

# **ASX PRELIMINARY FINAL REPORT**

# **Appendix 4E**

Zimplats Holdings Limited ARBN: 083 463 058

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Year ended 30 June 2024



This report was approved and authorised for release to the market by the board of directors of Zimplats Holdings Limited ('Zimplats' or the 'Company'). The report covers the consolidated entity of Zimplats and its subsidiaries (together the 'Group') and it is based on the financial statements which are in the process of being audited by Deloitte & Touche. The report is presented in United States Dollars (US\$).

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# RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

### **REPORTING PERIOD**

Reporting period: 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (FY2024)

Comparative reporting period: 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (FY2023)

		2024 US\$ 000	2023 US\$ 000
Revenue	<u></u>	767 113	962 290
Profit before income tax	87%	37 582	286 848
Income tax expense	64%	(29 360)	(81 382)
Profit for the year attributable to shareholders	96%	8 222	205 466
Dividends paid per share (US cents)	55%	93	204

# **NET TANGIBLE ASSET BACKING**

### **NOTES**

- FY in this report refers to the financial year for the Group which ends on 30 June.
- 6E (six elements) consists of platinum, palladium, rhodium, ruthenium, iridium and gold.
- Mtpa in this report refers to million tonnes per annum.

# **COMMENTARY ON RESULTS**

#### **FINANCIAL**

- Revenue decreased by 20% to US\$767.1 million (FY2023: US\$962.3 million) as average US dollar metal prices softened during the period. Gross revenue per 6E ounce sold (including the revaluation of pipeline debtors) declined by 20% to US\$1 196 (FY2023: US\$1 595). Sales volumes increased by 6% to 641 000 6E ounces, benefiting from higher production in the period (FY2023: 603 000 6E ounces).
- Cost of sales increased by 5% to US\$684.7 million (FY2023: US\$651.9 million) primarily due to increased production and sales volumes and a higher depreciation charge, moderated by several cost containment initiatives implemented in the period.
- Operating unit cash costs decreased by 1% to US\$829 per 6E ounce (FY2023: US\$836 per 6E ounce) benefiting from cost containment initiatives.
- Achieved gross profit margins were negatively impacted by lower revenue and contracted to 11% (FY2023: 32%), while foreign exchange losses increased to US\$35.8 million (FY2023: US\$17.2 million) driven by depreciation of the Zimbabwean Dollar (ZWL) against the US\$ from ZWL5 769 on 30 June 2023 to ZWL33 904 on 5 April 2024.

Resultantly, profit before tax declined to US\$37.6 million (FY2023: US\$286.8 million). Income tax expense at US\$29.4 million was mainly driven by an increase in deferred tax expense of US\$17.2 million following the change in corporate income tax rate from 24.72% to 25.75%. Profit after tax fell to US\$8.2 million (FY2023: US\$205.5 million).

Free cash generation was negatively impacted by weaker prevailing PGM pricing and elevated capital expenditure during the period. US\$60 million in debt was raised, resulting in a closing cash position of US\$78.1 million (FY2023: US\$253.6 million).

### **DIVIDENDS**

- The board of directors declared a final dividend of US\$100 million (equating to 92.90 US cents per share) for the year ended 30 June 2023 which was paid on 13 September 2023. The ex-dividend and record dates for the dividend were 1 September 2023 and 4 September 2023, respectively.
- The board of directors declared a final dividend of US\$120 million (equating to US\$1.11 per share) for the year ended 30 June 2022 which was paid on 8 September 2022. The ex-dividend and record dates for the dividend were 19 August 2022 and 22 August 2022, respectively.
- An interim dividend for the half year ended 31 December 2022, amounting to US\$100 million (92.9 US cents per share) was declared in February 2023 and paid on 8 March 2023.

## SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

• Regrettably, the Company recorded a fatal injury due to a trackless mobile machinery accident in the period, a significant set-back against the underlying improvements in safety performance achieved in FY2024, with Zimplats achieving 3.7 million fatality free shifts prior to the accident. In total, three lost-time injuries (LTIs) were recorded (FY2023: seven) and the lost-time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) improved 62% to 0.13 per million man-hours worked (FY2023: 0.34)





# **COMMENTARY ON RESULTS (Continued)**

per million man-hours worked). Management remains committed to achieving sustainable zero harm by implementing targeted safety interventions, including using leading indicators to provide predictive warnings on potential weaknesses in critical controls, thus enabling the implementation of pre-emptive preventative actions.

