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	REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR
\boxtimes	ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	OR TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	OR SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT 1934 For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 Commission file number 0-28800
	DRDGOLD LIMITED (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter and translation of Registrant's name into English)
	REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
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	Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act
	Title of each class: Name of each exchange on which registered:
	dinary shares (traded in the form of American Depositary nares, each American Depositary Share representing ten underlying ordinary shares.) The New York Stock Exchange, Inc.
	Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act None
	Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act None
period	Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the covered by the annual report.
Period	As of June 30, 2016 the Registrant had outstanding 431,429,767 ordinary shares, of no par value.
No 🗵	Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes
	If this report is an annual report or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports nt to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes \(\sigma\) No \(\overline{\mathbb{Z}}\)
	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the ties Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such (1), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \boxtimes No \square
	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any Interactive Date File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (232-405 of this chapter) the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes
	No □ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. Large accelerated filer □ Accelerated filer ☑ Non-accelerated filer □
filing.	Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this U.S. GAAP ☐ International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the IASB ☒ Other ☐ If "Other" has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the
•	ant has elected to follow. Item 17 \square Item 18 \square If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the
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Preparation of Financial Information

We are a South African company and currently all of our operations, as measured in production ounces, are located in South Africa. Accordingly, our books of account are maintained in South African Rand. Our financial statements included in our corporate filings are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) for the financial years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014. All references to "dollars" or "\$" herein are to United States Dollars and references to "rand" or "R" are to South African Rands.

Our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report are prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. All financial information, except as otherwise noted is stated in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB.

We present our financial information in rand, which is our presentation currency. Solely for your convenience, this Annual Report contains translations of certain rand amounts into dollars at specified rates. These rand amounts do not represent actual dollar amounts, nor could they necessarily have been converted into dollars at the rates indicated. Unless otherwise indicated, rand amounts have been translated into dollars at the rate of R13.72 per \$1.00, the noon buying rate in New York City on September 30, 2016.

In this Annual Report we present certain non-IFRS financial measures such as the financial items "cash operating costs per kilogram", "all-in sustaining costs per kilogram" and "all-in costs per kilogram" which have been determined using industry guidelines promulgated by the World Gold Council, which we use to determine costs associated with producing gold, cash generating capacities of the mines and to monitor performance of our mining operations. An investor should not consider these items in isolation or as alternatives to cash and cash equivalents, operating costs, profit/(loss) attributable to equity owners of the parent, profit/(loss) for the year or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with IFRS or as an indicator of our performance. While the World Gold Council has provided definitions for the calculation of cash operating costs, the calculation of cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs per kilogram may vary significantly among gold mining companies, and these definitions by themselves do not necessarily provide a basis for comparison with other gold mining companies. See Glossary of Terms and Explanations and Item 5A. Operating Results — "Cash operating costs, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash operating costs, which is also a non-IFRS measure. For a reconciliation of this measure to the nearest IFRS measure see Item 5A.: Operating Results "Cash operating costs, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram" and "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogr

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When used in this Annual Report, the term the "Company" refers to DRDGOLD Limited and the terms "we," "our," "us" or "the Group" refer to the Company and its subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, as appropriate in the context.

Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report contains certain "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, regarding future events or other future financial performance and information relating to us that are based on the beliefs of our management, as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to our management. Some of these forward-looking statements include phrases such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "should," or "will continue," or similar expressions or the negatives thereof or other variations on these expressions, or similar terminology, or discussions of strategy, plans or intentions, including statements in connection with, or relating to, among other things:

- the trend information discussed in Item 5D.- Trend Information, including target gold production and cash operating costs;
- estimated future throughput capacity and production;
- expected trends in our gold production as well as the demand for and the price of gold;
- our anticipated commitments;
- our anticipated labor, electricity, water, crude oil and steel costs;
- our ability to fund our operations in the next 12 months; and
- estimated production costs, cash operating costs per ounce, all-in sustaining costs per ounce and all-in costs per ounce.

Such statements reflect our current views with respect to future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Many factors could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including, among others:

- adverse changes or uncertainties in general economic conditions in South Africa;
- regulatory developments adverse to us or difficulties in maintaining necessary licenses or other governmental approvals;
- changes in our competitive position;
- changes that affect our business strategy;
- adverse changes in our gold production as well as the demand for and the price of gold;

- any major disruption in production at our key facilities;
- adverse changes in foreign exchange rates;
- adverse environmental changes;
- adverse changes in ore grades and recoveries, and to the quality or quantity of reserves;
- unforeseen technical production issues, industrial accidents and theft;
- anticipated capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment; or
- various other factors, including those set forth in Item 3D. Risk Factors.

For a discussion of such risks, see Item 3D. Risk Factors. The risk factors described in Item 3D. could affect our future results, causing these results to differ materially from these expressed in any forward-looking statements. These factors are not necessarily all of the important factors that could cause our results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on future results.

Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date thereof. We do not undertake any obligation to update publicly or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Annual Report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Imperial units of measure and metric equivalents

The table below sets forth units stated in this Annual Report, which are measured in Imperial and Metric.

<u>Metric</u>	<u>Imperial</u>	<u>Imperial</u>	Metric
1 metric tonne	1.10229 short tons	1 short ton	0.9072 metric tonnes
1 kilogram	2.20458 pounds	1 pound	0.4536 kilograms
1 gram	0.03215 troy ounces	1 troy ounce	31.10353 grams
1 kilometer	0.62150 miles	1 mile	1.609 kilometers
1 meter	3.28084 feet	1 foot	0.3048 meters
1 liter	0.26420 gallons	1 gallon	3.785 liters
1 hectare	2.47097 acres	1 acre	0.4047 hectares
1 centimeter	0.39370 inches	1 inch	2.54 centimeters
1 gram/tonne	0.0292 ounces/ton	1 ounce/ton	34.28 grams/tonnes
0 degree Celsius	32 degrees Fahrenheit	0 degrees Fahrenheit	- 18 degrees Celsius

Glossary of Terms and Explanations

The table below sets forth a glossary of terms used in this Annual Report:

All-in sustaining costs per kilogram	and production taxes, sustaining capital, sustaining exploration, the accretion of rehabilitation costs, but excludes depreciation, retrenchment costs, finance costs, depletion and amortization, reclamation
	and closure costs. All-in sustaining costs per kilogram are calculated by dividing total all-in sustaining costs by kilograms of gold produced. This is a non-IFRS financial measure and should not
All-in costs per kilogram	be considered a substitute measure of costs and expenses reported by us in accordance with IFRS. All-in costs is a measure on which guidance is provided by the World Gold Council and include total operating costs, plus all-in sustaining costs, non-sustaining capital costs relating to projects, retrenchment costs, capital recoupment relating to non-sustaining capital, ongoing rehabilitation expenditure, and non-operating costs, but exclude taxation, minority interest, finance costs, profit or loss from associates and the cumulative effect of accounting adjustments. All-in costs per kilogram are calculated by dividing total all-in costs by kilograms of gold produced. This is a non-IFRS financial measure and should not be considered a substitute measure of costs and expenses reported by us in accordance with IFRS.
Assaying	The chemical testing process of rock samples to determine mineral content.
\$/oz	
Capital expenditure	Additions to property, plant and equipment paid in cash.
Care and maintenance	Cease active mining activity at a shaft, but continue to incur costs to ensure that the Ore Reserves are open, serviceable and legally compliant.
Cash operating costs per kilogram	

	A coarse-grained sedimentary rock consisting of rounded or sub-rounded pebbles.
Cut-off grade	
D 1.	overhead costs, are equal to a projected gold price per ounce.
Depletion	The decrease in the quantity of ore in a deposit or property resulting from extraction or production.
Deposition	Deposition is the geological process by which material is added to a landform or land mass. Fluids such
	as wind and water, as well as sediment flowing via gravity, transport previously eroded sediment,
	which, at the loss of enough kinetic energy in the fluid, is deposited, building up layers of sediment.
	Deposition occurs when the forces responsible for sediment transportation are no longer sufficient to
D'	overcome the forces of particle weight and friction, creating a resistance to motion.
Doré	Unrefined gold and silver bullion bars consisting of approximately 90% precious metals which will be
C 1-	further refined to almost pure metal.
Grade	The amount of gold contained within auriferous material generally expressed in ounces per ton or grams
g/t	per tonne of ore.
	A plane indicating a particular position in a stratigraphic sequence. This may be a theoretical surface
110112011	with no thickness or a distinctive bed.
Metallurgical plant	A processing plant (mill) erected to treat ore and extract the contained gold.
	The gold content recovered expressed as a percentage of the gold content called.
Mt	
	A mixture of valuable and worthless materials from which the extraction of at least one mineral is
	technically and economically viable.
Pay-limit	
,	costs, are equal to a projected gold price per ounce.
Proven Ore Reserves	Reserves for which (a) the quantity is computed from dimensions revealed in outcrops, trenches,
	workings or drill holes; grade and/or quality are computed from the results of detailed sampling and (b)
	the sites for inspection, sampling and measurement are spaced so closely and the geologic character is
	so well defined that size, shape, depth, and mineral content of Ore Reserves are well-established.
Probable Ore Reserves	Reserves for which quantity and grade and/or quality are computed from information similar to that
	used for Proven Ore Reserves, but the sites for inspection, sampling, and measurement are farther apart
	or are otherwise less adequately spaced. The degree of assurance, although lower than that for Proven
	Ore Reserves, is high enough to assume continuity between points of observation.
oz/t	Ounces per ton.
Reef	A gold-bearing sedimentary horizon, normally a conglomerate band that may contain economic levels
D	of gold.
Refining	The final purification process of a metal or mineral.
Rehabilitation	
Reserves	That part of a mineral deposit which could be economically and legally extracted or produced at the
C - 1: t	time of the reserve determination.
Sedimentary	
Shaft	transported from a source to a site of deposition. An opening cut downwards for transporting personnel, equipment, supplies, ore and waste. A shaft is
Silait	also used for ventilation and as an auxiliary exit. It is equipped with a hoist system that lowers and raises
	a cage in the shaft, transporting equipment, personnel, materials, ore and waste. A shaft generally has
	more than one compartment.
Slimes	The fraction of tailings discharged from a processing plant after the valuable minerals have been
Similes	recovered.
t'000	Tonnes in thousands.
Tailings	
	slimes or residue derived from any mining operation or processing of any minerals.
Tailings dam	A dam created from waste material of processed ore after the economically recoverable gold has been
-	extracted.
Tonnage/Tonne	Quantities where the metric tonne is an appropriate unit of measure. Typically used to measure reserves
	of gold-bearing material in-situ or quantities of ore and waste material mined, transported or milled.
Tpm	
Yield	The amount of recovered gold from production generally expressed in ounces or grams per ton or tonne
	of ore.

PART I

ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

3A. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected consolidated financial data as at June 30, 2016 and 2015 and for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 are derived from our consolidated financial statements set forth elsewhere in this Annual Report, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS, as issued by the IASB. These consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG Inc. The selected consolidated financial data as at June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012, and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 is derived from audited consolidated financial statements not appearing in this Annual Report which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. The selected consolidated financial data set forth below should be read in conjunction with Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto and the other financial information appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Selected Consolidated Financial Data (in thousands, except share, per share and ounce data)

		Year ended June 30.				
	20161	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
<u>-</u>	\$'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Profit or loss Data						
Revenue	177,337	2,433,064	2,105,298	1,809,434	2,076,496	3,004,264
Results from operating activities Results from operating activities from	8,716	119,579	94,901	(12,547)	184,704	367,712
continuing operating activities from continuing operations	8,716	119,579	94,901	(12,547)	184,704	240,151
equity owners of the parent Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to equity owners of the parent from	4,514	61,929	67,807	(45,808)	49,420	294,313
continuing operations	4,514	61,929	67,807	(45,808)	49,420	202,939
Per Share Data						
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (cents) Basic earnings/(loss) per share - continuing	1	15	17	(12)	13	77
operations (cents)	1	15	17	(12)	13	53
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents) Diluted earnings/(loss) per share -	1	15	17	(12)	13	77
continuing operations (cents)	1	15	17	(12)	13	53
(ZAR cents)		62	10	2	28.0	10.0
Dividends proposed per ADS for the year (USD cents)		45.2	6.5	1.6	28.2	12.1
Exchange rate (USD1:ZAR)1		13.72	13.82	10.42	8.92	7.77
Number of shares issued as at June 30	431,429,767	431,429,767	430,883,767	385,383,767	385,383,767	385,383,767
Statement of financial position data						
Total assets	176,317	2,419,075	2,503,038	2,440,746	2,669,000	2,489,006
Equity (Net assets)	97,635	1,339,556	1,529,925	1,481,211	1,643,672	1,631,763
Ordinary share capital	304,4602	4,177,1942	4,180,9192	4,088,4742	4,089,2872	4,089,1172
			<u>Mo</u>	onth_		
	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016
Evahanga Data Data	September	August	July	June	May	April
Exchange Rate Data	1455	1454	1405	15.50	15.00	15.20
High (USD1:ZAR)	14.75	14.74	14.95	15.73	15.98	15.29
Low (USD1:ZAR)	13.37	13.19	13.82	14.30	14.17	14.10

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¹ Translations into Dollars in this table are for the purpose of convenience only and are computed at the noon buying rate in New York City at September 30, 2016 of R13.72 per \$1.00, or the annual average as noted. You should not view such translations as a representation that such amounts represent actual Dollar amounts. All other translations in this Annual Report are based on exchanges rates quoted by local financial service providers. This line item has been prepared in accordance with Item 3.A(3) of Form 20-F

² Ordinary share capital is stated after the deduction of R50.7 million (2015: R44.2 million and 2014: R44.4 million) share capital relating to treasury shares held by the Group.

3B. CAPITALIZATION AND INDEBTEDNESS

Not applicable.

3C. REASONS FOR THE OFFER AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Not applicable.

3D. RISK FACTORS

In conducting our business, we face many risks that may interfere with our business objectives. Some of these risks relate to our operational processes, while others relate to our business environment. It is important to understand the nature of these risks and the impact they may have on our business, financial condition and operating results. Some of these risks are summarized below and have been organized into the following categories:

- Risks related to our business and operations;
- Risks related to the gold mining industry;
- Risks related to doing business in South Africa; and
- Risks related to ownership in our ordinary shares or American Depositary Shares (ADSs).

Risks related to our business and operations

Changes in the market price for gold, which in the past has fluctuated widely, and exchange rate fluctuations affect the profitability of our operations and the cash flows generated by those operations.

As the majority of our production costs are in rands, while gold is generally sold in dollars, our results of operation and financial condition have been and could be in the future materially affected by an appreciation in the value of the rand. Due to the marginal nature of our operations any sustained decline in the market price of gold would adversely affect us, and any decline in the price of gold below the cost of production could result in the closure of some or all of our operations which would result in significant costs and expenditure, such as, incurring retrenchment costs earlier than expected which could lead to a decline in, and even total loss of, profits, or losses. Accordingly, any sustained decline in the price of gold would negatively and adversely affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

We do not enter into forward contracts to reduce our exposure to market fluctuations in the dollar gold price or the exchange rate movements of the rand. We sell our gold and trade our foreign currency at the spot price in the market on the date of trade. If the dollar gold price should fall and/or the rand should strengthen against the dollar, this would adversely affect us and we may experience losses, and if these changes result in revenue below our cost of production and remain at such levels for any sustained period, we may be forced to curtail or suspend some or all of our operations. We might not be able to recover any losses we may incur during that period or maintain adequate gold reserves for future exploitation.

Exchange rates are influenced by global economic trends. In fiscal 2016, 2015 and 2014 the rand weakened against the dollar by 21%, 14% and 8% respectively compared to the prior year (based on exchange rates at June 30 of each year). At September 30, 2016 the rand traded at R13.71 = \$1.00 (based on closing rates), a 7% strengthening relative to the Dollar from June 30, 2016.

A decrease in the dollar gold price and a strengthening of the rand against the dollar would result in a decrease in our profitability. In fiscal 2016, 2015 and 2014 all of our production was from South Africa. If the rand was to appreciate against the dollar for a continued time, our operations could experience a reduction in cash flow and profitability and this would adversely affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

A failure to acquire new Ore Reserves could negatively affect our future cash flow, results of operations and financial condition.

New or ongoing exploration programs may not result in new mineral producing operations that will sustain or increase our Ore Reserves and Ore Reserve quality. A failure to acquire new Ore Reserves in sufficient quantities and quality to maintain or grow the current level and quality of our reserves will negatively affect our future cash flow, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, if we are unable to identify Ore Reserves that have reasonable prospects for economic extraction while maintaining sufficient controls on production and other costs, this will have a material influence on the future viability of our operations.

Our Ore Reserves (imperial) have decreased by 1% from 1.9 million ounces at June 30, 2015, to 1.8 million ounces at June 30, 2016, mainly as a result of depletion through ongoing mining activities. Our Ore Reserves (imperial) increased by 22% from 1.5 million ounces at June 30, 2014, to 1.9 million ounces at June 30, 2015, mainly as a result of the acquisition of the non-controlling interest in Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited ("EMO") and, to a lesser extent, the decrease in the cut-off grade. These increases were offset by a decrease due to ongoing mining activities. Our Ore Reserves for fiscal 2014 decreased by 10.0% due to ongoing mining activities.

We may not be able to meet our cash requirements because of a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control.

Management's estimates on future cash flows are subject to risks and uncertainties, such as the gold price, production volumes, recovered grades and costs. If we are unable to meet our cash requirements out of cash flows generated from our operations, we would need to fund our cash requirements from financing and we cannot guarantee that any such financing would be permitted under the terms of our existing financing arrangements, or would be available on acceptable terms, or at all. In the absence of sufficient cash flows or adequate financing, our ability to respond to changing business and economic conditions, make future acquisitions, react to adverse operating results, meet our debt service obligations and fund required capital expenditures or meet our working capital requirements may be adversely affected.

We have incurred losses in the past and may incur losses in the future.

We achieved a profit of R61.9 million for fiscal 2016 and R68.2 million for fiscal 2015. We incurred a loss of R54.7 million for fiscal 2014.

Our profits and cash flows of our operations are directly exposed to the gold price, strength of the rand and input costs as we do not hedge. There can be no assurance that such exposure and other factors might not result in us incurring losses in the future, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Any interruption in production of gold at our single operating segment will have an adverse effect on the company.

We currently have only one operating segment, namely Ergo. The various processing plants, pump stations and the deposition site of this business are linked through pipeline infrastructure. The Ergo plant is currently our major processing plant and we have one deposition site.

The Ergo plant, pipeline infrastructure relating to the Ergo plant and the Brakpan/Withok Tailings Deposition Facility ("Brakpan/Withok TDF") are exposed to numerous risks, including operational down time due to planned or unplanned maintenance, destruction of infrastructure, spillages, higher than expected operating costs, or lower than expected production as a result of decreases in extraction efficiencies due to imbalances in the metallurgical process as well as inconsistent volume throughput.

Our operations are also exposed to severe weather events that could interrupt production. It is believed that the long-term upward trend in global temperature is directly correlated with the increase in global severe weather events both in terms of magnitude and frequency.

Fiscal 2015 brought a very strong El Nino event that is believed is the cause of current drought conditions in South Africa. Municipalities where we operate have put in place water consumption restrictions with penalties if restrictions are not adhered to. As a result, Ergo may not have access to the required water from Rand Water or may have to pay much more for water in order to continue operating its production facility.

Severe thunderstorms and high winds may also cause damage to operation infrastructure that may in turn cause an interruption in the production of gold. Although freeboard on the Brakpan/Withok TDF is continually monitored to maintain acceptable levels, such monitoring may not provide adequate warning if the facility is exposed to significant rainfall. Such incidents and other weather events may also damage the facility and therefore cause the interruption of deposition and gold production until the facility is repaired.

Each of these conditions could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Inflation may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

South Africa has experienced high rates of inflation in the past. Higher inflation in South Africa would result in an increase in our operational costs in rand, unless such inflation is accompanied by a concurrent devaluation of the rand against the dollar or an increase in the dollar price of gold. Significantly higher and sustained inflation in the future, with a consequent increase in operational costs could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and our financial condition, and could result in operations being discontinued or reduced or rationalized.

Increased production costs could have an adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our historical production costs have increased significantly and we may not be able to accurately predict and contain further increases in our production costs. Production costs are affected by, among other things:

- labor stability, productivity and increases in labor costs;
- increases in electricity and water prices;
- increases in crude oil and steel prices;
- unforeseen changes in ore grades and recoveries;
- unexpected changes in the quality or quantity of reserves;
- technical production issues;
- environmental and industrial accidents;
- gold theft;
- environmental factors; and
- pollution.

The majority of our production costs consist of reagents, labor, steel, electricity, water, fuels, lubricants and other oil and petroleum based products. The production costs incurred at our operations have in the past, and could in the future, increase at rates in excess of our annual expected inflation rate and result in the restructuring of these operations at substantial cost.

The majority of the South African mining labor force is unionised and their wage increase demands are generally above the prevailing rates of inflation. On August 4, 2016, Ergo signed a two-year wage settlement with the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) and the United Association of South Africa (UASA) for a wage increase averaging 8.2%. (10% for categories 4-5), (9% for categories 6-9) and (7% for categories 10-15) per annum.

The Association of Mineworkers and Construction Union (AMCU) which is a relatively new union in the South African labor landscape and which was responsible for labor unrest in the industry in 2012/2013 has approached the company for recognition to represent their members in labor related matters at the company. As AMCU have demonstrated them-selves to be sufficiently representative of the workforce (20%) negotiations are currently underway with the intent to sign off a recognition agreement with the AMCU.

The costs of fuels, lubricants and other oil and petroleum based products have decreased in fiscal 2015 as a result of the increased mining of slimes being less diesel intensive than the mining of sand as well as the decrease in the cost of crude oil in global markets, offset by the weakening of the rand against the dollar. In the event that crude oil prices increase, this could have an adverse impact on our production costs.

Our initiatives to reduce costs, such as reducing our labor force, a reduction of the corporate overhead, negotiating lower price increases for consumables and cost controls may not be successful or sufficient to offset the increases affecting our operations and could adversely affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

Flooding at our discontinued underground operations may result in liabilities for environmental damage.

If the rate of rise of water is not controlled, water from our abandoned underground mining areas could potentially rise and come into contact with naturally occurring underground water or decant into surrounding underground mining areas and could ultimately also rise to surface. Progressive flooding of these abandoned underground mining areas and surrounding underground mining areas could eventually cause the discharge of polluted water to the surface and to local water sources.

Should underground water levels not reach a natural subterranean equilibrium, and in the event that underground water rises to the surface, we may face, together with all other mining companies in those areas, claims relating to environmental damage as a result of pollution of ground water, streams and wetlands. These claims may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Our operations are subject to extensive environmental regulations which could impose significant costs and liabilities.

Our operations are subject to increasingly extensive laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment under various state, provincial and local laws, which regulate air and water quality, hazardous waste management and environmental rehabilitation and reclamation. Our mining and related activities have the potential to impact the environment, including land, habitat, streams and environment near the mining sites. Failure to comply with environmental laws or delays in obtaining, or failures to obtain government permits and approvals may adversely impact our operations. In addition, the regulatory environment in which we operate could change in ways that could substantially increase costs of compliance, resulting in a material adverse effect on our profitability.

We have incurred, and expect to incur in the future, expenditures to comply with these environmental laws and regulations. We have estimated our aggregate group Provision for Environmental Rehabilitation at a net present value of R538.5 million which is included in our statement of financial position as at June 30, 2016 (Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 16 – Provision for environmental rehabilitation and Note 14 Assets and Liabilities classified as held for sale"). However, the ultimate amount of rehabilitation costs may in the future exceed the current estimates due to factors beyond our control, such as changing legislation, higher than expected cost increases, or unidentified rehabilitation costs. We fund these environmental rehabilitation costs by making contributions over the life of the mine to environmental trust funds or funds held in insurance instruments established for our operations. If any of the operations are prematurely closed, the rehabilitation funds may be insufficient to meet all the rehabilitation obligations of those operations. The closure of mining operations, without sufficient financial provision for the funding of rehabilitation liabilities, or unacceptable damage to the environment, including pollution or environmental degradation, may expose us and our directors to prosecution, litigation and potentially significant liabilities.

Damage to tailings dams and excessive maintenance and rehabilitation costs could result in lower production and health, safety and environmental liabilities.

Our tailings facilities are exposed to numerous risks and events, the occurrence of which may result in the failure, breach of or damage to such a facility. These may include sabotage, failure by our employees to adhere to the codes of practice and natural disasters such as excessive rainfall, any of which could force us to stop or limit operations. In addition, the dams could overflow and the health and safety of our employees and communities living around these dams could be jeopardized. In the event of damage to our tailings facilities, our operations will be adversely affected and this in turn could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Due to the nature of our business, our operations face extensive health and safety risks.

Gold mining is exposed to numerous risks and events, the occurrence of which may result in the death of, or personal injury, to employees. According to section 54 of the Mine, Health and Safety Act of 1996, if an inspector believes that any occurrence, practice or condition at a mine endangers or may endanger the health or safety of any person at the mine, the inspector may give any instruction necessary to protect the health or safety of persons at the mine. These instructions could include the suspension of operations at the whole or part of the mine. These incidents could lead to mine operations being halted which will increase our unit production costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Events may occur for which we are not insured which could affect our cash flows and profitability.

Because of the nature of our business, we may become subject to liability for pollution or other hazards against which we are unable to insure, including those in respect of past mining activities. Our existing property, business interruption and other insurance contains certain exclusions and limitations on coverage. We have a total of R6.2 billion as the insured value for property and loss of profits due to business interruption with a total loss limit of R500 million for the 2016 financial year. Business interruption is only covered from the time the loss actually occurs and is subject to time and amount deductibles that vary between categories.

Insurance coverage may not cover the full extent of claims brought against us, including claims for environmental, industrial or pollution related accidents, for which coverage is not available. If we are required to meet the costs of claims, which exceed our insurance coverage, this could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

If we are unable to attract and retain key personnel our business may be harmed.

The success of our business will depend, in large part, upon the skills and efforts of a small group of management and technical personnel including the positions of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. In addition, we compete with mining and other companies on a global basis to attract and retain key human resources at all levels with appropriate technical skills and operating and managerial experience necessary to operate the business. Factors critical to retaining our present staff and attracting additional highly qualified personnel include our ability to provide these individuals with competitive compensation arrangements, and other benefits. If we are not successful in retaining or attracting highly qualified individuals in key management positions, our business may be harmed. We do not maintain "key man" life insurance policies on any members of our executive team. The loss of any of our key personnel could delay the execution of our business plans, which may result in decreased production, increased costs and decreased profitability.

Operational risk associated with our flotation and fine-grind (FFG) project.

Our flotation and fine-grind project is designed to improve extraction efficiencies. This project was commissioned during the second and third quarters of fiscal 2014 and came into operation in the third quarter of fiscal 2014.

Production was temporarily suspended on April 2, 2014 due to unsatisfactory gold recoveries and low carbon adsorption efficiencies. The established Low Grade Section was brought back to steady state and gold production stabilized during the last quarter of fiscal 2014, and became fully operational in February 2015, treating the remainder of the Ergo plant throughput through the FFG from this date.

The flotation and fine-grind project remains exposed to numerous risks associated with similar start-up projects, including operational down time due to unplanned maintenance, destruction of infrastructure, spillages, higher than expected operating costs, or lower than expected production which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Risks related to the gold mining industry

A change in the price of gold, which in the past has fluctuated widely, is beyond our control.

Historically, the gold price has fluctuated widely and is affected by numerous industry factors over which we have no control including:

- a significant amount of above-ground gold in the world that is used for trading by investors;
- the physical supply of gold from world-wide production and scrap sales, and the purchase, sale or divestment by central banks of their gold holdings;
- the demand for gold for investment purposes, industrial and commercial use, and in the manufacturing of jewelry;
- speculative trading activities in gold;
- the overall level of forward sales by other gold producers;
- the overall level and cost of production of other gold producers;
- international or regional political and economic events or trends;
- the strength of the dollar (the currency in which gold prices generally are quoted) and of other currencies;
- financial market expectations regarding the rate of inflation;
- interest rates;
- gold hedging and de-hedging by gold producers; and
- actual or expected gold sales by central banks and the International Monetary Fund.

During fiscal 2016 the gold price reached a high of U\$1,324 per ounce and a low of U\$1,051. Our profitability may be negatively impacted by a decline in the gold price as we incur losses when revenue from gold sales drops below the cost of production for an extended period.

Current economic conditions may adversely affect the profitability of the Group's operations.

The future outlook for the global economy remains uncertain. Growth generally is still low and the demand for resources is down from previous highs. The uncertainty in the outlook of resources generally and of gold in particular resulted in tightened credit markets, reduced liquidity and extreme volatility in fixed income, credit, currency and equity markets. These conditions may adversely affect the Group's business. For example, tightening credit conditions may make it more difficult for the Group to obtain financing on commercially acceptable terms or make it more likely that one or more of our key suppliers may become insolvent and lead to a supply chain breakdown. In addition, general economic indicators have still not shown signs of sustained recovery - consumer sentiment remains bearish, unemployment remains high, economic growth is marginal and corporate earnings are uncertain and volatile.

The exploration of mineral properties is highly speculative in nature, involves substantial expenditures, and is frequently unproductive.

Exploration is highly speculative in nature and requires substantial expenditure for drilling, sampling and analysis of ore bodies in order to quantify the extent of the gold reserve. Many gold exploration programs, including some of ours, do not result in the discovery of mineralization and any mineralization discovered may not be of sufficient quantity or quality to be mined profitably. If we discover a viable deposit, it usually takes several years from the initial phases of exploration until production is possible. During this time, the economic feasibility of production may change.

Moreover, we rely on the evaluations of professional geologists, geophysicists, and engineers for estimates in determining whether to commence or continue mining. These estimates generally rely on scientific and economic assumptions, which in some instances may not be correct, and could result in the expenditure of substantial amounts of money on a deposit before it can be determined with any degree of accuracy whether or not the deposit contains economically recoverable mineralization. Uncertainties as to the metallurgical recovery of any gold discovered may not warrant mining on the basis of available technology.

Our future growth and profitability will depend, in part, on our ability to identify and acquire additional mineral rights, and on the costs and results of our continued exploration and development programs. Our business focuses mainly on the extraction of gold from tailings, which is a volume driven exercise. Only significant deposits within close proximity of services and infrastructure that contain adequate gold content to justify the significant capital investment associated with plant, reclamation and deposition infrastructure are suitable for exploitation in terms of our model. There is a limited supply of these deposits which may inhibit growth prospect, especially in a declining gold price environment.

As a result of these uncertainties, we may not successfully acquire additional mineral rights, or identify new Proven and Probable Ore Reserves in sufficient quantities to justify commercial operations in any of our operations. The costs incurred on exploration activities that do not identify commercially exploitable reserves of gold are not likely to be recovered and therefore likely to be impaired.

There is uncertainty with our Ore Reserve estimates.

Our Ore Reserve figures described in this document are the best estimates of our current management as of the dates stated and are reported in accordance with the requirements of Industry Guide 7 of the SEC. These estimates may not reflect actual reserves or future production.

Should we encounter mineralization or formations different from those predicted by past drilling, sampling and similar examinations, reserve estimates may have to be adjusted and mining plans may have to be altered in a way that might ultimately cause our reserve estimates to decline. Moreover, if the price of gold declines, or stabilizes at a price that is lower than recent levels, or if our production costs, and in particular our labor, water, steel and electricity costs increase or recovery rates decrease, it may become uneconomical to recover Ore Reserves, particularly those containing relatively lower grades of mineralization. Under these circumstances, we would be required to re-evaluate our Ore Reserves. Short-term operating factors relating to the ability to reclaim our Ore Reserves, at the required rate, such as an interruption or reduction in the supply of electricity or a shortage of water may have the effect that we are unable to achieve critical mass, which may render the recovery of Ore Reserve, or parts of the Ore Reserve no longer feasible, which could negatively affect production rate and costs and decrease our profitability during any given period. The Ore Reserve estimates are based on drilling results and because unforeseen conditions may occur in these mine dumps that may not have been identified by the drilling results, the actual results may vary from the initial estimates. These factors have and could result in reductions in our Ore Reserve estimates, which could in turn adversely impact upon the total value of our mining asset base and our business, operating results and financial condition.

Gold mining is susceptible to numerous events that could have an adverse impact on a gold mining business.

The business of gold mining is exposed to numerous risks and events, the occurrence of which may result in the death of or personal injury to employees, the loss of mining and reclamation equipment, damage to or destruction of mineral properties or production facilities, monetary losses, delays in production, environmental damage, loss of the license to mine and potential legal claims. The risks and events associated with the business of gold mining include:

- environmental hazards and pollution, including dust generation, toxic chemicals, discharge of metals, pollutants, radioactive materials and other hazardous material into the air and water;
- flooding, landslides, sinkhole formation, ground subsidence, ground and surface water pollution and waterway contamination;
- a decrease in labor productivity due to labor disruptions, work stoppages, disease, slowdowns or labor strikes;
- unexpected decline of ore grade;
- metallurgical conditions and gold recovery;
- failure of unproven or evolving technologies;
- mechanical failure or breakdowns and ageing infrastructure;
- energy and electrical power supply interruptions;
- availability of water;
- injuries to employees or fatalities resulting from falls from heights and accidents relating to mobile machinery or electrocution;
- activities of illegal or artisanal miners;
- material and equipment availability;
- legal and regulatory restrictions and changes to such restrictions;
- social or community disputes or interventions;
- · accidents caused from the collapse of tailings dams;
- pipeline failures and spillages;
- safety-related stoppages; and
- corruption, fraud and theft including gold bullion theft.

The occurrence of any of these hazards could delay production, increase production costs and may result in significant legal claims.

Risks related to doing business in South Africa

Political or economic instability in South Africa may reduce our production and profitability.

We are incorporated in South Africa and all of our operations are currently in South Africa. As a result political and economic risks relating to South Africa could have a significant effect on our production and profitability. Large parts of the South African population are unemployed and do not have access to adequate education, health care, housing and other services, including water and electricity. Government policies aimed at alleviating and redressing the disadvantages suffered by the majority of citizens under previous governments may increase our costs and reduce our profitability. In recent years, South Africa has experienced high levels of crime. These problems may impede fixed inward investment into South Africa and increase emigration of skilled workers. As a result, we may have difficulties retaining qualified employees.

Inflation can adversely affect us.

The inflation rate in South Africa is relatively high compared to developed, industrialized countries. As of June 2016, the annual Consumer Price Inflation Index, or CPI, stood at 6.3% compared to 4.6% in June 2015 and 6.6% in June 2014. Annual CPI was 6.1% as at September 30, 2016. Continuing high levels of inflation in South Africa for prolonged periods, without a concurrent devaluation of the rand or increase in the price of gold, could result in an increase in our costs which could reduce our profitability. See also "Risks related to our business and operations – Inflation may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations."

Power stoppages or increases in the cost of power could negatively affect our results and financial condition.

Our mining operations are dependent on electrical power supplied by Eskom, South Africa's state owned utility company. As a result of insufficient generating capacity, owing to poor maintenance and lagging capital infrastructure investment, South Africa has faced significant disruptions in electricity supply in the past and Eskom has warned that the country could continue to face disruptions in electrical power supply in the foreseeable future. So far such power supply did not have a material impact on our production, the country's current reserve capacity remains insufficient and the risk of electricity stoppages is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. Supply interruptions may pose a significant risk to the operations.

The group has installed auxiliary emergency units at its plant to prevent the tripping of thickeners and entered into a five year lease agreement for the supply of temporary power generation equipment and services during fiscal 2014 to drive certain key installations associated with the disposal of tailings.

The group has also concluded a load-curtailment agreement with Eskom in terms of which we reduce power consumption by between 10% and 20% when the grid is under pressure, but Eskom maintains uninterrupted power supply to the operations. This has enabled us to maintain continuous operations and very little reduction in volume since its inception.

There is, however, no assurance that the measures will be sufficient to completely mitigate the risk of power stoppages.

Electricity tariffs increased as follows: from April 1, 2014 an average tariff increase of 10.79%, from April 1, 2015 an average tariff increase of 12.69% and from April 1, 2016 an average tariff increase of 9.4%. These increases have had an adverse effect on our production costs and similar or higher future increases could have a material adverse effect on our operating results and financial condition.

The treatment of occupational health diseases and the potential liabilities related to occupational health diseases may have an adverse effect on the results of our operations and our financial condition.

The primary area of focus in respect of occupational health within our operations is noise induced hearing loss, and occupational lung diseases (OLD) and tuberculosis (TB). We provide occupational health services to our employees, we provide training and protective gear and continue to improve preventive occupational hygiene initiatives. The costs associated with providing such occupational health services could increase significantly. We assess all claims, if and when filed, on their merits. Liability associated with such claims and expenses of dealing with them could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

In January 2013, DRDGOLD, ERPM ("the DRDGOLD Respondents") and 23 other mining companies ("the Mining Companies") were served with a court application for a class action by alleged former mineworkers and dependants of deceased mineworkers. In the pending application the applicants allege that the Mining Companies and the DRDGOLD Respondents conducted underground mining operations in a negligent manner that caused occupational lung diseases. The matter was heard in October 2015.

On May 13, 2016, the South Gauteng High Court, Johannesburg ("Court") handed down judgment in respect of the class action certification in terms of which the applicants sought certification of two industry-wide classes: a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class, both of which cover current and former underground mineworkers who have contracted the respective diseases (or the dependants of mineworkers who died of those diseases). In terms of the judgment, the Court ordered the certification of a single class action comprising two separate and distinct classes – a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class.

An application for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeal ("SCA") was filed and served at the Court by the DRDGOLD Respondents (as well as the Mining Companies) on June 3, 2016 in respect of inter alia the transmissibility of damages.

On June 23, 2016, the Court granted leave to appeal to the SCA against inter alia the transmissibility of damages as envisaged in paragraph 8 of the order dated May 13, 2016. On July 15, 2016, the DRDGOLD Respondents filed and served its petition to the SCA in respect of the certification issue. The notice of appeal in respect of the transmissibility of damages was filed and served on July 25, 2016. On September 13, 2016, the SCA granted the DRDGOLD Respondents leave to appeal on both the certification and transmissibility of damages.

It is not possible at this stage to ascertain what the probable outcome of this case will be and how it will affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

Increased theft at our sites, particularly of copper, may result in greater risks to employees or interruptions in production.

Crime statistics in South Africa indicate an increase in theft. This together with price increases for copper has resulted in increased theft of copper cable. Our operations experience high incidents of copper cable theft despite the implementation of security measures. In addition to the general risk to employees' lives in an area where theft occurs we may suffer production losses and incur additional costs as a result of power interruptions caused by cable theft and theft of bolts used for the pipeline.

Possible scarcity of water may negatively affect our operations.

National studies conducted by the Water Research Commission, released during September 2009, found that water resources were 4% lower than estimated in 1995 which may lead to the revision of water usage strategies by several sectors in the South African economy, including electricity generation and municipalities. This may result in rationing or increased water costs in the future. Such changes would adversely impact our surface retreatment operations, which use water to transport the slimes or sand from reclaimed areas to the processing plant and to the tailings facilities. In addition, as our gold plants and piping infrastructure were designed to carry certain minimum throughputs, any reductions in the volumes of available water may require us to adjust production at these operations.

DRDGOLD invested R22 million in the construction of a filtration plant at the Rondebult Waste Water Works (operated by the East Rand Water Care Company) to treat sewage water to reduce the use of potable water. The plant was commissioned in early fiscal 2016 and provides Ergo with 10 Ml a day from the Rondebult sewage treatment facility. This water is used both to reclaim and carry production materials and also, ultimately, to irrigate rehabilitation vegetation at a significantly lower cost than that of potable water.

In addition, as part of the Heads of agreement signed between EMO, Ergo, ERPM and Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA) in December 2012, Ergo also secured the right to purchase up to 30Ml of partially treated AMD from TCTA at cost, in order to reduce Ergo's reliance on potable water for mining and processing purposes. However, due to the high sulphate levels contained in the treated water, Ergo will limit the use of this water to 10Ml per day.

There is no assurance that these measures will be sufficient to alleviate all the water scarcity issues.

Government Regulation

Government policies in South Africa may adversely impact our operations and profits.

The mining industry in South Africa is extensively regulated through legislation and regulations issued through the government's administrative bodies. These involve directives in respect of health and safety, the mining and exploration of minerals and managing the impact of mining operations on the environment. A variety of permits and authorities are required to mine lawfully, and the government enforces its regulations through the various government departments. The formulation or implementation of government policies may be discretionary and unpredictable on certain issues, including changes in conditions for the issuance of licenses insofar as social and labor plans are concerned, transformation of the workplace, laws relating to mineral rights, ownership of mining assets and the rights to prospect and mine, additional taxes on the mining industry and in extreme cases, nationalization. A change in regulatory or government policies could adversely affect our business.

Government policies in South Africa may adversely impact our operations and profits related to financial provisioning for rehabilitation.

New Financial Provisioning Regulations ("FPR") were published on November 20, 2015 under the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 ("NEMA") and became effective from the date of publication thereof. Under these FRPs to be implemented by the DMR, existing environmental rehabilitation trust funds may only be used for post closure activities and may no longer be utilised for their intended purpose of concurrent and final rehabilitation and closure. This is likely to affect the amount of funds set aside for financial provision for rehabilitation of the mine.

Mining royalties and other tax reform could have an adverse effect on the business, operating results and financial condition of our operations.

The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Royalty Act, No.28 of 2008 was enacted on November 21, 2008 and was published in the South African Government Gazette on November 24, 2008. The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Royalty Act (Administration), No.29 of 2008, published on November 26, 2008, became effective from March 1, 2010. These acts provide for the payment of a royalty, calculated through a royalty rate formula (using rates of between 0.5% and 5.0%) applied against gross revenue per year, payable half yearly with a third and final payment thereafter. The royalty is tax deductible and the cost after tax amounts to a rate of between 0.33% and 3.3% at the prevailing marginal tax rates applicable to the taxed entity. The royalty is payable on old unconverted mining rights and new converted mining rights. Based on a legal opinion the Company obtained, mine dumps created before the enactment of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act ("MPRDA") fall outside the ambit of this royalty and consequently the Company does not pay any royalty on any dumps created prior to the MPRDA. Introduction of further revenue based royalties or any adverse future tax reforms could have an adverse effect on the business, operating results and financial condition of our operations.

The implementation of carbon or other climate change related taxes might have a direct or indirect negative cost impact on our operations.

Climate change is a global problem that requires both a concentrated international response and national efforts to reduce greenhouse gas, or GHG, emissions. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is the main global response to climate change. The associated Kyoto Protocol is an international agreement that classifies countries by their level of industrialization and commits certain countries to GHG emission reduction targets. Although South Africa is not one of these countries identified, it ranked among the top 20 countries measured by absolute carbon dioxide emissions. During the 2009 Copenhagen climate change negotiations, South Africa voluntarily announced that it would act to reduce domestic GHG emissions by 34% by 2020 and 42% by 2025, subject to the availability of adequate financial, technological and other support. The two main economic policy instruments available for setting a price on carbon and curbing GHG emissions are carbon taxation and emissions trading schemes. In a discussion paper on carbon taxation by the National Treasury of the South African Government released in June 2013 different methods of carbon taxation were discussed. The implementation of these carbon taxes has been postponed. Should these taxes be implemented, they might have a direct or indirect cost impact on our operations which could have an adverse effect on the business, operating results and financial condition.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the Broad Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition of our operations.

The Broad Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the South African Mining Industry, or Mining Charter (effective from May 1, 2004), established certain numerical goals and timeframes to transform equity participation in the mining industry in South Africa. The goals set by the Mining Charter include that each mining company must achieve 15% ownership by historically disadvantaged South Africans, or HDSA, of its South African mining assets within five years and 26% ownership within ten years, in each case, from May 1, 2004. This is to be achieved by, among other methods, the sale of assets to historically disadvantaged persons on a willing seller/willing buyer basis at market value.

In September 2010, the Department of Mineral Resources ("DMR") released amendments to the Mining Charter. The intention behind the amendments to the Mining Charter was to clarify certain ambiguities and uncertainties which existed under the Mining Charter and to provide more specific targets. However, there are a number of matters that still require clarification and discussions in respect of interpretations of the requirements are in progress with the DMR. The goals set by the amendments to the Mining Charter include: minimum 26% HDSA ownership by March 2015; procurement of a minimum 40% of capital goods, 50% of consumer goods and 70% of services from Black Economic Empowerment, or BEE, entities by March 2015; minimum 40% HDSA representation at each of executive management level, senior management level, middle management level, junior management level and core and critical skills levels; minimum 3% investment of annual payroll in skills training; investment in community development; and attain an occupancy rate of one person per room in on-site accommodation.

When considering applications for the conversion of existing mining rights, the relevant regulator will take a "scorecard" approach, evaluating the commitments of each company to the different facets of promoting the objectives of the Mining Charter. Failure on our part to comply with the requirements of the Mining Charter and the "scorecard" could subject us to negative consequences. There is also no guarantee that any steps we might take to comply with the Mining Charter would ensure that we could successfully acquire new order mining rights in place of our existing rights. In addition, the terms of such new order rights may not be as favorable to us as the terms applicable to our existing rights. In addition, we may incur expenses in giving additional effect to the Mining Charter and the "scorecard", and we risk losing our mining rights if we do not comply with the requirements stipulated in facilitating the financing of initiatives towards ownership by historically disadvantaged persons. Any of the foregoing could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Since our South African labor force has substantial trade union participation, we face the risk of disruption from labor disputes and new South African labor laws.

Labor costs constituted 18% of our production costs for fiscal 2016 (2015: 18% and 2014: 17%). As of June 30, 2016, our operations provided full-time employment for 924 employees while our main service providers deployed an additional 1,560 employees to our operations, of whom approximately 81.8% are members of trade unions or employee associations. We have entered into various agreements regulating wages and working conditions at our mines. Unreasonable wage demands could increase production costs to levels where our operations are no longer profitable. This could lead to accelerated mine closures and labor disruptions. We are also susceptible to strikes by workers from time to time, which result in disruptions to our mining operations.

