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(Mark One)

REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
or

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____

or

SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
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For the transition period from to

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Gold Fields Limited

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Republic of South Africa

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act

Title of Each Class
Ordinary shares of par value Rand 0.50 each

Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
New York Stock Exchange*

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American Depositary Shares, each representing one ordinary share

New York Stock Exchange

* Not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of the American Depositary Shares pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of Class)

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act:

None

(Title of Class)

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the Annual Report:

705,903,511 ordinary shares of par value Rand 0.50 each

50 Redeemable Preference Shares of Rand 0.01 each

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act: Yes No

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

Note: Checking the box above will not relieve any registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from their obligations under those Sections.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing:

U.S. GAAP International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board Other

If Other has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow: Item 17 Item 18

If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

(APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes No

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The Worldwide Locations of Gold Fields Operations

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Presentation of Financial Information

Gold Fields Limited, or Gold Fields or the Company, is a South African company and the majority of its operations, based on gold production, are located there. Accordingly, its books of account are maintained in South African Rand and its annual and interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, or IFRS, as prescribed by law. Gold Fields also prepares annual financial statements in accordance with United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or U.S. GAAP, which are translated into U.S. dollars. Except as otherwise noted, the financial information included in this annual report has been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and is presented in U.S. dollars, and descriptions of critical accounting policies refer to accounting policies under U.S. GAAP.

For Gold Fields' financial statements, unless otherwise stated, balance sheet item amounts are translated from Rand to U.S. dollars at the exchange rate prevailing on the date that it closed its accounts for fiscal 2010 (Rand 7.57 per \$1.00 as of June 30, 2010), except for specific items included within shareholders' equity and the statements of cash flows that are translated at the rate prevailing on the date the relevant transaction was entered into, and statements of operations item amounts are translated from Rand to U.S. dollars at the weighted average exchange rate for each period (Rand 7.58 per \$1.00 for the year ended June 30, 2010).

In this annual report, Gold Fields presents the financial items total cash costs, total cash costs per ounce, total production costs and total production costs per ounce, which have been determined using industry standards promulgated by the Gold Institute and are not U.S. GAAP measures. The Gold Institute was a non-profit international industry association of miners, refiners, bullion suppliers and manufacturers of gold products that ceased operation in 2002, which developed a uniform format for reporting production costs on a per ounce basis. The Gold Institute has now been incorporated into the National Mining Association. The guidance was first adopted in 1996 and revised in November 1999. An investor should not consider these items in isolation or as alternatives to production costs, income before tax, net income, operating cash flows or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. While the Gold Institute provided definitions for the calculation of total cash costs and total production costs, the calculation of total cash costs, total cash costs per ounce, total production costs and total production costs per ounce may vary significantly among gold mining companies, and by themselves do not necessarily provide a basis for comparison with other gold mining companies. See Key Information Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data, Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms Total cash costs per ounce and Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms Total production costs per ounce.

In this annual report, Gold Fields also presents the financial items operating costs and notional cash expenditure, or NCE. Operating costs and NCE have been determined by Gold Fields on the basis of internally developed definitions and are not U.S. GAAP measures. Gold Fields defines operating costs as production costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) plus corporate expenditure, employment termination costs and accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation. Gold Fields defines NCE as operating costs plus additions to property plant and equipment. See Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Notional Cash Expenditure. An investor should not consider these items in isolation or as alternatives to production costs, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Operating costs and NCE as presented in this annual report may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of performance of other companies.

Defined Terms and Conventions

In this annual report, all references to the Group are to Gold Fields and its subsidiaries.

In this annual report, all references to fiscal 2010 are to the 12 month period ended June 30, 2010 and all references to fiscal 2011 are to the 12 month period ending December 31, 2011. Gold Fields is in the process of changing its year end from June 30 to December 31 beginning in 2011 to align with Gold Fields' peers in the

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gold mining industry. Therefore, Gold Fields will file a transition report on Form 20-F for the period from June 30, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Thereafter, Gold Fields will file its next annual report on Form 20-F for the period from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

In this annual report, all references to South Africa are to the Republic of South Africa, all references to Ghana are to the Republic of Ghana, all references to Australia are to the Commonwealth of Australia, all references to Venezuela are to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, all references to Finland are to the Republic of Finland and all references to Peru are to the Republic of Peru.

In this annual report, all references to the DMR are references to the South African Department of Mineral Resources, the government body responsible for regulating the mining industry in South Africa, or to its predecessor entity, the Department of Minerals and Energy which was split into the Department of Mineral Resources and the Department of Energy in July 2009, as applicable.

This annual report contains descriptions of gold mining and the gold mining industry, including descriptions of geological formations and mining processes. In order to facilitate a better understanding of these descriptions, this annual report contains a glossary defining a number of technical and geological terms. See Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms .

In this annual report, gold production figures are provided in troy ounces, which are referred to as ounces or oz, and ore grades are provided in grams per metric ton, which are referred to as grams per ton or g/t. All references to tons or t in this annual report are to metric tons. All references to gold include gold and gold equivalent ounces, as applicable. See Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms for further information regarding units of measurement used in this annual report and a table providing rates of conversion between different units of measurement.

This annual report contains references to serious injury frequency rates at each Gold Fields mining operation. The serious injury frequency rate at each operation includes only those lost time injuries where the injured employee does not return to work within 14 days of the injury. If an absence is as a result of a diagnosed occupational disease or an occupational health medical surveillance program, it is not recorded as a serious injury.

In this annual report, R and Rand refer to the South African Rand and Rand cents refers to subunits of the South African Rand, \$, U.S.\$ and dollars refer to United States dollars, U.S. cents refers to subunits of the U.S. dollar, A\$ and Australian dollars refer to Australian dollars and CAD refers to Canadian dollars.

Certain information in this annual report presented in Rand and Australian dollars has been translated into U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise stated, the conversion rates for these translations are Rand 7.57 per \$1.00 and A\$1.00 per \$0.8684, which were the closing rates on June 30, 2010. By including the U.S. dollar equivalents, Gold Fields is not representing that the Rand or Australian dollar amounts actually represent the U.S. dollar amounts shown or that these amounts could be converted into U.S. dollars at the rates indicated.

In this annual report, except where otherwise noted, all production and operating statistics are based on Gold Fields total operations, which include production from the Tarkwa and Damang mines in Ghana and from the Cerro Corona mine in Peru which is attributable to the noncontrolling shareholders in those mines. This annual report contains references to gold equivalent ounces which are quantities of metals (such as copper) expressed as amounts of gold using the prevailing prices of gold and the other metals. To calculate this, the accepted total value of the metal based on its weight and value is divided by the accepted value of one troy ounce of gold.

Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010

Gold Fields is in the process of changing its year-end from June to December to align with the company's peers in the gold mining industry. Consequently, the Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010 included in this

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Annual Report on Form 20-F primarily reflect mining depletion of last year's figures except where material differences from the assumptions used in the preparation of the mineral reserves as of June 30, 2009 were encountered for technical or economic reasons, in which case suitably revised models and schedules were implemented. Therefore, the information regarding the reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010 has not been prepared on the same basis as the reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2009 and 2008. As a result, the information prepared for the fiscal year ended 30 June 2010 may not be directly comparable to that reported by Gold Fields in those prior years or for the fiscal year ending 31 December 2010 and may not be the same as the information that would have been provided if the reserves at 30 June 2010 had been determined on the same basis as in prior years. See Information on the Company Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010 Methodology .

Information on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA

This annual report contains certain information relating to Western Areas Limited (now known as Gold Fields Operations Limited), or Western Areas, Barrick Gold South Africa (Pty) Limited, or BGSA (now known as GFI Joint Ventures Holding (Pty) Limited, or GFI Joint Ventures), and the South Deep gold mine, or South Deep, including information contained in Risk Factors, Information on the Company, Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and Additional Information . This information, as it relates to information regarding South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA in the period before Gold Fields' acquisition of these entities, has been compiled from information published by Western Areas, including information filed with JSE Limited, or the JSE, and certain due diligence materials made available to Gold Fields by Western Areas and Barrick Gold Corporation, or Barrick, and has not been commented on by any representative of Western Areas or Barrick. Gold Fields has sought to ensure that the information presented has been accurately reproduced from these sources. However, Gold Fields is otherwise unable to confirm that the information relating to Western Areas, South Deep and BGSA is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of the information.

A portion of Gold Fields' proven and probable reserves for South Deep are based on the pre-acquisition South Deep operation reserve figures as declared for December 2005 by an independent review panel, or IRP, for the Barrick Gold-Western Areas Joint Venture between BGSA (formerly, Placer Dome South Africa Proprietary Limited) and Western Areas. However, a significant portion of the June 30, 2010 South Deep reserves now take into account new estimation and mine design work on the Upper Elsburg reefs completed during fiscal 2009 in accordance with Gold Fields' standards and procedures. 50% of the total reserve ounces relate to the current mining area, or the Current Mine, and the area below the Current Mine and above infrastructure, or Phase 1, north of the Wrench Fault and also Phase 1 south of the Wrench Fault (above infrastructure). 50% of the total reserve ounces relate to Phase 2, being the South Shaft/Old Mine and the Ventersdorp Contact Reef, or the VCR. The 50% relating to the Current Mine, Phase 1 north of the Wrench Fault and Phase 1 south of the Wrench Fault (above infrastructure) have been remodeled and designed. Due to no further information being available at this stage, the remaining deeper portion of the reserves continue to be based on the pre-acquisition figures, as declared by the IRP, as described above.

Gold Fields is presently undertaking a surface drilling exploration program that Gold Fields expects will provide additional technical information on the geological structure, sedimentology, facies characteristics and tenor of the Ventersdorp Contact Reef, or the VCR, and Upper Elsburg reefs in the area below current infrastructure to the southern boundary of the mining area, or Phase 2. The drilling program is 55% complete, and the last hole is expected to be drilled by June 2012. Gold Fields expects that the additional information obtained from this program will provide for enhanced resource modeling of the Phase 2 ground and will increase confidence levels with regard to in situ facies geometry, reef grades and tonnages. See also Risk Factors Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields included in this annual report.

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Forward-looking Statements

This annual report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with respect to Gold Fields' financial condition, results of operations, business strategies, operating efficiencies, competitive position, growth opportunities for existing services, plans and objectives of management, markets for stock and other matters. Statements in this annual report that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements, including, among others, those relating to the future business prospects, revenues and income of Gold Fields, wherever they may occur in this annual report and the exhibits to the annual report, are necessarily estimates reflecting the best judgment of the senior management of Gold Fields and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements. As a consequence, these forward-looking statements should be considered in light of various important factors, including those set forth in this annual report. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from estimates or projections contained in the forward-looking statements include, without limitation:

overall economic and business conditions in South Africa, Ghana, Australia, Peru and elsewhere;

the ability to achieve anticipated efficiencies and other cost savings in connection with past and future acquisitions;

the ability to achieve anticipated cost savings at existing operations;

the success of exploration and development activities;

decreases in the market price of gold or copper;

the occurrence of hazards associated with underground and surface gold mining;

the occurrence of work stoppages related to health and safety incidents;

the occurrence of labor disruptions and industrial actions;

the ability to manage and maintain access to current and future sources of liquidity, capital and credit, including the terms and conditions of Gold Fields facilities and Gold Fields overall cost of funding;

the manner, amount and timing of capital expenditures made by Gold Fields on both existing and new mines, mining projects, exploration projects or other initiatives;

changes in relevant government regulations, particularly environmental regulations and potential new legislation affecting mining and mineral rights;

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fluctuations in exchange rates, currency devaluations and other macroeconomic monetary policies; and

political and social instability in South Africa, Ghana, Peru or regionally in Africa or South America.

Gold Fields undertakes no obligation to update publicly or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this annual report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Not applicable.

ITEM 2: OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3: KEY INFORMATION**Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data**

The selected historical consolidated financial data set out below for each of the three years ended June 30, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and as of June 30, 2010 and 2009 have been derived from Gold Fields' audited consolidated financial statements for those years and as of those dates and the related notes. The selected historical consolidated financial data for each of the two years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, and as of June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 have been derived from Gold Fields' audited consolidated financial statements as of that date, which are not included in this annual report, and adjusted where applicable as described below. The selected historical consolidated financial data presented below have been derived from financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The other Operating Data presented has been calculated as described in the footnotes to the table below:

	2006	Year ended June 30 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾			2010
		2007	2008	2009	
(\$ millions, unless otherwise stated)					
Statement of Operations Data					
Revenues	2,282.0	2,735.2	3,206.2	3,228.3	4,164.3
Production costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)	1,499.9	1,707.7	1,996.1	1,998.6	2,544.0
Depreciation and amortization	353.3	388.2	400.5	433.5	631.1
Corporate expenditure	21.9	38.4	41.0	35.5	47.5
Employee termination costs	9.1	4.9	16.2	21.0	10.3
Exploration expenditure	39.3	47.4	39.8	58.0	82.4
Impairment of assets			11.4		
Shaft closure costs			3.3	(0.2)	
(Decrease)/increase in provision for post-retirement health care costs	(0.5)	1.3	(0.7)	3.4	(9.4)
Accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation	8.6	6.4	12.0	13.9	19.3
Share-based compensation	11.5	12.5	20.7	33.7	53.9
Interest and dividends	26.8	26.8	31.2	24.9	40.2
Finance expense	(55.6)	(95.2)	(100.4)	(73.9)	(65.2)
Unrealized gain on financial instruments	14.6	15.4			
Realized (loss)/gain on financial instruments	(9.1)	(10.7)	19.8	(1.3)	27.7
(Loss)/gain on foreign exchange		(15.1)	1.7	10.2	(8.5)
Profit on sale of property, plant and equipment	3.7	7.4	4.6	0.5	0.3
Profit/(loss) on disposal of subsidiaries			208.4	(0.3)	
Profit/(loss) on disposal of listed investments	6.3	26.8	3.7	(16.1)	111.7
Impairment of listed investments				(16.0)	(8.1)
Other (expenses)/income	(16.5)	(2.2)	5.9	(7.7)	31.9
Income before tax, impairment of investment in equity investee and share of equity investees (losses)/income	309.1	481.6	840.8	551.2	851.4
Income and mining tax expense	(110.6)	(209.3)	(271.2)	(264.6)	(358.4)

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	2006	Year ended June 30 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾			2010
		2007	2008	2009	
		(\$ millions, unless otherwise stated)			
Income before impairment of investment in equity investee and share of equity investees (losses)/income	198.5	272.3	569.6	286.6	493.0
Impairment of investment in equity investee			(61.3)	(87.4)	
Share of equity investees (losses)/income	(7.0)	0.3	(16.0)	(3.5)	(22.7)
Net income	191.5	272.6	492.3	195.7	470.3
Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	(29.8)	(26.5)	(39.8)	(34.8)	(79.3)
Net income attributable to Gold Fields shareholders	161.7	246.1	452.5	160.9	391.0
Basic earnings per share attributable to Gold Fields shareholders(\$)	0.33	0.44	0.69	0.24	0.55
Diluted earnings per share attributable to Gold Fields shareholders(\$)	0.33	0.44	0.69	0.24	0.55
Dividend per share (Rand)	0.80	2.00	1.60	1.50	1.30
Dividend per share (\$)	0.13	0.28	0.22	0.17	0.17
Other Operating Data					
Total cash costs per ounce of gold produced (\$) ⁽⁴⁾	338	394	505	538	670
Total production costs per ounce of gold produced (\$) ⁽⁵⁾	419	482	610	659	837
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$) ⁽⁶⁾	441	596	822	763	928

