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("Metorex" or "the company")

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## **ACQUISITION BY METOREX OF 100% OF PHOENIX PLATINUM LIMITED ("PHOENIX UK")**

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- In accordance with the growth strategy of the group
- Provides further commodity diversification to the group's portfolio
- Increments earnings from South African operations.

Charles Needham, CEO of Metorex, said:

**"This acquisition will not only provide the Metorex group with income from an additional commodity (platinum) but it represents a strategic entry into the Platinum Industry."**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Shareholders are advised that Metorex has concluded an agreement to acquire 100% of the issued share capital of Phoenix Platinum Mining Limited ("Phoenix UK") a company incorporated in the United Kingdom and its subsidiary, for a total consideration of £7.92million (approximately R110million) from a consortium of private shareholders.

### **2. THE TRANSACTION**

The purchase consideration of £7.92million has been satisfied by way of a cash payment of £3.96million, approximately R55million, and an issue of 2 275 069 new Metorex shares at an issue price of R24.09 per share.

Phoenix UK has a wholly owned subsidiary company Phoenix Platinum Mining (Proprietary) Limited ("Phoenix SA") which is registered in South Africa.

### **3. INFORMATION RELATING TO PHOENIX SA**

Phoenix SA holds the rights to treat a number of chromite tailings dumps and current arisings on the Western Limb of the Bushveld Complex for platinum group minerals.

The scoping study completed by Metorex indicated the robustness of the project at a production rate of 21 000 PGM ounces per annum over a projected life of approximately 18 years. A processing plant required to treat the material is to be constructed and will be located between the towns of Moinooi and Brits. Negotiations are in progress regarding additional resources and offtake agreements.

#### **4. CATEGORISATION OF THE TRANSACTION**

This transaction falls below the threshold of a Category transaction in terms of the Listing Requirements of the JSE Limited, however due to the strategic nature of the transaction, the directors of Metorex considered it appropriate to inform shareholders.

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