In recent years, labor laws in South Africa have changed in ways that significantly affect our operations. In particular, laws that provide for mandatory compensation in the event of termination of employment for operational reasons and that impose large monetary penalties for non-compliance with the administrative and reporting requirements of affirmative action policies could result in significant costs to us. In addition, future South African legislation and regulations relating to labor may further increase our costs or alter our relationship with our employees. Labor cost increases could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Labor unrest could affect production.

During August and September 2012, there were a number of illegal strikes at several mining companies in South Africa and events related to these strikes resulted in 45 people being killed. Between February and June 2014, the platinum industry had a wage strike that lasted for five months. Above inflation wage increases and changes to working conditions were agreed to in order to bring the strike to an end. We are currently negotiating a recognition agreement with the AMCU which was involved in some of these events. See "-Increased production costs could have an adverse effect on our results of operations."

We use Frazer Alexander for the management of our reclamation sites as well as the Deposition facility at Brakpan/Withok TDF. Any labor unrest or other significant issue at Frazer Alexander may impact the operation of this facility.

Such events at our operations or elsewhere could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results and financial condition.

Our financial flexibility could be materially constrained by South African currency restrictions.

South African law provides for exchange control regulations, which restrict the export of capital from the Common Monetary Area, including South Africa. The Exchange Control Department of the South African Reserve Bank, or SARB, is responsible for the administration of exchange control regulations. In particular, South African companies:

- are generally not permitted to export capital from South Africa or to hold foreign currency without the approval of SARB;
- are generally required to repatriate, to South Africa, profits of foreign operations; and
- are limited in their ability to utilize profits of one foreign business to finance operations of a different foreign business.

While the South African Government has relaxed exchange controls, it is difficult to predict whether or how it will further relax or abolish exchange control measures in the future. For further information see Item 10D. Exchange Controls.

Ring-fencing of unredeemed capital expenditure for South African mining tax purposes could have an adverse effect on the business, operating results and financial condition of our operations.

The Income Tax Act No 58 of 1962, or the ITA, contains certain ring-fencing provisions in section 36 specifically relating to different mines regarding the deduction of certain capital expenditure and the carry over thereof to subsequent years. After the restructuring of the surface operations, effective July 1, 2012, Ergo is treated as one taxpaying operation pursuant to the relevant ring-fencing legislation. In the event that we are unsuccessful in confirming our position or should the South African Receiver of Revenue have a different interpretation of section 36 of the ITA, it could have an adverse effect on the business, operating results and financial condition of our operations.

Risks related to ownership of our ordinary shares or ADSs

Sales of large volumes of our ordinary shares or ADSs or the perception that these sales may occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price of such securities.

The market price of our ordinary shares or ADSs could fall if substantial amounts of ordinary shares or ADSs are sold by our stockholders, or there is the perception in the marketplace that such sales could occur. Current holders of our ordinary shares or ADSs may decide to sell them at any time. Sales of our ordinary shares or ADSs, if substantial, or the perception that any such substantial sales may occur, could exert downward pressure on the prevailing market prices for our ordinary shares or ADSs, causing their market prices to decline. Trading activity of hedge funds and the ability to borrow script in the market place will increase trading volumes and may place our share price under pressure.

Dividend withholding tax will reduce the amount of dividends received by beneficial owners.

On April 1, 2012, the South African Government replaced Secondary Tax on Companies (then 10%) with a 15% withholding tax on dividends and other distributions payable to shareholders. The withholding tax reduced the amount of dividends or other distributions received by our shareholders. Any further increases in such tax will further reduce dividends received by our shareholders.

Your rights as a shareholder are governed by South African law, which differs in material respects from the rights of shareholders under the laws of other jurisdictions.

Our Company is a public limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the Republic of South Africa. The rights of holders of our ordinary shares, and therefore many of the rights of our ADS holders, are governed by our memorandum of incorporation and by South African law. These rights differ in material respects from the rights of shareholders in companies incorporated elsewhere, such as in the United States. In particular, South African law significantly limits the circumstances under which shareholders of South African companies may institute litigation on behalf of a company.

It may not be possible for you to effect service of legal process, enforce judgments of courts outside of South Africa or bring actions based on securities laws of jurisdictions other than South Africa against us or against members of our board.

Our Company, certain members of our board of directors and executive officers are residents of South Africa. In addition, all of our cash producing assets are located outside the United States and a major portion with respect to the assets of members of our board of directors and executive officers are either wholly or substantially located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for you to effect service of legal process, within the United States or elsewhere including in South Africa, upon most of our directors or officers, including matters arising under United States federal securities laws or applicable United States state securities laws.

Moreover, it may not be possible for you to enforce against us or the members of our board of directors and executive officers judgments obtained in courts outside South Africa, including the United States, based on the civil liability provisions of the securities laws of those countries, including those of the United States. A foreign judgment is not directly enforceable in South Africa, but constitutes a cause of action which will be enforced by South African courts provided that:

- the court which pronounced the judgment had jurisdiction to entertain the case according to the principles recognized by South African law with reference to the jurisdiction of foreign courts;
- the judgment is final and conclusive (that is, it cannot be altered by the court which pronounced it);
- the judgment has not lapsed;
- the recognition and enforcement of the judgment by South African courts would not be contrary to public policy, including observance of the rules of natural justice which require that no award is enforceable unless the defendant was duly served with documents initiating proceedings, that he was given a fair opportunity to be heard and that he enjoyed the right to be legally represented in a free and fair trial before an impartial tribunal;
- the judgment was not obtained by fraudulent means;
- the judgment does not involve the enforcement of a penal or revenue law; and
- the enforcement of the judgment is not otherwise precluded by the provisions of the Protection of Business Act, 1978 (as amended), of South Africa.

It is the policy of South African courts to award compensation for the loss or damage actually sustained by the person to whom the compensation is awarded. Although the award of punitive damages is generally unknown to the South African legal system that does not mean that such awards are necessarily contrary to public policy. Whether a judgment was contrary to public policy depends on the facts of each case. Exorbitant, unconscionable, or excessive awards will generally be contrary to public policy. South African courts cannot enter into the merits of a foreign judgment and cannot act as a court of appeal or review over the foreign court. South African courts will usually implement their own procedural laws and, where an action based on an international contract is brought before a South African court, the capacity of the parties to the contract will usually be determined in accordance with South African law.

It is doubtful whether an original action based on United States federal securities laws may be brought before South African courts. A plaintiff who is not resident in South Africa may be required to provide security for costs in the event of proceedings being initiated in South Africa. Furthermore, the Rules of the High Court of South Africa require that documents executed outside South Africa must be authenticated for the purpose of use in South African courts. It may not be possible therefore for an investor to seek to impose liability on us in a South African court arising from a violation of United States federal securities laws.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

4A. HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY

Introduction

DRDGOLD Limited, or DRDGOLD, is a South African domiciled company that holds assets engaged in surface gold tailings retreatment in South Africa including exploration, extraction, processing and smelting.

We are a public limited liability company, incorporated on February 16, 1895, as Durban Roodepoort Deep Limited, and our shares were listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange ("JSE"). On December 3, 2004, the company changed its name from Durban Roodepoort Deep Limited to DRDGOLD Limited. Our operations have focused on South Africa's West Witwatersrand Basin, which has been a gold producing region for over 100 years.

Our shares and/or related instruments trade on the JSE, New York Stock Exchange, the Marche Libre on the Paris Bourse, the Over The Counter, or OTC, market in Berlin and Stuttgart and the Regulated Unofficial Market on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

Our registered office and business address is Off Crownwood Road, Crown Mines, 2092, South Africa. The postal address is P.O. Box 390, Maraisburg, 1700, South Africa. Our telephone number is (+27 11) 470-2600 and our facsimile number is (+27 86) 524-3061. We are registered under the South African Companies Act 71, 2008 under registration number 1895/000926/06. For our ADSs, the Bank of New York Mellon, at 101 Barclay Street, New York, NY 10286, United States, has been appointed as agent.

All of our operations are conducted in South Africa.

Ergo

Ergo, our wholly owned mining subsidiary, was formed in June 2007. Ergo is the surface tailings retreatment operation consisting of what was historically the Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited (Crown), East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited's (ERPM) Cason operation and the ErgoGold business units which are now collectively referred to as Ergo. On July 1, 2012, Ergo acquired the mining assets and certain liabilities of Crown and all the surface assets and liabilities of ERPM as part of the restructuring of our surface operations. Also as part of this restructuring, Ergo acquired DRDGOLD's 35% interest in ErgoGold for R200 million.

An important development project at Ergo, the flotation and fine-grind project was commissioned during fiscal 2014 and is designed to improve extraction efficiencies which are derived from the separation of gold contained within the sulfides of the tailings material by subjecting the treated material to a flotation circuit, further regrinding and a leach circuit. This project was partially financed through capital raised by the Domestic Medium Term Note Program, or DMTN Program.

Refurbishment of the Ergo plant's second carbon in leach (CIL) circuit took place in September 2011, and refurbishment of the remaining five carbon-in-leach tanks were completed during September 2015 at an aggregate cost of R18.3 million to increase volume capacity by approximately 0.3Mtpm to a total of 2.1Mtpm.

ERPM

ERPM, which consists of an underground mine, which is under care and maintenance, and ERPM Extension 1 and 2 exploration tenements, were acquired on October 10, 2002. Underground mining at ERPM was halted in October 2008. On July 1, 2012, ERPM sold its surface mining assets and its 65% interest in ErgoGold to Ergo in exchange for shares in Ergo as part of the restructuring of our surface operations.

In line with the Group's strategy to exit underground mining operations, on July 24, 2014 EMO and ERPM entered into an agreement with ERPM South Africa Holding Proprietary Limited, the nominee of Australian based Walcot Capital for the disposal of certain of the underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM including the related liabilities. This agreement is subject to a number of conditions, including a number of regulatory consents and permission, most notably consent to the sale by the Minister of Mineral Resources.

The Ministerial consent has to date not been received.

Crown

Crown was acquired on September 14, 1998, in exchange for 5,925,139 of our ordinary shares. Crown, which is located within the Witwatersrand Basin, exploits various surface sources, including sand and slime tailings deposited as part of previous mining operations. On July 1, 2012, Crown sold its mining assets, mining and prospecting rights and certain liabilities to Ergo in exchange for shares in Ergo as part of the restructuring of our surface operations.

Chizim Gold

Chizim Gold was established in December 2009 as a 50:50 joint venture with Chizim Investments (Pvt) Limited, or Chizim Investments, to conduct feasibility studies on certain gold exploration tenements in Zimbabwe's Greenstone Belt extending over an area of more than 21,000 hectares. On June 7, 2013 DRDGOLD reduced its holding to 49%. On June 30, 2013 the entity stopped conducting feasibility studies on all exploration tenements in Zimbabwe. This company became dormant after DRDGOLD ceased funding and support its activities during fiscal 2013.

As underground mining is not in line with DRDGOLD's strategy, DRDGOLD disposed of its exploration assets in Zimbabwe during the last quarter of the year ended June 30, 2015.

Important Events in Our General Development and in the Current Year

Brakpan/Withok TDF expansion

Ergo has the technology to fine-grind gold-bearing material to achieve recovery efficiencies previously beyond the reach of typical metallurgical processing. Although we pump processing material from as far as 60km away, most of our tailings mine residue recovery sites are based in the vicinity of Ergo, including our surface and pipeline infrastructure. This is the key focus of DRDGOLD's operations. We process approximately 1.8Mt of material through Ergo's Brakpan plant every month. In order to extend the life of our operation, it is necessary to increase residue tailings deposition capacity at our Brakpan/Withok TDF.

A legal review of the existing authorizations was undertaken for increasing the deposition capacity of the Brakpan/Withok TDF. The results indicated that most of the current authorizations are sufficient, however certain documentation will need to be amended. This could increase the potential deposition capacity by approximately 800Mt, and thus, our life of mine from 10 years to more than 20 years. For further information on other capital investments, divestures, capital expenditure and capital commitments, see Item 4D. Property, Plant and Equipment, and Item 5B. Liquidity and Capital Resources.

4B. BUSINESS OVERVIEW

We are a South African company that holds assets engaged in surface gold tailings retreatment including exploration, extraction, processing and smelting. Our surface tailings retreatment operations, including the requisite infrastructure and metallurgical processing plants, are located in South Africa. Our operating footprint is unique in that it involves some of the largest concentration of gold tailings deposits in the world, situated within the city boundaries of Johannesburg and its suburbs.

The success of DRDGOLD's long-term goal to extract as much gold as possible from its assets depends, to a large extent, on how effectively it continues to manage its resources.

DRDGOLD uses sustainable development to direct its strategic thinking. Our goal is to optimally utilize an entire resource over the long term thereby seeking sustainable benefits in respect to the following capitals, each of which is essential to our operation and our financial, manufactured, natural, social and human capital.

We also aim to align and overlap the interests of each of these capitals in such a manner that an investment in any one translates into value-added increases in as many of the others as possible. We therefore seek to achieve an enduring and harmonious alignment between them, and we pursue these criteria in the feasibility analysis of each investment. The board intends to explore the opportunities made possible by technology, which means further investment in research and development ("R&D") to improve gold recoveries even further over the long term.

During the fiscal years presented in this Annual Report (fiscal years 2014, 2015 and 2016), all of our operations took place in one geographic region, namely South Africa.

Description of Our Mining Business

Surface tailings retreatment

Surface tailings retreatment involves the extraction of gold from old mine dumps, comprising the waste material from earlier underground gold mining activities. This is done by reprocessing sand dumps and slimes dams along the reefs that stretch from east to west just to the south of Johannesburg's central business district (CBD). Sand dumps are the result of the less efficient stamp-milling process employed in earlier times. They consist of coarse-grained particles which generally contain higher quantities of gold. Sand dumps are reclaimed mechanically using front end loaders that load sand onto conveyor belts. The sand is fed onto a screen where water is added to wash the sand into a sump, from where it is pumped to the plant. Most sand dumps have already been retreated using more efficient milling methods. Lower grade slimes dams were the product of the "tube and ball mill" recovery process. This material has become economically more viable to process owing to improved treatment methods. The material from the slimes dams is broken down using monitor guns that spray jets of high pressure water at the target area. The resulting slurry is then pumped to a treatment plant for processing.

Exploration

Exploration activities are focused on the extension of existing reserves and identification of new reserves both at existing sites and at undeveloped sites. Once a potential site has been identified, exploration is extended and intensified in order to enable clearer definition of the site and the portions with the potential to be mined. Geological techniques are constantly refined to improve the economic viability of exploration and exploitation.

Our Metallurgical Plants and Processes

A detailed review of the metallurgical plants and processes is provided under Item 4D. Property, Plant and Equipment.

Market

The gold market is relatively liquid compared to other commodity markets, with the price of gold generally quoted in dollars. Physical demand for gold is primarily for manufacturing purposes, and gold is traded on a world-wide basis. Refined gold has a variety of uses, including jewelry, electronics, dentistry, decorations, medals and official coins. In addition, central banks, financial institutions and private individuals buy, sell and hold gold bullion as an investment and as a store of value (due to the tendency of gold to retain its value in relative terms against basic goods and in times of inflation and monetary crises).

The use of gold as a store of value and the large quantities of gold held for this purpose in relation to annual mine production have meant that historically the potential total supply of gold has been far greater than demand. Thus, while current supply and demand play some part in determining the price of gold, this does not occur to the same extent as in the case of other commodities. Instead, the gold price has from time to time been significantly affected by macro-economic factors such as expectations of inflation, interest rates, exchange rates, changes in reserve policy by central banks and global or regional political and economic crises. In times of inflation and currency devaluation gold is often seen as a safe haven, leading to increased purchases of gold and support for its price.

After several years of strong trending, the average gold spot price decreased by 5% from \$1,224 per ounce to \$1,167 per ounce during the fiscal year 2016 and by 6.0% from \$1,296 per ounce to \$1,224 per ounce during the fiscal year 2015. The average gold price received by us for fiscal 2016 was R546,142 per kilogram which was 21% higher than the previous year at R451,297 per kilogram mainly as a result of the weakening of the Rand.

Looking ahead we believe that the global economic environment, including escalating sovereign and personal levels of debt, economic volatility and the oversupply of foreign currency, will again make gold attractive to investors. The supply of new gold has shrunk and is likely to shrink even more due to the significantly reduced capital expenditure and development occurring in the sector. This coupled with the volatile state of the global economy and generally weak economic policies, are likely to provide significant support to the gold price in the long term.

All of our revenue is generated in South Africa. Our total revenue for year ended June 30, 2016 amounted to R2,443.1 million (2015: R2,105.3 million and 2014: R1,809.4 million).

All gold we produce is sold on our behalf by Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited (Rand Refinery) in accordance with a refining agreement entered into in October 2001. The gold bars which we produce consist of approximately 85% gold, 7-8% silver and the balance comprises copper and other common elements. The gold bars are sent to Rand Refinery for assaying and final refining where the gold is purified to 99.9% and cast into troy ounce bars of varying weights. Rand Refinery then usually sells the gold on the same day as delivery, for the London afternoon fixed Dollar price, with the proceeds remitted to us in rand within two days. In exchange for this service we pay Rand Refinery a variable refining fee plus fixed marketing, loan and administration fees. We currently own 11% of Rand Refinery.

Ore Reserves

Ore Reserve estimates in this Annual Report are reported in accordance with the requirements of the SEC's Industry Guide 7. Accordingly, as of the date of reporting, all reserves are planned to be mined out under the life of mine plan within the period of our existing rights to mine, or within the time period of assured renewal periods of our rights to mine. In addition, as of the date of reporting, all reserves are covered by required permits and governmental approvals. See Item 4D. Property, Plant and Equipment for a description of the rights in relation to each mine.

In South Africa, we are legally required to publicly report Ore Reserves and Mineral Resources in compliance with the South African Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves, or SAMREC Code. The SEC's Industry Guide 7 does not recognize Mineral Resources. Accordingly, we do not include estimates of Mineral Resources in this Annual Report.

Ore Reserve calculations are subject to a review conducted in accordance with SEC Industry Guide 7. Ore Reserve tons, grade and content are quoted as delivered to the gold plant. There are two types of methods available to select ore for mining. The first is pay-limit, which includes cash operating costs, including overhead costs, to calculate the pay-limit grade. The second is the cut-off grade which includes cash operating costs, excluding fixed overhead costs, to calculate the cut-off grade, resulting in a lower figure than the full pay-limit grade. The cut-off grade is based upon direct costs from the mining plan, taking into consideration production levels, production efficiencies and the expected costs. We use the pay-limit to determine which areas to mine as an overhead inclusive amount that is indicative of the break-even position.

The pay-limit approach is based on the minimum in-situ grade of reclamation sites, for which the production costs, which includes all overhead costs, including head office charges, are equal to a three-year historical average gold price per ounce for that year. This calculation also considers the previous three years' mining and milling efficiencies, which includes metallurgical and other mining factors and the production plan for the next twelve months. Only areas above the pay-limit grade are considered for mining. The pay-limit grade is higher than the cut-off grade, because this includes overhead costs, which indicates the break-even position of the operation.

When delineating the economic limits to the ore bodies, we adhere to the following guidelines:

- The potential ore to be mined is well defined by an externally verified and approved geological model;
- The potential ore, which is legally allowed to be mined, is also confined by the mine's lease boundaries; and
- A business plan is prepared to mine the potential ore.

Our Ore Reserves figures are estimates, which may not reflect actual reserves or future production. These figures are prepared in accordance with industry practice, converting mineral deposits to an Ore Reserve through the preparation of a mining plan. The Ore Reserve estimates contained herein inherently include a degree of uncertainty and depend to some extent on statistical inferences. Reserve estimates require revisions based on actual production experience or new information. Should we encounter mineralization or formations different from those predicted by past drilling, sampling and similar examinations, reserve estimates may have to be adjusted and mining plans may have to be altered in a way that might adversely affect our operations. Moreover, if the price of gold declines, or stabilizes at a price that is lower than recent levels, or if our production costs increase or recovery rates decrease, it may become uneconomical to recover Ore Reserves containing relatively lower grades of mineralization.

Our Ore Reserves are prepared using three year average gold prices at the time of reserve determination. In light of the significant increase in gold prices, since fiscal 2006 we prepare business plans using the prevailing gold price at the time of the reserve determination, which is at the end of the fiscal year.

Gold prices and exchange rates used for Ore Reserves and for our business plan are outlined in the following table.

	<u>2016</u>		<u>20</u>	<u>)15</u>	<u>2014</u>		
	Three-year average gold price	Prevailing gold price	Three-year average gold price	Prevailing gold price	Three-year average gold price	Prevailing gold price	
Reserve gold price -\$/oz	1,228	1,293	1,385	1,184	1,539	1,289	
Reserve gold price –R/kg	475,268	591,697	443,608	453,276	431,098	438,575	
Exchange rate –R/\$	12.03	14.23	10.10	11.91	8.71	10.58	

In fiscal 2016, our Ore Reserves (imperial) decreased by 1% from 1.86 million ounces at June 30, 2015, to 1.84 million ounces at June 30, 2016, mainly because of depletion. The life of mine for Ergo based on proven and probable reserves under Industry Guide 7 of the SEC as at June 30, 2016, was 7 years and the life of mine as at June 30, 2015 was 7 years. The difference between the life of mine as described above versus the life of mine contemplated on page F-7 of Item 18 Financial Statements and elsewhere in this report is due to differences in prevailing mineral reporting regulation in the different jurisdictions within which we report. An accelerated drilling program commenced during Q1 of fiscal 2017 with the intension of converting resources to ore reserves and issuing an updated reserve statement during fiscal 2017.

DRDGOLD's Ore Reserves as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 are set forth in the tables below.

Ore Reserves: Imperial

_	At June 30, 2016						At June 3	0, 2015				
	Pı	roven Ore Re	serves	Prob	oable Ore R	eserves	Prov	en Ore Rese	rves	Prob	oable Ore R	eserves
			Gold			Gold			Gold			Gold
	Tons	Grade	Content	Tons	Grade	Content	Tons	Grade	Content	Tons	Grade	Content
	(mill)	(oz/ton)	('000 ozs)	(mill)	(oz/ton)	('000 ozs)	(mill)	(oz/ton)	('000 ozs)	(mill)	(oz/ton)	('000 ozs)
Ergo ¹												
Surface	140.780	0.01	1,262	47.632	0.01	578	138.401	0.01	1,288	46.92	0.01	575
Total ²	140.780	0.01	1,262	47.632	0.01	578	138.401	0.01	1,288	46.92	0.01	575
Ore Reserves: Metric												
			At June 3	30, 2016					At June	30, 2015		
	Pr	oven Ore Res	serves	Pro	bable Ore F	Reserves	Pro	ven Ore Res	erves	Prol	oable Ore R	eserves
			Gold			Gold			Gold			Gold
	Tonnes	Grade	Content	Tonnes	Grade	Content	Tonnes	Grade	Content	Tonnes	Grade	Content
	(mill)	(g/tonne)	(tonnes)	(mill)	(g/tonne)	(tonnes)	(mill)	(g/tonne)	(tonnes)	(mill)	(g/tonne)	(tonnes)
Ergo ¹												
=	107.716	0.21	20.246	42.212	0.42	17.000	105 555	0.22	40.062	12.560	0.42	17.000
Surface	127.716	0.31	39.246	43.212	0.42	17.989	125.555	0.32	40.062	42.569	0.42	17.890 17.890
Total ²		0.31	39.246	43.212		17.989	125.555	0.32	40.062	42.569	0.42	

¹ The Ore Reserves listed in the above table are estimates of what can be legally and economically recovered from operations, and, as stated, are estimates of tons delivered to the mill.

The measurement and classification of our Proven and Probable Ore Reserves are sensitive to an extent to the fluctuation of the gold price. If we had used different gold prices than the three-year average prices at the time of reserve determination, as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 respectively, we would not have had significantly different reserves as of those dates. Using the same methodology and assumptions as were used to estimate Ore Reserves but with different gold prices, our Ore Reserves as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 would be as follows:

	Three-year average gold	Prevailing	10% Below prevailing	10% Above prevailing
Year ended June 30, 2016	price	<u>price</u>	<u>price</u>	<u>price</u>
Rand gold price per kilogram	475,268	591,697	532,527	650,867
Dollar gold price per ounce	1,228	1,293	1,164	1,423
Ore Reserves (million ounces)	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
	Three-year		10% Below	10% Above
	Three-year average gold	Prevailing	10% Below prevailing	10% Above prevailing
Year ended June 30, 2015		Prevailing price		
Year ended June 30, 2015 Rand gold price per kilogram	average gold		prevailing	prevailing
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	average gold price	price	prevailing price	prevailing price

The approximate mining recovery factors for the 2016 ore reserves shown in the above table are as follows:

		Metallurgical and
	Mine Call Factor	recovery factor
	<u>(%)</u>	<u>(%)</u>
Ergo	95	42.8

The approximate mining recovery factors for the 2015 ore reserves shown in the above table are as follows:

		Metallurgical and
	Mine Call Factor	recovery factor
	<u>(%)</u>	<u>(%)</u>
Ergo	100.0	45.2

The following table shows the average drill/sample spacing (rounded to the nearest foot), as at June 30, 2016 and 2015, for each category of Ore Reserves at our mines calculated based on a three year average dollar price of gold.

	Proven	Probable
	Reserves	Reserves
Ergo	328 ft. by 328 ft.	328 ft. by 328 ft.

The pay-limit grades based on the three year average dollar price for gold amounting to R475,268 and costs used to determine reserves as of June 30, 2016, are as follows:

		Costs used to
	<u>Pay-limit grade</u>	determine pay-
	(g/t)	limit grade (R/t)
Ergo	0.26	60.08

The pay-limit grades based on the three year average dollar price for gold amounting to R443,608 and costs used to determine reserves as of June 30, 2015, are as follows

		Costs used to determine pay-
	Pay-limit grade (g/t)	limit grade (R/t)
Ergo	0.266	50.50

We apply the pay-limit approach to the mineralized material database of our business in order to determine the tonnage and grade available for mining.

Governmental regulations and their effects on our business

Common Law Mineral Rights and Statutory Mining Rights

Prior to the introduction of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, or MPRDA in 2002, ownership in mineral rights in South Africa could be acquired through the common law or by statute. With effect from May 1, 2004, all minerals have been placed under the custodianship of the South African government under the provisions of the MPRDA and old order proprietary rights were required to be converted to new order rights of use within certain prescribed periods, as dealt with in more detail below.

Old Order Rights - Mining Authorizations

Schedule II of the MPRDA allows the Minister to grant, on application, appropriate rights over the same mineral on the same land which is the subject of the old order right. By way of example, holders of unused old order rights had for a period of one year from the effective date of the MPRDA the exclusive right to apply for an appropriate right in terms of item 8 of Schedule II. Once an old order right is lodged for conversion at the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR), it remains in force until it is converted.

Conversion of Rights under the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002

Existing old order rights were required to be converted into new order rights in order to ensure exclusive access to the mineral for which rights existed at the time of the enactment of the MPRDA. In respect of used old order mining rights, the DMR is obliged to convert the rights if the applicant complies with certain statutory criteria. These include the submission of a mining works program, demonstrable technical and financial capability to give effect to the program, provision for environmental management and rehabilitation, and compliance with certain black economic empowerment criteria and a social and labor plan. These applications had to be submitted within five years after the promulgation of the MPRDA on May 1, 2004. Similar procedures apply where we hold prospecting rights and a prospecting permit and conduct prospecting operations. Under the MPRDA mining rights are not perpetual, but endure for a fixed period, namely a maximum period of thirty years, after which they may be renewed for a further period of thirty years. Prospecting rights are limited to five years, with one further period of renewal of three years. Applications for conversion of our old order rights were submitted to the DMR within the requisite time periods. As at September 30, 2016, all of our old order mining rights have been converted into new order rights under the terms of the MPRDA.

Amendment Bill to the MPRDA

On March 6, 2014 the South African Parliament approved an Amendment Bill to the MPRDA. The Bill will come into effect once signed by the State President. Some of the more important changes introduced by the Bill is to allow the holder of a Mining Right to also mine "associated minerals" not specifically included in the Mining Right; it addresses anti-competitive conduct by requiring the Minister of Minerals to refuse an application for exploration rights if it will cause a "concentration of rights" as defined in the Bill; historic and old mine dumps are to be included in the definition of "residue stockpiles" and certain rehabilitation obligations are created in respect of the discarded mines to which they pertain; and liability for rehabilitation will extend beyond the issuance of a closure certificate and financial provision for closed sites will be required to be maintained for a period of 20 years after a site is closed. Should the amendment bill to the MPRDA be enacted in its currently proposed form, the latter three amendments referred to above may have a fundamental impact on the Group's estimated environmental provisions.

During June 2014 the Minister of Mineral Resources asked the State President to delay signing the Bill until after its potential impact on the industry is further investigated. No further developments occurred during the year ended June 30, 2016.

The Broad Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter

In order to promote broad based participation in mining revenue, the MPRDA provides for a Mining Charter to be developed by the Minister within six months of commencement of the MPRDA beginning May 1, 2004. The Mining Charter was initially published in August 2004 and was subsequently amended in September 2010. Its objectives include:

- increased direct and indirect ownership of mining entities by qualifying parties as defined in the Mining Charter;
- expansion of opportunities for persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination under the previous political dispensation;
- expansion of the skills base of such persons, the promotion of employment and advancement of the social and economic
 welfare of mining communities; and
- promotion of beneficiation.

The Mining Charter sets certain goals on equity participation (amount of equity participation and time frames) by historically disadvantaged South Africans of South African mining assets. It recommends that these are achieved by, among other methods, disposal of assets by mining companies to historically disadvantaged persons on a willing seller, willing buyer basis at fair market value. The goals set by the Mining Charter require each mining company to achieve 15 percent ownership by historically disadvantaged South Africans of its South African mining assets within five years and 26 percent ownership by May 1, 2014. It also sets out guidelines and goals in respect of employment equity at management level with a view to achieving 40 percent participation by historically disadvantaged persons in management and ten percent participation by women in the mining industry, each within five years from May

1, 2004. Compliance with these objectives is measured on the weighted average "scorecard" approach in accordance with a scorecard which was first published around August 2010.

The Mining Charter and the related scorecard are not legally binding and, instead, simply state a public policy. However, the DMR places significant emphasis on the compliance therewith. The Mining Charter and scorecard, have a decisive effect on administrative action taken under the MPRDA.

In recognition of the Mining Charter's objectives of transforming the mining industry by increasing the number of black people in the industry to reflect the country's population demographics, to empower and enable them to meaningfully participate in and sustain the growth of the economy, thereby advancing equal opportunity and equitable income distribution, we have achieved our commitment to ownership compliance with the MPRDA through our existing black economic empowerment structure with Khumo Gold and the DRDSA Empowerment Trust. Our black economic empowerment partners, Khumo Gold and the DRDSA Empowerment Trust, hold 8% and 2%, respectively, in DRDGOLD Limited. (See Item 4C. Organizational Structure).

Mine Health and Safety Regulation

The South African Mine Health and Safety Act, 1996 (as amended), or the Mine Health and Safety Act, came into effect in January 1997. The principal object of the Mine Health and Safety Act is to improve health and safety at South African mines and to this end, imposes various duties on us at our mines, and grants the authorities broad powers to, among other things, close unsafe mines and order corrective action relating to health and safety matters. In the event of any future accidents at any of our mines, regulatory authorities could take steps which could increase our costs and/or reduce our production capacity. The 2009 amendments to the Act dealt with inter alia the stoppage of production and increase punitive measures including increased financial fines and legal liability of mine management. Some of the more important provisions in the 2009 amendment bill are the insertion of a new section 50(7A) that obliges an inspector to impose a prohibition on the further functioning of a site where a person's death, serious injury or illness to a person, or a health threatening occurrence has occurred; a new section 86A(1) creating a new offence for any person who contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of the Mine Health and Safety Act thereby causing a person's death or serious injury or illness to a person. Subsection (3) further provides that (a) the "fact that the person issued instructions prohibiting the performance or an omission is not in itself sufficient proof that all reasonable steps were taken to prevent the performance or omission"; and that (b) "the defense of ignorance or mistake by any person accused cannot be permitted"; or that (c) "the defense that the death of a person, injury, illness or endangerment was caused by the performance or an omission of any individual within the employer may not be admitted"; a new section 86A(2) creating an offence of vicarious liability for the employer where a Chief Executive Officer, manager, agent or employee of the employer committed an offence and the employer either connived at or permitted the performance or an omission by the Chief Executive Officer, manager, agent or employee concerned; or did not take all reasonable steps to prevent the performance or an omission. The maximum fines have also been increased. Any owner convicted in terms of section 86 or 86A may be sentenced to "withdrawal or suspension of the permit" or to a fine of R3 million or a period of imprisonment not exceeding five years or to both such fine and imprisonment, while the maximum fine for other offences and for administrative fines have all been increased, with the highest being R1 million. The President assented to the amendment bill in April 2009. The amendment Act was proclaimed and came into law in May 2009.

Under the South African Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, 1993 (as amended), or COID Act, employers are required to contribute to a fund specifically created for the purpose of compensating employees or their dependents for disability or death arising in the course of their work. Employees who are incapacitated in the course of their work have no claim for compensation directly from the employer and must claim compensation from the COID Act fund. Employees are entitled to compensation without having to prove that the injury or disease was caused by negligence on the part of the employer, although if negligence is involved, increased compensation may be payable by this fund. The COID Act relieves employers of the prospect of costly damages, but does not relieve employers from liability for negligent acts caused to third parties outside the scope of employment. In fiscal 2016, we contributed approximately R3.4 million under the COID (2015: R4.6 million) Act to a multi-employer industry fund administered by Rand Mutual Assurance Limited.

Under the Occupational Diseases in Mines and Works Act, 1973 (as amended), or the Occupational Diseases Act, the multiemployer fund pays compensation to employees of mines performing "risk work," usually in circumstances where the employee is exposed to dust, gases, vapors, chemical substances or other working conditions which are potentially harmful, or if the employee contracts a "compensatable disease," which includes pneumoconiosis, tuberculosis, or a permanent obstruction of the airways. No employee is entitled to benefits under the Occupational Diseases Act for any disease for which compensation has been received or is still to be received under the COID Act. Currently the Group is compliant with these payment requirements, which are based on a combination of the employee costs and claims made during the fiscal year.

Uranium and radon are often encountered during the ordinary course of gold mining operations in South Africa, and present potential risks for radiation exposure of workers at those operations and the public to radiation in the nearby vicinity. We monitor our uranium and radon emissions and believe that we are currently in compliance with all local laws and regulations pertaining to uranium and radon management and that we are within the current legislative exposure limits prescribed for workers and the public, under the Nuclear Energy Act, 1999 (as amended) and Regulations from the National Nuclear Regulator.

Environmental Regulation

Managing the impact of mining on the environment is extensively regulated by statute in South Africa. Recent statutory enactments set compliance standards both generally, in the case of the National Environmental Management Act, and in respect of specific areas of environment impact, as in the case of the Air Quality Act 2004, the National Water Act (managing effluent), and the Nuclear Regulator Act 1999. Liability for environmental damage is also extended beyond the corporate veil to impose personal liability on managers and directors of mining corporations that are found to have violated applicable laws.

The impact on the environment by mining operations is extensively regulated by the MPRDA. The MPRDA has onerous provisions for personal liability of directors of companies whose mining operations have an unacceptable impact on the environment.

Mining companies are also required to demonstrate both the technical and financial ability to sustain an ongoing environmental management program, or EMP, and achieve ultimate rehabilitation, the particulars of which are to be incorporated in an EMP. This program is required to be submitted and approved by the DMR as a prerequisite for the issue of a new order mining right. Various funding mechanisms are in place, including trust funds, guarantees and concurrent rehabilitation budgets, to fund the rehabilitation liability.

The MPRDA imposes specific, ongoing environmental monitoring and financial reporting obligations on the holders of mining rights.

Our environmental risks have been addressed in EMPs which have been submitted to the DMR for approval. Additionally, key environmental issues have been prioritized and are being addressed through active management input and support as well as progress measured in terms of activity schedules and timescales determined for each activity.

Our existing reporting and controls framework is consistent with the additional reporting and assessment requirements of the MPRDA.

The enactment of the amendment bill to the MPRDA in its currently proposed form may have a fundamental impact on the Group's estimated environmental provisions due to the inclusion of historic and old mine dumps in the definition of "residue stockpiles" which creates certain rehabilitation obligations for the discarded mines to which they pertain as well the extension of the liability for rehabilitation beyond the issuance of a closure certificate and the requirement to maintain financial provision for closed sites for a period of 20 years after a site is closed.

Financial Provision for Rehabilitation

We are required to make financial provision for the cost of mine closure and post-closure rehabilitation, including monitoring once the mining operations cease. We fund these environmental rehabilitation costs by irrevocable contributions to environmental trust funds that function under the authority of trustees that have been appointed by, and who owe a statutory duty of trust to the Master of the High Court of South Africa. The funds held in these trusts are invested primarily in interest bearing debt securities. As of June 30, 2016, we held a total of R103.0 million (2015: R96.5 million) in trust, the balance held in each fund being R93.8 million (2015: R87.9 million) for Ergo and R9.2 million (2015: R8.6 million) for ERPM. Trustee meetings are held as required and quarterly reports on the financial status of the funds, are submitted to our board of directors. If any of the operations are prematurely closed, the rehabilitation funds may be insufficient to meet all the rehabilitation obligations of those operations.

Whereas the old Minerals Act allowed for the establishment of a fully funded rehabilitation fund over the operational life of mine, the MPRDA assumes a fully compliant fund at any given time. Insurance instruments may also be utilized to make up the shortfall in available cash funds subject to the DMR's consent. The Company has subsequently made use of approved insurance products for a portion of its rehabilitation liabilities. As of June 30, 2016, we held a total of R108.3 million (2015: R100.3 million) in funds held in insurance instruments. As at June 30, 2016 guarantees amounting to R427.2 million (2015: R404.0 million) were issued to the DMR.

The net present value of the aggregate group provision for environmental rehabilitation was R538.5 million at June 30, 2016, compared to R510.9 million at June 30, 2015. This has been included in the provision for environmental rehabilitation amounting to R522.9 million (2015: R493.3 million) as well as in assets and liabilities classified as held for sale amounting to R15.6 million (2015: R17.6 million) in our financial statements as at June 30, 2016.

New Financial Provisioning Regulations ("FPR") were published on November 20, 2015 under the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 ("NEMA") and became effective from the date of publication thereof. The FPR now prescribe that contributions to Trust Funds may only be used for post closure rehabilitation and may no longer be utilised for their intended purpose of concurrent and final rehabilitation and closure.

On September 9, 2016, the Minister of Environmental Affairs published a notice of intention to amend the FPR ("Amendment Notice") and invited members of the public to submit written representations or objections to the provisions contained in the Amendment Notice. Submissions in respect of the Amendment Notice were filed by DRDGOLD on October 10, 2016 on the basis that there are number of fatal flaws and legal uncertainties in the FPR and, in fact, the Amendment Notice raises further questions regarding the content and application of the FPR.

On October 26, 2016, the Amendment Notice was promulgated in terms of which holders will, inter alia, now have a period of 39 months within which to comply with the FPR. It does, however, not address all the concerns raised by DRDGOLD who will therefore continue to pursue a comprehensive solution to its concerns.

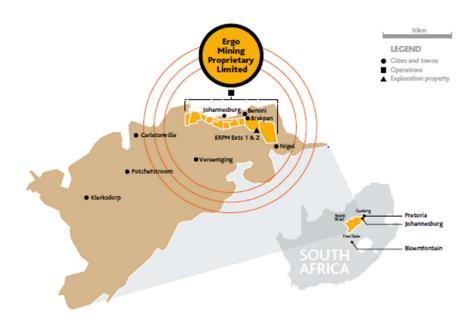
4C. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The following chart shows our principal subsidiaries as of September 30, 2016. All of our subsidiaries are incorporated in South Africa. Our voting interest in each of our subsidiaries are equal to our ownership interests. We hold the majority of the investments directly or indirectly as indicated below. Refer to Exhibit 8.1 for a list of our significant subsidiaries.



4D. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

DRDGOLD OPERATIONS SEPTEMBER 30, 2016



Description of Significant Subsidiaries' Properties and Mining Operations

Witwatersrand Basin Geology

The Witwatersrand Basin comprises a 4 mile (6 kilometer) vertical thickness of sedimentary rocks situated within the Kaapvaal Craton, extending laterally for approximately 186 miles (299 kilometers) East-Northeast and 62 miles (100 kilometers) South-Southeast. The sedimentary rocks generally dip at shallow angles towards the center of the basin, though locally this may vary. The Witwatersrand Basin is Achaean in age and the sedimentary rocks are considered to be approximately 2.7 to 2.8 billion years old.

Gold mineralization in the Witwatersrand Basin occurs within horizons termed reefs. These occur within seven separate goldfields located along the eastern, northern and western margins of the basin. These goldfields are known as the Evander Goldfield, the East Rand Goldfield, the West Rand Goldfield, the Far West Rand Goldfield, the Central Rand Goldfield, the Klerksdorp Goldfield and the Free State Goldfield. As a result of faulting and other primary controls of mineralization, the goldfields are not continuous and are characterized by the presence or dominance of different reef units. The reefs are generally less than 6 feet (1.84 meters) thick but, in certain instances, these deposits form stacked clastic wedges which are hundreds of feet thick.

The gold generally occurs in native form within the various reefs, often associated with pyrite and carbon.

Ergo

Overview

At June 30, 2016 we own 100% of EMO, which in turn owns 100% of Ergo. Ergo is a surface tailings retreatment operation consisting of what was historically the Ergo, Crown, ERPM's Cason operation and ErgoGold business units which are now collectively referred to as Ergo. ERPM's Cason Dump surface tailings retreatment operation was depleted in the fourth quarter of calendar 2014. Ergo undertakes the retreatment of surface sources deposited as tailing from non-operating mining sites across central and east Johannesburg. In order to improve synergies, effect cost savings and a simpler group structure, DRDGOLD restructured the Group's surface operations (Crown, ERPM's Cason operation and ErgoGold) into Ergo with effect from July 1, 2012. At June 30, 2016, DRDGOLD employed 924 full-time employees. In addition, specialist service providers deployed a further 1,560 employees to our operations bringing the total number of inhouse and outsourced employees to 2,484.

Properties

Ergo's operations are located approximately 43 miles (70 kilometers) east of the Johannesburg's central business district in the province of Gauteng on land owned by Ergo. Access to the Ergo plant is via the Ergo Road on the N17 Johannesburg-Springs motorway. As of June 30, 2016 and September 2016, no encumbrances exist on Ergo's property.

Crown is situated on the outskirts of Johannesburg, South Africa and consists of three separate locations, City Deep, Crown Mines and Knights. The entire mining footprint consists of the mining rights of City Deep, Consolidated Main Reef & Estates, Crown Mines ("3Cs") and Knights. Crown's mining rights have been converted to new order rights under the MPRDA and the mining rights in respect of the 3Cs and Knights were registered at the Mineral and Petroleum Titles Registration Office in January 2014. In March 2013, applications for the transfer of the mining rights held by the 3Cs and Knights to ERGO were lodged with the DMR following the restructure of the company into a single surface retreatment business unit. These applications were successful and were notarially executed in March 2014.

The Crown Mines operation is located on the West Wits line within the Central Goldfield of the Witwatersrand Basin, approximately 6 miles (10 kilometers) west of the Johannesburg central business district in the province of Gauteng. Access is via Xavier Road on the M1 Johannesburg-Kimberley-Bloemfontein highway.

The City Deep operation is located on the West Wits line within the Central Goldfields of the Witwatersrand Basin, approximately 3 miles (5 kilometers) south-east of the Johannesburg central business district in the province of Gauteng. Access is via the Heidelberg Road on the M2 Johannesburg-Germiston motorway.

The Knights operation is located at Stanley and Knights Road Germiston off the R29 Main Reef Road.

History of Ergo

- Anglo American Corporation commissioned the Ergo plant in Brakpan in 1977. The operation became part of AngloGold Ashanti in 1998 and was closed by that company in 2005.
- 2007 Ergo was founded by EMO (owned by DRDGOLD at the time) and Mintails SA as a joint venture.

 On August 6, 2007, the joint venture parties entered into an agreement with AngloGold Ashanti pursuant to which it acquired the remaining assets of the Ergo plant for consideration of R42.8 million.
 - Additional agreements were concluded with AngloGold Ashanti on November 14, 2007 for the acquisition by Ergo of additional tailings properties and the Brakpan/Withok TDF for consideration of R45.0 million.
- Ergo Phase 1 was launched comprising the refurbishment and recomissioning of the Ergo plant's first CIL circuit and the retreatment of the Elsburg and Benoni tailings complexes.

 DRDGOLD acquires Mintails SA's stake in ErgoGold for R277.0 million.
- Ergo Phase 1 commissioning continues; first feeder line to the Ergo Plant from Elsburg tailings complex comes into operation.Ergo Phase 2 exploration drilling for gold, uranium and acid completed.
- DRDGOLD acquired control of Ergo through the acquisition of Mintails SA's 50% in Ergo for R82.1 million. Ergo Phase 1 production ramp-up nears completion with the installation of the second Elsburg tailings complex feeder line to the Ergo plant. Construction of the Crown/Ergo pipeline commenced.
- 2011 Construction of the Crown/Ergo pipeline continued and the second CIL circuit of the Ergo plant was refurbished as part of the Crown/Ergo pipeline project.
- 2012 The construction of the Crown/Ergo pipeline and second CIL circuit of the Ergo plant was completed.
- In order to improve synergies, effect cost savings and a simpler group structure DRDGOLD restructured the Group's surface operations into Ergo on July 1, 2012, which consisted of Crown, the surface operations of ERPM and ErgoGold. Construction and commissioning of the Ergo flotation/fine-grind plant (FFG) was completed in late December 2013.
- The FFG was suspended in April 2014 after metallurgical efficiencies declined. Test-work recommenced in August. A prospecting right in respect of surface tailings dumps on various portions of the Farm Grootvlei and a portion of the Farm Geduld was registered on May 12, 2014 for a period of 5 years ending on April 21, 2019.
- 2015 The FFG became fully operational in February 2015.