Notes:

- (1) On July 1, 2009, Gold Fields adopted updated guidance pertaining to ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent (noncontrolling interests), which requires noncontrolling interests to be classified as a separate component of equity for presentation and disclosure purposes. The data for the years ended June 30, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 have been adjusted to conform to the updated guidance.
- (2) The data for the year ended June 30, 2006 has been adjusted due to a change in accounting policy in fiscal 2007 regarding ore reserve development costs, which were previously expensed and are now capitalized. Under this revised accounting policy, all costs associated with the development of a specific underground block or area are capitalized until saleable minerals are extracted from that specific block or area. At Gold Fields' underground mines, these costs include the cost of shaft sinking and access, the costs of building access ways, lateral development, drift development, ramps, box cuts and other infrastructure development. Previously, at Gold Fields' underground mines, costs incurred to develop the property were capitalized only until the reef horizons were intersected. Subsequent mine development costs to access other specific ore blocks or areas of the mine were treated as variable production costs and expensed as incurred.
- (3) As a result of the acquisition of Western Areas, Western Areas was fully consolidated with Gold Fields as from December 1, 2006. During the period between December 1, 2006 and March 31, 2007, Gold Fields did not own 100% of Western Areas and therefore did not own 100% of South Deep. The percentages of the results of Western Areas and South Deep that did not accrue to Gold Fields have been accounted for as minority interests. U.S. GAAP requires that, where a company is acquired through a series of transactions, an investment in that company that was previously accounted for as available for sale be retrospectively accounted for on an equity basis. Since Gold Fields had previously held interests in Western Areas which were accounted for as available for sale, its results for prior years and the period July 1, 2006 to November 30, 2006 have been adjusted accordingly to account for the investment in Western Areas using the equity method.
- (4) Gold Fields has calculated total cash costs per ounce by dividing total cash costs, as determined using guidance provided by the Gold Institute, by gold ounces sold for all periods presented. The guidance was first adopted in 1996 and revised in November 1999. Total cash costs, as defined in the Gold Institute industry guidance, are production costs as recorded in the statement of operations, less offsite (i.e. central) general and administrative expenses (including head office costs performance, as well as changes in the currency exchange rate

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between the Rand, Australian dollar and the Bolivar, compared with the U.S. dollar). Total cash costs and total cash costs per ounce are not U.S. GAAP measures. Management, however, believes that total cash costs per ounce provides a measure for comparing Gold Fields operational performance against that of its peer group, both for Gold Fields as a whole, and for its individual operations.

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An investor should not consider total cash costs and total cash costs per ounce in isolation or as an alternative to total production costs or net income/(loss), income before tax, operating cash flows or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. In particular, depreciation and amortization is included in a measure of production costs under U.S. GAAP, but is not included in total cash costs under the guidance provided by the Gold Institute. See [Presentation of Financial Information](#) and [Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms Total cash costs per ounce](#) . For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' production costs to its total cash costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see [Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses](#) and [Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses](#) .

- (5) Gold Fields has calculated total production costs per ounce by dividing total production costs, as determined using the guidance provided by the Gold Institute, by gold ounces sold for all periods presented. Total production costs, as defined by the Gold Institute industry guidance, are total cash costs, as calculated using the Gold Institute guidance, plus amortization, depreciation and rehabilitation costs. Changes in total production costs per ounce are affected by operational performance, as well as changes in the currency exchange rate between the Rand, and the Australian dollar compared with the U.S. dollar. Changes in the currency exchange rate between the Bolivar and the U.S. dollar affected changes in total production costs per ounce until the sale of the Choco 10 mine on November 30, 2007. Total production costs per ounce is not a U.S. GAAP measure. Management, however, believes that total production costs per ounce provides a measure for comparing Gold Fields' operational performance against that of its peer group, both for Gold Fields as a whole, and for its individual operations. An investor should not consider total production costs per ounce in isolation or as an alternative to total production costs or net income/(loss), income before tax, operating cash flows or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. See [Presentation of Financial Information](#) and [Information on the Company Glossary of Mining Terms Total production costs per ounce](#) . For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' production costs to its total production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009, and 2008, see [Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses](#) and [Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses](#) .
- (6) Gold Fields defines notional cash expenditure, or NCE, as operating costs plus additions to property, plant and equipment, and defines operating costs as production costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) plus corporate expenditure, employment termination costs and accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation. Gold Fields reports NCE on a per equivalent ounce basis. For a description of notional cash expenditure, or NCE, and a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see [Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Notional Cash Expenditure](#) .

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	2006	As at June 30, ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾			2010
		2007	2008	2009	
(\$ millions, unless otherwise stated)					
Balance Sheet Data					
Cash and cash equivalents	217.7	326.4	253.7	357.5	500.7
Current portion of financial instruments	30.4		6.9		
Receivables	148.7	297.7	280.1	383.5	305.4
Inventories	111.3	144.9	152.8	196.0	234.9
Material contained on heap leach pads	47.7	58.1	74.5	81.3	91.5
Total current assets	555.8	827.1	768.0	1,018.3	1,132.5
Property, plant and equipment, net	3,172.1	5,576.8	5,423.7	5,756.9	6,639.7
Goodwill		1,222.7	1,092.8	1,084.7	1,154.9
Non-current investments	371.8	401.8	737.4	475.2	254.3
Total assets	4,099.7	8,028.4	8,021.9	8,335.1	9,181.4
Accounts payable and provisions	299.8	463.6	610.3	533.5	551.9
Current portion of financial instruments		10.8		1.7	
Interest payable	29.8	34.7	29.2	14.4	4.5
Income and mining taxes payable	46.8	72.2	123.1	98.2	104.3
Current portion of long-term loans	0.3	227.5	772.9	317.8	691.1
Bank overdraft		3.3	2.7	9.7	
Total current liabilities	376.7	812.1	1,538.2	975.3	1,351.8
Long-term loans	737.9	1,211.8	564.2	785.9	430.0
Deferred income and mining taxes	781.8	879.5	719.9	817.7	982.5
Provision for environmental rehabilitation	146.4	197.2	216.2	236.9	275.7
Provision for post-retirement health care costs	7.4	9.5	7.9	11.4	2.8
Other non-current liabilities				3.9	
Total liabilities	2,050.2	3,110.1	3,046.4	2,831.1	3,042.8
Share capital	43.9	54.8	54.9	57.7	57.8
Additional paid-in capital	1,827.6	4,459.8	4,490.4	4,944.2	5,005.4
Retained earnings	123.9	211.8	521.8	561.5	834.4
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss)/income	(71.0)	64.8	(243.0)	(338.9)	(96.5)
Total equity attributable to Gold Fields shareholders	1,924.4	4,791.2	4,824.1	5,224.5	5,801.1
Non-controlling interests	125.1	127.1	151.4	279.5	337.5
Total equity	2,049.5	4,918.3	4,975.5	5,504.0	6,138.6
Total liabilities and equity	4,099.7	8,028.4	8,021.9	8,335.1	9,181.4

	2006	As at June 30, ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾			2010
		2007	2008	2009	
(\$ millions, unless otherwise stated)					
Other Financial Data					
Number of ordinary shares as adjusted to reflect changes in capital structure	494,824,723	652,158,066	653,200,682	704,749,849	705,903,511
Net assets	1,924.4	4,791.2	4,824.1	5,224.5	5,801.1

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Exchange Rates

The following tables set forth, for the periods indicated, the average, high and low exchange rates of Rand for U.S. Dollars, expressed in Rand per \$1.00. For periods prior to December 31, 2008, the following tables express the exchange rates in terms of the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in Rand as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. As of December 31, 2008, the Federal Reserve Bank ceased publication of the noon buying rate and, as such, the exchange rates for fiscal 2009 are sourced from I-Net Bridge, being the closing rate at period end.

Year ended June 30,	Average⁽¹⁾
2006	6.42 ⁽¹⁾
2007	7.20 ⁽¹⁾
2008	7.30 ⁽¹⁾
2009	9.01 ⁽²⁾
2010	7.58 ⁽²⁾
through November 26, 2010	7.16 ⁽²⁾

Notes:

- (1) The average of the noon buying rates on the last day of each full month during the relevant period as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.
- (2) The daily average of the closing rate during the relevant period as reported by I-Net Bridge.

Month ended	High	Low
May 31, 2010	7.94	7.40
June 30, 2010	7.81	7.49
July 31, 2010	7.75	7.29
August 31, 2010	7.37	7.18
September 30, 2010	7.28	6.93
October 31, 2010	7.06	6.77

The closing rate for the Rand on November 26, 2010 as reported by I-Net Bridge was Rand 7.14 per \$1.00. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Rand and the U.S. dollar will affect the dollar equivalent of the price of the ordinary shares on the JSE, which may affect the market price of the American Depositary Shares, or ADSs, on the New York Stock Exchange. These fluctuations will also affect the U.S. dollar

amounts received by owners of ADSs on the conversion of any dividends paid in Rand on the ordinary shares.

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RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information included in this annual report, the considerations listed below could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, financial condition or results of operations, resulting in a decline in the trading price of Gold Fields' ordinary shares or ADSs. The risks set forth below comprise all material risks currently known to Gold Fields. However, there may be additional risks that Gold Fields does not currently know of or that Gold Fields currently deems immaterial based on the information available to it. These factors should be considered carefully, together with the information and financial data set forth in this document.

Changes in the market price for gold, and to a lesser extent copper, which in the past have fluctuated widely, affect the profitability of Gold Fields' operations and the cash flows generated by those operations.

Substantially all of Gold Fields' revenues are derived from the sale of gold. Historically, the market price for gold has fluctuated widely and has been affected by numerous factors over which Gold Fields has no control, including:

the demand for gold for industrial uses and for use in jewelry;

actual, expected or rumored purchases and sales of gold bullion holdings by central banks or other large gold bullion holders or dealers;

speculative trading activities in gold;

the overall level of forward sales by other gold producers;

the overall level and cost of production by other gold producers;

international or regional political and economic events or trends;

the strength or weakness of the U.S. dollar (the currency in which gold prices generally are quoted) and of other currencies;

financial market expectations regarding the rate of inflation; and

interest rates.

In addition, the current demand for and supply of gold affects the price of gold, but not necessarily in the same manner as current demand and supply affect the prices of other commodities. Since the potential supply of gold is large relative to mine production in any given year, normal variations in current production will not necessarily have a significant effect on the supply of gold or the gold price. Central banks, financial institutions and individuals historically have held large amounts of gold as a store of value, and production in any given year historically has constituted a small portion of the total potential supply of gold. Historically, gold has tended to retain its value in relative terms against basic goods in times of inflation and monetary crisis. Pursuant to a gold sales agreement entered into by 15 European central banks in September 2009, individual banks may sell up to 400 tons of gold per year and the International Monetary Fund indicated that it may sell up to approximately 400 tons of gold and has already sold approximately 300 tons of gold. However, the effect on the market of these or any other gold sales is unclear.

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In fiscal 2010, the average London afternoon fixing price for gold was U.S.\$1,089 per ounce. For the same period, the high was U.S.\$1,261 per ounce and the low was U.S.\$909 per ounce. On November 26, 2010, the London afternoon fixing price for gold was U.S.\$1,355 per ounce.

While the aggregate effect of these factors is impossible for Gold Fields to predict, if gold prices fall below the amount it costs Gold Fields to produce gold and remain at such levels for any sustained period, Gold Fields may experience losses and may be forced to curtail or suspend some or all of its operations and/or reduce capital expenditures. In addition, Gold Fields might not be able to recover any losses it may incur during that period.

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Copper accounts for a significant proportion of the revenues at Gold Fields' Cerro Corona mine, although copper is not a major element of Gold Fields' overall revenues. A decline in copper prices, which have also fluctuated widely, could adversely affect the revenues and cashflows from the Cerro Corona mine.

Because Gold Fields does not use commodity or derivative instruments to protect against low gold prices with respect to its production, Gold Fields may be impacted by any significant decline in the price of gold.

As a general rule, Gold Fields sells its gold production at market prices. Gold Fields generally does not enter into forward sales, derivatives or other hedging arrangements to establish a price in advance for the sale of its future gold production. In general, hedging reduces the risk of exposure to volatility in the gold price. Hedging also enables a gold producer to fix a future price for hedged gold that generally is higher than the then current spot price. To the extent that Gold Fields does not generally use commodity or derivative instruments, it will not be protected against declines in the gold price, which could lead to reduced revenue in respect of gold production that is not hedged. See "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk".

Gold Fields' reserves are estimates based on a number of assumptions, any changes to which may require Gold Fields to lower its estimated reserves.

The ore reserves stated in this annual report represent the amount of gold and copper that Gold Fields estimated, as of June 30, 2010, could be mined, processed and sold at prices sufficient to recover Gold Fields' estimated future total costs of production, remaining investment and anticipated additional capital expenditures. Ore reserves are estimates based on assumptions regarding, among other things, Gold Fields' costs, expenditures, prices and exchange rates, which may prove inaccurate due to a number of factors, many of which are beyond Gold Fields' control.

Gold Fields is in the process of changing its year-end from June to December to align with the company's peers in the gold mining industry. As a result, the compilation of the annual Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Supplement has not been prepared for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 and will only be published with the Group's Annual Report for the period ending December 31, 2010. Consequently, the June 30, 2010 Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves primarily reflect mining depletion of last year's figures except where material differences were encountered for technical or economic reasons, in which case suitably revised models and schedules were implemented. Therefore, the information regarding the Group's ore reserves and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 has not been prepared on the same basis as the ore reserves information for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008; and may not be directly comparable to that reported by the Group in prior years. For further information about the methodology used to prepare the ore reserves information for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, see "Information on the Company Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010 Methodology".

In the event that Gold Fields revises any of its assumptions that underlie its ore reserves reporting in an adverse manner, Gold Fields may need to revise its ore reserves downwards. In particular, if Gold Fields' production costs or capital expenditures increase, if gold or copper prices decrease or if the Rand or Australian dollar strengthens against the U.S. dollar, a portion of Gold Fields' ore reserves may become uneconomical to recover, forcing Gold Fields to lower its estimated reserves. See "Information on the Company Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010".

To the extent that Gold Fields seeks to expand through acquisitions, it may experience problems in executing acquisitions or managing and integrating the acquisitions with its existing operations.

