

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF PROPLASTICS LIMITED

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED AND SEPARATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Adverse Opinion

We have audited the consolidated and separate financial statements of Proplastics Limited and its subsidiaries (together 'the Group' and individually, 'the Company') set out on pages 17 to 90, which comprise the consolidated and separate statements of financial position as at 31 December 2018, and the consolidated and separate statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity, and statements of cash flows for the year then ended, and the notes to the consolidated and separate financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion section of our report, the accompanying consolidated and separate financial statements do not present fairly, the consolidated and separate financial position of the Group and Company as at 31 December 2018, and its consolidated and separate financial performance and its consolidated and separate cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and the requirements of the Companies Act (Chapter 24:03).

Basis for Adverse Opinion

The Group and Company transacted using a combination of United States Dollars (USD), bond notes and bond coins. An acute shortage of USD cash, other foreign currencies, bond notes and bond coins 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. The RTGS system was employed as a mode of electronic settlement, intended to be representative of physical currency. During the year there was a significant divergence in market perception of the relative values between bond notes, bond coins, mobile money settlements and RTGS settlements in comparison to the USD. Although RTGS and mobile money platform settlements were not legally recognised as currency during the year ended 31 December 2018, the substance of the economic phenomenon, from an accounting perspective, suggested that were currency.

In October 2018, banks were instructed by the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe ("RBZ") to separate and create distinct bank accounts for depositors, namely, Real Time Gross Settlement Foreign Currency Account (RTGS FCA) and Nostro Foreign Currency Account (Nostro FCA). 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 increase in 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 International Accounting Standard (IAS) 21- "The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates."

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

Subsequent to year-end, as indicated in note 26 to the consolidated and separate financial statements, 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. In addition, 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.

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Basis for Adverse Opinion (Continued)

Although the directors acknowledge, in note 1.3, that there was a functional currency change and that the rates of exchange rate between the USD and local currency was not 1:1, they have maintained their functional currency as the USD and have presented the financial statements in USD using an exchange rate of 1:1, in compliance with SI 33/19. This constitutes a departure from the requirements of IAS 21, and therefore the financial statements have not been prepared in conformity with IFRS. Had the Group and Company applied the requirements of IAS 21, many of the elements of the accompanying consolidated and separate financial statements would have been materially impacted and therefore the departure from the requirements of IAS 21 is considered to be pervasive. The financial effects on the consolidated and separate financial statements of this departure have not been determined. A comparative analysis of how different exchange rates would impact on the consolidated statements of financial position has been presented in note 26 to the consolidated and separate financial statements. However, these amounts presented may not reflect the opening balances, in RTGS Dollars, going forward.

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 Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group and Company 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 adverse opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. In addition to the matter described in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion* section of our report, we have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

Key audit matter	How the matter was addressed in the audit
Revenue Recognition	
<p>There was a presumed fraud risk with regards to revenue recognition as guided by International Standards on Auditing. There was a risk that revenue might be recognised prematurely, particularly with regards to export sales. Management remuneration is partly based on the profitability of the group. Therefore there was a risk that sales may have been deliberately overstated as a result of management override, motivated by pressure on management to achieve planned results. As a result, we identified revenue recognition as a key audit matter.</p> <p>The Group revenue for the year was US\$24,091,989 (2017: US\$16,103,935)</p> <p>Disclosure on the revenue recognition policy has been presented in Note 5 of the financial statements.</p>	<p>Our audit procedures incorporated a combination of tests of the Group’s controls relating to revenue recognition and the appropriateness of revenue recognition policies as well as substantive procedures with respect to testing the occurrence assertion. Our substantive procedures included, but were not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining an understanding of the appropriateness of management’s revenue recognition policies, particularly regarding sales near year end and in relation to customer discounts. • Performing various sales analytical reviews with particular focus on export sales to assess the reasonableness of the sales amounts for the year. • Selecting, reviewing and testing journal entries to revenue ledger accounts. • Assessing management’s revenue recognition policy for compliance with IFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers and consistent application thereof. <p>We found the Group to have appropriately recognised revenue in accordance with its policies, and in compliance with IFRS.</p>

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Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matter	How the matter was addressed in the audit
Valuation of receivables	
<p>Due to the liquidity constraints prevalent in the economy, there was a risk of non-recoverability of receivables from third party entities who failed to meet their obligations. The assessment of the provision for doubtful debts involves significant estimation uncertainty and judgments made by management.</p> <p>The expected credit losses on trade receivables are estimated using a provision matrix by reference to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - past default experience of the debtor ; and - an analysis of the debtor's current financial position. <p>The above are adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors operate and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.</p> <p>The recoverability of trade receivables has therefore been considered a key audit matter as it is subject to significant estimation and subjective judgement</p> <p>Trade and other receivables and the related provisions are disclosed in notes 2.1 and 7.</p>	<p>In evaluating the valuation of receivables, we performed the following tests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluated the design and implementation of controls applied by management in determining the provision for doubtful debts; • Tested the accuracy of the receivables age analysis and the recoverability of amounts due from debtors through circularisation, testing of subsequent receipts and corroborative enquiry; • Confirmed the existence and assessed the valuation of a sample of receivables at year end; • Established by way of confirmation with the Group's legal counsel if there were any litigations by the Group against its debtors and their assessment of success for the Group; and • Assessed the reasonableness of the methods and assumptions used by the management to estimate the provision for doubtful debts and tested these against IFRS 9: Financial Instruments requirements. <p>We found that the Directors applied reasonable judgement in determining the allowance for credit losses.</p>

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Chairman's Statement, Information on the Directorate, Executive Committees & Corporate Governance and the Report of the Directors included in the Proplastics' Limited's Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2018, (but does not include the consolidated and separate financial statements and our auditor's report thereon), which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, and the other reports, which are expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated and separate 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 obtained, 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 and Company maintained their functional currency as the USD and have presented the consolidated and separate financial statements in USD using an exchange rate of 1:1, in compliance with SI 33/19. This constitutes a departure from the requirements of IAS 21. We have determined that the other information is materially misstated for the same reason.

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Responsibilities of the Directors for the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated and separate financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act (Chapter 24:03), and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated and separate financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and the Company'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 intend to liquidate the Group and/or the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated and separate 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 consolidated and separate financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated and separate 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 and the Company'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 and the Company'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 consolidated and separate 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 and / or the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and separate financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated and separate 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 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.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated and separate 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.

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

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