaughter and process approximately 9,500 cattle head per month.

## **Property, Plant and Equipment**

The following table sets forth our properties size (in hectares), primary current use and book value. The market value of farmland is generally higher the closer a farm is located to Buenos Aires:

				Farms Owned as of Ju Primary	une 30, 2007	
		Gross Size	Date of	Current	Net carrying value	Encumbrances
	Province	(in hectares)	Acquisition	Use	(Ps. millions) <sup>(1)</sup>	(Ps. million)
La Adela	Buenos Aires	1,054	Original	Crop	8.5	
La Juanita	<b>Buenos</b> Aires	4,302	Jan. 96	Crop/Milk	14.1	
				Crop/Beef		
San Pedro	Entre Ríos	6,022	Sep. 05	Cattle	46.4	Mortgage 4.5
Las Vertientes	Córdoba	4		Silo	0.7	
				Crop/Beef		
La Esmeralda	Santa Fe	11,841	Jun. 98	Cattle	12.9	
La Suiza	Chaco	41,993	Jun. 98	Beef Cattle	28.5	
				Crops under		
Santa Bárbara / Gramilla	San Luis	7,052	Nov. 97	irrigation	19.5	
Cactus <sup>(2)</sup>	San Luis	41	Dec. 97	Feed lot	0.7	
				Beef Cattle/ Natural		
Tali Sumaj / El Reciteo	Catamarca	26,922	May. 95	Woodlands	5.7	
Los Pozos	Salta	247,484	May 95	Beef Cattle/Crop/	38.5	

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				Natural Woodlands		
El Invierno	La Pampa	1,946	Jun. 05	Crop	9.2	
	•			Crop/Beef		
San Nicolás / Las Playas	Sta.Fe/Cba.	2,965	May. 97	Cattle	12.8	
El Tigre	La Pampa	8,365	Apr. 03	Crop/Milk	33.8	
				Natural Woodlands/Sheep		
8 de Julio	Santa Cruz	90,000	May. 07	production	7.8	
Total		449,991			239.1	

- (1) Acquisition costs plus improvements and furniture necessary for the production, less depreciation.
- (2) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 24.0% interest in Cactus Argentina S.A.
- (3) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 99.99% interest in Inversiones Ganaderas S.A.
- (4) Hectares and carrying amount in proportion to our 35.723% interest in Agro-Uranga S.A.

#### **Research and Development**

Investments in technology were Ps.11.6 million, Ps.22.9 million and Ps.11.2 million for the fiscal years 2007, 2006 and 2005 respectively. Total technology investments aimed at increasing the productivity of purchased land were Ps.116.2 million from fiscal year 1995.

The objectives within this area are reached through the implementation of national and international technological development projects focusing mainly on:

Quality and productivity improvement;

Increase in land appreciation value through the development of marginal areas; and

Increase in the quality of food in order to achieve global food safety standards. We aim to implement and perform according to official and private quality protocols that allow us to comply with the requirements of our present and future clients. Regarding official regulations, in 2003 we implemented the Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria law on animal identification for livestock in six farms. In 2004 we implemented EurepGap Protocols with the objective of complying with European Union food safety standards and as a mean for continuous improvement of the internal management and system production of our farms. Our challenge is to achieve global quality standards.

#### Employees

As of June 30, 2007, we had 363 employees, including the employees of Cresud, Inversiones Ganaderas S.A., Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. and Futuros y Opciones.Com, but not those of Agro-Uranga S.A. Approximately 61% are under collective labor agreements. We believe we have good relations with the union and our employees. We have never experienced a work stoppage. The following table shows our employees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

	At June 30, 2007		-	30, 2006	At June 30, 2005		
Province	Permanent salaried	Temporary	Permanent salaried	Temporary	Permanent salaried	Temporary	
Buenos Aires	112	6	99	4	93	2	
Catamarca	8	1	12	4	11	1	
Chaco	42		54	4	51	3	
Córdoba	14		13	4	21	2	
Entre Ríos	12		11		1		
La Pampa	25	8	29	3	20	2	
Salta	34		21		17		
San Luis	20		39	3	31	5	
Santa Fe	74	2	62	4	48	3	
Santa Cruz	5						
Total employees	346	17	340	26	293	18	

## Legal Proceedings

We are not engaged in any material litigation or arbitration and no material litigation or claim is known to us to be pending or threatened against us, other than those described below.

#### Inversiones Ganaderas

Exagrind S.A. has filed a lawsuit against our subsidiary Inversiones Ganaderas S.A. (IGSA) to recover damages and losses produced by a fire in Estancia San Rafael which is close to Tali Sumaj, Province of Catamarca. The fire took place on September 6, 2000. The estimated amount of the legal action is Ps.2.9 million at the date the claim was filed.

IGSA argued that Exagrind s claim was incorrectly processed and requested that the first instance judge order a new notice of processed, which request was granted by the judge. Exagrind successfully appealed such decision. IGSA filed subsequent appeals requesting to be given the remainder of the legal term to answer the lawsuit, since at the time of Exagrind s appeal the legal term, had not yet expired, Such appeals were rejected by both first and second instance courts, ending with an appeal to the High Court of the Province of Catamarca. To date, a decision from the appellate court is still pending.

Additionally, in March 2007, under the request of Exagrind S.A., the court in expense of the case ordered a general inhibition of IGSA s assets. In June 2007, that measure was revoked and replaced by an attachment on the real estate.

#### **Exportaciones** Agroindustriales Argentinas

On January 11, 2007, our affiliate Cactus together with us, acting solely as a nominee for Argentine legal purposes, acquired 100% of the capital stock of Exportaciones Agroindustriales Argentinas S.A. (EAASA). On September 13, 2007, EAASA received an information request from the Central Bank relating to its obligation to repatriate foreign currency proceeds for an aggregate amount of US\$0.9 million from certain exports of agricultural products prior to our acquisition. Information requests often are a first step by the Central Bank in its initiation of administrative proceedings relating to possible breaches of foreign exchange regulations.

On October 8, 2007, EAASA requested an extension of the time to answer the Central Bank s information request in order to analyze the relevant accounts and operations. The Central Bank granted EAASA an extension of 30 business days from October 30, 2007 to answer the information request. Breach of exporters obligations to repatriate export proceeds is subject to fines of up to ten times the amount involved and other penalties imposed pursuant to Argentine Criminal laws. We cannot assure you that the Central Bank will not initiate an administrative proceeding against EAASA, and that, as a result of any such proceeding, the Central Bank will not impose fines and penalties that adversely affect the financial condition and results of operations of EAASA.

## Agropecuaria Cervera S.A.

On September 17, 2007, certain individuals filed an action to enforce constitutional rights known as *amparo* against the Ministry of Production and Employment of the Province of Salta and Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. before the Second Chamber of the Indictment Court (*Cámara de Acusación Sala II*) of the Province of Salta. The plaintiffs seek an exceptional remedy to protect their constitutional rights, by obtaining a declaration that Resolution No. 403 enacted by the said Ministry is null and void. Resolution No. 403, dated September 23, 2004, authorized Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. to convert certain forested parcels of land into non-forest land for agricultural purposes. The plaintiffs argued that such Resolution was enacted through an irregular administrative proceeding and is therefore unconstitutional.

On November 15, 2007, Agropecuaria Cervera S.A., as co-defendant, filed a response to the complaint, arguing against the remedy sought by the plaintiffs, primarily on the grounds that they failed to meet the procedural and legal prerequisites for filing the action. Agropecuaria Cervera S.A. further argued that the summary proceeding, as an exceptional remedy, is only available to protect individuals constitutional rights or to prevent an imminent threat to such rights and does not apply in this case, since Resolution No. 403 was enacted three years prior to the filing of the suit. As of the date of this prospectus, the Court s decision is still pending.

## **IRSA S BUSINESS**

#### Overview

IRSA is one of Argentina s leading real estate companies in terms of total assets. IRSA is engaged, directly and indirectly through subsidiaries and joint ventures, in a range of diversified real estate related activities in Argentina, including:

the acquisition, development and operation of shopping centers;

the origination and securitization of credit card loans;

the acquisition and development of residential properties and undeveloped land reserves for future development and sale;

the acquisition, development and operation of office and other non-shopping center properties primarily for rental purposes; and

the acquisition and operation of luxury hotels.

As of June 30, 2007 and December 31, 2007, IRSA had total assets of Ps.4,144.9 million and Ps.4,156.0 million, respectively, and shareholders equity of Ps.1,646.7 million and Ps.1,875.1 million, respectively. IRSA s net income for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006, and 2007 and for the six-months ended December 31, 2007 was Ps.103.2 million, Ps.96.6 million, Ps.107.1 million, and Ps.5.8 million, respectively. IRSA is the only Argentine real estate company whose shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and whose GDSs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

*Shopping Centers.* IRSA is engaged in purchasing, developing and managing shopping centers through its subsidiary Alto Palermo. Alto Palermo operates and owns majority interests in ten shopping centers, six of which are located in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, and the other four of which are located in the Provinces of Mendoza, Rosario, Córdoba and Salta. IRSA s Shopping Center segment had assets of Ps.1,375.2 million as of June 30, 2007 and of Ps.1,527.3 million as of December 31, 2007, representing 33.2% and 36.7%, respectively, of its consolidated assets as of the same dates, and generated operating income of Ps.124.8 million and Ps.94.8 million during IRSA s 2007 fiscal year and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, representing 62.9% and 66.8%, respectively, of its consolidated operating income for such year or period, as applicable.