In order to expand its operations and reserve base, Gold Fields may seek to make acquisitions of selected precious metal producing and/or exploration companies or assets. Gold Fields' success at making any acquisitions will depend on a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

negotiating acceptable terms with the seller of the business or equities to be acquired;

obtaining approval from regulatory authorities;

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assimilating the operations of an acquired business in a timely and efficient manner;

maintaining Gold Fields' financial and strategic focus while integrating the acquired business;

implementing Gold Fields' standards, controls, procedures and policies at the acquired business; and

operating in a new environment to the extent that Gold Fields makes an acquisition outside of markets in which it has previously operated.

There can be no assurance that any acquisition will achieve the results intended. Any problems experienced by Gold Fields in connection with an acquisition as a result of one or more of these factors could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

To the extent that Gold Fields seeks to expand through its exploration program, it may experience problems associated with mineral exploration or developing mining projects.

In order to expand its operations and reserve base, Gold Fields may rely on its exploration program for gold and other metals associated with gold as well as its ability to develop mining projects. Exploration for gold and other metals associated with gold is speculative in nature, involves many risks and is frequently unsuccessful. Any exploration program entails risks relating to the location of economic orebodies, the development of appropriate extractive processes, the receipt of necessary governmental permits and regulatory approvals and the construction of mining and processing facilities at the mining site. Gold Fields' exploration efforts may not result in the discovery of gold or other metals associated with gold and any mineralization discovered may not result in an increase of Gold Fields' reserves. If orebodies are developed, it can take a number of years and substantial expenditures from the initial phases of drilling until production commences, during which time the economic feasibility of production may change. Gold Fields' exploration program may not result in the replacement of current production with new reserves or result in any new commercial mining operations. In addition, to the extent Gold Fields participates in the development of a project through a joint venture or any other multi-party commercial structure, there could be disagreements, legal or otherwise, or divergent interests or goals amongst the parties, which could jeopardize the success of the project.

Furthermore, significant capital investment is required to achieve commercial production from exploration efforts. There is no assurance that Gold Fields will have, or be able to raise, the required funds to engage in these activities or to meet its obligations with respect to the exploration properties in which it has or may acquire an interest. In addition, there can be no assurance that investments made in such projects may not cause a reduction in expenditure for existing projects or other opportunities, any of which may have a negative impact on Gold Fields' business, results of operations, financial condition or prospects.

Due to the nature of mining and the type of gold mines it operates, Gold Fields faces a material risk of liability, delays and increased production costs from environmental and industrial accidents and pollution.

The business of gold mining by its nature involves significant risks and hazards, including environmental hazards and industrial and mining accidents. In particular, hazards associated with Gold Fields' underground mining operations include:

rock bursts;

seismic events, particularly at the Driefontein, Kloof and South Deep operations;

underground fires and explosions, including those caused by flammable gas or in connection with blasting;

cave-ins or gravity falls of ground;

discharges of gases and toxic substances;

releases of radioactivity;

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flooding;

electrocution;

falling from height;

accidents related to the presence of mobile machinery, including shaft conveyances and elevators;

ground and surface water pollution, including as a result of potential spillage or seepage from tailings dams;

sinkhole formation and ground subsidence;

human error; and

other accidents and conditions resulting from drilling, blasting and removing and processing material from an underground mine. Gold Fields' South African operations may be more susceptible to certain of these risks because significant amounts of mining occur at deep levels of up to 3,500 meters below the surface.

Hazards associated with Gold Fields' open pit mining operations include:

flooding of the open pit;

collapses of the open pit walls;

electrocution;

accidents associated with the operation of large open pit mining and rock transportation equipment;

accidents related to the presence of other mobile machinery;

accidents associated with the preparation and ignition of large-scale open pit blasting operations;

ground and surface water pollution, including as a result of potential spillage or seepage from tailings dams;

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production disruptions due to weather; and

hazards associated with heap leach processing, such as groundwater and waterway contamination.

Hazards associated with Gold Fields rock dump and production stockpile mining and tailings disposal include:

accidents associated with operating a rock dump and production stockpile and rock transportation equipment;

production disruptions due to weather;

sinkhole formation and ground subsidence;

collapses of tailings dams; and

ground and surface water pollution, on and off site.

Gold Fields is at risk of experiencing any and all of these environmental or other industrial hazards. The occurrence of any of these hazards could delay or halt production, increase production costs and result in liability for Gold Fields.

Gold Fields may also be subject to actions by labor groups or other interested parties who object to perceived or actual conditions at the mines or to the perceived or actual environmental impact of the mines. These actions may delay or halt production or may create negative publicity related to Gold Fields.

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Ageing infrastructure at the South African operations may cause breakdowns and unplanned stoppages, which may result in production delays, increased costs and industrial accidents.

Deep level gold mining shafts are usually designed with a lifespan of 25 to 30 years. Vertical shafts consist of large quantities of infrastructure steelwork for guiding conveyances and services such as high and low tension electric cables, air and water pipe columns. Maintaining this infrastructure requires skilled human resources, capital allocation, management and planned maintenance.

Once a shaft has reached the end of its intended lifespan, more than normal maintenance and care is required to maintain it. Most of the operating shafts at Kloof, Driefontein, Beatrix and the South Shaft at South Deep are more than 30 years old. Although Gold Fields has a comprehensive maintenance strategy in place, incidents resulting in production delays, increased costs or industrial accidents may occur. Such incidents may have an adverse effect on the company's results of operations and financial position.

If Gold Fields experiences losses of senior management or is unable to hire and retain sufficient technically skilled employees, its business may be materially and adversely affected.

Gold Fields' ability to operate or expand effectively depends largely on the experience, skills and performance of its senior management team. There can be no certainty that the services of its senior management will continue to be available to Gold Fields. Any senior management departures could adversely affect Gold Fields' efficiency, control over operations and results of operations.

During fiscal 2009, Gold Fields restructured its operations into four regions: South Africa, West Africa, South America and Australasia. See Information on the Company Strategy Regional Delivery Model . An important element of this restructuring was bolstering the technical skills base of each of the four regional management teams to provide additional resources and to provide for succession planning. The mining industry, including Gold Fields, continues to experience a global shortage of technically skilled employees. Gold Fields may be unable to hire or retain appropriate technically skilled employees or other management personnel, or may have to pay higher levels of remuneration than it currently intends in order to do so. If Gold Fields is not able to hire and retain appropriate management and technically skilled personnel, or if there are not sufficient succession plans in place, Gold Fields may not achieve the intended benefits of its regional restructuring, which could have an adverse effect on its business, results of operations and financial position.

Because gold is generally sold in U.S. dollars, while most of Gold Fields' production costs are in Rand, Australian dollars and other non-U.S. dollar currencies, Gold Fields' operating results and financial condition could be materially harmed by an appreciation in the value of these non-U.S. dollar currencies.

Gold is sold throughout the world principally in U.S. dollars, but Gold Fields' costs of production are incurred principally in Rand, Australian dollars and other non-U.S. dollar currencies. As a result, any significant and sustained appreciation of any of these non-U.S. dollar currencies against the U.S. dollar may materially increase Gold Fields' costs in U.S. dollar terms, which could adversely affect Gold Fields' operating results and financial condition.

Economic, political or social instability in the countries or regions where Gold Fields operates may have an adverse effect on Gold Fields operations and profits.

The majority of Gold Fields' production is in South Africa. Gold Fields has significant operations in Ghana, Australia and Peru. As a result, changes or instability to the economic, political or social environment in South Africa or in any of these other countries or in neighboring countries could affect an investment in Gold Fields.

Several of these countries have, or have had in the recent past, high levels of inflation. Continued or increased inflation in any of the countries where it operates could increase the prices Gold Fields pays for products and services, including wages for its employees and power costs, which if not offset by increased gold prices or currency devaluations could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' financial condition and results of operations.

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Over the past few years, governments, communities, non-governmental organizations and trade unions in several jurisdictions have sought and, in some cases, have implemented greater cost imposts on the mining industry, including through the imposition of additional taxes and royalties. These trends are evident in the cost of electricity and other levies imposed by governments in many of the countries in which Gold Fields operates. The impositions of additional operational costs, taxes or royalty payments could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields business, operating results and financial condition.

Further, the South African government has implemented laws aimed at alleviating and redressing the disadvantages suffered by citizens under previous governments. In the future, the South African government may implement new laws and policies, which in turn may have an adverse impact on Gold Fields operations and financial results.

In recent years, South Africa has continued to experience high levels of crime and unemployment. These problems may have impacted fixed inward investment into South Africa and have prompted emigration of skilled workers. As a result, Gold Fields may have difficulties attracting and retaining qualified employees.

National elections took place in South Africa in April 2009. Since that time, numerous public statements have been made about the nationalization of South African mines. While there is currently no formalized plan by the government to nationalize South African mines, these comments may have negatively affected investors' perceptions of South Africa. There has been regional political and economic instability in certain of the countries surrounding South Africa. Any similar political or economic instability in South Africa could have a negative impact on Gold Fields' ability to manage and operate its South African operations.

There has been local opposition to mine development projects in Peru. Notwithstanding the fact that Gold Fields was complying with the commitments it had made to the local communities, in mid-October 2006, there was an illegal blockade of the access road to the Cerro Corona site resulting in a temporary suspension of construction activities at the site for 30 days. The blockade was accompanied by demands for increased employment from local communities and increased use of local contractors. In addition, the Cerro Corona site is located near the Yanacocha mine, which is operated by another company. The Yanacocha mine has also been the subject of local protests, including ones that blocked the road between the Yanacocha mine complex and the City of Cajamarca, which also affected access to the Cerro Corona site. There have also been protests against a Gold Fields joint venture exploration project in Peru. If Gold Fields experiences further opposition in connection with its operations in Peru, or if protests aimed at other mining operations affect operations at Cerro Corona, it could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' financial condition and results of operations.

Regional elections took place in Peru in late calendar 2010 and national elections will take place in Peru in early 2011. It is not certain what, if any, political or economic impact the elections will have on Peru generally, or on Gold Fields specifically.

As a result of its disposal of its operations in Venezuela to Rusoro Mining Limited, or Rusoro, Gold Fields holds a stake in Rusoro with a book value of \$18 million and a market value of \$31 million as of June 30, 2010 and is therefore indirectly exposed to the risks of operating in Venezuela. Venezuela has experienced intense political and social turmoil in recent years and there can be no guarantee that Gold Fields' stake in Rusoro will not lose some or all of its value.

Some of Gold Fields' power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to severe power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields' results of operations and its financial condition.

In South Africa, Gold Fields' mining operations are dependent upon electrical power generated by the State utility, Eskom. Eskom holds a monopoly on power supply in the South African market. As a result of an increase

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in demand exceeding available generating capacity, South Africa has been subject to disruptions in electrical power supply. On January 24, 2008, Gold Fields was forced to suspend all mining activity at its South African operations for several days, due to Eskom declaring *force majeure* and advising its key industrial consumers, including Gold Fields, that it could not guarantee the supply of electricity, forcing Gold Fields to reduce consumption to the minimum possible level. Half of Gold Fields' typical electrical consumption is required simply to pump, ventilate and refrigerate its South African operations. Since March 2008, the total power available to Gold Fields' South African mines has been sufficient for the planned mining operations. However, there can be no assurance that power supplies can or will be maintained at this level. The Department of Energy has yet to finalize its power conservation program, including the rules regarding baseline adjustments and load growth. Eskom applied to the National Energy Regulator of South Africa, or NERSA, for a 35% average tariff increase on each of April 1, 2010, 2011 and 2012, and NERSA granted average increases of 24.8%, 25.8% and 25.9%, respectively. Gold Fields may pay higher rates than the average as an industrial user and it expects further significant additional increases during the next several years as Eskom embarks on an electricity generation capacity expansion program. Should Gold Fields experience any additional power outages or further power tariff increases or usage constraints, then its financial condition and results of operations may be adversely impacted. In fiscal 2010, power costs made up 12.2% of the costs of production at the South African operations. See *Information on the Company* Gold Fields' Mining Operations Driefontein Operation Mining .

Gold Fields' power needs in South Africa are increasing as it builds up production at its South Deep mine. South Deep has requested an additional allocation from Eskom, which has informally indicated that the additional requested capacity should be made available. If a power conservation program is implemented, Gold Fields expects that the power allocations of each of its operations will be tradable, allowing Gold Fields to shift power usage from one mine to another as necessary. However, there can be no assurance that Gold Fields will receive all of the power it needs or that the power conservation program will be implemented as currently conceived. Any failure to receive power allocation or divergence between the power conservation that is ultimately implemented and the one that is currently conceived could have an adverse effect on Gold Fields' ability to develop South Deep.

Gold Fields Ghana Limited, or Gold Fields Ghana, among other mining companies in Ghana, was asked by the state electricity supplier, the Volta River Authority, or VRA, in August 2006 to significantly reduce its electricity demand largely because of the low water reservoir level of the VRA's Akosombo generating facility and concerns about its ability to meet future supply and demand at present consumption levels. Since then, the power supply has stabilized and the tariff has been reduced. However, the gold mining industry in Ghana has been notified by the VRA of new rates of between U.S.\$0.12 and U.S.\$0.165 per kilowatt hour under which the services of the VRA and the services of the transmission and distribution utility are to be billed separately. These new rates have been billed to both the Tarkwa and Damang mines. Gold Fields Ghana is a bulk permit holder, which allows it to negotiate rates with the VRA and Gold Fields Ghana began such negotiations in August 2010. There can be no assurance that the VRA will agree to a satisfactory rate. Although the VRA did not impose any power cuts, frequent power interruptions occurred. The national utility remains reliant on hydropower for approximately 50% of its generation and there can be no assurance that there will not be new disruptions to the electricity supply in the future.

Actual and potential supply chain shortages and increases in the prices of production inputs may have an adverse effect on Gold Fields operations and profits.

Gold Fields' results of operations may be affected by the availability and pricing of raw materials and other essential production inputs, including fuel, steel and cyanide and other reagents. The price of raw materials may be substantially affected by changes in global supply and demand, along with weather conditions, governmental controls and other factors. A sustained interruption in the supply of any of these materials would require Gold Fields to find acceptable substitute suppliers and could require it to pay higher prices for such materials. Any significant increase in the prices of these materials will increase the Company's operating costs and affect production considerations.

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Giant tires, of the type used by Gold Fields for its large earthmoving equipment and trucks, are in short supply, and prices have risen recently and may continue to rise in the future. This shortage of tires for earthmoving vehicles is causing mining companies to review operating practices, to seek additional methods of preserving tire life and to examine alternative sources of tire supply. To the extent that Gold Fields is unable to procure an adequate supply of these tires, it may have to alter its mining plans, especially at its open pit operations, which could reduce its gold production and have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

Gold Fields' insurance coverage may prove inadequate to satisfy potential claims.

Gold Fields may become subject to liability for pollution, occupational illnesses or other hazards against which it has not insured, cannot insure or has insufficiently insured, including those in respect of past mining activities. Gold Fields' existing property and liability insurance contains exclusions and limitations on coverage. Should Gold Fields suffer a major loss, future earnings could be affected. In addition, insurance may not continue to be available at economically acceptable premiums. As a result, in the future, Gold Fields' insurance coverage may not cover the extent of claims against Gold Fields, including, but not limited to, claims for environmental or industrial accidents, occupational illnesses or pollution.

