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## **Kore Potash Plc**

("Kore Potash" or the "Company")

### **Review of Operations for the Quarter ended 30 June 2023**

Kore Potash (AIM: KP2, ASX: KP2, JSE:KP2), the potash development company with 97%-ownership of the Kola Potash Project ("**Kola**" or the "**Kola Project**") and Dougou Extension ("**DX**") Potash Project in the Sintoukola Basin, located in the Republic of Congo ("**RoC**"), provides its quarterly update for the period ended 30 June 2023 (the "**Quarter**").

### **Quarterly Highlights**

#### **Projects**

- Discussions continue towards finalising terms for the Engineering, Procurement and Construction ("**EPC**") contract at the Kola Project.
- PowerChina International Group Limited ("**PowerChina**") and SEPCO Electric Power Construction Corporation ("**SEPCO**") have commenced work to support the provision of guarantees regarding an EPC contract for Kola.
- Summit Consortium ("**Consortium**") has confirmed that the financing proposal for the full capital cost of Kola will be provided within six weeks of finalisation of EPC contract terms.
- A review of the strategic options available for the DX Project is underway.

#### **Corporate**

- The Company held its Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") on 20 June 2023.
- Pablo Hernandez-MacDonald did not offer himself for re-election as a non-executive director to the Board at the AGM. A replacement Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A ("**SQM**") nominated non-executive director will be announced in due course.
- As of 30 June 2023, the Company held US\$2.6 million in cash.

### **Operational Activities**

#### **Kola EPC**

Kore Potash signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Consortium in April 2021 for the Optimisation of Kola, the provision of an EPC contract proposal and to provide a debt and royalty financing proposal for the full construction cost of Kola.

The results of the Optimisation Study ("**Study**") announced on 27 June 2022 supported moving to the next phase of Kola's development.

On 28 June 2022, the Company announced that it had signed a Heads of Agreement ("**HoA**") for the construction of Kola with SEPCO.

Under the HoA, SEPCO undertook to continue negotiations with Kore Potash towards an EPC contract for the construction of Kola. Importantly, the HoA recognises the outcomes of the Study, and confirmed the capital cost of Kola, the construction period and related EPC contract terms.

Discussions with SEPCO to finalise key EPC terms continue.

Recognising the world-class scale of Kola, the length of the proposed construction period and the total financing requirement, Kore Potash has requested that SEPCO's parent company, PowerChina, provides the typically required EPC contract guarantees, including performance and retention bonds supporting the completion of construction and the operating performance of Kola.

PowerChina is now actively involved in the process to finalise the EPC contract terms. As part of this process, PowerChina is reviewing aspects of the Kola design and the planned construction schedule and has had direct communications with the management of Kore Potash. PowerChina's review has generated a number of potential design improvements to the Kola Project that identify potential opportunities to further reduce the capital cost and the construction schedule. Discussions on incorporating these design improvements into the EPC contract continue.

PowerChina has engaged a number of external experts to support its review of the Kola design and they require completion of this review to support the provision of the required EPC contract guarantees. PowerChina has not yet advised Kore Potash of the timeline to complete its reviews and internal approvals.

The process to conclude EPC contract discussions has taken longer than the Consortium initially envisaged, however it is necessary to conclude these discussions prior to receiving their financing proposal.

### **Kola Financing**

Kore Potash continues to work with the Consortium to provide financing for the full construction cost of Kola which is intended to be based on royalty and debt finance.

The successful outcomes of the Study were in line with the Consortium's requirements and supported the ongoing financing discussions. The financing parties of the Consortium have again reinforced their ongoing strong interest in financing Kola and await finalisation of the EPC contract terms.

The Consortium has advised that the financing proposal for the full construction cost of Kola will be provided to the Company within six weeks of EPC terms being finalised.

Kore Potash continues to hold the view that the members of the Consortium have the capability to provide the required financing to commit to the construction of Kola and that pursuing this financing opportunity currently remains the best path forward for Kore Potash's shareholders.