- Ministerial consent in terms of section 11 of the MPRDA for the restructuring of the Group's surface operations into Ergo were obtained.
- A legal review of the existing authorisations was undertaken for increasing the deposition capacity of the Brakpan/Withok TDF. The results indicated that most of the current authorisations are sufficient, however certain documentation will need to be amended.

History of Crown (consolidated into Ergo on July 1, 2012)

- 1979 Rand Mines Limited directors approved the formation of the company Rand Mines Milling and Mining Limited (RM3) to treat the surface gold tailings created from the underground section of the original Crown Mines, which had been in operation since the start of gold mining on the Witwatersrand in the late 1800's.
- 1982 First plant commissioned at Crown Mines to process surface material.
- 1986 Second plant commissioned at City Deep to process surface material.
- Randgold Exploration Limited and Continental Goldfields of Australia entered into a joint venture with the intention to establish a company that would acquire dump retreatment operations on the Witwatersrand. This resulted in the formation of Crown Consolidated Gold Recoveries Limited, or CCGR, which was incorporated as a public company in South Africa in May 1997. Crown was a wholly owned subsidiary of CCGR and consists of the surface retreatment operations of Crown Mines, City Deep and Knights.
- 1998 We purchased 100% of CCGR.
- 2002 Khumo Bathong Holdings Proprietary Limited (KBH) purchased 60% of Crown. We were appointed as joint manager of the operation with KBH.
- On July 6, 2005 we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with KBH regarding the acquisition by Khumo Gold of a 15% stake in our then South African operations. On October 27, 2005, our board of directors approved the transaction with Khumo Gold. The new structure resulted in Khumo Gold acquiring a 15% interest in a newly created vehicle, EMO, which included 100% of ERPM, Crown and Blyvoor. As a result we owned an 85% interest in EMO.
- On December 11, 2006, Khumo Gold, on behalf of itself and an employee trust, exercised the option granted by us pursuant to the option agreement concluded between us and Khumo Gold in October 2005 to acquire a further 11% in EMO. On August 28, 2006, Crown concluded an agreement with AngloGold Ashanti to purchase the Top Star Dump.
- 2008 The Department of Mineral Resources issued a mining right for gold recovery over the Top Star Dump to Crown.
- The reclamation of the Top Star Dump commenced in December 2008. Crown also commenced with the reduction of volumes to 0.4Mtpm to implement the planned Crown Tailings Deposition Facility closure plan.
- The surface circuit of ERPM was incorporated into Crown for reporting purposes.

 Board approval was obtained to construct a pipeline to the Ergo tailings deposition site to enable Crown to restore its deposition capacity to 0.6Mtpm. Restored deposition capacity provides the operation with the opportunity to exploit potential new ore reserves.
- 2011 Construction of the pipeline to the Ergo tailings deposition site continued and was scheduled for completion in December 2011.
- 2012 Construction of the pipeline to the Ergo tailings deposition site was completed.
- 2013 On July 1, 2012, Crown sold its mining assets, mining and prospecting rights and certain liabilities to Ergo in exchange for shares in Ergo.
- Ministerial consent in terms of section 11(2) of the MPRDA to cede the converted mining rights of Crown to Ergo was obtained and in August 2015 the converted mining rights were registered.

Mining and Processing

Ergo undertakes the retreatment of surface sources deposited as tailings from non-operational mining sites from east to west, just to the south of Johannesburg's central business district.

Material processed by Ergo is sourced from numerous secondary surface sources namely, sand and slime. The surface sources have generally undergone a complex depositional history resulting in grade variations associated with improvements in plant recovery over the period of time the material was deposited. Archive material is a secondary source of gold bearing material. This material is generally made up of old gold metallurgical plant sites.

We have four metallurgical plants, known as Ergo, Crown Mines, City Deep and Knights. Our two gold producing metallurgical plants, Ergo and Knights have an installed capacity to treat approximately 28.8 million tons of material per year year and are fully operational. All of the plants have undergone various modifications during recent years resulting in significant changes to the processing circuits. Crown Mines serves as a milling and distribution station, as does City Deep.

In addition to the four metallurgical plants, Ergo's assets include: access to tailings deposited across the western, central and eastern Witwatersrand; the Crown milling and pump station close to the Johannesburg central business district; a 50km pipeline; and tailings deposition facilities including the significant Brakpan TDF.

The feed stock is made up of sand and slime which are reclaimed separately. Sand is reclaimed using mechanical front-end loaders, re-pulped with water and pumped to the plant. Slime is reclaimed using high pressure water monitoring guns. The re-pulped slime is pumped to the plant and the reclaimed material is treated using screens, cyclones, ball mills as well as floatation and fine grind, or FFG, and Carbon-in-Leach, or CIL, technology to extract the gold.

Set forth below is a description of each of our plants:

Ergo Plant: Commissioned by Anglo American Corporation in 1977, became part of AngloGold Ashanti in 1998 from which it was acquired for consideration of R42.8 million in 2007. The remaining five CIL tanks were refurbished during fiscal 2015 to increase capacity to treat up to 25.2Mt per year. The Ergo FFG project is designed to assist in liberating the gold particles currently encapsulated in the sulphides and to achieve a targeted improvement in gold recovery efficiencies of between 16% and 20%. This circuit commenced a three month test phase during August 2014 after it was temporarily suspended in April 2014 following a decline in metallurgical efficiencies. By February 2015 the FFG was returned to full operation.

Knights Plant: Commissioned in 1988, this surface/underground plant comprises a circuit including screening, primary cycloning, milling in closed circuit with hydrocyclones, thickening, oxygen preconditioning, CIL, elution, electro-winning and smelting to doré. The Knights plant, although historically part of the Crown operation, is located further east and considerably closer to the Brakpan TDF. Due to the location of the Knights plant it is able to access the Brakpan TDF to deposit waste. The Knights plant has an installed capacity to treat an estimated 3.6Mt per year.

Crown Mines Plant: Commissioned in 1982, this surface/underground plant comprises a circuit including screening, primary cycloning, open circuit milling, thickening, oxygen preconditioning, CIP and CIL, elution, zinc precipitation followed by calcining and smelting to doré. In June 2012, the gold extraction portion of the Crown plant was discontinued and all material is now only screened, milled and thickened. This material is then pumped to the Ergo plant for the final extraction of gold.

City Deep Plant: Commissioned in 1987, this surface/underground plant comprises a circuit including screening, primary, secondary and tertiary cycloning in closed circuit milling, thickening, oxygen preconditioning, CIL, elution and zinc precipitation followed by calcining and smelting to doré. Retreatment continued at the City Deep Plant until the plant was decommissioned in August 2013 to operate as a milling and pump station and is currently pumping material to the Ergo Plant for the final extraction of gold.

As of June 30, 2016, the net book value of Ergo's mining assets was R1,586.8 million (2015: R1,676.2 million).

Capital Expenditure

During fiscal 2016, capital expenditure increased primarily as a result of R40.2 million spent on bringing the 4L2 site on line and R13 million on phase II of the refurbishment of the No 3 tailings thickener. R46.6 million was spent on various other items. The following capital expenditure was incurred at Ergo in fiscal 2016, 2015 and 2014:

2010g -up-ma	2016 P2000	2015 P2000	2014 P2000
Ergo flotation/fine-grind plant	<u>R'000</u>	<u>R'000</u>	R'000 23,759
Ergo flotation/fine-grind plant (pre-production working costs)	_	_	65,813
Ergo flotation/fine-grind plant (high-grade CIP circuit converted to CIL)	3,455	5,696	-
Refurbishment of the second leach section	-	16,086	983
Refurbishment of thickener	13,014	6,142	-
Lime Plant	2,456	0,1 .2	
Other plant – various smaller items	8,163	7,340	_
TCTA additional water	1,909	-	_
Centralised water facility	1,930	_	_
Rondebult sewerage	439	21,655	75
Knights residue pipeline	_	3,050	5,836
Benoni Slurry line	-	´ -	3,359
Crown/Ergo Pipeline Project	-	_	3,265
Benoni sand	-	-	3,007
Pump Station 4A8	33,033	_	-
4L2 reclamation site	7,116	-	-
Reclaim Mooifontein and GMTS return water dam	3,070	-	-
Van Dyk reclamation site	-	7,244	-
Soweto cluster dump	-	2,124	951
Other reclamation sites	1,234	3,209	32,375
Brakpan/Withok TDF – various smaller items	9,478	7,428	7,187
Daggafontein Tailings Facility	248	1,550	2,253
Residue Linear	-	1,790	1,954
Knights girth gear and pinion	-	2,732	1,356
Replace existing infrastructure	6,588	-	-
Other equipment	1,683	772	610
Withok conceptual studies, recommissioning and design	2,395	-	160
Security	25	215	1,311
IT hardware and infrastructure	588	431	464
Other	1,491	<u>-</u>	57
	98,315	87,464	154,775
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Currently there are no material plans to construct, further expand or improve facilities other than optimizing and maintaining existing facilities. Capital expenditure is mainly financed through operational cash flows while financing for significant non-sustaining capital projects may be obtained through specific financing arrangements if required.

Exploration and Development

Exploration and development activity at Ergo would involve the drilling of surface dumps and evaluating the potential gold bearing surface material.

Environmental and Closure Aspects

Ergo operates at sites located in close proximity to significant municipal infrastructure, commercial and residential development. The major environmental risks are associated with dust from various reclamation sites, and effective management of relocated process material on certain tailings dams. The impact of windblown dust on the surrounding environment and community is addressed through a scientific monitoring and evaluation process, with active input from Professor H. Annagarn from the Cape Peninsula University of Technology and appropriate community involvement. Environmental management programs, addressing a wide range of environmental issues, have been prepared by specialist environmental consultants, which are audited annually. Water pollution is controlled by means of a comprehensive system of return water dams which allow for used water to be recycled for use in Ergo's metallurgical plants. Overflows of return water dams may, depending on their location, pollute surrounding streams and wetlands. Ergo has an ongoing monitoring program to ensure that its water balances (in its reticulation system, on its tailings and its return water dams) are maintained at levels that are sensitive to the capacity of return water dams.

Dust pollution is controlled through an active environmental management program for the residue disposal sites and chemical and organic dust suppression on recovery sites. Short-term dust control is accomplished through ridge ploughing the top surface of dormant tailings dams. Additionally, environmentally friendly dust suppressants are applied. Dust fall-out is monitored through an extensive dust monitoring network monthly, and is utilized as a management measure to ensure the effectiveness of mitigation measures employed. In the long-term, dust suppression and water pollution is managed through a program of progressive vegetation of the tailings followed by the application of lime, to reduce the natural acidic conditions, and fertilizer to assist in the growth of vegetation planted on the tailings dam.

A program of environmental restoration that provides for the rehabilitation of areas affected by mining operations during the life of the mine is in place. The surface reclamation process at Ergo has several environmental merits as it removes potential pollution sources and opens up land for development.

Environmental management and compliance is further assisted by the in-house developed electronic monitoring system (Compliance Management Tool) that incorporates all existing Environmental Impact Assessments ("EIA's"), EMP's, Mining Right Conversions, Performance Assessments and Social and Labor Plans ("SLPs") associated with each mining right. The existing and most recent studies are used to supplement the management components with regards to the mining right boundaries and its required compliance parameters. The individual management items are integrated to provide a holistic overview of the state of each of the mining right areas. Spatial data pertaining to the mining right boundaries is stored onto a central database and is utilized to create a live map which illustrates the mining right area and various environmental monitoring systems. This map depicts the mining right boundaries, roads, rails, mine dumps, plants, rivers, pipeline routes, servitudes, way leaves, municipal services and other spatial data relevant to our mining operations.

While the ultimate amount of rehabilitation costs to be incurred is uncertain, we have estimated that the total cost for Ergo, in current monetary terms as at June 30, 2016 is approximately R522.9 million. As at June 30, 2016, a total of R93.8 million has been contributed to the Crown Rehabilitation Trust Fund, while a total of R44.9 million has been contributed by Ergo to funds held in insurance instruments to fund Ergo's environmental obligations. The Crown Rehabilitation Trust Fund is an irrevocable trust, managed by specific responsible people who we nominated and who are appointed as trustees by the Master of the High Court of South Africa.

Ore Reserves

As at June 30, 2016, our 100% share of the Proven and Probable Ore Reserves of Ergo was 1.84 million ounces. As at June 30, 2015 Proven and Probable Ore Reserves was 1.86 million ounces. A Mineral Resource competent person is appointed at each operation to review our Ore Reserve calculations for accuracy. For Ergo, Mr. Gary Viljoen is the designated competent person in terms of the SAMREC Code responsible for the compilation and reporting of ore reserves. Ore reserves were independently reviewed by Red Bush Geoservices Proprietary Limited (Red Bush) for compliance with the SAMREC Code, the National Instrument 43-101 and the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Industry Guide 7.

Production

In fiscal 2016, production decreased from 150,145 ounces to 143,457 ounces mainly due to a 9% decline in the average yield from 0.197g/t to 0.180g/t in fiscal 2016. The lower average yield was a consequence of various factors:

- depletion of higher grade JCC dump sand material, reporting to the Crown plant, and of Cason dump material, reporting to the Knights plant;
- lower grade slimes material from clean-up operations now reporting to Crown and from the 4A6 and 5A9 dumps now reporting to Knights; and
- the decrease in grade of material from the Elsburg reclamation site, reporting to the Ergo plant.

Volume throughput for the year increased with 5% from 23,750,000 tonnes to 24,842,000 tonnes

Cash operating costs in fiscal 2016 was down \$55 per ounce from \$1,013 in fiscal 2015 to \$958 per ounce.

The following table details the production results of the Group (consisting mainly of the production results of Ergo) for the past fiscal year:

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	2014
Production (imperial)		· 	
Ore milled ('000 tons)	24,842	23,750	23,908
Recovered grade (oz/ton)	0,005	0,006	0,005
Gold produced (ounces)	143,457	150,145	132,909
Results of Operations			
Revenue (R'000)	2,433,064	2,105,298	1,809,434
Cash operating cost (R'000) (1)	1,991,180	1,741,592	1,540,622
Cash operating costs (R/kilogram) (1)	446,153	372,932	372,671
All-in sustaining costs (R/kilogram) (1)	499,425	411,548	401,691
All-in cost (R/kilogram) (1)	512,353	422,095	436,503

⁽¹⁾ Cash operating cost, cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram are financial measures of performance that we use to determine cash generating capacities of the mines and to monitor performance of our mining operations. These are all non IFRS measures. For a reconciliation of these measure see Item 5A.: "Operating Results - Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram."

See Item 5A. Operating Results – Capital expenditure for a discussion on capital expenditure.

ERPM

Overview

As at June 30, 2016 we own 100% of ERPM, which is consolidated as a subsidiary, through our 100% holding in EMO. ERPM consists of an underground section that was halted in October 2008. At June 30, 2016, ERPM had no employees. The financial results and assets and liabilities of these halted underground operations are included in 'Corporate office and other reconciling items' in the financial statements for segmental reporting purposes for all three years presented.

On July 24, 2014 EMO and ERPM entered into an agreement with ERPM South Africa Holding Proprietary Limited, the nominee of Australian based Walcot Capital, for the disposal of certain of the underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM including the related liabilities. All regulatory approvals required for this disposal have now been obtained, with the exception of the approval required under Section 11 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resource Development Act, which has not yet been obtained as a result of circumstances beyond our control. Management has taken timely action and remains confident that this last outstanding regulatory approval will be obtained in due course.

DRDGOLD received a request from the purchaser to restructure the payment terms following the lapse in time awaiting Section 11 approval. Management is engaging with the purchaser to consider the restructure of payment terms in support of the timely conclusion of the disposal.

Property

ERPM is situated on the Central Rand Goldfield located within and near the northern margin of the Witwatersrand Basin in the town of Boksburg, 20 miles (32 kilometers) east of Johannesburg on land owned by ERPM. Access is via Jet Park Road on the N12 Boksburg-Benoni highway. Historically underground mining and recovery operations comprised relatively shallow remnant pillar mining in the central area and conventional longwall mining in the south-eastern area. Surface reclamation operations including the treatment of sand from the Cason Dump, was conducted through the Knights metallurgical plant, tailings deposition facilities and associated facilities. Until underground mining was halted in October 2008, the mine exploited the conglomeratic South Reef, Main Reef Leader and Main Reef in the central area and the Composite Reef in the south-eastern area. ERPM operates under mining license ML5/1997 in respect of statutory mining and mineral rights. As of June 30, 2016 and September 2016, no encumbrances exist on ERPM's property.

At June 30, 2016, the net book value of ERPM's mining assets was Rnil due to the transfer of ERPM's related surface mining assets to Ergo as part of the restructuring which took place on July 1, 2012.

History

- **1895** Formation of ERPM.
- 1991 The FEV shaft was commissioned.
- 1999 ERPM was liquidated in August 1999. The mine was run by a small number of employees during liquidation.

 Underground flooding continued during liquidation.
- KBH took over control of the mine in January 2000. Operating as Enderbrooke Investments Proprietary Limited, or Enderbrooke, and employing an outside contractor, the mine re-commenced mining operations in February 2000.
- 2002 Crown purchased 100% of ERPM from Enderbrooke.
- An underground fire occurred at FEV Shaft, in February 2003. There was also the loss of Hercules Shaft in June 2003 and the loss of a secondary outlet at the FEV shaft in November 2003.
- In July 2004 it was determined that the underground section would undergo a controlled closure program ending March 2005. The closure program was delayed due to a reduction in costs and improved productivity at the mine.
- 2005 Central Shaft placed on care and maintenance. On July 6, 2005, we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with KBH regarding the acquisition by Khumo Gold of a 15% stake in our South African operations. On October 27, 2005, our board of directors approved the transaction with Khumo Gold. The new structure resulted in Khumo Gold acquiring a 15% interest in a newly created vehicle, EMO, which includes 100% of ERPM, Crown and Blyvoor. As a result we owned an 85% interest in EMO.
- 2006 On December 11, 2006, Khumo Gold, on behalf of itself and an employee trust, exercised the option granted by us pursuant to the option agreement concluded between us and Khumo Gold in October 2005 to acquire a further 11% in EMO.
 - A prospecting right covering an area of 1,252 hectares (3,093 acres) of the neighboring Sallies lease area, referred to as ERPM Extension 1 was granted by the DMR.
- A prospecting right, incorporating the southern section of the old Van Dyk mining lease area and a small portion of Sallies, was granted by the DMR. Known as ERPM Extension 2, the additional area is 5,500ha (13,590 acres).
- On April 25, 2008, ERPM gave notice of intention to restructure the work force due to operational requirements and 239 employees were retrenched during June 2008. On October 23, 2008, ERPM announced the suspension of drilling and blasting operations underground, following the cessation of pumping of underground water at the South West Vertical shaft on October 6, 2008 for safety reasons following the deaths of two employees. On November 19, 2008, we announced our intention to place on care and maintenance the underground operations of ERPM, and to proceed with a consultation process in terms of Section 189A of the Labor Relations Act to determine the future of the mine's 1,700 employees.
- In January 2009, consultations in terms of Section 189A of the Labor Relations Act regarding the future of employees affected by the placing on care and maintenance of the underground operations were concluded and 1,335 employees were retrenched.
- 2010 ERPM's surface operation, the Cason Dump, was incorporated into Crown for reporting purposes.
- On July 1, 2012, ERPM sold all of its surface mining assets (excluding its 50% interest in Ergo) and its 65% interest in ErgoGold to Ergo in exchange for shares in Ergo.
- During July 2014 EMO and ERPM entered into an agreement with ERPM South Africa Holding Proprietary Limited, the nominee of Australian based Walcot Capital for the disposal of certain of the underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM including the related environmental liabilities. This agreement is subject to a number of suspensive conditions including regulatory consent and permission which had not been fulfilled at the date of this report. ERPM Extension 2 prospecting right was renewed.
- Ministerial consent in terms of section 11(2) of the MPRDA to cede the converted mining rights of ERPM's surface operations to Ergo was obtained and in August 2015 the converted mining rights were registered.
- ERPM received a request to restructure the payment terms of the disposal of certain underground mining and prospecting rights with Walcot Capital following the lapse in time awaiting Section 11 approval. Management is engaging with the purchaser to consider the restructure of payment terms in support of the timely conclusion of the disposal.

Mining and Processing

ERPM is under care and maintenance and did not produce any gold during fiscal 2016 and fiscal 2015.

Exploration and Development

ERPM has a prospecting right covering an area of 1,252ha (3,094 acres) of the adjacent Sallies mine, referred to as ERPM Extension 1. The regional geology of the area indicates that there will be a strike change due to faulting associated with an East-West trending sinistral tear fault. In order to confirm the anticipated change in the geological structure and hence payshoot orientation, it is envisaged that prospecting will take place through development situated 50m in the footwall. Owing to high induced stress experienced at depth, there will be concurrent over-stoping (that is stoping taking place concurrently with development) on the reef plane for safety reasons. Prior to this prospecting right in respect of ERPM Ext. 1 lapsing, an application for a mining right in respect of the same

prospecting footprint was made in terms of the provisions of the MPRDA. The said mining right was approved and granted and the registration thereof took place in March 2012. The mining right expires in January 2042.

An additional application to extend ERPM's existing prospecting right eastwards into the Rooikraal/Withok area, incorporating the southern section of the old Van Dyk mining lease area and a small portion of Sallies, was granted by the DMR in fiscal 2007. Known as ERPM Extension 2, the additional area is 5,500ha (13,590 acres). This prospecting right was initially granted for a period of 4 years and expired in March 2011. An application for renewal thereof was made in terms of the provisions of the MPRDA. The renewal of the prospecting right was initially refused by the DMR, but after an appeal was lodged with the Legal Services Directorate of the DMR, the renewal of the prospecting right was granted in November 2014. These rights, ERPM Ext 1 and ERPM Ext 2, both form part of the sale assets of the transaction with Walcot Capital.

Environmental and Closure Aspects

There is a regular ingress of water into the underground workings of ERPM, which was contained by continuous pumping from the underground section. Studies on the estimates of the probable rate of rise of water have been inconsistent, with certain theories suggesting that the underground water might reach a natural subterranean equilibrium, whilst other theories maintain that the water could decant or surface. A program is in place to routinely monitor the rise in water level in the various underground compartments and there has been a substantial increase in the subsurface water levels.

The government has appointed Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA) to construct a partial treatment plant (neutralisation plant) to prevent the ground water being contaminated. TCTA completed the construction of the neutralisation plant for the Central Basin and commenced treatment during July 2014. As part of the Heads of agreement signed in December 2012 between EMO, Ergo, ERPM and TCTA, sludge emanating from this plant is co-disposed onto the Brakpan/Withok TDF. Partially treated water is then discharged by TCTA into the Elsburg Spruit. This agreement includes the granting of access to the underground water basin through one of ERPM shafts and the rental of a site onto which it constructed its neutralisation plant. In exchange, Ergo and its associate companies including ERPM have a set-off against any future directives to make any contribution toward costs or capital of up to R250 million. Through this agreement, Ergo also secured the right to purchase up to 30 ML of partially treated AMD from TCTA at cost, in order to reduce Ergo's reliance on potable water for mining and processing purposes.

While the ultimate amount of rehabilitation costs to be incurred in the future is uncertain, we have estimated that as at June 30, 2016 the present discounted value of the total cost of rehabilitation for ERPM is approximately R15.6 million. A total of R9.2 million in the ERPM Rehabilitation Trust Fund and R63.4 million in insurance instruments is available for the settlement of these rehabilitation costs. This is an irrevocable trust, managed by specific responsible people who we nominated and who are appointed as trustees by the Master of the High Court of South Africa.

Ongoing Legal Proceedings

Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality Electricity Tariff Dispute

In December 2014, an application (in the South Gauteng High Court) was filed by Ergo, and served on *inter alia* the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality ("Municipality") and Eskom Holdings SOC Limited in terms of which Ergo contends, amongst other things, that the Municipality does not "supply" electricity to Ergo from a "supply main" as contemplated in the Municipality's Electricity By-Laws of 2002, for the following reasons:

- The Municipality is not licensed to supply electricity to Ergo in terms of the Municipality's Temporary Distribution Licence.
- The Municipality is not entitled to render tax invoices to Ergo for the supply and consumption of electricity from the substation.
- The Municipality is furthermore not competent to add a surcharge or premium of approximately 40% (forty percent) of the rate at which Eskom ordinarily charges Ergo on its Megaflex rate.
- Ergo is not indebted to the Municipality for the supply and consumption of electricity and is not obliged to tender payment for any amounts claimed in the invoices rendered by the Municipality in excess of its actual consumption, therefore, as determined by Eskom on a monthly basis.
- The Municipality is indebted to Ergo in the amount of approximately R43 million in respect of the surcharges and premiums that were erroneously paid to the Municipality in the *bona fide* and reasonable belief that the Municipality was competent to supply electricity to it.

Subsequent to December 2014 up to June 30, 2016, the Municipality has invoiced Ergo for approximately R51.4 million (2015: R13.4 million) in surcharges of which R45.7 million (2015: R11.4 million) has been paid into an attorney's trust account at June 30, 2016 pending the final determination of the dispute.

Ekurhuleni valuation of surface right permits

The Municipality issued summons in 2010 for the recovery of the amount of R42 million against ERPM in respect of the valuation of various surface right permits ("SRPs") of which ERPM is the registered holder in terms of the Municipal Property Rates Act. ERPM entered an appearance to defend the matter within the requisite time frames.

The matter was not further pursued by the Municipality and appears to now be dormant.

ERPM believes that this claim was without merit and therefore that an outflow of resources was remote. ERPM deferred payment of rates and taxes for which it recognised an accrual of R22.7 million.

The February and March 2016 statements issued by the Municipality reflected that all rates and taxes and interest thereon had been written off and the balance owing by ERPM was reduced to zero. As a result the accrual was reversed.

Silicosis Litigation

In January 2013, DRDGOLD, ERPM ("the DRDGOLD Respondents") and 23 other mining companies ("the Mining Companies") were served with a court application for a class action by alleged former mineworkers and dependants of deceased mineworkers. In the pending application the applicants allege that the Mining Companies and the DRDGOLD Respondents conducted underground mining operations in a negligent manner that caused occupational lung diseases. The matter was heard in October 2015.

On May 13, 2016, the South Gauteng High Court, Johannesburg ("Court") handed down judgment in respect of the class action certification in terms of which the applicants sought certification of two industry-wide classes: a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class, both of which cover current and former underground mineworkers who have contracted the respective diseases (or the dependants of mineworkers who died of those diseases). In terms of the judgment, the Court ordered the certification of a single class action comprising two separate and distinct classes – a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class.

An application for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeal ("SCA") was filed and served at the Court by the DRDGOLD Respondents (as well as the Mining Companies) on June 3, 2016 in respect of inter alia the transmissibility of damages.

On June 23, 2016, the Court granted leave to appeal to the SCA against inter alia the transmissibility of damages. On July 15, 2016, the DRDGOLD Respondents filed and served its petition to the SCA in respect of the certification issue. The notice of appeal in respect of the transmissibility of damages was filed and served on July 25, 2016. On September 13, 2016, the SCA granted the DRDGOLD Respondents leave to appeal on both the certification and transmissibility of damages.

It is not possible at this stage to ascertain what the probable outcome of this case will be and how it will affect our business, operating results and financial condition.

ITEM 4A. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

The following Operating and Financial Review and Prospects section is intended to help the reader understand the factors that have affected the Company's financial condition and results of operations for the historical period covered by the financial statements and management's assessment of factors and trends which are anticipated to have a material effect on the Company's financial condition and results in future periods. This section is provided as a supplement to, and should be read in conjunction with, our audited financial statements and the other financial information contained elsewhere in this Annual Report. Our financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). Our discussion contains forward looking information based on current expectations that involve risks and uncertainties, such as our plans, objectives and intentions. Our actual results may differ from those indicated in such forward looking statements.

5A. OPERATING RESULTS

Business overview

We are a South African gold mining company engaged in surface gold tailings retreatment, including exploration, extraction, processing and smelting. Our surface tailings retreatment operations, including the requisite infrastructure and metallurgical processing plants, are located in South Africa. Our operating footprint is unique, in that it involves some of the largest concentration of gold tailings deposits in the world, situated within the city boundaries of Johannesburg and its suburbs.

The success of DRDGOLD's long-term goal to extract as much gold as possible from its assets depends, to a large extent, on how effectively it continues to manage its resources.

DRDGOLD uses sustainable development to direct its strategic thinking. Our goal is to optimally utilise an entire resource over the long term, thereby seeking sustainable benefits in respect to the following capitals, each of which is essential to our operation and our financial, manufactured, natural, social and human capital.

We also aim to align and overlap the interests of each of these capitals in such a manner that an investment in any one translates into value-added increases in as many of the others as possible. We therefore seek to achieve an enduring and harmonious alignment between them, and we pursue these criteria in the feasibility analysis of each investment. The board intends to explore the opportunities made possible by technology, which means further investment in R&D, to improve gold recoveries even further over the long term.

During the fiscal years presented in this Annual Report, all of our operations took place in one geographic region, namely South Africa.

The profit in fiscal 2016 was largely due to a 21% increase in the average rand gold price received which rose to R546,142 per kilogram despite a 4% decrease in gold produced. It also includes a reversal of an accrual of R22.7 million and a profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment of R10.5 million.

The profit in fiscal 2015 was largely due to a 4% increase in the average rand gold price received which rose to R451,297 per kilogram and an 13% increase in gold produced. It also includes a fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investments reclassified to profit or loss of R19.9 million and a profit on disposal of equity accounted investment of R5.9 million.

The loss in fiscal 2014 was largely due to a 6% drop in the average rand gold price received which declined to R432,775 per kilogram and a decline of 9 % in gold produced from continuing operations. It also includes an impairment of R56.6 million relating to R12.4 million against property, plant and equipment and R46.9 million against available-for-sale financial assets which was offset by a reversal of an impairment of R2.7 million on equity accounted investments.

Key drivers of our operating results and principal factors affecting our operating results

The principal uncertainties and variables facing our business and, therefore, the key drivers of our operating results are:

- The price of gold, which fluctuates both in terms of dollars and rands;
- Our production tonnages and gold content thereof, impacting on the amount of gold we produce at our operations;
- Our cost of producing gold, including the effects of mining efficiencies; and
- General economic factors, such as exchange rate fluctuations and inflation, and factors affecting mining operations in South Africa.

Gold price

Our revenues are derived primarily from the sale of gold produced at our surface tailings retreatment operations. As a result, our operating results are directly related to the price of gold, which can fluctuate widely and is affected by numerous factors beyond our control, including industrial and jewelry demand, expectations with respect to the rate of inflation, the strength of the U.S. dollar (the currency in which the price of gold is generally quoted) and of other currencies, interest rates, actual or expected gold sales by central banks, forward sales by producers, global or regional political or economic events, and production and cost levels in major gold-producing regions such as South Africa. In addition, the price of gold is often subject to rapid short-term changes because of speculative activities. The demand for and supply of gold affects gold prices, but not necessarily in the same manner that supply and demand affect the prices of other commodities. The supply of gold consists of a combination of new production from mining and existing stocks of bullion and fabricated gold held by governments, public and private financial institutions, industrial organizations and private individuals. As a general rule we sell the gold produced at market prices to obtain the maximum benefit from prevailing gold prices and we do not hedge against changes in gold prices.

The following table indicates data relating to the dollar gold spot price for the 2016, 2015 and 2014 fiscal years:

	2016 fiscal year	2015 fiscal year	% change
Opening gold spot price on July 1,	\$1,172 per ounce	\$1,315 per ounce	(11%)
Closing gold spot price on June 30,	\$1,322 per ounce	\$1,172 per ounce	13%
Lowest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,051 per ounce	\$1,141 per ounce	(8%)
Highest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,324 per ounce	\$1,338 per ounce	(1%)
Average gold spot price for the fiscal year	\$1,167 per ounce	\$1,224 per ounce	(5%)
	2015 fiscal year	2014 fiscal year	% change
Opening gold spot price on July 1,	\$1,315 per ounce	\$1,192 per ounce	10%
Closing gold spot price on June 30,	\$1,172 per ounce	\$1,315 per ounce	(11%)
Lowest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,141 per ounce	\$1,192 per ounce	(4%)
Highest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,338 per ounce	\$1,426 per ounce	(6%)
Average gold spot price for the fiscal year	\$1,224 per ounce	\$1,296 per ounce	(6%)
	2014 fiscal year	2013 fiscal year	% change
Opening gold spot price on July 1,	\$1,192 per ounce	\$1,599 per ounce	(25%)
Closing gold spot price on June 30,	\$1,315 per ounce	\$1,192 per ounce	10%
Lowest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,192 per ounce	\$1,192 per ounce	-
Highest gold spot price during the fiscal year	\$1,426 per ounce	\$1,792 per ounce	(20%)
Average gold spot price for the fiscal year	\$1,296 per ounce	\$1,606 per ounce	(19%)

Our production has been sourced from South Africa, and as a result, the impact of movements in relevant exchange rates is significant to our operating results. The average gold price in rand (based on average spot prices for the year) increased from R13,614 per ounce in 2014 to R13,989 per ounce in 2015, a 3% increase from fiscal 2014 and increased to R16,939 per ounce in 2016, a 21% increase from fiscal 2015.

An increase/ (decrease) of 10% in the rand gold price throughout fiscal 2016 would have increased/(decreased) revenue by approximately R243.3 million (2015: R210.5 million).

Gold production

In fiscal 2016, gold produced decreased to 143,457 ounces (produced from 24.8 million tonnes milled at an average yield of 0.180g/t) from 150,145 ounces in fiscal 2015 (produced from 23.8 million tonnes milled at an average yield of 0.197g/t). The decrease in total gold produced is mainly due the lower average yield achieved which was a consequence of various factors:

- depletion of higher grade JCC dump sand material and of Cason dump material;
- lower grade slimes material from clean-up operations and from the 4A6 and 5A9 dumps; and
- the decrease in grade of material from the Elsburg reclamation site.

In fiscal 2015, total production increased to 150,145 ounces (produced from 23.8 million tonnes milled at an average yield of 0.197g/t) from 132,909 ounces in fiscal 2014 (produced from 23.9 million tonnes milled at an average yield of 0.173g/t). The increase was due to a sharp turnaround in the performance of the Ergo plant.

Operating costs

Operating costs consist mainly of cash operating costs but also includes ongoing rehabilitation costs, care and maintenance costs and other operating costs. Cash operating costs is a non-IFRS financial measure of performance that is reported to the group's chief operating decision maker (CODM) and is used to monitor performance. For a reconciliation of this measure to the nearest IFRS measure see Item 5A.: "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram." and Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 2 – Operating Segments".

Cash operating costs which include consumables, labor, specialized service providers, electricity and other related costs incurred in the production of gold. Consumables and other costs, water and electricity, labor, and specialized service providers are the largest components of cash operating costs, constituting 47%, 21%, 18% and 14%, respectively, of cash operating costs for fiscal 2016, compared to 46%, 20%, 19% and 15%, respectively, of cash operating costs for fiscal 2015.

General economic factors

All our operations are located in South Africa. We are exposed to a number of factors, which could affect our profitability, such as exchange rate fluctuations, inflation and other risks relating to South Africa. In conducting mining operations, we recognize the inherent risks and uncertainties of the industry, and the wasting nature of the assets.

Effect of exchange rate fluctuations

For the years ended June 30, 2016, June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, all of our revenues were generated from South Africa, all of our operating costs were denominated in rand and we derived all of our revenues in dollars. As the price of gold is denominated in dollars and we realize our revenues in dollars, the appreciation of the dollar against the rand increases our profitability, whereas the depreciation of the dollar against the rand reduces our profitability.

In 2016 and 2015 the weakening in the average Dollar gold price was outweighed by the weakening of the rand against the dollar while in fiscal 2014 a weakening in the Dollar gold price outweighed the weakening of the rand against the dollar. This resulted in an increase in the Rand gold price received of 21% in fiscal 2016, 3% in fiscal 2015 compared to a 6% decrease in fiscal 2014.

As an unhedged gold producer, we do not enter into forward gold sales contracts to reduce our exposure to market fluctuations in the dollar gold price or the exchange rate movements. If revenue from gold sales falls for a substantial period below our cost of production at our operations, we could determine that it is not economically feasible to continue commercial production at any or all of our plants or to continue the development of some or all of our projects.

Effect of inflation and exchange rates

In the past, our operations have been materially adversely affected by inflation. If there is a significant increase in inflation in South Africa without a concurrent devaluation of the rand or an increase in the price of gold, our costs will increase and if such a cost increase is not offset by an increase in the price of gold, this will negatively affect our operating results.

The movements in the rand/dollar exchange rate, based upon average rates during the periods presented, and the local annual inflation rate for the periods presented, as measured by the South African Consumer Price Index, or CPI, are set out in the table below:

	I	Fiscal year e	ended
	2016	2015	2014
Year ended June 30,	(%)	(%)	(%)
The average rand/dollar exchange rate weakened by	21	11	17
CPI (inflation rate)	6.3	5.2	6.6

We are a South African company and all our revenue producing operations are based in South Africa. As a result, we are subject to various economic, fiscal, monetary and political factors that affect South African companies generally, including exchange control regulations. Governmental officials have from time to time stated their intentions to lift South Africa's exchange control regulations when economic conditions permit such action. Over the last few years, certain aspects of exchange controls for companies and individuals have been incrementally relaxed. It is, however, impossible to predict when, if ever, the South African Government will remove exchange controls in their entirety. South African companies remain subject to restrictions on their ability to export and deploy capital outside of the Southern African Common Monetary Area, unless dispensation has been granted by the South African Reserve Bank. For a detailed discussion of exchange controls, see Item 10D. Exchange controls.

Recent developments

In order to extend the life of our operation, it is necessary to increase residue tailings deposition capacity at our Brakpan/Withok TDF. A legal review of the existing authorizations was undertaken for increasing the deposition capacity of the Brakpan/Withok TDF. The results indicated that most of the current authorizations are sufficient, however certain documentation will need to be amended. This could increase the potential deposition capacity by approximately 800Mt, and thus, our life of mine from 10 years to more than 20 years.

Key financial and operating indicators

The table below presents the key performance measurement data for the past three fiscal years: The financial results for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 below are stated in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. The table also includes the key performance measures for our business and its profitability, which are revenue, gold production, gold prices, operating costs, cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram, capital expenditure (additions to PP&E) and Ore Reserves.

Operating data

	Year ended June 30,		
	2016	2015	2014
Revenue (R'000)	2,433,064	2,105,298	1,809,434
Gold production (ounces)	143,457	150,145	132,909
Gold production (kilograms)	4,462	4,670	4,134
Gold sold (ounces)	143,232	149,984	134,420
Gold sold (kilograms)	4,455	4,665	4,181
Average spot gold price (R/kilogram)	544,608	450,813	437,696
Average gold price received (R/kilogram)	546,143	451,297	432,775
Operating costs (R'000)	2,030,292	1,786,880	1,598,300
Cash operating costs (R'000) ⁽¹⁾	1,991,180	1,741,592	1,540,622
Cash operating costs (R/kilogram) (1)	446,15	372,932	372,671
All-in sustaining costs (R/kilogram) (1)	499,425	411,548	401,691
All-in costs (R/kilogram) (1)	512,353	422,095	436,503
Additions to property, plant and equipment (R'000)	100,014	113,335	158,593
Ore Reserves (ounces)	1,840,000	1,863,000	1,524,000

⁽¹⁾ Cash operating costs, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs are non-IFRS financial measures of performance that we use to monitor performance. A reconciliation of these measures to cash operating costs, are included in Item 5A.: "Operating Results - Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram."

Revenue

Revenue increased to R2,433 million in fiscal 2016 from R2,105 million in fiscal 2015 mainly due to a 21% increase in the average rand gold price received of R546,142 per kilogram despite a 4% decrease in gold produced.

Revenue increased to R2,105 million in fiscal 2015 from R1,809 million in fiscal 2014 mainly due to a 4% increase in the average rand gold price received of R451,297 per kilogram and an 13% increase in gold produced.

Cash operating costs, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs per kilogram

Cash operating costs include all costs associated with mining and processing, but exclude depreciation, rehabilitation costs, retrenchment costs and corporate administration costs. Cash operating costs per kilogram are calculated by dividing cash operating costs by kilograms of gold produced. Cash operating costs per kilogram have been calculated on a consistent basis for all periods presented.

All-in sustaining costs per kilogram is a measure on which guidance was provided by the World Gold Council and include cash operating costs of production plus, on-site general and administrative costs, sustaining capital, sustaining exploration, the accretion of rehabilitation costs, but excludes depreciation, retrenchment costs, finance costs and environmental rehabilitation costs. All-in sustaining costs per kilogram are calculated by dividing all-in sustaining costs by kilograms of gold produced. All-in sustaining costs per kilogram have been calculated on a consistent basis for all periods presented.

All-in costs per kilogram is a measure on which guidance were provided by the World Gold Council and include total operating costs, plus all-in sustaining costs, non-sustaining capital costs relating to projects, retrenchment costs, capital recoupment relating to non-sustaining capital, ongoing rehabilitation expenditure, and non-operating costs, but exclude tax, non-controlling interest, finance costs, profit or loss from equity accounted investments and the cumulative effect of accounting adjustments. All-in costs per kilogram are calculated by dividing all-in costs by kilograms of gold produced. All-in costs per kilogram have been calculated on a consistent basis for all periods presented.

Cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram are non-IFRS financial measures that should not be considered by investors in isolation or as alternatives to operating costs, net profit/(loss) attributable to equity owners of the parent, profit/(loss) before tax and other items or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with IFRS or as an indicator of our performance. While the World Gold Council provided guidance for the calculation of cash operating costs, the calculation of cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs per kilogram may vary significantly among gold mining companies, and these definitions by themselves do not necessarily provide a basis for comparison with other gold mining companies. However, we believe that cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram are useful indicators to investors and our management of an individual mine's performance and of the performance of our operations as a whole as they provide:

- an indication of a mine's profitability and efficiency;
- the trends in costs;
- a measure of a mine's margin per kilogram, by comparison of the cash operating costs per kilogram by mine to the price of gold; and
- a benchmark of performance to allow for comparison against other mines and mining companies.

For fiscal 2016, cash operating costs increased by 20% to R446,153 per kilogram of gold compared to R372,932 per kilogram of gold in fiscal 2015. For the same period all-in sustaining costs per kilogram increased to R499,425 per kilogram of gold from R411,548 per kilogram of gold and all-in costs per kilogram increased to R512,353 per kilogram from R422,095 per kilogram. The increase in all these measures of costs per kilogram of gold is mainly due to lower gold production, the increase in throughput, general inflationary increases, relatively high costs associated with the Crown clean-up and increased trucking of sand material from the Kleinfontein dump in Benoni to the City Deep plant.

For fiscal 2015, cash operating costs remained stable at R372,932 per kilogram of gold compared to R372,671 per kilogram of gold in fiscal 2014. For the same period all-in sustaining costs per kilogram increased to R411,548 per kilogram of gold from R401,691 per kilogram of gold and all-in costs per kilogram decreased to R422,095 per kilogram from R436,503 per kilogram. The stable cash operating costs per kilogram was due to increased gold production that helped to offset the cost of running all three streams of the float circuit and of general inflation increase averaging 7.4% year-on-year. All-in sustaining costs per kilogram were higher, a consequence of a 65% increase in sustaining capital expenditure to R113.3 million, and a reduction in the decrease in provision for environmental provision from R86.6 million to R20.4 million, both offset by higher gold production. The total all-in costs per kilogram decreased mainly due to the decrease in non-sustaining capital expenditure relating to the completion of the flotation and fine-grind project.

Reconciliation of cash operating costs per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram, all-in costs per kilogram

A reconciliation of operating costs to cash operating costs, all-in sustaining costs and all-in costs, as per our operating segment, for each of the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 is presented below. We have also provided below details of the amount of gold produced by each mine for each of those periods.

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For the year ended June 30, 2016 (in R'000, except as otherwise noted)	F	ERPM ⁽¹⁾	Other ⁽¹⁾	Total
	Ergo 2,042,301	(12,095)	86	7otal 2,030,292
Operating costs/(income)		(12,093)	80	
Care and maintenance costs	(27,833)	(10,564)	-	(27,833) (10,564)
Other operating (costs)/income	(23,288)	. , ,	(86)	(10,564)
<u> </u>	1,991,180	22,659	(80)	(715) 1,991,180
Cash operating costs ⁽²⁾	1,991,100	-	_	1,991,100
	7.075			
Movement in gold in process	7,075	(22.010)	-	7,075
Administration expenses, general costs and other	34,058	(23,910)	77,773	87,921
Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	21,371	(2,112)	-	19,259
Unwinding of rehabilitation provision	41,491	1,525	- 02	43,016
Sustaining capital	80,392	(24.407)	92	80,484
All-in sustaining costs	2,175,567	(24,497)	77,865	2,228,935
Plus:		10.564		10.564
Care and maintenance costs	27.022	10,564	-	10,564
Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	27,833	(225)	(5)	27,833
Capital recoupment	19,531	(225)	(5)	(230)
Non-sustaining capital	2,222,931	(14,158)	62.700	19,531
All-in costs	2,222,931	(14,138)	63,700	2,286,633
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Gold produced (ounces)	143,457	-	-	143,457
Gold produced (kilograms)	4,462	-	-	4,462
Cash operating costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	446,153	-	-	446,153
All-in sustaining costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	487,467	-	-	499,425
All-in costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	498,080	-	-	512,353
For the year ended June 30, 2015				
(in R'000, except as otherwise noted)	Ergo	ERPM ⁽¹⁾	Other(1)	Total
Operating costs	1,772,027	14,767	86	1,786,880
Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	(30,630)	(1,098)	-	(31,728)
Care and maintenance costs	-	(13,669)	(86)	(13,755)
Other operating income	115	-	-	115
Cash operating costs ⁽²⁾	1,741,512	_	-	1,741,512
Plus:	, ,			, ,-
Movement in gold in process	(20,557)	_	_	(20,557)
Administration expenses, general costs and other	32,668	220	35,973	68,861
Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	(15,840)	(4,603)	-	(20,443)
Unwinding of rehabilitation provision	37,306	1,685	-	38,991
Sustaining capital	113,322	_	-	113,322
All-in sustaining costs	1,888,411	(2,698)	35,973	1,921,686
Retrenchment costs	2,794	_	4,356	7,150
Care and maintenance costs	2,771	13,669	86	13,755
Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	30,630	1,098	-	31,728
Capital recoupment	(3,391)	-,	_	(3,391)
Non-sustaining capital	13	-	_	13
All-in costs	1,918,457	12,069	40,415	1,970,941
		,009	.0,.10	-,-,-,-,-
Gold produced (ounces)	150,145	-	_	150,145
Gold produced (kilograms)	4,670	-	_	4,670
Cash operating costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	372,932	-	_	372,932
All-in sustaining costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	404,371	-	_	411,548
All-in costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	410,804	-	-	422,095
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⁽¹⁾ Relates to non-core entities within the Group and is included under 'Corporate office and other reconciling items' in our segmental reporting.
(2) Cash operating costs equate to cash operating costs of production.