Gold Fields' financial flexibility could be materially constrained by South African exchange control regulations.

South Africa's exchange control regulations restrict the export of capital from South Africa, the Republic of Namibia, and the Kingdoms of Lesotho and Swaziland, known collectively as the Common Monetary Area. Transactions between South African residents (including companies) and non-residents of the Common Monetary Area, or CMA, are subject to exchange controls enforced by the South African Reserve Bank, or SARB. As a result, Gold Fields' ability to raise and deploy capital outside the CMA is restricted.

Under South African exchange control regulations, Gold Fields must obtain approval from the SARB regarding any capital raising involving a currency other than the Rand. In connection with its approval, it is possible that the SARB may impose conditions on Gold Fields' use of the proceeds of any such capital raising, such as limits on Gold Fields' ability to retain the proceeds of the capital raising outside South Africa or requirements that Gold Fields seek further SARB approval prior to applying any such funds to a specific use. These restrictions could hinder Gold Fields' financial and strategic flexibility, particularly its ability to fund acquisitions, capital expenditures and exploration projects outside South Africa. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Exchange Controls .

An acquisition of shares in or assets of a South African company by a non-South African purchaser that is subject to exchange control regulations may not be granted regulatory approval.

In some circumstances, potential acquisitions of shares in or assets of South African companies by non-South African resident purchasers are subject to review by the SARB pursuant to South African exchange control regulations. In 2000, the South African Treasury, or the Treasury, refused to approve an acquisition of Gold Fields by Franco-Nevada Mining Corporation Limited, a Canadian mining company. The Treasury may refuse to approve similar proposed acquisitions of Gold Fields in the future. As a result, Gold Fields' management may be limited in its ability to consider strategic options and Gold Fields' shareholders may not be able to realize the premium over the current trading price of Gold Fields' ordinary shares which they might otherwise receive upon such an acquisition. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Exchange Controls .

Gold Fields' operations and profits may be adversely affected by new and existing labor laws and increased union activity.

Gold Fields may be affected by certain labor laws that impose obligations regarding worker rights. For example, laws in South Africa impose monetary penalties for non-compliance with the administrative and the

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reporting requirements in respect of affirmative action policies, while Ghanaian law contains broad provisions requiring mining companies to recruit and train Ghanaian personnel and to use the services of Ghanaian companies.

In addition, there has been an increase in union activity in many of the countries in which Gold Fields operates, which may result in new labor laws or amendments to existing labor laws that impose additional obligations on Gold Fields or grant additional rights to workers. For example, the Australian federal government has recently introduced a new industrial relations system that includes good faith bargaining obligations for employers, fewer restrictions on the content of collective agreements and an enhanced role for union officials as bargaining representatives, parties to agreements and participants in dispute resolution. Existing labor laws and any new or amended labor laws may increase Gold Fields labor costs and have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

Greater union activity may also result in more frequent industrial action and impact labor negotiations. A number of unions in various industries have recently gone on strike in South Africa causing work stoppages and production losses. Negotiations with South African mining unions that concluded in July 2009 resulted in above-inflation wage increases ranging from 9.0% to 10.2%, depending upon the category of employee. Wages and related labor costs accounted for approximately 54% of the Group's total cost of sales in South Africa in fiscal 2010. However, the unions have indicated that they may continue to take industrial action to protest a variety of issues. On November 12, 2010, the local branch of the National Union of Mineworkers declared a protected strike at the South Deep operation which ended on November 22, 2010.

In Ghana, Gold Fields concluded wage negotiations for 2010 and signed a three year wage deal with the Ghana Mineworkers Union, or the GMWU, to increase minimum wages with 10% per year for 2010, 2011 and 2012, as well as adjustments to other benefits such as housing, schooling and funeral allowances. However, labor unions have recently undertaken strikes and go slow actions against other mining companies.

If the Group is unable to implement cost cutting measures, including through any planned reduction in its workforce, or increase production levels to offset any increases in labor costs or production losses, these costs and losses could have a material adverse effect on the Group's business, operating results and financial condition.

Gold Fields may suffer adverse consequences as a result of its reliance on outside contractors to conduct some of its operations.

A significant portion of Gold Fields' operations in Australia and Peru, and at the Damang operation in Ghana, and a smaller portion elsewhere, are currently conducted by outside contractors. As a result, Gold Fields' operations at those sites are subject to a number of risks, some of which are outside Gold Fields' control, including:

negotiating agreements with contractors on acceptable terms;

the inability to replace a contractor and its operating equipment in the event that either party terminates the agreement;

reduced control over those aspects of operations which are the responsibility of the contractor;

failure of a contractor to perform under its agreement with Gold Fields;

interruption of operations or increased costs in the event that a contractor ceases its business due to insolvency or other unforeseen events;

failure of a contractor to comply with applicable legal and regulatory requirements, to the extent it is responsible for such compliance; and

problems of a contractor with managing its workforce, labor unrest or other employment issues.

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In addition, Gold Fields may incur liability to third parties as a result of the actions of its contractors. The occurrence of one or more of these risks could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, results of operations and financial condition. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Labor Relations Ghana, Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Labor Relations Australia and Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Labor Relations Peru.

Regulation of greenhouse gas emissions and climate change issues may adversely affect Gold Fields' operations.

Energy is a significant input to Gold Fields' mining and processing operations, with its principal energy sources being electricity, purchased petroleum products, natural gas and coal. There is a substantial weight of scientific evidence concluding that carbon emissions from fossil fuel-based energy consumption contribute to global warming, greenhouse effects and climate change.

A number of governments or governmental bodies have introduced or are contemplating regulatory changes in response to the potential impacts of climate change that may restrict emissions of greenhouse gases in areas in which Gold Fields operates. For example, the December 1997 Kyoto Protocol established a set of greenhouse gas emission targets for developed countries that have ratified the Protocol, including South Africa, Ghana, Australia and Peru. The South African government intends to publish a white paper on a climate change policy late in 2010 which may recommend the introduction of a trading scheme for greenhouse gas emissions or an increase in carbon taxes. The Australian Government's plan of action on climate change includes the introduction of a national emissions trading scheme and a mandatory renewable energy target of 20%, and will be considered for implementation after 2012. Elsewhere, there is current and emerging climate change regulation that will affect energy prices, demand and margins for carbon intensive products. Unless and until this legislation is enacted and its terms are made known, Gold Fields cannot reasonably or reliably estimate its impact on its financial condition, operating performance or ability to compete. Additional regulation may result in increased compliance costs and increased risk of litigation.

From a medium- and long-term perspective, Gold Fields is likely to see an increase in costs relating to its energy-intensive assets and assets that emit significant amounts of greenhouse gases as a result of regulatory initiatives in countries in which it operates. These regulatory initiatives will be either voluntary or mandatory and may impact Gold Fields' operations directly or by affecting its suppliers or customers. Insurance premiums may increase and the Company's position relative to industry competitors may change. Inconsistency of regulations particularly between developed and developing countries may affect Gold Fields' decision to pursue opportunities in certain countries and also may affect its costs of operations. Assessments of the potential impact of future climate change regulation are uncertain, given the wide scope of potential regulatory change in countries in which Gold Fields operates.

The potential physical impacts of climate change on Gold Fields' operations are highly uncertain and may differ across geographies. They may include changes in rainfall patterns and intensities, water shortages, extreme weather conditions and changing temperatures. Flooding could disrupt mining, processing and transportation, and result in increased health and safety risks. Reduced rainfall could result in electricity supply shortages in certain countries where Gold Fields operates and extreme weather conditions may negatively impact Gold Fields' workforce. These effects may adversely impact the cost, production and financial performance of Gold Fields' operations.

Illegal mining and theft occurs on Gold Fields' properties, is difficult to control, can disrupt Gold Fields' business and can expose Gold Fields to liability.

A number of Gold Fields' properties have experienced illegal mining activities and theft. The activities of the illegal miners could cause pollution or other damage to Gold Fields' properties including underground fires, or personal injury or death, for which Gold Fields could potentially be held responsible. Illegal mining could result in depletion of mineral deposits, potentially making the future mining of such deposits uneconomic. The

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presence of illegal miners could lead to project delays and disputes regarding the development or operation of commercial gold deposits, particularly in Ghana. Illegal mining and theft, which may include that engaged in by Gold Fields employees and/or contractors, could also result in lost gold reserves, mine stoppages, and have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' financial condition or results of operations.

HIV/AIDS poses risks to Gold Fields in terms of lost productivity and increased costs.

The prevalence of HIV/AIDS in South Africa poses risks to Gold Fields in terms of potentially reduced productivity and increased medical and other costs. Management has recently estimated that approximately 18% of Gold Fields' workforce in South Africa is infected with HIV. Increasingly, Gold Fields is seeing an adverse impact of HIV/AIDS on its affected employees similar to that experienced by other companies in the South African mining sector, evidenced by increased absenteeism and reduced productivity compared to that of non-HIV infected employees. Compounding this is the concomitant infections with tuberculosis that can accompany HIV illness, particularly the end stages, and causes additional healthcare-related costs. HIV/AIDS remains an important focus for Gold Fields and Gold Fields will continue its extensive intervention campaigns. However, the potential impact of HIV/AIDS on Gold Fields' South African operations and financial condition is large. Factors influencing the impact of HIV/AIDS include the incidence of HIV infection among Gold Fields' employees and the surrounding community, the impact on employees' productivity, treatment costs and other costs. Most of these factors are beyond Gold Fields' control. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees' Employees' Health and Safety' Health' HIV/AIDS Program' .

Gold Fields' operations in South Africa are subject to environmental and health and safety regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Gold Fields' South African operations are subject to various environmental laws and regulations including, for example, those relating to waste treatment, emissions and disposal, and must comply with permits or standards governing, among other things, tailings dams and waste disposal areas, water consumption, air emissions and water discharges. Gold Fields may in the future incur significant costs to comply with the South African environmental requirements imposed under existing or new legislation, regulations or permit requirements or to comply with changes in existing laws and regulations or the manner in which they are applied. Gold Fields may also be subject to litigation and other costs as a result of environmental rights granted to individuals under South Africa's Constitution or other sources of rights. These costs could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. See Information on the Company' Environmental and Regulatory Matters' South Africa' Environmental' .

Gold Fields' South African operations are also subject to various health and safety laws and regulations that impose various duties on Gold Fields' mines while granting the authorities broad powers to, among other things, close unsafe mines and order corrective action relating to health and safety matters. Further, certain targets were set by the Mine Health and Safety Council, a body consisting of representatives from the government, mining companies and unions, for the reduction of accidents, noise and silicosis to be achieved by 2013. If a mine fails to achieve these targets, the Mine Health and Safety Inspectorate, or the MHSI, could potentially order that operations be halted due to overexposure of employees.

A number of accidents, many of which resulted in fatalities, have recently occurred at various mining operations in South Africa, including at some of Gold Fields' operations. In October 2007, the DMR commenced an occupational health and safety audit at all mines. Gold Fields' South African operations have received their results from the legal compliance audit and the operations have implemented action plans to address any issues raised. However, there can be no assurance that further results of the occupational health and safety audit will not result in the introduction of more stringent safety regulations, which could result in restrictions on Gold Fields' ability to conduct its mining operations and/or impose additional costs. Regardless of the consequences of the audit or improved health and safety programs, there can be no assurance that the unions will not take industrial action that could lead to losses in Gold Fields' production. The DMR can and does issue instructions following safety incidents or accidents to partially or completely halt operations at affected mines. Moreover, it is Gold

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Fields policy to halt production at its operations when serious accidents occur in order to rectify dangerous situations and, if necessary, retrain workers. Any additional stoppages in production, or increased costs, could have an adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. In April 2009, the Mine Health and Safety Amendment Bill became law. As a result, Gold Fields is now subject to more stringent regulations regarding mine health and safety and may be subject to an increased risk of prosecution for industrial accidents as well as greater penalties and fines for non-compliance. Further, any changes to the health and safety laws which increase the burden of compliance or the penalties for non-compliance may cause Gold Fields to incur further significant costs. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Health and Safety .

Gold Fields' operations in South Africa are subject to water use licenses, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Under South African law, Gold Fields' South African operations are subject to water use licenses that govern each operation's water usage and that require, among other things, that mining operations achieve and maintain certain water quality limits regarding all water discharges. The Kloof operation was issued a water use license in December 2008 that requires it to achieve compliance with these limits by mid-2012. The Driefontein operation was also recently issued a water use license. While there has been a delay in processing the water license application at South Deep, which was submitted within the applicable time limits, Gold Fields has engaged the Department of Water Affairs, or the DWA, to address these issues. South Deep is currently discharging water in accordance with its existing water permit. The DWA advised Beatrix, which had pre-existing water permits of indefinite length, that its current water usage remains authorized and it need not apply for a new license. However, Beatrix has nevertheless proactively begun the water use license application process.

Gold Fields' operations have been generally in compliance with pre-existing water permits. Gold Fields is reviewing and is in ongoing discussion with DWA in relation to the new water use licenses. Gold Fields is also reviewing and investigating a water treatment strategy that will, if successfully implemented, position Gold Fields favorably with regard to achieving the conditions of the new water use licenses. However, there can be no assurance that Gold Fields will achieve such compliance within the required timeframe due primarily to the associated regulatory approval processes and commercial agreements that are required for the water treatment strategy. Gold Fields is currently in discussions with the DWA to amend the Kloof license to extend the deadline for compliance beyond mid-2012 or to revise the parameters for compliance. Gold Fields is also exploring avenues to clarify the meaning of the conditions imposed by the Driefontein license. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Environmental . However, there can be no assurance that Gold Fields will receive such an extension or clarification. Gold Fields expects to make significant expenditure to achieve and maintain compliance with the license requirements at each South African operation. Any failure on Gold Fields' part to achieve or maintain compliance with the requirements of these licenses with respect to any of its operations could result in Gold Fields being subject to substantial claims, penalties, fees and expenses; significant delays in operations; or the loss of the relevant water use license, which could curtail or halt production at the affected operation. Any of the above could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

Gold Fields' mineral rights in South Africa are subject to legislation, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act No. 28 of 2002, or the MPRDA, came into effect on May 1, 2004, together with the implementation of a broad-based socio-economic empowerment charter, or the Mining Charter, for effecting entry of historically disadvantaged South Africans, or HDSAs, into the mining industry. Among other things, the Mining Charter requires (i) each mining company to achieve a 15% HDSA ownership of mining assets within five years of the Mining Charter coming into effect and a 26% HDSA ownership of mining assets within 10 years of the Mining Charter coming into effect, (ii) the mining industry as a whole to agree to assist HDSA companies in securing finance to fund participation in an amount of Rand 100

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billion over the first five years and (iii) mining companies to spell out plans for achieving employment equity at management level with a view to achieving a baseline of 40% HDSA participation in management and achieving a baseline of 10% participation by women in the mining industry, in each case within five years.