### **Congo Government Relations**

Key members of the Kore Potash Board and the Consortium, including SEPCO and PowerChina, met with the Ministry of Mines ("**Ministry**") during the Quarter. The Ministry feedback from the visit was positive and that it improved the Ministry's understanding of the financing process.



### **DX Potash Project**

At present, the Company remains focused on completing the financing of Kola and moving forward to construction of Kola as soon as possible.

The Company is now exploring what strategic options are available for the DX project.

### **Corporate**

At the Company's AGM held on 20 June 2023, all resolutions were duly passed on a poll by the requisite majority.

Pablo Hernandez-MacDonald having resigned from SQM to pursue other interests and did not offer himself for re-election at the AGM. A replacement SQM nominated non-executive director will be announced in due course.

As at 30 June 2023, the Company held US\$2.6 million in cash.

There were no mining production or construction activities during the Quarter.

### **Quarterly cashflow report**

In accordance with the ASX Listing Rules, the Company will also lodge its cashflow report for the Quarter today. Included in those cashflows are non-executive directors' fees and the CEO's salary of US\$198,000 settled in cash.

The Company invested US\$1,083,000 in exploration in the Quarter, which comprised US\$1,015,000 related to the Kola Study and US\$68,000 for the DX DFS Study. The Company ended the Quarter with US\$2.6 million in cash.

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board of Kore Potash.

### **Market Abuse Regulation**

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of Article 7 of the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) 596/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("MAR"), and is disclosed in accordance with the Company's obligations under Article 17 of MAR.

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**Tenement Details and Ownership**

The Company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and wholly owns Kore Potash Limited of Australia. Kore Potash Limited has a 97% shareholding in Sintoukola Potash SA (“**SPSA**”) in the RoC. SPSA has 100% ownership of Kola Potash Mining SA (“**KPM**”). KPM has 100% ownership of the Kola Mining Lease on which the Kola Deposit is situated. The Kola Deposit is located within the Kola Mining Lease. SPSA is also the 100% owner of the Dougou Mining Lease. The Dougou Mining lease hosts the Dougou Deposit and the DX Deposit.

Under the existing Mining Convention, the RoC Government is entitled to 10% ownership in the Kola and DX Projects. The transfer of this 10% awaits instructions from the Government and the Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves are shown below in gross and 90% attributable bases.

**Table 1: Schedule of mining tenements (Republic of Congo)**

Project & Type	Tenement Issued	Company Interest	Title Registered to
Kola Mining	Decree 2013-412 of 9 August 2013	100% potassium rights only	Kola Potash Mining S.A.
Dougou Mining	Decree 2017-139 of 9 May 2017 Revised Decree No 2021-389 of 2 August 2021	100% potassium rights only	Sintoukola Potash S.A.

**Kore Potash Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves - Gross and according to future 90% interest  
(10% by the RoC government)**

<b>KOLA SYLVINITE DEPOSIT</b>						
	<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Mineral Resource Category</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Measured	216	34.9	75.4	194	34.9	67.8
Indicated	292	35.7	104.3	263	35.7	93.9
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>179.7</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>161.7</b>
Inferred	340	34.0	115.7	306	34.0	104.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>848</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>295.4</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>265.8</b>

	<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Ore Reserve Category</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Proved	62	32.1	19.8	56	32.1	17.9
Probable	91	32.8	29.7	82	32.8	26.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>44.6</b>

Ore Reserves are not in addition to Mineral Resources but are derived from them by the application of modifying factors

<b>DOUGOU EXTENSION SYLVINITE DEPOSIT (HWSS and TSS)</b>						
	<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Mineral Resource Category</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Measured	20	32.4	6.5	18	32.4	5.9
Indicated	8	23.1	1.8	7	23.1	1.6
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29.9</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>
Inferred	101	23.5	23.8	91	23.5	21.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>28.9</b>

