Sasol Limited (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Registration number 1979/003231/06)

Sasol Ordinary Share codes: JSE: SOL NYSE: SSL Sasol Ordinary ISIN codes: ZAE000006896 US8038663006

Sasol BEE Ordinary Share code: JSE: SOLBE1 Sasol BEE Ordinary ISIN code: ZAE000151817

(Sasol or the Company)

#### INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# **Earnings performance**

Sasol delivered a mixed set of results for the first six months of 2023, supported by oil and refining tailwinds offset by lower volumes and higher feedstock costs. The impact from the global weaker economic growth, disrupted supply chains, depressed chemical prices and the resultant higher input costs impacted the Chemicals business negatively. Performance of our South African value chain was muted given the scheduled total East factory shutdown at Secunda and operational variability experienced, mainly due to lower productivity and coal quality in our Mining operations, contributing to lower volumes for the six months. The safety of our people and stability of our operations is a key priority. We continue to focus our efforts on improving business performance to maximise profitability for the full year.

Earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) of R24,2 billion remained in line with the prior period, mainly due to a strong pricing environment which was offset by lower volumes and increasing input cost pressures, with declining demand for chemicals globally. Earnings benefitted from gains of R5,1 billion on the valuation of financial instruments and derivative contracts offset by remeasurement items of R6.4 billion.

Remeasurement items include impairments of our Secunda liquid fuels refinery cash generating unit (CGU) (R8,1 billion), South African Wax CGU (R0,9 billion) and China Essential Care Chemicals CGU (R0,9 billion) and a reversal of impairment of our Tetramerization CGU (R3,6 billion) in the United States of America, as well as a profit on partial disposal of an interest in the Area A5-A offshore exploration license in Mozambique (R266 million) and the realisation of foreign currency translation reserves following the liquidation of subsidiaries (R251 million).

Key metrics	Half year 31 Dec 2022	Half year 31 Dec 2021	Change %
EBIT (R million)	24 204	24 309	(0,4)
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup> (R million)	31 995	31 803	0,6
Headline earnings (R million)	19 389	9 499	>100
Basic earnings per share (Rand)	23,23	23,98	(3,1)
Headline earnings per share (Rand)	30,90	15,21	>100
Core headline earnings per share <sup>2</sup> (Rand)	24,55	22,52	9,0
Interim dividend (Rand per share)	7,00	-	100

Adjusted EBITDA is calculated by adjusting EBIT for depreciation, amortisation, share-based payments, remeasurement items, change in discount rates of environmental provisions, all unrealised translation gains and losses, and all unrealised gains and losses on our derivatives and hedging activities. We believe adjusted EBITDA is a useful measure of the Group's underlying cash flow performance. However, this is not a defined term under IFRS and may not be comparable with similarly titled measures reported by other companies. (Adjusted EBITDA constitutes pro forma financial information in terms of the JSE Limited Listings Requirements and should be read in conjunction with the basis of preparation and pro forma financial information as set out in the reviewed interim financial results.)

2 Core headline earnings per share is calculated by adjusting headline earnings per share 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 B-BBEE 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 is a useful measure of the Group's sustainable operating performance. (Core HEPS constitutes pro forma financial information in terms of the JSE Limited Listings Requirements and should be read in conjunction with the basis of preparation and pro forma financial information as set out in the reviewed interim financial results.)

