THE MINERAL INDUSTRY OF

ZIMBABWE

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In 1995, Zimbabwe was self-sufficient in most minerals, with more than 50 different mineral commodities being produced from more than 400 mines. Zimbabwe's dynamic mineral industry played a major role in the world supply of chrysotile asbestos, ferrochromium, and lithium minerals.

The mineral industry was diverse, with a nucleus of asbestos, chromite, copper, diamond, gold, and nickel operations. Gold production remained the country's leading mineral sector in 1995. Gold output exceeded 24 metric tons (t). Intense diamond exploration activity continued throughout the country.

All mining activities came under the Mines and Minerals Act (Chapter 165) (1961), its amendments, and associate d regulations. All mineral rights were vested in the stat e through the President of Zimbabwe. Exclusive Prospectin g Orders were renewable, 3-year rights to search for specified minerals in a given geographic location.

Zimbabwe promoted international tax equity to encourage foreign investment. Corporate tax levels were 37.5%, and the individual rate was 40%. Buildings, equipment, shaft sinking, and premining development could be expensed at 100% in the year of the expenditure. The Zimbabwe Investment Center (ZIC) assisted investors with permits and licenses and sanctioned investment projects. Since 1994, ZIC has approved mining projects valued at more than \$600 million.¹ The Government proposed privatization of Zimbabwe Mining Development Corp.'s (ZMDC) minin g operations by 1997. Following that, ZMDC would become a promoter of diamond and gold mining opportunities i n Zimbabwe.

The Gold Trade Act gave the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe the monopoly on buying and selling all produced gold. The Minerals Marketing Corp. Zimbabwe handled most other mineral exports.

Under the provisions of the Mines and Minerals Act (1961), the Ministry of Mines was responsible for verifying that exploration and development operations have minimal long-term environmental impact. The Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, and Water Development monitored water pollution under the Water Act (1976) as did the Ministry of Environment and Tourism's Department of Natural Resources under the Natural Resources Amendment Act (1975). The Ministry of Health was responsible for air quality under the Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Act

(1971). The Natural Resource Board held an annual environmental conservation competition to evaluate mining companies' efforts to rehabilitate slimes and tailings disposal areas.

Most of the country's mineral industries were exportoriented and thus exposed to world market fluctuations. Many minerals were processed prior to export in accordance with the Government's strategy of increasing value-added natural resource exports. For 1995, mineral exports were valued at approximately \$731 million, which was up from \$549 million in 1994. The main mineral commodities exported in 1995 were gold (\$269 million), ferroalloys (\$242 million), asbestos (\$78 million), nickel (\$68 million), black granite (dimension stone) (\$10 million), copper (\$10 million), and diamond (\$3 million). Bulk commodities increasingly were being diverted from South African ports to Maputo, Mozambique.

Large multinationals, such as Anglo American Corp. Svc. Ltd., Lonrho Zimbabwe Ltd., and Rio Tinto Zimbabwe Ltd. (RTZ), historically have maintained a significant presence in the nation's mining industry. Recently, a number of Canadian and Australian junior mining companies have begun exploration operations in Zimbabwe, concentrating in the diamond and gold sectors.

The Government's mining company, ZMDC, had an interest in a number of mining operations. Refractory ores containing gold were treated at Zimbabwe's oldest Government-owned company, The Roasting Plant. The Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe purchased all gold produced in the country. The state's Industrial Development Corp. of Zimbabwe Ltd. had several subsidiary companies operating in the industrial mineral sector. (*See table 2.*) Mineral exports were usually shipped out of the country aboard the state-owned National Railways of Zimbabwe.

Approximately 50,000 people were employed in mediumand large-scale mining operations. An estimated 10,000 people worked the nation's small mines, and an estimate d 100,000 people were involved in informal gold panning.² During 1995, there were 74 fatal mining accidents reported nationwide, compared with 34 during 1994.³

Shangani Energy Exploration of Zimbabwe was reviewing its three coalbed methane test wells. Trotter Exploration of Zimbabwe and Afpenn Exploration, a subsidiary of Afpenn Resources Ltd. of the United Kingdom, were evaluating their coalbed methane prospect test well. Reduced demand for coke by Zisco continued to constrain operations at Wanki e Colliery.

