

Preliminary summarised reviewed group financial results for the year ended 31 December 2013

ArcelorMittal South Africa Limited ("ArcelorMittal South Africa", "the company" or "the group")
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Overview
Trading conditions continued to be challenging for steel producers globally as weak demand continued in the eurozone. In China, the economy in general experienced a moderate growth and steel prices continued to decline. In the mining sector, the demand for steel was strong and steel prices improved in 2012. In South Africa, economic growth was below expectations and weak fixed investment expenditure and subdued global demand for locally produced goods. More pertinently for the steel industry, slow implementation of infrastructure development projects and the low level of fixed investment in the mining sector, coupled with weak production activity within the manufacturing sector, continued to hamper demand. Furthermore, a higher-than-usual level of imports added to increased stocks in the market which gradually normalised towards the end of the year. On the positive side, the depreciation in the rand exchange rate against other major currencies in the month of May improved our competitive position, especially with respect to our export sales.
Liquid steel production was flat year-on-year with production losses resulting from the fire in Vanderbijlpark at the beginning of the year limited to 361 000 tonnes due to fast repairs. Aggregate capacity utilisation increased from 66% to 76% reflecting the progress in consolidating our operational footprint and improved reliability. During the last four months of the year we started to build stocks for the upcoming reline of our blast furnace in Newcastle to ensure that the supply to domestic customers is not disrupted. Total steel sales were 392 000 tonnes lower, a decrease of 8% compared to the prior year. In contrast, commercial coke sales rose 18% year-on-year as the ferrochrome industry resumed normal operations at the end of the electricity buyback programme in June 2013.
Safety performance was pleasing with zero fatalities for the second year in a row. The lost-time injury frequency rate improved to 0.56, a further reduction from the previous year's record low of 0.61. The excellent result of 0.33 in the last quarter of the year marks a new all-time record for the company.
EBITDA improved by R647 million against the previous year, turning the operating result from a loss of R477 million to a positive of R47 million. The headline loss narrowed from R518 million to R224 million.
As part of the restructuring of our raw material supplies, we relinquished financial responsibility for the Thabazimbi iron mine at the end of 2013 as part of the new supply agreement with Kumba concluded in November. Additionally, Thabazimbi coal mine will close in accordance with the mine closure plan in late 2014. Operating profit includes a provision of R158 million associated with the closure of the latter. A write-off of R1.9 billion was taken on the fixed assets of Thabazimbi. Net cash decreased to R285 million from the R874 million reported at the end of 2012, reflecting the build-up of stocks for the upcoming reline in Newcastle.

Key statistics			
Quarter ended (unaudited)			
31 December 2013	30 September 2013	31 December 2012	31 December 2012
Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Reviewed
7 739	8 792	6 885	Revenue (R million)
211	581	(158)	EBITDA (R million)
217	512	(160)	EBITDA/tonne (R/t) (unaudited)
217	616	(23)	EBITDA margin (%)
(387)	201	(583)	Profit/(loss) from operations (R million)
(2 256)	248	(462)	Net (loss)/profit (R million)
(301)	199	(456)	Headline (loss)/earnings (R million)
(75)	50	(114)	Headline (loss)/earnings per share (cents)
285	575	874	Net cash
1 254	1 361	1 043	Liquid steel production ('000 tonnes)
973	1 134	988	Steel sales ('000 tonnes)
643	777	696	- Local
140	292	232	Export
182	154	145	Commercial coke sales ('000 tonnes)
77	83	60	Capacity utilisation (%)
0.33	0.58	0.50	Lost-time injury frequency rate