- Management continues to implement international best practices and standards at all operations. The Company successfully retained certification to Environmental Management System ISO14001: 2015, Occupational Health and Safety ISO45001:2018 and Quality Management System ISO9001:2015 following a third-party surveillance audit during the period.
- The use of recycled water decreased from 44% to 39% in FY2024 due to below-normal rainfall associated with the El Niño-induced drought. To augment water supplies, the volume of water abstracted from dams and underground sources increased by 15% compared to the prior reporting period.
- Zimplats rehabilitated 9.1ha of its open pit working areas during the period, in-line with the previous reporting period. A further 1.2ha area of the tailings storage facilities was revegetated as part of the concurrent rehabilitation programme underway at the operations.
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, measured per tonne of ore milled, decreased by a notable 60% to 0.021 in FY2024 (FY2023: 0.052), benefitting from the increased availability and utilisation of hydropower at the operation.
- SO<sub>2</sub> emissions, measured per tonne of concentrate smelted, decreased by 14% to 0.18 in FY2024 (FY2023: 0.21) reflecting a reduction in sulphur content of ore treated during the period.
- Construction of 35MW solar plant, first phase of the four-phase project is in progress at 86 percent completion. The project has now entered the testing and commissioning stage and is scheduled for grid connection in first quarter of FY2025. Subsequent phases will increase total solar power generation to 185MW.

#### **OPERATIONS**

- Mined volumes increased by 5% to 7.9 million tonnes (FY2023: 7.6 million tonnes) benefitting from increased production volumes from the replacement mines. Mined grade was negatively impacted by an increase in lower-grade development tonnages from Mupani Mine and dilution caused by traversing geological structures at the other mines, resulting in a 1% decline in the achieved 6E head grade to 3.32g/t (FY2023: 3.33g/t).
- Notable production gains were achieved across the operation with a 6% and 20% increase in volumes mined at Bimha and Mupani mines respectively as these operations ramped up to design capacity. Volumes at Mupfuti Mine declined by 4% in the period negatively impacted by trackless mining machinery availability. Production from Ngwarati Mine reduced by 20%, as the mine's primary operations were depleted with operations ceasing in June 2024. The pillar reclamation at Rukodzi Mine contributed 5% of total ore mined in FY2024, whilst ground conditions remained stable.

# **COMMENTARY ON RESULTS (Continued)**

Ore milled for the year at 7.9 million tonnes (FY2023: 7.5 million tonnes), increased by 6% mainly due to additional
tonnage from the third concentrator plant which ran for a full year compared to nine months in prior year, in addition to
higher milling rates. 6E production increased by 6% to 646 000 ounces from 611 000 ounces in prior year.

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

- Zimplats is progressing a series of stay-in-business, mine replacement and expansion projects and, consequently, capital project spending increased by 45% to US\$440 million (FY2023: US\$304 million).
- Development of Mupani Mine, which will provide replacement volumes for Rukodzi Mine (depleted in June 2022) and Ngwarati Mine (depleted in June 2024), remains on schedule with total cumulative expenditure of US\$325 million. Mupani Mine is scheduled to achieve production of 2.2Mtpa in FY2025 (attaining full replacement of the depleted Rukodzi and Ngwarati mines) while design capacity production of 3.6Mtpa is planned for FY2029.
- The Bimha Mine upgrade was completed during the year, increasing Bimha's design capacity to 3.1Mtpa (from 2.0Mtpa), with a total of US\$82 million spent on the project. The Mine will partly replace tonnage from Mupfuti Mine, which is forecast to deplete in FY2028.
- A total of US\$387 million has been spent on the smelter expansion and SO<sub>2</sub> abatement plant project, against
  a total budget of US\$544 million. The expanded smelter, incorporating the new 38MW furnace, will increase
  smelting capacity to more than one million ounces of 6E in converter matte per annum. Commissioning of the
  expanded smelter is scheduled for H1 FY2025.
- US\$36 million has been spent on the implementation of the 35MW solar power plant project against a budget of US\$37 million. The plant will be commissioned in the Q1 FY2025.
- A total of US\$28 million of the budgeted US\$190 million has been spent to date on refurbishing the mothballed base metal refinery at Selous.



# STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	30 June 2024 US\$ 000	30 June 2023 US\$ 000
Revenue	4	767 113	962 290
Cost of sales	5	(684 744)	(651 927)
Gross profit		82 369	310 363
Administrative expenses		(3 560)	(6 713)
Other income		376	459
Other expenses		(4 755)	(1 547)
Finance income		3 191	4 128
Finance costs		(3 691)	(2 569)
Net foreign currency exchange transactions losses	6	(35 780)	(17 273)
Share of loss of equity-accounted entities		(568)	-
Profit before income tax Income tax expense		<b>37 582</b> (29 360)	<b>286 848</b> (81 382)
income tax expense		(29 300)	(01 302)
Profit for the year		8 222	205 466
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	
Total comprehensive income for the year		8 222	205 466
Earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to owners of the parent during the year:			
Basic earnings per share (cents)		8	191
Diluted earnings per share (cents)		8	191

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**AS AT 30 JUNE 2024** 

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Notes	2024 US\$ 000	2023 US\$ 000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment 7	1 922 120	1 598 796
Investments in equity-accounted entities 8	2 062	2 430
Loans receivable 9 Prepayments	8 989	7 872 5 189
riepayments	-	3 109
	1 933 171	1 614 287
Current assets Inventories	108 752	100 754
Prepayments	90 318	122 754 177 980
Trade and other receivables 10	282 565	298 658
Current tax receivable	5 424	5 486
Cash and cash equivalents	78 062	253 594
	565 121	858 472
Total assets	2 498 292	2 472 759
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
EQUITY		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	10 763	10 763
Share premium	89 166	89 166
Retained earnings	1 688 521	1 780 299
	1 788 450	1 880 228
LIABILITIES		
Non-current liabilities		
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	22 665	19 422
Deferred tax	441 086	412 835
Borrowings Charachean appropriation	517	2 516
Share based compensation	961	1 523
	465 229	436 296
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	179 476	147 280
Borrowings	62 284	2 284
Share based compensation	2 853	6 671
	244 613	156 235
Total equity and liabilities	2 498 292	2 472 759

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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## Balance as at 1 July 2022

Total comprehensive income for the year Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year

Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:

Dividends paid

Balance as at 30 June 2023

Balance as at 1 July 2023

Total comprehensive income for the year Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year

Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:

Dividends paid

Balance as at 30 June 2024

Share	Share	Retained	
capital	premium	earnings	Total
US\$ 000	US\$ 000	US\$ 000	US\$ 000
000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
10 763	89 166	1 794 833	1 894 762
-	-	205 466	205 466
-	-	205 466	205 466
-	-	-	-
		(220 000)	(220,000)
	-	(220 000)	(220 000)
10 763	89 166	1 780 299	1 880 228
10 763	89 166	1 780 299	1 880 228
-	-	8 222	8 222
-	-	8 222	8 222
-	-	-	-
		(400,000)	(400.000)
-	-	(100 000)	(100 000)
10 763	89 166	1 688 521	1 788 450

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Notes	30 June 2024 US\$ 000	30 June 2023 US\$ 000
Cash generated from operations		
Net cash generated from operations 11	217 540	489 689
Finance costs paid	(4 638)	(629)
Income taxes and withholding taxes paid	(434)	(31 311)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	212 468	457 749
Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital expenditure net of changes in prepayments		
on property, plant and equipment	(349 987)	(379 006)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment 7	(439 527)	(304 263)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments on property, plant and equipment	89 540	(74 743)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	3 676	448
Investments in equity-accounted entities	(200)	(1 728)
Loans to equity-accounted entities	(1 117)	(5 802)
Finance income received	2 126	4 128
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(345 502)	(381 960)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from borrowings	60 000	-
Repayments of lease liabilities	(1 999)	(1 982)
Dividends paid	(100 000)	(220 000)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(41 999)	(221 982)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(175 033)	(146 193)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	253 594	377 975
Reclassification from trade and other receivables	-	22 037
Exchange losses on cash and cash equivalents	(499)	(225)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	78 062	253 594

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES, ESTIMATION METHODS AND MEASUREMENT BASIS

The Group prepares its financial statements in accordance with IFRS® Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

### 2. DETAILS OF ENTITIES OVER WHICH CONTROL HAS BEEN GAINED OR LOST

There are no entities over which control has been gained or lost during the year.