Munyati Mining Co., the operations company owned by Reunion Mining Plc. of London and the state-owned ZMDC, began mining copper oxide ore at Sanyati in May 1995 and started heap leaching in September. On the leach pad, th e project used a sulfurous acid (H_2SO_3) solution, produced on site by burning sulfur imported from South Africa. Construction of the solvent extraction and electrowinning plant had begun in September 1994, and London Metal's Exchange (LME) Grade A copper was being stripped from the cathodes by November 1995. At yearend, Reunion proposed to proceed with the "CoZ iMa Project," a pilot plant to recover cobalt, manganese, and zinc from the leachate. A prefeasibility study of the sulfide ore at Sanyati also was completed during 1995.

Reunion estimated Sanyati reserves at 5.8 million tons (Mt) grading 1.1% copper and 1.2% zinc for the oxides . Sulfide reserves were estimated by Reunion to be 14.2 M t containing 1.2% copper, 3.2% zinc, and 0.9% lead. The Sanyati ore had an estimated 0.015% cobalt and 0.8% manganese content.⁴

Bindura Smelter & Refinery Ltd. also was producing LME Grade A copper cathode. The Sirosmelt furnace installed during 1995 as part of the Bindura plant modernization was used to treat copper leach residue and increased copper cathode production capacity by more than 2,000 metric tons per year (t/yr).

Much of the country was under Exclusive Prospecting Orders for diamond and at various stages of exploration. Reunion and partners worked a number of diamond prospects. Trillion Resources Ltd. of Canada and Nickelodeon Minerals Inc. of Canada were setting up a bulk sampling plant on their Sansukwe diamond prospect.

The River Ranch Mine began the third phase of its expansion. By December, the mine was producing at an annual rate of 1,500,000 t of ore, which was up from 500,000 t.

A joint venture between Zimbabwe Alloys Limited (Zimalloys), Japan Metals & Chemicals Co., and Mitsui & Co., Ltd. was formed at yearend. The joint venture would increase low-carbon ferrochrome production at Zimalloys' Gweru smelter to 40,000 t/yr.

Construction of a slag reprocessing plant at the Kwekwe smelter of Zimbabwe Mining and Smelting Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. (ZIMASCO) began at yearend. The company projected an annual production increase of 60,000 t/yr of high-carbon ferrochromium when the treatment plant comes on-line at the end of 1996.

Most of the new gold operations were based on the application of new technology to old operations. While large mines dominated the gold sector, numerous medium- and small-scale producers contributed about 10% to the nation's gold production.

Alluvial gold panning was Zimbabwe's rural alternative to subsistence farming. The Mining (Alluvial Gold) (Public Streams) Regulations (1991) authorized selective alluvial gold mining. However, the mandate was unfunded, and local authorities were unable to administer the law. Thus, most panning was on unauthorized ground, and a significant proportion of the production was smuggled out of the country. The resultant tax avoidance and extensive environmental damage that was due to riverbank erosion and stream siltation resulted in increased awareness of the activity.

Cluff Resources Zimbabwe Ltd.'s Freda Rebecca Min e was producing primarily from the Rebecca underground mine. Kinross Gold Corp. of Canada continued construction of a 3,500 metric tons per day carbon-in-leach tailings retreatment plant at the Blanket Mine near Gwanda.

Trillion Resources Ltd. of Canada and ZMDC were producing from four mines on the Jena Mines property. An exploratory drilling program on the rest of the property was underway. In addition, Trillion was exploring 11 prospects in Zimbabwe, including the Kadoma East property and the Mutare West and East project.

Oliver Gold Corp. of Canada acquired a 50% interest in Maple Leaf Mining (Pvt.) Ltd. of Zimbabwe. Maple Leaf operated the "C" and Camp gold mines. Easton Minerals of Canada acquired majority interest in the Goodenough gold mine.

Guyana Gold Corp. contracted to triple the production of the Sabi Mine to approximately 20,000 metric tons per month as ZMDC's new joint-venture partner at Sabi.