*Credit Cards.* IRSA operates a credit card consumer finance business through its majority-owned subsidiary, Tarshop. IRSA s Credit card operations consist primarily of lending and servicing activities relating to the credit card products IRSA offers to consumers at shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores. IRSA finances a substantial majority of its credit card activities through securitization of the receivables underlying the accounts it originates. IRSA s revenues from credit card transactions are derived from interest income generated by financing and lending activities, merchants fees, insurance charges for life and disability insurance, and fees for processing and printing cardholders account statements. IRSA s Credit Card segment had assets of Ps.158.4 million as of June 30, 2007 and of Ps.162.0 million as of December 31, 2007, representing 3.8% and 3.9%, respectively, of its consolidated assets as of the same dates, and generated operating income of Ps.32.6 million and Ps.13.8 million during IRSA s 2007 fiscal year and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, representing 16.4% and 9.7%, respectively, of its consolidated.

*Residential Properties.* The acquisition and development of residential apartment complexes and residential communities for sale is another of IRSA s core activities. IRSA s development of residential apartment complexes consists of the construction of high-rise towers or the conversion and renovation of existing structures, such as factories and warehouses. In residential communities, IRSA acquires vacant land, develop infrastructure such as roads, utilities and common areas, and sell parcels of land for construction of single-family homes.

IRSA s Development and Sale of Properties segment had assets of Ps.539.3 million as of June 30, 2007 and of Ps.456.4 million as of December 31, 2007, representing 13.0% and 11.0% of its consolidated assets at such dates, and generated operating income of Ps.6.2 million and Ps.4.2 million during IRSA s 2007 fiscal year and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, representing 3.1% and 2.9%, respectively, of its consolidated operating income for such year or period, as applicable.

*Office Buildings*. In December 1994, IRSA launched its office rental business by acquiring three prime office towers in Buenos Aires: Libertador 498, Maipú 1300 and Madero 1020. As of June 30, 2007, IRSA, directly and indirectly, owned interests in 24 offices and other non-shopping center leased properties in Argentina that in the aggregate represented 234,320 square meters of gross leasable area. IRSA s Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center leased properties segment had assets of Ps.700.0 million as of June 30, 2007 and of Ps.899.0 million as of December 31, 2007, representing 16.9% and 21.6%, respectively, of IRSA s consolidated assets as of the same dates, and generated operating income of Ps.19.6 million and Ps.17.5 million during IRSA s 2007 fiscal year and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, representing 9.9% and 12.3%, respectively, of its consolidated operating income for such year or period, as applicable

*Hotels*. In 1997, IRSA acquired the Hotel Llao Llao and an indirect controlling interest in the Hotel Intercontinental in Buenos Aires. In March 1998, IRSA acquired the Hotel Sheraton Libertador in Buenos Aires. During fiscal year 1999, IRSA sold a 20% interest in the Hotel Libertador to Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina S.A., and during the fiscal year 2000, IRSA sold 50% of its interest in the Hotel Llao Llao to the Sutton Group. IRSA s Hotels segment, which consists of these three hotels, had assets of Ps.208.4 million as of June 30, 2007 and of Ps.240.1 million as of December 31, 2007, representing 5.0% and 5.8%, respectively, of its consolidated assets as of the same dates, and generated income of Ps.14.7 million and Ps.11.5 million during IRSA s 2007 fiscal year and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, representing 7.4% and 8.1%, respectively, of its consolidated operating income for such year or period, as applicable.

*Banco Hipotecario*. IRSA currently owns 11.8% of Banco Hipotecario, Argentina s leading mortgage lender in terms of outstanding mortgage loans. IRSA acquired 2.9% of Banco Hipotecario for Ps.30.2 million when it was privatized in 1999. During 2003 and 2004, IRSA increased its investment in Banco Hipotecario to 11.8% by acquiring additional shares, and by acquiring and exercising warrants, for an aggregate purchase price of Ps.33.4 million. In May 2004, IRSA sold Class D shares representing 1.9% of Banco Hipotecario to IFISA, one of IRSA s controlling shareholders, for Ps.6.0 million, generating a loss of Ps.1.6 million. IRSA s 11.8% investment in Banco Hipotecario is held in the form of Class D shares, which are currently entitled to three votes per share, affording IRSA the right to vote approximately 18.36% of the total votes that can be cast at Banco Hipotecario s shareholders meetings. As of December 31, 2007, IRSA s investment in Banco Hipotecario represented 7.0% of its consolidated assets, and during IRSA s fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and for the six months ended December 31, 2007, this investment generated gains of Ps.55.2 million, Ps.47.0 million and Ps.41.4 million, and a Ps.9.4 million loss, respectively.

## **Business Strategy**

IRSA seeks to take advantage of its position as a leading company in Argentina dedicated to owning, developing and managing real estate. IRSA s business strategy seeks to (i) generate stable cash flows through the operation of its real estate rental assets (shopping centers, office buildings, hotels), (ii) achieve long-term appreciation of IRSA s asset portfolio by selectively acquiring strategically located properties by taking advantage of development opportunities, and (iii) enhance the margins of IRSA s asles and developments segment through timely transformation of its land reserves into developed residential and commercial properties.

*Shopping centers.* In recent years, the Argentine shopping center industry has benefited from improved macroeconomic conditions and a significant expansion in consumer credit. IRSA believes that the Argentine shopping center sector offers attractive prospects for long-term growth due to, among other factors, (i) a continuing evolution of consumer preferences in favor of shopping malls (away from small neighborhood shops) and (ii) a level of shopping center penetration that IRSA considers low compared to many developed countries. IRSA seeks to improve its leading position in the shopping center industry in Argentina by taking advantage of

economies of scale to improve the operating margins of its diversified portfolio of existing shopping centers and by developing new properties at strategic locations in Buenos Aires and other important urban areas, including in Argentine provinces and elsewhere in Latin America. The shopping center business is at present the strongest source of cash generation of IRSA s business segments.

*Credit Cards*. IRSA believes that its credit card operations complement its shopping center business and offer attractive prospects for long-term growth due to improved macroeconomic conditions and an expansion in consumer credit. IRSA seeks to grow its credit card business and intend to maintain low levels of credit exposure through continuing securitization of its credit card loans. From time to time IRSA considers strategic alternatives with respect to its investment in Tarshop which, due to its recent growth in size and profitability, competes increasingly with domestic and international banks and credit card companies that are substantially larger than Tarshop. As a result, IRSA is considering alternatives to maximize the value of its investment in Tarshop including its possible merger with, or sale to, another financial institution actively engaged in the Argentine credit card sector. Although IRSA is actively considering a range of such strategic alternatives, we cannot give you any assurance if or when any of them will be in fact be implemented.

*Residential property*. During the economic crisis in Argentina in 2001 and 2002 and its aftermath, a scarcity of mortgage financing restrained growth in middle class home purchases. As a result, IRSA decided to focus on projects for affluent individuals who do not need to finance their home purchases. IRSA believes that there are attractive opportunities in the residential segment, as construction costs have remained low and property values have recovered significantly. IRSA seeks to take advantage of this opportunity, as well as of improvements in highway and other transportation infrastructure in and around Buenos Aires, by focusing on the development of residential properties for medium- and high-income individuals. In urban areas, IRSA seeks to purchase undeveloped properties in densely-populated areas and build apartment complexes offering greenspace for recreational activities. IRSA recently entered into a partnership with Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. Empreendimentos e Participações, a leading Brazilian developer of residential real estate, to develop residential real estate projects in Argentina and to increase IRSA s presence in such business. In suburban areas, IRSA seeks to develop residential communities by acquiring undeveloped properties with convenient access to Buenos Aires, developing roads and other basic infrastructure such as power and water, and then selling lots for the construction of residential units.

*Office buildings*. During the Argentine economic crisis in 2001 and 2002, little new investment was made in high-quality office buildings in Buenos Aires and, as a result, IRSA believes there is currently substantial demand for desirable office space in Buenos Aires. IRSA seeks to purchase, develop and operate premium office buildings in strategically-located business districts in the City of Buenos Aires and other locations that IRSA believes offer potential for rental income and long-term capital gain. IRSA expects to continue its focus on attracting premium corporate tenants to its office buildings and will consider opportunities to acquire existing properties or construct new buildings depending on the location and circumstances.

*Hotels*. IRSA believes its portfolio of three luxury hotels is positioned to take advantage of future growth in tourism and business travel in Argentina. IRSA seeks to continue its strategy of investing in high-quality properties which are operated by leading international hotel companies to capitalize on their operating experience and international reputation. IRSA currently intends to renovate and expand Hotel Llao Llao and to remodel the Hotel Sheraton Libertador.

