

### **HEPS DOWN 8,3% TO 520,9 CENTS** NAV UP 9,3% TO 3 232 CENTS PER SHARE

# A leading manufacturer and distributor of plastic and paper packaging products

# **TOTAL DIVIDEND PER SHARE 240 CENTS**

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Transpaco's reduction in operating profit was not unexpected due to challenging trading conditions. Weak consumer and business sentiment was driven by the uncertain socio-political environment prior to the elections, high levels of load shedding until the end of March 2024 as well as high inflation and interest rates.

Group revenue contracted by 4.0% to R2.5 billion (June 2023; R2.6 billion) for the 12 months ended 30 June 2024 (the year). The decrease in revenue of 7,8% in the Plastics Division was due to the termination of an export contract in the refuse bags business, raw material price deflation in the pallet wrap operation and the impact of reduced consumer spend

The Paper division grew marginally by 0,2%

Transpaco's operating profits decreased 15,7% to R212,7 million (June 2023: R252,5 million), reducing operating margin

Notwithstanding the decrease in headline earnings (HE) of 13,8%, headline earnings per share (HEPS) declined 8,3% to 520,9 cents (June 2023: 567,8 cents) assisted by the share buy-back during the year.

Notably, revenue in the first six months of the financial year is traditionally greater than in the last six months due to the seasonal nature of the business

# **FINANCIAL RESULTS**

Total operations	June 2024	June 2023	% increase
Revenue (R'm)	2 487,1	2 591,1	(4,0)
Operating profit (R'm)	212,7	252,5	(15,7)
Profit before taxation (R'm)	206,5	239,7	(13,8)
Total comprehensive income (R'm)	152,5	176,6	(13,7)
Headline earnings (R'm)	152,3	176,6	(13,8)
Earnings per share (cents)	521,5	567,9	(8,2)
Headline earnings per share (cents)	520,9	567,8	(8,3)
Net asset value per share (cents)	3 232	2 958	9,3

Transpaco's robust balance sheet is attributable to the group's continued sound investment strategy, considered capital allocation and strict working capital management

Transpaco's stock holding reduced comfortably while trade receivables increased as the last day of the financial year fell on a Sunday. Although cash and cash equivalents on hand remained the same, changes in working capital declined due to the timing of the year end and its impact on payments received from debtors.

Net interest-bearing debt-to-equity (gearing) remained net cash positive (June 2023: net cash positive).

The weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue in calculating EPS and HEPS is 29 245 126 (June 2023: 31 106 183). Shareholders are reminded of the specific share buy-back of 1 100 000 ordinary shares which took place during November 2023 representing 3,67% of the issued share capital of Transpaco, reducing the number of shares in issue

### **EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD**

There were no subsequent events after the reporting period.

The group has assessed its cash flow forecasts and borrowings profiles and is of the view that the group has sufficient liquidity to meet its obligations as currently foreseen for the foreseeable future.

Transpaco maintained a level 2 BEE contributor status based on the revised B-BBEE scorecard through various strategic initiatives, including participation in the YES programme.

The group will continue its proven business strategy of targeting organic growth, maintaining strict financial control and identifying and pursuing appropriate acquisitions.

While difficult trading conditions are expected to continue, Transpaco will endeavour to counter this by driving sales, containing costs and maintaining gross profit contributions.

## DECLARATION OF ORDINARY DIVIDEND IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The board has declared a final gross cash dividend out of income reserves of 160,0 cents per share, resulting in total dividends of 240,0 cents per share for the year ended 30 June 2024 (June 2023: 260,0 cents per share). After applying the dividend withholding tax of 20%, a net final dividend of 128,00000 cents per share will be paid to those shareholders who are not exempt from the dividends tax. The issued shares at the date of declaration is 28 839 388 ordinary shares. The Income Tax reference number is 9975/112/71/6.

The salient dates for the dividend are as follows:

Last date to trade shares cum dividend Tuesday, 17 September 2024 Shares trade ex-dividend Wednesday, 18 September 2024 Record date Friday, 20 September 2024 Payment date Monday, 23 September 2024

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Wednesday, 18 September 2024 and Friday, 20 September 2024, both days inclusive.

## **BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES** Condensed consolidated financial statements

The condensed consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the JSE Limited Listings Requirements for condensed consolidated financial statements and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa. The JSE Listings Requirements require these financial statements to be prepared in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of IFRS Accounting Standards and the SA financial reporting requirements and to also, as a minimum, contain the information required by IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting. The accounting policies applied in the preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements are in terms of IFRS Accounting Standards and are consistent with those applied in the previous consolidated annual financial statements.

of these instruments. Interest-bearing borrowings are not materially different from their calculated fair values due to market-related rates embedded into the terms of these borrowings.