Casmyn Corp. of the United States acquired Matabeleland Minerals (Pvt.) Ltd. from the privately owned Muir group of Bulawayo. Matabeleland had several gold properties, including the Turk, Peter Pan, and Lonely Mines in the Bubi district north of Bulawayo.

Antares Mining and Exploration Corp. of Canada and the Forbes and Thompson Ltd. of Zimbabwe continued exploration on the Lady Lina property with a drilling and underground development program. Forbes & Thompson agreed to mill up to 250 metric tons per day of ore from the Lady Lina prospect at their nearby Vubachikwe mill. Antares was trenching the Black Cat prospect.

Stone Holdings (Pvt.) Ltd. and Zimrock International (Pvt.) Ltd. began construction of a granite cutting and polishing plant. Production was to be exported.

Zimbabwe Iron and Steel Co.'s (Zisco) Redcliff sinte r plant was completed in March 1995 and Buchwa Iron Mining Co.'s crusher and a 15.8—kilometer (km) conveyor to carry ore from the new Ripple Creek Mine to the sinte r plant were under construction. However, Zisco's blast furnace No. 4 remained shut down during 1995. A furnace renovation contract signed with an European consortium, including Davy International Stockton and Sofresid, was deferred by Zisco during November 1995.

Bindura Smelter & Refinery upgraded its Outokumpu

leach facilities at Bindura with the installation of a Sherrit t Gordon pressure leach line in the nickel refinery and a Sirosmelt furnace. The additions should have improved base metal recovery rates slightly and boosted the byproduct platinum-group metals (PGM) recovery rate. Incoming ore was reduced early in the year when a shaft accident closed Bindura Nickel Corp.'s Shangani Mine for almost 2 months.

RTZ's Empress nickel refinery began the long-propose d capacity expansion program. The refinery, which toll refined copper-nickel matte from BCL Ltd.'s Selebi-Phikwe smelter in Botswana, was expanding total plant capacity from 11,500 t/yr to 16,900 t/yr. Like Bindura, Empress produced both nickel and copper metal.

ZIMASCO was processing approximately 4,000 metric ton per month of platinum-bearing ore at its Mimosa Min e pilot plant near Zvishavane.

BHP Minerals Zimbabwe, a subsidiary of Broken Hill Proprietary Co. Ltd. of Australia, and Delta Gold NL of Australia continued work at the Hartley Mine. The mine was being designed to process 2.16 million metric tons per year of ore. The Hartley platinum deposits were of lower grade than those in South Africa; however, Hartley was starting mining at a depth of only 100 meters (m). The visible 2- m thick sulfide zone contained exploitable cobalt, copper, gold, iridium, nickel, osmium, palladium, platinum, rhodium, and ruthenium.

BHP was constructing a smelter and a base metal refinery to produce nickel and copper cathode. INCO Ltd. and Johnson Matthey Ltd. won the contract to toll refine the PGM in Europe. BHP projected annual production at 4.6 t of platinum, 3.4 t of palladium, 358 kilograms (kg) of rhodium, in addition to 715 kg of gold. Also 3,200 t/yr of nickel and 2,300 t/yr of copper was expected to be recovered at Hartley.⁵

RTZ and Tinto Holdings Zimbabwe Ltd. sold their interests in the Mhondoro Platinum Joint Venture, located just south of the Hartley Complex. Delta increased its ownership in Mhondoro from 24% to 38.7%; and Valley Exploration and Mining Co., a subsidiary of BHP Minerals Zimbabwe, obtained the remaining 61.3%. Delta announced indicated resources of 96 Mt averaging 5.9 grams per ton (g/t) combined PGM at Mhondoro.

Delta's evaluation of its 100%-owned Selous platinum prospect showed indicated reserves of 48 Mt averaging 4.74 g/t of combined PGM. Delta continued platinum exploration on its Ngezi prospect.

ZMDC recommended that equipment from its closed Kamativi Tin Mines be dispersed to other ventures i n Zimbabwe.