Market review
International
Global steel demand remained relatively weak despite a slight recovery from the previous year. China's steel use improved slightly in 2013, despite a somewhat weaker economic performance. China's government investment in rail and subway construction, coupled with tax relief and other business incentives, helped boost economic activity, hence benefiting the steel industry. China also experienced improved passenger vehicle sales, especially in the first half of 2013, which boosted production activity in the segment. It is expected that China will continue with its reform programme to rebalance the economy, with the process of infrastructure and urban housing development expected to continue to sustain the relatively higher growth than the global average growth rate.
In the US, stiff competition from cheaper imports and domestic producers with underutilised facilities contributed to the significant oversupply of steel. However, steel demand in the US market was stimulated by a recovery in the economy, with a pick-up in the housing market and improved market conditions in the automotive and energy sectors. The European market continued to suffer from the challenges of overcapacity and shrinking markets, with demand dropping by almost 30% on average compared to the previous period. This is mainly attributed to the decline in demand from two major steel consumers, namely construction and the auto industry. The commitment to a strict austerity policy in the eurozone resulted in investment drying up in many regions.
Steel demand within sub-Saharan Africa continued to be stimulated by large infrastructure investments and improved investment activity in the mining sector, especially in countries such as Mozambique.

Domestic
Poor economic conditions continued to exert downward pressure on the domestic steel market. Key steel consuming sectors remained weak, and although the construction sector showed some improvement towards the latter part of the year, its growth performance remains below historical norms. The mining sector made some gains but that was from a low base due to strike disruptions in the sector in 2012. There are a few hopeful signs, albeit tentative at this stage. There was modest growth in new vehicle sales, the number of building plans passed increased and sales of construction and building materials rose to just below 10%. With respect to households, mortgage lending – though positive – is still growing below 3% as disposable income remains depressed. On a positive note, despite domestic cost pressures, the purchasing managers' index averaged around 50 in 2013, demonstrating some level of resilience in the economy. Moreover, the average rand exchange rate for the year of 9.65 to the US dollar was favourable for exporters.

Financial review
Full year ended 31 December 2013 compared to full year ended 31 December 2012
There was a R524 million turnaround in the profit from operations to R47 million from a loss of R477 million the previous year. The headline loss of R224 million, inclusive of a provision for the Thabazimbi mine closure of R158 million, narrowed from an equivalent loss of R518 million, a year ago.
Impairment charges of R1 950 million for the year are related to Thabazimbi mine R1 878 million and to the investments in Coal of Africa Limited ("Coal of Africa") and Microsteel (Pty) Limited ("Microsteel") of R72 million.

Revenue was flat year-on-year at R32.4 billion underpinned by a 9% rise in average steel prices. Though the trend in international prices was not favourable, the depreciation of the rand by 18% on average improved our competitive position significantly. Domestic prices were up 7%, while export prices increased 13%. Prices for flat steel rose 11%, while long steel increased 5%. This helped offset a 3% fall in steel shipments, mostly exports which were down 14%, while domestic sales dropped 6%.

Revenue from the Coke and Chemicals business of R1 937 million was 4% higher following an 18% increase in commercial coke sales volumes, partially offset by a 17% drop in net realised prices. Tar volumes remained flat with prices increasing 13%.

Cash costs of hot rolled coil increased 4%, while those of billets were up 1%. Import coal prices decreased by 35% on a dollar basis, while pellets decreased by 1%. Thabazimbi margin fell 18% with pellets rising 14%. Sishen iron ore prices fell up 23% in rand terms. Local coking coal prices declined further from R883/tonne to R1 317/tonne, a 49% rise. Electricity climbed 13%, natural gas and scrap prices were up 12% and 7% respectively.

Liquid steel production was marginally higher, up 6 000 tonnes. However, capacity utilisation improved for flat steel to 74% compared to 65% the year before, reflecting the positive impact of the idling of the Electric Arc Furnace in Vanderbijlpark. For long steel, the comparable ratios were 81% and 67% respectively.

Net financing costs of R260 million for the year were R14 million lower than the prior year. Our share of the loss from equity-accounted investments after tax of R35 million compares with a profit of R53 million in the previous year. This adverse development was due to lower results from Coal of Africa, Maxsteel International Holdings BV and Valewale Iron Ore Company partly offset by income from the sale of assets from Microsteel.