### 3. DETAILS OF ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURE ENTITIES

The Group has no joint venture entities but invested in associates.

4.	REVENUE
	Revenue fr

Revenue from contracts with customers
Revenue from movements in commodity prices

The Group derives its revenue from the following metal products:

Palladium Rhodium Platinum Nickel Gold

Copper Ruthenium Silver

Cobalt

Iridium

2024 US\$ 000	2023 US\$ 000
792 024	1 054 365
(24 911)	(92 075)
767 113	962 290
220 705	340 652
90 998	169 279
246 048	240 980
79 996	102 888
64 543	51 840
29 720	25 054
29 389	25 626
4 984	5 309
477	387
253	275
767 113	962 290

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		2024	2023
_	0007 07 044 70	US\$ 000	US\$ 000
5.	COST OF SALES	000 146	000 005
	Mining operations	283 146	262 885
	Employee benefit expenses  Materials and other mining costs	69 986 197 460	66 190 185 574
	Utilities	15 700	11 121
	Unities	13 700	11 121
	Concentrating and smelting operations	164 418	148 679
	Employee benefit expenses	19 878	19 176
	Materials and consumables	78 738	76 884
	Utilities	65 802	52 619
	Depreciation	118 466	109 060
	Movement in ore, concentrate and matte stocks	(1 105)	4 402
	Shared services	76 488	81 027
	Employee benefit expenses	36 313	38 228
	Insurance	10 402	11 498
	Information, communication and technology	11 082	10 534
	Selling and distribution expenses	11 051	9 864
	Other costs	7 640	10 903
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	Mineral royalty	37 183	37 907
	Export commission expense	6 148	7 967
		684 744	651 927
6.	NET FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS		
0.	Unrealised foreign exchange (gains)/losses on the		
	translation of the monetary assets and liabilities (net):	1 966	1 980
	Trade and other receivables	394	6 844
	Trade and other payables	(1 530)	(4 819)
	Current income tax liabilities	2 603	(270)
	Cash and cash equivalents	499	225
	Realised foreign exchange losses/(gains) on		
	translation of monetary assets and liabilities (net):	33 814	15 293
	Trade and other receivables	20 949	17 917
	Trade and other payables	12 732	1 063
	Current income tax liabilities	-	(3 687)
	Cash and cash equivalents	133	-
	Foreign currency exchange losses (net)	35 780	17 273
	For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the		
	foreign currency exchange adjustment comprises of:		
	Unrealised foreign currency exchange (gains)/losses (net)	(1 136)	2 025
	Net foreign currency exchange loss/(gain)		
	on current income tax liabilities	2 603	(270)
	Cash and cash equivalents	499	225
		1 966	1 981

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7.	PROPERTY,	<b>PLANT</b>	<b>AND</b>	<b>EQUIPMENT</b>
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### Year ended 30 June 2024

Opening net book amount

Additions

Right of use assets capitalised

Environmental rehabilitation asset adjustment

Borrowing costs capitalised

Disposals

Accumulated depreciation on disposals

Depreciation charge

Closing net book amount

2024		2023		
	US\$ 000	US\$ 000		
	1 500 700	1 404 010		
	1 598 796	1 404 612		
	439 527	304 263		
	-	6 048		
	3 568	(6 486)		
	2 512	-		
	(50 032)	(49 183)		
	46 357	48 741		
	(118 608)	(109 199)		
	1 922 120	1 598 796		

#### 8. **INVESTMENTS IN EQUITY-ACCOUNTED ENTITIES**

	Country of
Name	incorporation
Palmline Investments (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe
Value Bridge Investments (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe
Voltron Mining (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe
Mine Support Solutions (Private) Limited	Zimbabwe

Ownership interest				
2024	2023			
%	%			
40	40			
35	35			
35	35			
10	10			

Palmline Investments (Private) Limited
Value Bridge Investments (Private) Limited
Voltron Mining (Private) Limited
Mine Support Solutions (Private) Limited

