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("Kore Potash" or the "Company")

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## **Review of Operations for the Quarter ended 31 December 2024**

Kore Potash (AIM: KP2, ASX: KP2, JSE: KP2, A2X: KP2), the potash development company with 97% ownership of the Kola Potash Project ("**Kola**" or the "**Kola Project**") and Dougou Extension ("**DX**") Potash Project in the Sintoukola Basin, located in the Republic of Congo ("**RoC**"), provides its quarterly update for the period ended 31 December 2024 (the "**Quarter**").

### **Quarterly Highlights**

#### **Projects**

- Engineering, Procurement and Construction contract ("**EPC**" or the "**Contract**") for the Kola Project with PowerChina International Group Limited ("**PowerChina**" or the "**Contractor**") was signed in Brazzaville in the presence of the RoC Minister of Mines and Geology on 19 November 2024.

#### **Corporate**

- Lodgement of the cleansing prospectus on 22 November 2024 to remove any on-sale restrictions in relation to the shares to be issued pursuant to the Company's US\$0.9 million placement.
- Successful completion of c.US\$0.9 million fundraise announced on 26 November 2024.
- As of 31 December 2024, the Company held US\$1.34 million in cash.

### **Operational Activities**

#### **Kola EPC**

The EPC for the Kola Project with PowerChina was signed in Brazzaville in the presence of the RoC Minister of Mines and Geology on 19 November 2024.

The EPC is a fixed price contract worth US\$1.929 billion. This fixed price is of significant benefit to the Company as it minimises the risk of cost overruns for the Company. The EPC also includes provisions for penalties in the event of delayed completion and non-compliance to performance metrics.

The EPC remains subject to Financial Close.

Entry into the EPC reaffirms the board of directors' strategy for Kore Potash to become one of the lowest cost producers globally for the Brazilian agricultural market and high growth African markets.

## Kola Financing

As announced on 6 April 2021, a non-binding memorandum of understanding was signed with the Summit Consortium ("**Summit**" or "**Summit Consortium**") to arrange the full financing required for the construction of the Kola Project ("**Summit MoU**").

The Company confirms the Summit Consortium is not a related party of the Company.

In line with this memorandum of understanding, following the signing of the EPC, Summit is expected to deliver a non-binding financing term sheet within three months. This term sheet will be subject to the completion of detailed and definitive legal documentation.

The Company confirms its confidence in the Summit Consortium as a financier for the construction of the Kola Project. This confidence is based on the Company having worked with the Summit Consortium for the past 10 years and their track record in assisting with financing for Kora Potash including sourcing the approximately US\$40 million equity investment provided by the Oman Investment Authority ("**OIA**") and Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile S.A. ("**SQM**") in 2016. OIA and SQM are among top three largest shareholders of the Company who together hold 27.58% in the issued share capital of the Company.

The material terms of the Summit MoU were set out in the 6 April 2021 announcement and are reaffirmed as follows:

- The Summit MoU outlines a roadmap to optimise the capital design to fully finance and construct Kola via a mix of debt and royalty financing.
- Under the proposed financing arrangements, the RoC Government will retain their 10% shareholding in Kola.
- Under Summit's proposed financing structure, the Company will not contribute to the capital needed to build the Kola Project and will retain a 90% equity interest in Kola.

The Company retains the right not to accept any finance proposal presented by Summit and there is no guarantee that any proposal or legally binding agreement will be forthcoming. The Company provides no assurance to shareholders that the Summit Consortium will provide the financing required on terms which are acceptable to the Company. If the Summit Consortium does not provide an acceptable financing package leading to binding legal documents, the Company will need to explore other debt, equity and structured finance alternatives having regard to the prevailing capital market conditions.

The Company expects any financing provided by the Summit Consortium to be subject to the Summit Consortium being granted full security over the Kola Project, however (as noted above) the full terms of any financing proposal from the Summit Consortium (including any security package) will be subject to further discussions.

The Summit Consortium is currently expected to deliver this finance proposal by the end of February 2025.

Further details about the financing arrangements will be notified to the market in accordance with the Company's continuous disclosure obligations.

## **Congo Government Relations**

In August 2023, the RoC State Minister of Mines and Geology (the “**Minister**”), H.E. Mr Pierre Oba, pledged written support for Kore Potash's projects despite some unmet deadlines, reaffirming the validity of the Company's mining titles and agreements; reiterating RoC Government support. One month later, the Minister visited the Kola Project, where the Company held a ceremony to mark development progress and the start of work by SEPCO Electric Power Construction Corporation (“**SEPCO**”). PowerChina is SEPCO’s parent company.

