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ZIMPLATS HOLDINGS LIMITED
ABN 16 083 463 058

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

TAXATION ISSUES

Shareholders are advised that the Zimbabwe Revenue Authority (ZIMRA) is in the process of issuing revised income tax assessments on the operating subsidiary, Zimbabwe Platinum Mines (Private (Limited) covering the tax years from 2007 to 2012. The principal tax per the assessments amounts to US\$33.8 million and the company may be liable for additional interest and penalties.

The revised assessments will disallow, in the main, the claiming of capital expenditure in full in the year incurred as provided for in the written undertakings that were issued by Government in 2001, and on which the company has since placed reliance. To date, ZIMRA has also assessed the company based on these undertakings, which were designed to put the company in the same position as other mining companies in Zimbabwe which are not subject to a Special Mining Lease. ZIMRA has now stated that the re-assessments will be issued on the grounds that the legislation required to give legal effect to the undertakings has not been promulgated.

The company has conceded that, given the Government did not give legal effect to the written undertakings as envisaged, it is liable to pay the principal amount of tax. However, it has lodged an objection to the payment of penalties and interest. Discussions with ZIMRA in this regard are on-going, including discussions on payment terms.

Shareholders will be kept informed of developments on this matter.

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