

## RDC PROPERTIES LIMITED

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## TRADING UPDATE

Shareholders are advised that the Company is currently finalising its abridged un-audited financial results for the half-year ended 30 June 2023.

In line with section 5.4c of the Listing Requirements of the Botswana Stock Exchange (BSE), an issuer must publish a cautionary announcement as soon as it is satisfied that a reasonable degree of certainty exists that the expected profit or loss (before tax) for the period to be reported upon next will differ by at least 10% from the most recent financial results for the previous corresponding period.

Consolidated revenue has increased by 9% to P273 million, from P250 million for the corresponding prior period, and profit from operations has improved by an impressive 12% from the corresponding period.

There has however been a decrease in profit before tax of approximately 55%-65% due to unrealised fair value reductions (versus prior year gains) on interest rate derivatives as they moved closer to maturity and the interest rate swap curve improving (P31.1 million). These derivatives served, and continue to serve, their intended purpose by shielding us from adverse interest rate movements, allowing us to secure favorable interest rates and protect our borrowing costs significantly. The interest rate derivatives saved the Group P9.8 million in interest for the period under review. Further contributing to the reduction is fair value adjustments made on non-core investment properties that were reclassified as held for sale (P13.1 million) and an increase in finance costs (P15.5 million). Excluding the impact of the above items, the net profit before tax is between 25% and 30%, or P12.2 million and P15 million, up on the previous corresponding period.

The Board of Directors of RDC Properties Limited therefore advises shareholders that the profit before tax for the half year ended 30 June 2023 will be approximately between 55% and 65% or P41.6 million to P50.7 million lower than the P76.4 million reported for the period ended 30 June 2022.

The information contained in this announcement represents only a preliminary assessment made by Management. Full details will be provided upon the release of the final abridged un-audited financial results for the period, which will be on 21 September 2023, and the actual results may differ from those disclosed herein.

Accordingly, shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Company's securities until the abridged un-audited financial results are released.

By order of the Board PricewaterhouseCoopers (Pty) Limited Company Secretary

8 September 2023