*Banco Hipotecario*. IRSA believes that its investment in Banco Hipotecario has attractive prospects for long-term appreciation. After the 2002 economic crisis in Argentina mortgage loan originations have increased, and IRSA believes they are likely to continue to increase as salaries, consumer purchasing power and investments in residential construction grow. IRSA believes that, unlike certain other countries in Latin America, Argentina has a low level of mortgages outstanding, particularly if measured in terms of GDP and believes that Banco Hipotecario is currently valued at a level that is attractive compared to most other Argentine listed banks. Finally, IRSA believes that the mortgage origination business and its real estate development business (which IRSA expects to be bolstered through its recent partnership with Cyrela mentioned above) may potentially experience synergies that enhance operational efficiencies and cross selling opportunities that may promote the development of IRSA s undeveloped land reserves.

*Land reserves*. IRSA continuously seeks to acquire undeveloped land at locations it considers attractive inside and outside the city of Buenos Aires. In all cases, IRSA s intention is to purchase land with significant development or appreciation potential for subsequent sale. IRSA believes that holding a portfolio of desirable undeveloped parcels of land enhances its ability to make strategic long-term investments and affords IRSA a valuable pipeline of new development projects for upcoming years.

*International.* In the past, IRSA has made significant real estate investments outside of Argentina, including investments in Brazil Realty S.A. in Brazil and Fondo de Valores Inmobiliarios in Venezuela which it disposed of in 2002 and 2001, respectively. Although we cannot assure you that IRSA will make further investments outside of Argentina, IRSA believes that Brazil and certain other Latin American countries offer certain interesting real estate opportunities. IRSA expects to continue to evaluate actively such regional opportunities as they arise.

#### **Shopping Centers**

#### Overview

IRSA is engaged in purchasing, developing and managing shopping centers through its subsidiary Alto Palermo. As of June 30, 2007, Alto Palermo operated and owned majority interests in ten shopping centers, five of which are located in the City of Buenos Aires, one of which is located in the greater Buenos Aires metropolitan area and the remaining are located in the interior Argentine cities of Salta, Rosario, Mendoza and Córdoba.

As of December 31, 2007, IRSA owned approximately 62.5% of Alto Palermo, and Parque Arauco S.A. (Parque Arauco) owned 29.6%. The remaining shares are held by the public and trade on the *Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires* and the corresponding ADSs are listed and trade on the Nasdaq National Market (USA) under the symbol APSA. In addition, as of September 30, 2007, IRSA owned US\$31.7 million of Alto Palermo s convertible notes due 2014. If IRSA and all other holders of such convertible Notes were to exercise its option to convert the convertible notes into shares of Alto Palermo s common stock, IRSA s shareholding in Alto Palermo would increase to 65.6% of its fully diluted capital.

At June 30, 2007, Alto Palermo s shopping centers comprised a total of 224,138 square meters of gross leasable area (excluding certain space occupied by hypermarkets which are not Alto Palermo s tenants and the surface area of the Panamerican Mall that includes several projects one of which is the construction of a shopping center). For the year ended June 30, 2007, the average occupancy rate of Alto Palermo s shopping center portfolio was approximately 97.0%.

In December 2006, Alto Palermo acquired a 100% of Empalme S.A. which owns Córdoba Shopping, a shopping center covering 35,000 square meters of surface area, having 160 commercial stores, 12 movie theatres and parking lot for 1,500 vehicles, located in the Villa Cabrera neighborhood of Córdoba City.

As a result of IRSA s acquisition of several shopping centers and a corporate reorganization of Alto Palermo, IRSA recently centralized management of its shopping centers in Alto Palermo. Alto Palermo is responsible for providing common area electrical power, a main telephone switchboard, central air conditioning and other basic common area services.

The following table shows certain information concerning IRSA s shopping centers as of December 31, 2007.

	Alto	31 Book Value (in						
	Date of Acquisition	Leaseable Area sqm <sup>(1)</sup>	Occupancy Rate <sup>(2)</sup>	Palermo s Effective Interest <sup>(3)</sup>	2005 (12)	2006	2007	thousand Ps.) <sup>(5)</sup>
Shopping Centers <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-						
Alto Palermo	12/23/97	18,097	98.8%	100.0%	23,966	28,878	34,133	178,515
Abasto Shopping	07/17/94	39,581	99.7%	100.0%	21,677	27,707	35,131	184,091
Alto Avellaneda <sup>(11)</sup>	12/23/97	28,575	97.4%	100.0%	12,285	16,069	19,533	97,458
Paseo Alcorta	06/06/97	14,437	99.5%	100.0%	12,230	15,862	18,919	69,889
Patio Bullrich	10/01/98	10,978	97.6%	100.0%	10,474	12,707	14,584	102,694
Alto Noa Shopping	03/29/95	18,831	99.8%	100.0%	2,465	3,261	4,473	26,082
Buenos Aires Design	11/18/97	13,988	98.0%	53.7%	4,210	5,153	5,883	14,850
Alto Rosario Shopping	11/09/04	30,261	99.9%	100.0%	5,750	7,594	9,896	83,127
Mendoza Plaza Shopping	12/02/04	39,392	97.3%	85.4%	6,864	8,678	11,568	87,710
Fibesa and Others <sup>(7)</sup>		N/A	N/A	100.0%	29,340	7,315	13,031	
Comercializadora Los Altos S.A.		N/A	N/A	100.0%	,		177	
Income from Tarshop		N/A	N/A	80.0%	55,197	89,296	139,901	
Neuquén (8)	07/06/99	N/A	N/A	94.6%	,			12,303
Panamerican Mall S.A. <sup>(9)</sup>	12/01/06	36,173	N/A	80.0%	,			229,570
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera	12/31/06	10,429	98.6%	100.0%	)		5,239	73,892
Total <sup>(10)</sup>		260,742	98.7%	92.7%	184,458	222,520	312,468	1,160,181

(1) Total leaseable area in each property. Excludes common areas and parking spaces.

- (2) Calculated dividing occupied square meters by leaseable area.
- (3) Alto Palermo s effective interest in each of its business units. IRSA owns a 62.48% equity interest in Alto Palermo as of December 31, 2007.
- (4) Total consolidated rents according to RT21 method.
- (5) Cost of acquisition plus improvements, less accumulated depreciation, plus adjustment for inflation, less allowance for impairment in value, plus recovery of allowances if applicable.
- (6) Through Alto Palermo S.A.
- (7) Includes revenues from Fibesa S.A. and Others.
- (8) Land for the development of a shopping center.
- (9) The project includes the construction of a shopping center, a hypermarket, a cinema complex and an office and/or residential building.
- (10) Corresponds to the Shopping Centers business unit mentioned in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Includes credit card income (Tarshop).
- (11) 9.57% of the shopping center s surface area is currently under construction.
- (12) Includes Ps.23 million from the sale of the Alcorta Plaza property, as disclosed in Note 4 to IRSA s Consolidated Financial Statements, in the Sales and Developments segment.
- The following table shows certain information concerning IRSA shopping centers as of June 30, 2007.

		Leaseable	Area Effective	Occupancy Rate <sup>(2)</sup>	Annual Rental Income for the fiscal years <sup>(4)</sup>			Book Value (in
	Date of Acquisition	Area sqm <sup>(1)</sup>			2005 (ii	2006 n thousand P	2007 s.)	thousands of Ps.) <sup>(5)</sup>
Shopping Centers <sup>(6)</sup>					Ì		,	

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Alto Palermo	12/23/97	18,210	100.0%	99.6%	37,889	47,730	57,345	175,517
Abasto de Buenos Aires	07/17/94	39,683	100.0%	97.0%	34,583	44,739	56,380	187,436
Alto Avellaneda	12/23/97	27,336	100.0%	95.0%	19,149	25,151	31,249	89,664
Paseo Alcorta	06/06/97	14,403	100.0%	99.0%	19,734	24,562	31,241	64,432
Patio Bullrich	10/01/98	10,978	100.0%	100.0%	17,819	21,425	25,368	103,137
Alto NOA Shopping	03/29/95	18,831	100.0%	100.0%	3,829	5,243	6,635	27,040
Buenos Aires Design	11/18/97	13,988	53.7%	100.0%	7,082	8,619	10,359	16,082
Alto Rosario	11/09/04	30,261	100.0%	93.4%	5,497	11,823	15,464	84,145
Mendoza Plaza Shopping	12/02/04	39,392	85.4%	95.9%	9,212	14,636	18,779	89,004
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera	12/31/06	11,056	100.0%	99.0%	N/A	N/A	3,810	75,508
Panamerican Mall S.A. <sup>(a)(11)</sup>	12/01/06	28,741	80.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	167,606
Fibesa and others <sup>(7)</sup>	N/A	N/A	100.0%	N/A	10,735	11,075	13,636	N/A
Income from Tarshop <sup>(10)</sup>	N/A	N/A	80.0%	N/A	64,558	122,969	212,965	N/A
Neuquén <sup>(8)</sup>	07/06/99	N/A	94.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12,302
Total <sup>(7)</sup>		252,879	N/A	97.0%	230,087	337,972	483,231	1,091,873

(1) Total leaseable area in each property. Excludes common areas and parking spaces.