Net asset value	Half year 31 Dec 2022	Full year 30 Jun 2022	Change %
Total assets (R million)	422 002	419 548	0,6
Total liabilities (R million)	219 866	226 351	2,9
Total equity (R million)	202 136	193 197	4,6

Turnover			EBIT/(LBIT) <sup>1</sup>	
Half year 31 Dec 2021	Half year 31 Dec 2022		Half year 31 Dec 2022	Half year 31 Dec 2021
R million	R million		R million	R million
		Energy business		
11 872	14 219	Mining	1 918	2 026
5 683	5 551	Gas	3 503	7 619
41 439	63 049	Fuels	5 103	5 730
		Chemicals business		
30 819	35 621	Africa	8 994	10 567
18 133	23 476	America	270	1 396
26 087	25 347	Eurasia	313	2 346
32	1	Corporate Centre	4 103	(5 375)
134 065	167 263	Group performance	24 204	24 309
(14 154)	(15 513)	Intersegmental turnover		
119 911	151 750	External turnover		

<sup>1</sup> Loss before interest and tax

### Dividend

The Sasol Limited board of directors (Board) declared an interim gross cash dividend of South African 700 cents per share (31 December 2021 – nil cents per ordinary share) for the six months ended 31 December 2022. The cash dividend is payable on the ordinary shares and the Sasol BEE ordinary shares. The Board is satisfied that the Company is liquid and solvent, and that capital remaining after payment of the interim dividend, is sufficient to support the current operations for the coming year. The interim dividend has been declared out of retained earnings (income reserves). The South African dividend withholding tax rate is 20%. At the declaration date, there are 634 336 265 ordinary and 6 331 347 Sasol BEE ordinary shares in issue. The net interim dividend amount payable to shareholders who are not exempt from the dividend withholding tax, is 560 cents per share, while the dividend amount payable to shareholders who are exempt from dividend withholding tax is 700 cents per share.

The salient dates for holders of ordinary shares and Sasol BEE ordinary shares for the six months ended 31 December 2022 are:

Declaration date Tuesday, 21 February 2023

Last day for trading to qualify for and participate in the interim

Tuesday, 7 March 2023

dividend (cum dividend)

Trading ex-dividend commences Wednesday, 8 March 2023

Record date Friday, 10 March 2023

Dividend payment date (electronic and certificated register)

Monday, 13 March 2023

The salient dates for holders of American Depository Receipts for the six months ended 31 December 2022 are:<sup>1</sup>

Ex dividend on New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)

Thursday, 9 March 2023

Record date Friday, 10 March 2023

Approximate date for currency conversion Tuesday, 14 March 2023

Approximate dividend payment date Friday, 24 March 2023

1 All dates approximate as the NYSE sets the record date after receipt of the dividend declaration.

On Monday, 13 March 2023, dividends due to certificated shareholders on the South African registry will be electronically transferred to shareholders' bank accounts. Shareholders who hold shares in dematerialised form will have their accounts held by their Central Securities Depository Participant or broker credited on Monday, 13 March 2023. Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between 8 March 2023 and 10 March 2023, both days inclusive.

The Company's tax number is 9520018608.

#### **Short-form statement**

This announcement is the responsibility of the directors. The information in this short-form announcement, including the financial information on which the outlook is based, has not been reviewed and reported on by Sasol Limited's external auditors. Financial figures in this announcement have been correctly extracted from the reviewed interim financial results. This announcement does not include the information required pursuant to paragraph 16A(j) of IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'. 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 also take into consideration the information contained in the full announcement, published on SENS on 21 February 2023, via the JSE link.

The full announcement and the reviewed interim financial results will be available on the Company's website at: <a href="https://www.sasol.com/investor-centre/financial-results">https://www.sasol.com/investor-centre/financial-results</a>

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=5006 357&linkSecurityString=c4593dfa0

The recording of the presentation will be available on the website thereafter.

Copies of the full announcement and the reviewed interim financial results may also be requested from the office of the Chief Investor Relations Officer, investor.relations@sasol.com or +27 10 344 9280.

The JSE link is as follows:

https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2023/JSE/ISSE/SOL/HY23Result.pdf

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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.

**Please note:** One billion is defined as one thousand million, bbl – barrel, bscf – billion standard cubic feet, mmscf – million standard cubic feet, oil references brent crude, mmboe – million barrels oil equivalent. All references to years refer to the financial year ended 30 June. Any reference to a calendar year is prefaced by the word "calendar".