Following a review, the DMR recently amended the Mining Charter and the Revised Mining Charter was released on September 13, 2010. The requirement under the Mining Charter for mining entities to achieve a 26% HDSA ownership of mining assets by the year 2014 has been retained. Amendments to the Mining Charter in the Revised Mining Charter include, *inter alia*, the requirement by mining companies to (i) facilitate local beneficiation of mineral commodities; (ii) procure a minimum of 40% of capital goods, 70% of services and 50% of consumer goods from HDSA suppliers (i.e. suppliers of which a minimum of 25% + 1 vote of their share capital must be owned by HDSAs) by 2014. These targets will however be exclusive of non-discretionary procurement expenditure; (iii) ensure that multinational suppliers of capital goods contribute a minimum of 0.5% of their annual income generated from South African mining companies towards the socioeconomic development of South African communities into a social development fund from 2010; (iv) achieve a minimum of 40% HDSA demographic representation by 2014 at executive management (board) level, senior management (EXCO) level, core and critical skills, middle management level and junior management level; (v) invest up to 5% of annual payroll in essential skills development activities; and (vi) implement measures to improve the standards of housing and living conditions for mineworkers by converting or upgrading mineworkers' hostels into family units, attaining an occupancy rate of one person per room and facilitating home ownership options for all mineworkers in consultation with organized labor, all of which must be achieved by 2014. In addition, mining companies are required to monitor and evaluate their compliance to the Revised Mining Charter, and must submit annual compliance reports to the DMR. The Scorecard for the Broad-Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the South African Mining Industry attached to the Revised Mining Charter, or the Scorecard, makes provision for a phased-in approach for compliance with the above targets over the 5-year period ending in 2014. For measurement purposes, the Scorecard allocates various weightings to the different elements of the Revised Mining Charter. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Revised Mining Charter will amount to a breach of the MPRDA and may result in the cancellation or suspension of a mining company's existing mining rights and may prevent Gold Fields' South African operations from obtaining any new mining rights in South Africa.

In accordance with the MPRDA, the DMR on April 29, 2009 published a Code of Good Practice for the Minerals Industry and the Housing and Living Conditions Standard for the Mining Industry, or the Code, relating to the socio-economic transformation of the mining industry. However, certain provisions of the Code appear to be inconsistent with the Mining Charter, or to go beyond the scope envisaged in the MPRDA. Various industry participants have been in discussions with the DMR regarding the scope and applicability of the Code. At the release of the Revised Mining Charter, the Director-General of the DMR indicated that the DMR will bring the Code in line with the Revised Mining Charter by the end of March 2011. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Mineral Rights The MPRDA .

The acquisition by Mvelaphanda Resources Limited, or Mvela Resources, of a 15% beneficial interest in GFI Mining South Africa, or GFIMSA, for a cash consideration of Rand 4,139 million was effected in March 2009 to meet the requirement for a 15% HDSA ownership within five years of the Mining Charter coming into effect. See Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Overview General Mvelaphanda Transaction . In addition, Gold Fields has developed three further empowerment transactions which, when concluded by the end of the 2010 calendar year, will ensure that Gold Fields has met the 2014 Black Economic Empowerment, or BEE, equity ownership targets. These transactions include an Employee Share Option Plan, or ESOP, for 10.75% of GFIMSA; a broad-based BEE transaction for ten per cent of South Deep; and a broad-based BEE transaction for a further one per cent of GFIMSA, excluding South Deep. The three transactions have a combined value of approximately R2.4 billion and are expected to dilute existing shareholders by between two and three per cent. On November 2, 2010, the shareholders of Gold Fields approved these transactions at a General Meeting. On November 19, 2010, Gold Fields issued 13,525,394 shares to ESOP, housed and administered by the Gold Fields Thusano Share Trust, thereby commencing the implementation of the ESOP transaction. The

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remaining empowerment transactions are expected to be concluded by the end of December 2010, subject to the satisfaction of certain suspensive conditions. See [Additional Information](#) [Material Contracts](#) [Black Economic Empowerment Transactions](#) .

Gold Fields may also incur expenses to comply with the Revised Mining Charter's requirements. Gold Fields is currently undertaking a detailed gap-analysis between the requirements of the Mining Charter and the Revised Mining Charter and will only thereafter be able to fully assess and quantify the impact of the Revised Mining Charter. The Mining Charter, the Revised Mining Charter and the Code are relatively new pieces of legislation and regulation and, therefore, remain untested and application of their requirements and compliance with them may still be subject to interpretation. Moreover, there is no guarantee that any steps Gold Fields has already taken or might take in the future will ensure the successful renewal of its existing mining rights, the retaining of new mining rights, the granting of further new mining rights or that the terms of renewals of its rights would not be significantly less favorable to Gold Fields than the terms of its current rights. Any further adjustment to the ownership structure of Gold Fields' South African mining assets in order to meet the Revised Mining Charter's requirements, including the above three initiatives, could have a material adverse effect on the value of Gold Fields' ordinary shares or debt and failing to comply with the Revised Mining Charter's requirements could subject Gold Fields to negative consequences, the scope of which have not yet been fully determined.

Gold Fields' operations in Ghana are subject to environmental and health and safety laws and regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Gold Fields' Ghana operations are subject to various environmental laws and regulations. The Ghanaian environmental protection laws require, among other things, that Gold Fields register with the Ghanaian environmental authorities, and obtain environmental permits and certificates for the Ghana operations, as well as to rehabilitate land disturbed by mining operations. Gold Fields is required to secure estimated environmental rehabilitation costs in part by posting a reclamation bond. Gold Fields Ghana is required to post a reclamation bond and deposit a cash amount sufficient to cover 50% of the estimated rehabilitation costs for the two-year period after the date of the last estimate. Changes in the required method of calculation for these bonds or an unforeseen circumstance that produces unexpected costs may materially and adversely affect Gold Fields' future environmental expenditures. See [Information on the Company](#) [Environmental and Regulatory Matters](#) [Ghana](#) [Environmental](#) . Further, the Damang mine has only 12 to 18 months of government-approved capacity at its tailings storage and waste storage facilities. Any constraint on tailings or waste storage at Damang could curtail or halt production at Damang which could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results or financial condition.

Ghanaian health and safety regulations impose statutory duties on an owner of a mine to, among other things, take steps to ensure that the mine is managed and worked in a manner which provides for the safety and proper discipline of the mine workers. Additionally, Gold Fields is required, under the terms of its mining leases, to comply with the reasonable instructions of the relevant authorities for securing the health and safety of persons working in or connected with the mine. A violation of the health and safety regulations or a failure to comply with the reasonable instructions of the relevant authorities could lead to, among other things, a temporary shutdown of all or a portion of the mine, a loss of the right to mine or the imposition of costly compliance procedures and, in the case of a violation of the regulations relating to health and safety, constitutes an offense under Ghanaian law. If Ghanaian health and safety authorities require Gold Fields to shut down all or a portion of its mines or to implement costly compliance measures, whether pursuant to existing or new health and safety laws and regulations, such measures could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. See [Information on the Company](#) [Environmental and Regulatory Matters](#) [Ghana](#) [Health and Safety](#) .

Gold Fields, as the holder of the mining lease, has potential liability arising from injuries to, or deaths of, workers, including, in some cases, workers employed by its contractors. In Ghana, statutory workers' compensation is not the exclusive means for workers to claim compensation. Gold Fields' insurance for health and safety claims or the relevant workers' compensation arrangements may not be adequate to meet the costs that may arise upon any future health and safety claims.

Table of Contents***Gold Fields' mineral rights in Ghana are currently subject to regulations, and may become subject to new regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.***

In Ghana, the ownership of land on which there are mineral deposits is separate from the ownership of the minerals. All minerals in their natural state in or upon any land or water are, under Ghanaian law, the property of Ghana and vested in the President on behalf of the people of Ghana. The new Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 (Act 703), or the Minerals and Mining Act, was passed by the Ghanaian Parliament in fiscal 2006. The Minerals and Mining Act repealed the Minerals and Mining Law, 1986 (PNDCL 153), as amended, or the Minerals and Mining Law, although, as regards existing mineral rights, the Minerals and Mining Law continues to apply to Gold Fields Ghana and Abosso Goldfields Limited, or Abosso, unless the minister responsible for mines provides otherwise by legislative instrument. Although the Minerals and Mining Act provides that it shall not have the effect of increasing the holder's costs, or financial burden, for a period of five years, if in the future new amendments or provisions are passed under the Minerals and Mining Act or new laws are passed which impose significant new costs or burdens on Gold Fields' abilities to mine in Ghana or to obtain new mining leases for properties on which deposits are identified, this could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Ghana Mineral Rights .

Gold Fields' operations in Australia are subject to environmental and health and safety laws and regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Gold Fields' Australian operations are subject to various laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. Gold Fields may incur significant costs to comply with Australian environmental requirements imposed under existing or new legislation, regulations or permit requirements or to comply with changes in existing laws and regulations or the manner in which they are applied. These costs may have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

Australian mining companies are required by law to undertake rehabilitation works as part of their ongoing operation and the Gold Fields subsidiaries that hold its Australian operations provide unconditional bank-guaranteed performance bonds to the Western Australian government as security for the estimated costs. These bonds would not necessarily cover the actual cost of rehabilitation for events that were unforeseen at the time the bond was taken. Changes in the required method of calculation for these bond amounts, or an unforeseen circumstance that produces unexpected costs, may materially and adversely affect future environmental expenditures. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Australia Environmental .

Gold Fields is obligated to provide and maintain a working environment that is safe for mine workers. A violation of the health and safety laws or a failure to comply with the instructions of the relevant health and safety authorities could lead to, among other things, a temporary shutdown of all or a portion of the mine, a loss of the right to mine or the imposition of costly compliance procedures and penalties (including imprisonment). If health and safety authorities require Gold Fields to shut down all or a portion of the mine or to implement costly compliance measures, whether pursuant to existing or new health and safety laws and regulations, such measures could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Australia Health and Safety .

Some of Gold Fields' tenements in Australia are subject to native title claims and include Aboriginal heritage sites, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Certain of Gold Fields' tenements are subject to native title claims, and there are Aboriginal heritage sites located on certain of Gold Fields' tenements. Native title and Aboriginal legislation protect the rights of Aboriginals in relation to the land in certain circumstances. Other tenements may become subject to native title claims if Gold Fields seeks to expand or otherwise change its interest in rights to those tenements. Native title

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claims could require costly negotiations with the claimants or could affect Gold Fields' access to or use of its tenements, and, as a result, have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition.

Aboriginal heritage sites relate to distinct areas of land that have either ongoing ethnographic, archaeological or historic significance. Aboriginal heritage sites have been identified with respect to portions of some of Gold Fields' Australian mining tenements. Additional Aboriginal heritage sites may be identified on the same or additional tenements. Gold Fields may, in the future, incur significant costs as a result of changes in the interpretation of, or new laws regarding, native title and Aboriginal heritage, which may result in a material adverse effect on Gold Fields' business, operating results and financial condition. See "Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Australia Land Claims".

Gold Fields' mineral rights in Peru are currently subject to regulations that may be subject to change, and may become subject to new regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Gold Fields' operations in Peru depend on mining concessions for exploration and exploitation works, obtained from the Geologic, Mining and Metallurgic Institute (*Instituto Geológico Minero Metalúrgico*), or the INGEMMET. In addition, Gold Fields' operations in Peru depend on obtaining other administrative rights, such as provisional permits, from the Ministry of Energy and Mines, or the MEM, for exploration rights on the area of a claim, and beneficiation or processing concessions, obtained from the MEM, for treatment of mining ores.

Under Peru's current regulatory regime, mining concessions for the exploration and exploitation of minerals have an indefinite term, subject to compliance by the titleholder with the obligations set forth by the General Mining Act (*Ley General de Minería*), or the LGM. Compliance with such obligations is required to maintain the mining concessions in good standing. Among such obligations are the payment of an Annual Concession Fee (equivalent to U.S.\$3 per hectare) and compliance with a minimum annual production target. Failure to pay the Annual Concession Fee for any two consecutive or non-consecutive years may result in the cancellation of the relevant mining concession. Gold Fields' processing concession at Cerro Corona also has an indefinite term, subject to compliance with the obligations established by the LGM. Payment of an Annual Concession Fee (calculated on the production capacity of the processing plant) is also required to maintain the processing concession in good standing. Failure to pay the Annual Concession Fee for two consecutive or non-consecutive years may result in the cancellation of the processing concession.

If the INGEMMET or the MEM revoke or cancel any of Gold Fields' concessions, Gold Fields' financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected. See "Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Peru Concessions".

On June 24, 2004, the Peruvian Congress approved the Mining Royalty Law, which established a mining royalty that owners of mining concessions must pay to the Peruvian government for the exploitation of metallic and non-metallic resources. This royalty is calculated on a sliding scale with rates ranging from 1% to 3% over the value of mineral concentrates based on international market prices. As provided by the Mining Royalty Law, effective since January 26, 2007, the Peruvian Tax Authority is responsible for the collection of mining royalties.

There can be no assurance that the Peruvian government will not impose additional mining royalties or payments in the future or that they will not have an adverse effect on Gold Fields' results of operations or financial condition.

Gold Fields' operations in Peru are subject to environmental laws, health and safety laws and other regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Gold Fields' exploration, mining and milling activities in Cerro Corona are subject to a number of Peruvian laws and regulations, including environmental and health and safety laws and regulations. All mines, including

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Cerro Corona, must obtain environmental permits from the government and have an Environmental Impact Assessment approved. Other matters subject to regulation include, but are not limited to, transportation of ore or hazardous substances, water use and discharges, power use and generation, use and storage of explosives, housing and other facilities for workers, reclamation, labor standards and mine safety and occupational health.

There is no assurance that current environmental laws, health and safety laws, and other regulations that may have an impact on Gold Fields operations will not be replaced or modified in the future, or that Gold Fields will not become subject to new more stringent regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens on its operations. For instance, the development of more stringent environmental protection programs in Peru could impose constraints and additional costs on Gold Fields operations in Peru. Likewise, existing or new health and safety laws and regulations could cause health and safety authorities to require Gold Fields to shut down all or a portion of the mine or to implement costly compliance measures. Any of these events could have a material adverse effect on Gold Fields business, operating results and financial condition. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters Peru Environmental .

The acquisition of Western Areas, BGSA and South Deep may expose Gold Fields to unknown liabilities and risks.

Prior to acquiring a 100% interest in South Deep in 2007 from GFI Joint Venture Holdings (Proprietary) Limited (previously known as Barrick Gold South Africa (Pty) Limited, or BGSA), a subsidiary of Barrick Gold Corporation, or Barrick, and Gold Fields Operations Limited (previously known as Western Areas Limited, or Western Areas), Gold Fields was able to conduct only limited due diligence on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA. There can be no assurance that Gold Fields identified all the liabilities of, and risks associated with, South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas prior to acquiring them or that it will not be subject to unknown liabilities of, and risks associated with, South Deep, Western Areas or BGSA, including liabilities and risks that may become evident only after Gold Fields has been involved in the operational management of South Deep for a longer period of time. On August 21, 2008, Western Areas received a summons from Randgold and Exploration Company Limited, or R&E, and African Strategic Investment (Holdings) Limited. The summons claims that, under prior ownership, Western Areas was part of a fraud whereby JCI Limited unlawfully disposed of shares owned by R&E in Randgold Resources Limited and Afrikander Lease Limited, now known as Uranium One. The action currently remains in abeyance. See Information on the Company Legal Proceedings .

Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields included in this annual report.

In respect of information relating to South Deep or Western Areas presented in this annual report for the period before their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields, Gold Fields relied upon publicly available information, including information publicly filed by Western Areas with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, or JSE, and certain due diligence materials supplied by Western Areas and Barrick. See Information on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA .

Gold Fields was not involved in the preparation of this information and has not had the opportunity to perform comprehensive due diligence. Until the exploration drilling and resource modeling in Phase 2 is completed, Gold Fields cannot verify the accuracy or completeness of the information or materials or any failure by Western Areas or Barrick to disclose events that may have occurred, but that are unknown to Gold Fields, that may affect the significance or accuracy of any such information.

Shareholders outside South Africa may not be able to participate in future issues of securities (including ordinary shares) carried out by or on behalf of Gold Fields.

Securities laws of certain jurisdictions may restrict Gold Fields ability to allow participation by certain shareholders in future issues of securities (including ordinary shares) carried out by or on behalf of Gold Fields.

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In particular, holders of Gold Fields securities who are located in the United States (including those who hold ordinary shares or ADSs) may not be able to participate in securities offerings by or on behalf of Gold Fields unless a registration statement under the US Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Act, is effective with respect to such securities or an exemption from the registration requirements of the US Securities Act is available thereunder.

Securities laws of certain other jurisdictions may also restrict Gold Fields' ability to allow the participation of all holders in such jurisdictions in future issues of securities carried out by Gold Fields. Holders who have a registered address or are resident in, or who are citizens of, countries other than South Africa should consult their professional advisors as to whether they require any governmental or other consents or need to observe any other formalities to enable them to participate in any offering of Gold Fields securities.

Investors in the United States and other jurisdictions outside South Africa may have difficulty bringing actions, and enforcing judgments, against Gold Fields, its directors and its executive officers based on the civil liabilities provisions of the federal securities laws or other laws of the United States or any state thereof or under the laws of other jurisdictions outside South Africa.

Gold Fields is incorporated in South Africa. The majority of Gold Fields' directors and executive officers (as well as Gold Fields' independent registered public accounting firm) reside outside of the United States. Substantially all of the assets of these persons and substantially all of the assets of Gold Fields are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to enforce against these persons or Gold Fields a judgment obtained in a United States court predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the federal securities or other laws of the United States or any state thereof. In addition, investors in other jurisdictions outside South Africa may face similar difficulties. A foreign judgment is not directly enforceable in South Africa, but constitutes a cause of action which will be enforced by South African courts provided that:

the court which pronounced the judgment had jurisdiction to entertain the case according to the principles recognized by South African law with reference to the jurisdiction of foreign courts;

the judgment is final and conclusive (that is, it cannot be altered by the court which pronounced it);

the judgment has not lapsed;

the recognition and enforcement of the judgment by South African courts would not be contrary to public policy, including observance of the rules of natural justice which require that the documents initiating the proceedings outside South Africa were properly served on the defendant and that the defendant was given the right to be heard and represented by counsel in a free and fair trial before an impartial tribunal;

the judgment was not obtained by fraudulent means;

the judgment does not involve the enforcement of a penal or revenue law; and

the enforcement of the judgment is not otherwise precluded by the provisions of the Protection of Businesses Act 99 of 1978, as amended, of the Republic of South Africa.

It is the policy of South African courts to award compensation for the loss or damage actually sustained by the person to whom the compensation is awarded. Although the award of punitive damages is generally unknown to the South African legal system, that does not mean that such awards are necessarily contrary to public policy. Whether a judgment is contrary to public policy depends on the facts of each case. Exorbitant, unconscionable or excessive awards will generally be contrary to public policy. South African courts cannot enter into the merits of a foreign judgment and cannot act as a court of appeal or review over the foreign court. South African courts will usually implement their own procedural laws and, where an action based on an international contract is brought before a South African court, the capacity of the parties to the

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contract will usually be determined in accordance with South African law. It is doubtful whether an original action based on United States federal securities laws or the laws of other jurisdictions outside South Africa may be brought before South African courts. A plaintiff who

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is not resident in South Africa may be required to provide security for costs in the event of proceedings being initiated in South Africa. Furthermore, the Rules of the High Court of South Africa require that documents executed outside South Africa must be authenticated for the purpose of use in South Africa.

Investors may face liquidity risk in trading Gold Fields ordinary shares on JSE Limited.

Historically, trading volumes and liquidity of shares listed on the JSE have been low in comparison with other major markets. The ability of a holder to sell a substantial number of Gold Fields ordinary shares on the JSE in a timely manner, especially in a large block trade, may be restricted by this limited liquidity. See The Offer and Listing JSE Limited .

Gold Fields may not pay dividends or make similar payments to its shareholders in the future.

Gold Fields pays cash dividends only if funds are available for that purpose. Whether funds are available depends on a variety of factors, including the amount of cash available and Gold Fields capital expenditures (on both existing infrastructure as well as on exploration and other projects) and other cash requirements existing at the time. Under South African law, Gold Fields will be entitled to pay a dividend or similar payment to its shareholders only if it meets the solvency and liquidity tests set out in the Companies Act No. 61 of 1973, or the Companies Act, and Gold Fields Articles of Association. Given these factors (including the capital and investment needs of the business) and the Board of Directors discretion to declare a dividend (including the amount and timing thereof) cash dividends or other similar payments may not be paid in the future.

Gold Fields non-South African shareholders face additional investment risk from currency exchange rate fluctuations since any dividends will be paid in Rand.

Dividends or distributions with respect to Gold Fields ordinary shares have historically been paid in Rand. The U.S. dollar or other currency equivalent of any dividends or distributions with respect to Gold Fields ordinary shares will be adversely affected by potential future reductions in the value of the Rand against the U.S. dollar or other currencies. In the future, it is possible that there will be changes in South African exchange control regulations, such that dividends paid out of trading profits will no longer be freely transferable outside South Africa to shareholders who are not residents of the Common Monetary Area. See Additional Information South African Exchange Control Limitations Affecting Security Holders .

Gold Fields ordinary shares are subject to dilution upon the exercise of Gold Fields outstanding share options.

As of September 30, 2010, Gold Fields had an aggregate of 1,000,000,000 ordinary shares authorized to be issued and as of that date an aggregate of 706,236,170 ordinary shares were issued and outstanding. Gold Fields currently has two securities option plans which are authorized to grant options in an amount of up to an aggregate of 35,311,809 ordinary shares. As of September 30, 2010, 14,342,311 shares are outstanding under these plans.

Gold Fields employees and directors had outstanding, as of September 30, 2010, options to purchase a total of 1,122,858 ordinary shares at exercise prices of between Rand 46.23 and Rand 154.65 that expire between October 25, 2010 and March 3, 2014. Such expiry dates may be extended due to unscheduled closed periods during which certain Gold Fields employees and directors may be prohibited from exercising options. Gold Fields had outstanding, as of September 30, 2010, 5,336,769 share appreciation rights at strike prices of between Rand 69.48 and Rand 127.72, which expire between March 24, 2012 and September 1, 2016, and 7,715,984 performance vesting restricted shares due to be settled between March 1, 2011 and September 1, 2013. As of the same date, Gold Fields had outstanding, 24,200 restricted shares due to be settled in November 2010, 42,600 restricted shares due to be settled in November 2011 and 43,200 restricted shares due to be settled in November 2012 under The Gold Fields Limited 2005 Non-Executive Share Plan. Shareholders equity interests in Gold

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Fields will be diluted to the extent of future exercises or settlements of these rights and any additional rights. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees The GF Management Incentive Scheme, Directors, Senior Management and Employees The Gold Fields Limited 2005 Share Plan, Directors, Senior Management and Employees The GF Non-Executive Director Share Plan and Directors, Senior Management and Employees The Gold Fields Limited 2005 Non-Executive Share Plan .

Sales of Gold Fields ordinary shares, or the perception that a large number of ordinary shares will be sold, may cause the market price of Gold Fields ordinary shares to decrease.

As of March 17, 2009, Mvelaphanda Resources, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Mvelaphanda Gold Limited, Mvela Gold, took receipt of a 15% shareholding in GFI Mining South Africa, or GFIMSA, as part of a series of transactions effected to meet the requirement for 15% HDSA ownership within five years of the enactment of the Mining Charter. See Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Overview General Mvelaphanda Transaction . Immediately upon receipt of the GFIMSA shares, Mvelaphanda Gold Limited exercised its right to require the exchange of the GFIMSA shares for 50 million new ordinary shares in the issued share capital of Gold Fields.

Accordingly, on March 17, 2009, Mvela Gold used the GFIMSA Shares to subscribe for 50 million new ordinary shares in Gold Fields. Pursuant to these transactions, Mvela Gold owned approximately 7% of the listed shares of Gold Fields. Since March 17, 2009, Mvela Gold has sold approximately 27.8 million of its Gold Fields ordinary shares, representing approximately 3.9% of the listed shares of Gold Fields. Gold Fields holds a right of first refusal over the ordinary shares held by Mvela Gold in the event Mvela Gold wishes to sell them.

A large volume of sales of Gold Fields ordinary shares by Mvelaphanda Gold Limited or another shareholder, all at once or in blocks, could decrease the prevailing market price of Gold Fields ordinary shares and could impair Gold Fields ability to raise capital through the sale of equity securities in the future. Additionally, even if substantial sales are not effected, the mere perception of the possibility of these sales could decrease the market price of Gold Fields ordinary shares and could have a negative effect on Gold Fields ability to raise capital in the future. Further, anticipated downward pressure on Gold Fields ordinary share price due to actual or anticipated sales of ordinary shares could cause some institutions or individuals to engage in short sales of Gold Fields ordinary shares, which may itself cause the price of the ordinary shares to decline.

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ITEM 4: INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

Introduction

Gold Fields is a significant producer of gold and major holder of gold reserves in South Africa, Ghana, Australia and Peru. In Peru, Gold Fields also produces copper. Gold Fields is primarily involved in underground and surface gold and copper mining and related activities, including exploration, extraction, processing and smelting. Gold Fields also has an interest in a platinum group metal exploration project in Finland. Gold Fields is one of the largest gold producers in the world, based on annual production.

The majority of Gold Fields' operations, based on gold production, are located in South Africa. Its South African operations are Driefontein, Kloof, Beatrix and South Deep. Gold Fields also owns the St. Ives and Agnew gold mining operations in Australia and has a 71.1% interest in each of the Tarkwa gold mine and the Damang gold mine in Ghana. Gold Fields also owns an 80.72% economic interest in the Cerro Corona mine, which started producing in the first quarter of fiscal 2009. In addition, Gold Fields has gold and other precious metal exploration activities and interests in Africa, Eurasia, Australasia and the Americas.

As of June 30, 2010, Gold Fields had attributable proven and probable reserves of approximately 78.0 million ounces, including copper expressed as gold equivalent ounces, as compared to the 81.1 million ounces (including copper) reported as of June 30, 2009. With the exception of South Deep, the reserves are based on the figures reported by Gold Fields' mining operations. See Information on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA. The June 30, 2010 reserve figures primarily reflect mining depletion of last year's figures except where material differences were encountered for technical or economic reasons, in which case suitably revised models and schedules were implemented. See Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010 Methodology.

In the year ended June 30, 2010, Gold Fields processed 56.7 million tons of ore and produced 3.84 million ounces of gold (including gold equivalent ounces). On an attributable basis, Gold Fields produced 3.50 million ounces of gold (including gold equivalent ounces).

Developments since June 30, 2009

Since the beginning of fiscal 2010, the following significant events have occurred:

On March 25, 2009, Gold Fields entered into a non-binding Letter of Intent, or LOI, with Glencar Mining plc, or Glencar, in relation to the terms on which the parties would agree to enter a joint venture agreement over Glencar's Komana license in West Africa. Following termination of negotiations regarding the joint venture agreement, on August 7, 2009, Gold Fields launched a recommended cash offer for Glencar which valued Glencar at approximately U.S.\$47.7 million. On September 7, 2009, Gold Fields announced that it had received acceptances of approximately 83.1% of the share capital of Glencar, allowing Gold Fields to take control of the Company. All conditions of the offer were satisfied or waived at that time and therefore the offer was declared unconditional in all respects. Gold Fields has also taken control of the board of Glencar with the appointment of three new directors. Subsequently, Gold Fields completed the final squeeze-out of shareholders on November 9, 2009. Gold Fields now holds 100% of Glencar Mining plc. See Exploration Advanced Projects.

On June 3, 2009, Gold Fields announced that Gold Fields Australasia (BVI) Limited, a subsidiary of Gold Fields Limited, had entered into an agreement under which it would sell its 19.9% stake in Sino Gold Mining Limited to Eldorado Gold Corporation for a total consideration of approximately U.S.\$282 million payable in Eldorado shares. On August 26, 2009, Eldorado and Sino Gold announced that they had agreed that Eldorado would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Sino Gold by exchanging 0.55 Eldorado shares for each share of Sino Gold. Sino Gold shareholders approved the transaction on December 1, 2009. Upon completion of the offer, Gold Fields received 4,057,762 additional Eldorado shares due to its top-up rights. Gold Fields has disposed of all of its shares of Eldorado. See Exploration Sino Gold Alliance.

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On August 26, 2009, Gold Fields executed an agreement with Morgan Stanley Bank, or Morgan Stanley, to terminate a royalty, or the Royalty, payable by Gold Fields wholly-owned Australian subsidiary, St. Ives Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd, to certain subsidiaries of Morgan Stanley for a consideration of A\$308 million (\$257.1 million). When Gold Fields acquired St. Ives in 2001, the total consideration included the Royalty, which was subsequently acquired by Morgan Stanley. The Royalty comprised two parts: (i) a payment equal to 4% of the net smelter returns for gold produced from St. Ives to the extent that cumulative production of gold from November 30, 2001 exceeded 3.3 million ounces, but subject to the average spot price of gold for the relevant quarter exceeding A\$400 per ounce; and (ii) provided that the gold price exceeded A\$600 per ounce, a payment equal to 10% of the difference between revenue calculated at the spot gold price expressed in Australian dollars per ounce and at a price of A\$600 per ounce calculated on all future ounces produced by St. Ives. Both components of the Royalty were payable on all future production from St. Ives. The transaction was financed from cash resources and available facilities and closed on August 26, 2009.