For the year ended June 30, 2014				
(in R'000, except as otherwise noted)	Ergo	ERPM(1)	Other(1)	Total
Operating costs	1,582,936	15,364	-	1,598,300
Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	(29,973)	-	-	(29,973)
Care and maintenance costs	-	(15,364)	-	(15,364)
Other operating expenses	(12,341)	-	-	(12,341)
Cash operating costs ⁽²⁾	1,540,622	-	-	1,540,622
Plus:				
Movement in gold in process	8,828	-	-	8,828
Administration expenses, general costs and other	62,330	1,567	27,549	91,446
Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	(82,281)	(4,324)	-	(86,605)
Unwinding of rehabilitation provision	36,300	1,719	-	38,019
Sustaining capital	68,279	-	-	68,279
All-in sustaining costs	1,634,078	(1,038)	27,549	1,660,589
Plus:				
Retrenchment costs	1,074	1,086	4,588	6,748
Care and maintenance costs	-	15,364	-	15,364
Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	29,973	-	-	29,973
Capital recoupment	(1,276)	-	-	(1,276)
Non-sustaining capital	93,106	-	-	93,106
All-in costs	1,756,955	15,412	32,137	1,804,504
Gold produced (ounces)	132,909	-	-	132,909
Gold produced (kilograms)	4,134	-	-	4,134
Cash operating costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	372,671	-	-	372,671
All-in sustaining costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	395,278	-	-	401,691
All-in costs per kilogram (R per kilogram)	425,001	-	-	436,503

⁽¹⁾ Relates to non-core entities within the Group and is included under 'Corporate office and other reconciling items' in our segmental reporting.
(2) Cash operating costs equate to cash operating costs of production.

Capital expenditure

During fiscal 2016, capital expenditure was R99.8 million, compared to R90.9 million in fiscal 2015, an increase of 10%. Capital expenditure increased primarily as a result of R40.2 million spent on bringing the 4L2 site on line and R13 million on phase II of the refurbishment of the No 3 tailings thickener. R46.6 million was spent on various other items.

During fiscal 2015, capital expenditure was R90.9 million, compared to R158.6 million in fiscal 2014, a decrease of 43%. Capital expenditure decreased primarily as a result of the completion of the new flotation and fine-grind project. In fiscal 2015, Ergo spent R16.1 million on the refurbishment of the remaining five carbon-in-leach tanks at Ergo and R7.3 million on bringing the Van Dyk site on line, both for increased flexibility and volume capacity, R21.7 million on the Rondebult sewerage water project, R7.4 million on expansion and rehabilitation of the Brakpan/Withok TDF, R6.1 million on the refurbishment of a thickener, R5.7 million on the conversion of the high-grade CIP circuit to CIL to optimise the high-grade circuit, and R26.6 million on other items.

For a summary of capital expenditure, see Item 4D. Property, Plant and Equipment.

Ore Reserves

As at June 30, 2016, our Ore Reserves were estimated at 1.8 million ounces, as compared to 1.9 million ounces at June 30, 2015, representing a 1% decrease. The decrease was mainly due to depletion.

In fiscal 2015, our Ore Reserves (imperial) increased by 22% from 1.5 million ounces at June 30, 2014, to 1.9 million ounces at June 30, 2015, mainly as a result of the acquisition of the non-controlling interest in EMO and, to a lesser extent, the decrease in the cut-off grade due to the increase in the Rand gold price.

			Year ende	<u>d June 30,</u>		
	<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>		<u>2014</u>	
	Ounces	<u>Kilograms</u>	Ounces	<u>Kilograms</u>	Ounces	Kilograms
	<u> '000</u>		<u> '000</u>		<u> </u>	
Ergo	1,840	57,235	1,863	57,952	1,524	47,389
Total Ore Reserves	1,840	57,235	1,863	57,952	1,524	47,389

Critical accounting policies that require significant judgment

Some of our significant accounting policies require the application of significant judgment by management in selecting the appropriate assumptions for calculating financial estimates. By their nature, these judgments are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty and are based on our historical experience, terms of existing contracts, management's view on trends in the gold mining industry and information from outside sources.

Management believes the following critical accounting policies involve the more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements and could potentially impact our financial results and future financial performance:

- Depreciation of property, plant and equipment
- Impairment of property, plant and equipment
- Deferred income and mining taxes
- Future environmental rehabilitation costs
- Financial instruments

Management has discussed the development and selection of each of these critical accounting policies with the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee, both of which have approved and reviewed the disclosure of these policies. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 18 "Financial statements".

Property, plant and equipment

Actual expenditures incurred for mineral property interests, mine development costs, mine plant facilities and equipment are capitalized. Depreciation of mining property and development (including mineral rights) and mine plant facilities is calculated using the units of production method which is based on the life of mine. The group's life of mine is primarily based on proved and probable ore reserves and may include some resources. It reflects the estimated quantities of economically recoverable gold that can be recovered from reclamation sites based on the gold price prevailing at the end of the financial year. Changes in the life of mine will impact depreciation on a prospective basis. The life of mine is prepared using a methodology that takes account of current information to assess the economically recoverable gold from specific reclamation sites and includes the consideration of historical experience. Other assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the expected life of these assets.

Impairment of property, plant and equipment

The carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets are grouped together into the smallest group of assets which generates cash inflows from continuing use that is largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets, or the cash-generating unit. An impairment loss is recognized directly against the carrying amount of the asset whenever the carrying amount of an asset, or its cash generating unit, exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in profit or loss.

The recoverable amount of property, plant and equipment is generally determined utilizing discounted future cash flows. We also consider such factors as our market capitalization, the quality of the individual ore body and country risk in determining the recoverable amount.

Deferred income and mining taxes

Deferred tax is recognized in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for tax purposes. Deferred tax is not recognized for the following temporary differences: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and equity accounted investments to the extent that it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future. In addition, deferred tax is not recognized for taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences, based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, and based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

The amount recognized as a deferred tax asset is generally determined utilizing discounted future cash flows. We consider all factors that could possibly affect the probability that future taxable profit will be available against which unused tax credits can be utilized. These factors included profitability of the operations and an estimate of the gold price.

Future environmental rehabilitation costs

Provisions for environmental rehabilitation are provided at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the obligation, using estimated cash flows based on current prices. The unwinding of the obligation is included in profit or loss. Estimated future costs of environmental rehabilitation are reviewed regularly and adjusted as appropriate for new circumstances or changes in law or technology. Changes in estimates are capitalized or reversed against the related asset but taken to profit or loss if there is no related asset left. Gains or losses from the expected disposal of assets are not taken into account when determining the provision.

Estimated provisions for environmental rehabilitation, comprising pollution control rehabilitation and mine closure, are based on our environmental management plans in compliance with current technological, environmental and regulatory requirements.

The decommissioning provision for environmental rehabilitation represents the cost that will arise from rectifying damage caused before production commenced. Accordingly, an asset is recognized and included within in the category of property, plant and equipment to which it relates.

The restoration provision for environmental rehabilitation represents the costs of restoring site damage after the start of production. Increases in the provision are recognized in profit or loss as a cost of production. Gross restoration liabilities are estimated at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the obligation.

In South Africa, annual contributions are made to dedicated Rehabilitation Trust Funds and investments in funds held in insurance instruments, which are to be used to fund the estimated cost of rehabilitation during and at the end of the life of the relevant mine.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments recognized on the statement of financial position include investments, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, long- and short-term interest-bearing borrowings, trade and other payables, and bank overdrafts. Financial instruments are initially recognized at fair value and include any directly attributable transaction costs, except those financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss.

If the value of the financial instrument cannot be obtained from an active market, we have established fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis and option pricing models, refined to reflect the issuer's specific circumstances.

The valuations of unlisted investments are based on the underlying net asset values of these investments. The valuations have been compared to information available in the market regarding other market participants' view on the value of the underlying investment.

Operating results

Comparison of financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016 with fiscal year ended June 30, 2015

Revenue

The following table illustrates the year-on-year change in revenue for fiscal 2016 in comparison with fiscal 2015:

	Total	Decrease in			Total
	revenue	gold produced	Impact of		revenue
R'000	2015	and sold	change in price	Net change	2016
Ergo	2,105,298	(94,764)	422,530	327,766	2,433,064
Total Operations	2,105,298	(94,764)	422,530	327,766	2,433,064

Revenue for fiscal 2016 increased by R327.8 million, or 16%, to R2,433.1 million. The increase in revenue is mainly due to a 21% increase in the average rand gold price received amounting to R546,142 per kilogram despite gold sold decreasing by 5% as a result of the 4% decrease in gold produced.

Operating costs

Operating costs consist mainly of cash operating costs but also includes ongoing rehabilitation costs, care and maintenance costs and other operating (costs)/income. For fiscal 2016, ongoing rehabilitation expenditure and care and maintenance costs remained stable at R27,3 million and R10,6 million respectively, compared to R30,6 and R13,7 million respectively in fiscal 2015. Other operating (costs)/income for fiscal 2016 includes a charge of R20,4 million in the Ergo operating segment related to share based payments compared to a charge of R1,3 million in fiscal 2015 and a reversal of a provision of R22,6 million in ERPM relating to surface right permits compared to nil in fiscal 2015 refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 4 – Results from operating activities" of the consolidated financial statements for a discussion of these items in fiscal 2016. The reversal of the accrual is also discussed in Item 4D "Information on the company: Property, plant and equipment".

Cash operating costs is a non-IFRS financial measure of performance that is reported to the group's chief operating decision maker (CODM) and is used to monitor performance. For a reconciliation of this measure to operating costs see Item 5A.: "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram." and Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 2 – Operating Segments". The following table illustrates the year-on-year change in cash operating costs for fiscal 2016 in comparison with fiscal 2015:

	Cash operating				Cash operating
	costs	Increase in	Impact of change	Net	costs
R'000	2015	throughput	in costs	change	2016
Ergo	1,741,512	80,073	169,595	249,668	1,991,180
Total	1,741,512	80,073	169,595	249,668	1,991,180

Cash operating costs are linked directly to the level of throughput during a specific fiscal year. Cash operating costs in fiscal 2016 increased by 14% to R1,991.2 million compared to cash operating costs of R1,741.5 million in fiscal 2015 due to the 5% increase in throughput, as well as general inflationary increases, relatively high costs associated with the Crown clean-up and increased trucking of sand material to the City Deep plant.

The following table lists the major components of cash operating costs for each of the fiscal years set forth below:

	Years e	•	
Costs	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Comment to and other costs	470/	4.60/	400/
Consumables and other costs	47%	46%	48%
Electricity and water	21%	20%	20%
Labor	18%	19%	18%
Specialized service providers	14%	15%	14%

Movements in gold in process

Movement in gold in process in fiscal 2016 amounted to a charge of R7.1 million mainly due to a decrease in the volume of gold in the plant as at June 30, 2016 compared to June 30, 2015 and a benefit of R20.6 million in fiscal 2015 due to an increase in the volume of gold in the plant as at June 30, 2015 compared to June 30, 2014.

Movements in provision for environmental rehabilitation

As of June 30, 2016, we estimate our total rehabilitation provision, being the discounted estimate of future costs, to be R538.5 million as compared to R510.9 million at June 30, 2015. Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 16 – Provision for environmental rehabilitation and Note 14 Assets and Liabilities classified as held for sale" of the consolidated financial statements for a discussion of increase in the provision for environmental rehabilitation in fiscal 2016.

A total of R103 million was invested in our various environmental trust funds as at the end of fiscal 2016, as compared to R96.5 million for fiscal 2015. The increase is attributable to R6.5 million interest received on these funds during fiscal 2016. A total of R108.3 million (2015: R100.3 million) is invested in funds held in insurance instruments to provide financial guarantees provided to the DMR through an insurance cell captive company, the Guardrisk Cell Captive. The increase is attributable to R8 million interest received on these funds during fiscal 2016. As at June 30, 2016 guarantees amounting to R427.2 million were issued to the DMR (2015: R404.0 million). The shortfall between the invested funds and the estimated provisions is expected to be financed by ongoing contributions to the Guardrisk Cell Captive, over the remaining production life of the mining operations and, at the time of mine closure, the proceeds on the disposal of remaining assets and gold from plant clean-up.

Depreciation

Depreciation charges were R180.2 million for fiscal 2016 compared to R193.3 million for fiscal 2015. The increase in the expected units-of-production in Ergo's life of mine that became effective on July 1, 2015 resulted in a net decrease in the depreciation charge recognised.

Retrenchment costs

No retrenchment costs were incurred in fiscal 2016 compared with R7.2 million in fiscal 2015.

Impairments

No impairments were recognised in fiscal 2016 compared with R7.9 million in fiscal 2015.

Administration expenses and general costs

The administration expenses and general costs increased in fiscal 2016 to R76.7 million from R56.2 million in fiscal 2015, an increase of R20.5 million. In fiscal 2016 administration expenses and general costs included incentives of R11.3 million (2015: R7.3 million), a gain on disposal of property amounting to R10.5 million (2015: R13.2 million) as well as legal costs amounting to R6.1 million (2015: R2 million).

Finance income

Finance income decreased from R51.5 million in fiscal 2015 to R36.8 million in fiscal 2016. The decrease was mainly due to a fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investments reclassified to profit or loss of R19.9 million and a profit on disposal of equity accounted investment of R5.9 million that was recognized in fiscal 2015. Interest on loans and receivables and the growth on the reimbursive right increased from R25.7 million in fiscal 2015 to R36.8 million in fiscal 2016 due to an increase in the cash generated from operating activities during fiscal 2016 refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 10 – Non-current investments and other assets".

Finance expenses

Finance expenses decreased from R49.6 million in fiscal 2015 to R47.6 million in fiscal 2016. The decrease was mainly attributable to the interest paid on the Domestic Medium Term Note Program (see Item 5B. Liquidity and Capital Resources – Borrowings and Funding") which decreased with the decrease in borrowings from R23.1 million as at June 30, 2015 to nil as at June 30, 2016.

Income tax

The tax expense of R46.9 million for fiscal 2016 (R28.6 million for fiscal 2015) consisted of current tax of R5.7 million, mostly relating to non-mining income earned by the Group, and a deferred tax charge of R41.3 million, mostly relating to mining income. Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 8 – Income tax" of the consolidated financial statements for a discussion of increase in the deferred tax in fiscal 2016.

Comparison of financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 with fiscal year ended June 30, 2014

Revenue

The following table illustrates the year-on-year change in revenue for fiscal 2015 in comparison to fiscal 2014:

	Total	Increase in			Total
	revenue	gold produced	Impact of		revenue
R'000	2014	and sold	change in price	Net change	2015
Ergo	1,809,434	209,463	86,401	295,864	2,105,298
Total Operations	1,809,434	209,463	86,401	295,864	2,105,298

Revenue for fiscal 2015 increased by R295.9 million, or 16%, to R2,105.3 million. The increase in revenue is mainly due to a 4% increase in the average rand gold price received amounting to R451,297 per kilogram and a 12% increase in gold sold.

Operating costs

Operating costs consist mainly of cash operating costs but also includes ongoing rehabilitation costs, care and maintenance costs and other operating (costs)/income. For fiscal 2015, ongoing rehabilitation expenditure and care and maintenance costs remained stable at R30,6 million and R13,7 million respectively, compared to R30,0 and R15,4 million respectively in fiscal 2014. Other operating (costs)/income for fiscal 2015 includes a charge of R1,3 million in the Ergo operating segment related to share based payments compared to a charge of R1,8 million in fiscal 2014.

Cash operating costs is a non-IFRS financial measure of performance that is reported to the group's chief operating decision maker (CODM) and is used to monitor performance. For a reconciliation of this measure see Item 5A.: "Reconciliation of cash cost per kilogram, all-in sustaining costs per kilogram and all-in costs per kilogram." and Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 2 – Operating Segments". The following table illustrates the year-on-year change in cash operating costs for fiscal 2015 in comparison with fiscal 2014.

	Cash operating				Cash operating
	costs	Decrease in	Impact of		costs
R'000	2014	throughput	change in costs	Net change	2015
	1,540,622	(10,182)	211,072	200,890	1,741,512
Total	1,540,622	(10,182)	211,072	200,890	1,741,512

Cash operating costs are linked directly to the level of throughput of a specific fiscal year. Cash operating costs in fiscal 2015 increased by 13% to R1,741.5 million compared to cash operating costs of R1,540.6 million in fiscal 2014 due to the cost of running all three streams of the float circuit and of general inflationary increases averaging 7.4% year-on-year.

The following table lists the major components of cash operating costs for each of the fiscal years set forth below:

	Years o	<u>1</u>	
Costs	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Consumables and other costs	46%	50%	46%
Electricity and water	20%	18%	18%
Labor	18%	17%	17%
Specialized service providers	16%	15%	19%

Movements in gold in process

Movement in gold in process in fiscal 2015 amounted to a benefit of R20.6 million mainly due to an increase in the volume of gold in the plant as at June 30, 2015 compared to June 30, 2014 and an expense of R8.9 million in fiscal 2014 due to a decrease in the volume of gold in the plant as at June 30, 2014 compared to June 30, 2013.

Movements in provision for environmental rehabilitation

As of June 30, 2015, we estimate our total rehabilitation provision, being the discounted estimate of future costs, to be R510.9 million as compared to R471.7 million at June 30, 2014. Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 16 – Provision for environmental rehabilitation and Note 14 – Assets and Liabilities classified as held for sale" of the consolidated financial statements for a discussion of increase in the provision for environmental rehabilitation in fiscal 2015.

A total of R96.5 million was invested in our various environmental trust funds as at the end of fiscal 2015, as compared to R90.9 million for fiscal 2014. The increase is attributable to R5.6 million interest received on these funds during fiscal 2015. A total of R100.3 million (2014: R93.7 million) is invested in funds held in insurance instruments to provide financial guarantees provided to the DMR through an insurance cell captive company, the Guardrisk Cell Captive. As at June 30, 2015 guarantees amounting to R404.0 million were issued to the DMR (2014: R305.7 million). The shortfall between the invested funds and the estimated provisions is expected to be financed by ongoing contributions to the Guardrisk Cell Captive, over the remaining production life of the respective mining operations and, at the time of mine closure, the proceeds on the disposal of remaining assets and gold from plant clean-up.

Depreciation

Depreciation charges were R193.3 million for fiscal 2015 compared to 160.0 million for fiscal 2014. The increase was mainly attributable to the completion of the FFG project during late fiscal 2014, therefore being depreciated for a longer period during fiscal 2015.

Retrenchment costs

Retrenchment costs increased to R7.2 million in fiscal 2015 from R6.8 million in fiscal 2014. These costs were incurred due to the restructure of the executive and senior management with a view to right-sizing the corporate footprint and reducing costs.

Impairments

In fiscal 2015, an impairment amounting to R7.9 million (2014: R56.6 million) was recognized. The impairment consisted of R3.1 million against property, plant and equipment at a specific asset level, R3.6 million against our investments in VMR and West Wits Mining and R1.2 million against cash and cash equivalents.

Administration expenses and general costs

The administration expenses and general costs decreased in fiscal 2015 to R56.2 million from R78.1 million in fiscal 2014, a decrease of R21.9 million. In fiscal 2015 administration expenses and general costs included a gain on disposal of property amounting to R13.2 million (2014: R0.9 million). These costs further decreased due to the implementation of various cost cutting initiatives at the corporate office.

Finance income

Finance income increased from R28.0 million in fiscal 2014 to R51.5 million in fiscal 2015. The increase was mainly due to a fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investments reclassified to profit or loss of R19.9 million and a profit on disposal of equity accounted investment of R5.9 million.

Finance expenses

Finance expenses decreased from R52.3 million in fiscal 2014 to R49.6 million in fiscal 2015. The decrease was mainly attributable to the interest paid on the Domestic Medium Term Note Program (see Item 5B. Liquidity and Capital Resources – Borrowings and Funding") which decreased with the decrease in borrowings from R148.7 million as at June 30, 2014 to R23.1 million as at June 30, 2015.

Income tax

The tax expense of R28.6 million for fiscal 2015 (R17.6 million for fiscal 2014) consisted of current tax relating to fiscal 2015 of R1.1 million, mostly relating to non-mining income earned by the Group and a deferred tax charge for fiscal 2015 of R28.9 million, mostly relating to mining income. The tax expense for fiscal 2015 also included an overprovision for current tax amounting to R4.4 million and an under provision of deferred tax amounting to R3.1 million relating to the impact of new tax legislation governing the tax treatment of interest on loan accounts between group entities.

The tax expense of R17.6 million for fiscal 2014 consisted of current tax of R6.4 million, mostly relating to non-mining income earned by the Group, and a deferred tax charge of R11.1 million, mostly relating to mining income despite the loss before tax due to significant non-deductible expenditure in the form of impairments recognised as well as losses incurred for which no deferred tax can be recognised.

5B. LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash flows from operating activities

Net cash of R415.9 million was generated by operating activities for fiscal 2016 (fiscal 2015: R283.6 million and fiscal 2014: R80.7 million). Net working capital movements resulted in an inflow of cash of R82 million during fiscal 2016 and R42.4 million in fiscal 2015, compared to an outflow of R39.4 million in fiscal 2014.

Cash generated from operating activities increased during fiscal 2016 due mostly to a 21% increase in the average rand gold price received amounting to R546,142 per kilogram despite a 5% decrease in gold sold.

Cash generated from operating activities increased during fiscal 2015 due mostly to a 4% increase in the average rand gold price received amounting to R451,297 per kilogram and a 12% increase in gold sold.

Cash generated from operating activities during fiscal 2014 decreased largely due to the increase in cash operating costs per kilogram due to lower gold production and above inflation increases in prices of key consumables, labor and electricity.

Cash flows from investing activities

Net cash utilized by investing activities amounted to R107.2 million in fiscal 2016 compared to R37.7 million in fiscal 2015 and R171.8 million in fiscal 2014.

In fiscal 2016, cash utilized by investing activities consisted mainly of R99.8 million in additions to property, plant and equipment and R10.6 million spent on environmental rehabilitation payments. These outflows were reduced by R7.0 million proceeds on the disposal of property, plant and equipment.

Additions to property, plant and equipment was predominantly to create increased flexibility and volume capacity, new infrastructure and new mining equipment at our operations. Significant capital projects for Ergo during fiscal 2016 included:

- o R40.2 million spent on bringing the 4L2 reclamation site on line;
- o R13 million on phase II of the refurbishment of the No 3 tailings thickener; and
- o R46.6 million was spent on various other capital items.

In fiscal 2015, net cash utilized by investing activities consisted mainly of R90.9 million in additions to property, plant and equipment and R9.0 million spent on environmental rehabilitation payments offset by R46.4 million proceeds on the disposal of investments and R17.4 million proceeds on the disposal of property, plant and equipment.

Additions to property, plant and equipment was predominantly to create increased flexibility and volume capacity, new infrastructure and new mining equipment at our operations. Significant capital projects for Ergo during fiscal 2015 included:

- R23.3 million on the refurbishment of the remaining five carbon-in-leach tanks at Ergo and bringing the Van Dyk site on line for increased flexibility and volume capacity;
- o R21.7 million on the Rondebult sewerage water project:
- o R7.4 million on expansion and rehabilitation of the Brakpan/Withok TDF;
- o R6.1 million on the refurbishment of a thickener;
- o R5.7 million on the conversion of the high-grade CIP circuit to CIL to optimise the high-grade circuit; and
- o R34.1 million on other capital items.

In fiscal 2014, cash utilized by investing activities mainly consisted of R158.6 million in additions to property, plant and equipment and R14.2 million spent on environmental rehabilitation payments, offset by R1.0 million proceeds on the disposal of property, plant and equipment.

Additions to property, plant and equipment was predominantly on the flotation and fine-grind project, Ore Reserve development, new infrastructure and new mining equipment at our operations. Significant capital projects for Ergo during fiscal 2014 included:

o R89.5 million on the flotation and fine-grind project, R32.4 million on Reclamation Site 4A6, R6.2 million on rehabilitation of the Brakpan/Withok TDF and R26.7 million on other capital items.

Cash flows from financing activities

Net cash outflow from financing activities was R281.1 million in fiscal 2016 compared to R130.5 million in fiscal 2015 and R76.6 million in fiscal 2014.

During fiscal 2016, the net cash outflow consisted mostly of a dividend payment of R252.9 million, R22.5 million repayments of the Domestic Medium Term Note Program and R6.5 million related to the acquisition of treasury shares in the market.

During fiscal 2015, the net cash outflow consisted mostly of R122.5 million repayments of the Domestic Medium Term Note Program and a dividend payment of R7.6 million.

During fiscal 2014, the net cash outflow consisted of R20.0 million repayments of loans and borrowings, R2.7 million share option buy-out and a dividend payment of R53.1 million.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents as at June 30, 2016 amounted to R351.8 million compared to R324.4 million at the end of fiscal 2015 and R208.9 million at the end of fiscal 2014. Substantially all of our cash and cash equivalent balances were denominated in South African rand, except for \$2.3 million as at June 30, 2016, \$0.1 million as at June 30, 2015 and \$1.9 million as at June 30, 2014 held in foreign currency. Surplus cash is held in low-risk, high interest bearing products with various large financial institutions.

At September 30, 2016, our cash and cash equivalents were R335 million.

Borrowings and funding

Our external sources of capital include the issuance of debt, bank borrowings, loan notes and the issuance of equity securities, which include the following:

On July 2, 2012, DRDGOLD established a R2.0 billion DMTN Program under which it may from time to time issue notes. In July and September 2012, DRDGOLD issued R165 million in notes under the DMTN Program with maturity dates of 12, 24 and 36 months from the date of issue and bearing interest at the three month JIBAR rate plus a margin ranging from 4% to 5% per annum. The loan notes with a 12 and 24 month maturity, amounting to R20.0 million and R69.5 million respectively, were repaid on October 3, 2013 and July 3, 2014 respectively. The remaining loan notes with a 36 month maturity, amounting to R75.5 million, were repayable on July 3, 2015.

During the year ended June 30, 2015 DRDGOLD early redeemed approximately R53.5 million of the loan notes that were initially repayable on July 3, 2015. On July 3, 2015, DRDGOLD repaid the remaining R23.1 million including principal and interest.

Anticipated funding requirements and sources

Our cash and cash equivalents are set out above under "Cash and cash equivalents".

Our management believes that existing cash resources, net cash generated from operations and the availability of negotiated funding facilities will be sufficient to meet our anticipated commitments for fiscal 2017.

Our estimated working capital, capital expenditure and other funding commitments, as well as our sources of liquidity, would be adversely affected if:

- our operations fail to generate forecasted net cash flows from operations;
- there is an adverse variation in the price of gold or foreign currency exchange rates in relation to the US dollar, particularly with respect to the rand; or
- our operating results or financial condition are adversely affected by the uncertainties and variables facing our business discussed under Item 5A. Operating Results or the risk factors described in Item 3D. Risk Factors.

In such circumstances, we could have insufficient capital to meet our current obligations in the normal course of business, which would have an adverse impact on our financial position and our ability to continue operating as a going concern. We would need to reassess our operations, consider further restructuring and/or obtain additional debt or equity funding. There can be no assurance that we will obtain this additional or any other funding on acceptable terms or at all.

5C. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PATENTS AND LICENSES, ETC.

DRDGOLD has a dedicated team that looks at ways and means of improving recoveries.

Following their work on the responses of gold encapsulated in sulphides we completed the construction of the fine grind and flotation circuit at a total cost of R389 million during the year ended June 30, 2014. While the team remains active with an ongoing focus on improving extraction efficiencies, the projects undertaken during the year ended June 30, 2016 were focused on optimizing the existing facilities rather than implementing new technologies to improve extraction efficiencies.

We have no registered patents or licenses.

5D. TREND INFORMATION

For the full year fiscal 2017, we are expecting gold production from our operations of 140,000 to 150,000 ounces at cash operating costs of approximately R466,000 per kilogram. Our ability to meet the full year's production target could be impacted by, among other factors, lower grades and failure to achieve the targets set at Ergo. We are also subject to cost pressures due to above inflation increases in labor, electricity and water; crude oil and steel costs. Unforeseen changes in ore grades and recoveries, unexpected changes in the quality or quantity of reserves and resource, technical production issues, environmental and industrial accidents, gold theft, environmental factors and pollution could adversely impact the production, sales and cash operating costs for fiscal 2017. The forgoing expected results for 2017 are subject to risks and uncertainties and actual results may be lower. See "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

5E. OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company does not engage in off-balance sheet financing activities, and does not have any off-balance sheet debt obligations, unconsolidated special purposes entities or unconsolidated affiliates.

5F. TABULAR DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

		Estimated and actual payments due by period					
			Between	Between			
		Less than	<u>1-3</u>	3-5 years	More than 5		
	Total	1 year	<u>years</u>		<u>years</u>		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Provision for environmental rehabilitation (2)	538,507	87,649	123,860	69,410	257,616		
Finance leases	27,105	5,304	10,608	11,193	-		
Trade and other payables	289,023	289,023	-	-	-		
Purchase obligations – contracted capital expenditure (1)	8,582	8,582	-	-	-		
Operating leases	3,022	1,572	1,450	-	-		
Total contractual cash obligations	866,239	392,130	135,918	80,603	257,616		

⁽¹⁾ Represents planned capital expenditure for which contractual obligations exist.

5G. SAFE HARBOR

See Special Note regarding Forward-Looking Statements.

ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES

6A. DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Directors and Executive Officers

Our board of directors may consist of not less than four and not more than twenty directors. As of June 30, 2016 our board consisted of six directors.

In accordance with JSE listing requirements and our Memorandum of Incorporation, or MOI, one third of the directors comprising the board of directors, on a rotating basis, are subject to re-election at each annual general shareholders' meeting. Additionally, all directors are subject to election at the first annual general meeting following their appointment. Retiring directors normally make themselves available for re-election.

⁽²⁾ Gold mining companies are subject to extensive environmental regulations in the various jurisdictions in which they operate. These regulations establish certain conditions on the conduct of our operations. Pursuant to environmental regulations, we are also obliged to close our operations and reclaim and rehabilitate the lands upon which we have conducted our mining and gold recovery operations. The estimated closure costs at existing operating mines and mines in various stages of closure are reflected in this table. For more information on environmental rehabilitation obligations, see Item 4D. "Property, Plant and Equipment" and Note 16 "Provision for environmental rehabilitation" under Item 18. "Financial Statements".

The address of each of our Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors is the address of our principal executive offices.

Executive Directors

Daniël Johannes Pretorius (49) Chief Executive Officer. Niël Pretorius has two decades of experience in the mining industry. He was appointed Chief Executive Officer designate of DRDGOLD on August 21, 2008 and Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2009. Having joined the company on May 1, 2003 as legal advisor, he was promoted to Group Legal Counsel on September 1, 2004 and General Manager: Corporate Services on April 1, 2005. Niël was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited (formerly DRDGOLD SA) on July 1, 2006 and became Managing Director on April 1, 2008.

Adriaan Jacobus Davel (41) Chief Financial Officer. Riaan Davel has close to 19 years of experience in the mining industry, including 17 years in professional services, mostly in the African mining sector. His experience includes assurance and advisory services, including support and training on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), to clients and teams across Africa. Riaan was audit partner at KPMG for seven years where he conducted audits for listed mining companies, including SEC registrants. He also has experience as an IFRS technical partner, having represented the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants in the International Accounting Standards Board's project on Extractive Activities from 2003 to 2010. He has also served on committees compiling or updating the South African codes for reporting and valuation of mineral reserves and resources.

Anthon Tobias Meyer (62) Acting Chief Financial Officer and an executive director from July 29, 2014 to December 31, 2014. Anthon Meyer has more than 25 years of experience in the fields of auditing, accounting and strategic financial management and is a member of the SA Institute of Chartered Accountants and the Public Accountants and Auditors Board. Anthon has approximately 10 years of experience in the mining industry and has served on the boards of listed and public companies for more than 15 years.

Non-Executive Directors

Geoffrey Charles Campbell (55). Geoffrey Campbell was appointed a non-executive director in 2002, a senior independent non-executive director in December 2003 and non-executive chairman in October 2005. A qualified geologist, he has worked on gold mines in Wales and Canada. He spent 15 years as a stockbroker before becoming a fund manager, managing the Merrill Lynch Investment Managers Gold and General Fund, one of the largest gold mining investment funds. He was also research director for Merrill Lynch Investment Managers. Geoffrey is a director of Oxford Abstracts Limited.

James Turk (69). James Turk was appointed non-executive director in October 2004 and, in 2011, met the JSE Listing Requirements to be an independent director. He is founder and director of GoldMoney Inc., also known as GoldMoney.com, an online provider of physical gold, silver, platinum and palladium bullion to buyers worldwide and operator of a digital gold currency payment system. Goldmoney Inc. is publicly traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange (symbol XAU). Since graduating in 1969, he has specialised in international banking, finance and investments. Having begun his career with JP Morgan Chase in 1980, James joined the private investment and trading company of a prominent precious metals trader. He moved to the United Arab Emirates in 1983 as manager of the Commodity Department of the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority. Since resigning in 1987, he has written frequently on money and banking.

Edmund Abel Jeneker (54). B.Hons (StellUniv), IEDP (Wits), M.Inst.D., SAIPA. Edmund Jeneker was appointed non-executive director in November 2007. He trained as an accountant and has gained experience in finance, taxation, business strategy and executive management at Grant Thornton SA, SwissRe, World Bank Competiveness Fund and Deloitte SA over a period of more than 20 years. He previously served as a member of the Provincial Development Council of the Western Cape Provincial Government and is active in community development. He is the present Vice-Chairman of the Institute of Directors (Western Cape). He is currently managing director ABSA AllPay Consolidated Investment Holdings.

Johan Andries Holtzhausen (70). Johan Holtzhausen was appointed independent non-executive director on April 25, 2014. He has more than 42 years' experience in the accounting profession, having served as a senior partner at KPMG, and held the highest Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (United States), Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Sarbanes-Oxley Act accreditation required to service clients listed on stock exchanges in the United States. His clients included major corporations listed in South Africa, Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia and the United States.

Johan currently serves as a voluntary independent director and chairs the Audit and Risk Committee of the Tourism Enterprise Partnership. He also chairs the Audit and Risk Committee of Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining Proprietary Limited. He is a non-executive director of Caledonia Mining Corporation Plc, a Jersey corporation listed in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom, and he chairs its Audit Committee.

Senior Management

Wilhelm Jacobus Schoeman (42) (Dip Analytical Chemistry, BTech Analytical Chemistry) Jaco Schoeman joined DRDGOLD in 2011 as Executive Officer: Business Development to focus on expanding the group's surface retreatment business and extracting maximum value from existing resources. In July 2014, he was appointed Operations Director: Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited.

Henry Gouws (47) Managing Director: Ergo. Henry Gouws graduated from Technicon Witwatersrand and obtained a National Higher Diploma in Extraction Metallurgy in 1991. He completed a Management Development Programme ("MDP") in 2003 through Unisa School of Business Leadership. He was appointed Operations Manager of Crown in January 2006 and General Manager in July 2006. He was appointed to this current position with effect from October 1, 2011. He has 29 years experience in the mining industry.

Mark Burrell (54) Financial Director: Ergo. Mark Burrell holds a BComm Accounting degree and completed a MDP. He joined DRDGOLD in 2004 on a consulting basis and later that year was appointed as Financial Manager of the Blyvooruitzicht operation. He was appointed as Financial Director of Ergo Mining in January 2012 and has 18 years experience in the mining sector.

Charles Methley Symons (62) (BCom, MBL, Dip Extractive Metallurgy) Charles Symons joined the mining industry on February 14, 1977 and transferred to Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited in January 1986. He joined DRDGOLD as General Manager in 1995 and was appointed Executive Officer: Surface Operations on January 1, 2008 before he became Executive Officer: Operations on May 11, 2010. On October 1, 2011, he was appointed Chief Operating Officer. Following the restructuring of senior management in July 2014, Charles Symons assumed the role of Chairman of the Oversight Committee: Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited. Charles' fixed term contract terminated on 31 July 2016, but he is still continuing in a non-executive oversight role.

Reneiloe Masemene (35) (LLB, LLM) Reneiloe Masemene, a qualified attorney, joined DRDGOLD in January 2009 as legal advisor. She was appointed Senior Legal Advisor in October 2011 and prescribed officer of Ergo in June 2012, and then Group Legal Counsel in August 2014. From March 2016, she also serves as Company Secretary.

Themba John Gwebu (52) Themba Gwebu (BIuris, LLB, LLM) is an attorney of the High Court of South Africa who joined DRDGOLD in 2004 as Assistant Legal Adviser. Prior to joining DRDGOLD he served as a Magistrate in the Roodepoort Magistrates Court. He was appointed Company Secretary in April 2005. On January 1, 2007 he assumed the position of Group Legal Counsel and Compliance Officer. He served as Executive Officer: Legal, Compliance and Company Secretary from 2008 until December 31, 2014. He continued to serve as Company Secretary up to December 31, 2015.

Since 2008 he has served as a Director of several DRDGOLD subsidiaries. He was a Director of Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited from June 2008 to September 2014. He also served as the Chairman of Rand Refinery's Social and Ethics Committee until September 2014. He held the position of Company Secretary until December 31, 2014.

There are no family relationships between any of our executive officers or directors. There are no arrangements or understandings between any of our directors or executive officers and any other person by which any of our directors or executive officers has been so elected or appointed.

6B. COMPENSATION

Our MOI provide that the directors' fees should be determined from time to time in a general meeting or by a quorum of Non-Executive Directors. The total amount of directors' remuneration paid and or accrued for the year ended June 30, 2016 was R20.2 million.

Non-Executive Directors receive the following fees:

- Base fee as Non-Executive Chairman of R1,309,923 per annum;
- Base fee as Non-Executive Directors of R582,188 per annum;
- Annual fee for Audit and Risk Committee Chairman of R29,110 (excluding fee received as a committee member);
- Annual fee for Audit and Risk Committee member of R29,110;
- Annual fee for the chairman of Remuneration and Nominations Committee and Social and Ethics Committee of R21,832 (excluding fee received as a committee member);
- Annual fee for members of Remuneration Committee and Social and Ethics Committee of R21,832 each;
- Daily fee of R21,832 and hourly rate of R2,911;
- Half-day fee for participating by telephone in special board meetings; and
- The Chairman of the board to receive committee fees.

The following table sets forth the compensation for our directors and prescribed officers for the year ended June 30, 2016:

Directors

	Basic salary/board fees (R'000)	Incentives related to this cycle (R'000)	Pre-tax gain on share options exercised (R'000)	Total <u>(R'000)</u>
Executive				
D.J. Pretorius	5,478	4,988	-	10,466
A.J. Davel	3,077	2,949	-	6,026
Subtotal	8,555	7,937	-	16,492
Non-Executive				
G.C. Campbell	1,499	-	-	1,499
J. Turk	672	-	-	672
E.A. Jeneker	869	-	-	869
J.A. Holtzhausen	703	-	-	703
Subtotal	3,743	-	-	3,743
Prescribed officers ⁽¹⁾				_
C.M. Symons (2)	3,059	2,668	-	5,727
W.J. Schoeman	2,929	2,949	304	6,182
R. Masemene	1,968	1,360	55	3,383
Subtotal	7,956	6,977	359	15,292
Total	20,254	14,914	359	35,527

⁽¹⁾ The Companies Act, 2008 (Act 71 of 2008), under section 30, requires the remuneration of prescribed officers, as defined in regulation 38 of Company Regulations 2008, to be disclosed with that of directors of the Company. A person is a prescribed officer if they have general executive authority over the company, general responsibility for the financial management or management of legal affairs, general managerial authority over the operations of the company or directly or indirectly exercise or significantly influence the exercise of control over the general management and administration of the whole or a significant portion of the business and activities of the company.

See also Item 6E. Share Ownership for details of share options held by directors.

Compensation of senior management

Our senior management comprises of executive directors, prescribed officers and executive officers. Under the JSE Listing Rules we are not required to, and we do not otherwise, disclose compensation paid to individual senior managers other than executive directors, non-executive directors and prescribed officers. However, the aggregate compensation paid to senior management, excluding compensation paid to Executive Directors, in fiscal 2016 was R35.5 million (fiscal 2015: R31.4 million and fiscal 2014: R31.4 million), representing eleven executive officers in fiscal 2016, 2015 and 2014.

Short term incentives are paid based upon performance against predetermined key performance indicators. Should an Executive Director meet all the targets set in terms of such predetermined key performance indicators, he will be entitled to a short term incentive of up to 100% of his remuneration package, depending on his particular agreement. Should an Executive Director not meet all the targets set in terms of the predetermined key performance indicators, he will be entitled to a lesser bonus as determined by the Remuneration Committee in its discretion.

Service Agreements

Service contracts negotiated with each executive and non-executive director incorporate their terms and conditions of employment and are approved by our Remuneration Committee.

The Company's current executive directors, Mr. D.J. Pretorius and Mr. A.J. Davel, entered into agreements of employment with us, on January 1, 2009 and January 1, 2015, respectively. These agreements regulate the employment relationship with Messrs. D.J. Pretorius and A.J. Davel during the year ended June 30, 2016.

On July 1, 2015 Mr. D.J. Pretorius entered into a new agreement of employment for a period of 3 years and thereafter it continues indefinitely until terminated by either party on not less than three months' written notice. Under the employment agreement effective up to June 30, 2016 Mr. D.J. Pretorius received from us a remuneration package of R5.2 million per annum. Mr. D.J. Pretorius was eligible under his employment agreement, for an incentive bonus of up to 100% of his annual remuneration package in respect of one bonus cycle per annum over the duration of his appointment, on condition that DRDGOLD achieves certain key performance indicators. In addition, he is eligible to participate in the long term incentive scheme and was awarded 2,323,009 phantom shares during November 2015.

⁽²⁾ Fixed-term contract concluded on 31 July 2016. Basic salary includes pension scheme contributions of R329 552.

Mr. A.J. Davel entered into an employment agreement effective from January 1, 2015 for a period of 3 years and thereafter it continues indefinitely until terminated by either party on not less than three months' prior written notice. Mr. A.J. Davel received from us a remuneration package of R2.9 million per annum. Mr. A.J. Davel is eligible under his employment agreement, for a short term incentive of up to 100% of his annual remuneration package in respect of one bonus cycle per annum over the duration of his appointment, on condition that DRDGOLD achieves certain key performance indicators. He is eligible to participate in the long term incentive scheme. He was issued 205,207 phantom shares under the long term incentive scheme on his joining DRDGOLD and 1,305,033 phantom shares during November 2015.

Messrs. G.C. Campbell and E.A. Jeneker each have service agreements which run for fixed periods until October 31, 2017. Mr J. Turk has a service agreement until October 31, 2016. Mr J.A Holtzhausen has a service agreement which runs for a fixed period until April 25, 2018. After expiration of the initial two year periods, the agreements continue indefinitely until terminated by either party on not less than three months' prior written notice.

The Company does not administer any pension, retirement or other similar scheme in which the directors receive a benefit.

Each service agreement with our directors provides for the provision of benefits to the director where the agreement is terminated by us in the case of our executive officers, except where terminated as a result of certain action on the part of the director, upon the director reaching a certain age, or by the director upon the occurrence of a change of control. A termination of a director's employment upon the occurrence of a change of control is referred to as an "eligible termination." Upon an eligible termination, the director is entitled to receive a payment equal to at least one year's salary or fees, but not more than three years' salary for Executive Directors or two years' fees for Non-Executive Directors, depending on the period of time that the director has been employed.

6C. BOARD PRACTICES

Board of Directors

As at September 30, 2016, the board of directors comprises two Executive Directors (Mr. D.J. Pretorius and Mr. A.J. Davel), and four Non-Executive Directors (Messrs. G.C. Campbell, J. Turk, E.A. Jeneker and J.A. Holtzhausen). The Non-Executive Directors are independent under the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, requirements (as affirmatively determined by the Board of Directors) and the South African King III Report.

In accordance with the King III Report on corporate governance, as encompassed in the JSE Listings Requirements, and in accordance with the United Kingdom Combined Code, the responsibilities of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are separate. Mr. G.C. Campbell is the Non-Executive Chairman, Mr. D.J. Pretorius is the Chief Executive Officer and Mr. A.J Davel is the Chief Financial Officer. The board has established a Remuneration and Nominations committee, and it is our policy for details of a prospective candidate to be distributed to all directors for formal consideration at a full meeting of the board. A prospective candidate would be invited to attend a meeting and be interviewed before any decision is taken. In compliance with the NYSE rules a majority of independent directors will select or recommend director nominees.

The board's main roles are to create value for shareholders, to provide leadership of the Company, to approve the Company's strategic objectives and to ensure that the necessary financial and other resources are made available to management to enable them to meet those objectives. The board retains full and effective control over the Company, meeting on a quarterly basis with additional ad hoc meetings being arranged when necessary, to review strategy and planning and operational and financial performance. The board further authorizes acquisitions and disposals, major capital expenditure, stakeholder communication and other material matters reserved for its consideration and decision under its terms of reference. The board also approves the annual budgets for the various operational units.

The board is responsible for monitoring the activities of executive management within the company and ensuring that decisions on material matters are referred to the board. The board approves all the terms of reference for the various subcommittees of the board, including special committees tasked to deal with specific issues. Only the executive directors are involved with the day-to-day management of the Company.