Most of Zimbabwe's bulk commodities were moved by rail. All major cities and industrial centers were linked to Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa, and Zambia by the National Railways of Zimbabwe's 2,745 km of track. Petroleum products destined for Zimbabwe were piped t o Feruka, near Mutare, via the Beira pipeline through Mozambique, and then moved west via the Mutare-Harare pipeline or trucked.

Zimbabwe was recovering from its recent history of foreign exchange and price controls and strict regulation of private investment. Increased availability of foreign exchange has enabled the mineral industry to replace aging plants and obsolete equipment. Given the intensity of exploration, new mineral deposits were likely to be discovered. Asbestos, coal, ferroalloys, gold, and nickel were expected to remain the mainstays of the Zimbabwean mineral economy through the turn of the century, bolstered by copper, diamonds, granite, and PGM. Updated investment regulations, the nation's welldeveloped and well-maintained infrastructure, and new exploration techniques were expected to encourage further local and foreign participation in the mineral industry.

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TABLE 1 ZIMBABWE: PRODUCTION OF MINERAL COMMODITIES 1/

(Metric tons unless otherwise specified)

Commodity		1991	1992	1993	1994	1995 e/
METALS		1,,,1	1))2	1775	1774	1775 0
Antimony, mine output, concentrate, Sb content		160	254	95	65	65
Beryllium, beryl concentrate, gross weight		29	23	23	4	4
Chromium, chromite, gross weight	thousand tons	564	522	252	517	631 2/
Cobalt: 3/		105	00	00	100	00
Mine output, Co content e/		105	80	90 113	100	80
Columbium and tantalum tantalite concentrate gross weight		111	94	48	120	100
Copper:		111	74	-10	,	1
Mine output, concentrate, Cu content e/	thousand tons	14	10	9	9	9
Metal:						
Smelter output, blister/anode, primary e/		13,830	9,690	8,200	10,000	8,000
Refinery output, refined/cathode, primary		13,811	9,673	8,187	9,350	6,875 2/
Gold	kilograms	17,820	18,278	18,916	20,512	24,344 2/
Iron and steel: Mine output iron ore:						
Gross weight	thousand tons	1 136	1 179	375	4	311 2/
Fe content e/	do.	660	710	225	3	160
Metal:						
Pig iron e/	do.	535	507	211	100	209 2/
Steel, crude	do.	581	547	221	187 r/	210 2/
Ferroalloys:						
Ferrochromium	do.	187	191	124	183 r/	254 2/
Ferrosilicon chromium	do.	28	20	30	36	47 2/
Nickel:				2,151		
Mine output, concentrate. Ni content e/		12.400	11.300	12.800	15.000	11.300
Refinery output, refined metal 4/		11,297	10,349	11,097	13,516	10,862 2/
Platinum-group metals:		,	- ,	,	- ,	- ,
Palladium	kilograms	30	19	11	17	17
Platinum	do.	19	9	4	7	7
Selenium	do.	2,549	1,736	1,113	2,009	2,000
Silver	do.	19,380	16,930	12,004	10,942	11,000
110: Mine output Sn content e/		1.060	950	800	100	
Smelter output, metal		796	716	657	82	
Tungsten, concentrate, W content e/		1				
INDUSTRIAL MINERALS						
Asbestos	thousand tons	142	150	157	152	169 2/
Barite		866	232	120		
Cement, hydraulic e/	thousand tons	865	900	1,000	1,000	1,100
Clays:		00.000 -/	92.056	82,000 -/	1 < 0.007	170.000
Bentonite (montmorilionite)		99,900 e/ 23 304	82,956	9.257	13 997	14,000
Kaolin		65	83	90	462	500
Diamond	carats		40,654	43,850	173,588	250,000
Feldspar		3,820	2,696	1,553	1,617	1,600
Gemstones, precious and semiprecious, emerald	kilograms	667	46	635	276	300
Graphite		12,903	12,346	7,142	7,890	11,381 2/
Kyanite		2,463	1,990	1,000	567	600
Lithium minerals, gross weight		9,186	12,837	18,064	25,279	25,000
Mignesium compounds, magnesite		23,295	8,973	510	1,588	8,199 2/
Nitrogen N content of ammonia e/		66,000	67 000	70,000	70 000	70,000
Phosphate rock, marketable concentrate	thousand tons	117	142	153	151	144 2/
Pigments, iron oxide		400 e/	538	390 r/	438	400
Stone, sand and gravel:						
Granite		79,907	90,694	40,032	106,605	110,000
Limestone	thousand tons	1,428	1,366	1,036	1,658	1,700
Quartz 5/	do.	70	11	61	131	131
Sullui Durita:						
Gross weight		69.854	66.345	72.588	71.026	70.706 2/
S content e/		30.734	29.200	30.000	30.000	30.000
Byproduct acid, metallurgical and coal process gas e/		5,000	4,500	4,000 r/	4,500	4,500
Talc		1,676	2,203	1,349	2,049	2,050
Vermiculite		2,319	4,300	5,032	8,184	8,200
Commodity		1,991	1,992	1,993	1,994	1,995 e/
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Cola, onuminous	thousand tons	5,010	5,54/	5,285	5,515	4,919 2/
	u0.	500	500	500	550	550

