### SABLE EXPLORATION AND MINING LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) (Registration Number: 2001/006539/06)

JSE share code: SXM ISIN: ZAE000303319

("SEAM" or "the company" or "the group")

# FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024 – SHORT-FORM ANNOUNCEMENT

#### Financial results

	29 Feb 2024	% change	28 Feb 2023 Restated *	28 Feb 2023 Previously reported
Total equity (R'000) Total comprehensive loss for the year (R'000)	5 555 11 193	>100 49.7	(35 465) 7 478	(32 258) 6 237
Basic loss per share (cents) Headline loss per share (cents)	(51.45) (51.45)	(70.0) (70.0)	(171.88) (171.88)	(143.34) (143.34)
Number of shares in issue at year end	56 564 742		4 351 134	4 351 134

#### Note:

\* During the course of the audit the company identified a Reportable Irregularity in accordance with the definition provided by the Auditing Profession Act No. 26 of 2005. This Reportable Irregularity pertains to the Pay-As-You-Earn (PAYE) and Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) not being deducted from the remuneration of the directors, paid to a company which is considered to be a personal service provider. The Reportable Irregularity has been rectified in the comparative figures as well as the current year under review. The correction has been applied retrospectively to the affected prior periods in accordance with the relevant accounting standards.

## **Audit Report**

The company's external auditor, CM & Associates Inc., have issued a qualified opinion including a material uncertainty relating to a going concern and an emphasis of matter on the underlying annual financial statements, as detailed below. The audit report also includes key audit matters. The annual financial statements for the year ended 29 February 2024 including the audit report, are included in the Annual Integrated Report which are available on the company's website <a href="www.sablemetals.co.za">www.sablemetals.co.za</a> and may also be requested by e-mail from the CEO at <a href="mailto:james@sablemetals.co.za">james@sablemetals.co.za</a> or the Company Secretary at <a href="mailto:claire@capgov.co.za">claire@capgov.co.za</a> or <a href="www.sablemetals.co.za">www.sablemetals.co.za</a>.

An extract of the audit opinion is as follows:

## **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the group annual financial statements of Sable Exploration and Mining Ltd (the company) set out on pages 41 to 60, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 29 February 2024, statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the group annual financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, except for the possible effect of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the group annual financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Sable Exploration and Mining Ltd as at 29 February 2024, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa.

# **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

We were engaged to audit the group annual financial statements of Sable Exploration and Mining Ltd set out on 41 - 60, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 29 February 2024, statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the group annual financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

The audit was conducted based on information provided by the management of Sable Exploration and Mining Ltd, as we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence due to the limitations arising from the predecessor auditors'. The possible effect on the group financial statements of undetected misstatements, if any, due to the inability to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence could be material but not pervasive.

Additionally, as disclosed in note 17 to the group financial statements, the group has restated its prior period financial statements to correct the disclosure of Pay-As-You-Earn (PAYE) and Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF). The prior period financial statements were misstated due to the PAYE and Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) not being deducted from the remuneration of the directors paid to a company which is considered to be a personal service provider.

## **Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern**

We draw attention to note 19 to the group annual financial statements, which indicates that the company incurred a net loss of R46 918 987 during the year ended 29 February 2024. The note states that these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in note 19 to the group annual financial statements, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

### **Emphasis of Matter**

We draw attention to note 17 and note 21 to the group annual financial statements which indicates that a reportable irregularity was reported to the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors on Pay-As-You-Earn and Unemployment Insurance Fund not deducted from the remuneration of the directors. The irregularity has been rectified in the comparative figures as well as the current year under review based on the opinions obtained by management of Sable Exploration and Mining Limited, obtained from legal professionals. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

## **Short-Form Statement**

This short-form announcement is the responsibility of the directors. It is only a summary of the information contained in the annual financial statements and does not contain full or complete details.

Any investment decision should be based on the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 29 February 2024 which are included in the Annual Integrated Report, accessible from 1 July 2024, via the JSE link on:

https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2024/jse/isse/sxme/FY2024.pdf

Copies of the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 29 February 2024 which are included in the Annual Integrated Report may also be requested by contacting the CEO at <a href="mailto:james@sablemetals.co.za">james@sablemetals.co.za</a> or Ms Claire Middlemiss by email at claire@capgov.co.za and are available for inspection at the Company's registered office at no charge, weekdays during office hours or <a href="mailto:www.sablemetals.co.za">www.sablemetals.co.za</a>.

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