To assist new directors, an induction program has been established by the Company, which includes background materials, meetings with senior management, presentations by the Company's advisors and site visits. The directors are assessed annually, both individually and as a board, as part of an evaluation process, which is driven by an independent consultant. In addition, the Remuneration and Nominations Committees formally evaluate the executive directors on an annual basis, based on objective criteria.

All directors, in accordance with the Company's MOI, are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election by shareholders. In addition, all directors are subject to election by shareholders at the first annual general meeting following their appointment by directors. The appointment of new directors is approved by the board as a whole. The names of the directors submitted for reelection are accompanied by sufficient biographical details in the notice of the forthcoming annual general meeting to enable shareholders to make an informed decision in respect of their re-election.

All directors have access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary, who is responsible to the board for ensuring compliance with procedures and regulations of a statutory nature. Directors are entitled to seek independent professional advice concerning the affairs of the Company at the Company's expense, should they believe that course of action would be in the best interest of the Company.

Board meetings are held quarterly in South Africa and abroad. The structure and timing of the Company's board meetings, which are scheduled over two or three days, allows adequate time for the Non-Executive Directors to interact without the presence of the Executive Directors. The board meetings include the meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee, Remuneration and Nominations Committee and Social and Ethics Committee which act as subcommittees to the board. Each subcommittee by one of the Independent Non-Executive Directors, each of which provides a formal report back to the board. Each subcommittee meets for approximately half a day. Certain senior members of staff are invited to attend the subcommittee meetings.

The board sets the standards and values of the Company and much of this has been embodied in the Company's Code of Ethics and Conduct, which is available on our website at www.drdgold.com. The Code of Ethics and Conduct applies to all directors, officers and employees, including the principal executive, financial and accounting officers, in accordance with Section 406 of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the related US securities laws and the NYSE rules. The Code contains provisions for employees to report violations of Company policy or any applicable law, rule or regulation, including US securities laws.

A description of the significant ways in which our corporate governance practices differ from practices followed by U.S. companies listed on the NYSE can be found in Item 16G. Corporate Governance.

Directors' Terms of Service

The following table shows the date of appointment, expiration of term and number of years of service with us of each of the directors as at June 30, 2016:

<u>Director</u>	<u>Title</u>	Year first <u>appointed</u>	Term of current office	Unexpired term of current office
D.J. Pretorius	Chief Executive Officer	2008	3 years	24 months
A.J. Davel	Chief Financial Officer	2015	3 years	18 months
G.C. Campbell	Non-Executive Director	2002	2 years	16 months
E.A. Jeneker	Non-Executive Director	2007	2 years	16 months
J. Turk	Non-Executive Director	2004	2 years	4 months
J. Holtzhausen	Non-Executive Director	2014	2 years	22 months

Executive Committee

As at June 30, 2016, the Executive Committee consisted of Mr. D.J. Pretorius (Chairman), Mr. A.J. Davel, Mr. C.M. Symons, Mr W.J. Schoeman and Mrs. R. Masemene.

The Executive Committee meets on a weekly basis to review current operations, develop strategy and policy proposals for consideration by the board of directors. Members of the Executive Committee, who are unable to attend the meetings in person, are able to participate via teleconference facilities, to allow participation in the discussion and conclusions reached.

Board Committees

The board has established a number of standing committees to enable it to properly discharge its duties and responsibilities and to effectively fulfill its decision-making process. Each committee acts within written terms of reference which have been approved by the board and under which specific functions of the board are delegated. The terms of reference for all committees can be obtained by application to the Company Secretary at the Company's registered office. Each committee has defined purposes, membership requirements, duties and reporting procedures. Minutes of the meetings of these committees are circulated to the members of the committees and made available to the board. Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors for their services on the committees concerned is determined by the board. The committees are subject to regular evaluation by the board with respect to their performance and effectiveness.

The following information reflects the composition and activities of these committees.

Committees of the Board of Directors

Remuneration and Nominations Committee

As at June 30, 2016 the Remuneration and Nominations Committee consisted of G C Campbell (Chairman: nominations), E A Jeneker (Chairman: remuneration), J A Holtzhausen and J Turk.

In August 2014 the Remuneration Committee and the Nominations Committee were combined into the Remuneration and Nominations Committee. The committee meets on an *ad hoc* basis. All members of this committee are independent NEDs. It is chaired by the board chairman when matters relating to nominations are discussed and by an independent NED when matters relating to remuneration are discussed.

The primary remuneration role of the committee is to execute the following functions:

- determine and develop the company's remuneration policy;
- determine the criteria necessary to measure the performance of executive directors;
- incentivise executive directors and senior management;
- oversee the general operation of the share option scheme or any other similar incentive schemes; and
- apply the principles of good corporate governance and best practice in respect of remuneration matters.

The committee has an obligation to offer competitive packages that will attract and retain executives of the highest caliber and encourage and reward superior performance. Industry surveys are provided for comparative purposes, and to assist the committee in the formulation of remuneration policies that are market related.

The key nominations responsibilities of the committee include the following:

- make recommendations to the board on the appointment of new directors;
- make recommendations on the composition of the board and the balance between executive and NEDs appointed to the board:
- review board structure, size and composition on a regular basis;
- make recommendations on directors eligible to retire by rotation; and
- apply the principles of good corporate governance and best practice in respect of nominations matters.

Audit and Risk Committee

In August 2014 the board combined the Audit Committee and the Risk Committee to form the Audit and Risk Committee.

As at June 30, 2016 the Audit and Risk Committee consisted of J A Holtzhausen (Chairman: audit), G C Campbell, J Turk and E A Jeneker.

All members of the Audit and Risk Committee are independent according to the definition set out in the NYSE Rules. See Item 16G. Corporate Governance. The committee's charter deals with all the aspects relating to its functioning.

The Audit and Risk Committee charter was revised in September 2014 and sets out the committee's terms of reference. Responsibilities include:

- selection, evaluation and oversight of auditors;
- oversight of annual audit and quarterly reviews;
- oversight of financial reporting process and internal controls;
- setting management policies for risk management and control;
- monitoring and oversight of risk management;
- monitoring external developments relating to risk management and the reporting of specifically associated risk, including emerging risks and prospective impacts; and
- monitoring progress on action plans developed as part of the risk management process.

The Audit and Risk Committee meets each quarter with the external auditors, the company's manager: risk and internal audit, and the CFO. The committee reviews the audit plans of the internal auditors to ascertain the extent to which the scope of the audits can be relied upon to detect weaknesses in internal controls. It also reviews the annual and interim financial statements prior to their approval by the board.

The committee is responsible for making recommendations to appoint, reappoint or remove the external auditors as well as determining their remuneration and terms of engagement. In accordance with its policy, the committee preapproves all audit and non-audit services provided by the external auditors. KPMG Inc. was reappointed by shareholders at the 2015 AGM to perform DRDGOLD's external audit function.

The internal audit function is performed in-house, with the assistance of Pro-Optima Audit Services Proprietary Limited. Internal audits are performed at all DRDGOLD operating units and are aimed at reviewing, evaluating and improving the effectiveness of risk management, internal controls and corporate governance processes.

Significant deficiencies, material weaknesses, instances of non-compliance and exposure to high risk and development needs are brought to the attention of operational management for resolution. The committee members have access to all the records of the internal audit team.

DRDGOLD's internal and external auditors have unrestricted access to the chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee and, where necessary, to the chairman of the board and the CEO. All significant findings arising from audit procedures are brought to the attention of the committee and, if necessary, to the board.

Section 404 of SOX stipulates that management is required to assess the effectiveness of the internal controls surrounding the financial reporting process. The results of this assessment are reported in the form of a management attestation report that has to be filed with the SEC as part of the Form 20-F. Additionally, DRDGOLD's external auditors are required to express an opinion on the operating effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting, which is also contained in the Company's Form 20-F.

An important aspect of risk management is the transfer of risk to third parties to protect the company from disaster. DRDGOLD's major assets and potential business interruption and liability claims are therefore covered by the group insurance policy, which encompasses all the operations. Most of these policies are held through insurance companies operating in the United Kingdom, Europe and South Africa. The various risk-management initiatives undertaken within the group as well as the strategy to reduce costs without compromising cover have been successful and resulted in substantial insurance cost savings for the Group.

Social and Ethics Committee

As at June 30, 2016, the Social and Ethics Committee consisted of Mr. E.A. Jeneker (Chairman), Mr. D.J. Pretorius, Mr A.J. Davel and W.J. Schoeman.

The Social and Ethics Committee was established to enable DRDGOLD to achieve the triple bottom line recommended by local guidance on best practice in corporate governance and to reach the empowerment goals to which this company is committed. Its terms of reference were approved by the board in October 2011 and its objectives are to:

- promote transformation within the company and economic empowerment of previously disadvantaged communities, particularly within the areas where the company conducts business;
- strive towards achieving equality at all levels of the company, as required by the South African constitution and other legislation, taking into account the demographics of the country; and
- conduct business in a manner that is conducive to the attainment of internationally acceptable environmental and sustainability standards.

The following terms of reference were approved by the board to enable the committee to function effectively. These are to make recommendations to the board:

- on the development, monitoring and implementation of the company's employment equity policy;
- on the development, monitoring and implementation of the company's procurement policy in terms, inter alia, of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act;
- on the development, monitoring and implementation of the company's safety, health and environmental policies;
- on the monitoring and implementation of the social and labor plans;
- on ways and means of assisting with poverty alleviation and social upliftment;
- to promote the engagement of management, staff and stakeholders in activities related to social responsibility;
- to monitor the record of sponsorships, donations and charitable giving;
- to promote equality, prevent unfair discrimination and corruption;
- to monitor the Group's activities with regard to the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact Principles, the
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's recommendations regarding corruption and broad-based BEE; and
- to monitor the Group's consumer relationship activities.

6D. EMPLOYEES

Employees

The geographic breakdown of our employees (including specialized service providers who are contracted employees employed by third parties), was as follows at the end of each of the past three fiscal years:

			ne 30
	2016	2015	2014
South Africa	2.484	2.367	2 329

The total number of employees at June 30, 2016, of 2,484 comprises 1,560 specialized service providers and 924 employees who are directly employed by us and our subsidiary companies. As of September 30, 2016, we had 2,313 employees (including 1,421 contract employees).

As of June 30, 2016, the breakdown of our employees by main categories of activity for the periods below was as follows:

	<u>Y ea</u>	ine 30,	
Category of Activity	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Mining - Our Employees	-	-	-
Mining - Specialized service providers	1,560	1,426	1,382
Engineering	302	460	329
Metallurgy	388	292	411
Mineral Resources	9	6	12
Administration	159	124	144
Environmental	16	12	5
Human Resources	38	35	29
Medical and Safety	12	17	17
Total	2,484	2,367	2,329

Labor Relations

As at June 30, 2016, we employed and contracted 2,484 people in South Africa. Approximately 81,8% of our South African employees are members of trade unions or employee associations. South Africa's labor relations environment remains a platform for social reform. The National Union of Mineworkers, or NUM, the main South African mining industry union, is influential in the tripartite alliance between the ruling African National Congress, the Congress of South African Trade Unions, or COSATU, and the South African Communist Party as it is the biggest affiliate of COSATU. The relationship between management and labor unions remains cordial. The DRDGOLD and NUM coordinating forum meets regularly to discuss matters pertinent to both parties at a EMO level, while operations level forums continue to deal with local matters.

On September 4, 2014, Ergo and ERPM extended the two-year wage settlement agreement with effect from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, with NUM and UASA, which provides for average annual compensation increases in year one of 10% for categories 4-5, 9% for categories 6-7 and 8% for categories 8-15.

On August 4, 2016, Ergo signed a two-year wage settlement with the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) and the United Association of South Africa (UASA) for a wage increase averaging 8.2%. (10% for categories 4-5), (9% for categories 6-9) and (7% for categories 10-15) per annum.

The Company is placing a greater emphasis on its Corporate Social Responsibility by becoming increasingly involved in appropriate projects that give effect to the ideals of the Mining Charter and good corporate governance. We recognize the need for transformation and have put structures in place to address this at both management and board level.

By statute we are required to pay each employee who is dismissed for reasons based on the operational requirements of our operations a severance package of not less than one week's remuneration for every completed year of service. In specific agreements with organized labor we undertook, as in the past, to pay packages equal to two weeks' basic pay for every completed year of service as part of a balancing compromise with the labor unions between the high additional costs of non-financial items and incentive payments (which are deemed part of remuneration), and an additional one-week benefit based on basic pay. These employees were provided with counseling services and the opportunity to undergo skills training to be able to find employment outside the mining industry.

Safety statistics

Due to the importance of our labor force, we continuously strive to create a safe and healthy working environment. The following are our 2016 overall safety statistics for our operations:

(Per million man hours)	Year ended June 30,		
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
Lost time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) (1)	2.68	2.27	
Reportable incidence ⁽¹⁾	1.42	1.06	
Fatalities ⁽¹⁾	0.00	0.00	
Number of fatalities (average per month)	0.00	0.00	

⁽¹⁾ Calculated as follows: actual number of instances divided by the total number of man hours worked multiplied by one million.

6E. SHARE OWNERSHIP

As of June 30, 2016, options to purchase ordinary shares held by directors and prescribed officers were as follows:

	Options at June 30, <u>2015</u>	Average strike price (R)	Options exercised during the <u>year</u>	Options at June 30, 2016	Average Strike price (R)
Prescribed Officers					
W.J. Schoeman	99,175	5.12	(99,175)	-	5.12
R. Masemene	17,300	5.12	(17,300)	-	5.12

Each option is representative of a right to acquire one ordinary share at a predetermined exercise price as set forth in "DRDGOLD (1996) Share Option Scheme, or the scheme."

Closed periods apply to share trading by directors and other employees, whenever certain employees of the Company become or could potentially become aware of material price sensitive information, such as information relating to an acquisition, bi-annual results etc., which is not in the public domain. When these employees have access to this information an embargo is placed on share trading for those individuals concerned. The embargo need not involve the entire Company in the case of an acquisition and may only apply to the board of directors, executive committee, and the financial and new business teams, but in the case of quarterly results the closed-period is group-wide.

To the best of our knowledge, we believe that our ordinary shares held by executive officers, in aggregate, do not exceed one percent of the Company's issued ordinary share capital. For details of share ownership of directors and prescribed officers see Item 7A. Major Shareholders.

DRDGOLD (1996) Share Option Scheme, or the Scheme

DRDGOLD is winding down a securities option plan that was operated as an incentive tool for our Executive Directors and senior employees whose skills and experience were recognized as being essential to the Company's performance. Two of our Non-Executive Directors (Messrs. G.C. Campbell and R.P. Hume) had share options under the Scheme which has all been bought out by the Company through a general buy-out; no new share options have been issued to Non-Executive Directors since December 2004. In compliance with JSE Listing Requirements, options awarded to an individual employee are subject to a cumulative upper limit of 2.0 million options, which is lower than the previous 2% of the Company's issued share capital. In addition, a maximum of 40.0 million options are available for utilization under the share option scheme, which is lower than the previous 15% of the issued ordinary shares. As at September 30, 2016, the number of issued and exercisable share options was less than 0.01% of our issued ordinary share capital, representing 34,075 share options. In November 2012 the Remuneration Committee suspended the share option scheme and approved a share buyback. A general offer was made to all participant of the Scheme to buy-back all then vested share options as part of the transition to the new DRDGOLD Phantom Share Scheme. The participants in the Scheme are fully taxed based on individual tax directives obtained from the South African Revenue Service on any gains realized on the exercise of share options.

The price at which an option may be granted will be, in respect of each share which is the subject of the option, the volume weighted average price of a share on the JSE for the seven days on which the JSE is open for trading, preceding the day on which the employee is granted the option. The allocation date will be the date when the directors approve allocation of share options. Each option remains in force for five years after the date of grant (ten years if issued prior to 2009), subject to the terms of the option plan. Options granted under a plan vest primarily according to the following schedule over a maximum of a three year period:

Percentage vested in each period	Period after the original date of the option grant
25%	6 months
25%	1 year
25%	2 years
25%	3 years

Any options not exercised within five years (issued prior to 2009: ten years) from the original date of the option grant will expire and may not thereafter be exercised. The previous bi-annual allocation of options was changed in April 2006 to an annual allocation.

Options to purchase a total of 34,057 ordinary shares were outstanding on June 30, 2016, of which all options to purchase ordinary shares were currently exercisable. In fiscal 2016, a total of 20 employees and 8 ex-employee participated in the Scheme, including Executive Directors and other senior employees. The outstanding options are exercisable at a purchase price of R5.12 per share and expire five years from the date of issue to the participants.

In August 2012, the board of directors decided to replace the Scheme with a cash-settled phantom share scheme. The new phantom share scheme was approved by the board of directors in October 2012. In November 2012 the Remuneration Committee suspended the Scheme and approved the share option buy back. The advantages presented by the suspension of the Scheme and share option buy back are *inter alia*:

- avoidance of dilution of current shareholders; and
- avoidance of short vesting periods.

DRDGOLD Phantom Share Scheme

In fiscal 2013 we established the DRDGOLD Phantom Share Scheme. The scheme replaces the DRDGOLD (1996) Share Option Scheme, which is part of the long-term retention strategy intended to grow the company. The phantom share scheme is operated as an incentive tool for our executive directors, excluding the CEO, and senior employees whose skills and experience are recognized as being essential to the Company's performance. The scheme is cash settled. In terms of the phantom share scheme rules, 50% of the phantom shares granted will be valued based on the Group meeting certain pre-determined performance criteria and the remaining 50% to defined retention periods. The maximum incentive pay-out per annum to any single employee may not exceed 75% of that employee's gross remuneration package. The participants in the scheme are fully taxed at their marginal rate on any gains realized on the exercise of their phantom shares.

The phantom share granted has a zero base value, however the number of phantom shares granted by the Remuneration Committee is determined by the price in respect of each share which is the subject of the phantom share, the volume weighted average price of a share on the JSE for the seven days on which the JSE is open for trading, preceding the day on which the employee is granted a phantom share. The allocation date will be the date when the directors approve allocation of the phantom shares. Each phantom share remains in force until the date of vesting, subject to the terms of the scheme rules. Phantom shares granted under the phantom share scheme vest primarily according the following schedule over a maximum of a three year period:

Percentage vested in each period grant:		Period after the original date of grant of the option:
Performance criteria	Retention criteria	•
33%	0%	one year
33%	50%	two years
33%	50%	three years

The Remuneration and Nominations Committee have accepted a proposal to revise the long-term incentive scheme to allow all new awards to vest after a minimum period of three years.

During fiscal 2016, DRDGOLD's REMCO approved a revised long-term incentive scheme. On November 4, 2015, REMCO approved an allocation of 20,527,978 phantom shares which is driven by share price performance and individual performance, and is based on phantom share allocations. The vesting of any shares allocated is staggered over a five-year period commencing in the third year after the allocation is granted in line with King recommendations. The objectives of the revised scheme are to drive the longer-term strategies of DRDGOLD, to align participants' interests with shareholders' interest, to incentivise and motivate participants, to attract and retain scarce human resources and to reward superior performance by the Company and participants. REMCO has the authority to amend in part or in its entirety or withdraw the long-term incentive scheme at any time.

20,527,978 phantom shares were granted in the current financial year, (2015: 2,615,207). 23,169,191 phantom shares were outstanding on June 30, 2016 (2015: 4,525,650).

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

7A. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS

by:

As of September 30, 2016, our issued capital consisted of:

- 431,429,767 ordinary shares of no par value; and
- 5,000,000 cumulative preference shares.

To our knowledge, we are not directly or indirectly owned or controlled by another corporation or any person or foreign government and there are no arrangements, the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of us.

Based on information available to us, as of September 30, 2016:

- there were 5,832 record holders of our ordinary shares in South Africa, who held approximately 138,523,338 or approximately 38.1% of our ordinary shares;
- there was one record holder of our cumulative preference shares in South Africa, who held 5,000,000 or 100% of our cumulative preference shares;
- there were 26 US record holders of our ordinary shares, who held approximately 26,699,366 or approximately 6.2% of our ordinary shares excluding those shares held as part of our ADR program; and
- there were 749 registered holders of our ADRs in the United States, who held approximately 193,107,960 (19,310,796 ADRs) or approximately 44.8% of our ordinary shares.

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of our ordinary shares as of September 30, 2016

- each of our directors and prescribed officers; and
- any person whom the directors are aware of as at September 30, 2016 who is interested directly or indirectly in 5% or more
 of our ordinary shares. There was significant change in the percentage ownership of the major shareholders over the
 preceding three years.

	Shares Benefic	Beneficially Owned		
<u>Holder</u>	Number	Percent of		
		<u>outstanding</u>		
		ordinary		
		shares		
		<u></u>		
D.J. Pretorius	5,108	*		
J. Turk	243,000	*		
G.C. Campbell	200,000	*		
Bank of New York Mellon ADRs	193,107,960	44.8%		
101 Barclay Street, New York, NY 10011				
Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited	35,000,000	$8.12\%^{(1)}$		

^{*} Indicates share ownership of less than 1% of our outstanding ordinary shares.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. Ordinary shares issuable pursuant to options, to the extent the options are currently exercisable or convertible within 60 days of September 30, 2016, are treated as outstanding for computing the percentage of any other person. As of September 30, 2016, we are not aware of anyone owning 5% or more of our ordinary shares other than described above. During fiscal 2016 Skagen AS reduced its shareholding from 8.6% held as at the end of fiscal 2015 to 4.84% as at September 30, 2016 in the normal course of business. During fiscal 2016 Van Eck reduced its shareholding from 6.3% held as at the end of fiscal 2015 to nil as at September 30, 2016 in the normal course of business. Unless otherwise noted, each person or group identified possesses sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares, subject to community property laws where applicable. No shareholder has voting rights which differ from the voting rights of any other shareholder. Unless indicated otherwise, the business address of the beneficial owner is: DRDGOLD Limited, Off Crownwood Road, Crown Mines, 2092, South Africa.

⁽¹⁾ Acquired during the year ended June 30, 2015 as part of the roll-up of the stake of our broad based black economic empowerment (BBBEE) partners in EMO into DRDGOLD.

Cumulative Preference Shares

Randgold and Exploration Company Limited, or Randgold, owns 5,000,000 (100%) of our cumulative preference shares. Randgold's registered address is Suite 25, Katherine & West Building, Corner of Katherine and West Streets, Sandown, Sandton, 2196.

The holders of cumulative preference shares do not have voting rights unless any preference dividend is in arrears for more than six months. The terms of issue of the cumulative preference shares are that they carry the right, in priority to the Company's ordinary shares, to receive a dividend equal to 3% of the gross future revenue generated by the exploitation or the disposal of the Argonaut mineral rights acquired from Randgold in September 1997. Additionally, holders of cumulative preference shares may vote on resolutions which adversely affect their interests and on the disposal of all, or substantially all, of our assets or mineral rights. There is currently no active trading market for our cumulative preference shares. Holders of cumulative preference shares will only obtain their potential voting rights once the Argonaut Project becomes an operational gold mine, and dividends accrue to them. The prospecting rights have since expired and the Argonaut Project terminated. The development of the project is not expected to materialise and therefore no dividend is expected to be paid.

7B. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Guardrisk Insurance Company Limited (Guard Risk)

During the year ended June 30, 2016, Ergo paid fees to the Guardrisk Cell Captive relating to the environmental guarantees issued by Guardrisk to the DMR as outlined in note 16 amounting to R7.8 million (2015: R9.9 million and 2014: nil), which included a contribution of nil (2015: R0.8 million).

Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited (Rand Refinery)

The group has entered into an agreement with Rand Refinery Limited ("Rand Refinery"), for the refining and sale of all of its gold produced in South Africa. Under the agreement, Rand Refinery performs the final refining of the group's gold and casts it into troy ounce bars. Rand Refinery then sells the gold on the same day as delivery, for the London afternoon fixed price on the day the gold is sold. In exchange for this service, the group pays Rand Refinery a variable refining fee plus fixed marketing, loan and administration fees. Mr Gwebu, who held the position of executive officer: legal, compliance and company secretary of DRDGOLD up to December 31, 2014, was a director of Rand Refinery, a member of its Remuneration Committee and chairman of the Social and Ethics Committee until September 5, 2014 when he resigned as director. Mr Charles Symons has been appointed to replace him as director of Rand Refinery effective September 5, 2014. Mr Mark Burrell who is the financial director of Ergo is an alternate director of Rand Refinery and a member of Rand Refinery's Audit Committee.

- The group currently owns shares in Rand Refinery (which is jointly owned by South African mining companies) (refer note 10);
- Trade receivables to the amount of nil (2015: R43.0 million and 2014: R25.6 million) relate to metals sold;
- The group received a dividend of nil (2015: nil and 2014: nil) from Rand Refinery.

CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT

On June 23, 2008, EMO approved a consultancy agreement with Khumo Gold, which owned 20% of EMO at that date. The agreement provides for a monthly retainer of R0.3 million (2015: R0.3 million, 2014: R0.3 million) and will conclude on 31 December 2016.

SALE OF SHARES

During the year ended June 30, 2015, DRDGOLD acquired the 20% and 6% interest in the issued share capital of EMO held by Khumo and the Empowerment Trust respectively in exchange for newly issued DRDGOLD shares.

7C. INTERESTS OF EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

8A. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- 1. Please refer to Item 18. Financial Statements.
- 2. Please refer to Item 18. Financial Statements.
- 3. Please refer to Item 18. Financial Statements.
- 4. The last year of audited financial statements is not older than 15 months.
- 5. Not applicable.
- 6. Not applicable.
- 7. See under Item 4D. Property, plant and equipment—Legal Proceedings.
- 8. Please see Item 10B. Memorandum of Incorporation.

8B. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Significant changes that have occurred since June 30, 2016, the date of the last audited financial statements included in this Annual Report, are discussed in the relevant notes to the financial statements under Item 18. Financial Statements.

ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING

9A. OFFER AND LISTING DETAILS

The following tables set forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low market sales prices and average daily trading volumes of our ordinary shares on the JSE and ADSs on the New York Stock Exchange and Nasdaq Capital Market. On December 29, 2011, we transferred our listing from the Nasdaq Capital Market to the New York Stock Exchange.

Year Ended	Price Per Ordinary Share <u>R</u>			ADS ¹ §		Average Daily Trading <u>Volume</u> Ordinary	
Tear Ended	<u>High</u>	Low	High	Low	Share	ADSs	
	·						
June 30, 2012	6.28	2.97	8.16	4.21	1,090,043	97,107	
June 30, 2013	7.55	4.49	8.59	4.90	631,264	78,400	
June 30, 2014	6.64	2.45	6.47	2.39	594,552	117,380	
June 30, 2015	4.03	1.73	3.65	1.35	462,934	149,298	
June 30, 2016	9.49	1.49	6.05	1.10	1,313,746	273,317	
	Price I	Per	Price 1	Per	Average	Daily	
	Ordinary	Share	ADS	S^1	Tradi	ng	
	<u>R</u>		<u>\$</u>		Volun	<u>ne</u>	
Quarter					Ordinary		
	<u>High</u>	Low	<u>High</u>	Low	<u>Share</u>	<u>ADSs</u>	
Q1 July – September 2014	4.03	2.52	3.65	2.37	587,358	170.377	
Q2 October – December 2014	3.82	1.79	3.48	1.35	459,947	227,531	
Q3 January – March 2015	3.45	1.86	2.88	1.47	466,275	134,460	
Q4 April – June 2015	2.60	2.02	2.06	1.55	327,770	61,360	
Q1 July – September 2015	2.44	1.49	1.87	1.10	1,013,862	203,614	
Q2 October – December 2015	2.70	2.01	1.85	1.34	1,074,773	61,230	
Q3 January – March 2016	6.50	2.57	4.15	1.65	1,933,667	364,092	
Q4 April – June 2016	9.49	5.80	6.05	5.83	1,260,555	468,585	
Q1 July – September 2016	12.62	6.50	9.10	4.74	1,186,933	685,864	
	Price I	Per	Price 1	Per			
	Ordinary	Share	ADS	S	Average	Daily	
	<u>R</u>		<u>\$</u>		Trading V		
Month Ended	_		_		Ordinary		
	<u>High</u>	Low	High	Low	Share	ADSs	
April 30, 2016	7.85	5.80	5.49	3.88	1,306,749	428,798	
May 31, 2016	9.49	6.92	6.05	4.34	1,422,890	597,187	
June 30, 2016	8.84	7.05	5.90	4.45	1,054,224	383,807	
July 31, 2016	12.62	8.65	9.03	5.99	1,390,588	911,789	
August 31, 2016	12.39	7.40	9.10	5.07	1,146,088	711,474	
September 30, 2016	8.30	6.50	5.89	4.74	1,031,699	442,648	

The cumulative preference shares are not traded on any exchange.

There have been no trading suspensions with respect to our ordinary shares on the JSE during the past three years ended June 30, 2016, nor have there been any trading suspensions with respect to our ADRs on the New York Stock Exchange since our listing on that market.

9B. PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Not applicable.

9C. MARKETS

Nature of Trading Markets

The principal trading market for our equity securities is the JSE (symbol: DRD) and our ADSs that trade on the New York Stock Exchange (symbol: DRD). Our ordinary shares also trade on the Marche Libre on the Paris Bourse (symbol: DUR). The ordinary shares also trade on the over the counter markets in Berlin and Stuttgart and the Regulated Unofficial Market on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. The ADRs are issued by The Bank of New York Mellon, as depositary. Each ADR represents one ADS and each ADS represents ten of our ordinary shares. Until July 23, 2007, each ADS represented one of our ordinary shares. Prior to December 29, 2011, our ADSs traded on the Nasdaq National Market.

9D. SELLING SHAREHOLDERS

Not applicable.

9E. DILUTION

Not applicable.

9F. EXPENSES OF THE ISSUE

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

10A. SHARE CAPITAL

Not applicable.

10B. MEMORANDUM OF INCORPORATION

As of June 30, 2016, we had authorized for issuance 600,000,000 ordinary shares of no par value (as of September 30, 2016: 600,000,000), and 5,000,000 cumulative preference shares of R0.10 par value (as of September 30, 2016: 5,000,000). On this date we had issued 431,429,767 ordinary shares (as of September 30, 2016: 431,429, 767) and 5,000,000 cumulative preference shares (as of September 30, 2016: 5,000,000).

Set out below are brief summaries of certain provisions of our Memorandum of Incorporation, or our MOI, the Companies Act of South Africa and the JSE Listings Requirements, all as in effect on September 30, 2016. The summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the MOI, the Companies Act, and the JSE Listings Requirements.

We are registered under the Companies Act of South Africa under registration number 1895/000926/06. As set forth in our Memorandum of Incorporation, the main object and business of our company is mining and exploration for gold and other minerals.

Borrowing Powers

Our directors may from time to time borrow for the purposes of the company, such sums as they think fit and secure the payment or repayment of any such sums, or any other sum, as they think fit, whether by the creation and issue of securities, mortgage or charge upon all or any of the property or assets of the company. The directors shall procure that the aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding in respect of monies so borrowed or raised by the company and all the subsidiaries for the time being of the company shall not exceed the aggregate amount at that time authorized to be borrowed or secured by the company or the subsidiaries for the time being of the company (as the case may be).

Share Ownership Requirements

Our directors are not required to hold any shares to qualify or be appointed as a director.

Voting by Directors

A director may authorize any other director to vote for him at any meeting at which neither he nor his alternate director appointed by him is present. Any director so authorized shall, in addition to his own vote, have a vote for each director by whom he is authorized.

The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the directors is a majority of the directors present at a meeting before a vote may be called at any meeting of directors.

Directors are required to notify our board of directors of interests in companies and contracts. If a director has a personal financial interest in respect of a matter to be considered at a meeting of the board he or she must disclose the interest and its nature, any material information relating to the matter and thereafter leave the meeting immediately after making the disclosure. Such director must not take part in consideration of the matter. He is not to be regarded as being present for the purpose of determining whether a resolution has sufficient support to be adopted.

The King Report on Corporate Governance for South Africa (King III Report) which came into effect on March 1, 2010, sets out guidelines to promote the highest standards of corporate governance among South African companies. The board of directors believes that our business should be conducted according to the highest legal and ethical standards. In accordance with the board practice, all remuneration of executive directors is approved by the Remuneration and Nominations Committee, and the shareholders approve remuneration of non-executive directors.

DRDGOLD commits itself to observing the provision of the King III Report and enforcing these to the extent possible within the context of the report's 'apply or explain' principle.

Under South African common law, directors are required to comply with certain fiduciary duties to the company and to exercise proper care and skill in discharging their responsibilities. These common law duties have now been codified by the Companies Act.

Age Restrictions

There is no age limit for directors.

Election of Directors

Each director shall be appointed by election by way of an ordinary resolution of shareholders at a general or annual meeting of company ("elected director (s)") and no appointment of a director by way of a written circulated shareholders resolution in terms of section 60 of the Companies Act shall be competent.

One third of our directors, on a rotating basis, are subject to re-election at each annual general shareholder's meeting. Retiring directors usually make themselves available for re-election. An amendment to the MOI which also subjects executive directors to re-election by rotation was approved by shareholders at the 2014 annual general meeting.

General Meetings

On the request of any shareholder or shareholders holding not less than 10 percent of our share capital which carries the right of voting at general meetings, we shall issue a notice to shareholders convening a general meeting for a date not less than 15 days from the date of the notice. Directors may convene general meetings at any time.

Our annual general meeting and a meeting of our shareholders for the purpose of passing a special resolution may be called by giving 15 days advance written notice of that meeting. For any other general meeting of our shareholders, 15 days advance written notice is required.

Our MOI provides that if at a meeting convened upon request by our shareholders, a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes after the time selected for the meeting, such meeting shall be postponed for one week. However the chairman has the discretion to extend the fifteen minutes for a reasonable period on certain grounds. The necessary quorum is three members present with sufficient voting powers in person or by proxy to exercise in aggregate 25% of the voting rights.

Voting Rights

The holders of our ordinary shares are generally entitled to vote at general meetings and on a show of hands have one vote per person and on a poll have one for every share held. The holders of our cumulative preference shares are not entitled to vote at a general meeting unless any preference dividend is in arrears for more than six months at the date on which the notice convening the general meeting is posted to the shareholders. Additionally, holders of cumulative preference shares may vote on resolutions which adversely affect their interests and on resolutions regarding the disposal of all or substantially all of our assets or mineral rights. When entitled to vote, holders of our cumulative preference shares are entitled to one vote per person on a show of hands and that portion of the total votes which the aggregate amount of the nominal value of the shares held by the relevant shareholder bears to the aggregate amount of the nominal value of all shares issued by us.

Dividends

We may, in a general meeting, or our directors may, from time to time, declare a dividend to be paid to the shareholders in proportion to the number of shares they each hold. No dividend shall be declared except out of our profits. Dividends may be declared either free or subject to the deduction of income tax or duty in respect of which we may be charged. Holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared by the directors.

Ownership Limitations

There are no limitations imposed by our MOI or South African law on the rights of shareholders to hold or vote on our ordinary shares or securities convertible into our ordinary shares.

Winding-up

If we are wound-up, then the assets remaining after payment of all of our debts and liabilities, including the costs of liquidation, shall be applied to repay to the shareholders the amount paid up on our issued capital and thereafter the balance shall be distributed to the shareholders in proportion to their respective shareholdings. On a winding up, our cumulative preference shares rank, in regard to all arrears of preference dividends, prior to the holders of ordinary shares. As of September 30, 2016, no such dividends have been declared. Except for the preference dividend and as described in this Item our cumulative preference shares are not entitled to any other participation in the distribution of our surplus assets on winding-up.

Reduction of Capital

We may, by special resolution, reduce the share capital authorized by our MOI, or reduce our issued share capital including, without limitation, any stated capital, capital redemption reserve fund and share premium account by making distributions and buying back our shares.

Amendment of the MOI

Our MOI may be altered by the passing of a special resolution or in compliance with a court order. The Company may also amend the MOI by increasing or decreasing the number of authorized shares, classifying or reclassifying shares, or determining the terms of shares in a class. A special resolution is passed when the shareholders holding at least 25% of the total votes of all the members entitled to vote are present or represented by proxy at a meeting and, if the resolution was passed on a show of hands, at least 75% of those shareholders voted in favor of the resolution and, if a poll was demanded, at least 75% of the total votes to which those shareholders are entitled were cast in favor of the resolution.

Consent of the Holders of Cumulative Preference Shares

The rights and conditions attaching to the cumulative preference shares may not be cancelled, varied or added, nor may we issue shares ranking, regarding rights to dividends or on winding up, in priority to or equal with our cumulative preference shares, or dispose of all or part of the Argonaut mineral rights without the consent in writing of the registered holders of our cumulative preference shares or the prior sanction of a resolution passed at a separate class meeting of the holders of our cumulative preference shares.

Distributions

We are authorized to make payments in cash or in specie to our shareholders in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and other consents required by law from time to time. We may, for example, in a general meeting, upon recommendation of our directors, resolve that any surplus funds representing capital profits arising from the sale of any capital assets and not required for the payment of any fixed preferential dividend, be distributed among our ordinary shareholders. However, no such profit shall be distributed unless we have sufficient other assets to satisfy our liabilities and to cover our paid up share capital. We also need to consider the solvency and liquidity requirements stated in the Companies Act of South Africa.

Directors' power to vote compensation to themselves

The remuneration of non-executive directors may not exceed in aggregate in any financial year the amount fixed by the Company in general meeting. The Companies Act requires that remuneration to non-executive directors may be paid only in accordance with a special resolution approved by shareholders within the previous two years.

Time limit for dividend entitlement

All unclaimed monies that are due to any shareholder/s shall be held by the company in trust for an indefinite period until lawfully claimed by such shareholder/s, subject to the Prescription Act, 1968 as amended or any other law which governs the law of prescription.

Staggered director elections & cumulative voting

At each annual general meeting of the Company one-third of the directors shall retire and be eligible for re-election. No provision is made for cumulative voting.

Sinking fund provisions and liability to further capital calls

There are no sinking fund provisions in the MOI attaching to any class of the company shares, and the company does not subject shareholders to liability to further capital calls.

Provision that would delay/prevent change of control

The Companies Act provides that companies which propose to merge or amalgamate must enter into a written agreement setting out the terms thereof. They must prove that upon implementation of the amalgamation or merger each will satisfy the solvency and liquidity test. Companies involved in disposals, amalgamations or mergers, or schemes of arrangement must obtain a compliance certificate from the Takeover Regulation Panel, pass special resolutions and in some instances they must obtain an independent expert report.

10C. MATERIAL CONTRACTS

No material contracts were entered during the two years immediately preceding the publication of this report.

10D. EXCHANGE CONTROLS

The following is a summary of the material South African exchange control measures, which has been derived from publicly available documents. The following summary is not a comprehensive description of all the exchange control regulations. The discussion in this section is based on the current law and positions of the South African Government. Changes in the law may alter the exchange control provisions that apply, possibly on a retroactive basis.

Introduction

Dealings in foreign currency, the export of capital and revenue, payments by residents to non-residents and various other exchange control matters in South Africa are regulated by the South African exchange control regulations, or the Regulations. The Regulations form part of the general monetary policy of South Africa. The Regulations are issued under Section 9 of the Currency and Exchanges Act, 1933 (as amended). In terms of the Regulations, the control over South African capital and revenue reserves, as well as the accruals and spending thereof, is vested in the Treasury (Ministry of Finance), or the Treasury.

The Treasury has delegated the administration of exchange controls to the Exchange Control Department of the South African Reserve Bank, or SARB, which is responsible for the day to day administration and functioning of exchange controls. SARB has a wide discretion. Certain banks authorized by the Treasury to co-administer certain of the exchange controls, are authorized by the Treasury to deal in foreign exchange. Such dealings in foreign exchange by authorized dealers are undertaken in accordance with the provisions and requirements of the exchange control rulings, or Rulings, and contain certain administrative measures, as well as conditions and limits applicable to transactions in foreign exchange, which may be undertaken by authorized dealers. Non-residents have been granted general approval, in terms of the Rulings, to deal in South African assets, to invest and disinvest in South Africa.

The Regulations provide for restrictions on exporting capital from the Common Monetary Area consisting of South Africa, Namibia, and the Kingdoms of Lesotho and Swaziland. Transactions between residents of the Common Monetary Area are not subject to these exchange control regulations.

There are many inherent disadvantages to exchange controls, including distortion of the price mechanism, problems encountered in the application of monetary policy, detrimental effects on inward foreign investment and administrative costs associated therewith. The South African Finance Minister has indicated that all remaining exchange controls are likely to be dismantled as soon as circumstances permit. Since 1998, there has been a gradual relaxation of exchange controls. The gradual approach to the abolition of exchange controls adopted by the Government of South Africa is designed to allow the economy to adjust more smoothly to the removal of controls that have been in place for a considerable period of time. The stated objective of the authorities is equality of treatment between residents and non-residents with respect to inflows and outflows of capital. The focus of regulation, subsequent to the abolition of exchange controls, is expected to favor the positive aspects of prudential financial supervision.

The present exchange control system in South Africa is used principally to control capital movements. South African companies are not permitted to maintain foreign bank accounts without SARB approval and, without the approval of SARB, are generally not permitted to export capital from South Africa or hold foreign currency. In addition, South African companies are required to obtain the approval of SARB prior to raising foreign funding on the strength of their South African statements of financial position, which would permit recourse to South Africa in the event of defaults. Where 75% or more of a South African company's capital, voting power, power of control or earnings is directly or indirectly controlled by non-residents, such a corporation is designated an "affected person" by SARB, and certain restrictions are placed on its ability to obtain local financial assistance. We are not, and have never been, designated an "affected person" by SARB.

Foreign investment and outward loans by South African companies are also restricted. In addition, without the approval of SARB, South African companies are generally required to repatriate to South Africa profits of foreign operations and are limited in their ability to utilize profits of one foreign business to finance operations of a different foreign business. South African companies establishing subsidiaries, branches, offices or joint ventures abroad are generally required to submit financial statements on these operations as well as progress reports to SARB on an annual basis. As a result, a South African company's ability to raise and deploy capital outside the Common Monetary Area is restricted.

Although exchange controls have been gradually relaxed since 1998, unlimited outward transfers of capital are not permitted at this stage. Some of the more salient changes to the South African exchange control provisions over the past few years have been as follows:

- corporations wishing to invest in countries outside the Common Monetary Area, in addition to what is set out below, apply
 for permission to enter into corporate asset/share swap and share placement transactions to acquire foreign investments. The
 latter mechanism entails the placement of the locally quoted corporation's shares with long-term overseas holders who, in
 payment for the shares, provide the foreign currency abroad which the corporation then uses to acquire the target investment;
- corporations wishing to establish new overseas ventures are permitted to transfer offshore up to R500 million to finance approved investments abroad and up to R500 million to finance approved new investments in African countries on an annual bases. Approval from SARB is required in advance for investments in excess of R500 million. On application to SARB, corporations are also allowed to use part of their local cash holdings to finance up to 10% of approved new foreign investments where the cost of these investments exceeds the current limits;
- as a general rule, SARB requires that more than 10% of equity of the acquired off-shore venture is acquired within a predetermined period of time, as a prerequisite to allowing the expatriation of funds. If these requirements are not met, SARB may instruct that the equity be disposed of. In our experience SARB has taken a commercial view on this, and has on occasion extended the period of time for compliance; and
- remittance of directors' fees payable to persons permanently resident outside the Common Monetary Area may be approved by authorized dealers, in terms of the Rulings.

Authorized dealers in foreign exchange may, against the production of suitable documentary evidence, provide forward cover to South African residents in respect of fixed and ascertained foreign exchange commitments covering the movement of goods.

Persons who emigrate from South Africa are entitled to take limited amounts of money out of South Africa as a settling-in allowance. The balance of the emigrant's funds will be blocked and held under the control of an authorized dealer. These blocked funds may only be invested in:

- blocked current, savings, interest bearing deposit accounts in the books of an authorized dealer in the banking sector;
- securities quoted on the JSE and financial instruments listed on the Bond Exchange of South Africa which are deposited with
 an authorized dealer and not released except temporarily for switching purposes, without the approval of SARB. Authorized
 dealers must at all times be able to demonstrate that listed or quoted securities or financial instruments which are
 dematerialized or immobilized in a central securities depository are being held subject to the control of the authorized dealer
 concerned; or
- mutual funds.

Aside from the investments referred to above, blocked rands may only be utilized for very limited purposes. Dividends declared out of capital gains or out of income earned prior to emigration remain subject to the blocking procedure. It is not possible to predict when existing exchange controls will be abolished or whether they will be continued or modified by the South African Government in the future.

Sale of Shares

Under present exchange control regulations in South Africa, our ordinary shares and ADSs are freely transferable outside the Common Monetary Area between non-residents of the Common Monetary Area. In addition, the proceeds from the sale of ordinary shares on the JSE on behalf of shareholders who are not residents of the Common Monetary Area are freely remittable to such shareholders. Share certificates held by non-residents will be endorsed with the words "non-resident," unless dematerialized.

Dividends

Dividends declared in respect of shares held by a non-resident in a company whose shares are listed on the JSE are freely remittable.

Any cash dividends paid by us are paid in rands. Holders of ADSs on the relevant record date will be entitled to receive any dividends payable in respect of the shares underlying the ADSs, subject to the terms of the deposit agreement entered on August 12, 1996, and as amended and restated, between the Company and The Bank of New York, as the depository. Subject to exceptions provided in the deposit agreement, cash dividends paid in rand will be converted by the depositary to dollars and paid by the depositary to holders of ADSs, net of conversion expenses of the depositary, in accordance with the deposit agreement. The depositary will charge holders of ADSs, to the extent applicable, taxes and other governmental charges and specified fees and other expenses.

Voting rights

There are no limitations imposed by South African law or by our MOI on the right of non-South African shareholders to hold or vote our ordinary shares.

10E. TAXATION

Material South African Income Tax Consequences

The following is a summary of material income tax considerations under South African income tax law. No representation with respect to the consequences to any particular purchaser of our securities is made hereby. Prospective purchasers are urged to consult their tax advisers with respect to their particular circumstances and the effect of South African or other tax laws to which they may be subject.

