

MERAPE RESOURCES LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Registration number 1987/003452/06)

Share Code: MRF

ISIN: ZAE000060000

("Merafe" or the "Company")

**PRODUCTION REPORT AND TRADING STATEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED
30 JUNE 2021****1. Production Report**

Merafe's attributable ferrochrome production from the Glencore Merafe Chrome Venture for the six months ended 30 June 2021 increased by 65.6% compared to the prior comparative period. The increase was mainly due to current production being less affected by the COVID-19 restrictions coupled with improved plant efficiencies achieved at our smelters.

	Six months ended 30 June 2021	Six months ended 30 June 2020
Attributable ferrochrome production (kt)	199	120

2. Trading Statement*Basic earnings and headline earnings per share*

In terms of paragraph 3.4(b) the JSE Limited Listings Requirements, issuers are required to publish a trading statement as soon as they are satisfied that a reasonable degree of certainty exists that the financial results for the period to be reported on will differ by at least 20% from those of the prior comparative period.

Shareholders are hereby advised that for the six months ended 30 June 2021, Merafe is expecting to report:

- basic earnings per share ("**EPS**") of between 19.2 cents and 26.8 cents compared to basic loss per share of 38.3 cents for the prior comparative period; and
- headline earnings per share ("**HEPS**") of between 23.1 cents and 23.3 cents compared to HEPS of 1.1 cents for the prior comparative period.

The expected increase in EPS and HEPS is primarily driven by higher chrome ore and ferrochrome prices and higher sales volumes which were partially offset by a stronger average Rand:US\$ exchange rate.

Expected cash and debt balances – Merafe Resources Limited Group

	30 Jun 2021 R'm	31 Dec 2020 R'm
Cash and cash equivalents balance	797	278
Net cash/(debt)	797	278

Shareholders are advised that the financial information on which this announcement is based, has not been reviewed or reported on by Merafe's external auditors. The financial results for the six months ended 30 June 2021 are expected to be released on SENS on or about 10 August 2021.

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