## **Interim Report**

# **ZAMBIA COPPER INVESTMENTS LIMITED**

(Registered in Bermuda) ('ZCI' or 'the Company')

### **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS**

for the six months ended June 30, 2002

	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2002	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2001	Audited Year ended December 31, 2001
		in thousands of US dollars	
Turnover	207,658	194,929	370,689
Operating costs	(219,267)	(236,054)	(454,137)
Operating loss before interest and taxation	(11,609)	(41,125)	(83,448)
Interest and other financial income	604	2,041	6,300
Interest expense	(14,636)	(12,423)	(21,916)
Commitment fee on loan facility	(102)	(1,000)	(1,680)
General and administration expenses	(605)	(863)	(1,638)
Impairment of mining and intangible assets	(248,634)	_	_
Loss before tax	(274,982)	(53,370)	(102,382)
Taxation	(8)	(3,867)	(3,883)
Loss after taxation	(274,990)	(57,237)	(106,265)
Loss attributable to minority interests		19,022	20,296
Net loss	(274,990)	(38,215)	(85,969)
		per ordinary share in US cer	nts
Headline loss before exceptional item and amortisation of goodwill	(21.50)	(30.95)	(69.68)
Exceptional item – impairment of mining and intangible assets	(202.87)	-	-
Amortisation of goodwill	_	(0.23)	(0.46)
Net loss	(224.37)	(31.18)	(70.14)

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS**

for the six months ended June 30, 2002

	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2002	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2001	Audited Year ended December 31, 2001
		in thousands of US dollars	
Accumulated deficit at beginning of the period	(107,762)	(21,793)	(21,793)
Net loss	(274,990)	(38,215)	(85,969)
Accumulated deficit at end of the period	(382,752)	(60,008)	(107,762)

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at June 30, 2002

	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
	June 30, 2002	June 30, 2001	December 31, 2001
Fired accets		in thousands of US dollars	
Fixed assets		5.050	0.005
Intangible assets	-	5,959	8,265
Tangible fixed assets	39,343	207,915	260,756
	39,343	213,874	269,021
Investments and advances	54,142	38,649	45,932
	93,485	252,523	314,953
Current assets			
Stocks	95,990	101,669	105,462
Accounts receivable	51,355	57,715	68,924
Cash and short-term investments	8,702	7,853	4,772
	156,047	167,237	179,158
Current liabilities			
Short-term loans and bank overdrafts	(13,877)	(19,844)	(98,566
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(51,977)	(57,190)	(62,172
	(65,853)	(77,034)	(160,738
Net current assets	90,194	90,203	18,420
Total assets less current liabilities	183,679	342,726	333,373
Long-term liabilities			
Long-term loans	(380,105)	(212,967)	(263,346
Provisions	(77,632)	(78,332)	(69,451
Deferred purchase consideration	(61,913)	(63,380)	(61,557
Minority interest	_	(1,274)	_
Net (liabilities)/assets	(335,971)	(13,227)	(60,981
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Capital and reserves	40.704	40.704	40.704
Capital	46,781	46,781	46,781
Accumulated deficit	(382,752)	(60,008)	(107,762
Shareholders' (deficit)/equity	(335,971)	(13,227)	(60,981
Number of ordinary shares in issue	122,559,900	122,559,900	122,559,900
Net asset value (per ordinary share in US cents)	(274.13)	(10.79)	(49.76

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

for the six months ended June 30, 2002

	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2002	Unaudited Six months ended June 30, 2001	Audited Year ended December 31, 2001
		in thousands of US dollars	
Cash flow from operating activities Cash received from customers Cash paid to suppliers and employees	212,933 (186,539)	179,191 (242,098)	361,945 (465,756)
Cash generated/(absorbed) by operations	26,394	(62,907)	(103,811)
Interest received Interest paid Income tax paid	(933) —	342 (2,618) (248)	356 (5,314) (351)
Net cash generated/(absorbed) by operating activities	25,461	(65,432)	(109,120)
Cash flow from investing activities Investment in KCM Capital expenditure	(34,654)	_ (42,015)	(2,832) (107,297)
Cash absorbed by investing activities	(34,654)	(42,015)	(110,129)
Cash flow from financing activities Proceeds from external borrowings Repayment of external borrowings Advances by minority shareholders in KCM	95,000 (60,000) 2,813	80,313 - 4,688	154,000 - 21,000
Net cash from financing activities	37,813	85,000	175,000
Net increase/(decrease) in cash	28,620	(22,446)	(44,249)
Cash at the beginning of the year	(33,916)	10,333	10,333
Net (debt)/cash at the end of the period	(5,297)	(12,113)	(33,916)
Cash deposits and cash at bank Bank overdraft – unsecured	8,580 (13,877)	7,731 (19,844)	4,650 (38,566)
Net (debt)/cash at the end of the period	(5,297)	(12,113)	(33,916)

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards and in terms of the same accounting policies applied during the prevous financial period.

