

Standard Bank Group Limited

Registration No. 1969/017128/06

Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

JSE share code: SBK

ISIN: ZAE000109815

NSX share code: SNB

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SBKP ZAE000038881 (First preference shares)

SBPP ZAE000056339 (Second preference shares)

JSE bond codes: SBS, SBK, SBN, SBR, ETN series SSN series and CLN series (all JSE listed bonds issued in terms of The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited's Domestic Medium Term Note Programme and Credit Linked Note Programme)
("Standard Bank Group" or "the group")

Voluntary announcement

In response to media enquiries relating to concerns regarding stocks of metal held in bonded warehouses in Qingdao Port in China, Standard Bank Group has confirmed that it has commenced investigations into potential irregularities at the port at this time, and will be working with the local authorities as part of its investigations. Standard Bank Plc, the London based subsidiary of Standard Bank Group, conducts commodities trading as part of its Global Markets business. Standard Bank Group is not yet in a position to quantify any potential loss arising from these circumstances.

Johannesburg

5 June 2014

Lead sponsor

The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited

Independent sponsor

Deutsche Securities (SA) Proprietary Limited