South Africa imposes tax on worldwide income of South African residents. Generally, South African non-residents do not pay tax in South Africa except in the following circumstances:

Income Tax and withholding tax on dividends

Non-residents will pay income tax on any amounts received by or accrued to them from a source within (or deemed to be within) South Africa. Interest earned by a non-resident on a debt instrument issued by a South African company will be regarded as being derived from a South African source but will be regarded as exempt from taxation in terms of Section 10(1)(i) of the South African Income Tax Act, 1962 (as amended), or the Income Tax Act. This exemption applies to so much of any interest and dividends (which are not otherwise exempt) received from a South African source not exceeding (a) R34,500 if the taxpayer is 65 years of age or older or (b) R23,800 if the taxpayer is younger than 65 years of age at the end of the relevant tax year.

No withholding tax is deductible in respect of interest payments made to non-resident investors.

Section 64F of the amendments to the Income Tax Act as set out in Part VIII in Chapter II of the Income Tax Act, sets out beneficial owners who are exempt from the dividend tax, which includes, resident companies receiving a dividend after the effective date, being April 1, 2012. The Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of South Africa for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital Gains, or the Tax Treaty, would limit the rate of this tax with respect to dividends paid on ordinary shares or ADSs to a US resident (within the meaning of the Tax Treaty) to 5% of the gross amount of the dividends if such US resident is a company which holds directly at least 10% of our voting stock and 15% of the gross amount of the dividends in all other cases.

The above provisions shall not apply if the beneficial owner of the dividends is resident in the US, carries on business in South Africa through a permanent establishment situated in South Africa, or performs in South Africa independent personal services from a fixed base situated in South Africa, and the dividends are attributable to such permanent establishment or fixed base.

In fiscal years 2016 and 2015, the corporate tax rates for taxable mining and non-mining income were 34% and 28%, respectively. The Company, is subject to 34% tax on mining income and 28% for non-mining income. The formula for determining the South African gold mining tax rate for FY2016 and FY2015 is: Y = 34 - 170/X. Where Y is the percentage rate of tax payable and X is the ratio of taxable income, net of any qualifying capital expenditure that bears to mining income derived, expressed as a percentage.

With effect from April 1, 2014, Section 8F of the Income Tax Act results in any amount of interest which is incurred in respect of a "hybrid debt instrument" is deemed to be a dividend in specie and taxed as such in the hands of the payor and the recipient. The various subordination agreements entered into within the group as outlined in Item 7B. "Related party transactions" resulted in the associated loans within the group being characterised as "hybrid debt instruments" and being taxed accordingly. Section 8F of the Income Tax Act has subsequently been revised and amendments will become effective during fiscal 2017. These amendments may result in these loans as outlined above not being subject to Section 8F of the Income Tax Act.

Capital Gains Tax

Non-residents are generally not subject to Capital Gains Tax, or CGT, in South Africa. They will only be subject to CGT on gains arising from the disposal of capital assets if the assets disposed of consist of:

- immovable property owned by the non-residents situated in South Africa, or any interest or right in or to immovable property. A non-resident will have an interest in immovable property if it has a direct or indirect shareholding of at least 20% in a company, where 80% or more of the net assets of that company (determined on a market value basis) are attributable directly or indirectly to immovable property; or
- any asset of a permanent establishment of a non-resident in South Africa through which a trade is carried on.

If the non-residents are not subject to CGT because the assets disposed of do not fall within the categories described above, it follows that they will also not be able to claim the capital losses arising from the disposal of the assets.

United States Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following discussion is a summary of the US federal income tax consequences to US holders (as defined below) of the purchase, ownership and disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs. It deals only with US holders who hold ordinary shares or ADSs as capital assets for US federal income tax purposes. This discussion is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code, published rulings, judicial decisions and the Treasury regulations, all as currently in effect and all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. This discussion has no binding effect or official status of any kind; we cannot assure holders that the conclusions reached below would be sustained by a court if challenged by the Internal Revenue Service.

This discussion does not address all aspects of US federal income taxation that may be applicable to holders in light of their particular circumstances and does not address special classes of US holders subject to special treatment (such as dealers in securities or currencies, partnerships or other pass-through entities, banks and other financial institutions, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, certain expatriates or former long-term residents of the United States, persons holding ordinary shares or ADSs as part of a "hedge," "conversion transaction," "synthetic security," "straddle," "constructive sale" or other integrated investment, persons who acquired the ordinary shares or ADSs upon the exercise of employee stock options or otherwise as compensation, persons whose functional currency is not the US dollar, or persons that actually or constructively own ten percent or more of our voting stock). This discussion addresses only US federal income tax consequences and does not address the effect of any state, local, or foreign tax laws that may apply, the alternative minimum tax, the Medicare tax or the application of the federal estate or gift tax.

For purposes of this discussion, a "US holder" is a beneficial owner of ordinary shares or ADSs who or that is, for US federal income tax purposes:

- a citizen or individual resident of the US;
- a corporation (or any entity treated as a corporation for US federal income tax purposes) created or organized under the laws of the US or any political subdivision thereof;
- an estate, the income of which is subject to US federal income tax without regard to its source; or
- a trust, if a court within the US is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more US persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or if the trust has made a valid election to be treated as a US person.

If a partnership (or an entity treated as a partnership for US federal income tax purposes) holds any ordinary shares or ADSs, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and on the activities of the partnership. Partners in partnerships holding any ordinary shares or ADSs are urged to consult their tax advisors.

Because individual circumstances may differ, US holders of ordinary shares or ADSs are urged to consult their tax advisors concerning the US federal income tax consequences applicable to their particular situations as well as any consequences to them arising under the tax laws of any foreign, state or local taxing jurisdiction.

Ownership of Ordinary Shares or ADSs

For purposes of the Code, a US holder of ADSs will be treated for US federal income tax purposes as the owner of the ordinary shares represented by those ADSs. Exchanges of ordinary shares for ADSs and ADSs for ordinary shares generally will not be subject to US federal income tax.

Subject to the discussion below under the heading "Passive Foreign Investment Company", distributions with respect to the ordinary shares or ADSs, other than distributions in liquidation and distributions in redemption of stock that are treated as exchanges, will be taxed to US holders as ordinary dividend income to the extent that the distributions do not exceed our current and accumulated earnings and profits. For US federal income tax purposes, the amount of any distribution received by a US holder will equal the dollar value of the sum of the South African rand payments made (including the amount of South African income taxes, if any, withheld with respect to such payments), determined at the "spot rate" on the date the dividend distribution is includable in such US holder's income, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into dollars. Generally, any gain or loss resulting from currency exchange fluctuations during the period from the date a US holder includes the dividend payment in income to the date such holder converts the payment into dollars will be treated as ordinary income or loss. Distributions, if any, in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits will constitute a non-taxable return of capital and will be applied against and reduce the holder's basis in the ordinary shares or ADSs. To the extent that these distributions exceed the US holder's tax basis in the ordinary shares or ADSs, as applicable, the excess generally will be treated as capital gain, subject to the discussion below under the heading "Passive Foreign Investment Company". We do not intend to calculate our earnings or profits for US federal income tax purposes. US holders should therefore assume that any distributions with respect to our ordinary shares or ADSs will constitute dividend income.

"Qualified dividend income" received by individual US holders (as well as certain trusts and estates) generally will be taxed at a maximum US federal income tax rate applicable to capital gains. This reduced rate generally would apply to dividends paid by us if, at the time such dividends are paid, either (i) we are eligible for benefits under a qualifying income tax treaty with the US or (ii) our ordinary shares or ADSs with respect to which such dividends were paid are readily tradable on an established securities market in the US. However, this reduced rate is subject to certain important requirements and exceptions, including, without limitation, certain holding period requirements and an exception applicable if we are treated as a passive foreign investment company as discussed under the heading "Passive Foreign Investment Company". US holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the US federal income tax rate that will be applicable to their receipt of any dividends paid with respect to the ordinary shares and ADSs.

For purposes of this discussion, the "spot rate" generally means a rate that reflects a fair market rate of exchange available to the public for currency under a "spot contract" in a free market and involving representative amounts. A "spot contract" is a contract to buy or sell a currency on or before two business days following the date of the execution of the contract. If such a spot rate cannot be demonstrated, the US Internal Revenue Service has the authority to determine the spot rate.

Dividend income derived with respect to the ordinary shares or ADSs will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction generally allowed to a US corporation under Section 243 of the Code. Dividend income will be treated as foreign source income for foreign tax credit and other purposes. In computing the separate foreign tax credit limitations, dividend income should generally constitute "passive category income," or in the case of certain US holders, "general category income."

Passive Foreign Investment Company

A special and adverse set of US federal income tax rules apply to a US holder that holds stock in a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC. We would be a PFIC for US federal income tax purposes if for any taxable year either (i) 75% or more of our gross income, including our pro rata share of the gross income of any company in which we are considered to own 25% or more of the shares by value, were passive income or (ii) 50% or more of our average total assets (by value), including our pro rata share of the assets of any company in which we are considered to own 25% or more of the shares by value, were assets that produced or were held for the production of passive income. If we were a PFIC, US holders of the ordinary shares or ADSs would be subject to special rules with respect to (i) any gain recognized upon the disposition of the ordinary shares or ADSs and (ii) any receipt of an excess distribution (generally, any distributions to a US holder during a single taxable year that is greater than 125% of the average amount of distributions received by such US holder during the three preceding taxable years in respect of the ordinary shares or ADSs or, if shorter, such US holder's holding period for the ordinary shares or ADSs). Under these rules:

- the gain or excess distribution will be allocated ratably over a US holder's holding period for the ordinary shares or ADSs, as applicable;
- the amount allocated to the taxable year in which a US holder realizes the gain or excess distribution will be taxed as ordinary income;
- the amount allocated to each prior year (other than a pre-PFIC year), with certain exceptions, will be taxed at the highest tax
 rate in effect for that year; and
- the interest charge generally applicable to underpayments of tax will be imposed in respect of the tax attributable to each such year (other than a pre-PFIC year).

Although we generally will be treated as a PFIC as to any US holder if we are a PFIC for any year during a US holder's holding period, if we cease to satisfy the requirements for PFIC classification, the US holder may avoid PFIC classification for subsequent years if such holder elects to recognize gain based on the unrealized appreciation in the ordinary shares or ADSs through the close of the tax year in which we cease to be a PFIC.

A US holder of a PFIC are required to file an annual report with the Internal Revenue Service containing such information as the US Secretary of Treasury may require.

A US holder of the ordinary shares or ADSs that are treated as "marketable stock" under the PFIC rules may be able to avoid the imposition of the special tax and interest charge described above by making a mark-to-market election. Pursuant to this election, the US holder would include in ordinary income or loss for each taxable year an amount equal to the difference as of the close of the taxable year between the fair market value of the ordinary shares or ADSs and the US holder's adjusted tax basis in such ordinary shares or ADSs. Losses would be allowed only to the extent of net mark-to-market gain previously included by the US holder under the election for prior taxable years. If a mark-to-market election with respect to ordinary shares or ADSs is in effect on the date of a US holder's death, the tax basis of the ordinary shares or ADSs in the hands of a US holder who acquired them from a decedent will be the lesser of the decedent's tax basis or the fair market value of the ordinary shares or ADSs. US holders desiring to make the mark-to-market election are urged to consult their tax advisors with respect to the application and effect of making the election for the ordinary shares or ADSs.

In the case of a US holder who holds ordinary shares or ADSs and who does not make a mark-to-market election, the special tax and interest charge described above will not apply if such holder makes an election to treat us as a "qualified electing fund" in the first taxable year in which such holder owns the ordinary shares or ADSs and if we comply with certain reporting requirements. However, we do not intend to supply US holders with the information needed to report income and gain pursuant to a "qualified electing fund" election in the event that we are classified as a PFIC.

We believe that we were not a PFIC for our fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. However, under the PFIC rules income and assets are require to be measured and classified in accordance with US federal income tax principles. Our analysis is based on our financial statements as prepared in accordance with IFRS, which may substantially differ from US federal income tax principles. Therefore, no assurance can be given that we were not a PFIC for our 2015 fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Furthermore, the tests for determining whether we would be a PFIC for any taxable year are applied annually and it is difficult to make accurate predictions of future income and assets, which are relevant to this determination. In addition, certain factors in the PFIC determination, such as reductions in the market value of our capital stock, are not within our control and can cause us to become a PFIC. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that we will not become a PFIC.

The rules relating to PFICs are very complex. US holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the application of the PFIC rules to their investments in our ordinary shares or ADSs.

Disposition of Ordinary Shares or ADSs

Subject to the discussion above under the heading "Passive Foreign Investment Company", upon a sale, exchange, or other taxable disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs, a US holder will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the US dollar value of the amount realized on the sale or exchange and such holder's adjusted tax basis in the ordinary shares or ADSs. Subject to the application of the "passive foreign investment company" rules discussed above, such gain or loss generally will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the US holder has held the ordinary shares or ADSs for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Gain or loss recognized by a US holder on the taxable disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs generally will be treated as US-source gain or loss for US foreign tax credit purposes.

In the case of a cash basis US holder who receives rands in connection with the taxable disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs, the amount realized will be based on the spot rate as determined on the settlement date of such exchange. A US holder who receives payment in rand and converts rand into US dollars at a conversion rate other than the rate in effect on the settlement date may have a foreign currency exchange gain or loss that would be treated as ordinary income or loss.

An accrual basis US holder may elect the same treatment required of cash basis taxpayers with respect to a taxable disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs, provided that the election is applied consistently from year to year. Such election may not be changed without the consent of the Internal Revenue Service. In the event that an accrual basis holder does not elect to be treated as a cash basis taxpayer, such US holder may have a foreign currency gain or loss for US federal income tax purposes because of the differences between the US dollar value of the currency received prevailing on the trade date and the settlement date. Any such currency gain or loss will be treated as ordinary income or loss and would be in addition to gain or loss, if any, recognized by such US holder on the disposition of such ordinary shares or ADSs.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Payments made in the United States or through certain US-related financial intermediaries of dividends or the proceeds of the sale or other disposition of our ordinary shares or ADSs may be subject to information reporting and US federal backup withholding if the recipient of such payment is not an "exempt recipient" and fails to supply certain identifying information, such as an accurate taxpayer identification number, in the required manner. Generally, individuals are not exempt recipients, whereas corporations and certain other entities generally are exempt recipients. The backup withholding tax rate is currently 28%. Payments made with respect to our ordinary shares or ADSs to a US holder must be reported to the Internal Revenue Service, unless the US holder is an exempt recipient or otherwise establishes an exemption. Any amount withheld from a payment to a US holder under the backup withholding rules is refundable or allowable as a credit against the holder's US federal income tax, provided that the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

Information with respect to Foreign Financial Assets

Certain US holders may be required to report on Internal Revenue Service Form 8938 information relating to an interest in ordinary shares or ADSs, subject to certain exceptions (including an exception for assets held in accounts maintained by certain financial institutions, although the account itself may be reportable if held at a non-US financial institution). US holders should consult their tax advisers regarding the effect, if any, of this reporting requirement on their acquisition, ownership and disposition of ordinary shares or ADSs. US holders should consult their tax advisors regarding application of the information reporting and backup withholding rules.

10F. DIVIDENDS AND PAYING AGENTS

On August 26, 2016, we declared a dividend which, in total, amounted to R51.8 million (12 cents per ordinary share). Dividend withholding tax is 15% of the dividend paid, lower rates can apply for foreign beneficial owners and there are also certain exemptions that apply. The dividend withholding tax will be withheld from the dividend payment. There are no dividend restrictions.

Date of entitlement: October 14, 2016
Approximate date of conversion: October 21, 2016
Approximate payment date: October 24, 2016

Paying agents: Link Market Services (US & SA), St James's Corporate Services (UK), Computershare (AUS)

10G. STATEMENT BY EXPERTS

Not applicable.

10H. DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY

You may request a copy of our US Securities and Exchange Commission filings, at no cost, by writing or calling us at DRDGOLD Limited, P.O. Box 390, Maraisburg, Johannesburg, South Africa 1700. Attn: Group Company Secretary. Tel No. +27-11-470-2600. A copy of each report submitted in accordance with applicable United States law is available for public review at our principal executive offices at DRDGOLD Limited, Off Crownwood Road, Crown Mines, 2092, South Africa.

10I. SUBSIDIARY INFORMATION

Not applicable.

ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

General

In the normal course of our operations, we are exposed to market risk, including commodity price, foreign currency, interest and credit risks. We do not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes, nor do we hedge forward gold sales. Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 25 - Financial instruments" of the consolidated financial statements for a qualitative and quantitative discussion of our exposure to these market risks.

Commodity price risk

The market price of gold has a significant effect on our results of operations, our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries to pay dividends and undertake capital expenditures, and the market price of our ordinary shares or ADSs. Historically, gold prices have fluctuated widely and are affected by numerous industry factors over which we have no control. The aggregate effect of these factors on the gold price is impossible for us to predict. The price of gold may not remain at a level allowing us to economically exploit our reserves. It is our policy not to hedge this commodity price risk.

Concentration of credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to us if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from our receivables from customers and investment securities.

Our financial instruments do not represent a significant concentration of credit risk, because we deal with a variety of major banks and financial institutions located in South Africa after evaluating the credit ratings of the representative financial institutions. Furthermore, our trade receivables and loans are regularly monitored and assessed for recoverability. Where it is appropriate, an impairment loss is raised. In addition, our South African operations deliver their gold to Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited (Rand Refinery), which refines the gold to saleable purity levels and then sells the gold, on behalf of the South African operations, on the bullion market. Any potential shortfall in inventory in Rand Refinery is secured by the loan arrangement and to the extent of this facility, between it and its shareholders (refer Item 5A. "Financial instruments). The gold is sold by Rand Refinery usually on the same day as it is delivered and settlement is made within two days.

Foreign currency risk

Our reporting currency is the South African rand. Although gold is sold in US dollars, the Company is obliged to convert this into rands. We are thus exposed to fluctuations in the US dollar/rand exchange rate. Foreign exchange fluctuations affect the cash flow that we will realize from our operations as gold is sold in US dollars, while production costs are incurred primarily in rands. Our results are positively affected when the US dollar strengthens against the rand and adversely affected when the US dollar weakens against the rand. Our cash and cash equivalent balances are held in US dollars and rands; holdings denominated in other currencies are relatively insignificant. Refer to Item 18. "Financial Statements - Note 25 - Financial instruments" of the consolidated financial statements for discussion of interest rate risks, currency risks and sensitivity analysis.

Long-term debt

Set out below is an analysis of our debt as at June 30, 2016. All of our long-term debt is denominated in South African rand.

	<u>K 000</u>
Interest rate	
Fixed rate	19,161
Weighted average interest rate	17.9%
Total	19,161
Repayment period	
2016	2,355
2017	2,772
2018	3,264
2019	10,770
Total	19,161

Based on our fiscal 2016 financial results, a hypothetical 100 basis points (increase)/decrease in interest rate activity would (increase)/decrease our interest expense by R0.2 million.

ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

12A. DEBT SECURITIES

Not applicable.

12B. WARRANTS AND RIGHTS

Not applicable.

12C. OTHER SECURITIES

Not applicable.

12D. AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

Depositary Fees and Charges

DRDGOLD's American Depository Shares, or ADSs, each representing ten of DRDGOLD's ordinary shares, are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE under the symbol "DRD" (until December 29, 2011 our ADSs were traded on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "DROOY"). The ADSs are evidenced by American Depository Receipts, or ADRs, issued by The Bank of New York Mellon, as Depository under the Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement dated as of August 12, 1996, as amended and restated as of October 2, 1996, as further amended and restated as of August 6, 1998, as further amended and restated July 23, 2007, among DRDGOLD Limited, The Bank of New York Mellon and owners and beneficial owners of ADRs from time to time. ADR holders may have to pay the following service fees to the Depositary:

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<u>Service</u>	Fees (USD)
Issuance of ADSs, including issuances resulting from a distribution of	\$5.00 (or less) per $\overline{100 \text{ ADSs (or portion thereof)}^1}$
ordinary shares or rights	
Cancellation of ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal, including if the	\$5.00 (or less) per 100 ADSs (or portion thereof) ¹
Deposit Agreement terminates	
Distribution of cash dividends or other cash distributions	2 cents (or less) per ADS (or portion thereof)
Distribution of securities distributed to holders of deposited securities	
which are distributed by the Depositary to ADS registered holders	\$5.00 (or less) per 100 ADSs (or portion thereof)
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In addition, ADR holders are responsible for certain fees and expenses incurred by the Depositary on their behalf including (1) taxes and other governmental charges, (2) such registration fees as may from time to time be in effect for the registration of transfers of ordinary shares generally on the share register and applicable to transfers of ordinary shares to the name of the Depositary or its nominee or the Custodian or its nominee on the making of deposits or withdrawals, (3) such cable, telex and facsimile transmission expenses as are expressly provided in the Deposit Agreement, and (4) such expenses as are incurred by the Depositary in the conversion of foreign currency to U.S. Dollars.

The Depositary collects its fees for delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The Depositary, collects fees for making distributions to investors by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The Depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deductions from cash distributions or by directly billing investors or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting for them. The Depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

Depositary Payments

The Bank of New York Mellon, as Depositary, has agreed to reimburse DRDGOLD an annual amount of \$75 000 mainly consisting of accumulated contributions towards the Company's investor relations activities (including investor meetings, conferences and fees of investor relations service vendors). After the deduction of other fees, the annual reimbursement for the year ended June 30, 2016 amounts to \$43,400. DRDGOLD is also entitled to a 25% share of the dividend fees which amounts to \$84,610 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2016.

¹ These fees are typically paid to the Depositary by the brokers on behalf of their clients receiving the newly-issued ADSs from the Depositary or delivering the ADSs to the Depositary for cancellation. The brokers in turn charge these transaction fees to their clients.

PART II

ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES

There have been no material defaults in the payment of principal, interest, a sinking or purchase fund installment, or any other material defaults with respect to any indebtedness of ours.

ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Not applicable.

ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

15A. Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of June 30, 2016, our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as this term is defined under the rules of the SEC). Our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2016.

Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the applicable rules and forms and that such information required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures. These limitations include the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, any such system can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

15B. Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) or 15d-15(f) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as a process designed by, or under the supervision of, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer and effected by our board, management and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS. Under Section 404 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, management is required to assess our internal controls surrounding the financial reporting process as at the end of each fiscal year. Based on that assessment, management is to determine whether or not our internal controls over financial reporting are effective.

Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and board; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Instead, it must be noted that even those systems that management deems to be effective can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to the preparation and presentation of our financial statements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or the degree of compliance with the policies and procedures.

Our management assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2016. In making this assessment, our management used the criteria set forth by the *Internal Control-Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on our assessment and those criteria, our management concluded that as of June 30, 2016 our internal control over financial reporting was effective.

15C. Independent Auditor's Attestation Report

The effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2016 was audited by KPMG Inc., independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report on page F-1 of this Form 20-F.

15D. Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Changes that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by the annual report, need to be identified and reported as required by paragraph (d) of Rule 13a-15.

During the year ended June 30, 2016, there have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

Mr. J.A. Holtzhausen, Chairman of the Audit and Risk Committee, has been determined by our board to be an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, in accordance with the Rules of the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, and rules promulgated by the SEC and independent both under the New York Stock Exchange Rules and the South African Johannesburg Stock Exchange Rules. The board is satisfied that the skills, experience and attributes of the members of the audit and risk committee are sufficient to enable those members to discharge the responsibilities of the audit and risk committee.

ITEM 16B, CODE OF ETHICS

We have adopted a Code of Ethics and Conduct that applies to all senior executives including our Non-Executive Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer and the Financial Director at our mining operation as well as all other employees. The Code of Ethics was last updated on February 9, 2012. The Code of Ethics and Conduct can be accessed on the Company's website at www.drdgold.com.

ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

KPMG Inc. has served as our independently registered public accountant for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014, for which audited financial statements appear in this Annual Report. The Annual General Meeting elects the auditors annually.

The following table presents the aggregate fees for professional audit services and other services rendered by KPMG Inc. to us in fiscal 2016 and 2015:

Audit Fees

Audit fees billed for the annual audit services engagement, which are those services that the external auditor reasonably can provide, include the company audit; statutory audits; comfort letters and consents; attest services; and assistance with and review of documents filed with the SEC.

Auditors' remuneration	Year ended J	une 30,
	2016	2015
	<u>R'000</u>	R'000
Audit fees	6,854	6,249
Audit fees (Under provision - prior year)	825	966
Audit-related fees	-	75
Tax fees	-	-
All other fees	376	290
	8,055	7,580

Audit-Related Fees

The audit related fees for fiscal 2015 consist of fees invoiced with respect to the reporting accountants report issued on the pro forma financial information in connection with agreement entered into on July 24, 2014 by EMO and ERPM with ERPM South Africa Holding Proprietary Limited, the nominee of Australian based Walcot Capital for the disposal of certain of the underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM including the related liabilities.

Tax Fees

For fiscal 2016 and fiscal 2015, no fees have been billed for tax compliance, tax advice or tax planning services.

All other fees consist of all fees billed which are not included under audit fees, audit related fees or tax fees.

The all other fees paid during fiscal 2016 consist of fees invoiced with respect to limited assurance provided by KPMG on specified items contained in our Integrated Report for fiscal 2015. The all other fees paid during fiscal 2015 consist of fees invoiced with respect to limited assurance provided by KPMG on specified items contained in our Integrated Report for fiscal 2014. Subsequent to June 30, 2016 KPMG was engaged to provide limited assurance on specified items contained in our Integrated Report for fiscal 2016 that was billed during fiscal 2017.

The Audit and Risk Committee is directly responsible for recommending the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the external auditors as well as the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditors. The committee pre-approves, and has pre-approved, all non-audit services provided by the external auditors. The Audit and Risk Committee considered all of the fees mentioned above and determined that such fees are compatible with maintaining KPMG Inc.'s independence.

ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

Not applicable.

ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 16F. CHANGE IN REGISTRANT'S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT

Not applicable.

ITEM 16G. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

As a foreign private issuer with shares listed on the NYSE, we are subject to corporate governance requirements imposed by NYSE. Under section 303A.11 of the NYSE Listing Standards, a foreign private issuer such as us may follow its home country corporate governance practices in lieu of certain of the NYSE Listing Standards on corporate governance. The following paragraphs summarize the significant differences between these various requirements and how it is implemented by DRDGOLD:

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Shareholder meeting quorum requirements

Section 310.00 of the NYSE Listing Standards provides that the quorum required for any meeting of holders of common stock should be sufficiently high to insure a representative vote. Consistent with the practice of companies incorporated in South Africa, our Memorandum of Incorporation requires a quorum of three members present with sufficient voting powers in person or by proxy to exercise in aggregate 25% of the voting rights and we have elected to follow country rule.

ITEM 16H. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

PART III

ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following annual financial statements and related auditor's reports are filed as part of this Annual Report.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and shareholders of DRDGOLD Limited

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of DRDGOLD Limited and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended June 30, 2016. We also have audited DRDGOLD Limited's internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2016, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). DRDGOLD Limited's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying *Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and an opinion on DRDGOLD Limited's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of DRDGOLD Limited and its subsidiaries as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended June 30, 2016, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Also in our opinion, DRDGOLD Limited maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2016, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

/s/ KPMG Inc KPMG Inc Secunda, Republic of South Africa October 31, 2016

DRDGOLD Limited CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the year ended June 30, 2016

		2016	2015	2014
	Note	R'000	R'000	R'000
Revenue	3	2,433,064	2,105,298	1,809,434
Cost of sales		(2,236,790)	(1,946,331)	(1,687,270)
Operating costs		(2,030,289)	(1,786,880)	(1,598,300)
Depreciation	9	(180,167)	(193,301)	(159,999)
Retrenchment costs	4	-	(7,150)	(6,748)
Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	14 & 16	(19,259)	20,443	86,605
Movement in gold in progress		(7,075)	20,557	(8,828)
Gross profit from operating activities		196,274	158,967	122,164
Impairments	4	-	(7,904)	(56,591)
Administration expenses and general costs		(76,695)	(56,162)	(78,120)
Results from operating activities	4	119,579	94,901	(12,547)
Finance income	5	36,849	51,497	27,980
Finance expenses	6	(47,576)	(49,603)	(52,295)
Share of losses of equity accounted investments			-	(313)
Profit/(loss) before tax		108,852	96,795	(37,175)
Income tax	7	(46,923)	(28,599)	(17,548)
Profit/(loss) for the year		61,929	68,196	(54,723)
Attributable to:				
Equity owners of the parent		61,929	67,807	(45,808)
Non-controlling interest	15.2		389	(8,915)
Profit/(loss) for the year		61,929	68,196	(54,723)
Other comprehensive income				
Items that are or may be reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax				
Net fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investment		4,342	(757)	(51,626)
Fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investments	10	4,342	19,118	(49,872)
Fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investment reclassified	5		(10.075)	
to profit or loss Non-controlling interest in fair value adjustment on available-for-	5	-	(19,875)	-
sale investment	15.2	-	=	(1,754)
Foreign exchange translation reserve reclassified to profit or loss		-	(5,882)	-
Items that will never be reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax				
Actuarial loss	17		(539)	
Total comprehensive income for the year		66,271	61,018	(106,349)
Attributable to:				
Equity owners of the parent		66,271	60,629	(95,680)
Non-controlling interest		-	389	(10,669)
Total comprehensive income for the year		66,271	61,018	(106,349)
Earnings per share attributable to equity owners of the parent				
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (cents)	8	15	17	(12)
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents)	8	15	17	(12)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

DRDGOLD Limited CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION at June 30, 2016

	No.4a	2016	2015
ASSETS	Note	R'000	R'000
Non-current assets		1,818,383	1,894,054
Property, plant and equipment	9	1,600,476	1,698,774
Non-current investments and other assets	10	211,088	194,082
Deferred tax asset	18	6,819	1,198
Current assets	10 [600,692	608,984
Inventories	12	160,669	168,729
Trade and other receivables	13	66,515	93,273
Current tax asset	13	6,749	13,241
Cash and cash equivalents	22	351,796	324,375
Assets held for sale	14	14,963	9,366
Assets field for safe	17 _		7,500
Total assets	_	2,419,075	2,503,038
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity		1,339,556	1,529,925
Non-current liabilities	-	765,971	669,495
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	16	522,905	493,291
Post-retirement and other employee benefits	17	31,583	9,242
Deferred tax liability	18	194,677	147,801
Finance lease obligation	20	16,806	19,161
Current liabilities		313,548	303,618
Trade and other payables		289,023	258,353
Finance lease obligation	20	2,355	2,000
Loans and borrowings	19	_	23,096
Post-retirement and other employee benefits	17	6,568	2,557
Liabilities held for sale	14	15,602	17,612
Total liabilities		1,079,519	973,113
Total equity and liabilities	_	2,419,075	2,503,038

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

DRDGOLD Limited CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended June 30, 2016

	Ordinary Shares Number	Cumulative preference shares Number	Share capital R'000	Cumulative preference share capital R'000	Revaluation and other reserves ¹ R'000	Retained earnings R'000	Equity of the owners of the parent R'000	Non- controlling interest R'000	Total equity R'000
Balance at June 30, 2013	385,383,767	5,000,000	4,089,287	500	224,942	(2,913,866)	1,400,863	242,809	1,643,672
Total comprehensive income									
Loss for the year						(45,808)	(45,808)	(8,915)	(54,723)
Other comprehensive income ²					(49,872)		(49,872)	(1,754)	(51,626)
Transactions with the owners of the parent									
Share issue expenses			(1,060)				(1,060)		(1,060)
Dividend on ordinary share capital						(53,085)	(53,085)		(53,085)
Share-based payments					520		520		520
Share option buy-out					(2,734)		(2,734)		(2,734)
Treasury shares disposed of by subsidiary			247				247		247
Balance at June 30, 2014	385,383,767	5,000,000	4,088,474	500	172,856	(3,012,759)	1,249,071	232,140	1,481,211
Total comprehensive income									
Profit for the year						67,807	67,807	389	68,196
Other comprehensive income ²					(6,639)	(539)	(7,178)		(7,178)
Transactions with the owners of the parent									
Share issue	45,500,000		96,460			135,189	231,649	(232,529)	(880)
Transaction costs			(4,015)				(4,015)		(4,015)
Dividend on ordinary share capital						(7,585)	(7,585)		(7,585)
Share-based payments					176		176		176
Share option reserve transferred to retained earnings					(30,563)	30,563	-		-
Balance at June 30, 2015	430,883,767	5,000,000	4,180,919	500	135,830	(2,787,324)	1,529,925	-	1,529,925
Total comprehensive income									
Profit for the year						61,929	61,929		61,929
Other comprehensive income ²					4,342		4,342		4,342
Transactions with the owners of the parent									
Issued shares for cash	546,000		2,796				2,796		2,796
Treasury shares acquired through subsidiary			(6,521)				(6,521)		(6,521)
Dividend on ordinary share capital						(252,915)	(252,915)		(252,915)
Balance at June 30, 2016	431,429,767	5,000,000	4,177,194	500	140,172	(2,978,310)	1,339,556	-	1,339,556

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

¹ Revaluation and other reserves at June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015 comprise asset revaluation reserves (refer note 15.1). Revaluation and other reserves at June 30, 2014 comprise share-based payment reserves, foreign currency translation reserve and asset revaluation reserves. The foreign exchange differences arose on translation of a foreign joint venture in Zimbabwe (refer note 15.1).

² Refer to the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for a detailed analysis of total comprehensive income for the year.

	Note	2016 R'000	2015 R'000	2014 R'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Cash received from sales of precious metals		2,476,066	2,087,926	1,814,219
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(2,077,851)	(1,802,729)	(1,726,835)
Cash generated by operations	21	398,215	285,197	87,384
Finance income		22,331	13,883	16,359
Finance expenses		(4,965)	(11,944)	(16,838)
Income tax received/(paid)		362	(3,523)	(6,214)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		415,943	283,613	80,691
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Acquisition of non-current investments and other assets		-	-	(7)
Proceeds on disposal of non-current investments and other associated	ets	12	46,387	-
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment		7,021	17,392	992
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(99,780)	(90,856)	(158,593)
Environmental rehabilitation payments	16	(10,591)	(9,034)	(14,170)
Contribution to environmental obligation funds		-	(803)	-
Acquisition of non-controlling interest		-	(851)	-
Other		(3,854)	96	
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(107,192)	(37,669)	(171,778)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Share issue expenses		-	-	(1,060)
Proceeds on disposal of treasury shares		-	-	247
Proceeds from the issue of shares		2,796	-	-
Acquisition of treasury shares		(6,521)	-	-
Repayments of finance lease obligation		(2,000)	(416)	-
Repayments of loans and borrowings		(22,500)	(122,500)	(20,000)
Share option buy-out		-	-	(2,734)
Dividends paid on ordinary share capital		(252,915)	(7,585)	(53,085)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(281,140)	(130,501)	(76,632)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH				
EQUIVALENTS		27,611	115,443	(167,719)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		324,375	208,932	376,651
Foreign exchange movements		(190)	-	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	22	351,796	324,375	208,932

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

REPORTING ENTITY

DRDGOLD Limited (the company) is domiciled in South Africa with a registration number of 1895/000926/06. The address of the company is Off Crownwood Road, Crown Mines, Johannesburg, 2092. The group is primarily involved in the retreatment of surface gold.

The consolidated financial statements comprise the company, its subsidiaries (collectively the "group" and individually "group companies") and interest in equity accounted investments.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and its interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The consolidated financial statements were approved by the board of directors on September 21, 2016. Details of the group's accounting policies are outlined in this note.

FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

The consolidated financial statements are presented in South African rands, which is the group's functional currency. All financial information presented in South African rands has been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise stated.

USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Information about critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements is outlined below:

(a) Depreciation

The calculation of the units-of-production rate of depreciation could be affected if actual production in the future is different from current forecast production. This would generally arise when there are significant changes in any of the factors or assumptions used in estimating mineral reserves and resources.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS (continued)

(a) Depreciation (continued)

Factors could include:

- changes in mineral reserves and resources (which could similarly affect the useful lives of assets depreciated on the straight-line basis, where those lives are limited to the life of the mine);
- the grade of mineral reserves and resources may vary significantly from time to time;
- differences between actual commodity prices and commodity price assumptions;
- unforeseen operational issues at mine sites including planned extraction efficiencies; and
- changes in capital, operating, mining processing and reclamation costs, discount rates and foreign exchange rates.

Property, plant and equipment would have amounted to R1,539.6 million at June 30, 2016 if the life of mine had not been increased to 10 years effective as at July 1, 2015.

(b) Estimate of exposure and liabilities with regard to rehabilitation costs

Estimated provisions for environmental rehabilitation, comprising pollution control rehabilitation and mine closure, are based on the group's environmental management plans in compliance with current technological, environmental and regulatory requirements.

An average discount rate of 8.8% (2015: 8.4% and 2014: 8.3%), average inflation rate of 6.3% (2015: 6.0% and 2014: 6.0%) and the discount periods as per the expected life of mine were used in the calculation of the estimated net present value of the rehabilitation liability (refer to note 16).

(c) Estimate of tax

The effective gold mining tax rate applied to calculate the deferred tax liability is based on expected future profitability. A 100 basis points increase in the effective tax rate will result in an increase in the deferred tax liability at June 30, 2016 of approximately R8.1 million (2015: R7.3 million and 2014: R6.3 million).

BASIS OF MEASUREMENT

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis, unless otherwise stated.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The group has consistently applied the accounting policies set out below to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

NEW STANDARDS, AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS NOT ADOPTED

The group adopted all the new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations, which are applicable to the group, with a date of initial application of July 1, 2015. The adoption of these standards did not have a significant impact on these financial statements.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

Non-controlling interests (NCI)

NCI are measured at their proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets at the acquisition date. Subsequently, the carrying amount of non-controlling interest is the amount of the interest at initial recognition plus the non-controlling interest's subsequent share of changes in equity.

Changes in the group's interest in a subsidiary which do not lead to loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions with equity owners in their capacity as equity owners and no profit or loss is recognised.

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the group. The group controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

Interest in equity accounted investments

The group's interest in equity accounted investments comprises interests in an associate and a joint venture.

Associates are those entities in which the group has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over the financial and operating policies. A joint venture is an arrangement in which the group has joint control, whereby the group has rights to the net assets of the arrangement, rather than rights to its assets and obligations for its liabilities.

Interest in associates and joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method. They are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, the group financial statements include the group's share of profit or loss and other comprehensive income ("OCI") of equity accounted investees, until the date on which significant influence or joint control ceases. Any losses from associates and joint ventures are brought to account in the consolidated financial statements until the interest in such associates and joint ventures are written down to zero. Thereafter, losses are accounted for only insofar as the group is committed to providing financial support to such associates and joint ventures.

Significant influence is presumed to exist when the group holds between 20% and 50% of the voting power of another entity.

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances, transactions and any unrealised gains and losses or income and expenses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity accounted investments are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the group's interest in the investee. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

FOREIGN CURRENCY

Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currencies undertaken by group entities are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of these transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at the reporting date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, measured at fair value, are translated at foreign exchange rates ruling at the date that the fair value was determined. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised in profit or loss.

Foreign currency differences arising from the translation of available-for-sale equity investments (except on impairment in which case the foreign currency differences that have been recognised in OCI are reclassified to profit or loss) are recognised in OCI.

Foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated into South African rands at the exchange rates at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated to South African rands at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange differences arising on retranslation are recognised in OCI and accumulated within equity in the foreign currency translation reserve. When a foreign operation is disposed of, the relevant amount in the foreign currency translation reserve is transferred to profit or loss as part of the profit or loss on disposal. On partial disposal of a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, the relevant portion of such cumulative amount is reattributed to NCI.

Net investment in foreign operations

Foreign exchange gains and losses arising from a monetary item receivable from or payable to a foreign operation, the settlement of which is neither planned nor likely in the foreseeable future, are considered to form part of a net investment in a foreign operation and are recognised in OCI and presented within equity in the foreign currency translation reserve in the consolidated financial statements.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The entity classifies non-derivative financial assets into the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, held-to-maturity financial assets, loans and receivables and available-for-sale financial assets.

The entity classifies non-derivative financial liabilities into the financial liabilities measured at amortised cost category.

(i) Non derivative financial assets and financial liabilities - recognition and derecognition

The entity initially recognises loans and receivables on the date when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised on the trade date.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or to the extent that the group or company transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset. Any interest in such derecognised financial assets that is created or retained by the entity is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or has expired. Any gain or loss on derecognition is taken to profit or loss.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the entity has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(ii) Non derivative financial assets – measurement

Loans and receivables

These assets are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment losses.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

(ii) Non derivative financial assets – measurement (continued)

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, demand deposits, and highly liquid investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash and cash equivalents are initially measured at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost, which is equivalent to their fair value. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the group's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the statement of cash flows. Cash and cash equivalents include restricted cash and are short-term in nature. Restricted cash which is long-term in nature is classified as non-current and is similar in nature to rehabilitation trust funds. Restricted cash would typically be long-term in nature when it is expected not to be able to be utilised for at least 12 months after the reporting date.

Available-for-sale financial assets

The group's investments in equity securities are classified as available-for-sale financial assets.

These assets are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at fair value and changes therein, other than impairment losses are recognised in OCI and accumulated in the fair value reserve. When these assets are derecognised, the gain or loss accumulated in equity is reclassified to profit or loss. The group applies settlement date accounting to the regular way purchase or sale of financial assets.

(iii) Non-derivative financial liabilities – measurement

Non-derivative financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value less any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Recognition and measurement

The group's property, plant and equipment consist mainly of mining assets which comprise mining property and development (including mineral rights), mine plant facilities, exploration assets and equipment and vehicles.

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Development costs, which are capitalised, consist primarily of expenditure that gives access to mineral reserves and resources. Where funds have been borrowed specifically to finance a project, the amount of interest capitalised represents the actual borrowing costs incurred. Mine development costs capitalised, include acquired, proved and probable mineral reserves at the acquisition date.

Exploration and evaluation costs, including the costs of acquiring licenses, property and qualifying borrowing costs, are capitalised as exploration assets on a project-by-project basis, pending determination of the technical feasibility and commercial viability of the project. The capitalised costs are presented as tangible assets according to the nature of the assets acquired. When a license is relinquished or a project is abandoned, the related costs are recognised in profit or loss immediately.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials and direct labor, any other costs directly attributable to bringing an asset to a working condition for its intended use, as well as the costs of dismantling and removing an asset and restoring the site on which it is located.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment, with costs that are significant in relation to the total cost of the item, have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

Any gains or losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment are determined by comparing the net proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and are recognised in profit or loss. When assets are sold which have been revalued on acquisition for consolidation purposes, the amounts included in the asset revaluation reserve are transferred to retained earnings (refer to note 15.1).

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Subsequent expenditure

The group recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment the cost of replacing part of an item when that cost is incurred, if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All other costs are recognised in profit or loss as an expense incurred.

Depreciation

Depreciation of mining property and development (including mineral rights) and mine plant facilities is calculated using the units of production method which is based on the life of mine.

The group's life of mine is primarily based on proved and probable mineral reserves and may include some resources. It reflects the estimated quantities of economically recoverable gold that can be recovered from reclamation sites based on the gold price prevailing at the end of the financial year. Changes in the life of mine will impact depreciation on a prospective basis. The life of mine is prepared using a methodology that takes account of current information to assess the economically recoverable gold from specific reclamation sites and includes the consideration of historical experience.

Other assets are depreciated using the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their estimated useful lives, unless it is reasonably certain that the group will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. Land is not depreciated.

The current estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are:

- mine properties life-of-mine, currently between seven (2015: six) and 10 (2015: 10) years;
- mine development life-of-mine, currently between seven (2015: six) and 10 (2015: 10) years;
- mine plant facilities life-of-mine, currently between seven (2015: six) and 10 (2015: 10) years; and
- equipment and vehicles two to five years.

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method are reassessed annually and adjusted if appropriate.

Leased assets

Leases in terms of which the group assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Upon initial recognition, the leased asset and liability are measured at amounts equal to the lower of the fair value of the leased asset and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Subsequent to initial recognition, the asset is accounted for in the same manner as owned property, plant and equipment.

IMPAIRMENT

Financial assets

A financial asset not classified at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any objective evidence (e.g. delinquency of a debtor and indications that a debtor will enter bankruptcy) that it is impaired. A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate, that is, the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition of these financial assets.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

IMPAIRMENT (continued)

Available-for-sale financial assets

An impairment loss in respect of an available-for-sale financial asset is calculated by reference to its fair value. When a decline in the fair value of an available-for-sale financial asset has been recognised directly in OCI, and there is objective evidence (e.g. significant or prolonged decline in the fair value below the cost of the investment) that the asset is impaired, the cumulative loss that had been recognised in OCI is recognised in profit or loss even though the financial asset has not been derecognised. The amount of the cumulative loss that is recognised in profit or loss is the difference between the acquisition cost and current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss. Financial assets that are individually significant are tested for impairment on an individual basis. The remaining financial assets are assessed collectively in groups that share similar credit risk characteristics. All impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

An impairment loss is reversed if the reversal can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised. For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the reversal is recognised in profit or loss. For available-for-sale financial assets that are equity securities, the reversal is recognised in OCI.

Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the group's assets, other than inventories and deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For purposes of impairment testing, assets are grouped together into the smallest group of assets which generates cash flows from continuing use that is largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units).

An impairment loss is recognised directly against the carrying amount of the asset whenever the carrying amount of an asset, or its cash generating unit, exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated to the carrying amounts of the assets in the unit (group of units) on a *pro rata* basis. Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

Exploration assets

Exploration assets are assessed for impairment if facts and circumstances suggest that the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount. For purposes of impairment testing, exploration assets are allocated to cash-generating units consistent with the determination of reportable segments.

The technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting a mineral resource is considered to be determinable when proven and probable reserves are determined to exist. Upon determination of proven and probable reserves exploration assets attributable to those reserves are first tested for impairment and then reclassified from exploration assets to a separate category within tangible assets.

INVENTORIES

Gold in process is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned to gold in process on a weighted average cost basis. Costs comprise all costs incurred to the stage immediately prior to smelting, including costs of extraction and processing as they are reliably measurable at that point.