#### **Chairman's Statement**

#### Restructuring

On August 19, 2002 the Company announced that it had reached agreement on the restructuring of Konkola Copper Mines PLC ('KCM') with Anglo American plc, ZCCM Investments Holdings plc, the Government of the Republic of Zambia, the International Finance Corporation and CDC Group plc. Following the approval of shareholders on September 10, 2002, it is envisaged that the restructuring and related arrangements, as spelt out in the ZCI circular issued on August 23, 2002, will be completed shortly.

#### Impairment

The revised outlook for copper prices, combined with the fact that KCM is not likely in the foreseeable future to be able to raise the funding required to implement the Konkola Deep Mining Project, have impacted on the projected life of the Konkola Mine and the values of KCM's assets. In light of the proposed restructuring and the funding available to KCM at present, the Directors have evaluated the assets and determined the need for an impairment to be reflected in the accounts for the six months ended June 30, 2002. The impairment of the assets has been determined to amount to US\$249 million. The impairment calculation has been reviewed by Deloitte & Touche.

## **KCM Operational Report**

The ZCI Group has delivered an improved operating performance for the six months to June 30, 2002, reducing its operating loss before interest and taxation to US\$11.6m from US\$41.1m for the first half of 2001. The impairment provision plus a higher interest charge increased the net loss for the six months to US\$275m (2001 – US\$38.2m).

The period under review has seen improvements being achieved in most aspects of the business with the benefits of the refurbishment programme beginning to be realised. Capital expenditure on refurbishment over the period amounted to US\$35 million but further expenditure was constrained by the limitation on finance available to KCM. Increases in volumes mined and treated have led to a reduction in unit costs. Cash operating costs declined from an average of USc 81/lb over the last six months of 2001 to an average of USc 73/lb over the period under review.

Safety standards and safety risk awareness continue as high priorities at KCM and have improved over the period under review. The Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate fell from 0.83 over the first 6 months of 2001 to 0.57 per 200,000 man hours in the first half of 2002. However, there were regrettably two fatal accidents at KCM during the period.

Copper ore mined increased by 18% but this was partly offset by lower grades. Higher tonnages of both copper and cobalt ore were milled and, with improved recoveries at Nchanga, Konkola and the Leach Plant together with higher throughput at the Nkana Smelter, production of copper increased significantly. Sales were further boosted by the realisation of approximately 8,000 tonnes of copper cathode stocks. Throughput at the Nkana Smelter has improved but the plant continues to experience operating problems.

The world economy has not rebounded to the extent hoped with base metals prices remaining depressed. The average realised price of copper for the period was USc 71.5/lb, compared to USc 81.1/lb in the first half of 2001. It remains uncertain when prices will improve with copper currently trading in the spot market at USc 69/lb.

Operating statistics for KCM for the six months to June 30, 2002

	Six months ended June 30, 2002		Six months ended June 30, 2001			Six months ender 2002	ed June 30 2001
	Tonnes	Grades	Tonnes	Grades		Tonnes	Tonnes
	(t)	(%)	(t)	(%)		(t)	(t)
Copper ore mined					Tailings Leach Plant		
Nchanga Open Pit	2,214,000	1.84	1,717,000	2.18	Finished copper produced	35,797	35,741
Nchanga Underground	1,448,000	3.37	1,423,000	3.26	Smelting and refining		
Konkola Underground	925,000	3.29	913,000	3.37	Tonnes concentrate treated	187,535	146,616
Cobalt Ore mined					Finished copper produced	69,939	54,744
Nchanga Open Pit	302,000	0.52	766,000	0.65	Finished productio		
Tailings Leach Plant					Copper	110,363	90,485
Tailings treated	6,174,000	0.76	5,157,000	0.94	Cobalt	1,174	1,236
Flotation					Metal sales		
Copper ore milled	4,733,000		4,676,000		Copper	118,568	93,079
Cobalt ore milled	406,000		383,000		Cobalt	1,272	1,297
Metal in concentrate prod	duced				Average price realised		
Copper in concentrate prod	duced 77,273		70,258		Copper (USc/lb)	71.5	81.1
Cobalt in concentrate production	uced 1,544		1,566		Cobalt (US\$/lb)	7.13	9.77

## Board of Directors

All of the directors of the Company, except for C J Colebank, have indicated their intention to resign with effect from September 16, 2002. R G Mills, S Georgala and J Mills have been appointed as directors in their stead from the same date.

## Administration

Subsequent to September 16, 2002, the administration of the Company and company secretaries functions of the ZCI Group will cease to be provided by Anglo American. The administrative function of the ZCI Group will be provided by Maitland Management Services. The new Company Secretary will be J Mills, whose business address is 6 Rue Adolphe Fischer, L-1520 Luxembourg.

Once again, the directors of ZCI wish to record their appreciation of the great efforts made by all the employees of KCM during what has again been a very difficult six month period.

Bermuda September 16, 2002 Registered Office Clarendon House 2, Church Street Hamilton, Bermuda