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XRF announces half-year result

XRF Scientific Ltd (“XRF” or “The Company”) today announced its results for the December 2020 half-year:

Key Highlights

- Sales Revenue of **\$15m**
- Statutory Net Profit After Tax up **47%** to **\$2.4m** from \$1.6m
- Adjusted Profit Before Tax* up **4%** to **\$2.4m** from \$2.3m

*Adjusted Profit Before Tax is after adding back/deducting items related to COVID-19. A full break-down of these items is available in the Half-Year Report.

XRF’s Managing Director, Vance Stazzonelli, commented on the half-year result:

“Positive conditions have returned during the first half, after some of the markets that were impacted by COVID-19 started to bounce back. The strategy we put in place in response to COVID-19 has allowed us to continue as an essential business through all lockdowns and keep our employees safe.

We are seeing strong levels of activity in the mining industry, across both exploration and production, which supports demand across our product range. There is robust demand in Australia, Europe, North America, and parts of Asia.

The Consumables division had a good half, delivering a profit of \$1.3m from revenue of \$4.2m. There has been strong demand from both domestic and international customers. New customer acquisition has continued at a steady rate.

The Capital Equipment division delivered an adjusted profit before tax of \$465k. The pickup in demand for capital equipment products that started in July continued through the half. Our sales order book remains strong into the second half at over two months, with a record number of machines on order.

The Precious Metals division delivered an increased adjusted profit before tax of \$841k compared to \$710k in the Previous Corresponding Period. The Germany Office has been performing well, and was profitable most of the last half, including all of the December quarter.

The Board has maintained policy to pay one dividend per year on operating profits which will be determined based on the full-year result.

Our cash position was \$2.6m at 31 December 2020, which has since increased to \$3.4m at 19 February 2021. This follows the \$500k platinum purchase disclosed at the FY20 full-year release, as well as \$1.65m in cash dividends paid in October.”

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About XRF Scientific:

XRF Scientific Limited is an Australian listed company (ASX: XRF) based in Perth, Western Australia. XRF manufactures equipment and chemicals, which are distributed to production mines, construction material companies and commercial analytical laboratories, in Australia and overseas, and used in the preparation of samples for analysis.

XRF has manufacturing, sales and support facilities located in Australia, Europe and Canada, plus a global network of distributors. The Company has representation in the United States, South America, Africa, the Middle East and Asia and has a customer base that includes multinational blue-chip customers such as:- BHP Billiton, Rio Tinto, Vale, South 32, Glencore, Alcoa, Lafarge, Holcim, ArcelorMittal, CSIRO, Intertek, Bureau Veritas, SGS and ALS.

XRF's technology is used to measure the composition and purity of materials and is mainly applied in industrial quality control and in process control for manufacturing processes in industries such as metals and mining, construction materials, chemicals and petrochemicals.

XRF's products help customers to improve product quality and performance, increase productivity and yield and reduce downtime and waste. Its businesses have established positions in their specialised markets.

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