Quarter ended 31 December 2013 compared with quarter ended 31 December 2012 (unaudited)
Revenue increased 12% to R7.7 billion following a 14% increase in average steel prices. Domestic prices were 15% higher, while exports rose 13% with prices for flat and long steel rising 16% and 7% respectively. Steel shipments were down 2% with local shipments declining 8%, while exports increased 13%. Flat shipments dropped 7%, while long steel rose up 12%. Revenue from Coke and Chemicals of R567 million was 5% higher on the back of an 18% increase in commercial coke sales volumes and 18% drop in average prices. Tar sales volumes decreased 10%, while prices increased 12%.

Cash costs of hot rolled coil and billets increased 2% and 5% respectively. Import coal prices declined 26% in US dollars, while pellets increased 13%. In rand terms import coal dropped 10% and pellets rose 27%. Sishen iron ore prices are fixed on a dollar basis but rose 28% in rand terms. Local coking coal, electricity and natural gas climbed 20%, 11% and 13% respectively. Liquid steel production was 211 000 tonnes higher or 20% resulting in improved capacity utilisation for flat steel at 77% against the 2012 corresponding period of 61%. The equivalent figure for long steel was 76% and 56% respectively.

Operating profit improved by R196 million to a loss of R387 million. Net financing costs of R41 million for the quarter were R66 million higher due to the lower discount rate adjustment on non-current provisions of R76 million. Our share of the profit from equity-accounted investments after tax of R22 million compares with a loss of R53 million in the corresponding quarter the year before.

Quarter ended 31 December 2013 compared with quarter ended 30 September 2013 (unaudited)
Revenue decreased by 1% to R7.7 billion due to a 14% drop in steel shipments. Reflecting the seasonal trend, local shipments fell more steeply – by 17% – while exports declined 8%, with flat and long steel dropping 13% and 16% respectively. Newcastle further increased metal stocks during Q4 by 121 000 tonnes mainly from own production. Local prices rose 2%, while export prices remained flat, leading to an overall 1% increase in average steel prices for the quarter. Flat steel prices rose 2%, while long steel prices were stable. Revenue from Coke and Chemicals of R567 million was 5% higher on the back of an 18% increase in commercial coke sales volumes offset by a 5% drop in average prices. Tar sales volumes decreased 19%, while prices increased 19%.

Cash costs of hot rolled coil rose marginally with billets increasing 5%. The average dollar price of import coal was 5% down, while pellets decreased 1%, translating to a 1% rise for both in rand terms. Sishen iron ore prices on a dollar basis but rose slightly by 1% in rand terms. Local coking coal prices declined 7%, while electricity was down 22% quarter-on-quarter due to a change in tariff from the higher winter rates. Liquid steel production was 107 000 tonnes lower or 8% resulting in capacity utilisation for flat steel of 77% against the preceding quarter's 83%. The equivalent figures for long steel were 76% and 83% respectively.

Operating profit declined by R589 million to a loss of R387 million. Net financing costs of R41 million for the quarter were R19 million higher due to lower discount rates applied to the non-current provisions of R27 million. Our share of the profit from equity-accounted investments after tax of R22 million compares with a profit of R91 million in the previous quarter. This relates to lower results from Coal of Africa partly offset by income from the sale of assets from Microsteel.

Environment (unaudited)
Notwithstanding the tough economic conditions the company operates under, key environmental projects remain a focus area in order to ensure environmental compliance. The most important project in this regard is the Newcastle zero effluent discharge project which entails the improvement of effluent treatment and the installation of a new effluent treatment plant. The completion date of April 2014 at an estimated cost of R430 million is being monitored closely.
The proposed implementation of a carbon tax by the National Treasury in 2015 remains a huge concern. It is difficult to accurately assess the financial impact of the proposed tax due to a lack of clarity, but current estimates indicate that it could amount to more than R600 million per annum. Very limited opportunities exist to reduce carbon emissions in the steel production process and no feasible low carbon alternatives exist at this stage to produce steel from iron ore. Therefore, the intention of the carbon tax to change behaviour cannot be realised within the iron and steel industry. Further engagement with National Treasury is foreseen in this regard.

