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Raj Singh Church of England Pensions Board E-mail: raj.singh@churchofengland.org

Dear Mr Singh,

## **RE: Global Industry Standard On Tailings Management**

We refer to your letter of 17 December 2020 requesting that mining companies publicly support and adopt the recently launched Global Industry Standard on Tailings Management.

As of the 5 August 2020, all ICMM members including our company, AngloGold Ashanti, are committed to implement the Global Industry Standard on Tailings Management ('the Standard'). All tailings facilities operated by AngloGold Ashanti with "Extreme" or "Very high" potential consequences will be in conformance with the Standard by 5 August 2023. All other tailings facilities operated by AngloGold Ashanti not in a state of safe closure will be in conformance with the Standard by 5 August 2025. In our Brazil operations, work is currently underway for accelerated decommissioning of existing TSFs and conversion thereof into drystack facilities, to meet that country's requirements. The standard to which all members of the ICMM have made the commitment, is accessible at the following link.

Information about our tailings facilities is available on the AngloGold Ashanti website on: <u>https://thevault.exchange/?get\_group\_doc=143/1560011239-</u> <u>AngloGoldAshantiMineTailingsDisclosurecertifiedbytheChairmanandChiefExecutiveOfficer.p</u> df, for all ICMM members it is at the following website: https://www.icmm.com/member-tsfs.

We trust that this letter provides you with satisfactory responses to your questions and some additional background and context on how the company manages tailings risk. Please feel free to contact us should you have further questions on this or any other matter relating to AngloGold Ashanti.

**Yours Sincerely** 

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