(2) Calculated dividing occupied square meters by leaseable area.

(3) Effective participation of Alto Palermo in each business unit. IRSA has a 62.48% in Alto Palermo.

(4) Represents the total consolidated leases according to the RT21 method.

(5) Cost of acquisition plus improvements, less accumulated depreciation, plus adjustment for inflation, less allowance for impairment in value, plus recovery of allowances if applicable.

- (6) Owned through IRSA s subsidiary Alto Palermo.
- (7) Includes revenues from Fibesa S.A.
- (8) Parcel of land for developing a shopping center.
- (9) The project includes the construction of a shopping center, a hypermarket, a movie theater complex and an office and/or dwelling building.
- (10) Corresponds to the Shopping Centers business unit mentioned in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements. Includes profits for the Tarshop credit card.
- (11) Meters represent only the land surface.

#### **Tenant Retail Sales**

The following table sets forth the total approximate tenant retail sales in Pesos at the shopping centers in which IRSA had an interest for the periods shown.

	Fiscal	Fiscal Year Ended June 30, <sup>(1)</sup>				
	2005	2006	2007			
	Ps.	Ps.	Ps.			
Abasto	333,216,597	453,871,445	573,814,588			
Alto Palermo	362,089,242	436,244,953	502,220,444			
Alto Avellaneda	259,630,930	308,900,404	418,349,117			
Paseo Alcorta	212,617,732	264,060,375	321,948,304			
Patio Bullrich	170,679,604	195,877,528	226,200,714			
Alto Noa	75,648,232	104,529,187	130,318,508			
Buenos Aires Design	73,906,709	91,921,046	110,722,931			
Mendoza Plaza	159,206,234	275,864,008	337,757,597			
Alto Rosario	50,895,239	143,806,266	204,430,069			

Total retail sales(2)

(1) Retail sales based upon information provided to IRSA by retailers and prior owners. The amounts shown reflect 100% of the retail sales of each shopping center, although in certain cases IRSA owns less than 100% of such shopping centers.

(2) Excludes sales from stands and spaces used for special exhibitions.

#### Lease Expirations

The following table shows a schedule of lease expirations for IRSA s shopping center properties in place as of June 30, 2007, assuming that none of the tenants exercise renewal options or terminate their lease early.

Lease Expirations as of June 30,	Number of Leases Expiring	Square Meters Subject to Expiring Leases (square meters)	Percentage of Total Square Meters Subject to Expiration (%)	Annual Base Rent Under Expiring Leases(1) (Ps.)	Percentage of Total Base Rent Under Expiring Leases (%)
2008(2)	703	134,815	63%	49,763,778	28%
2009	277	35,413	17%	66,336,108	38%
2010	96	17,564	8%	41,939,740	24%
2011+	25	25,290	12%	17,961,963	10%
Total	1,101	213,082	100%	176,001,589	100%

(1) Includes only the basic rental income amount. Does not give effect to IRSA s ownership interest.

(2) Includes stores which contracts have not been renewed yet and vacant stores at June 30, 2007.

<sup>1,697,890,519 2,275,075,212 2,825,762,272</sup> 

#### **Occupancy** Rate

The following table shows the average occupancy rate of each shopping center during fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007:

	Fiscal year en	ded June 30,
	2005 20	06 2007
	(%) (%	b) (%)
Abasto de Buenos Aires	100.0 9	9.9 97.0
Alto Palermo Shopping	100.0 10	0.0 99.6
Alto Avellaneda	99.1 9	6.6 95.0
Paseo Alcorta	99.7 9	9.2 99.0
Patio Bullrich	98.6 10	0.0 100.0
Alto Noa	99.5 10	0.0 100.0
Buenos Aires Design	96.8 10	0.0 100.0
Alto Rosario	98.0 10	0.0 93.4
Mendoza Plaza Shopping	95.5 9	7.8 95.9
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera	N/A M	J/A 99.0
Average occupancy rate	98.4 9	9.1 97.0
Rental Price		

The following table shows the annual/period average income per square meter for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007:

	Fiscal	iscal Year Ended 30,(1)		
	2005	2006	2007	
	(in Ps. p	oer square	e meter)	
Abasto	779.7	1,021.5	1,273.2	
Alto Palermo	1,926.2	2,432.2	2,925.0	
Alto Avellaneda	678.0	899.7	1,099.8	
Buenos Aires Design	399.9	501.4	633.7	
Paseo Alcorta	1,295.5	1,628.7	2,074.2	
Patio Bullrich	1,455.0	1,791.6	2,051.1	
Alto Noa	193.1	280.0	343.9	
Alto Rosario	274.1	376.0	484.2	
Mendoza Plaza	203.2	353.8	455.6	

Annual / six month rental price per gross leasable square meter reflects the sum of base rent, percentage rent, stands and revenues from admission rights (excluding any applicable tax on sales) divided by gross leasable square meters.
Principal Terms of IRSA s Leases

Under Argentine Law, terms of commercial leases must be between three to ten years, with most leases in the shopping center business having terms of no more than five years. IRSA s lease agreements are generally denominated in Pesos.

Leasable space in IRSA s shopping centers is marketed through an exclusive arrangement with its real estate broker Fibesa S.A. IRSA has a standard lease agreement, the terms and conditions of which are described below, which it uses for most tenants. However, IRSA s largest tenants generally negotiate better terms for their respective leases. No assurance can be given that lease terms will be as set forth in the standard lease agreement.

IRSA charges its tenants a rent which consists of the higher of (i) a monthly base rent (the Base Rent ) and (ii) a specified percentage of the tenant s monthly gross sales in the store (the Percentage Rent ), which generally ranges between 4% and 8% of tenant s gross sales. Furthermore, pursuant to the rent escalation clause in most leases, a tenant s Base Rent generally increases between 4% and 7% each year during the term of

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the lease. Although many of IRSA s lease agreements contain readjustment clauses, these are not based on an official index nor do they reflect the inflation index. In the event of litigation, there can be no assurance that IRSA may be able to enforce such clauses contained in its lease agreements. See Risk Factors Risks Relating to IRSA s Business for a more detailed discussion.

In addition to rent, IRSA charges most of its tenants an admission right, which is required to be paid upon entering into a lease agreement and upon a lease agreement renewal. The admission right is normally paid in one lump sum or in a small number of monthly installments. If the tenant pays this fee in installments, it is the tenant s responsibility to pay for the balance of any such amount unpaid in the event the tenant terminates its lease prior to its expiration. In the event of unilateral termination and/or resolution for breach of duties by the tenant, a tenant will not be refunded its admission right without its consent.

IRSA is responsible for supplying each shopping center with the electrical power connection and provision, a main telephone switchboard, central air conditioning connection and a connection to a general fire detection system. Each rental unit is connected to these systems. IRSA also provides the food court tenants with sanitation and with gas systems connections. Each tenant is responsible for completing all the necessary installations within his own rental unit, in addition to the direct expenses generated by these items within each rental unit. These direct expenses generally include electricity, water, gas, telephone and air conditioning. Tenants must also pay for a percentage of total expenses and general taxes related to the maintenance of the common areas. IRSA determines this percentage based on the tenant s gross leasable area and the location of its store. The common area expenses include, among others, administration, security, operations, maintenance, cleaning and taxes.

IRSA carries out promotional and marketing activities to increase attendance to its shopping centers. These activities are paid for with the tenants contributions to the Common Promotional Fund (CPF), which is administered by IRSA. Every month tenants contribute to the CPF an amount equal to approximately 15% of their rent (Base Rent plus Percentage Rent), in addition to rent and expense payments. IRSA may increase the percentage that tenants must contribute to the CPF, but the increase cannot exceed 25% of the original amount set forth in the corresponding lease agreement for the contributions to the CPF. IRSA may also require tenants to make extraordinary contributions to the CPF to fund special promotional and marketing campaigns or to cover the costs of special promotional events that benefit all tenants. IRSA may require tenants to make these extraordinary contributions up to four times a year provided that each such extraordinary contribution may not exceed 25% of the preceding monthly rental payment of the tenant.

Each tenant leases its rental unit as a shell without any fixtures. Each tenant is responsible for the interior design of its rental unit. Any modifications and additions to the rental units must be pre-approved by IRSA. IRSA has the option to decide tenants responsibility for all costs incurred in remodeling the rental units and for removing any additions made to the rental unit when the lease expires. Furthermore, tenants are responsible for obtaining adequate insurance for their rental units, which must include, among other things, coverage for fire, glass breakage, theft, flood, civil liability and workers compensation.

## Sources of Shopping Center Revenues

Set forth below is a breakdown of the sources of IRSA s shopping center revenues for its fiscal years ended June 30, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

	Fiscal Year ended June 30,			
	2005	2006 (in Pesos)	2007	
Fixed monthly minimum rent	78,701,727	104,548,288	129,594,156	
Variable rent dependent on sales	29,421,020	40,896,378	51,872,357	
Stand and kiosk rentals	14,650,061	17,711,770	21,303,064	
Admission fees	19,068,915	26,254,296	34,477,499	
Various	16,286,582	17,035,196	23,012,445	
Parking	7,349,610	8,523,290	9,872,453	
Total rent and services	165,477,915	214,969,218	270,131,974	
Tarshop revenues	64,557,977	122,968,616	212,965,332	
Other revenues from other segments	51,219	0	133,848	

Total shopping center revenues

230,087,111 337,971,664 483,231,154

## Description of each Shopping Center

Set forth below is information regarding IRSA s principal shopping centers.

