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## RAMELIUS REPORTS HALF-YEAR NET PROFIT AFTER TAX OF A\$29.1M

### H1 FY 2023 HIGHLIGHTS

- Gold production of **118,000 ounces** (H1 FY22: 132,605oz)
- EBITDA\*\* of **A\$101.1M** (H1 FY22: A\$187.7M)
- EBIT\*\* of **A\$44.0M** (H1 FY22: A\$106.3M)
- Net profit before tax of **A\$42.3M** (H1 FY22: A\$105.5M)
- Net profit after tax of **A\$29.1M** (H1 FY22: A\$73.4M)
- Underlying net profit after tax of **A\$32.7M** (H1 FY22 A\$54.2)
- Underlying EBITDA of **A\$106.3M** (H1 FY22 A\$160.4M)
- Underlying EBITDA margin of **34.9%** (H1 FY22: 51.7%)
- AISC\* of **A\$2,044/oz** (H1 FY22: A\$1,473/oz)
- Sales revenue of **A\$304.8M** (H1 FY22: A\$310.1M)
- Cash & gold of **A\$154.0M** (30 June 22: A\$172.9M)
- Inventories of **A\$196.3M** (30 June 22: A\$199.6M)
- Re-affirmed FY23 Guidance of 240 - 280,000oz at an AISC of A\$1,750 – 1,950/oz

Ramelius Resources Limited (**ASX: RMS**) ("**Ramelius**", "**the Company**") is pleased to report its financial and operational performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

The Company has posted a solid set of financial results for the half-year and remains in a strong financial position, despite the inflationary pressures seen throughout the industry and a drop in gold production for the first half.

The underlying net profit after tax of A\$32.7M over the six months to 31 December 2022 was down on the prior corresponding period (**pcp**). This was largely because of the cost pressures seen across the business, lower grades at Mt Magnet as well as ongoing impacts on productivity as the Company felt the effects of higher employee turnover and absenteeism from COVID related illnesses.

Gold production was down against the pcp at Mt Magnet (8,162 oz, or 12%) due to a lower head grade as the high-grade Shannon underground was largely completed and replaced with lower grade feed from Hill 60. The grade profile at Mt Magnet is expected to increase in the second half of FY23 with the introduction of more feed from the high-grade Penny underground as the mine ramps up and the haulage rate increases as the road upgrade is completed in the March 2023 Quarter.

At Edna May, production was down 6,443 oz, or 10%, due mainly to lower throughput as the historic low-grade stockpiles at Edna May were largely exhausted. The lower throughput was mitigated somewhat with higher grade material from the Tampia and Marda satellite pits.

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#### ISSUED CAPITAL

Ordinary Shares: 873M

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Although gold production was 11% lower than the pcp, the higher spot gold price meant the sales revenue for the Group was only 2% lower, at A\$304.8M.

The higher cost environment and lower grade translated directly to a higher AISC per ounce for the half year of A\$2,044/oz (pcp: A\$1,473/oz). The increase in sales price to A\$2,499/oz helped mitigate this rise resulting in an AISC margin of 18.2%. Whilst down on last year, this is likely to improve in the second half with a higher proportion of the high-grade, low-cost Penny underground in the Mt Magnet production figures.

Furthermore, the AISC margin is expected to improve in subsequent years as highlighted in the 3-Year Outlook released on 14 November 2022. As Penny reaches a steady state production profile in FY24 and FY25, the AISC is expected to continue to trend down.

As at 31 December 2022 the Company had cash and gold of A\$154.0M. The Company remains debt free, although a committed A\$100M corporate facility remains in place, available and undrawn.

Total inventory levels remain high, which enhances an already robust balance sheet and financial position. The run-of-mine stockpiles largely comprise low-grade Eridanus ore at Mt Magnet and large quantities of high grade ore at Marda and Tampia which will be the primary sources of feed at the Edna May mill for the next 18-24 months.

The net cash provided by operating activities (as disclosed in the Financial Statements) was A\$114.8M, which was 46% higher than the pcp due largely to a reduction in income tax payments. The Company received a refund of A\$6.2M in the half-year as opposed to making tax payments of A\$39.9M in the pcp.

A total of A\$97.6M was invested in mine development and exploration during the half-year. The development focus was at Penny, Galaxy (Mt Magnet) and Die Hardy (Marda) with exploration expenditure incurred mainly at Rebecca and Mt Magnet projects such as Bartus.

Furthermore, the Company declared an A\$8.7M fully franked dividend as part of the FY22 financial results. A total of A\$1.5M was re-invested by shareholders into the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, leaving a cash distribution of A\$7.2M during the period. There was no interim dividend declared. In line with past practice the Board will assess dividends at the completion of the financial year.

Full details are contained in the Appendix 4D and half year financial report released today.

Ramelius Managing Director, Mark Zeptner, said:

*"Notwithstanding a very challenging environment around costs and employee and contractor turnover, Ramelius still posted a very competitive set of underlying financial results. Our underlying EBITDA of \$106.3M was down on the prior corresponding period, but the margin remained a very competitive 35% for the 6 months. We believe this compares well with our peers and highlights that our business model remains robust.*

*The first half of the year has been a period of investment for Ramelius as we look to bring one of the highest grade gold mines in Australia into steady state production early in 2023. Production from the Penny underground commenced late in 2022 and we expect this to ramp up in the March Quarter as the mine is developed and the upgrade of the haul road to Mt Magnet is also completed. Penny should have a materially favourable impact on the unit costs and cash generation for the Mt Magnet production centre for the next 2-3 years."*

## **H1 FY 2023 Financial Results Conference Call**

The Company wishes to advise that Managing Director, Mark Zeptner, and Chief Financial Officer, Tim Manners, will host an investor conference call to discuss the financial results at **12:00pm AEDT (11:00am AEST, 9:00am AWST) on Tuesday, 21 February 2023.**

To listen in live, please click on the link below and register your details:

<https://s1.c-conf.com/diamondpass/10028953-n4u79q.html>

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