Contingent liabilities
The Competition Commission ("the Commission") has thus far referred the five cases detailed below against ArcelorMittal South Africa Limited ("ArcelorMittal") to the Competition Tribunal ("the Tribunal") for prosecution. ArcelorMittal rejects the allegations made in each of these cases and is, accordingly, defending itself.

1st wire rod matter – alleged price discrimination
In January 2007, the Commission referred a case against ArcelorMittal to the Tribunal for prosecution in which the Commission alleges that ArcelorMittal engaged in price discrimination on wire rod in contravention of section 9(1) of the Competition Act 89 of 1998 (the "Competition Act"). Readings on the matter are closed but it is yet to be set down for a hearing before the Tribunal.

2nd wire rod matter – alleged price discrimination
In November 2012, the Commission referred another case relating to alleged price discrimination on wire rod to the Tribunal for prosecution. This case is essentially the same as the case referred in January 2007. The parties and to impose on us an administrative penalty of 10% of our 2008 turnover.
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Long steel matter – alleged cartel conduct
In September 2009, the Commission referred a case against ArcelorMittal and other primary steel manufacturers to the Tribunal for prosecution. In the referral papers, the Commission alleges that the respondents fixed prices and allocated markets in respect of certain long steel products, in contravention of section 4(1) of the Competition Act. The Commission requested the Tribunal to find ArcelorMittal guilty of the alleged contraventions and to impose an administrative penalty of 10% of our 2008 turnover.

Soon after the referral, ArcelorMittal wrote to the Commission requesting copies of the documents that make up the Commission's investigation record to enable it to draft and file its answering affidavit. This request was declined by the Commission, prompting ArcelorMittal to file an application with the Tribunal in December 2009 for an order compelling the Commission to provide these documents. In September 2010, the Tribunal handed down judgment refusing us access to the bulk of the requested documents for reasons of privacy and confidentiality. ArcelorMittal subsequently appealed this judgment to the Competition Appeal Court ("CAC"). In April 2012, the CAC ruled essentially that the matter be referred back to the Tribunal for a hearing to properly determine the scope of the privilege and confidentiality claims. The Commission appealed this ruling to the Supreme Court of Appeal ("SCA"). On 31 May 2013, the SCA handed down judgment effectively concurring with the CAC and further ordering the Commission to pay ArcelorMittal's legal costs for the appeal.

In July 2011, ArcelorMittal filed an application before the Competition Tribunal to set aside the above referral based on procedural irregularities. The application is yet to be heard before the Tribunal.

Flat steel matter – alleged conscious parallelism
On 30 March 2012, the Commission referred a case against ArcelorMittal and Evraz Highveld Steel and Vanadium Limited ("Highveld Steel") to the Tribunal for prosecution. In the referral papers, the Commission alleges that Highveld Steel and ArcelorMittal fixed prices and other trading conditions in respect of certain flat steel products in contravention of section 4(1) of the Competition Act. The form of price fixing alleged by the Commission in this instance is one based on the "conscious parallelism" phenomenon. This mainly relates to Highveld Steel increasing its prices each time ArcelorMittal increased its prices. The Commission requested the Tribunal to find ArcelorMittal guilty of the alleged contraventions and to impose an administrative penalty of 10% of our 2008 turnover.

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Scrap purchase – alleged cartel conduct
On 8 August 2013, the Commission referred a case against ArcelorMittal and other primary steel manufacturers to the Tribunal for prosecution. In the referral papers, the Commission alleges that the respondents fixed the purchase price and other trading conditions for scrap metal, a secondary input product in steel making, in contravention of section 4(1) of the Competition Act. The Commission requested the Tribunal to find ArcelorMittal guilty of the alleged contraventions and to impose an administrative penalty of 10% of our 2008 turnover. ArcelorMittal is currently preparing its answering affidavit which should be filed during the first half of 2014.