*Alto Palermo Shopping, City of Buenos Aires.* Alto Palermo Shopping is a 150-store shopping center that opened in 1990 and is located in the well known and densely populated neighborhood of Palermo in the City of Buenos Aires. Alto Palermo Shopping is located only a few minutes from downtown Buenos Aires and with nearby subway access. Alto Palermo Shopping has a total constructed area of 64,574 square meters that consists of 18,210 square meters of gross leasable area. The shopping center has a food court with 21 restaurants. Alto Palermo Shopping is spread out over four levels and has a 647 car-parking lot. Tenants in this shopping center generated average estimated monthly retail sales of approximately Ps.2,298 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Frávega, Garbarino, Just For Sport and Musimundo. Alto Palermo Shopping s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 15.4% of its gross leasable area at June 30, 2007 and approximately 9.6% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Alto Avellaneda, Avellaneda, Greater Buenos Aires.* Alto Avellaneda is a 145-store shopping center that opened in October 1995 and is located in the densely populated neighborhood known as Avellaneda, on the southern border of Buenos Aires. Alto Avellaneda has a total constructed area of 97,655 square meters that includes 27,336 square meters of gross leasable area. Alto Avellaneda includes several anchor stores, a six-screen multiplex movie theatre, a Wal-Mart superstore, an entertainment area, a bowling alley, a 16-restaurant food court and an outdoor parking lot. Wal-Mart purchased the space it now occupies. Tenants in this shopping center generated average estimated monthly retail sales of approximately Ps.1,275 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Frávega, Rodo, Bingo, Garbarino and Compumundo. Alto Avellaneda s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 14.4% of its gross leasable area at June 30, 2007 and approximately 12.4% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date

*Paseo Alcorta, City of Buenos Aires.* Paseo Alcorta is a 113-store shopping center that opened in 1992 and is located in the residential neighborhood of Palermo Chico, one of the most exclusive areas in the City of Buenos Aires, within a short drive from downtown Buenos Aires. Paseo Alcorta has a total constructed area of approximately 54,728 square meters that consists of 14,403 square meters of gross leasable area. The three-level shopping center includes a four-screen multiplex movie theatre, a 17 restaurant food court, a Carrefour hypermarket, and a free parking lot with approximately 1,300 spaces. Carrefour purchased the space it now occupies but it pays a share of the expenses of the shopping center. Tenants in this shopping center generated average estimated monthly retail sales of approximately Ps.1,863 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Frávega, Musimundo, Kartun and Etiqueta Negra. Paseo Alcorta s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 17.3% of Paseo Alcorta s gross leasable area at June 30, 2007 and approximately 9.3% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Abasto Shopping, City of Buenos Aires.* Abasto Shopping is a 171-store shopping center located in the City Buenos Aires. Abasto Shopping is directly accessible by subway, railway and highway. Abasto Shopping opened in November 1998. The principal building is a landmark building which during the period 1889 to 1984 operated as the primary fresh produce market for the City of Buenos Aires. The property was converted into an 115,905 square meter shopping center, with approximately 39,683 square meters of gross leasable area. Abasto Shopping is located across from Torres de Abasto residential apartment development. The shopping center includes a food court with 24 restaurants covering an area of 5,600 square meters, a 12-screen multiplex movie theatre, entertainment facilities and the Museo de los Niños Abasto, a museum for children. Abasto Shopping is spread out over five levels and has a 1,200-car parking lot. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.1,205 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Hoyts Cinemas, Frávega, Hiper Rodo and Garbarino. Abasto Shopping Center s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 11.3% of the annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2007.

*Patio Bullrich, City of Buenos Aires.* Patio Bullrich is an 83-store shopping center located in Recoleta, a popular tourist zone in City of Buenos Aires a short distance from the Caesar Park, Four Seasons and Hyatt hotels. Patio Bullrich has a total constructed area of 28,211 square meters that consists of 10,978 square meters of gross leasable area. The four-story shopping center includes a 14 restaurant food court, an entertainment area, a six-screen multiplex movie theatre and a parking lot with 212 spaces. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.1,717 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Etiqueta Negra, Rapsodia, Christian Dior, Casa López and Rouge International. Patio Bullrich s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in the shopping center) accounted for approximately 14.9% of Patio Bullrich s gross leasable area at June 30, 2007, and approximately 9.4% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Alto Noa, Salta, Province of Salta.* Alto Noa is an 84 store shopping center located in the City of Salta, the capital of the Province of Salta. The shopping center consists of approximately 41,700 square meters of total constructed area that consists of 18,831 square meters of gross leasable area and includes a 13-restaurant food court, a large entertainment center, a supermarket, an eight-screen movie theatre and parking facilities for 551 cars. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.577 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Supermercado Norte, Frávega, Garbarino, YPF and Slots. Alto Noa s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 32.8% of Alto Noa s gross leasable area at June 30, 2007, and approximately 8.0% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Buenos Aires Design, City of Buenos Aires.* Buenos Aires Design is a 61-store shopping center intended for specialty interior, home decorating and restaurants that opened in 1993. Alto Palermo owns Buenos Aires Design through a 54% interest in Emprendimientos Recoleta, which owns the concession to operate the shopping center. Buenos Aires Design is located in Recoleta, one of the most popular tourist zones in Buenos Aires City. Buenos Aires Design has a total constructed area of 31,645 square meters that consists of 13,988 square meters of gross leasable area. The shopping center has 6 restaurants, is divided into two floors and has a 174-car parking lot. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.1,660 per square meter for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants currently include Morph, Barugel Azulay, Garbarino, Hard Rock Café and Prima Fila. Buenos Aires Design s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 29.5% of Buenos Aires Design s gross leasable area and 17.6% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Alto Rosario, Santa Fe, City of Rosario.* Alto Rosario is a shopping center of 146 stores, located in City of Rosario, Province of Santa Fe. It was inaugurated in November 2004 and has 105,809 square meters of fully covered surface, and 30,261 square meters of gross leasable area. This center is primarily devoted to clothing and entertainment and includes a food patio with 18 stores, a children s entertainment area, a 14-cinema complex and parking lot for almost 1,736 vehicles. Tenants in this shopping center generated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.563 per square meter, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Principal tenants are Frávega, Sport 78, McDonald s, Compumundo and Red Megatone. Alto Rosario s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 6.5% of Alto Rosario s gross leasable area and 6.9% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Mendoza Plaza, Mendoza, Province of Mendoza*. Mendoza Plaza is a 148-store shopping center located in the city of Mendoza in the Province of Mendoza. It consists of 39,392 square meters of gross leasable area. Mendoza Plaza has a multiplex movie theatre covering an area of approximately 3,659 square meters, the Chilean department store Falabella, a food court with 23 stores, an entertainment center and a supermarket which is also a tenant. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.715 per square meter for the fiscal year 2007. During the year 2005 a 68.8% interest in Mendoza Plaza was acquired to Pérez Cuesta, increasing up to 85.4%. Principal tenants currently include Falabella, Super Plaza Vea, Frávega, Garbarino and Red Megatone. Mendoza Plaza s five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 33.7% of Mendoza Plaza s gross leasable area at June 30, 2007, and approximately 22.3% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

*Córdoba Shopping, Villa Cabrera, Córdoba.* Córdoba Shopping is a 106 shops commercial center located in Villa Cabrera, Province of Córdoba. The Córdoba Shopping center has 11,056 square meters of gross locative area. The Córdoba Shopping has a movie theatre complex with 12 units and approximately 6,929 square meters, a food patio and an entertainment area. Tenants in this shopping center generated estimated average monthly sales of approximately Ps.115 per square meter for the fiscal year 2007. Principal lessees are New Sport, Musimundo, Dexter, McDonald s and Plenty.

*Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos, Córdoba, Province of Córdoba.* In November 2006 IRSA participated in a public bidding of the Corporación Inmobiliaria Córdoba S.A. for the sale of the building known as Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos, located in the City of Córdoba. The building has 5,147 square meters of surface area. Inside the building there is a part of the Patio Olmos shopping center, which operates four commercial plants and two underground parking lots. This shopping center also includes two neighbor buildings with cinemas and a commercial annex connected to the bidding sector and legally related through easement contracts. The building is under a concession contract, effective for a 40-year term expiring in February 2032, in which IRSA acts as grantor. Such contract establishes a monthly payment which is increased by Ps.2,513 every 47 months. As of December 31, 2007 the concession is in its 190<sup>th</sup> month with a monthly payment of Ps.12,565.

On November 20, 2006, IRSA was notified that the bid was awarded to it, and it paid the 30% of the offer bid in accordance with the terms and conditions established in the bid.