During May 2010 the DMR approved the conversion of the South Deep old order mining right into a new order mining right. Included in this approval was an additional portion of ground known as Uncle Harry's, which is contiguous to South Deep. The cumulative effect of this approval, together with the previous conversions for the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix Gold Mines granted in January 2007, is that all of Gold Fields South African mines have now received their new order mining rights. In addition, Gold Fields has developed three further empowerment transactions which, when concluded by the end of the 2010 calendar year, will ensure that Gold Fields has met the 2014 BEE equity ownership targets. These transactions include an Employee Share Option Plan for 10.75% of GFIMSA; a broad-based BEE transaction for ten per cent of South Deep; and a broad-based BEE transaction for a further one per cent of GFIMSA, excluding South Deep. The three transactions have a combined value of approximately R2.4 billion and are expected to dilute existing shareholders by between two and three per cent. On November 2, 2010, the shareholders of Gold Fields approved these transactions at the General Meeting. On November 19, 2010, Gold Fields issued 13,525,394 shares to ESOP, housed and administered by the Gold Fields Thusano Share Trust, thereby commencing the implementation of the ESOP transaction. The remaining empowerment transactions are expected to be concluded by the end of December 2010, subject to the satisfaction of certain suspensive conditions. See Additional Information Material Contracts Black Economic Empowerment Transactions .

On June 30, 2010, a Stakeholders Declaration on Strategy for the Sustainable Growth and Meaningful Transformation of South Africa's Mining Industry, or the Declaration, was signed by the DMR, the Chamber of Mines of South Africa, the South African Mineral Development Association, and three labor unions (the National Union of Mineworkers, the United Association of South Africa and Solidarity). The Declaration addresses critical infrastructure planning, supporting research and development, improving sustainability, increasing local beneficiation, ameliorating the regulatory framework, investing in human resources, greater employment equity (including affirmation of the 40% HDSA management representation target included in the Mining Charter), further development of mine communities, upgrading of living conditions, procurement practices, increased ownership and economic participation by HDSAs (including affirmation of the 26% ownership target included in the Mining Charter), and monitoring and evaluation.

Following a review, the DMR recently amended the Mining Charter and the revised mining charter (the Revised Mining Charter) was released on September 13, 2010. See Strategy Securing Our Future Black Economic Empowerment .

On September 20, 2010, Gold Fields entered into option agreements with Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company, or Lepanto, a company listed in the Philippines, and Liberty Express Assets, or Liberty, a private holding company, to acquire a 60% interest in the undeveloped gold-copper Far Southeast, or FSE, deposit in the Philippines, or the Far Southeast Transaction. The agreements provide Gold Fields with an 18-month option on FSE, during which time Gold Fields expects to conduct a drilling program as part of a feasibility study on FSE. Gold Fields was required to pay (i) U.S.\$10 million in option fees to Lepanto; and (ii) U.S.\$44 million as a non-refundable down-payment to Liberty upon signing of the option agreements. After a 12-month period, Gold Fields may decide to proceed with the acquisition of the 60% interest in FSE, in which case a further

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non-refundable down-payment of \$66 million will be payable to Liberty, with the final payment of U.S.\$220 million payable at the expiration of the option period. The total pre-agreed acquisition price for a 60% interest in FSE, inclusive of all of the above payments, is U.S.\$340 million.

On October 1, 2010, Gold Fields announced an international offering of 10 year, U.S.\$1 billion bonds consisting of 4.875% bonds due in 2020. The offering closed on October 7, 2010. See Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Recent Developments US\$1 Billion Note Issue .

On November 4, 2010, as a part of the Business Process Reengineering projects, Gold Fields announced that it is undertaking a restructuring of the South Africa Region, and specifically the Driefontein and Kloof mines. The South Africa Region will be reorganized into three operations a combined Driefontein/Kloof; Beatrix; and South Deep. The Kloof and Driefontein executive offices and the regional office will be combined into a new management team, whose primary role will be to service the new Driefontein/Kloof complex, but which also has governance oversight across the South Africa Region. The team will be based in Libanon and the Regional Office at Constantia will be closed by mid-December 2010. Beatrix, because of its geographic location, and South Deep, being a fully mechanized mine, will remain stand-alone operations. A Strategic Management Office has been established to implement the restructuring and to identify future areas for value. Progress in terms of this project will be reported each quarter under the cost and revenue optimization initiatives for the South Africa region and labeled Project 3M (BPR).

Gold Fields is in the process of changing its year end from June 30 to December 31 beginning in 2011 to align with Gold Fields peers in the gold mining industry. Therefore, Gold Fields will file a transition report on Form 20-F for the period from June 30, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Thereafter, Gold Fields will file its next annual report on Form 20-F for the period from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Gold Fields is a public company incorporated in South Africa, with a registered office located at 150 Helen Road, Sandown, Sandton, 2196, South Africa, telephone number +27-11-562-9700.

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Organizational Structure

Gold Fields is a holding company with its significant ownership interests organized as set forth below.

Group Structure⁽¹⁾

(1) As at November 26, 2010. Unless otherwise stated, all subsidiaries are, directly or indirectly, wholly-owned by Gold Fields Limited.

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Strategy

Following the appointment of Nicholas Holland as Chief Executive Officer as of May 1, 2008, Gold Fields undertook a review of the Group strategy which concluded that, while the basic strategy remained robust and appropriate, a number of strategic adjustments needed to be made.

These changes were developed and assimilated into a new Gold Fields franchise which describes who we are, what we do, and how we do it, and is comprised of:

a new vision statement;

a new set of core values;

a new overarching strategic production goal;

the three long-standing but refocused core pillars of the strategy, namely a) Sweating Our Assets, b) Growing Gold Fields, and c) Securing Our Future; and

a new regional operational delivery model.

In addition a number of short- and medium-term strategic priorities were identified and implemented, most notably the elevation of safety as the Group's number one value and strategic priority, which is discussed in the section on *Securing Our Future* below.

Vision Statement

During fiscal 2009, Gold Fields developed a simple yet powerful new vision for the Group:

To be the Global Leader in Sustainable Gold Mining.

The purpose was to establish a simple yet compelling new vision that all stakeholders, in particular Gold Fields' 56,000 employees around the globe, could understand and buy into, and which could serve as a common and powerful motivational force across the organization.

The new vision statement, which was successfully introduced across the Group during fiscal 2010, reflects Gold Fields' desire to be the best at what it does rather than to be the biggest; the imperative to maintain a sustainable business model with particular regard to the social, economic and environmental impacts of the Group and its operations on current and future generations of stakeholders; and the fact that Gold Fields is a focused gold mining company as opposed to a diversified precious or poly metals company.

Overarching Strategic Production Goal

The Group's overarching strategic production goal is to grow its production from the 3.50 million ounces achieved in fiscal 2010, to approximately five million quality, attributable gold equivalent ounces, either in development or production, by 2015. Towards achieving this goal, the South Africa Region is expected to contribute at least two million ounces per annum, with each of the Group's international regions (the West Africa Region, the Australasia Region and the South America Region) contributing approximately one million attributable ounces. The majority of this growth is expected to come from improvements at the current operations, described in the *Sweating Our Assets* section below, and from both near mine and greenfields exploration success which is described in the *Growing Gold Fields* section below.

Core Values

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Supporting the vision statement and directing the strategy are six core values that every employee is expected to embrace and which define the way in which Gold Fields conducts its business. These values are:

Safety

If we cannot mine safely, we will not mine;

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Responsibility

We act responsibly and care for the environment, each other, and all of our stakeholders – our employees, our communities and our shareholders;

Honesty

We act with fairness, integrity, honesty and transparency;

Respect

We treat each other with trust, respect and dignity;

Innovation

We encourage innovation and entrepreneurship; and

Delivery

We do what we say we will do.

Sweating Our Assets

Sweating Our Assets is about ensuring that all of the assets in the portfolio are turned to full account safely. It is about ensuring that systems and processes are optimised to deliver what they were designed to deliver; that infrastructure is well maintained to deliver to its full capacity; that mineral resources and reserves are optimally developed and exploited; that costs are well managed, on a NCE basis, to ensure optimal free cash flow; and that all our mines deliver the production that they are capable of delivering safely. Sweating Our Assets is also about technological innovation aimed at improving delivery and about doing what we say we will do.

Gold Fields has nine world-class producing mines. Fundamental to the attainment of the Group's vision and overarching strategic goal is for each one of these mines to produce to its real potential, and to maintain stability, predictability and consistency at its steady state level.

The first priority under *Sweating Our Assets* is a substantial improvement in the safety performance of the Group, which is discussed in the section on *Securing Our Future* below.

The second priority under *Sweating Our Assets* relates to the optimal exploitation of the Group's substantial mineral reserve endowment. With attributable mineral reserves of 78.0 million gold equivalent ounces, it is essential to bring these ounces to account in the most cost effective way and, in doing so, to ensure longevity for each of the mines. Equally important is the need to achieve the required levels of ore reserve development to create mining flexibility, which is a prerequisite for maintaining stability, predictability and consistency. After safety, ore reserve development is the most important strategic priority for all of the mines in the Group.

The third priority under *Sweating Our Assets* is to return the Group's production to its sustainable steady state production level. To this end, a short-term strategic priority was established late in fiscal 2008, for Gold Fields to return to its steady state production of approximately one million ounces of gold per quarter by the third quarter of fiscal 2009, at a NCE of approximately \$725 per equivalent ounce (as calculated for management reporting purposes, using an exchange rate of R8.00 to \$1.00). As ongoing safety interventions prevented this goal from being achieved in fiscal 2009, the goal for fiscal 2010 was to work towards a target of producing between 925,000 and 950,000 attributable ounces per quarter and between 3.50 and 3.80 ounces during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011. Thereafter, it is Gold Fields' goal to achieve a one million ounces per quarter steady state run-rate as a part of the build up to the ultimate goal of five million quality, attributable gold equivalent ounces, either in development or production, by 2015.

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Gold Fields believes the necessary steps for achieving the Group's short- and medium-term production targets include:

The completion of the South Deep project in South Africa and the build-up to its full production run rate of between 750,000 and 800,000 ounces per year by the end of 2014;

A return to stability and consistent production from the three mature mines in the South Africa Region (Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix), albeit at lower levels than achieved in previous years, but similar to fiscal 2010 levels. This is expected to be achieved on the back of the significant improvement in safety recorded over the past two years and the consequent reduction in unplanned safety closures, as well as an increase in ore reserve development and mining flexibility over the next two to three years;

A wide range of near mine and organic growth opportunities at the Company's existing mines in the West Africa, Australasia, and South America Regions;

A rapidly maturing greenfields exploration pipeline headed by four advanced stage projects, of which at least two, Chucapaca in Peru and Yanfolila in Mali, are expected to reach construction decisions within the next three years; and

Maintaining production of Tarkwa and Agnew and increasing production at St. Ives and Damang.

The fourth priority under *Sweating Our Assets* relates to the proactive management of costs with a view to maintaining an NCE of between 20% and 25% at each mine. To this end, a comprehensive and far reaching business process re-engineering program has been implemented at the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix mines in South Africa, as well as at the Tarkwa mine in Ghana and the St. Ives mines in Australia. This will entail a significant focus on operating costs and the rationalisation of on-mine and regional overhead cost structures.

Growing Gold Fields

Growing Gold Fields is about growing the value of the business on a per share basis. It is not about size, or the number of ounces produced, but about the quality of the portfolio and the generation of real value for shareholders, on a per share basis.

In the medium-term, Gold Fields' target is to regionalise and grow into a truly global gold producer, with a goal of approximately one million gold equivalent ounces per annum in production or development in each of its West Africa, Australasia and South America Regions, and at least two million ounces in the South Africa Region.

The bulk of this growth is expected to come from improvements at existing mines as described in the *Sweating Our Assets* section above, organic growth resulting from near mine exploration success, and from greenfields exploration success.

However, Gold Fields does not pursue growth simply to add incremental ounces to its portfolio. Hence the philosophy that every incremental ounce should be better than the previous ounce in terms of all-in (NCE) costs and, equally important, should offer shareholders growth in ounces per share and enhanced returns on a per share basis.

Despite the slogan *No Mergers & Acquisitions Heroics*, the Company will consider attractive investment opportunities by pursuing an opportunistic strategy on acquisitions of producing or late-stage development assets. However, the Company does believe that a continuing lack of quality gold discoveries in the industry has led to escalating competition for advanced exploration and production assets. This makes value accretive growth through mergers and acquisitions increasingly onerous and prone to dilution of existing shareholders. For this reason Management believes that, in the current price environment, exploration success generally offers the most cost effective path to accretive and value adding growth.

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The Company's growth strategy is thus premised on creating high quality growth opportunities mainly through an aggressive focus on near mine exploration at existing assets and an equally aggressive greenfields exploration program in the regions where the Company is based and in a limited number of other highly prospective new frontiers around the world. Owing to the shortage of large, viable gold projects, Gold Fields has lowered its size selection criteria compared to previous years. To be considered by Gold Fields, generally growth projects must have the potential to meet certain target criteria (which vary depending on other strategic objectives and the quality of the project) described as 'The Rule of Twos': the potential for a minimum of 2,000,000 (formerly 5,000,000) ounces of reserves; production rates in the range of 200,000 (formerly 500,000) gold equivalent ounces per year; and a positive real internal rate of return of at least 5% for producing assets and brownfields projects, and at least 10% for greenfields projects, adjusted for project-specific risks, at a long-term gold price of \$1,000 per ounce.

Emphasis is also placed on reviewing non-geological aspects of prospective projects, such as social, political, environmental and commercial risks, ensuring that an appropriate risk versus reward tradeoff analysis is factored into the decision. Gold Fields is prepared to consider projects with a higher risk profile if it believes they will offer superior returns. The focus will remain on gold and its by-product metals.

Gold Fields will continue to be required to make capital investments in both new and existing infrastructure and opportunities and, therefore, management will be required to continue to balance the demands for capital expenditure in the business and allocate Gold Fields' resources in a focused manner to achieve its sustainable growth objectives. In the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, Gold Fields plans to spend about \$50 million on near mine exploration, and about \$100 million on greenfields exploration (not including exploration spending in relation to the FSE deposit), the latter largely in the three targeted international regions.

Outside South Africa, the three key regions of West Africa, Australasia and South America have been identified as containing prospective emerging gold and mineral belts with medium to long-term potential where Gold Fields has existing operational capabilities. Gold Fields objective in each of these regions is to develop one million ounce per annum production profiles. In appropriate circumstances, Gold Fields will also consider opportunities outside its key regions of focus.

During fiscal 2010, Gold Fields made considerable progress on the development of its greenfields exploration pipeline. The Company now has four exploration projects in the advanced drilling category. These include the Yanfolila project in Mali, the Chucapaca project in Peru, the Talas project in Kyrgyzstan, and the Arctic Platinum project in Finland. At the Chucapaca project in Peru, a pre-feasibility study has commenced, and at the Yanfolila project in Mali, a scoping study is expected to be completed by the end of calendar 2011. In addition, the Company has a large number of exploration projects in earlier stages of development. The objective for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 is to progress all of the advanced stage projects significantly, and to get at least one more earlier stage exploration project to a scoping study stage.

For acquisitions of assets or companies outside South Africa, South African exchange control regulations limit Gold Fields' ability to provide guarantees or borrow outside South Africa without express approval from the SARB. However, the government has indicated that its intention is to gradually phase out the remaining exchange controls over time and Gold Fields has a good track record in gaining approval for its offshore acquisitions and in growing its international operations.