Competition Commission investigations
The Commission is formally investigating one further complaint against ArcelorMittal relating to alleged excessive pricing of tinplate and flat steel in general. Joined to this investigation is an investigation into alleged excessive pricing arising from the iron ore surcharge introduced by ArcelorMittal for the period May 2010 to July 2010. ArcelorMittal is fully cooperating with the Commission in this investigation and continues to deliver all information and documentation as and when called upon to do so.

Dispute with Sishen Iron Ore Company Proprietary Limited ("SIOC")
Pursuant to the dispute between ArcelorMittal and SIOC relating to the validity of the iron ore supply agreement on a cost plus 3% basis, the parties entered into a series of interim pricing agreements between 2010 and 2013 pending the resolution of the SIOC arbitration proceedings. On 5 November 2013, ArcelorMittal and SIOC entered into an agreement (the "2014 Agreement") establishing long-term pricing arrangements for the supply of iron ore by SIOC to ArcelorMittal. In terms of the 2014 Agreement, which became effective on 1 January 2014, ArcelorMittal may purchase from SIOC up to 6.25 million tonnes iron ore per year, complying with agreed specifications and lump-fine ratios. The price of iron ore sold to ArcelorMittal is at cost plus a margin of 20%. While all prices are referenced to Sishen mine costs (plus 20%), the parties agreed to a price for predetermined quantities of iron ore for the first two years of the 2014 Agreement. This volume of 6.25 million tonnes a year of iron ore includes any volumes delivered by SIOC to ArcelorMittal from the Thabazimbi mine, the financial risk of which will pass from ArcelorMittal to SIOC under the terms of the 2014 Agreement. The 2014 Agreement also settles various disputes between the parties, including the SIOC arbitration. The 2014 Agreement is subject to a number of conditions, including that SIOC retains the entire Sishen mining right and is not required to account to any third party (excluding ArcelorMittal) in respect thereof. The 2014 Agreement is not affected by the Constitutional Court's decision of 12 December 2013 (the decision is discussed below).

On 28 March 2013, the Supreme Court of Appeal delivered judgment in terms of which the court effectively agreed with the trial court that SIOC was awarded 100% of the mining rights in the Sishen mine and therefore the award to Imperial Crown Trading 289 Property Limited ("ICT") was invalid. The Department of Mineral Resources and ICT subsequently lodged an application for leave to appeal this decision with the Constitutional Court. The appeal was heard by the Constitutional Court on 3 September 2013 and its judgment was delivered on 12 December 2013. The Constitutional Court ruled that: (a) ArcelorMittal's old-order mining right in respect of 21.4% of the Sishen mine expired upon ArcelorMittal's failure to convert that share; (b) SIOC applied for and was granted conversion of its own old-order mining right which equated to 78.6% of the Sishen mine; (c) SIOC is the only party competent to apply for and be granted the remainder of the mining right (i.e. 21.4%) of the Department of Mineral Resources ("DMR") and has been afforded a period of time from date hereof to make such application to the DMR. ICT's court application was dismissed.

Dividends
No dividends were declared for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Changes to the board of directors
Honkisoletso Nyembezi-Hetta resigned as Chief Executive Officer with effect from 18 February 2014. Thandri Orlén resigned as independent non-executive director with effect from 1 October 2013. Jacob Modise and Nomavuso Patience Mxasana were appointed as independent non-executive directors with effect from 1 October 2013.

Outlook for quarter one of 2014 (unaudited)
We expect higher sales volumes after the seasonal slow-down in the fourth quarter. International prices are expected to improve modestly resulting in a significant improvement in the first quarter headline earnings.