Thereafter, RoC government engagement was continual and positive. On 24 February 2024, David Hathorn and Warren Thompson visited RoC and updated the Minister on EPC progress. Two months later, the newly appointed CEO, André Baya, met with the Minister in Brazzaville to keep him informed about further progress.

At all times and without exception, the Minister expressed support and enjoined Kore Potash to continue diligently. He was regularly informed of negotiation meetings with PowerChina in Beijing and Dubai. Finally, on 19 November 2024, the EPC construction contract was signed between Kore Potash and PowerChina in Brazzaville in the presence of a large and supportive delegation from the RoC Ministry of Mines & Geology. During his speech, Summit Consortium reassured the audience that the next step was well underway and that the financing process would result in a finance proposal by the end of February 2025.

## **DX Potash Project**

At present, the Company remains focused on completing the financing of Kola and moving forward to construction of Kola as soon as possible. The Company is also exploring what strategic options are available for the DX project.

## **Corporate**

On 22 November 2024, the Company issued a cleansing prospectus for the offer of up to 500 CHES Depositary Interests (“**CDIs**”) in the capital of the Company at an issue price of AUD 0.0543 per CDI to raise up to AUD 27.15 (before expenses). This cleansing prospectus had been prepared primarily for the purpose of section 708A(11) of the Australian Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) to remove any on-sale restrictions in relation to the shares to be issued pursuant to the Company’s US\$900,000 placement announced on 6 November 2024.

On 26 November 2024, the Company successfully completed a c.US\$0.9 million fundraise via the issue of 25,441,268 new ordinary shares of US\$0.001 each in the Company with existing and new shareholders at a price of 2.76 pence per share.

As at 31 December 2024, the Company held US\$1.34 million in cash.

There were no mining production or construction activities during the Quarter.

## **Quarterly cashflow report**

In accordance with the ASX Listing Rules, the Company will also lodge its cashflow report for the Quarter today.

The Company invested US\$553,000 in exploration in the Quarter, which comprised US\$550,000 related to the Kola Study and US\$3,000 for the DX DFS Study. The Company ended the Quarter with c.US\$1.34 million in cash.

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board of Kore Potash.

### **Market Abuse Regulation**

This announcement contains inside information for the purposes of Article 7 of the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) 596/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (“MAR”), and is disclosed in accordance with the Company’s obligations under Article 17 of MAR.

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### **Tenement Details and Ownership**

The Company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and wholly owns Kore Potash Limited of Australia. Kore Potash Limited has a 97% shareholding in Sintoukola Potash SA (“**SPSA**”) in the RoC. SPSA has 100% ownership of Kola Potash Mining SA (“**KPM**”). KPM has 100% ownership of the Kola Mining Lease on which the Kola Deposit is situated. The Kola Deposit is located within the Kola Mining Lease. SPSA is also the 100% owner of the Dougou Mining Lease. The Dougou Mining lease hosts the Dougou Deposit and the DX Deposit.

Under the existing Mining Convention, the RoC Government is entitled to 10% ownership in the Kola and DX Projects. The transfer of this 10% awaits instructions from the Government and the Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves are shown below in gross and 90% attributable bases.

**Table 1: Schedule of mining tenements (Republic of Congo)**

<b>Project &amp; Type</b>	<b>Tenement Issued</b>	<b>Company Interest</b>	<b>Title Registered to</b>
Kola Mining	Decree 2013-412 of 9 August 2013	100% potassium rights only	Kola Potash Mining S.A.
Dougou Mining	Decree 2017-139 of 9 May 2017 Revised Decree No 2021-389 of 2 August 2021	100% potassium rights only	Sintoukola Potash S.A.

**Kore Potash Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves - Gross and according to future 90% interest (10% by the RoC government)**

<b>KOLA SYLVINITE DEPOSIT</b>							
		<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Mineral</b>	<b>Resource Category</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Measured		216	34.9	75.4	194	34.9	67.8
Indicated		292	35.7	104.3	263	35.7	93.9
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>179.7</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>161.7</b>
Inferred		340	34.0	115.7	306	34.0	104.1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>848</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>295.4</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>34.8</b>	<b>265.8</b>

		<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Ore Reserve Category</b>		<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Proved		62	32.1	19.8	56	32.1	17.9
Probable		91	32.8	29.7	82	32.8	26.7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>152</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>44.6</b>

Ore Reserves are not in addition to Mineral Resources but are derived from them by the application of modifying factors