See footnotes at end of table.

e/ Estimated. r/ Revised.

1/ Table includes data available through July 4, 1996.

2/ Reported figure.

3/ "Mine output" figures are calculated from "metal" figures. "Metal" may include metal content of compounds/salts and may include cobalt recovered from nickel-copper matte imported from Botswana for toll refining.

4/ May include nickel content of nickel oxide.

 $5\!/$ Includes rough and ground quartz as well as silica sand.

6/ Data represent output by the Wankie Colliery Co. Ltd.; additional output by the Redcliff plant of Zisco Ltd. may total 250,000 metric tons per year of metallurgical coke and coke breeze.

TABLE 2 ZIMBABWE: STRUCTURE OF THE MINERAL INDUSTRY FOR 1995

(Thousand metric tons unless otherwise specified)

		Major operating companies		Annual
Commodity		and major equity owners	Location of main facilities	capacity
		Shabanie and Mashaba Mines (Pvt.) Ltd.	Shabanie Mine, Zvishavane; Gaths and King	300
Asbestos		[African Associated Mines (Pvt.) Ltd., 100%]	Mines, Mashava	
Chromite, gross weight		Zimbabwe Mining and Smelting Co. (Pvt.) Ltd.	Peak Mine and Railway Block Mine at Shurugui and	200
		(Zimasco) (Union Carbide Zimbabwe, 100%)	mines at Mutorshanga and Lalapanzi	
Do.		Zimbabwe Alloys Ltd. (Zimalloys)	Great Dyke Mine, Mutoroshanga; Netherburn Mine at	30
		(Anglo American Corp., 100%)	Lalapanzi; and Inyala Mine at Mberengwa	
Coal		Wankie Colliery Co. Ltd. (private investors, 60%,	Hwange	5,000
		Government, 40%)		
Cobalt	tons	Bindura Nickel Corp. (Anglo American	Shangani Mine, northwest of Shangani; Madziwa	150
		Corp., 100%)	Mine, 50 kilometers northeast of Bindura; Trojan	
			Mine, Bindura; Epoch Mine, Filabusi	
Copper		Mhangura Copper Mines Ltd. (Zimbabwe Mining	Mhangura	16
		Development Corp. (ZMDC), 54.56%)		
Do.		Munyati Mining Co. (Reunion Mining Plc., 75%;	Sanyati Mine, Sanyati	5
		ZMDC, 25%)		
Do.		Lomagundi Smelting & Mining (Pvt.) Ltd. (ZMDC)	Smelter at Alaska	35
Do.		do.	Refinery at Alaska	28
Diamond	carats	Auridam Zimbabwe Ltd. (Auridam Consolidated	River Ranch Mine, near Beitbridge	250,000
		NL, 50%; Redaurum Red Lake Mines Ltd., 50%)		
Gold	kilograms	Rio Tinto Zimbabwe Ltd. (RTZ Corp. plc., 56%)	Renco Mine, 75 kilometers southeast of Masvingo;	2,800
			Patchway Mine, Kadoma; Brompton Mine,	
			Kadoma; and Cam and Motor dump, Kadoma	
Do.	do.	Cluff Resources Zimbabwe Ltd. (Cluff Resources	Freda Rebecca Mine, Bindura	2,500
		Plc., 82.4%, private investors, 17.6%)		
Do.	do.	Independence Mining (Pvt.) Ltd. (Lonhro	How Mine, Bulawayo; Athens Mine, Mvuma; Tiger	3,300
