### ROYAL BAFOKENG PLATINUM LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) (Registration number 2008/015696/06)

JSE share code: RBP ISIN: ZAE000149936 JSE bond code: RBPCB ISIN: ZAE000243853 ("RBPlat" or the "Company" or the "Group")

## AUDITED ANNUAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 - SHORT FORM ANNOUNCEMENT

### **KEY FEATURES OF OUR PERFORMANCE**

# Financial capital

- 278.4% increase in EBITDA to R6 646.5 million
- Basic headline earnings per share of 1 354.4 cents (2019: 50.4 cents)
- Net cash position of R1 643.2 million (2019: net debt of R491.3 million)
- Declaration of maiden dividend of 575.0 cents per share

## Manufactured capital

- 3.7% increase in tonnes milled to 3 990kt
- 4.5% increase in 4E ounce production to 419koz
- 10.1% increase in cash operating cost per 4E ounce to R15 560

## Human capital

- One fatal injury
- 34.5% improvement in our TIFR
- 48.6% improvement in SIFR
- R225 million paid in salaries during lockdown level 5
- 19% of our workforce is women in mining
- 67.7% of our senior management team are historically disadvantaged

# Social capital

- 200-bed field hospital built to ensure medical facilities available to our employees and communities during Covid-19
- Provided food hampers and hygiene care packages to the community during lockdown level 5
- 47.7% increase in procurement from local historically disadvantaged businesses to R2.5 billion
- R92.0 million investment in our social and labour plan (2019: R65.8 million)

# Natural capital

- A— score for our voluntary disclosure to the CDP for climate change and supplier engagement rating and a B score for our voluntary water disclosure
- Reduced the amount of potable water used in the BRPM concentrator by 626.51Ml by using water from our treatment plant leading to a R6.4 million cost savings
- Began reporting in line with the TCFD in 2020

### **OPERATING AND FINANCIAL STATISTICS**

| Description                      | Unit         | 2020     | 2019    | % change |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------|---------|----------|
| Revenue                          | R'm          | 13 379.4 | 7 491.9 | 78.6     |
| 4E ounces produced               | koz          | 419      | 401     | 4.5      |
| Pt ounces produced               | koz          | 272      | 261     | 4.2      |
| Cash operating cost/tonne milled | R/t          | 1 632    | 1 475   | (10.6)   |
| Cash operating cost/4E ounce     | R/oz         | 15 560   | 14 139  | (10.1)   |
| Capital expenditure <sup>3</sup> | R'm          | 1 815    | 1 661   | (9.3)    |
| EBITDA margin                    | %            | 49.7     | 23.4    | 112.4    |
| Earnings per share               | cents/ share | 1 369.9  | 26.3    | 5 108.7  |
| Headline earnings per share      | cents/ share | 1 354.4  | 50.4    | 2 587.3  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Total Group capital expenditure amounted to R1 873.6 million

### **OVERVIEW**

In 2020 we commemorated our first ten years on the JSE, but we also saw the global spread of the Covid-19 pandemic, impacting society and all areas of business. The pandemic tested us, and particularly, our ability to handle and address the risks to our people and our business. Previously we highlighted the importance of achieving the second pillar of our strategy, building flexibility to ensure sustainability. Covid-19 has undoubtedly put to the test our ability to be flexible, adapt rapidly to situations, protect the sustainability of the business, and assist and keep safe the communities in which we operate. A positive consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic has been the spirit of collaboration that prevailed among our neighbours and various government departments. We look forward to continuing with this spirit and to achieve positive outcomes for our industry and communities. It is essential that we work together and apply global thinking to addressing this crisis and protect our planet's people and economies from disaster.

Sadly, despite achieving significant improvements in our total injury (TIFR), lost time (LTIFR) and serious injury (SIFR) frequency rates, we recorded a fatal injury at our Styldrift operation. On 9 December 2020, Mr Sipho Kopedi Mokgopa lost his life in a fall of ground accident. The Board of Directors, management as well as colleagues at RBPlat wish to extend their sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Mr Mokgopa.

Despite the negative impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on our operations and the business as a whole, the Group achieved record production with a year-on-year increase in tonnes hoisted of 9.2% to 4 140kt, a 3.7% increase in tonnes milled to 3 990kt and a 4.5% increase in 4E metals in concentrate to 419koz.

