Sasol Limited

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(Sasol or the Company)

## TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022.

Sasol is expected to deliver a mixed set of results for the six months ended 31 December 2022, benefitting from the stronger oil price, refining margins and weaker Rand/US Dollar exchange rate. This was, however, offset by the impacts of weaker global economic growth, depressed chemicals prices and higher feedstock and energy costs. Our South African operations also experienced several operational challenges, most notably in the Mining business, where coal productivity and quality have been below plan. This was exacerbated by supply chain constraints related to poor rail performance, unavailability of port infrastructure impacting our sales volumes, as well as power outages impacting our suppliers and customers.

Shareholders are advised that, for the 2023 financial half year:

- Earnings per share (EPS) are expected to be between R21,55 and R23,98 compared to the prior half year EPS of R23,98 (representing a decrease of between 0% and 10%);
- Headline earnings per share (HEPS) are expected to be between R29,84 and R31,36 compared to the prior half year HEPS of R15,21 (representing an improvement of more than 95%); and
- Core HEPS (CHEPS\*\*) are expected to be between R22,97 and R25,23 compared to the prior half year CHEPS of R22,52 (representing an increase of between 2% and 12%).

Sasol's adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (adjusted EBITDA\*) for the six months ended 31 December 2022 is expected to be in line with the prior half year of R31,8bn.

Notable non-cash adjustments (before taxation) for the six months ended 31 December 2022 include:

- Unrealised gains of R7,0 billion on the translation of monetary assets and liabilities, and valuation of financial instruments and derivative contracts; and
- Remeasurement items net loss of R6,4bn, mainly due to
  - impairment of the Secunda liquid fuels refinery cash generating unit (CGU) of R8,1bn due to an update in macroeconomic price assumptions,

- including higher electricity price forecasts and lower gas selling prices, and an update to the short-term volume forecast to reflect near-term operational challenges;
- impairment of the South African wax CGU of R0,9bn driven by higher cost to procure gas in the longer term, and lower sales volumes and prices due to increasingly competitive market conditions;
- impairment of the Essential Care Chemicals CGU in Sasol China of R0,9 billion resulting from a combination of lower margins and higher costs largely due to the impact of the prolonged restrictions associated with China's zero COVID-19 policy and despite these restrictions recently being lifted; offset by
- the reversal of impairment processed in 2019 on the Tetramerization CGU in Lake Charles of R3,6 billion, largely due to a sustained improvement in plant reliability which has increased co-monomer volumes available for sale and longer term contracts having been signed with several customers to improve the overall profitability of the business.

The financial information underpinning this trading statement has not been reviewed and reported on by the Company's external auditors.

Sasol will release its 2023 interim financial results on Tuesday, 21 February 2023. Sasol's President and Chief Executive Officer, Fleetwood Grobler, and Chief Financial Officer, Hanré Rossouw, will present the results at 09h00 (SA time) on 21 February 2023, followed by a market call to address questions.

Please connect to the call via the webcast link:

https://78449.themediaframe.com/links/sasol230221.html or via teleconference call link: https://services.choruscall.za.com/DiamondPassRegistration/register?confirmationNumber=5006357&linkSecurityString=c4593dfa0

- \* Adjusted EBITDA is calculated by adjusting operating profit for depreciation, amortisation, share-based payments, remeasurement items, change in discount rates of our rehabilitation provisions, all unrealised translation gains and losses, and all unrealised gains and losses on our derivatives and hedging activities.
- \*\* Core HEPS is calculated by adjusting headline earnings with non-recurring items, earnings losses of significant capital projects (exceeding R4 billion) which have reached beneficial operation and are still ramping up, all translation gains and losses (realised and unrealised), all gains and losses on our derivatives and hedging activities (realised and unrealised), and share-based payments on implementation of Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (BBBEE) transactions. 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 sustainable operating performance.

Adjusted EBITDA and Core HEPS are not defined terms under International Financial Reporting Standards 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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Sasol may, in this document, make certain statements that are not historical facts and relate to analyses and other information which are based on forecasts of future results and estimates of amounts not yet determinable. These statements may also relate to our future prospects, expectations, developments, and business strategies. Examples of such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and measures taken in response, on Sasol's business, results of operations, markets, employees, financial condition and liquidity; the effectiveness of any actions taken by Sasol to address or limit any impact of COVID-19 on its business; the capital cost of our projects and the timing of project milestones; our ability to obtain financing to meet the funding requirements of our capital investment programme, as well as to fund our ongoing business activities and to pay dividends; statements regarding our future results of operations and financial condition, and regarding future economic performance including cost containment, cash conservation programmes and business optimisation initiatives; recent and proposed accounting pronouncements and their impact on our future results of operations and financial condition; our business strategy, performance outlook, plans, objectives or goals; statements regarding future competition, volume growth and changes in market share in the industries and markets for our products; our existing or anticipated investments, acquisitions of new businesses or the disposal of existing businesses, including estimates or projection of internal rates of return and future profitability; our estimated oil, gas and coal reserves; the probable future outcome of litigation, legislative, regulatory and fiscal developments, including statements regarding our ability to comply with future laws and regulations; future fluctuations in refining margins and crude oil, natural gas and petroleum and chemical product prices; the demand, pricing and cyclicality of oil, gas and petrochemical product prices; changes in the fuel and gas pricing mechanisms in South Africa and their effects on prices, our operating results and profitability; statements regarding future fluctuations in exchange and interest rates and changes in credit ratings; total shareholder return; our current or future products and anticipated customer demand for these products; assumptions relating to macroeconomics; climate change impacts and our climate change strategies, our development of sustainability within our Energy and Chemicals Businesses, our energy efficiency improvement, carbon and GHG emission reduction targets, our net zero carbon emissions ambition and future low-carbon initiatives, including relating to green hydrogen and sustainable aviation fuel; our estimated carbon tax liability; cyber security; and statements of assumptions underlying such statements. Words such

as "believe", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "seek", "will", "plan", "could", "may", "endeavour", "target", "forecast" and "project" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and there are risks that the predictions, forecasts, projections, and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. If one or more of these risks materialise, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated. You should understand that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors and others are discussed more fully in our most recent annual report on Form 20-F filed on 31 August 2022 and in other filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. The list of factors discussed therein is not exhaustive; when relying on forward-looking statements to make investment decisions, you should carefully consider foregoing factors and other uncertainties and events, and you should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements apply only as of the date on which they are made, and we do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any of them, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.