	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
Ore Reserve Category	Sylvinite Million Tonnes	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Sylvinite Million Tonnes	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Proved	6.1	32.5	2.0	5.5	32.5	1.8
Probable	3.2	41.8	1.3	2.9	41.8	1.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>3.0</b>

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DOUGOU CARNALLITE DEPOSIT						
	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
Mineral Resource Category	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Measured	148	20.1	29.7	133	20.1	26.8
Indicated	920	20.7	190.4	828	20.7	171.4
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>220.2</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>198.2</b>
Inferred	1,988	20.8	413.5	1,789	20.8	372.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,056</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>633.7</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>570.3</b>

KOLA CARNALLITE DEPOSIT						
	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
Mineral Resource Category	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Measured	341	17.4	59.4	307	17.4	53.5
Indicated	441	18.7	82.6	397	18.7	74.4
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>142.0</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>127.8</b>
Inferred	1,266	18.7	236.4	1,140	18.7	212.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,049</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>378.5</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>340.6</b>

### Competent Persons Statements

All Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves are reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012 edition). Numbers are rounded to the appropriate decimal place. Rounding 'errors' may be reflected in the "totals".

The Kola Mineral Resources were reported 6 July 2017 in an announcement titled 'Updated Mineral Resource for the High -Grade Kola Deposit'. It was prepared by Competent Person Mr. Garth Kirkham, P.Geo., of Met-Chem division of DRA Americas Inc., a subsidiary of the DRA Group, and a member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia. The Ore Reserves for sylvinite at Kola was first stated on 29 January 2019 in an announcement titled "Kola Definitive Feasibility Study" and was prepared by Met-Chem. The Competent Person for the estimate was Mr Mo Molavi, member of good standing of Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia. The Ore Reserves were reviewed when the changes to the underlying assumptions (as detailed in the 27 June 2022 announcement "Kola Project optimisation study outcomes") were made and Mr Molavi verified that the Ore Reserves remained unchanged.

The Dougou carnallite Mineral Resources were reported on 9 February 2015 in an announcement titled 'Elemental Minerals Announces Large Mineral Resource Expansion and Upgrade for the Dougou Potash Deposit'. It was prepared by Competent Persons Dr. Sebastiaan van der Klauw and Ms. Jana Neubert, senior geologists and employees of ERCOSPLAN Ingenieurgesellschaft Geotechnik und Bergbau mbH and members of good standing of the European Federation of Geologists.

The Dougou Extension sylvinitic Mineral Resource Estimate and Ore Reserve Estimate were reported in an announcement titled “Updated Dougou Extension (DX) PFS and Production Target” on 24 January 2023. Dr. Douglas F. Hambley, Ph.D., P.E., P.Eng., P.G of Agapito Associates Inc., for the Exploration Results and Mineral Resources. Mr. Hambley is a licensed professional geologist in states of Illinois (Member 196-000007) and Indiana (Member 2175), USA, and is an Honorary Registered Member (HRM) of the Society of Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Inc. (SME, Member 1299100RM), a Recognized RPO included in a list that is posted on the ASX website from time to time and Dr. Michael Hardy was the Competent Person for the Ore Reserves, and he is a registered member in good standing (Member #01328850) of Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration (SME) which is an RPO included in a list that is posted on the ASX website from time to time.

The Company confirms that, it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources or statements of Ore Reserves that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person’s findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release contains certain statements that are “forward-looking” with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, projects and business of the Company and certain plans and objectives of the management of the Company. Forward-looking statements include those containing words such as: “anticipate”, “believe”, “expect”, “forecast”, “potential”, “intends”, “estimate”, “will”, “plan”, “could”, “may”, “project”, “target”, “likely” and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements.

