

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF MASHONALAND HOLDINGS LIMITED

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE INFLATION ADJUSTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Adverse opinion

We have audited the accompanying inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements of Mashonaland Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") set out on pages 10 to 46 , which comprise the inflation adjusted consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 September 2019, and the inflation adjusted consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the inflation adjusted consolidated statement of changes in equity, and the inflation adjusted consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion section of our report, the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements do not present fairly, the inflation adjusted consolidated financial position of the Group as at 30 September 2019, and its inflation adjusted consolidated financial performance and its inflation adjusted consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in the manner required by the Companies Act of Zimbabwe.

Basis for adverse opinion

Non-compliance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 21 – "The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates" ("IAS 21") and International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 29 – "Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies" ("IAS 29")

The Group transacted using a combination of United States Dollars (USD), bond notes and bond coins. Acute shortage of USD cash and other foreign currencies in the country, resulted in an increase in the use of different modes of payment for goods and services, such as settlement through the Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system and mobile money platforms. During the year, there was a significant divergence in market perception of the relative values between the bond note, bond coin, mobile money platforms, RTGS FCA in comparison to the USD. Although RTGS was not legally recognised as currency up until 22 February 2019, the substance of the economic phenomenon, from an accounting perspective, suggested that it was currency.

In October 2018, banks were instructed by the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe ("RBZ") to separate and create distinct bank accounts for depositors, namely, RTGS FCA and Nostro FCA accounts. This resulted in a separation of transactions on the local RTGS payment platform from those relating to foreign currency (e.g. United States Dollar, British Pound, and South African Rand). Prior to this date, RTGS FCA and Nostro FCA transactions and balances were co-mingled.

As a result of this separation, there was an increased proliferation of multi-tier pricing practices by suppliers of goods and services, indicating a significant difference in purchasing power between the RTGS FCA and Nostro FCA balances, against a legislative framework mandating parity. These events were indicative of economic fundamentals that would require a reassessment of the functional currency as required by IAS 21.

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Basis for adverse opinion (continued)

As a result of these factors, the Directors performed an assessment on the functional currency of the Group in accordance with IAS 21 and acknowledged that the functional currency of the Group was no longer the USD.

On 20 February 2019, a currency called the RTGS Dollar was legislated through Statutory Instrument 33 of 2019 ("SI 33/19") with an effective date of 22 February 2019. SI 33/19 fixed the exchange rate between the RTGS Dollar and the USD at a rate of 1:1 for the period up to its effective date. The rate of 1:1 is consistent with the rate mandated by the RBZ at the time it issued the bond notes as currency. The Directors used 22 February 2019 as the date of change in functional currency in compliance with the legal requirements of SI 33/19. Because the Group transacted using a combination of the United States Dollars (USD), bond notes and coins, Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system and mobile money platforms during the period from 1 October 2018 to 22 February 2019, the decision to change the functional currency on 22 February 2019 in accordance with SI 33/19 results in material misstatement to the inflation adjusted financial performance and cash flows of the Group as transactions denominated in USD were not appropriately translated during that period.

During the year, the factors and characteristics to apply IAS 29 were met in Zimbabwe. As a result, the Public Accountants and Auditors Board (PAAB) pronounced that entities reporting in Zimbabwe were required to apply the requirements of IAS 29 with effect from 1 July 2019.

The Directors have applied the requirements of IAS 29 from the date of change in functional currency adopted of 22 February 2019 as stated in Note 1c. However, in accordance with IAS 21 the date of change in functional currency should be 1 October 2018. Consequently the changes in the general pricing power of the functional currency should apply from 1 October 2018.

Had the Group applied the requirements of IAS 21 and IAS 29, many of the elements of the consolidated financial statements would have been materially impacted and therefore the departure from the requirements of these standards is considered to be pervasive. The financial effects on the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements of this departure have not been determined.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the audit of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Zimbabwe. We have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the inflation adjusted financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How the matter was addressed in the audit
Valuation of investment property	
<p>As set out in note 10 to the consolidated inflation adjusted financial statements, the Group has investment property amounting to ZWL1,244,322,105 (2018: ZWL263,267,928).</p> <p>The Directors make use of independent external valuers in determining the fair values of investment property. Valuations by their nature involve the use of judgment and estimates which involve significant unobservable inputs such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Occupancy rates - Market rentals - Risk yields <p>The complexity and subjectivity of these estimates may result in material misstatement. The current economic environment is extremely volatile given the valuation intricacies impacting property in the Zimbabwean market. We identified the valuation of investment property as representing a key audit matter due to the significance of the balance to the financial statements as a whole, combined with the level of judgement associated with determining the fair values.</p>	<p>We assessed the competence, capabilities, objectivity and independence of the directors' independent valuers, and assessed their qualifications.</p> <p>We made enquiries of the directors' independent external valuers to obtain an understanding of the valuation techniques and judgements adopted.</p> <p>We assessed the work performed by the independent external valuers in valuing investment property by performing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed the valuation methods used and assessed whether they are appropriate and consistent with the reporting requirements; • Assessed the reasonableness of occupancy rates, expected rentals and risk yields by comparing to historic trends; • Assessed the market rentals by comparing with rentals from other property companies through publications; • We performed physical verification of a sample of assets to determine whether the conclusion reached by the expert where consistent with the physical condition of the asset; and • Evaluated the financial statement disclosures for appropriateness and adequacy. <p>The disclosures and accounting pertaining to the investment property was found to be appropriate in terms of the relevant accounting standards.</p>

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Other information

Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Report of the Directors, the Directors responsibility statement and the consolidated historic cost financial information but does not include the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

As described in the Basis for Adverse Opinion section above, the Group changed its functional currency to the RTGS Dollar effective 22 February 2019 and commenced application of IAS 29 from this date. The date of change in functional currency as determined in accordance with with IFRS is 1 October 2018. Consequently the measurement of transactions between 1 October 2018 and 28 February 2019 does not comply with the requirements of IAS 21 and IAS 29; as such, transactions have not been appropriately translated in accordance with these Standards. We have determined that the other information disclosed on the Directors' report is misstated for that reason.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the financial statements

The Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs and in the manner required by the Companies Act of Zimbabwe (Chapter 24:03) and for such internal control as the Directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

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**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial
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Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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We also provide the Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards

From the matters communicated with the Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the inflation adjusted consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Tumai Mafunga.

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