On behalf of the board
N Nyembezi-Hetta (Chief Executive Officer) **MJ Wellhausen** (Chief Financial Officer)

28 January 2014

Turnaround to positive operating profit

Condensed group statement of comprehensive income

Quarter ended (unaudited)				Year ended			
31 December 2013	30 September 2013	31 December 2012		31 December 2013	31 December 2012		
Reviewed				Reviewed	Audited		
In millions of rand							
7 739	8 792	6 885	Revenue	32 421	32 291		
(4 805)	(5 342)	(3 754)	Raw materials and consumables used	(19 652)	(18 760)		
(842)	(872)	(814)	Employee costs	(3 408)	(3 356)		
(732)	(962)	(684)	Energy	(3 288)	(3 156)		
267	260	(335)	Movement in inventories of finished goods and work in progress	1 196	(467)		
(433)	(378)	(420)	Depreciation	(1 544)	(1 582)		
(7)	(4)	(5)	Amortisation of intangible assets	(19)	(16)		
(1 574)	(1 295)	(1 456)	Other operating expenses	(5 659)	(5 431)		
(387)	201	(583)	Profit/(loss) from operations	47	(477)		
(1 950)			Impairment charges	(1 950)			
33	59	108	Finance and investment income (note 4)	108	60		
(74)	(81)	(83)	Finance costs (note 5)	(368)	(334)		
22	91	(53)	(Loss)/income from equity-accounted investments (net of tax)	(35)	59		
(2 356)	270	(611)	(Loss)/profit before tax	(2 198)	(692)		
100	(22)	149	Income tax credit/(expense) (note 6)	51	184		
(2 256)	248	(462)	(Loss)/profit for the period	(2 147)	(508)		
Other comprehensive income/(loss)							
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss							
83	199	50	Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	561	62		
(1)	(13)		Losses on available-for-sale investment taken to equity	(9)	(32)		
30	(64)	44	Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of equity-accounted investments	28	34		
(2 144)	370	(368)	Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	(1 567)	(444)		
(2 256)	248	(462)	(Loss)/profit attributable to: Owners of the company	(2 147)	(508)		
Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to Owners of the company							
(2 144)	370	(368)	Attributable (loss)/earnings per share (cents)	(1 567)	(444)		
(562)	62	(115)	- basic	(535)	(127)		
(562)	62	(115)	- diluted	(535)	(127)		

Condensed group statement of financial position

As at			
31 December 2013	30 September 2013	31 December 2012	31 December 2012
Reviewed	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
In millions of rand			
Assets			
Non-current assets			
18 602	19 832	19 419	Property, plant and equipment
14 702	16 021	16 068	Intangible assets
1 466	1 221	121	Equity-accounted investments
3 737	3 665	3 204	Other financial assets
17	24	26	Current assets
14 113	13 524	11 479	Inventories
10 553	9 807	8 761	Trade and other receivables
2 194	3 026	1 669	Taxation
51	104	154	Other financial assets
17	12	11	Cash and bank balances
1 298	575	884	Total assets
32 715	33 356	30 898	Equity and liabilities
Shareholders' equity			
20 694	22 833	22 242	Statutory capital
37	37	37	Non-distributable reserves
(1 614)	(1 752)	(2 178)	Retained income
22 271	24 548	24 383	Liabilities of the group
4 099	4 056	4 081	Other payables (note 7)
267	270	270	Finance lease obligations
757	536	426	Deferred income tax liability
1 747	1 898	2 031	Non-current provisions
1 328	1 348	1 364	Current provisions
7 922	6 467	4 565	Trade payables
5 683	5 147	3 420	Borrowings
906		10	Bank overdraft
107	83	77	Finance lease obligations
95	107	97	Taxation
6	322	312	Current provisions
408	808	649	Other payables (note 7)
717			Total equity and liabilities
32 715	33 356	30 898	