On January 15, 2007 IRSA was notified of two claims filed against it before the Antitrust Authority, one by a private individual and the other one by the licensee of the shopping center, both opposing this transaction. On February 1, 2007 IRSA responded the claims.

On June 26, 2007, IRSA advised that the Antitrust Authority initiated a summary proceeding to determine whether the completion of the transaction breaches the Antitrust Law. As of the date of this prospectus the result of this proceeding is yet to be determined.

On September 25, 2007, IRSA purchased the building known as Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos from the Corporación Inmobiliaria Córdoba S.A., pursuant to the terms and conditions of Bid No. 10/06 for the sale of the property located in the Province of Cordoba . The aggregate purchase price was Ps.32.5 million. As part of this transaction, the Province of Cordoba has also assigned its rights and obligations to IRSA under the concession contract. On January 24, 2008 the Antitrust Authority requested IRSA to submit additional information relating to the transaction.

*Panamerican Mall Project*. In December 2006 IRSA entered into a series of agreements for the construction, marketing and management of a new shopping center to be developed in the neighborhood of Saavedra, City of Buenos Aires, by Panamerican Mall S.A., a recently formed company in which IRSA s subsidiary Alto Palermo has an 80% shareholding. The project includes the construction of a shopping center, a hypermarket, a cinema complex and an office building and/or housing building. This is currently one of IRSA s most significant development projects. IRSA has started the construction of this shopping center and currently seeks to complete it during its fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

## **Credit Card Operations**

Through its 80% owned subsidiary Tarshop, IRSA is engaged in the credit card business through the issuance of its Tarjeta Shopping and Tarjeta Shopping Metroshop credit cards which have a strong presence in IRSA s shopping centers and nearby hypermarkets and street stores. In addition to increasing sales and traffic in IRSA s shopping centers, it also seeks to achieve a financial return by facilitating access to credit for an underbanked segment of the Argentine population.

IRSA targets all customers of its shopping centers as well as customers in nearby hypermarkets and street stores. IRSA attracts customers by offering a credit card which is easy to obtain and use and by promotions suited to the commercial needs of its tenants and that are also regarded by customers as more convenient than other

means of payment. One of the most important benefits granted to customers is the welcome discount which provides a 10% discount on all purchases made on the customer s first day. One of the most aggressive promotions includes offering up to a 20% discount at stores designated at random, and as a result, affording accessible prices to a wide range of customers. Many of Tarshop s customers also have access to the Banelco and Link ATM networks, allowing them to make cash withdrawals from any ATM in Argentina.

IRSA is currently considering strategic alternatives with respect to its investment in Tarshop which, due to its recent growth in size and profitability, competes increasingly with credit card companies that are substantially larger. As a result, IRSA is currently considering alternatives to maximize the value of its investment in Tarshop, including its possible merger with, or sale to, another entity engaged in the credit card industry.

## History of IRSA s Credit Card Business

The credit card business in Argentina started in the 1960s, but its growth was limited until companies such as Visa and Mastercard entered the Argentine market in the early 1980s. During this first stage, and as a consequence of an inflationary economy, the surcharges imposed by merchants for credit card sales were high, burdensome and curtailed the growth of the credit card business in Argentina. With the implementation of the Convertibility Plan in April 1991 the inflation was curbed, and the consumer financing market, in pesos as well as in dollars, rapidly developed.

The Tarjeta Shopping card was introduced in 1996 mainly to develop a private credit card that would be offered to customers of the Alto Avellaneda shopping center and accepted at all its stores, including the Wal-Mart Avellaneda superstore located next to Alto Avellaneda. In light of the initial success of the Tarjeta Shopping card in Alto Avellaneda, IRSA determined to use it, as its platform for expanding its credit card business to IRSA s other shopping centers.

In late 2004, IRSA introduced its Tarjeta Shopping Metroshop credit card through a 50.0% owned joint venture with Metronec S.A., a company which issues the Tarjeta Subtecard credit card. The Tarjeta Shopping Metroshop credit card has the same characteristics and benefits as IRSA s Tarjeta Shopping card as well as the Tarjeta Subtecard. The Tarjeta Shopping Metroshop credit card allows IRSA access to the users of the subway of the City of Buenos Aires and the General Urquiza Railway. Holders of the Tarjeta Shopping Metroshop credit card can pay credit card bills at Metroshop s branches, subway stations ticket counters and through other collection agents, and are entitled to participate in exclusive promotions and specially designed financing plans. This alliance allows IRSA to develop a consumer credit business using the captive customer base, experience and know how in the marketing of financial products in high-transit areas and its use in the more than Ps.30,000 participating stores, the best chains and the Banelco and Link ATM networks.

Metroshop currently has 11 branches distributed in the main stations of the A, B, C, and D and E subway lines in the City of Buenos Aires, one in the City of Mar del Plata and more than twenty outsourced participating points of sale located in the subway network of the City of Buenos Aires.

Since 2003, IRSA s credit card business has expanded its customer base and its area of influence, particularly in the south area of Buenos Aires and in other provinces. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2000, 2003, 2006 and 2007 the evolution of Tarshop s customers base was as follows:

		Street Stores and Other
Fiscal year ended June 30,	Shopping Centers	Non-Shopping Center Stores
2000	87.0%	13.0%
2003	56.0%	44.0%
2006	16.0%	84.0%
2007	13.9%	73.7%

IRSA s Tarjeta Shopping card has become one of the main credit cards in Alto Avellaneda shopping center with more than 33% of the credit card sales made, and in Abasto de Buenos Aires with a share exceeding 15%. In addition, IRSA has increased its Tarshop customer base to almost 600,000 accounts by the end of 2006, with an activation of more than 70%, sales of almost \$1 billion in the year and more than 30,000 participating stores.

On September 25, 2007, IRSA formed a new company, Financel Communications S.A. (Financel), with its partner Prisma Investments S.A. with ownership of 80% and 20%, respectively. Financel s purpose is to create innovative solutions for collections and payments of purchases and services in Argentina through the use of mobile telephony. Financel, together with CTI Móvil and Tarshop, have set-up Compra Móvil, the first shopping system for mobile telephones in Argentina which we believe will allow CTI customers to expand their options in an easy and secure way, for payments of consumer purchasers, through the use of their mobile telephones.

The table below sets forth information with respect to the growth of IRSA s credit card business during the periods shown:

	Fiscal year end 2005 (in million	2006
Revenues:		
Interest income	14.8	29.9
Merchants commissions	14.5	22.7
Other fees and commissions	0.0	0.1
Compensatory, punitive and other interest	3.1	5.9
Account maintenance expenses	12.7	22.2
Expenses for life and disability insurance	19.4	41.6
Income from Metroshop	0.1	0.4
Other services	0.0	0.1
Credit cards reissued	0.0	0.1
Total	64.6	123.0
Credit card receivables <sup>(1)</sup>	209.2	384.6
Credit cards issued	0.4	0.5
Branches <sup>(2)</sup>	19	20
Participating stores <sup>(2)</sup>	21,500	25,900

(1) Including the securitized portion.

(2) In constant Ps.

The table below sets forth information with respect to the growth of IRSA s credit card business during fiscal year 2007, considering the last classification of revenues in Tarshop s financial statements:

	Fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 (in millions of Ps. except for branches and participating stores)
Revenues	
Merchants commissions	38.2
Income for services	74.2
Interest income	63.8
Other fees and commissions	2.6
Credit card reissued	1.5
Account maintenance expenses	32.0
Income from Metroshop	0.7
Total	213.0

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Credit card receivables <sup>(1)</sup>	723.6
Credit cards issued	0.7
Branches <sup>(2)</sup>	23
Participating stores <sup>(2)</sup>	38,200

<sup>(1)</sup> Including the securitized portion.

(2) In units.

#### **Distribution** Network

Today, Tarshop has 22 branches, including in IRSA s Alto Avellaneda, Alto Palermo, Abasto and Paseo Alcorta shopping centers, as well as street offices such as the ones located in the Avellaneda District in the downtown area of Buenos Aires, and in the districts of Lomas de Zamora, Morón and Quilmes, among others. This growth has been accompanied by the significant expansion throughout the rest of the country by the opening of branches in the provinces of Córdoba, Tucumán, Salta and Jujuy. In addition, IRSA has stands for promotion, opening of accounts and distribution of cards at the Wal-Mart Avellaneda superstore and the Coto supermarkets located in the districts of Lanús, Sarandí and Temperley. IRSA has also entered into strategic alliances at the point of sale of certain important household appliance and motorcycle stores where it is possible to obtain instant credit through the so-called First Transaction scheme where no card is needed for the first purchase.

Each branch is organized as an autonomous and independent business unit that handles the resources necessary to achieve its business goals, such as invoicing and number of accounts opened. In addition, Tarshop has its own ATM structure for payment of bills and extension of automatic cash loans to customers in its branches, applying facilities and procedures for the management and movement of cash comparable to those used by bank branches.