## **EXTERNAL AUDIT ROTATION**

The Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA) requires the mandatory rotation of audit firms with effect from financial years commencing after 1 April 2023. PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.(PwC) have been our auditors since 2009 and as there is a required rotation of the current audit partner, RBPlat decided on the early adoption of the rotation of audit firms. The Audit and Risk Committee, after following a comprehensive formal tender process, incorporating the requisites of the JSE Listings Requirements, has recommended the appointment of KPMG Inc (KPMG) as the Company's external auditor, with Mr Henning Opperman as the designated lead audit partner. The appointment of KPMG as the new external auditor is expected to take effect from the financial year ending 31 December 2021. This appointment will be recommended to shareholders for approval at the annual general meeting scheduled for 9 April 2021.

### **DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND**

The RBPlat Board is pleased to advise shareholders that the directors have approved the Company's maiden dividend declaration of a final gross cash dividend of 575.0 cents per ordinary share from the profits accrued during the twelve-month period ended 31 December 2020. The dividend is declared from retained earnings and will be subject to a dividend withholding tax of 20% for all shareholders who are not exempt from or do not qualify for a reduced rate of withholding tax. The net dividend payable to shareholders subject to the withholding tax rate of 20% amounts to 460.0 cents per ordinary share. The issued share capital at the declaration date is 258 792 016 ordinary shares and the Company's tax number is 9512379166.

The salient dates relating to the dividend payment are as follows:

| Declaration date                                                      | Tuesday, 9 March 2021  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Last day for trading to qualify and participate in the final dividend | Monday, 29 March 2021  |  |
| Trading ex-dividend commences                                         | Tuesday, 30 March 2021 |  |
| Record date                                                           | Thursday, 1 April 2021 |  |
| Dividend payment date                                                 | Tuesday, 6 April 2021  |  |

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between Tuesday, 30 March 2021 and Thursday, 1 April 2021 both days inclusive. Any changes to the dividend instruction will be announced on the JSE Stock Exchange News Service.

## **OUTLOOK AND COMPANY GUIDANCE**

Notwithstanding the ongoing uncertainty around the Covid-19 pandemic's current resurgence, Group production guidance for 2021, subject to any unforeseen operational disruptions, is forecast to increase to between 4.45Mt and 4.85Mt at a 4E built-up head grade of 3.90g/t-3.95g/t, yielding 475koz — 525koz 4E metals in concentrate. Group cash unit costs for the year are forecast to be between R14 200 and R15 400 per 4E ounce. Group capital expenditure for 2021, including escalation contingencies, is forecast to be approximately R2.2 billion with the key contributors being:

- R0.4 billion for the finalisation of ancillary works on the Styldrift expansion project
- R0.6 billion for the Maseve 180ktpm MF2 and BRPM TSF upgrades
- R0.5 billion for the Styldrift replacement capital

SIB expenditure is expected to be between R0.6 billion and R0.7 billion equating to between 6% and 8% of operating expenditure.

Since we listed in 2010 the organic growth we have achieved through Styldrift and the value we added to the business through the opportunistic purchase of Maseve and the remaining 33% of the BRPM Joint Venture from Amplats, have positioned us well for the future.

Going forward, our focus will be on operational excellence, extracting value for our shareholders and bondholders through the ongoing optimisation and continual improvement of our competitive assets and continuing to deliver on our purpose of creating economic value for all our stakeholders by delivering *More than mining*.

### SHORT FORM ANNOUNCEMENT

This short-form announcement is the responsibility of the directors. It is only a summary of the information contained in the full announcement and does not contain full or complete details. Any investment decision should be based on the full announcement accessible from Tuesday, 09 March 2021, via the JSE link <a href="https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2021/jse/isse/RBP/FY20Result.pdf">https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2021/jse/isse/RBP/FY20Result.pdf</a> and also available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.bafokengplatinum.co.za/annual-results.php">https://www.bafokengplatinum.co.za/annual-results.php</a>

These annual results have been audited by the Group's auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. who expressed an unmodified opinion thereon. A key audit matter relating to deferred revenue is addressed in the unmodified opinion. This audit opinion is available, along with the annual financial statements, on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.bafokengplatinum.co.za/integrated-reports.php">https://www.bafokengplatinum.co.za/integrated-reports.php</a>.

Copies of the full announcement may also be requested by contacting Royal Bafokeng Platinum Investor Relations by email at <a href="mailto:lindiwe@bafokengplatinum.co.za">lindiwe@bafokengplatinum.co.za</a> and are available for inspection at the Company's registered office at no charge, on weekdays during office hours. The forecast information contained in this short form announcement has not been audited, reviewed or reported on by the Company's auditors.

**Johannesburg** 

09 March 2021

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