Total investments in equity-accounted entities

US\$ 000	US\$ 000
- 2 062	500 1 923
-	7
2 062	2 430

2022

#### 9. **LOANS RECEIVABLE**

Long term loans to equity-accounted entities

Voltron Mining (Private) Limited

Mine Support Solutions (Private) Limited			
Palmline Investments (Private) Limited			

2023 US\$ 000
1 769
293
5 810
7 872

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10	TRADE A	AND OTHER	RECEIVABI	_ES

Trade receivables due from related parties Statutory receivable (note 10.1) Value added tax receivable Other receivables

2024 US\$ 000	2023 US\$ 000
174 968	275 742
60 169	-
19 140 28 288	10 559 12 357
282 565	298 658

### 10.1 Statutory receivable

Following the announcement of the 2024 Monetary Policy Statement on 5 April 2024, US\$60.2 million which was held by the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe (RBZ) under the 25% export proceeds surrender in terms of the Exchange Control regulations, was reclassified from Cash and cash equivalents to statutory receivable. The announcement stated that outstanding payments for foreign currency surrendered to the RBZ would be converted into a ZWG denominated instrument with a tenor of 1 year at an interest rate of 7.5% per annum, resulting in their reclassification to a statutory receivable. As of reporting date the instrument had not yet been issued. No impairment was recognised in current period.

		Note	30 June 2024 US\$ 000	30 June 2023 US\$ 000
	SH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS			
Profi	t before income tax		37 582	286 848
Adju	istments for:			
Dep	reciation	7	118 608	109 199
Prov	ision for obsolete inventories		(473)	2 003
Shar	re based compensation		(4 380)	(6 629)
Payr	ments made for environmental rehabilitation		(1 891)	(2 036)
Shar	re of loss of equity-accounted entities		568	-
Unre	ealised foreign currency exchange losses		1 966	1 981
Gain	on disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	(7)
Fina	nce income		(3 191)	(4 128)
Fina	nce costs		3 691	2 569
Cha	nges in operating assets and liabilities			
Deci	rease/(Increase) in inventories		14 475	(23 061)
Decr	rease/(Increase) in prepayments		3 311	(8 724)
Deci	rease in trade and other receivables		16 764	110 180
Incre	ease in trade and other payables		30 510	21 494
Net	cash generated from operations		217 540	489 689

### 12 CONTINGENCIES

# 12.1 Contingent liabilities

At year-end, the Group had contingent liabilities in respect of matters arising in the ordinary course of business from which it is anticipated that no material liabilities will arise.

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#### 12.2 Uncertain tax matters

The Group has historically filed, and continues to file, all required income tax returns and to pay the taxes reasonably determined to be due. The fiscal legislation in Zimbabwe is volatile, highly complex and subject to interpretation. From time to time, the Group is subject to a review of its historic income tax returns and in connection with such reviews, disputes can arise with the Zimbabwe Revenue Authority ('ZIMRA') over the interpretation and/or application of certain legislation.

Significant judgement is required in determining the provision for income taxes due to the complexity and differences of interpretation of fiscal legislation, and application which may require determination through the courts. There are many transactions and calculations for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business.

The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues and uncertain tax positions based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. The assessment is based on objective, unbiased interpretation of the fiscal legislation, informed by specialist independent tax and legal advice. Where, ZIMRA, as the tax authority makes an assessment that differs from that determined and initially recorded by the company, such difference in computation will impact the income tax expenses and liabilities in the period in which such determination is made.

Irrespective of whether potential economic outflows of matters have been assessed as probable or possible, individually significant matters are included to the extent that disclosure does not prejudice the Group.

### 12.3 Matters before the courts

The Group filed legal proceedings in the Special Court for Income Tax Appeals and the Supreme Court of Zimbabwe in relation to various historical income tax matters. Subsequent to year end, the Supreme Court of Zimbabwe ruled in favour of ZIMRA on one of the tax matters.

The ruling did not have any financial impact as the Group has on without prejudice basis, settled the disputed liabilities involved in these cases.

## 13 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no other significant events after the statement of financial position date that have a bearing on the understanding of these financial statements.

