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H1 FY25 FINANCIAL RESULTS OVERVIEW

Highlights

Robust operating and cost performance has underpinned another strong financial result:

- Reported an unchanged Total Recordable Injury Frequency (TRIF) of 1.6 at 31 December 2024 (30 June 2024: 1.6) and continued to embed our new way of working, The Sandfire Way.
- Delivered a 16% increase in Group Copper Equivalent (CuEq) production^(a) in H1 FY25 to 75.1kt and while we have retained annual CuEq production guidance of 154kt for FY25, particularly heavy rainfall at both MATSA and Motheo is being monitored and may create an element of risk if it doesn't abate.
- Reduced Motheo's Underlying operating cost^{(b)(c)} guidance by 7% to \$39/t of ore processed for FY25, to reflect the operation's greater economies of scale, while Motheo's implied C1 Unit cost guidance also declined by 7% to \$1.41/lb on the basis of projected treatment and refining charges.
- Retained MATSA's Underlying operating cost^(c) guidance at \$75/t of ore processed for FY25, following a 7% reduction in Q2 FY25 to \$73/t as we benefitted from a weaker EUR:USD rate.
- Reported a \$118.7M or 87% increase in Underlying EBITDA to \$255.2M and a \$85.7M improvement in Underlying Earnings to \$49.1M, for a statutory net profit after tax of \$49.7M.
- Continued to invest in underground development at MATSA to open new mining fronts and accelerated the development of A4 at Motheo for total capital expenditure of \$98.4M in H1 FY25, which was largely unchanged from the prior corresponding period.
- Progressively increased our level of drilling activity in the highly prospective Iberian Pyrite and Kalahari Copper belts ahead of a significant ramp-up in activity that is seeking to deliver a minimum 15-years of reserve life at both MATSA and Motheo within five years.
- Reduced net debt by \$107.9M to \$288.2M^(d) at 31 December 2024 and have since received credit approval for a new, unsecured \$650M Corporate Revolver Facility (CRF), which will replace our existing CRF and be used to repay our existing project facilities and fundamentally de-risk our balance sheet.

Financial highlights ⁽ⁱ⁾

US\$000	H1 FY25	H1 FY24	Change
Statutory financial measures			
Sales revenue	572,258	417,940	154,318
Profit / (loss) before tax and net finance expense	96,395	(18,113)	114,508
Profit / (loss) after tax	49,683	(53,886)	103,569
Basic earnings per share (US cents) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	11.2	(11.6)	22.8
Ordinary dividends per share (US cents)	-	-	-
Other financial measures (non-statutory)			
Underlying Operations EBITDA	293,925	165,346	128,579
Underlying EBITDA	255,184	136,499	118,685
Underlying EBIT	101,941	(12,631)	114,572
Underlying Earnings	49,064	(36,612)	85,676
Basic Underlying earnings per share (US cents) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	10.7	(8.0)	18.7

(i) A reconciliation of Underlying Earnings metrics to the statutory financial results in the Consolidated Income Statement is included in Note 3 Segment information to the financial statements.

(ii) Basic earnings per share is calculated as profit/(loss) after tax attributable to the equity holders of Sandfire Resources Ltd divided by the weighted average number of shares on issue for the period. Basic Underlying earnings per share is calculated as Underlying Earnings divided by the weighted average number of shares on issue for the period.

This announcement should be read in conjunction with the Sandfire Annual Report for FY24, which was released on 29 August 2024. Readers are also encouraged to review the accompanying H1 FY25 Financial Results Presentation as it provides additional context in relation to the Group's performance. These will be available on the ASX Company Announcements Platform (ASX code: SFR) and on Sandfire's website www.sandfire.com.au

Sandfire CEO and Managing Director, Mr Brendan Harris, said:

"We maintained a Total Recordable Injury Frequency of 1.6 during the first half of the year and must believe it's possible to have a workplace that is injury free."

"Following the completion of the Western Australian Government's investigation into the disturbance of artefact scatters at our now closed Monty mine we are continuing to work with the Yugunga-Nya and other traditional owners to rebuild these important relationships and ensure we deliver on our commitments."

"We were also very pleased to receive mining authority approval for our new tailings facility at MATSA during the period. This is a particularly important milestone as the new facility will enable the complex to remain an important contributor to the Andalusian regional economy in southern Spain for decades to come as it provides the footprint to support mining beyond 2040."

"At an operating level, a robust first half left us well placed to deliver on our commitments for the full year and while we have retained all of our key production guidance metrics for FY25 we are monitoring heavy rainfall at both MATSA and Motheo as it may create an element of risk if it doesn't abate. More broadly, Motheo continues to redefine the potential of the Kalahari Copper Belt having reduced its unit cost guidance for FY25 as it benefits from greater economies of scale and a further contraction in treatment and refining charges."

"Following the incredibly successful commissioning and ramp up of Motheo we have shown that we can sustainably operate at a 5.6Mtpa rate, comfortably exceeding the processing facility's design capacity. Having also confirmed our new interpretation of the geological controls of mineralisation at T3 and A4, we are increasingly confident that our annual planning cycle will confirm an incremental increase in Copper Equivalent production at Motheo in FY26, when compared with our prior disclosures, as well as a smoother production profile in the medium term."

"Our robust start to the year and healthy pricing for our key commodities delivered Group sales revenue of \$572M, Underlying EBITDA of \$255M and a profit after tax of \$50M for the half. Pleasingly, this is being reflected in our increasingly strong balance sheet with net debt reducing by a further \$108M to \$288M during the period. Since then, we have also received credit approval for a new unsecured \$650M Corporate Revolver Facility that reduces our annual financing costs and fundamentally derisks our financial position."

"From a strategic perspective, our five-year exploration plan that has been designed to materially increase the life of our MATSA and Motheo processing hubs continues to gather momentum, and a step-change in resource extension, near-mine and regional drilling activity is expected in the second half."

"Thank you to everyone who is part of, or connected with, the Sandfire team for playing a role in our success. Our strategy is unchanged because it's the right strategy for our shareholders as we continue to believe that safe, consistent and predictable performance underpins strong financial results and superior shareholder returns."

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This announcement is authorised for release by Sandfire's CEO and MD, Brendan Harris.

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Notes:

- (a) Copper Equivalent for H1 FY24, H1 FY25 and FY25 guidance is calculated based on the average forward price for FY25 as at 27 June 2024 in USD; Assumptions: Cu \$9,623/t, Zn \$2,948/t, Pb \$2,200/t, Ag \$30/oz. CuEq is calculated using the following formula: $\text{Copper metal tonnes} + \text{Zn metal tonnes} \times (\text{Zn price}/\text{Cu price}) + \text{Pb metal tonnes} \times (\text{Pb price}/\text{Cu price}) + \text{Ag metal ounces} \times (\text{Ag price}/\text{Cu price})$.
- (b) Underlying measures provide insight into Sandfire's core business performance by excluding the effects of events that are not part of the Group's usual business activities, but should not be indicative of, or a substitute for, profit/(loss) after tax as a measure of actual operating performance or as a substitute to cash flow as a measure of liquidity.
- (c) Underlying operating costs for MATSA include costs related to mining, processing, general and administration and transport, and excludes shipping costs which are offset against sales revenue for statutory reporting purposes; and for Motheo include costs related to mining, processing, general and administration, transport (including shipping) and royalties.
- (d) Net debt excludes capitalised transaction costs, leases, accrued interest, and revolving short-term (VAT) working capital facilities.
- (e) Unless otherwise stated all currency figures are USD. Figures in *Italics* indicate that an adjustment has been made since the figures were previously reported.

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