



**SOCIEDAD QUIMICA Y MINERA DE CHILE S.A.  
(SQM S.A.)  
Open Stock Corporation  
Securities Registry Inscription N°0184, Record 3007**

**Dividend Payment**

The Board of Directors of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (SQM) hereby informs to the shareholders of the Company that it has agreed to submit for their approval, at the next Annual Shareholder's Meeting to be held on April 28, 2011, a gross final dividend payment of US\$0.72592 per share. From this definitive dividend, the interim dividend amount of US\$0.41794 per share will be deducted, and therefore, the outstanding amount of US\$0.30798 per share will be paid and distributed to those shareholders registered in the Company's Book of Shareholders during the fifth working day prior to the day of such payment

The pertinent amount will be paid in its equivalent in Chilean pesos based on the "Observed Dollar" rate published by the Official Gazette on April 28, 2011. According to the above, the payments will be made in favor of the corresponding shareholders, personally or through a duly authorized representative, in the form of an electronic cashier's check beginning on Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 09:00am at any of the Banco Crédito Inversiones-Banco BCI- offices. Afterwards, and beginning on June 20, 2011, the payment will be available at the offices of the DCV, located at Huérfanos Street N°770, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Santiago, Monday through Friday, from 09:00am to 5:00pm. Notwithstanding, SQM could deposit the pertinent amounts in the bank accounts of the shareholders who make written requests to do so prior to the April 28, 2011 through the respective forms which are available in the offices of the DCV.

At the time of payment, the shareholder or its duly authorized representative shall show its National Identity Card. The shareholders that are represented by a mandatory shall grant a special power for such effect and by means of a public deed or private instrument duly authorized and legalized before a notary. Also, each authorized representative shall precisely and effectively accredit such power.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**