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Abstracts

Lafarge S.A. Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Lafarge S.A. and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Lafarge S.A. position in the [Building Products and Construction Materials](#) Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Lafarge S.A. that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Lafarge S.A.. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Lafarge S.A. financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your

company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Lafarge S.A. competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Lafarge S.A. business.

About Lafarge S.A.

Lafarge S.A., through its subsidiaries, develops, manufactures, and sells construction materials worldwide.

Segments

The company operates in three segments: Cement, Aggregates and Concrete, and Gypsum.

Cement segment

The Cement segment produces and sells a range of cement and hydraulic binders for the construction industry, including basic portland and masonry cements, and various other blended and specialty cements and binders. It also offers technical support, ordering and logistical assistance, documentation, demonstrations, and training services relating to the use of cements.

Aggregates and Concrete segment

The Aggregates and Concrete segment produces and sells aggregates, ready mix concrete, limestone and granite hard rock products, natural sand and gravel, concrete

and masonry mixes, and other concrete products, as well as asphalt for road surfacing and paving. Its aggregates are used as raw materials for concrete, masonry, asphalt, and other industrial processes, as well as used as base materials for roads, landfills, and buildings.

Gypsum segment

The Gypsum segment produces and sells drywall and gypsum wallboards, and other gypsum-based products, such as plaster, plaster blocks, and joint compounds. It also offers related products, including metal studs and accessories for constructing, finishing, or decorating interior walls and ceilings in residential, commercial, and institutional construction projects; and sound and thermal insulating partitions. In addition, this segment offers industrial plaster for moldings or sculptures applications, as well as provides self-leveling floor-screeds.

Markets

The company serves concrete producers, pre-cast concrete product manufacturers, contractors, builders, and masons, building materials wholesalers and distributors, wallboard specialty dealers, lumber yards, decorating companies, and do-it-yourself home centers.

Significant Events

In May 2010, Lafarge SA and STRABAG AG are combining their cement activities in several countries of Central Europe. The two companies signed an agreement for creating the holding company Lafarge Cement CE Holding GmbH. The new company would have its headquarters in Austria.

Competition

The company identifies competition from Georgia Pacific, Knauf, National Gypsum, Saint-Gobain, U.S. Gypsum, and Yoshino.

History

Lafarge S.A. was founded in 1833.

The above Company Fundamental Report is a half-ready report and contents are

subject to change.

It means that we have all necessary data in our database to prepare the report but need **2-3 days** to complete it. During this time we are also updating the report with respect to the current moment. So, you can get all the most recent data available for the same price. Please note that preparation of additional types of analyses requires extra time.

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SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3x3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.

Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

Political – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

Economic – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

Sociological – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

Technological – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

Environmental – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

Legal – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

IFE, EFE, IE Matrices

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors

integrated into one suggestive model.

Porter Five Forces Analysis

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

VRIO Analysis

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity

Reputation

Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?

Rare?

Costly to imitate?

Organized properly?

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