

GRUPO HERDEZ REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2012 RESULTS

Highlights from the quarter:

- Net sales rose 16.1% with healthy performance across all markets.
- Operating income and EBITDA nearly unchanged despite higher inputs costs and a weaker peso.
- Net majority income was Ps. 196 million, up 6.0%.

Mexico City, Mexico, July 26, 2012 – Grupo Herdez, S.A.B. de C.V. (“Grupo Herdez” or the “Company”) (BMV: HERDEZ), today announced its results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2012.¹

“We see continued sequential improvement in the consumption environment as evidenced by healthy volume growth in our operations. Although risks remain, we are optimistic about the trend in our performance for the remainder of the year,” said Héctor Hernández-Pons Torres, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

It should be noted that the Company has begun reporting its results under International Financial Reporting Standards as of January 1, 2012, with figures for the previous period restated accordingly.

Net Sales

Net sales in the second quarter totaled Ps. 2,665 million, an increase of 16.1% over the 2011 figure, reflecting solid growth across all markets. Sales in the first half of the year rose 17.6% to Ps. 5,213 million.

Net Sales	2Q12	2Q11	% Change	6M12	6M11	% Change
Consolidated	2,665	2,296	16.1	5,213	4,432	17.6
Domestic	2,084	1,950	6.9	4,104	3,753	9.3
International	581	347	67.5	1,110	679	63.4

Figures in millions of pesos

¹ All financial information contained in this document is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), with prior year periods restated accordingly. All figures are expressed in nominal Mexican pesos unless otherwise stated.

In Mexico, net sales rose 6.9% in the quarter to Ps. 2,084 million, despite the high basis of comparison due to the benefit of Holy Week falling in the second quarter of last year. Growth mainly reflected pricing actions implemented over the past 12 months, along with notable volume performance in condiments and sauces, tuna, vegetables and tea. On a cumulative basis, net sales in Mexico rose 9.3% to Ps. 4,104 million, signifying a continued recovery since the end of 2011.

In the United States, net sales rose 67.5% over the year ago quarter to Ps. 581 million. In the first half of 2012, net sales totaled Ps. 1,110 million, 63.4% higher than in 2011. These figures reflect the incorporation of Fresherized Foods and organic growth in foundational and mainstream categories. Sales performance also reflected the 15.6% and 11.5% devaluation of the Mexican peso in the quarter and the first six months of the year, respectively, compared to 2011.

Costs and Expenses

The cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales in the quarter rose 2.9 percentage points from the 2011 figure, to 64.9%. On a cumulative basis, cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales increased 2.0 percentage points to 64.5%. These increases are explained by: i) the expected increase in input costs, particularly soybean oil; ii) the effect of a weaker Mexican peso on dollar-denominated inputs; and iii) non-recurring expenses related to strategic reengineering of certain supply chain processes and IT investments to improve execution going forward, which started in the first quarter of this year.

On the operating side, sales, general and administrative expenses as a proportion of net sales declined 0.4 percentage points over the year ago quarter, to 20.5%. Solid sales performance more than offset the impact of extraordinary expenses allocated to reengineering and IT projects in the finance, human resources and commercial areas, also aimed at improving execution going forward. On a cumulative basis, operating expenses increased 0.5 percentage points to 21.3% of net sales.

It should be noted that the majority of the extraordinary costs and expenses related to the aforementioned reengineering processes and IT were incurred in the first half of 2012 and will not alter budget forecasts for the year.

Operating Income

Operating income in the second quarter of the year was Ps. 386 million, virtually unchanged from the same period of last year, while the margin decreased 2.4 percentage points to 14.5%. For the first six months of 2012, operating income totaled Ps. 733 million, unchanged from the same period of 2011, while the margin contracted 2.5 percentage points to 14.1%. In both cases this is primarily the result of the aforementioned gross margin pressure.

Operating Income	2Q12	2Q11	% Change	6M12	6M11	% Change
Consolidated	386	389	(0.7)	733	737	(0.6)
Domestic	313	345	(9.2)	587	655	(10.4)
International	73	45	61.0	146	82	78.0

Figures in millions of pesos

Operating Margin (%)	2Q12	2Q11	pp Chg	6M12	6M11	pp Chg
Consolidated	14.5	16.9	(2.4)	14.1	16.6	(2.5)
Domestic	15.0	17.7	(2.7)	14.3	17.5	(3.2)
International	12.5	13.0	(0.5)	13.2	12.1	1.1

Comprehensive Result of Financing

The Company registered a Ps. 9 million cost in the quarter, compared to Ps. 25 million recorded in the same period of last year, as a result of non-cash FX gains that offset net interest expense.

