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**PUMA ENERGY ZAMBIA PLC (“PUMA”)
[Incorporated in the Republic of Zambia]**

Company registration number: 2575
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- iii. Puma Energy Zambia Plc

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RESULTS FOR THE YEAR 2023

In compliance with the Securities Act No. 41 of 2016 of the Laws of Zambia and the Listing Requirements of the Lusaka Securities Exchange, Puma Energy Zambia Plc announces the audited results for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Statement Of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

	For the year ended 31-Dec-2023 K`000	For the year ended 31-Dec-2022 K`000
Revenue	<u>10,532,442</u>	<u>8,718,527</u>
Profit from ordinary activities before exchange gain, interest and taxation	233,657	281,360
Exchange gain/(loss)	103,290	2,210
Other income	55,864	48,417
Finance expense	(35,158)	(6,092)
Profit before income tax	357,653	325,895
Income tax expense	<u>(102,862)</u>	<u>(94,386)</u>
Net profit after taxation	<u>254,791</u>	<u>231,509</u>
Earnings per share (Kwacha)	0.510	0.463

Statement of Financial Position

	As at 31-Dec-23 K`000	As at 31-Dec-22 K`000
ASSETS EMPLOYED		
Property, plant and equipment	956,062	627,452
Other receivables – Non current	284,903	121,556
Current assets	<u>2,510,357</u>	<u>1,653,037</u>
Total Assets	<u>3,751,322</u>	<u>2,402,045</u>
EQUITY & LIABILITIES		
Shareholders' funds	1,804,022	1,325,929
Non-current liabilities	149,245	70,973
Current liabilities	<u>1,798,055</u>	<u>1,005,143</u>
Total Equity & Liabilities	<u>3,751,322</u>	<u>2,402,045</u>

Abridged Statement of Cash Flows

	For the year ended 31-Dec-2023 K`000	For the year ended 31-Dec-2022 K`000
Net cash from Operating activities	(321,069)	441,658
Net cash used in Investing activities	(222,527)	(46,698)
Net cash used in Financing activities	<u>(71,448)</u>	<u>(29,620)</u>
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash equivalents	(615,044)	365,340
Net Foreign exchange difference	4,197	513
Cash and Cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	<u>53,114</u>	<u>(312,739)</u>
Cash and Cash equivalents as at 31 December 2023	<u>(557,733)</u>	<u>53,114</u>

Abridged Statement of changes in equity

	For the year ended 31-Dec-2023 K`000	For the year ended 31-Dec-2022 K`000
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,325,929	1,095,355
Profit for the period	254,791	231,509
Other comprehensive income	<u>259,402</u>	<u>(935)</u>
	1,840,122	1,325,929
Dividend declared and paid for 2022	<u>(36,100)</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance at 31 December 2023	<u><u>1,804,022</u></u>	<u><u>1,325,929</u></u>

REVIEW OF FINAL RESULTS FOR YEAR ENDED 2023

Financial Performance Review

The Company recorded a profit after tax of K254.79 million for the year under review compared to K231.51 million recorded in the prior year. The positive result was largely on account of the increase in volumes by 12% from those achieved in the year ended 31 December 2022 and a general increase in selling prices due to the rise in oil prices on the international market.

Profit before finance costs, taxation, and exchange gains of K233.66 million was achieved for the year ended 31 December 2023 compared to K281.36 million for the previous year, while the pre-tax profit was K357.65 million compared to K325.90 million the previous year. The improvement in pre-tax profit is attributable to the operational foreign exchange gains recorded during the year.

Additional highlights of the financial performance for the year were as follows:

- a) Volume increased by 12% compared to the prior year.
- b) The Company invested over K213.09 million, up from K62.93 million in the prior year, for capital projects. This expenditure was largely attributed to the Retail network and Liquefied Petroleum Gas production and distribution towards asset investments in the Mining/Business-to-business segments.
- c) The local currency depreciated by 43% against the United States Dollar to a level of K25.73 at the close of the year compared to K18.05 in 2022.

Prospects

The petroleum products market in Zambia is expected to see a rise in demand, with rising demand projected in sectors like mining, power generation, and manufacturing. Although facing competition in the market, Puma Energy Zambia remains positive about its future prospects, especially in segments where it has a strong market presence. The company's strategic efforts to improve efficiency and extend its market coverage also reinforce its support its positive outlook.

The health and safety of operations and personnel remains a key priority for Puma Energy Zambia.

Dividends

For the year under review, the board is not recommending a dividend due to the constrained cashflow position as at 31 December 2023.

Management would propose the payment of an interim dividend in 2024 should the company's cashflow position improve.

By order of the Board

ESJL Corporate Advisory Limited
Company Secretary

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