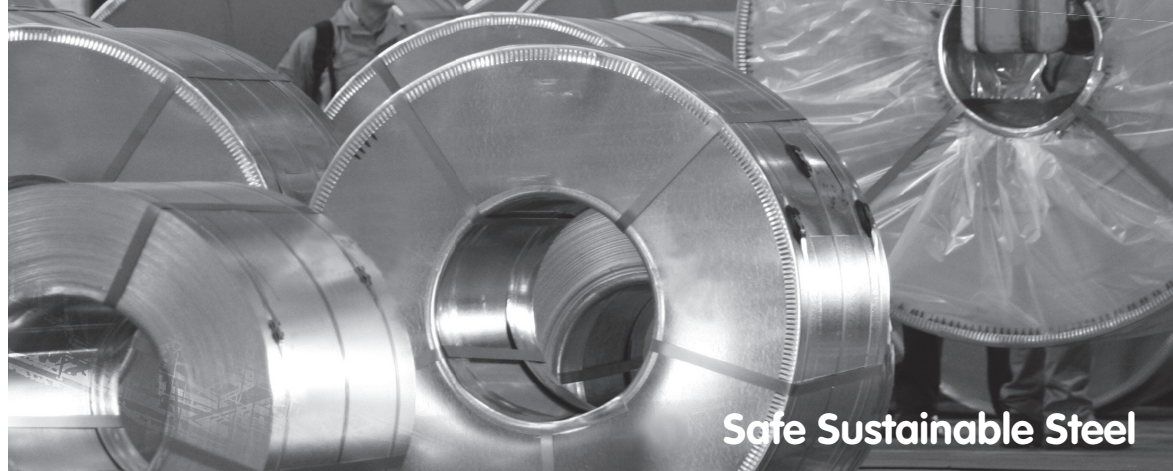
Condensed group statement of changes in equity

	Stated capital	Treasury share equity reserve	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Total
In millions of rand					
Nine months ended 30 September 2012 (unaudited)					
Balance as at 1 January 2012	37	(3 918)	1 687	24 863	22 669
Total comprehensive loss			(30)	(46)	(76)
Share-based payment reserve			12		12
Transfer of equity-accounted earnings			112	(112)	
Balance as at 30 September 2012 (unaudited)	37	(3 918)	1 781	24 705	22 605
Quarter ended 31 December 2012 (unaudited)					
Balance as at 30 September 2012	37	(3 918)	1 781	24 705	22 605
Total comprehensive income/(loss)			94	(462)	(368)
Share-based payment reserve			5		5
Transfer of equity-accounted earnings			(140)	140	
Balance as at 31 December 2012 (audited)	37	(3 918)	1 740	24 383	22 242
Six months ended 30 June 2013 (reviewed)					
Balance as at 31 December 2012	37	(3 918)	1 740	24 383	22 242
Total comprehensive income/(loss)			347	(140)	207
Share-based payment reserve			9		9
Transfer of equity-accounted earnings			(148)	148	
Balance as at 30 June 2013 (reviewed)	37	(3 918)	1 948	24 391	22 458
Quarter ended 30 September 2013 (unaudited)					
Balance as at 30 June 2013 (reviewed)	37	(3 918)	1 948	24 391	22 458
Total comprehensive income			122	248	370
Share-based payment reserve			5		5
Transfer of equity-accounted earnings			91	(91)	
Balance as at 30 September 2013 (unaudited)	37	(3 918)	2 166	24 548	22 833
Quarter ended 31 December 2013 (reviewed)					
Balance as at 30 September 2013	37	(3 918)	2 166	24 548	22 833
Total comprehensive income/(loss)			111	(2 255)	(2 144)
Share-based payment reserve			5		5
Transfer of equity-accounted earnings			22	(22)	
Balance as at 31 December 2013 (reviewed)	37	(3 918)	2 304	22 271	20 694



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New supply
agreement with Kumba