Gold bullion is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Selling and general administration costs are excluded from inventory valuation.

Consumable stores are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of consumables is based on the weighted average cost principle and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring inventories and bringing them to their existing location and condition.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated cost of completion and selling expenses.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

INCOME TAX

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to business combinations, or to items recognised directly in equity or OCI.

Current tax

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted, or substantively enacted, at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts recognised for tax purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for the following temporary differences: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures to the extent that it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future. In addition, deferred tax is not recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences, based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, and based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, if these relate to income taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity or on different tax entities if the company intends to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or if their tax assets and liabilities will be realised simultaneously.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary difference can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

Dividends withholding tax

Dividends withholding tax is a tax on certain shareholders receiving dividends and is applicable to all dividends declared on or after April, 1 2012.

The company withholds dividends tax on behalf of certain of its shareholders at a rate of 15% on dividends declared. Amounts withheld are not recognised as part of the company's tax charge but rather as part of the dividend paid recognised directly in equity. Where withholding tax is withheld on dividends received, the dividend is recognised at the gross amount with the related withholdings tax recognised as part of tax expense unless it is otherwise reimbursable in which case, it is recognised as an asset.

SHARE CAPITAL

Ordinary share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effect.

Preference share capital

Preference share capital is classified as equity if it is non-redeemable, or redeemable only at the company's option, and any dividends are discretionary. Dividends on preference share capital classified as equity are recognised as distributions within equity. Preference share capital is classified as a liability if it is redeemable on a specified date or at the option of the shareholders, or if dividend payments are not discretionary. Dividends thereon are recognised as interest expense in profit or loss as accrued.

Repurchase and reissue of ordinary shares (treasury shares)

When shares recognised as equity are repurchased, the amount of the consideration paid, which includes directly attributable costs is recognised as a deduction from equity. Repurchased shares are classified as treasury shares and are presented in the treasury share reserve. When treasury shares are sold or reissued subsequently, the amount received is recognised as an increase in equity and the resulting surplus or deficit on the transaction is presented within share premium.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

Dividends

Dividends are recognised as a liability on the date on which they are declared which is the date when the shareholders' right to the dividends accrue.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Pension plans, which are multi-employer plans in the nature of defined contribution plans, are funded through monthly contributions to these defined contribution plans. Obligations for contributions are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss as the service is rendered.

Long-service benefits

The group makes long-service bonus payments (long-service awards) for certain eligible employees under the Chamber of Mines of South Africa Long Service Award Scheme. The amount of the award is based on both the employee's skill level and years of service with gold mining companies that qualify for the scheme. The obligation is accrued over the service life of the employees and is calculated using a projected unit credit method. Any actuarial gains or losses are recognised in OCI in the period in which they arise.

Post-retirement medical benefits

Post-retirement medical benefits in respect of qualifying employees are recognised over the expected remaining service lives of relevant employees and the remaining life expectancies of retirees. The group has an obligation to provide medical benefits to certain of its pensioners and dependants of ex-employees. These liabilities are provided in full, calculated on an actuarial basis and discounted using the projected unit credit method. The discount rate is the yield at the reporting date on corporate bonds that have maturity dates approximating the terms of the group's obligations and that are denominated in the same currency in which the benefits are expected to be paid. Periodic valuation of these obligations is carried out by independent actuaries using appropriate mortality tables, long-term estimates of increases in medical costs and appropriate discount rates. The fair value of any plan assets is deducted. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in OCI. When the calculation results in a benefit to the group, the recognised asset is limited to the net total of any unrecognised past service costs and the present value of any future refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan.

When the benefits of a plan are changed, the portion of the changed benefit relating to past service by employees is recognised in profit or loss immediately.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the group is demonstrably committed, without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to a formal detailed plan to either terminate employment before the normal retirement date, or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy.

Termination benefits for voluntary redundancies are recognised as an expense if the group has made an offer for voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably. If benefits are payable more than 12 months after the reporting period, they are discounted to their present value.

Share-based payment transactions

Equity settled share based payment awards

The group grants share options to certain employees under an employee share plan to acquire shares of the company. The fair value of options granted is recognised as an employee expense with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the options.

The fair value of the options granted is measured using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options that vest, except where forfeiture is only due to market conditions such as share prices not achieving the threshold for vesting.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (continued)

Cash settled share based payment awards

The group operates a cash-settled long term incentive scheme in which certain employees of the group participate.

The fair value of the awards made in terms of this cash-settled long term scheme is based on the quoted DRDGOLD Limited share price, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the awards were granted. The fair value of the award is estimated using appropriate valuation models and appropriate assumptions at the grant date.

The grant date fair value of the awards is recognised as an employee benefit expense over the vesting period based on the group's estimate of the number of instruments that will eventually vest, with a corresponding increase in the share-based payment obligation. At each reporting date the obligation is remeasured to the fair value of the instrument, to reflect the potential outflow of cash resources to settle the liability, with a corresponding adjustment to profit or loss. Vesting assumptions for non-market conditions are reviewed at each reporting date to ensure they reflect current expectations.

PROVISIONS

A provision is recognised in the statement of financial position when the group has present legal or constructive obligations resulting from past events that can be estimated reliably and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

Provision for environmental rehabilitation

Provision for environmental rehabilitation includes decommissioning and restoration liabilities.

Decommissioning and restoration liabilities are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be incurred to settle the obligation, using estimated cash flows based on current prices. The unwinding of the decommissioning and restoration obligation is included in profit or loss. Estimated future costs of decommissioning and restoration liabilities are reviewed regularly and adjusted as appropriate for new circumstances or changes in law or technology.

Decommissioning liabilities

The provision for decommissioning represents the cost that will arise from rectifying damage caused before production commenced. Accordingly, an asset is recognised and included within mining properties. Changes in estimates are capitalised or reversed against the relevant asset. Expenditures actually incurred to settle such liabilities are recognised as cash outflows from investing activities.

Gains or losses from the expected disposal of assets are not taken into account when determining the provision.

Restoration liabilities

The provision for restoration represents the cost of restoring site damage after the start of production. Increases in the provision are recognised in profit or loss as a cost of production. Expenditures actually incurred to settle such liabilities are recognised as cash outflows from operating activities.

Rehabilitation obligation funds

Rehabilitation obligation funds are used to cover the estimated cost of rehabilitation at the end of the life of the relevant mine. These contributions are recognised as a right to receive a reimbursement from the fund and measured at the lower of the amount of the environmental rehabilitation liability recognised and the fair value of the fund assets. Changes in the carrying value of the fund assets, other than contributions to and payments from the fund, are recognised in profit or loss.

REVENUE RECOGNITION

Gold bullion and by-products

The group recognises revenue from the sale of gold bullion and by-products at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is recognised in profit or loss when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs can be estimated reliably, there is no continuing management involvement with the goods, and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably. These criteria are usually met when Rand Refinery sells the refined gold.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the entity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grant will be received. Grants that compensate the group for expenses incurred are recognised in profit or loss as a deduction against the related expense.

Finance income

Finance income includes dividends received, interest received, growth in the environmental rehabilitation obligation funds, net gains on financial instruments measured at amortised cost, net foreign exchange gains, and other profits and losses arising on disposal of investments.

Dividends are recognised when the group's right to receive payment is established. Interest is recognised on a time proportion basis, taking account of the principal outstanding and the effective rate to maturity on the accrual basis.

Operating lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognized in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Finance lease payments

Minimum lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and the reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance charge is allocated to each period during the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Finance expenses

Finance expenses comprise interest payable on borrowings calculated using the effective interest method, unwinding of the provision for environmental rehabilitation, net foreign exchange losses, net losses on financial instruments measured at amortised cost, and interest on finance leases.

Borrowing costs capitalized

Interest on borrowings relating to the financing of qualifying major capital projects under construction are capitalised during the construction phase as part of the cost of the project. Such borrowing costs are capitalised over the period during which the asset is being acquired or constructed and borrowings have been incurred. Capitalisation ceases when construction is interrupted for an extended period or when the asset is substantially complete. Other borrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

SEGMENT REPORTING

Operating segments are identified on the basis of internal reports that the group's chief operating decision maker (CODM) reviews regularly in allocating resources to segments and in assessing their performance. The CODM for the group has been identified as the group's Executive Committee. Reportable segments are identified based on quantitative thresholds of revenue, profit or loss, and assets. The amounts disclosed for each reportable segment are the measures reported to the CODM, which are not necessarily based on the same accounting policies as the amounts recognised in the financial statements. Aggregation of operating segments is implemented where disclosure of information enables users of the group's financial statements to evaluate the nature and effects of the business activities in which it engages and the economic environment in which it operates, where the operating segments have characteristics so similar that they can be expected to have essentially the same future prospects and where they are similar in the following respects:

- the nature of products;
- the nature of the production process;
- the type or class of customer for their products;
- the methods used to distribute their products; and
- if applicable, the nature of the regulatory environment.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

Non-current assets, or disposal groups comprising asset and liabilities, are classified as held for sale if it is highly probable that they will be recovered primarily through sale rather than continuing use.

Such assets, or disposal groups are generally measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less cost to sell. Any impairment loss on the disposal group is allocated first to goodwill, and then to the remaining assets and liabilities on a pro rata basis, except that no loss is allocated to inventories, financial assets, deferred tax assets, employee benefit assets and investment property, which continue to be measured in accordance with the group's other accounting policies. Impairment losses on initial application as held for sale and subsequent gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in profit or loss.

Once classified as held for sale, intangible assets and property, plant and equipment, are no longer amortised or depreciated, and any equity accounted investee is no longer equity accounted.

EARNINGS OR LOSS PER SHARE

The group presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its ordinary shares. Basic earnings or loss per share is calculated based on the net profit or loss after tax for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders of the company, divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year. Diluted earnings or loss per share is presented when the inclusion of ordinary shares that may be issued in the future, which comprise share options granted to employees, has a dilutive effect on earnings or loss per share.

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS NOT YET ADOPTED

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following relevant standards, amendments to standards and interpretations that may be applicable to the business of the entity were in issue but not yet effective and may therefore have an impact on future financial statements. These new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations have not been early adopted by the group and an estimate of the impact of the adoption thereof for the group is in the process of being finalised. These Standards and Interpretations will be adopted at their effective date.

Standard/interpretation		Effective date
IAS 1	Disclosure Initiative	January 1, 2016
IAS 12	Income tax amendments	January 1, 2017
IFRS 2	Share-based payment amendments	January 1, 2018
IFRS 15	Revenue from contracts with customers	January 1, 2018
IFRS 9	Financial Instruments	January 1, 2018
IFRS 16	Leases	January 1, 2019

Management is of the opinion that the impact of the application of the Standards and Interpretations will be as follows:

IAS 1 – Disclosure Initiative

Key clarifications included in this amendment includes the following:

- There is an emphasis on materiality. Specific single disclosures that are not material do not have to be presented even if they are a minimum requirement of a standard.
- The order of notes to the financial statements is not prescribed. Instead, companies can choose their own order, and can also combine, for example, accounting policies with notes on related subjects.
- It has been made explicit that companies:
 - Should disaggregate line items on the statement of financial position and in the statement of profit or loss and OCI if this provides helpful information to users; and
 - Can aggregate line items on the statement of financial position if the line items specified by IAS 1 are immaterial.
- Specific criteria are provided for presenting sub-totals on the statement of financial position and in the statement of profit or loss and OCI, with additional reconciliation requirements for the statement of profit or loss and OCI.
- The presentation in the statement of OCI of items of OCI arising from joint ventures and associates accounted for using the equity method follows IAS 1's approach of splitting items that may be reclassified and that will never be reclassified to profit or loss.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS NOT YET ADOPTED (continued)

IAS 12 Income taxes amendments (Recognition of deferred tax assets for unrealised losses)

The amendments provide additional guidance on the existence of deductible temporary differences, which depend solely on a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset and its tax base at the end of the reporting period, and is not affected by possible future changes in the carrying amount or expected manner of recovery of the asset.

The amendments also provide additional guidance on the methods used to calculate future taxable profit to establish whether a deferred tax asset can be recognised.

Guidance is provided where an entity may assume that it will recover an asset for more than its carrying amount, provided that there is sufficient evidence that it is probable that the entity will achieve this.

Guidance is provided for the recognition of deductible temporary differences related to unrealised losses. These are to be assessed on a combined basis, unless a tax law restricts the use of losses to deductions against income of a specific type.

IFRS 2 Share-based payment amendments

Measurement of cash-settled share-based payments – There is currently no guidance in IFRS 2 on how to measure the fair value of the liability in a cash-settled share based payment. The amendments clarify that a cash-settled share-based payment is measured using the same approach as for equity-settled share-based payments – i.e. the modified grant date method. Therefore, in measuring the liability market and non-vesting conditions are taken into account in measuring its fair value and the number of awards to receive cash is adjusted to reflect the best estimate of those expected to vest as a result of satisfying service and any non-market performance conditions.

Classification of share-based payments settled net of tax withholdings – The company may be obligated to collect or withhold tax related to a share-based payment, even though the tax obligation is often a liability of the employee and not the company. Currently, it is unclear whether the portion of the share-based payment that is withheld in these instances should be accounted for as equity-settled or cash-settled. The amendments introduce an exception stating that, for classification purposes, a share-based payment transaction with employees is accounted for as equity-settled if certain criteria are met.

IFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers

The standard contains a single model that applies to contracts with customers and two approaches to recognising revenue: at a point in time or over time. The model features a contract-based five-step analysis of transactions to determine whether, how much and when revenue is recognised.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

This standard will include changes in the measurement bases of the group's financial assets to amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income or fair value through profit or loss. Even though these measurement categories are similar to IAS 39, the criteria for classification into these categories are different. In addition, the IFRS 9 impairment model has been changed from an "incurred loss" model from IAS 39 to an "expected credit loss" model.

IFRS 16 Leases

It sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both parties to a contract, ie the customer ('lessee') and the supplier ('lessor'). IFRS 16 replaces the previous leases Standard, IAS 17 Leases, and related Interpretations. IFRS 16 has one model for lessees which will result in almost all leases being included on the Statement of Financial position. No significant changes have been included for lessors.

2. OPERATING SEGMENTS

The following summary describes the operations in the group's reportable operating segment:

• Ergo is a surface retreatment operation and treats old slime and sand dumps to the south of Johannesburg's central business district as well as the East and Central Rand goldfields. The operation comprises four plants. Ergo and Knights continue to operate as metallurgical plants and Crown and City Deep continue as pump/milling stations feeding the metallurgical plants.

Corporate office and other reconciling items are taken into consideration in the strategic decision-making process of the CODM and are therefore included in the disclosure here, even though they do not earn revenue. They do not represent a separate segment.

The group's revenue stream consists mainly of the sale of gold bullion.

2016	Ergo R'000	Corporate office and other reconciling items R'000	Total R'000
Financial performance			
Revenue	2,433,064	-	2,433,064
Cash operating costs	(1,991,180)	-	(1,991,180)
Movement in gold in process	(7,075)	-	(7,075)
Operating profit	434,809	-	434,809
Interest income	2,772	19,648	22,420
Interest expense	(4,122)	(438)	(4,560)
Administration expenses and general costs	(4,450)	(82,759)	(87,209)
Income tax (1)	(535)	(5,134)	(5,669)
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	428,474	(68,683)	359,791
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(99,922)	(92)	(100,014)
Additions to listed investments	-	(1,318)	(1,318)
Working profit/(loss) after additions to property, plant and equipment (1) Income tax excludes deferred tax.	328,552	(70,093)	258,459
Reconciliation of profit/(loss) for the year			
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	428,474	(68,683)	359,791
- Depreciation	(180,095)	(72)	(180,167)
- Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	(21,371)	2,112	(19,259)
- Growth in environmental rehabilitation trust funds and reimbursive rights	9,756	4,673	14,429
- Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	9,265	1,249	10,514
- Unwinding of provision for environmental rehabilitation	(41,491)	(1,525)	(43,016)
- Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	(27,833)	-	(27,833)
- Other operating (costs)/income	(29,608)	18,332	(11,276)
- Deferred tax	(46,876)	5,622	(41,254)
Profit/(loss) for the year	100,221	(38,292)	61,929
Statement of cash flows			
Cash flows from operating activities	414,825	1,118	415,943
Cash flows from investing activities	(105,584)	(1,608)	(107,192)
Cash flows from financing activities	(2,000)	(279,140)	(281,140)

Geographical information and information about major customers

Due to regulatory requirements, the group has only one major gold customer in South Africa, being the only geographical area in which it operates.

2. OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)

2015		Corporate office and other	T
	Ergo R'000	reconciling items R'000	Total R'000
Financial performance			
Revenue	2,105,298	-	2,105,298
Cash operating costs	(1,741,512)	-	(1,741,512)
Movement in gold in process	20,557	-	20,557
Operating profit	384,343	-	384,343
Interest income	808	13,599	14,407
Interest expense	(3,095)	(7,517)	(10,612)
Retrenchment costs	(2,794)	(4,356)	(7,150)
Administration expenses and general costs	(3,466)	(66,106)	(69,572)
Income tax (1)	(1,067)	4,412	(3,345)
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	374,729	(59,968)	314,761
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(113,233)	(102)	(113,335)
Additions to reimbursive right	(803)	-	(803)
Working profit/(loss) after additions to property, plant and equipment	260,693	(60,070)	200,623
(2) Income tax excludes deferred tax.			
Reconciliation of profit/(loss) for the year			
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	374,729	(59,968)	314,761
- Depreciation	(193,144)	(157)	(193,301)
- Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	15,840	4,603	20,443
- Impairments	(3,075)	(4,829)	(7,904)
- Fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investment reclassified to profit or loss	-	19,875	19,875
- Profit on disposal of equity accounted investment	_	5,882	5,882
- Growth in environmental rehabilitation trust funds and reimbursive rights	7,586	3,748	11,334
- Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,344	10,823	13,167
- Unwinding of provision for environmental rehabilitation	(37,306)	(1,685)	(38,991)
- Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	(30,630)	(1,098)	(31,728)
- Net other operating costs	(961)	(12,437)	(13,398)
- Deferred tax	(31,717)	(227)	(31,944)
Profit/(loss) for the year	103,666	(35,470)	68,196
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Statement of cash flows			
Cash flows from operating activities	284,961	(1,348)	283,613
Cash flows from investing activities	(98,030)	60,361	(37,669)
Cash flows from financing activities	(416)	(130,085)	(130,501)

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2. OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)

2014		Corporate office and other	
	Ergo R'000	reconciling items R'000	Total R'000
Financial performance			
Revenue	1,809,434	-	1,809,434
Cash operating costs	(1,540,622)	-	(1,540,622)
Movement in gold in process	(8,828)	-	(8,828)
Operating profit	259,984	-	259,984
Interest income	1,011	17,279	18,290
Interest expense	(270)	(17,540)	(17,810)
Retrenchment costs	(1,074)	(5,674)	(6,748)
Administration expenses and general costs	(3,236)	(74,884)	(78,120)
Income tax (1)	(439)	(5,982)	(6,421)
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	255,976	(86,801)	169,175
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(158,548)	(45)	(158,593)
Additions to reimbursive right	-	(5,246)	(5,246)
Additions to unlisted investments	-	(7)	(7)
Working profit/(loss) after additions to property, plant and equipment	97,428	(92,099)	5,329
(1) Income tax excludes deferred tax.			
Reconciliation of profit/(loss) for the year			
Working profit/(loss) before additions to property, plant and equipment	255,976	(86,801)	169,175
- Depreciation	(159,836)	(163)	(159,999)
- Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	82,281	4,324	86,605
- Impairments	(14,788)	(41,803)	(56,591)
- Growth in environmental rehabilitation trust funds and reimbursive rights	6,423	3,266	9,689
- Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	90	902	992
- Unwinding of provision for environmental rehabilitation	(36,300)	(1,719)	(38,019)
- Borrowing costs capitalized	3,534	-	3,534
- Ongoing rehabilitation expenditure	(29,973)	(14)	(29,987)
- Share of losses of equity accounted investments	-	(313)	(313)
- Net other operating costs	(15,005)	(13,677)	(28,682)
- Deferred tax	(9,662)	(1,465)	(11,127)
Profit/(loss) for the year	82,740	(137,463)	(54,723)
Statement of cash flows			
Cash flows from operating activities	211,270	(130,579)	80,691
Cash flows from investing activities	(171,727)	(51)	(171,778)
Cash flows from financing activities	-	(76,632)	(76,632)
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	2016	2015	2014
_	R'000	R'000	R'000
3. REVENUE			
Revenue consists of the following principal categories:			
Gold revenue	2,429,682	2,103,046	1,807,145
By-product revenue	3,382	2,252	2,289
Total revenue	2,433,064	2,105,298	1,809,434
4. RESULTS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
include the following: Auditors' remuneration	(8,055)	(7,580)	(5,787)
Audit fees – current year	(7,230)	(6,539)	(5,787)
Under provision – prior year	(825)	(966)	-
Fees for other services	-	(75)	-
Management, technical, administrative and secretarial service fees	(8,062)	(7,061)	(6,996)
Staff costs Included in staff costs are:	(405,612)	(366,761)	(306,501)
Salaries and wages	(354,386)	(337,235)	(276,205)
Share-based payments (a)	(29,874)	(337,233) $(1,753)$	(3,341)
Retrenchment costs	(=>,0.7.1)	(7,150)	(6,748)
Post-retirement and other employee benefits	(21,352)	(20,623)	(20,207)
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	10,514	13,166	992
Operating leases	(1,794)	(2,768)	(2,531)
Reversal of accrual (b)	22,659	-	-
(Impairments)/reversal of impairments		(7,904)	(56,591)
Property, plant and equipment (c)	-	(3,075)	(12,377)
Non-current investments and other assets (d)	-	(3,614)	(46,914)
Investment in and loans to equity accounted investment (e)	-	-	2,700
Cash and cash equivalents	_	(1,215)	-
Learnership grant	23,760	21,428	8,813
Grants received from the Mining Qualifications Authority ("MQA") to			

(a) Share-based payments (refer note 17):

recover costs incurred by Ergo Business Development Academy ("EBDA").

The Share-based payments expense relates mainly to the grant made during November 2015 under the amended cash-settled long term incentive scheme ("LTI") and has been driven by the increase in the DRDGOLD share price to R8.53 at reporting date.

(b) Reversal of accrual

In 2010 the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality ("Municipality") brought an action against East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") claiming an amount of R43 million in respect of outstanding rates and taxes which were allegedly owing. ERPM employed experts to investigate the allegations and concluded that this claim was without merit and therefore that an outflow of resources was remote. ERPM deferred payment of rates and taxes for which it recognised an accrual of R22.7 million.

The February and March 2016 statements issued by the Municipality reflected that all rates and taxes and interest thereon had been written off and the balance owing by ERPM was reduced to zero. As a result the accrual was reversed.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

for the year ended June 30, 2016

4. RESULTS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

include the following: (continued)

During the years ended June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014 the following impairments were recognised:

(c) Property, plant and equipment (refer note 9):

2015: R3.1 million in the Ergo operating segment related to the Soweto cluster included under mine development costs which was assessed to be uneconomical to mine.

2014: R12.4 million in the Ergo operating segment related to the exploration assets associated with phase 2 of the Uranium plant that was not considered to be economically viable at the prevailing uranium prices.

(d) Non-current investments and other assets (refer note 10): Listed shares:

2015: R3.6 million (2014: R6.7 million) due to the fair value of these shares having remained significantly lower than its original cost price for a pro-longed period. These include:

- Village Main Reef Limited ("VMR"): R2.3 million (2014: R5.3 million); and
- West Wits Mining Limited ("WWM"): R1.3 million (2014: R1.4 million).

Unlisted investments:

During the year ended June 30, 2014, the accumulated revaluations recognised in Other Comprehensive Income related to the investment in Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited ("Rand Refinery") was derecognised and the initial cost of the investment amounting to R46.9 million was impaired in profit or loss (refer to note 10).

(e) Equity accounted investments:

During the year ended June 30, 2014, the group recorded a reversal of an impairment of R2.7 million against the investment in West Wits SA Proprietary Limited due to the disposal of the shares for an interest in West Wits Mining Limited, at an amount in excess of the original acquisition cost.

2016 R'000	2015	2014 R'000
	R'000 R'000	
22,420	14,406	15,740
6,456	5,562	4,618
7,973	5,772	5,071
-	19,875	-
-	5,882	2,546
-	-	5
36,849	51,497	27,980
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(a) During the year ended June 30, 2015, DRDGOLD disposed of its Chizim Gold (Pvt) Limited shares and loan account for US\$1. The foreign exchange translation reserve amounting to R5.9 million was reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal.

6. FINANCE EXPENSES

_	(47,576)	(49,603)	(52,295)
Unrealised foreign exchange loss	(190)	-	
Borrowing costs capitalized	-	-	3,534
Unwinding of provision for environmental rehabilitation (refer note 14 and 16)	(43,016)	(38,991)	(38,019)
Interest accrued	(4,370)	(10,612)	(17,810)

	2016	2015	2014
	R'000	R'000	R'000
7. INCOME TAX			
Mining tax	(46,876)	(31,805)	(9,724)
Non-mining tax	(47)	3,206	(7,824)
	(46,923)	(28,599)	(17,548)
Comprising:			
Current tax - current year	(534)	(1,067)	(6,755)
- prior year	(5,134)	4,412	334
Deferred tax - current year	(42,088)	(28,857)	(11,127)
- prior year	833	(3,087)	
	(46,923)	(28,599)	(17,548)

In South Africa, mining tax on mining income is determined based on a formula which takes into account the profit and revenue from a gold mining company during the year. The formula for determining the South African gold mining tax rate for the years ended June 30, 2016, June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014 is: Y = 34 - 170/X where Y is the percentage rate of tax payable and X is the ratio of taxable income, net of any qualifying capital expenditure that bears to mining income derived, expressed as a percentage. Non-mining income, which consists primarily of interest, is taxed at a standard rate of 28% (2015: 28% and 2014: 28%).

For deferred tax purposes the group applies the expected average effective tax rate. The expected average effective tax rates for the respective companies are based on the current estimate when temporary differences will reverse. Depending on the profitability of the companies, the tax rate can consequently be significantly different from year to year.

Each company is taxed as a separate entity and no tax set-off is allowed between the companies.

All mining capital expenditure is deducted to the extent that it does not result in an assessed loss and depreciation is ignored when calculating the mining income. Capital expenditure not deducted from mining income is carried forward as unredeemed capital expenditure to be deducted from future mining income. The Ergo operation is treated as one tax paying operation pursuant to the relevant ring-fencing legislation.

7. INCOME TAX (continued)

	2016	2015	2014
	R'000	R'000	R'000
Tax reconciliation			
Major items causing the group's income tax provision to differ from the statutory rate were:			
Tax on net (profit)/loss before tax at South African corporate tax rate of 28%	(30,478)	(27,103)	10,409
Rate adjustment to reflect the actual realized company tax rates	4,425	8,580	5,105
Deferred tax rate adjustment (a)	(21,696)	(10,028)	(4,947)
Non-deductible expenditure (b)	(1,818)	(3,726)	(22,012)
Exempt income and other non-taxable income (c)	-	8,423	1,276
(Under)/overprovided in prior periods	(4,301)	1,326	-
Tax incentives	685	3,126	725
Other differences	(1,272)	1,789	475
Utilisation of tax losses for which deferred tax assets were previously unrecognized (d)	7,543	(10,986)	(8,579)
Current year losses for which no deferred tax was recognized	(11)	(10,700)	-
Income tax	(46,923)	(28,599)	(17,548)
Estimated unredeemed capital expenditure at year-end (available for deduction against future mining income) Estimated gross capital losses at year end (available to reduce future capital	1,208,650	1,469,638	1,672,506
gains)	1,452,383	1,452,383	1,392,642
Estimated assessed tax losses at year-end (available to reduce future taxable income)	146,911	165,357	137,803
Estimated tax losses and unredeemed capital expenditure carried forward (1)	2,807,944	3,087,378	3,202,951

(a) Deferred tax rate adjustment

The effective gold mining tax rate increased from 20.07% to 23.07% for the year ended June 30, 2016 (2015: 18.46% to 20.07% and 2014: 17.64% to 18.46%) due to the impact of the higher forecasted gold price.

(b) Non-deductable expenditure

The group's non-deductible expenditure for the year ended June 30, 2016 includes R4.6 million related to depreciation on non-redeemable assets (2015: R6.6 million related to depreciation on non-redeemable assets, R4.8 million related to impairments of available-for-sale investments and other assets (2014: R6.6 million related to depreciation on non-redeemable assets, R46.9 million relating to the impairment of available-for-sale financial assets (refer to note 4) and share of losses of equity accounted investments of R0.3 million).

(c) Exempt income and other non-taxable income

Included in the group's exempt income and other non-taxable income for the year ended June 30, 2015 are:

- R19.8 million relating to the fair value adjustment on available-for-sale investments reclassified to profit or loss;
 and
- R5.9 million relating to the profit on disposal of equity accounted investment.

Included in the group's exempt income and other non-taxable income for the year ended June 30, 2014 are:

- R2.7 million relating to the reversal of the impairment of the investment in West Wits SA Proprietary Limited;
 and
- R0.8 million relating to the portion of the R2.5 million profit on disposal of the investment in West Wits SA
 Proprietary Limited which is excluded for capital gains tax. The remaining portion has been included for capital gains tax and utilised capital losses that were previously unrecognised.

(d) Tax losses and unredeemed CAPEX for which deferred tax assets were previously unrecognised

Group entities that do not generate recurring taxable income, and therefore have unrecognised deferred tax assets, generated taxable income during the year ended June 30, 2016 resulting from the following non-recurring, taxable items:

- R22.6 million relating to a reversal of an accrual (refer note 4); and
- R9.8 million recoupment of capital allowances.

⁽¹⁾ The extent to which it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the tax losses and unredeemed capital expenditure can be utilised is reflected in note 18.

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	Carrying value		617,120	696,962

	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)		
Mine plant facilities (b)		
Cost	1,488,757	1,420,816
Opening balance	1,420,816	1,276,207
Additions	91,925	103,734
Disposals	(17,440)	(2,250)
Change in estimate of decommissioning asset	(6,544)	43,125
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(571,534)	(481,711)
Opening balance	(481,711)	(390,515)
Depreciation (a)	(107,263)	(90,371)
Impairment	-	(3,075)
Disposals	17,440	2,250
Carrying value	917,223_	939,105
Equipment and validae		
Equipment and vehicles Cost	30,770	26,988
Opening balance	26,988	24,079
Additions	3,845	24,079
Disposals	(63)	(64)
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(27,148)	(22,828)
Opening balance	(22,828)	(19,138)
Depreciation (a)	(4,378)	(3,736)
Disposals	58	(3,730)
Carrying value	3,622	4,160
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Exploration assets		
Cost	74,888	70,924
Opening balance	70,924	76,937
Additions	755	
Change in estimate of decommissioning asset	3,209	(6,013)
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(12,377)	(12,377)
Opening balance	(12,377)	(12,377)
Carrying value	62,511	58,547

(a) Depreciation

The increase in the expected units-of-production in Ergo's life of mine that became effective on July 1, 2015 resulted in a net decrease in the depreciation charge recognised (refer note 1 use of estimates and judgements).

(b) Plant facilities acquired under finance lease

Mine plant facilities include power generation equipment with a carrying value of R19.6 million (2015: R22.6 million) that was acquired during the year ended June 30, 2015 by way of a finance lease (refer note 20).

				R'000	R'000
NON-CURRENT INVESTMENTS AND OTHER A Listed investments (a)	SSETS			0 007	3,226
				8,886	
Opening balance				3,226	34,097
Additions				1,318	(46.275)
Disposals (i)				-	(46,375)
Impairment (refer note 4)				-	(3,614)
Fair value adjustment (i)				4,342	19,118
Unlisted investments (b)				147	159
Opening balance				159	171
Disposals				(12)	(12)
Loan to DRDSA Empowerment Trust (iii)				-	2,496
Reimbursive right for environmental rehabilitation	guarantees (i	iv)		108,257	100,284
Opening balance				100,284	93,709
Contributions				-	803
Growth (refer note 5)				7,973	5,772
Investments in environmental rehabilitation trust fu	nds (v)			93,798	87,917
Opening balance				87,917	82,848
Growth (refer note 5)				5,881	5,069
Total non-current investments and other assets				211,088	194,082
			Fair	Carrying	Carrying
		Number	value	value	value
		of	2016	2016	2015
	% Held	shares	R'000	R'000	R'000
a) Listed investments consist of:					
Vest Wits Mining Limited ("WWM")	10.05	47,812,500	8,886	8,886	3,226
			8,886	8,886	3,226
b) Unlisted investments consist of:		_	·	•	
and Mutual Assurance Company Limited	†	1	_	_	_
Land Refinery Proprietary Limited (ii)	11	44,438	_	_	_
duardrisk Insurance Company Limited (Cell Captive		, .50			
.170)*	†	20	100	100	100
hamber of Mines Building Company Proprietary	2	20.160	4.77	47	50
imited	3	30,160	47	47	59
B		_	147	147	159

[†] Represents a less than 1% shareholding.

2016

2015

^{*} Class A shares are held in Guardrisk Insurance Company Limited that entitles the holder to 100% of the residual net equity of the Cell Captive A170 after settlement of the reimbursive right.

10. NON-CURRENT INVESTMENTS AND OTHER ASSETS (continued)

- i. During the year ended June 30, 2015, all the Village Main Reef Limited ("VMR") shares held were sold to Heaven-Sent Capital Management Group Company Limited as part of their offer to acquire the entire issued share capital of VMR for a cash consideration of R12.25 per VMR share. Fair value adjustments amounting to R19.9 million were reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal.
- ii. Following the adoption of a new Enterprise Resource Planning ("ERP") system in 2013, Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited ("Rand Refinery") identified an imbalance between physical gold and silver on hand and what Rand Refinery owed its depositors and bullion bankers per the metallurgical trial balance. Rand Refinery's investigations have to date not determined the root cause of the imbalance. Various corrective measures have subsequently been implemented to improve Rand Refinery's operational performance.

As a precautionary measure following the challenges experienced by the implementation of the software system, Rand Refinery's major shareholders have extended Rand Refinery an irrevocable, subordinated loan facility of up to R1.2 billion. The facility is convertible to equity after a period of two years. DRDGOLD declined the option to provide funding on a pro-rate basis with other major shareholders which may result in its shareholding being diluted, if the funding provided by the other shareholders are converted into equity. During late calendar year 2015, Rand Refinery drew down R1.02 billion on the shareholders' loan.

Management therefore maintains its conclusion reached during the year ended June 30, 2015 that the estimated fair value of the investment in Rand Refinery shares is zero as at June 30, 2016.

- iii. The terms and conditions of the loans to the DRDSA Empowerment Trust were linked to the payments of dividends from Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited to the trust up to the completion of the flip-up (refer note 15.2) and thereafter the payment of dividends from DRDGOLD to the trust. The loan was settled in full during the year ended June 30, 2016.
- iv. Cell Captive cell A170, to which DRDGOLD is a shareholder (refer to unlisted investments), holds funds that may only be applied towards the settlement of DRDGOLD group's environmental rehabilitation obligations under financial guarantees issued by Guardrisk Insurance Company Limited to the DMR (refer note 16).
- v. The monies in the environmental rehabilitation trust funds are held in the Crown Rehabilitation Trust and are invested primarily in low-risk interest-bearing debt securities and may only be used for environmental rehabilitation purposes (refer note 16).

11. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

The following information relates to the group's financial interest in its subsidiaries at June 30:

			SHARES AT				
			COST	INDEBTED-	IMPAIR-	INDEBTED-	IMPAIR-
	SHARES IN		LESS	NESS	MENT	NESS	MENT
	ISSUE	HELD ²	IMPAIRMENT	2016	2016	2015	2015
	NUMBER	%	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Subsidiaries directly held							
Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited ^{1,3,5}	1,000,000	100	210,488	258,443	-	544,279	-
Argonaut Financial Services Proprietary Limited	100	100	-	(1,055)	-	(1,055)	-
Crown Consolidated Gold Recoveries Limited	51,300,000	100	-	(245,316)	-	(245,316)	-
Hartebeestfontein Gold Mining Company Limited	1	100	-	-	-	-	-
Rand Leases (Vogelstruisfontein) Gold Mining	118,505,000	100	-	(42,092)	-	(42,092)	-
Company Limited							
Roodepoort Gold Mine Proprietary Limited	1	100	-	-	-	-	-
West Witwatersrand Gold Holdings Limited	99,000,000	100	-	(22,996)	-	(22,996)	<u>-</u>
Total			210,488	(53,016)	_	232,820	
Subsidiaries not directly held							
Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited ^{4,5}				599,949	-	599,335	-
West Witwatersrand Gold Mines Limited		-		143,920	(143,920)	143,920	(143,920)
Total				743,869	(143,920)	743,255	(143,920)
Total		-	210,488	690,853	(143,920)	976,075	(143,920)

¹ During the year ended June 30, 2015, DRDGOLD acquired the 26% shareholding in Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited ("EMO") that was not held at June 30, 2014 for 45.5 million shares in DRDGOLD at a fair value of R96.5 million plus R0.9 million cash.

Direct: 100% of East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") and 100% of Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited ("Crown")

Indirect: 100% of Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited ("Ergo").

EMO and its subsidiaries ("the EMO group") does not hold any ownership interest in the Crown Rehabilitation Trust or the Ergo Business Development Academy NPC ("EBDA"), but controls these entities by way of the terms of the constituting documents that grant the EMO group the ability to direct its relevant activities, as well as the group receiving substantially all of the benefits that are generated through their operation.

- ⁴ During November 2015 the loan agreement between DRDGOLD and Ergo was amended to:
- remove the terms allowing for repayments to be based on free cash flows on a quarterly basis, however DRDGOLD continued to reserve the right to call for payment of the loan at any time; and
- the subordination of the loan by DRDGOLD was cancelled. Prior to the amendment, the loan was subordinated on terms as described in 5 below.
- ⁵ The company considers the provision of financial support to, and the subordination of the amounts owing to it by its subsidiaries annually based on the liquidity requirements of the company and the respective subsidiaries.
- (a) During November 2015 these loan agreements were amended resulting in DRDGOLD subordinating its claim against these subsidiaries in favour of all other creditors and in terms of this subordination agreements, DRDGOLD will not call for repayment of the loans until:
- the total assets of the lender, fairly valued, exceeds its total liabilities; or
- all other liabilities are paid.
- (b) Prior to the amendment described in (a), the company subordinated its claim against these subsidiaries in favour of all other creditors and in terms of those subordination agreements, DRDGOLD would not call for repayment of the loans:
- within 367 days from 1 October 2014; or
- until all other liabilities are paid; or
- the total assets of the lender, fairly valued, exceeds its total liabilities.

The company will continue to provide these entities with the financial support required to meet their obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business and has undertaken not to call for payment of such loans within 367 days commencing on the date of signature of the borrower's most recently issued financial statements.

² % Held as at June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2016 respectively unless stated otherwise.

³ EMO holds the following interests in other entities:

	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
12. INVENTORIES		_
Gold in process	48,758	60,555
Consumable stores	87,074	90,689
Finished stock - bullion	24,837	17,485
Total inventories	160,669	168,729

Inventory carried at net realisable value includes gold in process amounting to nil (2015: R5.3 million) and finished stock – bullion amounting to nil (2015: R15 million) after a nil (2015: R1.8 million) write down to net realisable value.

13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Trade receivables (gold sales)	-	43,002
Value added tax	23,573	22,892
Prepayments	7,976	3,589
Receivables from related parties	2,947	2,804
Interest receivable	1,633	1,545
Other receivables (a)	41,493	25,906
Allowance for impairment	(11,107)	(6,465)
	66,515	93,273

⁽a) Included in other receivables are receivables relating to property sales amounting to R6.5 million (2015: nil) and MQA grants receivable of R10.9 million (2015: R0.9 million).

14. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE

Assets held for sale		
Property, plant and equipment	5.769	747
Opening balance	747	747
Transferred from property, plant and equipment (refer note 9)	5,022	-
Non-current investments and other assets	9,194	8,619
Opening balance	8,619	8,126
Growth (refer note 5)	575	493
	14,963	9,366
Liabilities held for sale		
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	15,602	17,612
Opening balance	17,612	20,530
Unwinding of provision (refer note 6)	1,525	1,685
Benefit to profit or loss	(2,112)	(4,603)
Environmental rehabilitation payments	(1,423)	-
	15,602	17,612

14. ASSETS AND LIABILITIES CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE (continued)

In line with the group's strategy to exit underground mining operations, management committed to a plan to sell certain of the underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM including the related liabilities during the last quarter of the financial year ended June 30, 2014. These assets and liabilities have been presented as a disposal group held for sale from that date due to a sale being expected within 12 months.

On July 25, 2014, DRDGOLD announced that its subsidiaries Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited (EMO) and East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited (ERPM) collectively had entered into an agreement to dispose of certain underground mining and prospecting rights held by ERPM, and certain other assets on the related mining areas, for an agreed consideration of approximately R220 million.

All regulatory approvals required for this disposal have now been obtained, with the exception of the approval required under Section 11 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resource Development Act as a result of circumstances beyond the entity's control. Management has taken timely action and remains confident that this last outstanding regulatory approval will be obtained in due course.

DRDGOLD received a request from the purchaser to restructure the payment terms following the lapse in time awaiting Section 11 approval.

ERPM entered into an unrelated agreement to dispose of a property with a carrying value of R5.0 million for R18.0 million during June 2016. The property has been classified as held for sale due to the disposal being expected to be completed within the next 12 months.

2016

2015

2014

	R'000	R'000	R'000
15. EQUITY 15.1 EQUITY OF THE OWNERS OF THE PARENT			
Details of equity of the owners of the parent are provided in the Statement of Changes	s in Equity		
Authorized share capital			
600,000,000 (2015 and 2014: 600,000,000) ordinary shares of no par value			
5,000,000 (2015 and 2014: 5,000,000) cumulative preference shares			
of 10 cents each	500	500	500
Issued share capital 431,429,767 (2015: 430,883,767 and 2014: 385,383,767) ordinary shares of no par value (a)	4,227,867	4,225,072	4,132,627
9,361,071 (2015 and 2014: 6,155,559;) treasury shares held within the group (b)	(50,673)	(44,153)	(44,153)
5,000,000 (2015 and 2014: 5,000,000) cumulative preference shares	, , ,	, , ,	, , ,
of 10 cents each (c)	500	500	500
	4,177,694	4,181,419	4,088,974
Revaluation and other reserves			
Foreign exchange translation reserve (d)	-	-	5,882
Asset revaluation reserve (e)	140,172	135,830	136,587
Share-based payments reserve (f)		-	30,387
	140,172	135,830	172,856
Dividends (g) The following dividends were declared and paid:		-	
60 cents per qualifying ordinary share (2015: 2 cents and 2014: 14 cents)	(252,915)	(7,585)	(53,085)

15. EQUITY (continued)

15.1 EQUITY OF THE OWNERS OF THE PARENT (continued)

(a) Unissued shares

In terms of an ordinary resolution passed at the previous annual general meeting, the remaining unissued ordinary shares in the company are under the control of the directors until the next annual general meeting.

546 000 shares were issued during the year ended June 30, 2016 relating to share options exercised under the DRDGOLD (1996) share scheme (2015 and 2014: nil).

(b) Treasury shares

3 205 512 shares were acquired in the market during the year ended June 30, 2016 and are held in treasury (2015 and 2014: nil).

(c) Cumulative preference shares

The terms of issue of the cumulative preference shares were that they carried the right, in priority to the company's ordinary shares, to receive a dividend equal to 3% of the gross future revenue generated by the exploitation or the disposal of Argonaut's mineral rights acquired from Randgold and Exploration Company Limited in September 1997. The Department of Mineral Resources ("DMR") granted DRDGOLD a prospecting right over an area which was too small to mine. When an application for a greater area was lodged, the DMR stated that as the additional area was in an urban location, the application for a prospecting right could not be granted. The development of the resource is not expected to materialise and therefore no dividend is expected to be paid.

(d) Foreign exchange translation reserve

This represents the cumulative translation effect arising on the translation of the financial statements of the company's foreign operations and was derecognised on the disposal of the foreign operations during the year ended June 30, 2015.

(e) Asset revaluation reserve

Included in the asset revaluation reserve is an amount of R133.3 million that was taken to the asset revaluation reserve on the acquisition of ErgoGold in the year ended June 30, 2009. This amount represented the increase in the fair value of ErgoGold's net assets after the acquisition of the group's initial interest, which was attributable to that initial interest.

(f) Share-based payments reserve

During the year ended June 30, 2014, the company completed a buy-out of all the vested share options offered during the year ended June 30, 2013. The buy-out amounted to R2.7 million. The share option reserve was transferred to retained earnings upon the last of the outstanding options vested during FY2015.

(g) Dividends

After June 30, 2016, a dividend of 12 cents per qualifying share (R51.8 million) was approved by the directors as a final dividend for 2016. The dividend has not been provided for and does not have any tax impact on the company. Dividend withholding tax is levied at 15% (2015 and 2014: 15%) (certain exemptions apply) and will be withheld from the dividend depending on the classification of the beneficial owner of the relevant share.

15.2 NON CONTROLLING INTEREST ("NCI")

DRDGOLD acquired the 26% shareholding of EMO that it did not already hold at the end of the third quarter of the year ended June 30, 2015, making it a wholly-owned subsidiary of DRDGOLD with no remaining NCI in the group subsequent to this date (refer to note 11). The following table summarises the information relating to the group's NCI up to the date of EMO becoming a wholly owned subsidiary:

	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Profit for the period		1,495
Total comprehensive income	-	1,495
Profit allocated to NCI	-	389
OCI allocated to NCI		<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income allocated to NCI	-	389
Net cash flows from operating activities	-	65,726
Net cash flows from investing activities	-	(48,805)
Net cash flows from financing activities		<u>-</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	-	16,921

	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
16. PROVISION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REHABILITATION		
Opening balance	493,291	451,203
(Decrease)/increase in provision (a)	(12,893)	29,656
Unwinding of provision	41,491	37,306
Environmental rehabilitation payments	(20,355)	(9,034)
- Incurred on decommissioning liabilities	(10,591)	(9,034)
- Incurred on restoration liabilities	(9,764)	-
Charge/(benefit) to profit or loss (b)	21,371	(15,840)
Closing balance	522,905	493,291

(a) (Decrease)/increase in provision

The R12.9 million decrease in the decommissioning liability recognised to property, plant and equipment is mostly attributable to the decrease in the expected costs to rehabilitate the Ergo plant and the Elsburg tailings complex (2015: The R29.7 million increase in the decommissioning liability was mostly due to the costs expected to be incurred to rehabilitate the additional capacity of the Brakpan deposition site that was constructed during the year (refer note 9)).

