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**News Release**

**ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI DISCONTINUES SERVICES TO PAMODZI ORKNEY MINES DUE TO NON-PAYMENT OF DEBT**

(JOHANNESBURG) -- AngloGold Ashanti regrets to announce its decision to halt the supply of services to the Orkney mines currently under provisional liquidation. The mines are represented by provisional liquidator Enver Motala and others. Last September the liquidators entered into a management arrangement with Aurora Empowerment Systems.

Our decision follows the failure of the liquidators of Pamodzi Gold Orkney to settle debt of about R38m owed to us for services supplied to the operation over the past 10 months. This is despite repeated requests by us for payment of amounts owing.

An additional R59m of debt has been due since before Pamodzi Orkney's provisional liquidation in March 2009. Since then, AngloGold Ashanti has been paid only a small proportion of amounts owing by Pamodzi Orkney for these services.

The debt is increasing by R1.8m to R3.5m per month, depending on the nature of Pamodzi Orkney's operations in any month. AngloGold Ashanti can no longer justify to its employees or shareholders the accumulation of debt which compromises its ability to maintain its own operations.

The services involved here include water, compressed air, electricity and sewage services for mining operations. AngloGold Ashanti will continue to supply potable water and electrical power to Pamodzi's mine residences for as long as they are occupied.

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