

**ASX Code: IKW** 

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### **QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES REPORT – 3 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

Ikwezi Mining Limited (ASX: IKW, Ikwezi Mining or Company).

#### Thermal coal markets

Thermal coal prices (API4 Richards Bay - FOB Richards Bay for 6,000 kcal, NAR product) plunged for the quarter ended 30 June 2020 due to the COVID-19 global pandemic and its impact on the market demand. Prices breached USD 50 per tonne in April 2020. With the market recovering to USD 60 in June 2020, the trend predicts an average selling price of USD 60 for the next 12 (twelve) months.

#### **Operational update**

Coal production during the quarter showed contraction as operations were stopped and resumed later on a limited basis due to the COVID-19 Lockdown Regulations. Further, Ikwezi's contract mining agreement was terminated at the end of April 2020. During May 2020, a process to appoint a new mining contractor was conducted which led to the appointment of a new contractor during the second week of June 2020.

The new contractor commenced with mining on 15 June 2020, with coal production resuming in July 2020. The total coal mined for the quarter April 2020 to June 2020 was 31,381 tonnes. The new contractor carried out a total mining of 160 092 bank cubic meters of overburden during the short production month of June 2020. The production rate for July 2020 is expected to be within the projected range of 300 000 – 320 000 bank cubic metres.

Work to complete the Emoyeni Wash Plant is progressing well and according to schedule (after adjusting for time lost due to COVID-19 Lockdown). The outstanding infrastructure work, mechanical and electrical checks will be completed with the commissioning of the Wash Plant planned for the last quarter of 2020.

#### Finance update

Cash and cash equivalents of the Company at 30 June 2020 totalled AUD 2.548 million (31 March 2020: AUD 0.091 million).

Coal sales receipts for the quarter totalled AUD 15.750 million (Quarter ended 31 March 2020: AUD 0.568 million).

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#### **Future Developments**

With the expected commissioning of the Wash Plant in the last quarter of 2020, Ikwezi is working on increasing its production of run of mine coal through bringing new open cast areas into production. Ikwezi has submitted amendment application to the regulatory authorities for the new open cast area. These new open cast areas are planned to be operated simultaneously with the current Kliprand operations along with the centralised Emoyeni Coal Wash Plant. Ikwezi's mining right covers a total area of 12,182 hectares.

#### Summary

Key management focus in the short term remains on improving the production volumes and cost at the Kliprand open pit and the associated cash flow generation.

The Company's Appendix 5B includes amounts in item 6.1. These amounts represent payments made to Zarbon Coal (Pty) Ltd, a related party, (previously Osho SA Coal (Pty) Ltd) for fees charged relating to the coal exported on the company's behalf.

#### **ABOUT IKWEZI**

Ikwezi Mining Ltd is focused on the exploration and development of coal projects in South Africa. The Ikwezi mining right area consists of a number of opencast and underground areas. The Kliprand Colliery (previously, Ntendeka) is the initial opencast area where mining operations have commenced. Ikwezi has a 70% stake in the mining right area located in the province of KwaZulu-Natal and are in close proximity to rail and port infrastructure.

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#### Disclaimer regarding future matters and forward-looking statements

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#### **Appendix – Tenement information**

In accordance with Listing Rule 5.3.3, details of the Company's and its controlled entities interests in tenements as at 30 June 2020 are outlined below:

Project name	Туре	Reference	Number of hectares and location	Ownership	Licensee
Newcastle Project (previously "Ntendeka Colliery").	Mining Right	KZN 30/5/1/2/297 MR MPTRO: 77/2012 MR	12,182ha, Northern KwaZulu Natal, South Africa	70% 1	Ikwezi Mining (Pty) Ltd

Mining tenements acquired during the quarter:
None.
Mining tenements disposed of during the quarter:
None.
Other beneficial interests
Ikwezi Mining Limited held no other beneficial interests in farm-in or farm-out arrangements during the quarter ended

30 June 2020.

# Appendix 5B

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

# Name of entity

IKWEZI MINING LIMITED	
ABN Quarter ended ("current quarter")	
ARBN 151 258 221	30 June 2020

Cons	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (12 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	15,750	23,527
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation (if expensed)	-	-
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	(10,183)	(19,067)
	(d) staff costs	(198)	(1,066)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(61)	(250)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	1	17
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	5,309	3,161

2.	Cash flows from investing activities		
2.1	Payments to acquire:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	(178)	(958)
	(d) exploration & evaluation (if capitalised)	-	-
	(e) investments	(38)	225
	(f) other non-current assets	-	-
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-

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Cons	olidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (12 months) \$A'000
	(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)	-	-
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	(216)	(733)

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	-
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	-	2,523
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	(2,523)	(2,523)
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	(2,523)	-

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	91	251
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	5,309	3,161
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(216)	(733)
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	(2,523)	-
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	(113)	(131)
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,548	2,548

5.	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.1	Bank balances	2,222	76
5.2	Call deposits	326	15
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)		
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	2,548	91

6.	Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
6.1	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	5,771
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-

The payments were made to Zarbon Coal (Pty) Ltd, a related party, (previously Osho SA Coal (Pty) Ltd) for the fees charged relating to the coal exported on the company's behalf.

7.	Financing facilities Note: the term "facility" includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity. Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000
7.1	Loan facilities	6,500	
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	6,500	-

# 7.5 Unused financing facilities available at quarter end 6,500 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.

Zarbon Coal (Pty) Ltd or Zarbon, a related party, (previously Osho SA Coal (Pty) Ltd), has provided a letter of comfort to Ikwezi to provide it with a finance facility of up to USD4.3 million (approximately AUD6,5 million). Any amounts advanced under the facility will attract interest at an annualised rate of 5% p.a. Any amounts drawn down under the facility need to be repaid, together with any interest due, on or before 31 December 2020.

As at 30 June 2020, all the amounts advanced by Zarbon had been repaid, however the facility remains in place.

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (Item 1.9)	5,309
8.2	Capitalised exploration & evaluation (Item 2.1(d))	-
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (Item 8.1 + Item 8.2)	5,309
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (Item 4.6)	2,548
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (Item 7.5)	6,555
8.6	Total available funding (Item 8.4 + Item 8.5)	9,103
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (Item 8.6 divided by Item 8.3)	1.71

- 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: The company has started to export coal during the quarter and more export sales are expected in the future which will result in improved cashflows.

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: As outlined in 7.6 above, Zarbon Coal (Pty) Ltd or Zarbon, a related party, (previously Osho SA Coal (Pty) Ltd), has provided a letter of comfort to Ikwezi to provide it with a finance facility of up to USD4.3 million. No further steps are envisaged at this point to raise additional cash.

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: Yes, as set above, the Company expects to be able to continue its operations and meet its business objectives. The operational plan over the next few months will continue being focussed on maximising cash flow, reducing the cost structure of the operation and improving productivity.

#### **Compliance statement**

- 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: 30 July 2020

Authorised by: Tushar Agrawal – Director

#### **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.