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("Sasol" or "the Company")

TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019 AND LCCP UPDATE

Trading Statement for the financial half year ended 31 December 2019

Sasol is expected to deliver a satisfactory set of operational results for the six months ended 31 December 2019, with a good volume, cost and working capital performance. The financial results were however impacted by a weak macroeconomic environment. This resulted in lower margins and operating profit.

Adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (Adjusted EBITDA*) are expected to decline by between 22% and 32% from R26,8 billion in the prior half year. This results from a 9% decrease in the rand per barrel price of Brent crude oil, softer global chemical and refining margins and a negative EBITDA contribution from the Lake Charles Chemicals Project (LCCP). As the LCCP units progress through the sequential beneficial operation schedule, the costs associated with the relevant units are expensed while the gross margin contribution follows the planned volume ramp-up profile and inventory build. Earnings are further impacted by approximately R1,7 billion in additional depreciation charges and approximately R2 billion in finance charges for financial half year 2020 as the LCCP units reach beneficial operation.

Shareholders are accordingly advised that:

- Earnings per share (EPS) for the financial half year are expected to be between R5,37 and R7,76 per share. This is a decrease of between 68% and 78% from the prior half year EPS of R23,92;
- Headline earnings per share (HEPS) are expected to be between R4,79 and R7,11 per share. This is a decrease of between 69% and 79% from the prior half year HEPS of R23,25. There were no significant impairments recorded for the half year 2020;
- Core HEPS (CHEPS**) are expected to be between R7,90 and R10,04 per share. This is a decrease of between 53% and 63% from the prior half year CHEPS of R21,45.

We expect net debt to EBITDA to remain below 3,0 times and gearing to remain within the previous market guidance of 55% and 65% for financial half year 2020.

Lake Charles Chemicals Project update

Sasol provided an update on the impact of the explosion and fire at the low-density polyethylene (LDPE) unit on 24 January 2020. Mainly as a result of the aforementioned incident, Sasol has revised its guidance on the EBITDA contribution

from the LCCP for the financial year 2020 to between US\$50 million and US\$100 million.

The financial information on which this trading statement is based has not been reviewed and reported on by the Company's external auditors. Sasol's financial results for the financial half year ended 31 December 2019 will be announced on Monday, 24 February 2020.

* Adjusted EBITDA are calculated by adjusting operating profit for depreciation, amortisation, share-based payments, remeasurement items, movement in rehabilitation provisions due to discount rate changes, unrealised translation gains and losses, and unrealised gains and losses on our hedging activities.

** Core HEPS are calculated by adjusting headline earnings with once-off items, period close adjustments and depreciation and amortisation of capital projects (exceeding R4 billion) which have reached beneficial operation and are still ramping up, and share-based payments on implementation of B-BBEE transactions. Period close adjustments in relation to the valuation of our derivatives at period end are to remove volatility from earnings as these instruments are valued using forward curves and other market factors at the reporting date and could vary from period to period. We believe core headline earnings are a useful measure of the group's sustainable operating performance. However, this is not a defined term under IFRS and may not be comparable with similarly titled measures reported by other companies. The aforementioned adjustments are the responsibility of the directors of Sasol. The adjustments have been prepared for illustrative purposes only and due to their nature, may not fairly present Sasol's financial position, changes in equity, results of operations or cash flows.

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