

## OAO Raspadskaya reports preliminary operating results for 1H 2008

**Moscow, 11 July 2008.** OAO Raspadskaya, one of the Russia's leading coking coal producers, has announced today its preliminary operating results for the six months ended 30 June 2008:

		1H 2008	1H 2007	± % 1H08 / 1H07	± % 1H08 / 2H07	2H 2007
<b>Total raw coal production</b>	' 000 t	<b>5 081</b>	<b>6 609</b>	<b>-23%</b>	<b>-27%</b>	<b>6 942</b>
<b>Sales</b>						
Concentrate - Domestic	' 000 t	2 884	2 731	6%	-13%	3 296
Concentrate - Export	' 000 t	1 159	1 559	-26%	-4%	1 209
<b>Total sales of concentrate</b>	' 000 t	<b>4 043</b>	<b>4 290</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>4 505</b>
Raw coal - Domestic	' 000 t	243	811	-70%	-76%	1 024
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<b>Weighted-average prices*</b>						
Concentrate - Domestic	US\$ / t	144.5	68.0	112%	73%	83.3
Concentrate - Export	US\$ / t	132.3	59.5	122%	69%	78.4
<b>Weighted-average price of concentrate</b>	<b>US\$ / t</b>	<b>141.0</b>	<b>64.9</b>	<b>117%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>82.0</b>
Raw coal - Domestic	US\$ / t	80.7	34.9	131%	69%	47.7
<b>Weighted-average price of raw coal</b>	<b>US\$ / t</b>	<b>80.7</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>131%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>47.7</b>

\* FCA Mezhdurechensk

The production output has decreased by 23% as compared to the six months ended 30 June 2007. The main cause of the decrease was an increase in the terms of work on planned re-positioning of mechanised mining equipment and the necessary tunnelling work to prepare new faces because of the infringement of equipment delivery terms by a supplier. Beginning 3Q 2008, during completing the necessary tunneling work, the Company expects an increase in the volume of coal production and an achievement of the planned indicators for the 2nd half of 2008.

The sales share of raw coal has decreased in line with our strategy on priority of coal concentrate sales. The sales volume of coal concentrate has decreased by 6%, whereas our domestic sales volume has increased by 6%.

The weighted average sales price has been 3,376 rubles (about US\$141) on FCA Mezhdurechensk basis per 1 tonne of coal concentrate. For the 2nd half of 2008 the weighted average sales price within the frames of long-term and middle-term contracts is about US\$220 on FCA Mezhdurechensk basis per 1 tonne of coal concentrate.

Gennady Kozovoy, Raspadskaya's CEO, commented:

“Market conditions in 2008 and stable and long-term relations with our customers favor coal sales of Raspadskaya and allow us to forecast high financial results for the planned growth of the

Company.”

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### **About Company**

OAO Raspadskaya is situated in the Kemerovo region of Russia. The company comprises two underground mines, one open-pit operation, a coal preparation plant and one underground mine under construction, as well as a coal transportation network and a number of integrated infrastructure companies. Raspadskaya is one of the leading Russian coking coal producers whose customers include major steel and coking plants in Russia, Ukraine, Eastern Europe and Asia. Raspadskaya produced 13.55 million tonnes of raw coal in 2007. 80% of Raspadskaya's ordinary shares are held by Corber Enterprises Limited, an entity ultimately owned by Raspadskaya management and Evraz Group on a parity basis.

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