

THE BIDVEST GROUP LIMITED

("Bidvest")

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THE BIDVEST GROUP LIMITED, UPDATE AND INVESTOR DAY – JUNE 8, 2017

Shareholders and interested parties are advised that Bidvest will be hosting investor sessions and a pre-close operational update today at 10:00 (SA time). An audio recording will be available for replay, shortly after the event, at www.bidvest.co.za.

Trading environment

Post the expected improved trading environment in 3QFY17, market conditions have deteriorated as reflected in lowered business and consumer confidence. In view of the volatile socio-political outlook and the weaker than expected macro-economic environment, we now expect more challenging trading conditions for the rest of calendar 2017. With many government departments, State Owned Enterprises and parastatals in flux, the finalising and closing of contracts is challenging.

Against this backdrop, trading results to date have been satisfactory. The quality of earnings remains high.

The annuity income type businesses delivered solid results, while those inherently linked to construction and infrastructure development have done well to hold their own. The lack of industrial project related work is weighing on some businesses. Demand is subdued in the Automotive and Office & Print divisions. Significantly reduced fishing quotas remain an ongoing concern in Bidvest Namibia.

Mark-to-market gains on the investment portfolio and improved results from the larger associate companies, which are reported in the Corporate office, have been pleasing.

Costs remain well controlled and asset management is to be commended. A material capex investment in fuel tanks in Richards Bay has been completed and commissioned. The construction of additional multi-purpose tanks is currently on the go.

Bidvest remains committed to monetising its non-core assets in a value-accretive and responsible manner. Discussions are ongoing. During April 2017, Bidvest disposed of some Bidcorp shares.

Prospects

The macroeconomic environment in South Africa remains a major concern.

Bidvest's financial position remains sound and cash generation continues to be strong. Our ongoing strategy of acquiring bolt-on companies that add additional value to existing Bidvest entities is continuing. We retain adequate headroom to accommodate larger acquisitive and organic expansion opportunities, which we are actively seeking, both locally and internationally.

This announcement and any forward looking statements have not been reviewed by the auditors.

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