(b) Charge/(benefit) to profit or loss

The R21.4 million increase in the restoration liability charged to profit or loss is mostly attributable to the increase in the estimated costs to rehabilitate historical spills and dumps that are not considered to be economically viable to mine (2015: The R15.8 million benefit recognised to profit or loss was mostly attributable to a decrease in the oversized material that management expects to rehabilitate).

The group intends to fund the ultimate rehabilitation costs from the money invested in environmental rehabilitation trust funds, the Guardrisk Cell Captive and, at the time of mine closure, the proceeds on sale of remaining assets and gold from plant cleanup.

At June 30, 2016, the group held funds in rehabilitation trust funds amounting to R93.8 million (2015: R87.9 million) and in the Guardrisk Cell Captive amounting to R108.3 million (2015: R100.3 million). In addition, Guardrisk Insurance Company Limited issued environmental guarantees to the DMR amounting to R427.2 million (2014: R404 million). These guarantees are funded by the funds held in the Guardrisk Cell Captive.

The rehabilitation is expected to occur progressively towards the end-of-life of the respective dumps mined.

17. POST-RETIREMENT AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

	2016 R'000	2015 R'000
Non-current post-retirement and other employee benefits		
Liability for post-retirement medical benefits (a)	7,918	7,563
Liability for long term employee incentive scheme (b)	23,665	1,679
	31,583	9,242
Current post-retirement and other employee benefits		
Liability for long term employee incentive scheme (b)	6,568	2,557
	6,568	2,557
Contribution funds The group participates in a number of multi-employer, industry-based retirement plants and the group pays fixed contributions to external institutions and with to pay further amounts.		
Amounts recognized in profit or loss are as follows: Contribution payments	(20,648)	(19,952)
(a) Post-retirement medical benefits A provision for post-retirement medical benefits has been raised, based on the lates method, of independent actuaries performed as at June 30, 2015. Post-retirement method three years. The obligation is unfunded.		
Amounts recognized in the statement of financial position are as follows:		
Opening balance	7,563	6,657
Current service cost (recognized in profit or loss)	101	101
Actuarial loss (recognized in other comprehensive income)	-	539
Benefits paid	(349)	(304)
Interest costs (recognized in profit or loss)	603	570
Closing balance	7,918	7,563
Principal actuarial assumptions at June 30, are:	-	
Health care cost inflation	7.37%	7.37%
Discount rate	8.16%	8.16%
Real discount rate	0.74%	0.74%
Normal retirement age	60	60
Expected average retirement age	63.3	63.3
Spouse age gap	3 years	3 years
Continuation at retirement	100%	100%

There are currently no long-term assets set aside in respect of post-retirement medical benefit liabilities.

Proportion married at retirement

100%

100%

17. POST-RETIREMENT AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (continued)

(b) Liability for long term employee incentive scheme

	2016 R'000	2015 R'000
Opening balance	4,236	4,576
Increase in liability	29,874	1,577
Benefits paid	(3,877)	(1,917)
Total liability of employee incentive scheme	30,233	4,236
Short term portion of employee incentive scheme	(6,568)	(2,557)
Long term portion of employee incentive scheme	23,665	1,679

DRDGOLD Phantom Share Scheme (the Phantom Share Scheme)

i) Details of the scheme

The Phantom Share Scheme is an incentive tool for the group's executive directors and senior employees whose skills and experience are recognised as being essential to the group's performance. The Phantom Share Scheme was introduced during the year ended June 30, 2013 and is classified as cash settled. In terms of the Phantom Share Scheme rules, 50% of the phantom shares granted will be valued based on the group meeting certain pre-determined performance criteria and the remaining 50% to defined retention periods of which the maximum incentive pay-out per annum to any single employee may not exceed 75% of that employee's gross remuneration package. The participants in the scheme are fully taxed at their marginal tax rate on any gains realised on the exercise of their options.

The Phantom Share Scheme was amended during November 2015 as follows:

- Shares granted during November 2015 will vest after 3 years (20%), 4 years (30%) and 5 years (50%);
- The scheme has a finite term of 5 years and thus no top-up awards are made when the shares vest;
- The vesting of the shares in years 3, 4 and 5 is subject to:
 - Individual performance conditions being met; and
 - Individual "service" conditions being met.
- The phantom shares will be settled at the 7 day volume weighted average price of the DRDGOLD share on vesting date.

Shares granted before the amendment are not affected by this amendment.

ii) Reconciliation of outstanding phantom shares

F	Shares	Weighted average price per share
	Number	R
Balance at June 30, 2014	3,706,102	
Granted	2,615,207	1.31
Vested	(1,292,833)	1.48
Forfeited/lapsed	(502,826)	2.70
Balance at June 30, 2015	4,525,650	
Granted	20,527,978	2.26
Vested	(1,858,491)	2.09
Forfeited/lapsed	(25,946)	2.09
Balance at June 30, 2016	23,169,191	

17. POST-RETIREMENT AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (continued)

Phantom share scheme (continued)

iii) Ageing of outstanding phantom shares:

Financial year granted	Years	Number of unvested shares					
	to expiry	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	Total
2014	1	535,292					535,292
2015	1 - 2	1,052,967	1,052,954				2,105,921
2016	3 - 5			4,105,596	6,158,393	10,263,989	20,527,978
Total		1,588,259	1,052,954	4,105,596	6,158,393	10,263,989	23,169,191

(iv) Fair value

The fair value of the cash-settled share based payment provision has been measured using the Black Scholes option pricing model. Service and non-market performance conditions attached to the arrangements have not been taken into account in measuring the fair value.

The inputs used in the measurement of the fair values at grant date and measurement date of the phantom shares are as follows:

	GRAN' FINAN 2016	2014	
Grant date			
Expected term (years)	3 - 5	1 - 3	1 - 3
Expected volatility*	51.1%	22.1%	17.7%
Expected dividend yield	4.3%	0.7%	5.3%
Weighted average risk free interest rate (based on South African interest rates)	8.7%	6.4%	6.1%
Valuation date			
Expected term (months)	31 - 52	4 - 16	4
Expected volatility*	52.7%	57.3%	54.5%
Expected dividend yield	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%
Weighted average risk free interest rate (based on South African interest rates)	7.7%	7.7%	6.7%
The minimum performance criteria of the phantom share options granted before the November 2015 amendments to the scheme determined against the group performance are as follows:			
Headline earnings per share	-	0.08	0.08
Return on equity	-	15%	15%
Free cash flow	-	10%	10%
Cash flows from operating activities less cash flow from investing activities expressed as a percentage of revenue		N/	37
Share price performance	-	Yes	Yes
Outperform the annual movement in the JSE Gold index			

^{*} Expected volatility has been based on an evaluation of the historical volatility of the company's share price, particularly over the historical period commensurate with the expected term. The expected term of the instruments has been based on historical experience and general option holder behaviour.

17. POST-RETIREMENT AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (continued)

Share option scheme

i) Details of the DRDGOLD (1996) share scheme

During FY2013, the company introduced a new incentive tool called the DRDGOLD Phantom Share Scheme which replaced the DRDGOLD (1996) Share Scheme and no new share options will be granted under the replaced scheme.

The rules of the DRDGOLD (1996) share scheme do not grant employees the choice of settlement of their vested share options in cash or equity instruments.

Any options not exercised within a period of five years from grant date will expire. All options outstanding at June 30, 2016 have vested, have a strike price of R5.12 and will expire on October 31, 2016.

ii) Reconciliation of outstanding share options:

u) Reconciliation of outstanding share options:		
		Average strike
	Shares	price per share
	Number	R
Balance at June 30, 2014	1,238,028	5.96
Forfeited/lapsed	(470,678)	7.81
Balance at June 30, 2015	767,350	5.12
Exercised (1)	(546,000)	5.12
Forfeited/lapsed	(187,275)	5.12
Balance at June 30, 2016	34,075	5.12
(1) The weighted average share price during the period in which the options were exercised was R7.83.		·
18. DEFERRED TAX		
	2016 R'000	
Balances arose from the following temporary differences:	K 000) K 000
Deferred tax asset		
Property, plant and equipment	7	19
Provisions	6,812	1,179
	6,819	1,198
Deferred tax liability		
Property, plant and equipment	(306,928)	
Provisions, including rehabilitation provision	107,831	
Other temporary differences (a)	4,420	
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Net deferred mining and income tax liability	(187,858)	(146,603)
Reconciliation between deferred taxation opening and closing balances		
Opening balance	(146,603)	
Recognised in profit or loss	(41,255)	` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` `
Property, plant and equipment	(72,231)	
Provisions, including rehabilitation provision	30,803	
Other temporary differences	173	
Closing balance	(187,858)	(146,603)

⁽a) Includes the temporary differences on the finance lease obligation

The group provides for deferred tax at the rates which are expected to apply for temporary differences. The group uses the expected average effective tax rates, resulting from the mining tax formula for mining income based on forecasts per individual entity.

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of tax losses of R28.5 million (2015: R46.3 million), unredeemed capital expenditure of R272.9 million (2015: R275.6 million) and capital losses of R271.1 million (2015: R271.1 million).

19. LOANS AND BORROWINGS

	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Domestic Medium Term Note Programme	-	23,096
	-	23,096
Less: payable within one year included under current liabilities	-	(23,096)
Loans and borrowings repayment schedule for capital amounts payable in the 12 mon	ths to:	
June 30, 2016	<u> </u>	(23,096)
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During June 2012, the group entered into a Domestic Medium Term Note Programme ("DMTN Programme") with ABSA Capital, a division of ABSA Bank Limited, under which DRDGOLD may from time to time issue notes and R165 million was raised in total during July 2012 and September 2012. The different notes issued matured 12 (R20.0 million), 24 (R69.5 million) and 36 (R75.5 million) months from the date of issue and bear interest at the three-month Johannesburg Inter-bank Acceptance Rate (JIBAR) plus a margin ranging from 4% to 5% a year. The effective interest rates were 10.8% - 11.1%.

The DMTN Programme was unsecured but did have certain covenants attached to it regarding acquiring additional indebtedness, significant disposal of assets and in the form of a guarantor coverage threshold. On July 3, 2015, DRDGOLD repaid R23.1 million including capital and interest.

20. FINANCE LEASE OBLIGATION

	2016 R'000	2015 R'000
Aggreko Energy Rental Proprietary Limited	19,161	21,161
	19,161	21,161
Less: payable within one year included under current liabilities	(2,355)	(2,000)
	16,806	19,161

During the year ended June 30, 2015 Ergo entered into an agreement with Aggreko Energy Rental Proprietary Limited for the supply of temporary power generation through the provision of specified temporary power generation equipment and services.

The finance lease is secured by power generation equipment with a carrying value of R19.6 million at June 30, 2016 (2015: R22.6 million). The finance lease has an effective interest rate of 17.9% and Ergo has the option to acquire the temporary power generation equipment at the end of the 5 year lease for approximately R9.9 million. Contingent rentals are payable for usage of the equipment in excess of the usage inclusive in the minimum lease payments.

Finance lease liabilities are payable as follows:

	Future minimum lease payments		Interes	t	Present value of lease pay	-
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Within one year	5,304	5,304	2,949	3,304	2,355	2,000
Between one and five years	21,801	27,105	4.995	7.944	16,806	19,161
Total	27,105	32,409	7,944	11,248	19,161	21,161

21. CASH GENERATED BY OPERATIONS

	2016 R'000	2015 R'000	2014 R'000
Profit/(loss) before tax	108,852	96,795	(37,175)
Adjusted for:			
Depreciation	180,167	193,301	159,999
Movement in provision for environmental rehabilitation	19,259	(20,443)	(86,605)
Movement in gold in process	7,075	(20,557)	8,828
Impairments	-	6,689	56,591
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(10,514)	(13,166)	(992)
Share-based payments expense	29,874	1,753	3,341
Impairment/(reversal of impairment) on other receivables	4,642	(74)	(2,172)
Post-retirement employee benefits	-	367	335
Reversal of accrual (refer note 4)	(22,659)	-	-
Environmental rehabilitation payments (refer note 16)	(11,187)	-	-
Share of losses of equity accounted investments	-	-	313
Finance income	(36,849)	(51,497)	(27,980)
Finance expenses	47,576	49,603	52,295
Operating cash flows before working capital changes	316,236	242,771	126,778
Working capital changes	81,979	42,426	(39,394)
Change in trade and other receivables	33,725	1,926	(15,233)
Change in inventories	986	(984)	(17,170)
Change in trade and other payables	47,268	41,484	(6,991)
Cash generated by operations	398,215	285,197	87,384
		2016 R'000	2015 R'000
22. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Bank balances		99,688	103,888
Call deposits		252,108	220,487
-		351,796	324,375

Included in cash and cash equivalents is restricted cash of:

- R15.2 million (2015: R14.3 million) set aside for guarantees;
- R47.7 million (2015: R11.4 million) relating to cash held in escrow relating to the electricity dispute with Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality discussed under Note 24 including interest thereon; and
- R4.8 million (2015: R1.9 million) held on behalf of the DRDSA Empowerment Trust.

An overdraft facility of R100 million is available to the group.

23. COMMITMENTS

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Contracted for but not provided for in the financial statements	8,582	10,119
Authorized by the directors but not contracted for	37,228	67,555
	45,810	77,674

Operating lease commitments

Ergo leases its vehicles under various operating leases. There is an average escalation of 2.5% per annum imposed by these lease agreements.

The future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:		
Within one year	1,572	1,068
Between one and five years	1,450	1,313

24. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Environmental

Mine residue deposits may have a potential pollution impact on ground water through seepage. The group has taken certain preventative actions as well as remedial actions in an attempt to minimise the group's exposure and environmental contamination.

The flooding of the western and central basins have the potential to cause pollution due to Acid Mine Drainage ("AMD") contaminating the ground water. The government has appointed Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority ("TCTA") to construct a partial treatment plant to prevent the ground water being contaminated. TCTA completed the construction of the neutralisation plant for the Central Basin and commenced treatment during July 2014. As part of the heads of agreement signed in December 2012 between EMO, Ergo, ERPM and TCTA, sludge emanating from this plant since August 2014 has been co-disposed onto the Brakpan/Withok TDF. Partially treated water has been discharged by TCTA into the Elsburg Spruit.

While the heads of agreement should not be seen as an unqualified endorsement of the state's AMD solution, and do not affect our right to either challenge future directives or to implement our own initiatives should it become necessary, it is an encouraging development. Through this agreement Ergo also secured the right to purchase up to 30 ML of partially treated AMD from TCTA at cost, in order to reduce Ergo's reliance on potable water for mining and processing purposes.

DRDGOLD, through its participation in the Western Utilities Corporation initiative, provided the government with a solution for a sustainable long term solution to AMD. This solution would have been at no cost to the mines and government. In view of the limitation of current information for the accurate estimation of a potential liability, no reliable estimate can be made for the possible obligation.

Occupational health - Silicosis

In January 2013, DRDGOLD, ERPM ("the DRDGOLD Respondents") and 23 other mining companies ("the Mining Companies") were served with a court application for a class action by alleged former mineworkers and dependants of deceased mineworkers. In the pending application the applicants allege that the Mining Companies and the DRDGOLD Respondents conducted underground mining operations in a negligent manner that caused occupational lung diseases. The matter was heard in October 2015.

On May 13, 2016, the South Gauteng High Court, Johannesburg ("Court") handed down judgment in respect of the class action certification in terms of which the applicants sought certification of two industry-wide classes: a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class, both of which cover current and former underground mineworkers who have contracted the respective diseases (or the dependants of mineworkers who died of those diseases). In terms of the judgment, the Court ordered the certification of a single class action comprising two separate and distinct classes – a silicosis class and a tuberculosis class.

An application for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeal ("SCA") was filed and served at the Court by the DRDGOLD Respondents (as well as the Mining Companies) on June 3, 2016 in respect of inter alia the transmissibility of damages.

On June 23, 2016, the Court granted leave to appeal to the SCA against inter alia the transmissibility of damages as envisaged in paragraph 8 of the order dated May 13, 2016. On July 15, 2016, the DRDGOLD Respondents filed and served its petition to the SCA in respect of the certification issue. The notice of appeal in respect of the transmissibility of damages was filed and served on July 25, 2016. On September 13, 2016, the SCA granted the DRDGOLD Respondents leave to appeal on both the certification and transmissibility of damages.

It is not possible at this stage to ascertain what the probable outcome of the matter will be.

Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality Electricity Tariff Dispute

In December 2014, an application (in the South Gauteng High Court) was filed and served on *inter alia* the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality ("Municipality") and Eskom Holdings SOC Limited ("Eskom") in terms of which Ergo contends, amongst other things, that the Municipality does not "supply" electricity to Ergo from a "supply main" as contemplated in the Municipality's Electricity By-Laws of 2002. The Municipality is not licensed to supply electricity to Ergo in terms of the Municipality's Temporary Distribution Licence. The Municipality is not entitled to render tax invoices to Ergo for the supply and consumption of electricity from the substation. The Municipality is furthermore not competent to add a surcharge or premium of approximately 40% (forty percent) of the rate at which Eskom ordinarily charges Ergo on its Megaflex rate. Ergo is not indebted to the Municipality for the supply and consumption of electricity and is not obliged to tender payment for any amounts claimed in the invoices rendered by the Municipality in excess of its actual consumption thereof as determined by Eskom on a monthly basis. The Municipality is indebted to Ergo in the amount of approximately R43 million in respect of the surcharges and premiums that were erroneously paid to the Municipality in the bona fide and reasonable belief that the Municipality was competent to supply electricity to it.

Subsequent to December 2014 up to June 30, 2016, the Municipality has invoiced Ergo for approximately R51.4 million in surcharges of which R45.7 million has been paid into an attorney's trust account at June 30, 2016 pending the final determination of the dispute.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Overview

The group has exposure to credit risk, liquidity risk, as well as other market risks from its use of financial instruments. This note presents information about the group's exposure to each of the above risks as well as the group's objectives and policies and processes for measuring and managing risk. The group's management of capital is disclosed in note 27. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout these consolidated financial statements.

Risk management framework

The board of directors ("Board") has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the group's risk management framework. The Board has established the Audit and Risk Committee, which is responsible for developing and monitoring the group's risk management policies. The committee reports regularly to the Board on its activities.

The group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes to market conditions and the group's activities. The group, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

The Audit and Risk Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with the group's risk management policies and procedures, and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the group. The Audit and Risk Committee is assisted in its oversight role by the internal audit function. The internal audit function undertakes both regular and *ad hoc* reviews of risk management controls and procedures, the results of which are reported to the Audit and Risk Committee.

CREDIT RISK

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the group's receivables from customers and investment securities.

The group's financial instruments do not represent a concentration of credit risk, because the group deals with a variety of major banks and financial institutions located in South Africa after evaluating the credit ratings of the representative financial institutions. Furthermore, its trade receivables and loans are regularly monitored and assessed for recoverability. Where it is appropriate an impairment loss is raised.

In addition, the group's operations all deliver their gold to Rand Refinery which refines the gold to saleable purity levels and then sells the gold, on behalf of the South African operations, on the bullion market. The gold is usually sold by Rand Refinery on the same day as it is delivered and settlement is made within two days.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

CREDIT RISK (continued)

The following represents the maximum exposure to credit risk for all financial assets at June 30:

	Carrying value	
	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Non-current investments and other assets	•	_
Listed investments (refer note 10)	8,886	3,226
Unlisted investments (refer note 10)	147	159
Loan to DRDSA Empowerment Trust (refer note 10)	-	2,496
Investments in environmental rehabilitation trust funds (refer note 10)	93,798	87,917
Trade and other receivables (refer note 13)	34,966	66,792
Cash and cash equivalents (refer note 22)	351,796	324,375
	489,593	484,965

The following represents the maximum exposure to credit risk for trade and other receivables at June 30:

	Carrying value	
	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Trade receivables (gold) (refer note 13)	-	43,002
Receivables from related parties (refer note 13)	2,947	2,804
Other receivables (refer note 13)	32,019	20,986
	34,966	66,792

The ageing of trade and other receivables at June 30:

	Gross	Impair-	Gross	Impair-
	value	ment	value	ment
	2016	2016	2015	2015
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Not past due	18,183	-	53,630	(14)
Past due 0-30 days	6,796	(269)	1,149	(55)
Past due 31-120 days	4,434	(925)	2,754	(1,105)
Past due more than 120 days	16,660	(9,913)	15,724	(5,291)
	46,073	(11,107)	73,257	(6,465)

Management believes that the unimpaired amounts that are past due by more than 30 days are still collectible in full based on historical payment behaviour.

Impairments were raised due to the uncertainty around the recoverability and timing of the expected cash flows.

Movement in the allowance for impairment in respect of other receivables during the year was as follows:

	Impairm	ient
	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Balance at July 1	(6,465)	(6,981)
Impairment (recognized)/reversed	(4,642)	74
Bad debt written off against related receivable	-	442
Balance at June 30	(11,107)	(6,465)

No impairments were recognised on trade receivables.

The group has no significant concentration of credit risk as the majority of the group's receivables are from debtors with a good track record.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

MARKET RISK

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices will affect the group's income or the value of its holding of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters while optimising returns.

Commodity risk and price sensitivity

The profitability of the group's operations, and the cash flows generated by those operations, are affected by changes in the market price of gold which is predominantly sold in US Dollars and then converted to Rand. DRDGOLD does not enter into forward sales, derivatives or other hedging arrangements to establish a price in advance for the sale of future gold production.

A change of 10% in the Rand gold price at the reporting date would have increased/ (decreased) equity and profit/ (loss) by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2015 and excludes income tax.

June 30
Gold and silver revenue
Cashflow sensitivity

Equity and profit or (loss)					
2016		2015			
 10%	10%	10%	10%		
increase	decrease	increase	decrease		
R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000		
243,306	(243,306)	210,530	(210,530)		
243,306	(243,306)	210,530	(210,530)		

Interest rate risk

Fluctuations in interest rates impact on the value of short-term cash investments and financing activities, giving rise to interest rate risks. In the ordinary course of business, the group receives cash from its operations and is obliged to fund working capital and capital expenditure requirements. This cash is managed to ensure surplus funds are invested in a manner to achieve maximum returns while minimizing risks. Lower interest rates result in lower returns on investments and deposits and also may have the effect of making it less expensive to borrow funds at then current rates. Conversely, higher interest rates result in higher interest payments on loans and overdrafts.

The following represents the interest rate risk profile for the group's interest-bearing financial instruments:

	Carryii	ng value
	2016	2015
	R'000	R'000
Variable interest rate instruments	·	
Financial assets	445,594	412,292
Financial liabilities	(19,161)	(44,257)
	426,433	368,035

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments:

A change of 100 basis points (bp) in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased/(decreased) equity and profit/(loss) by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis as the prior year and excludes income tax.

June 30
Variable interest rate instruments
Cashflow sensitivity

	Equity and p	rofit or (loss)	
2016		2015	5
100 bp	100 bp	100 bp	100 bp
increase	decrease	increase	decrease
R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
4,264	(4,264)	3,680	(3,680)
4,264	(4,264)	3,680	(3,680)

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

MARKET RISK (continued)

Foreign currency risk

The group's reporting currency is the South African Rand. Although gold is sold in US Dollars, the group is obliged to convert this into South African Rand. The group is thus exposed to fluctuations in the US Dollar/South African Rand exchange rate. The group conducted its operations in South Africa during the current year. Foreign exchange fluctuations affect the cash flow that it will realise from its operations as gold is sold in US Dollars, while production costs are incurred primarily in South African Rands. The group's results are positively affected when the US Dollar strengthens against the Rand and adversely affected when the US Dollar weakens against the Rand. The group does not hedge against foreign currency fluctuations and considers the risk to be low due to foreign currency normally being disposed of on the same day.

The following significant exchange rates applied during the year:

	Spot rate at year end		Average rate	
June 30	2016	2015	2016	2015
1 US Dollar	14.6800	12.1649	14.4989	11.4475
The following represents the exposure to foreign cur	rency risks:		2016	2015
June 30			USD'000	USD'000
Trade and other receivables			-	3,535
Cash and cash equivalents			2,320	-
Net statement of financial position exposure			2,320	3,535

Sensitivity analysis

A 10 percent strengthening of the Rand against the US dollar at June 30, would have increased/(decreased) equity and profit/(loss) by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2015. A 10% weakening of the rand against the US dollar at June 30, would have had the equal but opposite effect, on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

	Impact	Impact	
June 30	2016 R'000	2015 R'000	
Equity Loss	(3,405) (3,405)	(4,300) (4,300)	

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

MARKET RISK (continued)

Other market price risk

Equity price risk arises from available-for-sale equity securities fair value adjustments accounted for in other comprehensive income. Investments within the portfolio are managed on an individual basis.

The following table represents the carrying amounts and net profit/(loss), finance income and finance expense recognised in profit or loss and/or equity as well as other comprehensive income per category of financial instruments at June 30:

	Carrying value	Profit / (loss)	OCI	Total equity
2047	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
2016				
Financial assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets	9,033	-	4,342	4,342
Loans and receivables	480,560	28,686	-	28,686
	489,593	28,686	4,342	33,028
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost	245,197	(4,370)	-	(4,370)
	245,197	(4,370)	-	(4,370)
2015	-			
Financial assets				
Available-for-sale financial assets	3,385	16,261	(757)	15,504
Loans and receivables	481,580	18,754	-	18,754
	484,965	35,015	(757)	34,258
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost	256,130	(10,612)	-	(10,612)
	256,130	(10,612)	_	(10,612)

LIQUIDITY RISK

Liquidity risk is the risk that the group will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the group's reputation.

The group ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations; this excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted such as natural disasters.

Unless otherwise stated the following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments and excluding the impact of netting agreements:

	Carrying amount R'000	Contractual cash flows R'000	6 months or less R'000	6 - 12 months R'000	2 - 5 years R'000
June 30, 2016					
Finance lease obligation	19,161	(27,105)	(2,652)	(2,652)	(21,801)
Trade and other payables (1)	226,036	(226,036)	(226,036)	-	<u> </u>
	245,197	(253,141)	(228,688)	(2,652)	(21,801)
June 30, 2015					
Loans and borrowings	23,096	(23,096)	(23,096)	-	-
Finance lease obligation	21,161	(32,409)	(2,652)	(2,652)	(27,105)
Trade and other payables (1)	211,873	(211,873)	(211,873)	-	-
	256,130	(267,378)	(237,621)	(2,652)	(27,105)

 $_{\scriptscriptstyle (1)}$ Excludes payroll related liabilities of R63.0 million (2015: R45.9 million).

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following table represents the carrying amounts and fair values of the group's financial instruments at June 30:

_	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
	2016	2016	2015	2015
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Financial assets measured at fair value	9,033	9,033	3,385	3,385
Listed investments (refer note 10)	8,886	8,886	3,226	3,226
Unlisted investments (refer note 10)	147	147	159	159
Financial assets not measured at fair value	480,560	480,560	481,580	481,580
Loans to DRDSA Empowerment Trust (refer note 10)	-	-	2,496	2,496
Investments in environmental rehabilitation trust	02.700	02.700	97.017	97.017
funds (refer note 10)	93,798	93,798	87,917	87,917
Trade and other receivables (refer note 13)	34,966	34,966	66,792	66,792
Cash and cash equivalents (refer note 22)	351,796	351,796	324,375	324,375
_	489,593	489,593	484,965	484,965
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value	245,197	245,197	256,130	256,130
Loans and borrowings (refer note 19)	_	_	23,096	23,096
Finance lease obligations (refer note 20)			,	,
– non-current	16,806	16,806	19,161	19,161
– current	2,355	2,355	2,000	2,000
Trade and other payables	226,036	226,036	211,873	211,873
	245,197	245,197	256,130	256,130

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Financial instruments measured at fair value

The financial instruments measured at fair value are measured using the following valuation methodologies.

Listed investments

The fair value of listed investments are determined by reference to published price quotations from recognised securities exchanges.

Unlisted investments

The valuations are based on the net asset values of these investments and constitute the investments' fair value as most of the assets in these investment companies are carried at fair value. The valuations have been compared to information available in the market regarding other market participants' view on the value of the underlying investment.

Financial instruments measured at amortised cost

The group applied the discounted cash flow valuation technique in the measurement of loans and receivables as well as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost. No significant unobservable inputs are used in this measurement.

Loans to DRDSA Empowerment Trust

The fair value of the loan is not readily determinable and are therefore carried at cost.

Cash and cash equivalents and investments in environmental trust funds

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents approximates their fair value due to the short-term maturity of these deposits. The carrying value of the environmental trust funds approximate their fair value due to these investments being cash in nature.

Trade and other receivables

The fair value approximates the carrying value due to their short-term maturities.

Loans and borrowings

The loan bears interest at the three month Johannesburg Inter-bank Acceptance Rate plus a margin ranging from 4% to 5% per annum. Fair value is calculated by reference to quoted prices for floating interest instruments.

Trade and other payables

The fair value approximates the carrying value due to their short-term maturities.

25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observed for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observed market data (unobserved inputs).

	Level 1	Level 3	Total
	R'000	R'000	R'000
June 30, 2016			
Available-for-sale financial assets			
Listed investments	8,886	-	8,886
Unlisted investments	-	147	147
	8,886	147	9,033
V 20 2015			
June 30, 2015			
Available-for-sale financial assets			
Listed investments	3,226	-	3,226
Unlisted investments	-	159	159
	3,226	159	3,385

The unobservable inputs considered in the fair value measurement of Level 3 financial instruments are discussed in note 10.

Reconciliation of fair value measurements in Level 2 and Level 3 during the year:

	2016		2015	
-	Level 2 R'000	Level 3 R'000	Level 2 R'000	Level 3 R'000
Available-for-sale financial assets	11 000	11 000	11 000	11 000
Balance at beginning of year	-	159	4,000	171
Fair value adjustment	-	-	2,425	-
Impairment	-	-	(300)	-
Disposed	-	(12)	(6,125)	(12)
Balance at end of year	-	147	-	159
Fair value adjustment reclassified to profit or loss	-	-	2,625	-
Impairment recognized in profit or loss	-	-	(300)	-
Loss recognized in other comprehensive income	-	-	(200)	-
Fair value adjustment recognized in other				
comprehensive income	-	-	2,425	-
Fair value adjustment reclassified to profit or loss	_	-	(2,625)	-
_	-	_	2,125	

The gain or loss on the fair value adjustment is recognized in other comprehensive income net of deferred tax.

The available-for-sale financial assets Level 3 comprises investments in unlisted shares for which no reasonable alternative measure for fair value is available. Therefore no sensitivity analysis has been prepared.

26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

	2016	2015	2014
	R'000	R'000	R'000
Key management personnel remuneration			
Short-term benefits			
Salaries paid	51,505	54,496	68,939
Board fees paid	3,743	3,844	-
Incentives relating to this cycle	33,767	17,750	-
Pre-tax gain on share options exercised	1,741	-	3,341
Retrenchment payments	-	7,150	-
	90,756	83,240	72,280
Long service awards			
Share-based payment expense	29,874	1,753	3,341
Post-retirement medical benefits	349	304	261
	30,223	2,057	3,602

The group has related party relationships with its subsidiaries and with its directors and key management personnel. Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the company, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the company.

Prior to the awarding of a contract to a related party for the supply of goods and services the group procurement manager reviews the pricing, quality and the reliability of that party. The contract terms are compared to similar suppliers of goods and services to ensure that the contract is on market related terms.

Contributions to, and the total of post-retirement medical benefits as well as long term employee incentive scheme liabilities for key management personnel as at June 30, 2016 are disclosed in note 17.

Treasury shares held by EMO are outlined in note 15.1. Dividends amounting to R5.6 million (2015: R0.1 million and 2014: R0.9 million) were received by EMO on these shares.

During FY2016, EMO disposed of nil (2015: nil and 2014: 50 000) ordinary shares in the company (held as treasury shares for consolidation purposes) to D J Pretorius as a mining right conversion bonus as required by his employment contract.

TRANSACTIONS WITH SUBSIDIARIES

During the year ended June 30, 2016 DRDGOLD earned:

- corporate services fees from EMO amounting to nil (2015: R10.6 million and 2014: R21.9 million);
- corporate services fees from Ergo amounting to R20.1 million (2015: nil):
- interest from EMO amounting to R26.5 million (2015: R30.7 million and 2014: R30.3 million) and from Ergo amounting to R35.4 million (2015: R31.3 million and 2014: R28.5 million).

Balances outstanding at June 30, 2016

- Subsidiaries refer to note 11;
- Loans to DRDSA Empowerment Trust refer to note 10;
- Receivables from other related parties refer to note 13;
- Cash held on behalf of DRDSA Empowerment Trust refer to note 22.

26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

TRANSACTIONS WITH OTHER ENTITIES IN WHICH AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IS HELD

Guardrisk

During the year ended June 30, 2016, Ergo paid fees to the Guardrisk Cell Captive relating to the environmental guarantees issued by Guardrisk to the DMR as outlined in note 16 amounting to R7.8 million (2015: R9.9 million and 2014: nil), which included a contribution of nil (2015: R0.8 million) (refer note 10).

Rand Refinery Proprietary Limited (Rand Refinery)

The group has entered into an agreement with Rand Refinery Limited ("Rand Refinery"), for the refining and sale of all of its gold produced in South Africa. Under the agreement, Rand Refinery performs the final refining of the group's gold and casts it into troy ounce bars. Rand Refinery then sells the gold on the same day as delivery, for the London afternoon fixed price on the day the gold is sold. In exchange for this service, the group pays Rand Refinery a variable refining fee plus fixed marketing, loan and administration fees. Mr Gwebu, who held the position of executive: legal, compliance and company secretary of DRDGOLD up to December 31, 2014, was a director of Rand Refinery, a member of its Remuneration Committee and chairman of the Social and Ethics Committee until September 5, 2014 when he resigned as director. Mr Charles Symons has been appointed to replace him as director of Rand Refinery effective September 5, 2014. Mr Mark Burrell who is the financial director of Ergo is an alternate director of Rand Refinery and a member of Rand Refinery's Audit Committee.

- The group currently owns shares in Rand Refinery (which is jointly owned by South African mining companies) (refer note 10);
- Trade receivables to the amount of nil (2015: R43.0 million and 2014: R25.6 million) relate to metals sold;
- The group received a dividend of nil (2015: nil and 2014: nil) from Rand Refinery.

CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT

On June 23, 2008, EMO approved a consultancy agreement with Khumo Gold, which owned 20% of EMO at that date. The agreement provides for a monthly retainer of R0.3 million (2015: R0.3 million, 2014: R0.3 million) and will conclude on 31 December 2016.

SALE OF SHARES

During the year ended June 30, 2015, DRDGOLD acquired the 20% and 6% interest in the issued share capital of EMO held by Khumo and the Empowerment Trust respectively (refer note 15.2).

27. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The primary objective of the board in managing the group's capital is to ensure that there is sufficient capital available to support the funding requirements of the group, including capital expenditure, in a way that optimizes the cost of capital, maximizes shareholders' returns, and ensures that the group remains in a sound financial position. There were no changes to the group's overall capital management approach during the current year. The group manages and makes adjustments to the capital structure as opportunities arise in the market place, as and when borrowings mature or as and when funding is required. This may take the form of raising equity, market or bank debt or hybrids thereof.

The board monitors the return on capital, which the group defines as net operating income divided by total shareholders' equity, excluding non-redeemable preference shares and non-controlling interest from continuing operations, and seeks to maintain a balance between the higher returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position. The board decides the level of dividends to ordinary shareholders.

The group's net liabilities and total equity or capital, as at June 30 was as follows:

	2010	2013
	R'000	R'000
Total liabilities	1,079,519	973,114
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(351,796)	(324,375)
Net liabilities	727,723	648,739
Total equity	1,339,556	1,529,924

28. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no significant subsequent events between the year-end reporting date of June 30, 2016 and the date of issue of these financial statements.

2015

2016

ITEM 19. EXHIBITS

The following exhibits are filed as a part of this Annual Report:

•	The following extinction are fried as a part of time filling in report.
$1.1^{(1)}$	Memorandum of Association of DRDGOLD Limited.
$1.2^{(7)}$	Articles of Association of DRDGOLD Limited, as amended on November 8, 2002.
$1.3^{(1)}$	Excerpts of relevant provisions of the South African Companies Act.
$1.4^{(2)}$	Durban Roodepoort Deep (1996) Share Option Scheme as amended.
$1.5^{(13)}$	Memorandum of Incorporation, as amended on November 30, 2012.
$2.1^{(1)}$	Excerpts of relevant provisions of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange Listings Requirements.
$2.2^{(5)}$	Indenture between DRDGOLD Limited, as Issuer, and The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee, dated November
	12, 2002.
4.1 ⁽³⁾	Deposit Agreement among DRDGOLD Limited, The Bank of New York Mellon as Depositary, and owners and holders of American Depositary Receipts, dated as of August 12, 1996, as amended and restated as of October 2, 1996, as further amended and restated as of August 6, 1998, as further amended and restated July 23, 2007.
$4.2^{(4)}$	Form of Non-Executive Employment Agreement.
4.3(4)	Form of Executive Employment Agreement.
4.4 ⁽⁵⁾	Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Rand Refinery Limited, dated October 12, 2001.
$4.5^{(6)}$	Term Sheet concluded between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Bathong Holdings Proprietary Limited (KBH), dated July 6, 2005.
$4.6^{(6)}$	Option Agreement entered into by and between DRDGOLD Limited and M5 Developments Proprietary Limited, dated July 21, 2005.
$4.7^{(7)}$	Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited, dated November 9, 2005.
$4.8^{(7)}$	Share Sale Agreement between Crown Consolidated Gold Recoveries Limited and DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited, dated November 14, 2005.
$4.9^{(7)}$	Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
$4.10^{(7)}$	Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
4.11 ⁽⁷⁾	Cession Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and Khumo Bathong Holdings Proprietary Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
4.12 ⁽⁷⁾	Option Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
4.13 ⁽⁷⁾	Offer of Class A Preference Share between Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
4.14 ⁽⁷⁾	Offer of Class A Preference Share between Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining Company Limited, dated November 18, 2005.
4.15 ⁽⁷⁾	Offer of Class A Preference Share between Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and Crown Gold Recoveries
4.16 ⁽⁷⁾	Proprietary Limited, dated November 18, 2005. Shareholders' Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and
	DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited, dated November 24, 2005.
4.17 ⁽⁸⁾	Option Exercise Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited, Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and the Trustees for the time being of the DRDSA Empowerment Trust dated October 10, 2006.
4.18(8)	Class B Preference Share Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited and Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited dated October 24, 2006.
$4.19^{(8)}$	Three Class B Preference Share Subscription Agreements between Khumo Gold SPV Proprietary Limited and
	Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining Company Limited, Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited and East Rand
4.20(8)	Proprietary Mines Limited, dated October 24, 2006. Three Class C Preference Share Subscription Agreements between the Trustees for the time being of the DRDSA
4.20(0)	Empowerment Trust and Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining Company Limited, Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary
	Limited and East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited, dated October 24, 2006.
4.21(9)	Third Addendum to Memorandum of Agreement between AngloGold Ashanti Limited ("AGA"), Ergo Mining
4.21	Proprietary Limited (formerly called Friedshelf 849 Proprietary Limited) ("Ergo"), DRDGOLD South African
	Operations Proprietary ("DRDGOLD SA") Mintails South Africa Proprietary Limited dated November 14, 2007.
$4.22^{(9)}$	Fifth Addendum to Memorandum of Agreement between AngloGold Ashanti Limited ("AGA"), Ergo Mining
7.22	Proprietary Limited (formerly called Friedshelf 849 Proprietary Limited ("Ergo"), DRDGOLD South African
	Operations Proprietary ("DRDGOLD SA") Mintails South Africa Proprietary Limited dated May 22, 2008.
4.23(9)	Mining User Contract between Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited ("Crown"), East Rand Proprietary
	Mines Limited ("ERPM"), Elsburg Gold Mining Joint Venture ("Elsburg JV"), Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited
	("Ergo"), Ergo Uranium Proprietary Limited ("Ergo Uranium") and Mogale Gold Proprietary Limited ("Mogale
	Gold") dated August 15, 2008
$4.24^{(9)}$	Ergo Uranium Sale Agreement of Brakpan Plants to Ergo Mining between Ergo Uranium Proprietary Limited
	("Ergo Uranium") and Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited ("Ergo") dated August 15, 2008.

4.25(9)	Ergo Mining Shareholders' Agreement between Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited ("Crown") and Ergo
4.26 ⁽⁹⁾	Uranium Proprietary Limited ("Ergo Uranium") dated August 15, 2008. Elsburg Gold Mining Joint Venture ("Elsburg JV") Agreement between East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited
4.27 ⁽⁹⁾	("ERPM") and Mogale Gold Proprietary Limited ("Mogale Gold") dated August 15, 2008. Mogale Sale of Part Venture Interest in the Elsburg Gold Mining Joint Venture ("Elsburg JV") between East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") and Mogale Gold Proprietary Limited ("Mogale Gold") dated September 29,
4.28(10)	2008. Heads of Agreement entered into by Mintails Limited, Mogale Gold Proprietary Limited ("Mogale Gold"), Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited ("Ergo Joint Venture"), DRDGOLD Limited ("DRDGOLD") and East Rand
	Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM"), dated December 8, 2008.
4.29(10)	Loan Facility entered into by Mintails South Africa Proprietary Limited ("Borrower"), DRDGOLD Limited ("Lender"), Mintails Limited ("Borrower's Guarantor"), Mogale Gold Proprietary Limited (Mogale Gold") Ergo
	Uranium Proprietary Limited ("Ergo Uranium") dated December 8, 2008.
4.30 ⁽¹⁰⁾	Subscription and shareholders' Agreement entered into by Mintails SA Proprietary Limited ("Mintails SA"), Witfontein Mining Proprietary Limited ("Witfontein") and Argonaut Financial Services Proprietary Limited
4.31(10)	("Argonaut") dated December 9, 2008. Facility Agreement between Investec Bank limited ("the Lender") and DRDGOLD Limited ("the Borrower") dated
4.32(11)	March 31, 2009. Final Heads of Agreement between Chizim Investments (Pvt) Limited ("Chizim") and DRDGOLD Limited
4.32	("DRDGOLD") dated December 9, 2009.
4.33(11)	Memorandum of Agreement between Ergo Uranium Proprietary Limited ("Ergo Uranium") and East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") dated January 21, 2010.
4.34(11)	Heads of Agreement between East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") and Aurora Empowerment System
	Proprietary Limited ("Aurora") dated January 22, 2010.
4.35(11)	Domestic Medium Term Note Programme ("Programme") entered into by DRDGOLD South African Operations Proprietary Limited ("Issuer") and DRDGOLD Limited ("guarantor") dated September 30 2010.
4.36(12)	Domestic Medium Term Note) and High Yield Programme ("DMTN Programme") Agreement entered into by
4.30	DRDGOLD Limited ("Issuer") Crown Gold Recoveries Proprietary Limited ("Crown Gold"), East Rand
	Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM"), Ergo Mining Operations Proprietary Limited ("EMO")) and ABSA Bank
	Limited ("ABSA")) dated June 30, 2012.
4.37(12)	Sale of Shares and Claims Agreement entered into by Village Main Reef Limited ("Village"), DRDGOLD Limited
	("DRDGOLD") ("Seller"), Business Venture Investments No 1557 Proprietary Limited ("Purchaser") and
	Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining Company Limited ("Blyvoor") dated February 11, 2012.
4.38(12)	Sale of Interest Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited ("DRDGOLD") and Ergo Mining Proprietary Limited
	("Ergo") dated June 29, 2012.
$4.39^{(13)}$	Heads of Agreement entered into by Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority ("TCTA"), Ergo Mining Operations
	Proprietary Limited ("EMO"), East Rand Proprietary Mines Limited ("ERPM") and Crown Gold Recoveries
	Proprietary Limited ("CGR") (collectively CGR, EMO and ERPM are called "the Ergo Group") dated November
(1.4)	28, 2012.
$4.40^{(14)}$	Share Sale and Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited ("DRDGOLD") and Khumo Gold SPV
4.41(14)	Proprietary Limited ("Khumo") dated March 17, 2014.
4.41 ⁽¹⁴⁾	Share Sale and Subscription Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited ("DRDGOLD") and DRDSA Empowerment Trust (the Trust) dated March 17, 2014.
4.42(15)	Settlement Agreement between DRDGOLD Limited ("DRDGOLD") and VMR Gold Investments 02 Proprietary
	Limited ("VMR Gold") dated May 28, 2015.
8.1 ⁽¹⁵⁾	List of Subsidiaries.
$11.1^{(13)}$	Code of Ethics, as amended February 9, 2012.
12.1 ⁽¹⁶⁾	Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
12.2 ⁽¹⁶⁾	Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
13.1 ⁽¹⁶⁾	Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
$13.2^{(16)}$	Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
(1) Incorpor	unted by reference to over Registration Statement (File No. 0. 20000) or Fermi 20 F
meorpoi	rated by reference to our Registration Statement (File No. 0-28800) on Form 20-F.

Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1997.

Incorporated by reference to Amendment No. 1 to our Registration Statement (File No. 333-140850) on Form F-6.

Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000.

⁽⁵⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002.

⁽⁶⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

⁽⁷⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

⁽⁸⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.

⁽⁹⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

⁽¹⁰⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

⁽¹¹⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010.

⁽¹²⁾ Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012.

- (13) Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.
- (14) Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.
- (15) Incorporated by reference to our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.
- (16) Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

DRDGOLD LIMITED

By: /s/ D.J. Pretorius
D.J. Pretorius
Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ A.J. Davel A.J. Davel Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 31, 2016