



## **REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2010**

## **KEY FEATURES**

- Less than satisfactory safety performance.
- Excellent operational and financial performance.
- Implementation of Ngezi Phase II Expansion Project commenced.
- Ngezi Phase II Expansion Project funding finalised.

# SAFETY

Safety performance for the quarter and year was well below expectation. Five lost time injuries were recorded bringing the total number of lost time injuries for the year to eight. Efforts have been stepped up to improve on safety performance going forward.

		June Quarter 2010	March Quarter 2010	December Quarter 2009	September Quarter 2009
Mining					
Ore mined – underground	Tonnes (000's)	967	917	863	797
Head grade	4E g/t	3.37	3.37	3.34	3.32
Processing					
Ore milled	Tonnes (000's)	1,074	1,053	1,100	869
Recovery	4E%	81.9	82.3	80.9	80.6
Metal in concentrate	4E oz	95,144	93,845	94,670	74,389
Metal in converter matte	4E oz	93,380	92,985	91,463	72,027
Nickel	Tonnes	898	884	802	597
Copper	Tonnes	647	632	573	426
Metal sales					
4E	Oz	90,418	93,842	90,081	71,261
Nickel	Tonnes	853	890	794	594
Copper	Tonnes	613	632	566	420

# **PRODUCTION – Zimbabwe Platinum Mines (Private) Limited**

Mining and processing operations recorded excellent results in the quarter.

Ore mined was 5% higher than the previous quarter as the Bimha Mine ramp up in production continued.

Ore milled was 2% above the previous quarter. Recovery was marginally lower than the previous quarter reflecting lower recoveries being achieved at the Ngezi concentrator due to a lower mass pull.

4E metal sales volume was lower than production as well as the prior quarter, due to year end pipeline adjustments.

Operating Income Statement	June Quarter 2010 US\$ 000's	March Quarter 2010 US\$ 000's	December Quarter 2009 US\$ 000's	September Quarter 2009 US\$ 000's
Revenue	115,293	116,633	107,425	64,602
Operating Costs	(58,820)	(59,622)	(57,404)	(43,875)
Operating Profit	56,473	57,011	50,021	20,727

# FINANCIAL – Zimbabwe Platinum Mines (Private) Limited

Revenue and operating costs for the quarter were marginally lower than the previous quarter in line with the decrease in sales volumes. Consequently, an operating profit of US\$56 million was recorded, 1% lower than the previous quarter.

Cash and total cost of production	June Quarter 2010 US\$	March Quarter 2010 US\$	December Quarter 2009 US\$	September Quarter 2009 US\$
Cash cost of production per 4E ounce	536	561	559	560
Net cash cost per 4E ounce	325	365	393	410
Amortisation and depreciation	83	77	78	72
Total cost per 4E ounce *	408	444	471	482
Total revenue per 4E ounce	1,275	1,243	1,193	907
Surplus per 4E ounce**	656	605	556	274

Cash cost of production per 4E ounce were 4% lower than previous quarter reflecting the impact of higher production volumes.

\*Net of by-product revenue.

\*\* Total Revenue, less total cost/Total 4E ounces.

# **PGM PRICES**

The average pgm, gold and nickel prices for the past 4 quarters are as follows:

	June	March	December	September
	2010	2010	2009	2009
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
Platinum (USD per oz)	1,644	1,565	1,393	1,237
Palladium (USD per oz)	501	442	349	273
Rhodium (USD per oz)	2,707	2,568	2,000	1,608
Gold (USD per oz)	1,224	1,049	1,102	958
Nickel (USD per tonne)	22,469	19,953	17,695	17,522

Although average metal prices realised were higher than the previous quarter, the prices have since softened considerably reflecting market concerns over the general health of the European economies.

## **EXPANSION**

Development of Bimha Mine remains on course for completion by May 2011.

Implementation of the Ngezi Phase II Expansion Project has commenced. The funding arrangements for the project are now in place.

# **RESOLUTION OF OUTSTANDING ISSUES WITH GOVERNMENT**

The Government has appointed an independent expert to review the Additional Profits Tax provisions of the Income Tax Act. The review is scheduled to be completed by end of December 2010 as part of an on-going overhaul of the Income Tax Act.

Discussions on the repayment of the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe debt of \$34 million by the Government are still to be concluded.

The Indigenisation and Economic Empowerment Act regulations have been amended to take into account stakeholder input. The amended regulations provide for the appointment of sectoral committees whose role will be to make, in respect of each relevant sector of the economy, recommendations to Government on, inter alia, the following:

- 1. Minimum net asset threshold above which businesses in the sector should comply with Act;
- 2. Minimum shareholding that indigenous Zimbabweans can hold in a business operating in the sector;
- 3. Maximum period that businesses in the sector may continue to operate with a shareholding that is below the indigenisation and empowerment quota;
- 4. Weightings to be assigned to social and other community investments that a business will have undertaken.

Sectoral committees are expected to be appointed shortly.

# SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

#### Share price

The average share price for the quarter was A\$11.26 (previous quarter: A\$12.16).



## **Capital Structure**

Major shareholders as at 30 June 2010 Impala Platinum Holdings Limited	87.00%
HSBC Custody Nominees (Australia) Ltd	3.64%
Merrill Lynch (Australia) Nominees Pty Ltd	3.52%

## Caution

Shareholders are advised to exercise caution in their share dealings due to the uncertain conditions prevailing in Zimbabwe.

### **Shareholder enquiries**

Matters relating to the shareholdings should be directed to the share registry at: Computershare Registry Services Pty Ltd, GPO Box 7054, Sydney NSW 1115, Australia. Tel: +61 3 9415 4000, Fax: +61 3 9473 2500.

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