



## Kingsgate Consolidated NL

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### Chairman's Statement for General Meeting – 2 August 2002

The following announcement has been released to the Australian Stock Exchange.

The unaudited consolidated net profit for the year to 30 June 2002 for Kingsgate Consolidated NL was AUD\$30 million. Of course, there is no tax payable due to the project's tax-free status. This represents 7month's production from the company's Chatree gold mine in Thailand of 91,185 oz of gold and 353,146 oz of silver. In light of this excellent result, your Board is pleased to announce a maiden unfranked dividend, for the period, of 15 cents per share to be payable on 28 October 2002 to all shareholders registered by 23 September 2002 (the Record Date).

This result is a credit to all those responsible for the development and subsequent management of the mine and enables it to be ranked as one of the most successful mines commissioned in the world in recent years.

In addition, as a result of the continued drilling at Prospect A, we announced yesterday an initial resource estimate of 14 million tonnes @ 1.6 g/t gold and 20 g/t silver, containing 706,000 oz of gold and 9 million oz of silver thereby increasing Chatree Gold Mine resources by 59%.

Drilling is currently being undertaken within, and adjacent to the mine area, and we expect to have increased resource and reserve figures for the actual mine area announced by mid-October, thereby further increasing the life of the project.

As has already been announced, it is expected production for the current year will be approximately 160,000 oz of gold and 450,000 oz of silver, being approximately 167,000 ounces of gold equivalent, at a cash cost of approximately US\$80 per oz. This is based on a budgeted production of 1.25 million tonnes per annum. These numbers, if achieved, should produce a profit of approximately US\$25 million for the year ending 30 June 2003, a number which will vary in Australian dollars depending on exchange rates. This figure is based on an average of USD302 per ounce gold price. Borrowings have been reduced to US\$25 million at 30 June 2002 and will be further reduced to US\$17.5 million by 31 December 2002 and US\$12.5 million by 30 June 2003 .

Clearly, the company has achieved considerable goals in the past 12 months and we expect the Chatree Project to grow further in stature over the next year.

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