Net Majority Income

Net majority income in the second quarter and first half totaled Ps. 196 million and Ps. 352 million, respectively, rising 5.4% and 1.9% from the year ago period. The margin declined 0.8 percentage points in the quarter to 7.3% as performance at the operating level was somewhat offset by lower financing and a normalized effective tax rate during the period. Similarly, the cumulative net margin fell 1.0 percentage point to 6.8%.

Net Majority Income	2Q12	2Q11	% Change	6M12	6M11	% Change
Consolidated Net Income	260	262	(0.8)	474	484	(2.1)
Minority Interest	64	76	(15.8)	122	138	(12.2)
Net Majority Income	196	186	5.4	352	346	1.9
Net Majority Margin (%)	7.3	8.1	(0.8) pp	6.8	7.8	(1.0) pp

Figures in millions of pesos

EBITDA (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization)

EBITDA in the quarter totaled Ps. 433 million, a 3.1% increase over the same period of last year, while the margin declined 2.1 percentage points to 16.2%. Similarly, EBITDA in the first half of the year rose 3.0% to Ps. 829 million, while the margin contracted 2.3 percentage points to 15.9%.

EBITDA	2Q12	2Q11	% Change	6M12	6M11	% Change
Consolidated	433	420	3.1	829	805	3.0
Domestic	343	367	(6.6)	649	707	(8.3)
International	90	53	70.2	180	98	84.6

Figures in millions of pesos

EBITDA Margin (%)	2Q12	2Q11	pp Chg	6M12	6M11	pp Chg
Consolidated	16.2	18.3	(2.1)	15.9	18.2	(2.3)
Domestic	16.5	18.8	(2.3)	15.8	18.9	(3.1)
International	15.5	15.2	0.3	16.3	14.4	1.9

Capital Expenditures

Net capex in the second quarter totaled Ps. 88 million, mainly allocated to the ongoing transfer of McCormick's marmalade capacity from the Mexico City plant to San Luis Potosi, and to ongoing construction of the new mayonnaise plant in the State of Mexico.

Financial Structure

As of June 30, 2012 the Company's cash position was Ps. 1,033 million, 16.0% higher than in the first quarter of the year, despite the cash dividend payment made during the quarter. Consolidated debt¹ totaled Ps. 2,212 million, a slight increase on a sequential basis reflecting the revaluation of the US dollar denominated debt. As a result, consolidated net debt totaled Ps. 1,179 million, 9.2% lower than at the end of the first quarter of 2012.

Leverage ratios remain healthy, with net debt to consolidated stockholders' equity at 0.25 times compared to 0.28 times registered in March 2012.

Adoption of IFRS

The Company has begun reporting its results under International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as of January 1, 2012, with figures for the previous period restated accordingly.

The only impact to the P&L is the reclassification of profit sharing expenses above the operating line, to each line item, whereas previously they were aggregated as one item ("other expenses"), below the operating line.

Balance Sheet

The combined impact of IFRS adoption on the various line items was recognized as of January 1, 2012 as a deduction against stockholders' equity. The main accounting changes were:

- Fixed assets – an adjustment in the value of certain assets to its reasonable value as of the date of transition
- Intangible assets - an adjustment in the value of some non-core brands
- Employee benefits – an increase related to the recognition of actuarial values as of the date of adoption

The aggregated impact to the balance sheet resulting from IFRS adoption is considered immaterial as it represents only 1.1% of the Company's consolidated stockholders' equity.

¹ Consolidated debt excludes loans from holding companies to its associates.

2Q12 Earnings Conference Call Information

Date: Friday, July 27, 2012

Time: 12:00 pm ET / 11:00 am CT

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About Grupo Herdez

Grupo Herdez is a leading producer of shelf-stable foods and beverages in Mexico, and a leader in the Mexican food category in the United States. The Company is engaged in the production, distribution and sale of a broad range of categories including *burritos*, catsup, coffee, guacamole, homemade salsas, honey, marmalade, mayonnaise, mole, mustard, pasta, spices, *taquitos*, tea, tomato puree, tuna and vegetables, among others. These products are sold through an exceptional portfolio of brands, including Aires de Campo, Barilla, Chi-Chi's, Del Fuerte, Don Miguel, Doña María, Embasa, Herdez, La Victoria, McCormick, Wholly Guacamole and Yemina. Grupo Herdez has 13 plants, 8 distribution centers, 7 tuna vessels and more than 6,000 employees.