<b>DOUGOU EXTENSION SYLVINITE DEPOSIT (HWSS and TSS)</b>							
		<b>Gross</b>			<b>Net Attributable (90% interest)</b>		
<b>Mineral</b>	<b>Resource Category</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>	<b>Sylvinite Million Tonnes</b>	<b>Average Grade KCl %</b>	<b>Contained KCl million tonnes</b>
Measured		20	32.4	6.5	18	32.4	5.9
Indicated		8	23.1	1.8	7	23.1	1.6
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29.9</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>29.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>
Inferred		101	23.5	23.8	91	23.5	21.4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>129</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>28.9</b>

Ore Reserve Category	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
	Sylvinite Million Tonnes	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Sylvinite Million Tonnes	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Proved	6.1	32.5	2.0	5.5	32.5	1.8
Probable	3.2	41.8	1.3	2.9	41.8	1.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>3.0</b>

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DOUGOU CARNALLITE DEPOSIT						
Mineral Resource Category	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Measured	148	20.1	29.7	133	20.1	26.8
Indicated	920	20.7	190.4	828	20.7	171.4
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>220.2</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>198.2</b>
Inferred	1,988	20.8	413.5	1,789	20.8	372.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,056</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>633.7</b>	<b>2,750</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>570.3</b>

KOLA CARNALLITE DEPOSIT						
Mineral Resource Category	Gross			Net Attributable (90% interest)		
	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes	Million Tonnes carnallite	Average Grade KCl %	Contained KCl million tonnes
Measured	341	17.4	59.4	307	17.4	53.5
Indicated	441	18.7	82.6	397	18.7	74.4
<b>Sub-Total Measured + Indicated</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>142.0</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>127.8</b>
Inferred	1,266	18.7	236.4	1,140	18.7	212.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,049</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>378.5</b>	<b>1,844</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>340.6</b>

### **Competent Persons Statements**

All Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves are reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012 edition). Numbers are rounded to the appropriate decimal place. Rounding 'errors' may be reflected in the "totals".

The Kola Mineral Resources were reported 6 July 2017 in an announcement titled 'Updated Mineral Resource for the High -Grade Kola Deposit'. It was prepared by Competent Person Mr. Garth Kirkham, P.Geo., of Met-Chem division of DRA Americas Inc., a subsidiary of the DRA Group, and a member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia. The Ore Reserves for sylvinite at Kola was first stated on 29 January 2019 in an announcement titled "Kola Definitive Feasibility Study" and was prepared by Met-Chem. The Competent Person for the estimate was Mr Mo Molavi, member of good standing of Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia. The Ore Reserves were reviewed when the changes to the underlying assumptions (as detailed in the 27 June 2022 announcement "Kola Project optimisation study outcomes") were made and Mr Molavi verified that the Ore Reserves remained unchanged.

The Dougou carnallite Mineral Resources were reported on 9 February 2015 in an announcement titled 'Elemental Minerals Announces Large Mineral Resource Expansion and Upgrade for the Dougou Potash Deposit'. It was prepared by Competent Persons Dr. Sebastiaan van der Klauw and Ms. Jana Neubert, senior geologists and employees of ERCOSPLAN Ingenieurgesellschaft Geotechnik und Bergbau mbH and members of good standing of the European Federation of Geologists.

The Dougou Extension sylvinite Mineral Resource Estimate and Ore Reserve Estimate were reported in an announcement titled "Updated Dougou Extension (DX) PFS and Production Target" on 24 January 2023. Dr. Douglas F. Hambley, Ph.D., P.E., P.Eng., P.G of Agapito Associates Inc., for the Exploration Results and Mineral Resources. Mr. Hambley is a licensed professional geologist in states of Illinois (Member 196-000007) and Indiana (Member 2175), USA, and is an Honorary Registered Member (HRM) of the Society of Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration, Inc. (SME, Member 1299100RM), a Recognized RPO included in a list that is posted on the ASX website from time to time and Dr. Michael Hardy was the Competent Person for the Ore Reserves, and he is a registered member in good standing (Member #01328850) of Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration (SME) which is an RPO included in a list that is posted on the ASX website from time to time.

The Company confirms that, it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources or statements of Ore Reserves that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release contains certain statements that are "forward-looking" with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, projects and business of the Company and certain plans and objectives of the management of the Company. Forward-looking statements include those containing words such as: "anticipate", "believe", "expect", "forecast", "potential", "intends", "estimate", "will", "plan", "could", "may", "project", "target", "likely" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. By their very nature forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors which are subject to change without notice and may involve significant elements of subjective judgement and assumptions as to future events which may or may



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