#### Credit Risk Management

#### Credit Approval Process

Applications for issue of credit cards submitted are subjected to an evaluation process that involves several controls. First, the applicant s identity is verified and its credit information is obtained from credit bureau agencies. Based on the information filed by the applicant and the credit bureau data collected, in the absence of any negative background, the applicant is given a card with a provisional limit set according to its score level. Simultaneously, the data provided by the applicant himself are verified directly and by cross-checking by means of inquiries to credit data basis and governmental agencies, and if necessary, telephone verifications and validations are made at the relevant domicile.

#### Credit Limits

The credit limit assigned to each card applicant is determined on the basis of the family income and other requirements established by Tarshop based on its experience up to a maximum of Ps.20,000. The credit limit is the maximum amount of unmatured installment payments available to the client and its additional cardholders to make purchases, services and cash advances, after having analyzed the client s indebtedness to other financial institutions.

Applications to increase the credit limits are evaluated on the basis of the applicant s seniority and payment behavior and financial condition vis-à-vis other financial institutions. In addition, Tarshop from time to time reviews the card s limit based on the card holder s payment behavior.

#### Payment Plans

Tarshop handles a single billing cycle that matures on the 25th day of each month. The bill contemplates a grace period for non-interest accruing payments that expires on the 9th day of the following month, and a second due date subject to delayed payment charges on the 20th day of the following month. Bills are payable at any Tarshop office and in IRSA s major collection facilities.

Accounts with unpaid bills as of the 20th day of each month fall in arrears, and are blocked until payment is effected. During the first 30 days of arrears, the client receives automatic and manual calls and letters of reminder. As from the 31st day of arrears, telephone collection officers arrange an interview with the delinquent client at the branches, so as to continue collection activities in person.

## Credit Monitoring and Collection Procedures

Delinquent collection management proceedings start with a reminder call sent to clients who have failed to pay on the first due date, by using an automatic call system. Approximately 40 to 120 days after the due date, the actions involve a combination of telephone calls, interviews with collection officers at the Tarshop s branches and home visits, aimed at obtaining a disexpense of the debt or a payment rescheduling, accompanied by the execution of a debt acknowledgment instrument by the client. Finally, accounts with arrears of more than 120 days are transferred to the attorneys for the filing of legal actions, unless there is evidence of the debtor s insolvency.

Tarshop s collection procedures are similar to those established in the trust, see Funding and Securitization Activities below.

As concerns loan loss provisions, the policies IRSA applies are similar to those established by the Central Bank. IRSA makes provisions in relation to the credit portfolio category based on the following:

Performing	Provision
Past due:	
0-30 days	1.0%
31-89 days	5.0%
90-180 days	25.0%
181-365 days	50.0%

The table below sets forth information with respect to the credit card receivables (including the securitized portion):

	20	As of June 30, 2005 2006			2007	
	Ps.	%	Ps.	%	Ps.	%
Portfolio Status						
Performing <sup>(1)</sup>	264.1	90.5	338.6	88.2	627.4	86.7
Past due:						
31-89 days	8.1	2.8	13.3	3.5	26.2	3.6
90-180 days	10.2	3.5	16.8	4.4	37.8	5.2
181-365 days	9.4	3.2	15.0	3.9	32.2	4.5
Total	291.8	100.0	383.7	100.0	723.6	100.0
Over 365 days and legal proceedings <sup>(2)</sup>	30.9		35.5		55.0	
Loan loss allowance as % of past due loans		37.8		29.5		20.3
Loan loss allowance as % of all loans		3.5		3.5		2.7

(1) Performing loans not past due more than 30 days.

(2) These claims are subject to a 100% loan loss allowance.

## Funding and Securitization Activities

Tarshop s main liquidity needs and capital resources include: payment of sales made by retail stores, working capital needs, investment in new technology, the opening and improvement of branches and holding of

cash to take advantage of opportunities that may arise. Tarshop has significantly expanded its business by securitizing its credit card receivables pursuant to the Tarjeta Shopping Trust Program. By resorting to this innovative financial engineering mechanism, Tarshop has led one of the largest issues in the market and successfully placed 29 series for more than Ps.1,250 million, and was assigned the highest rating by Standard & Poor s.

Throughout its history, Tarshop has incurred liabilities mainly in local currency and to a lesser extent in foreign currency, and leveraged twice the coverage for its commitments incurred in foreign currency.

#### Receivables Portfolio Securitization

Tarshop has its own Ps.450 million Trust Security Program. An application was filed with the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* to obtain authorization for extending this amount to Ps.900 million in order to accompany the expected growth of its business.

To date, 29 series have been issued aggregating Ps.1,265 million in bonds and certificates of participation. In 2006, 9 series were issued for Ps.348 million, and in 2005 8 series were issued for Ps.210 million. Total terms under each issue range from 20 to 30 months. The applicable nominal interest rates for Class A and B Bonds are approximately 13% and 15%, respectively. The interest accrued on both Bonds is subject to a floor and ceiling rates. Class A Bonds in both the revolving and non-revolving structures have an AAA rating granted by S&P.

#### Liquidity Policies

Tarshop s policy is to maintain cash and bank account balances for an average of approximately \$1.5 million, and to invest any excess in interest-accruing accounts and in mutual investment funds redeemable upon request within 48 or 24 hours. All balances and reserves are denominated in local currency.

#### Technology

Information systems are an essential element for credit card companies, as the processing of a large number of transactions in constant expansion is required. This has prompted Tarshop to procure state-of-the art technology, and for this reason the current data and transaction processing systems maintain all branches linked through its local intranet, allowing expediency and confidentiality in the handling and transmission of data. In addition, its administrative headquarters are capable of being connected via PosNetworks to the participating stores, ensuring the possibility of adding stores and carrying out transactions around the clock.

The expansion of the call center and IRSA s credit department required a significant investment in technology and communications, resulting in an aggressive growth in the number of transactions and inquiries attended and increase in processing speed. The Area has four sectors: Systems Development, Technology, New Projects and Server Management and IT Security. Tarshop operates with proprietary information systems, developed and suited to the Company s business. Its main systems are developed in 4GL language with Informix DS Data Base Engine, currently, migrating to a new context developed under .net under Oracle DFG Data Base. The main systems platform is composed of SUN Spark servers, with Solaris 10 operating system.

All business processes, from origination to account opening, issue of plastics, transaction validation, loan management, customer management, generation and printing of bills, payments, collections, delinquency management and processing, are supported by these system.

The systems allow the on-line capturing and validation of purchases, receiving transactions through Posnet, LaPos (Visa), and direct communication with the major Shopping Center, Hypermarket and Department Store chains, and cash withdrawal transactions through Banelco and Link ATMs.

Tarshop s equipment and IT systems are comparable to those used by large-scale credit card companies, which will allow it to respect its current cost structure while still maintaining the speed in the growth of accounts and portfolio it has been showing so far.

## Summary Balance Sheet and Other Data

The following table sets forth certain balance sheet and other data for Tarshop as of the dates indicated:

	2005	As of June 30, 2006	2007
Balance Sheet Data	(in millions	s of Ps., except p	ercentage)
Current assets:			
Cash and banks	5.74	4.65	8.83
Investments	10.76	10.79	35.29
Accounts receivable	20.09	46.06	67.72
Other receivables	6.62	6.66	16.16
Total current assets	43.21	68.16	128.00
Non-current assets:			
Other receivables	2.11	7.43	24.31
Property, plant and equipment	2.88	4.88	9.68
Investments	19.26	39.81	55.68
Accounts receivable	6.93	19.74	40.58
Intangible Assets net	0.04	0.03	0.02
Other assets	0.00	0.03	0.01
Total non-current assets	31.22	71.92	130.28
Total assets	74.43	140.08	258.28
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	39.69	87.68	156.90
Customer advances	1.31	2.20	4.40
Short-term debt	3.11	5.83	12.28
Related parties	8.38	6.77	3.19
Salaries and social security payable	2.21	2.15	5.02
Taxes payable	5.44	6.44	21.78
Other liabilities	0.00	0.07	0.73
Total current liabilities	60.14	111.14	204.30
Non-current liabilities:			
Long-term debt	0.00	0.00	5.60
Other liabilities	0.00	0.10	0.53
Total non-current liabilities	0.00	0.10	6.13
Total liabilities	60.14	111.24	210.43
Shareholders equity	14.29	28.84	47.85
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	74.43	140.08	258.28
Other Financial Data			
Return on assets	10.0%	10.4%	7.4%
Return on shareholders equity	107.7%	101.8%	65.9%
Net interest margin	62.08%	62.84%	64.72%
Non-performing loans as a percentage of total loans	26.65%	25.20%	24.48%
Reserve for loan losses as a percentage of total loans	26.37%	16.80%	15.17%
Reserve for loan losses as a percentage of non-performing loans	98.98%	66.65%	61.98%

#### **Development and Sale of Properties**

The acquisition and development of residential apartment complexes and residential communities for sale is one of IRSA s core activities. IRSA s development of residential apartment complexes consists of the new construction of high-rise towers or the conversion and renovation of existing structures such as factories and warehouses. In connection with IRSA s development of residential communities, IRSA frequently acquires vacant land, develop infrastructure such as roads, utilities and common areas, and sell parcels of land` for construction of single-family homes. IRSA may also develop or sell portions of land for others to develop complementary facilities such as shopping areas within residential developments.