INCOME STATEMENT	Second Quarter					As of June 30				
	2012	%	2011	%	% Chg	2012	%	2011	%	% Chg
Net Sales	2,665	100.0	2,296	100.0	16.1	5,213	100.0	4,432	100.0	17.6
Cost of Goods Sold	1,729	64.9	1,424	62.0	21.4	3,365	64.5	2,763	62.3	21.8
Gross Profit	936	35.1	872	38.0	7.3	1,848	35.5	1,669	37.7	10.8
Operating Expenses	547	20.5	481	20.9	13.8	1,111	21.3	922	20.8	20.5
Income Before Other Expenses (Income)	390	14.6	392	17.1	(0.6)	737	14.1	747	16.8	(1.3)
Other Expenses (Income)	4	0.1	3	0.1	14.0	4	0.1	9	0.2	(55.7)
Operating Income	386	14.5	389	16.9	(0.7)	733	14.1	737	16.6	(0.6)
Comprehensive Financing Result	9	0.3	25	1.1	(62.9)	64	1.2	55	1.2	15.6
Income From Unconsolidated Affiliates	5	0.2	7	0.3	(36.6)	16	0.3	15	0.3	2.2
Income Before Income Taxes	381	14.3	371	16.2	2.8	685	13.1	698	15.7	(1.8)
Income Tax Provision	121	4.6	108	4.7	12.6	211	4.1	212	4.8	(0.2)
Income Before Discontinued Operations	260	9.8	263	11.5	(1.3)	474	9.1	486	11.0	(2.5)
Discontinued Operations	0	0.0	1	0.1	(100.0)	0	0.0	2	0.0	(100.0)
Consolidated Net income	260	9.8	262	11.4	(0.8)	474	9.1	484	10.9	(2.1)
Minority Interest	64	2.4	76	3.3	(15.8)	122	2.3	138	3.1	(12.2)
Net Majority Income	196	7.3	186	8.1	5.4	352	6.8	346	7.8	1.9
EBITDA	433	16.2	420	18.3	3.1	829	15.9	805	18.2	3.0

Figures expressed in millions of Mexican pesos

NC: Not comparable

BALANCE SHEET	2012	%	2011	%	Change	
					\$	%
TOTAL ASSETS	9,209	100.0	7,305	100.0	1,904	26.1
Current Assets	4,846	52.6	3,957	54.2	888	22.4
Cash and Equivalents	1,033	11.2	1,106	15.1	-73	(6.6)
Accounts Receivable	881	9.6	703	9.6	178	25.3
Other Accounts Receivable	1,500	16.3	1,051	14.4	449	42.7
Inventories	1,304	14.2	1,005	13.8	299	29.7
Other Current Assets	129	1.4	93	1.3	35	38.0
Property, Plant and Equipment, Net	2,245	24.4	1,798	24.6	447	24.8
Investment In Subsidiaries	97	1.1	100	1.4	-3	(2.6)
Intangible Assets	2,012	21.9	1,435	19.6	578	40.3
Other Assets	9	0.1	15	0.2	-6	(41.3)
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,410	47.9	3,142	43.0	1,268	40.4
Current Liabilities	1,146	12.4	773	10.6	373	48.3
Accounts Payable	801	8.7	538	7.4	263	48.9
Short-Term Debt	2	0.0	4	0.1	-2	(50.0)
Other Short-Term Liabilities	344	3.7	231	3.2	112	48.6
Long-Term Liabilities	3,263	35.4	2,369	32.4	895	37.8
Long-Term Debt	2,210	24.0	1,794	24.6	416	23.2
Other Liabilities	553	6.0	293	4.0	260	88.5
Other Long-Term Liabilities w/o Cost	500	5.4	281	3.9	219	77.8
Minority Stockholder's Equity	1,043	11.3	907	12.4	136	15.0
Majority Stockholder's Equity	3,756	40.8	3,256	44.6	500	15.4
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	4,799	52.1	4,163	57.0	636	15.3

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