		Plc., 100%)	Reef Mine, Kwekwe; Redwing Mine, Penhalonga;	
			Shamva Mine, Shamva; Legion Dump, Kezi	
Do.	do.	Falcon Gold Zimbabwe Ltd. (Falcon	Dalny Mine, Chegutu; Venice Mine, Kadoma;	2,100
		Investments S.A., 71.7%)	Golden Quarry Mine, Shurugui; Old Nic Mine,	
			Bulawayo; Antelope Mine, 1/ Kezi	
Do.	do.	Corsyn Consolidated Mines (Pvt.) Ltd.	Anzac Mine, Kwekwe; Arcturus Mine, Arcturus;	1,500
		(Lonrho Plc., 100%)	Mazowe Mine, Mazowe; Muriel Mine,	
			Mutorashanga	
Do.	do.	ZMDC (Government, 100%)	Lexington Mine and Elvington Gold Mine, near	1,000
			Chegutu	
Do.	do.	Jena Mines Ltd. [ZMDC, 50%; Trillion	Jena Group, Kwekwe area	400
		Resources (Pvt.) Ltd. Zimbabwe, 50%]		
Do.	do.	Masasa Mines (Delta Gold NL, 100%)	Giant tailings dump, near Chegutu	100
Do.	do.	Guyana Gold Corp. (55%) and ZMDC (45%)	Sabi Mine, south of Zvishavane	50
Iron and steel:				
Crude steel		Zimbabwe Iron and Steel Co. (Zisco)	Redcliff, near Gweru	220 2
		(Government, 92%)		
Iron ore, gross weight		Buchwa Iron Mining Co (Zisco, 100%)	Buchwa West Mine, Buchwa; Ripple Creek Mine,	1,400
			near Redcliff	
Ferroalloys:				
Ferrochromium,		Zimbabwe Mining and Smelting Co. (Pvt) Ltd.	Smelter at Kwekwe	220
high-carbon		(Zimasco) (Union Carbide Zimbabwe, 100%)		
Ferrochromium,		Zimbabwe Alloys Ltd. (Zimalloys)	Smelter at Gweru	40
low-carbon		(Anglo American Corp., 100%)		
Ferrochromium-silicon		do.	do.	55
Lithium		Bikita Minerals (Pvt.) Ltd. (private, 100%)	Bikita Mine, 60 kilometers east of Masvingo	33
Nickel		I rojan Nickel Mines (Bindura Nickel	Shangani, Madziwa, Trojan, and Epoch Mines	17
		Corp., 100%)		
Do.		Bindura Smelter & Retinery Ltd. (Bindura Nickel	Smelter and refinery at Bindura	16
		Corp., 100%)		
Do.		Rio Tinto Zimbabwe Ltd.	Empress Nickel Retinery, Eiffel Flats, northeast	11
			or Kadoma	

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TABLE 2-Continued ZIMBABWE: STRUCTURE OF THE MINERAL INDUSTRY FOR 1995

(Thousand metric tons unless otherwise specified)

	Major operating companies		Annual
Commodity	and major equity owners	Location of main facilities	capacity
Phosphate	Dorowa Minerals (Pvt.) Ltd. (Chemplex	Dorowa Mine, 90 kilometers west of Mutare	155
	Corp. Ltd., 100%)		
Vermiculite	Shawa Vermiculite (Pvt.) Ltd. (private, 100%)	Shawa Mine, near Dorowa	39
Do.	Dinidza Vermiculite Mining Co. (Pvt.) Ltd.	Dinidza Mine, near Dorowa	10
	(private, 100%)		

I/ Antelope property was optioned by Casmyn Corp. during 1995.
2/ Blast furnace No. 4 (capacity: 780,000 metric tons per year) remained shut in 1995.