By their very nature forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors which are subject to change without notice and may involve significant elements of subjective judgement and assumptions as to future events which may or may not be correct, which may cause the Company’s actual results, performance or achievements, to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any of our forward-looking statements, which are not guarantees of future performance. Neither the Company, nor any other person, gives any representation, warranty, assurance or guarantee that the occurrence of the events expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement will occur. Except as required by law, and only to the extent so required, none of the Company, its subsidiaries or its or their directors, officers, employees, advisors or agents or any other person shall in any way be liable to any person or body for any loss, claim, demand, damages, costs, or expenses of whatever nature arising in any way out of, or in connection with, the information contained in this document.

## Appendix 5B

### Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity

Kore Potash Plc

ABN

621 843 614

Quarter ended ("current quarter")

30 June 2023

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$US'000	Year to date (6 months) \$US'000
<b>1.</b>	<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
1.1	Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation (if expensed)	-	-
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	(4)	(83)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(202)	(452)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	51	51
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Intercompany payments	-	-
<b>1.9</b>	<b>Net cash from / (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(155)</b>	<b>(484)</b>

<b>2.</b>	<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
2.1	Payments to acquire:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	(1)	(1)
	(d) exploration & evaluation (if capitalised)	(1,083)	(1,989)
	(e) investments	-	-
	(f) other non-current assets	-	-



<b>Consolidated statement of cash flows</b>		<b>Current quarter \$US'000</b>	<b>Year to date (6 months) \$US'000</b>
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d) investments	-	-
	(e) other non-current assets	-	-
2.3	Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	-
2.4	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
2.5	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
<b>2.6</b>	<b>Net cash from / (used in) investing activities</b>	<b>(1,084)</b>	<b>(1,990)</b>

<b>3.</b>	<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	2
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	-
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	-
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	-	-
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
<b>3.10</b>	<b>Net cash from / (used in) financing activities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>4.</b>	<b>Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period</b>		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	3,808	5,047
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(155)	(484)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(1,084)	(1,990)
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	-	2

<b>Consolidated statement of cash flows</b>		<b>Current quarter \$US'000</b>	<b>Year to date (6 months) \$US'000</b>
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	(14)	(20)
<b>4.6</b>	<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of period</b>	<b>2,555</b>	<b>2,555</b>

<b>5.</b>	<b>Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents</b> at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	<b>Current quarter \$US'000</b>	<b>Previous quarter \$US'000</b>
5.1	Bank balances	2,555	3,808
5.2	Call deposits	-	-
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)	-	-
<b>5.5</b>	<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)</b>	<b>2,555</b>	<b>3,808</b>

**6. Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates**

- 6.1 Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1
- 6.2 Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2

<b>Current quarter \$USD'000</b>
78
120

Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must include a description of, and an explanation for, such payments.

## Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

<b>7. Financing facilities</b>	<b>Total facility amount at quarter end \$US'000</b>	<b>Amount drawn at quarter end \$US'000</b>
<i>Note: the term "facility" includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity.</i>		
<i>Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.</i>		
7.1 Loan facilities	-	-
7.2 Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3 Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4 <b>Total financing facilities</b>	-	-
7.5 <b>Unused financing facilities available at quarter end</b>		-
7.6 Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interest rate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional financing facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter end, include a note providing details of those facilities as well.		

<b>8. Estimated cash available for future operating activities</b>	<b>\$US'000</b>
8.1 Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (Item 1.9)	(155)
8.2 Capitalised exploration & evaluation (Item 2.1(d))	(1,084)
8.3 Total relevant outgoings (Item 8.1 + Item 8.2)	(1,239)
8.4 Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (Item 4.6)	2,555
8.5 Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (Item 7.5)	-
8.6 Total available funding (Item 8.4 + Item 8.5)	2,555
8.7 <b>Estimated quarters of funding available (Item 8.6 divided by Item 8.3)</b>	2.06
8.8 If Item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:	
1. Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?	
Answer: N/A	
2. Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?	
Answer: N/A	
3. Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?	
Answer: N/A	

**Compliance statement**

- 1 This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Date: 18 July 2023

Authorised by: By the Board

(Name of body or officer authorising release – see note 4)

**Notes**

1. This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, *AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources* and *AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows* apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standards apply to this report.
3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee – eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.