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Fatality at Marikana

It is with regret that Lonmin Plc announces that an employee lost his life in an incident at the Company's Rowland shaft on Friday 22 June 2012. The family of the deceased has been informed.

Management immediately stopped the Rowland shaft, informed the DMR and began an investigation. The shaft will remain closed until that investigation, which is being undertaken in partnership with all stakeholders, is complete.

CEO Ian Farmer said: "On behalf of the whole Company I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of our colleague who has died. Safety is our absolute number one priority and we will work with stakeholders to determine the cause of this tragic incident as quickly as possible."

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Notes to editors**About Lonmin:**

1. Lonmin is one of the world's largest primary producers of Platinum Group Metals (PGMs). These metals are essential for many industrial applications, especially catalytic converters for internal combustion engine emissions, as well as their widespread use in jewellery.

Our operations, consisting of eleven shafts and inclines, are situated in the Bushveld Complex in South Africa, a country which hosts nearly 80% of global PGM resources. We have been granted a New Order Mining Licence by the South African government for our core operations, which runs to 2037 and is renewable to 2067. We have resources of 175 million troy ounces of PGMs and 43 million ounces of reserves.

We create value for our shareholders through mining, refining and marketing PGMs and have a vertically integrated operational structure – from mine to market. Our Mining operations extract ore from which our Process Division produces refined PGMs for delivery to our customers. Underpinning our operations, our Shared Services functions provide high quality levels of support and infrastructure across the operations.

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