

CNMC Goldmine to start recognising industrial base-metal sales with export permit in hand

- Final dividend of 0.2 Singapore cent per share proposed

US\$	FY2022	FY2021	Change (%)
Revenue	25,599,906	32,879,433	(22.1)
Profit After Tax	552,134	2,056,856	(73.2)
Profit Attributable to Owners	117,582	1,715,258	(93.1)

FY- financial year ended/ending 31 December

SINGAPORE, 24 February 2023 – CNMC Goldmine Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) will begin recognising revenue from the sale of industrial base metals, mainly lead and zinc concentrates, from this month, marking the expansion of its portfolio of mining assets.

The gold miner secured an export permit last month to export lead and zinc concentrates produced at its flagship Sokor mine in Malaysia’s Kelantan state. The first batch of concentrates was shipped overseas yesterday, with the next shipment slated for in March 2023.

The Company had been producing and selling gold for more than a decade before starting commercial production of lead and zinc concentrates in September last year. Its flotation plant, built at a cost of about RM20 million, can process approximately 550 tonnes of lead and zinc ore daily and is the first of its kind in Kelantan. Adding lead and zinc to its mining portfolio will expand the Company’s income stream and can help mitigate any volatility in earnings from gold sales.

The Group generated earnings attributable to shareholders of US\$0.12 million (earnings per share of 0.03 US cent) in FY2022, down from US\$1.72 million (earnings per share of 0.42 US cent) in FY2021. The decline was due to a 22% fall in revenue to US\$25.6 million as gold output was affected by downtime of approximately one month during the third quarter of FY2022, when the ball mill grinder and certain structures in the carbon-in-leach plant, the Group’s main gold production facility, had to be repaired. Lower-grade gold ore also weighed on the gold output. A write-down of lead and zinc concentrates to their net realisable value due to higher costs being incurred during the machinery calibration period at the initial phase of production also impacted the Group’s FY2022 bottom line.

Notwithstanding the lower FY2022 earnings, the Group is proposing a final pay-out of 0.2 Singapore cent a share, similar to the final dividend declared in the previous year.

Mr Chris Lim, the Group's CEO, said: "FY2023 marks a new chapter for us with sales of lead and zinc concentrates being our next engine of growth after gold. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, contribution from the sale of these base metals is expected to be more meaningful as the year unfolds. We will also step up our efforts to increase gold output now that our main carbon-in-leach production facility is fully back in operation."

-- End --

Media & Investor Contact

Outreach Communications (Singapore)
Frankie Ho
M: 9858 7990
Email: frankie@outreachcomms.com

About CNMC Goldmine Holdings Limited **(Bloomberg: CNMC:SP; Reuters: CNMC.SI)**

CNMC Goldmine Holdings Limited (the "Company") is the first Catalyst-listed gold mining company on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST"). Headquartered in Singapore, the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") started operations in 2006 and are principally engaged in the exploration and mining of gold and the processing of mined ore into gold doré bars. In 2022, the Group commenced production of non-gold base metals at its flotation plant at the Sokor Gold Field Project, which is designed to process about 550 tonnes of base-metal ore daily.

The Group is focused on developing the Sokor Gold Field Project, located in the State of Kelantan, Malaysia. Spanning an area of 10km², the project has identified five gold deposit regions, namely Manson's Lode, New Discovery, New Found, Sg. Ketubong and Rixen.

As at 31 December 2021, the Sokor Gold Field Project had JORC-compliant gold resources (inclusive of ore reserves) of 14.99 million tonnes at a grade of 1.7 g/t in the Measured, Indicated and Inferred categories comprising a total of 800,000 ounces of contained gold. The project achieved its first gold pour on 21 July 2010. The Company also owns CNMC Pulau Mining Sdn. Bhd. and Kelgold Mining Sdn. Bhd., both of which are in Kelantan.

For more information on the Company, please visit www.cnmc.com.hk

This announcement has been reviewed by the Company's Sponsor, PrimePartners Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd. (the "Sponsor"). It has not been examined or approved by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "Exchange") and the Exchange assumes no responsibility for the contents of this document, including the correctness of any of the statements or opinions made or reports contained in this document.

The Sponsor has also not drawn on any specific technical expertise in its review of this announcement.

The contact person for the Sponsor is Ms Lim Hui Ling, 16 Collyer Quay, #10-00 Collyer Quay Centre, Singapore 049318, sponsorship@ppcf.com.sg