In IRSA s fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, revenues from IRSA s Sales and Development segment were Ps.75.8 million, compared to Ps.104.0 million in fiscal year 2006. The local currency remained stable throughout the 2007 fiscal year; the real estate market was promoted by the increase in the demand for all types of properties, whether office buildings, housings, retail premises or other. Likewise, the current framework provides incentives for the development of projects linked to IRSA s real estate activity. Therefore, during the 2008 fiscal year IRSA expects to complete the projects under development, as well as to analyze new undertakings.

Construction and renovation works on IRSA s residential development properties is currently performed, under IRSA s supervision, by independent Argentine construction companies that are selected through a bidding process. IRSA enters into turnkey contracts with the selected company for the construction of residential development properties pursuant to which the selected company agrees to build and deliver the development for a fixed price and at a fixed date. IRSA is generally not responsible for any additional costs based upon the turnkey contract. All other aspects of the construction including architectural design are performed by third parties.

Another modality for the development of residential undertakings is the exchange of land for constructed square meters. In this way, IRSA delivers undeveloped pieces of land and another firm is in charge of building the project. Eventually, IRSA receives finished square meters for commercialization, without taking part in the construction works.

On August 14, 2007, IRSA signed an agreement with Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. Empreendimentos e Participações (Cyrela) pursuant to which IRSA and Cyrela propose to develop residential projects in Argentina targeted to various market segments. IRSA and Cyrela formed a new company, Cyrsa S.A., to carry out the proposed development projects, and have each agreed to make an initial investment of US\$30 million in such company. Cyrela is a public company in Brazil and is one of the largest developers of residential real estate in the cities of Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. We and IRSA have a long-standing commercial relationship with Cyrela as reflected by IRSA substantial investment in Brazil Realty S.A. from 1994 to 2002 and our recent investment in BrasilAgro, a company focused on agricultural opportunities in Brazil that was founded by, among others, us and another company owned by Mr. Elie Horn, Cyrela s controlling shareholder and current chief executive officer. Cyrsa is currently developing a parcel of land in Vicente López, province of Buenos Aires.

The following table shows certain information and gives an overview regarding IRSA s sales and development properties as of December 31 and June 30, 2007:

	Date of acquisition	Estimated Cost/Real Cost (Ps. thousand) <sup>(1)</sup>	Area intended for sale (sqm) <sup>(2)</sup>	Total Units or Lots <sup>(3)</sup>	IRSA s Effective Interest	Percentage constructed	Percentage sold <sup>(4)</sup>	Accumulated Sales (Ps. thousand) <sup>(5)</sup>	y Decer	lles for tl ear ende nber 31, . thousai	d 2007
<u>Apartment</u>			•								
	07/18/96	56,579	32,339	490	100.00%	100.00%	99.8%	70,081	16		
asto (8)	07/17/94	74,810	35,630	545	62.36%	100.00%	100.0%	109,561	295		
iceros	07/22/03	5,740	3,633	40	100.00%	100.00%	91.4%	18,414		3,262	
	03/2003	12,171	2,891	20	100.00%	100.00%	93.3%	10,267	855		
	12/20/96	15,069	6,913	70	100.00%	100.00%	98.9%	11,675	49		
Park (9)	11/18/97	35,956	10,488	72	100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	47,920			63
to Mz 36 (15)	11/03/97	22,815	6,833	118	100.00%	15.00%	0.0%				
r (15)	09/09/99	22,861	5,383	28	100.00%	92.00%	76.4%				
r II (15)	11/03/97	41,808	6,294	37	100.00%	N/A	100.0%	41,808	41,808		
sario											
	07/2002	144	90		100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	112			
					0.00%	0.00%	0.0%				
5		31,101	18,061		100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	36,110			
ntial Apartments (10)		31,245	18,151	163	100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	36,222			
idential Apartments		319,055	128,554	1,583				345,948	43,023	3,262	63
Communities											
inos (11)	01/03/95	130,955	1,408,905	1,273	100.00%	100.00%	95.9%	220,151	1,756	1,121	2,823
5)	11/18/97	20,544	989,423	110		97.00%	100.0%	11,830	1,750	1,121	2,023
I, II y III	05/26/92	4,742	75,970	219	100.00%	100.00%	98.9%	13,952			
IV y V	12/17/97	2,450	58,373	181	100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	9,505			
ntial Communities	12/1///	2,100	50,575	101	N/A	N/A	N/A	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			
idential Communities		158,691	2,532,671	1,783				255,438	1 756	1 1 2 1	2 823
nuclitial Communities		150,071	2,552,071	1,705				200,400	1,750	1,121	2,023
<u>ves</u>	05/10/07		92.051		50.000	0.000	0.00				
(9)	05/18/97		82,051		50.00%	0.00%	0.0%	22.915			
	11/03/97		20,968		100.00%	0.00%	40.1%	22,815			
del Plata	07/10/97		675,952		90.00%	0.00%	10.0%	31,000			
1)	12/16/96		1,299,630		100.00%	0.00%	0.0%	100	21	50	
al Crespo	07/27/05		4,320,000		55.93%	0.00%	0.0%	198	21	59	22.096
orta	07/07/98		1,925		67.67%	0.00%	100.0%	22,969			22,986
aala	01/16/07		29,564		100.00%	0.00%	0.0%	2,429	2.420		
rio			40,495		67.67%	0.00%	19.8%	3,428	3,428		
leserves (12)			14,328,096		90.09%	0.00%	1.8%	00.410	2 4 40	50	22.096
nd Reserves			20,798,681					80,410	3,449	59	22,986
				-							
	08/20/92	705	3,750		100.00%	100.00%	100.0%	11,745			1,833
	12/21/95	16,008	5,056			100.00%	100.0%	16,471			
	09/09/99	25,836	10,474			0.00%	100.0%	106,421	14,783		
		23,871	11,352		100.00%	80.00%	88.2%	30,310		105	1
ier		66,420	30,632	73				164,947	14,78	26,311	1,834
		544,166	23,490,538	3,439				846,743	63,011	30,753	27,706

Notes:

- (1) Cost of acquisition plus total investment made and/or planned if the project has not been completed, adjusted for inflation through February 28, 2003.
- (2) Total area devoted to sales upon completion of the development or acquisition and before the sale of any of the units (including parking and storage spaces though not including common areas). In the case of Land Reserves the land area was considered.
- (3) Represents the total units or plots upon completion of the development or acquisition (excluding parking and storage spaces).
- (4) The percentage sold is calculated dividing the square meters sold by the total saleable square meters.
- (5) Includes only the cumulative sales consolidated by the RT21 method adjusted for inflation through February 28, 2003.
- (6) Corresponds to the company s total sales consolidated by the RT4 method adjusted for inflation through February 28, 2003. Excludes turnover tax deduction.
- (7) Cost of acquisition plus improvements, plus capitalized interest of consolidated properties in portfolio as of December 31, 2007, adjusted for inflation through February 28, 2003.
- (8) Through Alto Palermo.
- (9) Through Investsora Bolivar S.A.
- (10) Includes the following properties: Dorrego 1916 through IRSA, Yerbal 855 and Arcos 2343 through Baldovinos (fully sold)
- (11) Directly through IRSA and indirectly through IBSA. Includes sales of shares in Abril.
- (12) Includes the following land reserves: Torre Jardín IV, Padilla 902 and Terreno Pilar (IRSA), Pontevedra, Mariano Acosta, Merlo, Islaa Sirgadero, San Luis, Intercontinental Plaza II (through IBSA), Caballito and the Coto Project (through Alto Palermo).
- (13) Includes the following properties: Puerto Madero Dock 13 and Dique II, Sarmiento 517, Income from Termination, Alto Palermo s Real Properties Sales, and Rivadavia 2768 (fully sold through IRSA).
- (14) Corresponds to the Sales and Developments business unit mentioned in Note 4 to IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2007.
- (15) Corresponds to swap receivables disclosed as Inventories in IRSA s consolidated financial statements as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2007.

					IRSA s				Sales for the	
	Date of acquisition	Estimated Cost/Real Cost (Ps. thousand) <sup>(1)</sup>	Area intended for sale (sqm) <sup>(2)</sup>	Total Units or Lots <sup>(3)</sup>	Effective Interest	Percentage constructed	Percentage sold <sup>(4)</sup>	Accumulated Sales (Ps. thousand) <sup>(5)</sup>	year ended June, 30, 2007 (Ps. thousand)	Book Value 2007 (Ps. thousand)
<u>Residential</u> <u>Apartment</u>			-							
Torres Jardín	07/18/96	56,579	32,339	490	100.00%	100.00%	97.40%	70,049	21	472
Torres de Abasto <sup>(8)</sup>	07/17/94	74,810	35,630	545	62.36%	100.00%	100.00%	109,266	21	622
Edificios Cruceros	07/22/03	5,740	3,633	40	100.00%	100.00%	91.40%	18,414 8	3,383 10,031	487
Barrio Chico	03/2003	12,171	2,891	20	100.00%	100.00%	85.20%			