Excellent
safety performance

Key statistics

Year ended			Quarter ended		
31 December 2013 Reviewed	31 December 2012 Reviewed	% change	31 December 2013 Unaudited	31 December 2012 Unaudited	% change
Financials (R millions)					
32 421	32 291		7 739	6 885	12
1 768	1 121	58	211	(158)	234
47	(477)	110	(387)	(583)	34
(2 147)	(508)	(323)	(2 256)	(462)	(388)
(224)	(518)	57	(301)	(456)	34
285	874	(67)	285	874	(67)
20 694	22 242	(7)	20 694	22 242	(7)
Financial ratios (%)					
5.5	3.5		2.7	(2.3)	
(1.0)	(2.3)		(5.5)	(8.1)	
1.4	3.9		1.4	3.9	
Share statistics (cents)					
(535)	(127)	(321)	(562)	(115)	(389)
(56)	(129)	57	(75)	(114)	34
51.58	55.44	(7)	51.58	55.44	(7)
Safety (unaudited)					
0.56	0.61	8	0.33	0.50	34
Operational statistics ('000 tonnes) (unaudited)					
5 096	5 090		1 254	1 043	20
4 230	4 622	(9)	973	988	(2)
3 126	3 336	(6)	643	696	(8)
1 104	1 286	(14)	330	292	13
545	460	18	182	117	56
Segmental performance (R millions)					
Flat steel products					
20 697	20 991	(1)	5 036	4 708	7
135	(266)	151	(156)	(306)	49
Long steel products					
11 618	11 474	1	2 545	2 343	9
1 198	770	56	193	(8)	2 513
Coke and chemicals					
1 937	1 856	4	567	479	18
514	503	2	132	143	(8)
Corporate and other					
(79)	114	(169)	42	13	223

Overview

Trading conditions continued to be challenging for steel producers globally as weak demand continued in the eurozone. In China, the economy in general experienced a slower rate of growth and a degree of softening in steel demand which led to a decline in international steel prices.

In South Africa, economic growth was below expectations amid weak fixed investment expenditure and subdued global demand for locally produced goods. More pertinently for the steel industry, slow implementation of infrastructure development projects and the low level of fixed investment in the mining sector, coupled with weak production activity within the manufacturing sector, continued to hamper demand. Furthermore, a higher-than-usual level of imports added to increased stocks in the market which gradually normalised towards the end of the year. On the positive side, the depreciation in the rand exchange rate against other major currencies, from the month of May onwards improved our competitive position, especially with respect to our export sales.

Liquid steel production was flat year-on-year with production losses resulting from the fire in Vanderbijlpark at the beginning of the year, limited to 361 000 tonnes due to fast repairs. Aggregate capacity utilisation increased from 66% to 76% reflecting the progress in consolidating our operational footprint and improved reliability. During the last four months of the year we started to build stocks for the upcoming reline of our blast furnace in Newcastle to ensure that the supply to domestic customers is not disrupted. Total steel sales were 392 000 tonnes lower, a decrease of 9% compared to the prior year. In contrast, commercial coke sales rose 18% year-on-year as the ferrochrome industry resumed normal operations at the end of the electricity buyback programme in June 2013.

Safety performance was pleasing with zero fatalities for the second year in a row. The lost-time injury frequency rate improved to 0.56, a further reduction from the previous year's record low of 0.61. The excellent result of 0.33 in the last quarter of the year marks a new all-time record for the company.

EBITDA improved by R647 million against the previous year, turning the operating result from a loss of R477 million to a positive of R47 million. The headline loss narrowed from R518 million to R224 million.

As part of the restructuring of our raw material supplies, we relinquished financial responsibility for the Thabazimbi iron ore mine at the end of 2013 as part of the new supply agreement with Kumba, concluded in November. Additionally, Tshikondeni coal mine will close in accordance with the mine closure plan in late 2014. Operating profit includes a provision of R158 million associated with the closure of the latter. A write-off of R1.9 billion was taken on the fixed assets of Thabazimbi.

Net cash decreased to R285 million from the R874 million reported at the end of 2012, reflecting the build-up of stocks for the upcoming reline in Newcastle.

Outlook for quarter one of 2014

We expect higher sales volumes after the seasonal slow-down in the fourth quarter. International prices are expected to improve modestly resulting in a significant improvement in the first quarter headline earnings.

On behalf of the board of directors

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