### **REVIEW BY INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**

The group's auditor BDO South Africa Incorporated has reviewed the condensed consolidated financial information for the year. The unmodified review report is set out below. The review was performed in accordance with ISRE 2410: Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Any reference to future financial performance included in this announcement has not been reviewed or reported on by the group's external auditor.

### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY**

The directors take full responsibility for the condensed consolidated results.

# **APPROVAL AND PREPARATION**

The preparation of the group's reviewed condensed consolidated results was supervised by Louis Weinberg CA(SA) (Chief Financial Officer).

On behalf of the board

PN Abelbeim **DJJ Thomas** L Weinberg Chief Executive Officer Chief Financial Officer Chairman

28 August 2024

DJJ Thomas (Chairman)\*; PN Abelheim (Chief Executive); L Weinberg (Chief Financial Officer); HA Botha\*\*; SR Bouzaglou; SY Mahlangu\*\*; SP van der Linde (Lead Independent Director)\*\*

\*\* Independent non-executive

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT ON CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL **STATEMENTS**

## To the shareholders of Transpaco Limited

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated financial statements of Transpaco Limited, contained in the accompanying report, which comprise the statements of financial position as at 30 June 2024 and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity, cash flows and segmental analysis for the year then ended, and selected explanatory notes.

### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS The directors are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated financial statements

in accordance with the requirements of the JSE Limited Listings Requirements, as set out in the "Basis of preparation and accounting policies" to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error

The Listings Requirements require condensed consolidated financial statements to be prepared in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Pronouncements as issued by Financial Reporting Standards Council and to also, as a minimum, contain the information required by International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34, Interim Financial Reporting.

### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these financial statements. We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (ISRE) 2410, which applies to a review of historical information performed by the independent auditor of the entity. ISRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements are not prepared in all material respects in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework. This standard also requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with ISRE 2410 is a limited assurance engagement. We perform procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluate the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

# CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the condensed consolidated financial statements of Transpaco Limited for the year ended 30 June 2024 are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of the JSE Limited Listings Requirements, as set out in the "Basis of preparation and accounting policies" to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

> Reviewed 12 months

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**BDO South Africa Incorporated** Registered Auditors

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Registered Auditor

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### June 2024 June 2023 change 2 487 058 2 591 074 (4,0)Revenue Revenue – plastic products (recognised at a point in time) 1 257 831 1 364 663 (7,8)1 229 227 1 226 411 0,2 Revenue – paper and board products (recognised at a point in time) Cost of sales (1 829 926) (1 918 039) **Gross profit** 657 132 673 035 (2,4)Operating costs (426 475) (405 439) 5,2 Depreciation (17928)(15 132)18,5 **Operating profit** 212 729 252 464 (15,7)Finance income 10 875 5 348 103,3 (17078) $(18\ 105)$ 5,7 Finance costs **Profit before taxation** 239 707 (13,8)206 526 Taxation (54008) $(63\ 062)$ 14,4 Profit for the year 152 518 176 645 (13,7)Other comprehensive income (13,7) 152 518 176 645 Total comprehensive income Weighted average ranking number of shares in issue ('000) 29 245 31 106 Diluted weighted average ranking number of shares in issue ('000) 29 245 31 106 Earnings and diluted earnings per share (cents) 521,5 567,9 (8,2)Headline and diluted headline earnings per share (cents) 520.9 567.8 (8,3)Dividend per share (cents) 240,0 260.0 (7,7)\*Includes interim dividend of 80 cents (June 2023 – 85 cents) and a dividend declared after the period of 160 cents (June 2023 – 175 cents) Reconcilliation of headline earnings (R'000) Net profit attributable to ordinary equity holders for basic earnings 152 518 176 645 Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment (266)(50)Total tax effect 72 14 Headline earnings 152 324 176 609 (13,8)

STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS				
R'000	Plastic products	Paper and board products	Properties and group services	Total
Revenue from external customers – 2024 (recognised at a point in time)	1 257 831	1 229 227	-	2 487 058
Revenue from all customers	1 322 043	1 293 391	-	2 615 434
Less revenue from internal customers	(64 212)	(64 164)	-	(128 376)
Revenue from external customers – 2023 (recognised at a point in time)	1 364 663	1 226 411	-	2 591 074
Revenue from all customers	1 423 073	1 290 371	-	2 713 444
Less revenue from internal customers	(58 410)	(63 960)	-	(122 370 )
Operating profit – 2024	99 439	87 285	26 005	212 729
Operating profit – 2023	133 938	98 817	19 709	252 464
Profit before tax- 2024	93 964	83 289	29 272	206 526
Profit before tax- 2023	128 291	93 336	18 080	239 707
Capital expenditure – 2024	28 687	12 846	1 417	42 950
Capital expenditure – 2023	20 630	28 728	4 869	54 227
Total assets – 2024	634 047	533 981	294 594	1 462 622
Total assets – 2023	571 796	590 408	300 497	1 462 701
Total liabilities – 2024	228 810	210 448	91 330	530 588
Total liabilities – 2023	230 831	259 323	86 952	577 106

STATEMENTS OF FINA	NCIAL POSITION	
	Reviewed	Audited
R'000	12 months June 2024	12 months June 2023
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	598 243	620 470
Property, plant and equipment	475 097	486 111
Right-of-use assets	28 307	40 217
Intangibles	17 855	17 855
Goodwill	64 182	64 182
Financial asset	4 500	4 500
Deferred taxation	8 302	7 605
Current assets	864 379	842 231
Inventories	279 494	308 167
Trade and other receivables	421 231	365 687
Taxation receivable	3 085	1 700
Cash and cash equivalents	160 569	166 677
TOTAL ASSETS	1 462 622	1 462 701
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves	932 035	885 595
Issued share capital	288	299
Share premium	9 661	10 029
Retained income	922 086	875 267
Non-current liabilities	126 639	175 448
Interest-bearing borrowings	61 524	104 653
Lease liability	15 516	27 006
Deferred income	464	593
Deferred taxation	49 135	43 196
Current liabilities	403 948	401 658
Trade payables and accruals	361 662	347 434
Interest-bearing borrowings	24 154	32 805
Lease liability	17 837	19 525
Deferred income	132	241
Taxation payable	163	1 653
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	1 462 622	1 462 701
Number of shares in issue ('000)		
Opening balance	29 939	31 499
Shares repurchased and cancelled	(1 100)	(1 560
Number of shares	28 839	29 939
Salient features		
Net asset value per share (cents)	3 232	2 958
Operating margin %	8,6%	9,7%
	Net cash	Net cash
Net interest-bearing debt:equity ratio %	positive	positive

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS			
R'000		Audited 12 months June 2023	
Capital expenditure authorised and contracted			
Property, plant and equipment	60 631	51 745	

R'000	Share capital	Share premium	Distributable reserve	Tota
Balance at 30 June 2022	314	10 554	816 675	827 54
Profit for the year	_	-	176 645	176 64
Other comprehensive income	_	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income	_	_	176 645	176 64
Shares repurchased and cancelled	(15)	(525)	(42 454)	(42 99
Dividend paid	_	-	(75 599)	(75 59
Balance at 30 June 2023	299	10 029	875 267	885 59
Profit for the year	_	-	152 518	152 51
Other comprehensive income	_	-	-	
Total comprehensive income	_	_	152 518	152 51
Share repurchased and cancelled	(11)	(368)	(30 234)	(30 61
Dividend paid	_	_	(75 465)	(75 46
Balance at 30 June 2024	288	9 661	922 086	932 03

R'000	Reviewed 12 months June 2024	Audite 12 month June 202
Cash flow from operating activities		
Cash generated from operations	283 832	323 030
Changes in working capital	(10 706)	48 80
Dividends paid	(75 465)	(75 59
Finance income received	10 875	5 34
Finance costs paid	(17 078)	(18 10
Taxation paid	(51 642)	(60 09
Net cash inflow from operating activities	139 816	223 39
Cash flow used in investing activities		
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	558	3 05
Expansion and replacement of property, plant and equipment	(42 950)	(41 12
Repayment of financial asset	_	2 00
Granting of financial asset	_	(3 50
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(42 392)	(39 56
Cash flow used in financing activities		
Repurchase of shares	(30 613)	(42 99
Payment of principal portion of lease liability	(21 140)	(20 42
Proceeds from borrowings	-	20 77
Repayment of borrowings	(51 779)	(46 75
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(103 532)	(89 40
Net movement in cash for the year	(6 108)	94 42
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	166 677	72 25
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	160 569	166 67