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KGP Q1 PRODUCTION 26KOZ ON TRACK TO ACHIEVE FY25 GUIDANCE

Capricorn Metals Limited (**Capricorn** or the **Company**) is pleased to provide a preliminary update on the quarterly production at the Karlawinda Gold Project (**KGP**).

KGP delivered another steady quarter of operations, producing 25,559 ounces of gold, in line with expectations as per the FY25 mine plan. The operation is on track to achieve FY25 guidance of 110,000 – 120,000 ounces at an AISC of \$1,370 - \$1,470 per ounce.

Operating statistics for the quarter are tabled below:

	<i>Unit</i>	Sep24Q	Jun24Q	Mar24Q	Dec23Q
Material mined	<i>BCM ('000)</i>	3,697	3,149	2,602	3,204
Ore milled	<i>t ('000)</i>	1,088	1,012	997	1,057
Head Grade	<i>g/t</i>	0.80	0.93	0.91	1.00
Recovery	<i>%</i>	91.9	89.1	89.5	89.4
Gold production	<i>Oz</i>	25,559	26,835	26,073	30,399

Gold production for the quarter reflected the focus on increasing total material movement from the Bibra open pit to achieve the planned pit face positions for end of quarter, delivering a 17% increase in material movement compared to the previous quarter. The Company has begun realising these benefits in the form of greater productivities and working areas available. This progress establishes a solid foundation at Bibra for the remainder of FY25. Pleasingly following the commissioning of liquid oxygen and lead nitrate facilities, gold recovery rates have also stabilised in the plant at the budgeted rate of 91.9% in this quarter.

Full operational and cost details will be provided in the Quarterly Report later in October 2024.

The Company's cash and gold on hand at the end of the September 2024 quarter was \$144.6 million (Jun24: \$125.0m). This represents a cash build of \$24.1 million for the quarter (Jun24: \$24.6m) before discretionary capital expenditure at the Mt Gibson Gold Project (**MGGP**).

The capital spend on development activities at MGGP for the quarter was \$4.5 million with the main focus being continued installation of the 400-room accommodation village for operations. To date Capricorn has spent \$23.9 million on these early construction works. This early spend of part of the \$260 million MGGP capital budget is a strategic decision to compress the ultimate construction timeframe.

Development activities at the MGGP continued to be advanced in the September 2024 quarter:

- Installation of the 400-room accommodation village for operations continued with all buildings for the camp now in place and associated services being installed. Construction is on target to be completed in CY24 with partial occupation planned to commence then;

- Tender responses were received during the quarter for Mining Services, Power Supply and Process Plant Design contracts. Final evaluations are underway with awards for these critical path scopes planned in Q2;
- In July 2024, Capricorn received advice from the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) relating to the assessment of the MGGP referral. The guidelines for the Public Environment Report (PER) to be submitted for referral were received and have been incorporated into the final work streams being completed. Field surveys were completed in the quarter, reporting is underway with submission of the PER planned for late Q2.

Further details of development and exploration activities will be provided in the Quarterly Report later in October 2024.



Mt Gibson Gold Project – accommodation village installation

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Capricorn Metals board.

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