Securing Our Future

Securing Our Future is about ensuring the long-term sustainability of the business. It encompasses safety and human resources, as well as a wide range of environmental social and economic parameters that impact on the business today and into the future. It is about acquiring and maintaining a social license to operate in each of the jurisdictions in which the Company operates.

The fact that sustainability was introduced as a specific element in Gold Fields new vision statement, to be the global leader in sustainable gold mining, reflects the importance with which this subject is viewed by the

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Group. Gold Fields views sustainable development as a balance between the optimal financial and operational performance of the Group; maintaining of world-class environmental management standards; and contributing meaningfully to socio-economic benefits for the communities in which it operates.

Gold Fields continues to be an active member of the ICMM and is a signatory to the United Nations Global Compact. All mines in the Group, as well as the exploration division, have ISO 14001 certified environmental management systems in place and have retained their certifications after undergoing compliance audits during fiscal 2010.

During fiscal 2010 Gold Fields also became the first mining house to achieve full accreditation for its operations under the International Cyanide Management Code, or the Cyanide Code. The OHSAS 18001 Safety Management System is a company standard and certification a Group requirement. With Cerro Corona being OHSAS 18001 certified and all the other mines successfully undergoing independent audits verifying their compliance during fiscal 2010, all mines in the company are now certified. The Company has developed a Sustainable Development Framework that is closely aligned with the sustainable development principles of the International Council for Minerals and Metals, or ICMM, and the United Nations Global Compact, and Gold Fields is a member of both groups. The Sustainable Development Framework consists of a Sustainable Development Policy, with subsidiary policies, strategies and practice guides in each of the following eight pillars of sustainability, namely: health and safety; human rights; stakeholder engagement; risk management; community; ethics and corporate governance; environment; and materials stewardship.

During fiscal 2010, the Gold Fields Sustainable Development Framework was improved and a wide range of projects were undertaken at Gold Fields mines to further enhance their sustainability. A comprehensive review of environmental compliance was conducted in the South Africa, Australasia and West Africa Regions and action plans were formulated and implemented to address weaknesses.

While the Chief Executive Officer has assumed overall executive responsibility for sustainable development within the Group, each one of the regional heads is responsible for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Framework in their respective regions.

Safety

Gold Fields health and safety philosophy is premised on our most important value and the overarching moral imperative that *if we cannot mine safely, we will not mine*. This gives rise to the objective of striving towards a zero harm working environment for all its people. During fiscal 2010, 18 employees in South Africa lost their lives compared to 22 during fiscal 2009, reflecting an 18% improvement. Outside South Africa, there were no fatalities in fiscal 2009 or 2010. The fatal injury frequency rate for the Group showed a 15% improvement from 0.13 per million man hours worked in fiscal 2009 to 0.11 in fiscal 2010, following on a 56% improvement during fiscal 2009. The Lost Time Injury Frequency rate showed a 6% improvement to 4.07 per million man hours worked in fiscal 2010 compared to 4.35 in fiscal 2009.

The Company will continue with its commitment to safety, making the safe operation of its mines its top strategic priority. The experience of employee dynamics over the years has led Gold Fields to adopt a more comprehensive approach to the general well-being, and therefore the productivity, of its staff. To this end Gold Fields pursues a broad range of interventions encapsulated in the *24 Hours in the Life of a Gold Fields Employee* program. This program was first launched in the South Africa Region in fiscal 2009 and implemented in three international regions during fiscal 2010. Based on the *total well-being philosophy*, the program is aimed at improving every facet of the life of each employee and includes interventions in the fields of occupational health and safety, healthcare, living conditions, nutrition, sport and recreation and education. As part of its commitment, the Company has undertaken the following initiatives:

in South Africa, a Safe Production Management Program has been designed and is being rolled out across all the operations. The program, which is principally focused on the prevention of serious and

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fatal accidents, consists of two overarching themes, namely i) engineering out of safety risks and, ii) advancing compliance by winning the hearts and minds of Gold Fields people by reinforcing positive behaviour. Through a process of review of all historical serious safety incidences and through extensive consultation with numerous parties, the Gold Fields Safe Production Rules have been developed to emphasise the fundamental message that mining must be done safely. The Safe Production Rules have been printed in a booklet format and distributed to all employees, and are presented to all new employees and contractors during the induction program. The rules work hand-in-hand with other initiatives like the Stop, Think, Fix, Verify and Continue campaign, which has had a tremendous impact on employees safety behaviour and awareness;

in February 2008, the South African operational bonus system was changed to provide an equal weighting between production and safety performance. A similar principle was applied to executive incentive compensation starting in fiscal 2009, with approximately 30% of executive bonus payments, including those of the Chief Executive Officer, now linked to health and safety performance;

audits to assess each operation's compliance with Gold Fields Full Compliance Occupational Health and Safety Management System now take place annually;

in fiscal 2009, DuPont International completed a comprehensive safety audit of all of Gold Fields operations, covering all aspects of Gold Fields health and safety management systems, strategies and plans and the recommendations have been included in the Safe Production Management Program. During April 2010, DuPont completed follow-up audits of all of Gold Fields South African operations to assess adherence to the Safe Production Rules and a substantial safety improvement was noted. An average score of 2.7 in 2010 was recorded compared to an average score of 1.8 achieved in fiscal year 2009 on a five-point scale with five being the best. Similar follow-up audits are scheduled for all of the international mines during the 12 months ending June 30, 2011;

a comprehensive review of the status of infrastructure across all of Gold Fields operations was completed during fiscal 2010, identifying a number of items in South Africa that required immediate action to improve safety. These items have all been prioritised and scheduled for action as part of the business planning process; and

In support of the Safe Production Management Program, a seismic task team, comprising both internal and external experts, was established early in fiscal 2010 to advise Gold Fields on reducing the prevalence and impact of seismic-related incidents. The impact of the task team has been significant in that their recommendations have resulted in a reduction of 82% in the number of seismic related fatalities in South Africa, from 11 in fiscal 2009 to two in fiscal 2010, both of which took place in the first half of fiscal 2010.

Carbon and Energy

Addressing energy management is a key deliverable throughout the Group. Rising energy costs and growing concerns about the effect of climate change have elevated the importance of energy efficiency and carbon management on the global agenda. Against this backdrop Gold Fields has been actively aligning the Company to a carbon-constrained economy. The Company's intention is to make low-carbon behaviour and energy efficiency the norm within the Company. Therefore existing policies and strategies are being reviewed to move the Group closer to the attainment of these goals.

Integral to this strategy is energy efficiency amid ever-rising energy costs. Specifically in the South Africa Region the target is to deliver an additional 5% reduction in electricity consumption in each of calendar 2011 and 2012, to partially offset the expected 25% per year escalation in electricity costs in 2011, 2012, and 2013. Similar levels of savings in electricity consumption were achieved in South Africa during fiscal 2009 and 2010. Given the high electricity cost increases mooted by the Public Utilities Regulatory Commission, or PURC, in Ghana, similar levels of electricity savings will be pursued by Gold Fields Ghanaian operations.

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In line with this new approach to carbon management, Gold Fields has launched a number of initiatives to reduce the greenhouse gases emitted by its operations. In May 2010, Gold Fields took a significant step on this path by committing to sell Certified Emissions Reductions (CERs), financial securities used to trade carbon emissions. Gold Fields will derive the CERs from the capture of methane gas at its Beatrix mine in South Africa.

Stakeholder Relationship Management

A central pillar of the Gold Fields Sustainable Development Framework is pro-active engagement with and management of the relationships with stakeholders that have an influence over the affairs of the company or are impacted by its activities. These include in particular the relationships with the Group s employees and their representative organisations and unions; local, regional and national governments; and the host communities in which Gold Fields operates or that are affected by its operations.

While Gold Fields has achieved significant progress in this respect during fiscal 2010 and all its mines have implemented the ASA 1000 Stakeholder Engagement Standard, a higher level of engagement has become essential to underpin the sustainability of its operations.

This has become evident over the past few years with governments, communities, non-governmental organisations and trade unions in several jurisdictions seeking and, in some cases, implementing greater cost imposts on the mining industry. The most visible example of this during the past year was the hitherto unsuccessful attempt by the Australian federal government to impose a 40% super tax on the mining industry. This tax has been renamed the Mineral Resource Rent Tax, and specifically excludes the gold mining sector, among others.

Similar trends are evident in the cost of electricity and other levies imposed by governments in many of the countries in which Gold Fields operates. There is a risk that such additional punitive imposts on mining projects will raise input costs to unsustainable levels, which would have negative consequences for the projects and, by implication, for the affected countries. In the near future Gold Fields will directly and through various industry forums continue and escalate its engagement with stakeholders to achieve greater appreciation for the impact these often ill-considered demands are having on the sector.

Black Economic Empowerment

In the South African environment, Black Economic Empowerment, or BEE, and transformation in terms of the requirements of the MPRDA, and the associated Revised Mining Charter, remains a key business imperative and sustainability issue.

During May 2010 the DMR approved the conversion of the South Deep old order mining right into a new order mining right. Included in this approval was an additional portion of ground known as Uncle Harry s, which is contiguous to South Deep. The cumulative effect of this approval, together with the previous conversions for the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix mines granted in January 2007, is that all of Gold Fields South African mines have now received their new order mining rights.

Following a review, the DMR recently amended the Mining Charter and the Revised Mining Charter was released on September 13, 2010. The requirement under the Mining Charter for mining entities to achieve a 26% HDSA ownership of mining assets by the year 2014 has been retained. Amendments to the Mining Charter in the Revised Mining Charter include, inter alia, the requirement by mining companies to (i) facilitate local beneficiation of mineral commodities; (ii) procure a minimum of 40% of capital goods, 70% of services and 50% of consumer goods from HDSA suppliers (i.e. suppliers of which a minimum of 25% + 1 vote of their share capital must be owned by HDSAs) by 2014. These targets will however be exclusive of non-discretionary procurement expenditure; (iii) ensure that multinational suppliers of capital goods contribute a minimum of 0.5% of their annual income generated from South African mining companies towards the socioeconomic development of South African communities into a social development fund from 2010; (iv) achieve a minimum of 40% HDSA demographic

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representation by 2014 at executive management (board) level, senior management (EXCO) level, core and critical skills, middle management level and junior management level; (v) invest up to 5% of annual payroll in essential skills development activities; and (vi) implement measures to improve the standards of housing and living conditions for mineworkers by converting or upgrading mineworkers' hostels into family units, attaining an occupancy rate of one person per room and facilitating home ownership options for all mineworkers in consultation with organized labor, all of which must be achieved by 2014. In addition, mining companies are required to monitor and evaluate their compliance to the Revised Mining Charter, and must submit annual compliance reports to the DMR. The Scorecard for the Broad-Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the South African Mining Industry attached to the Revised Mining Charter, or the Scorecard, makes provision for a phased-in approach for compliance with the above targets over the 5-year period ending in 2014. For measurement purposes, the Scorecard allocates various weightings to the different elements of the Revised Mining Charter. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Revised Mining Charter will amount to a breach of the MPRDA and may result in the cancellation or suspension of a mining company's existing mining rights and may prevent Gold Fields' South African operations from obtaining any new mining rights.

In addition, Gold Fields has developed three further empowerment transactions which, when concluded by the end of the 2010 calendar year, will ensure that Gold Fields has met its 2014 BEE equity ownership targets. These transactions include an Employee Share Option Plan for 10.75% of GFIMSA; a broad-based BEE transaction for 10% of South Deep; and a broad-based BEE transaction for a further 1% of GFIMSA, excluding South Deep. The three transactions have a combined value of approximately R2.4 billion and are expected to dilute existing shareholders by between 2% and 3%. On November 2, 2010, the shareholders of Gold Fields approved these transactions at a General Meeting. On November 19, 2010, Gold Fields issued 13,525,394 shares to ESOP, housed and administered by the Gold Fields Thusano Share Trust, thereby commencing the implementation of the ESOP transaction. The remaining empowerment transactions are expected to be concluded by the end of December 2010, subject to the satisfaction of certain suspensive conditions. See [Additional Information](#) [Material Contracts](#) [Black Economic Empowerment Transactions](#) .

These transactions represent not only a significant milestone for Gold Fields in terms of its compliance with the BEE objectives of the Revised Mining Charter, but are a reflection of the spirit and intent with which Gold Fields has embraced transformation as an imperative for the Company, the industry and South Africa. The Company's philosophy is to advance the sustainability of its business by engaging the transformation process substantively, as opposed to following a "tick the box" approach.

As such Gold Fields has been an active participant, through the Chamber of Mines, in the Mining Industry Growth, Development and Employment Task Team, or MIGDETT, through which the DMR, business and the trade unions are seeking to promote sustainable growth and meaningful transformation of the mining sector. The parties in MIGDETT on June 30, 2010 signed a stakeholder declaration that committed them to achieving a wide range of objectives and targets by 2014.

Gold Fields subscribes to the declaration and is investing funds and resources towards achieving all the commitments spelled out in the declaration, which range from BEE equity ownership to human resource development. Where the Company may struggle to achieve some of the targets it will timeously engage with the DMR to seek a mutually acceptable solution.

Having said that, Gold Fields is showing good progress in transforming Gold Fields into a company that is starting to reflect the demographics of the wider population and one which supports local economic development and preferential procurement. Already Gold Fields is close to concluding a deal that will meet the 2014 BEE equity ownership targets, as outlined above. See [Risk Factors](#) [The Group's mineral rights in South Africa](#) are subject to legislation, which could impose significant costs and burdens

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Regional Delivery Model

Gold Fields views itself as a truly global mining company, but believes that in some circles it is perceived as predominantly a South African company with some international operations. In order to change this perception and to help achieve its operational and growth aspirations, Gold Fields began restructuring its operations into four regions during fiscal 2009. These regions are: South Africa; West Africa; South America; and Australasia.

This restructuring was largely completed in fiscal 2010. All of the key regional executives have been appointed and good progress has been made in creating strong, entrepreneurial and appropriately resourced and incentivised management teams in each region. These teams are tasked with running the mines safely and efficiently, as well as driving and being significantly involved in the growth of the business within each region.

During fiscal 2009, the corporate office was relocated to new premises separate from the South African regional office. Management believes this separation will enhance the ability of the corporate office to serve as a "brains trust", focused on overall strategy, the allocation of capital and strategic guidance for the regions. During fiscal 2010, the corporate office was further streamlined and currently has only approximately 60 personnel, in line with the strategy of relocating personnel to the regions that they service. The corporate office is now a focused business unit engaged in establishing and monitoring operational standards that apply across the regions in areas such as safety, health and environmental issues, finance and human resources, developing Group-wide strategy, and allocating capital.

Hedging

Gold Fields' policy remains not to enter into forward sales, derivatives or other hedging arrangements to establish a price in advance for future gold production. Gold Fields believes that investors in Gold Fields' shares seek an unlimited exposure to movements in the U.S. dollar gold price and the resulting effect on Gold Fields' earnings. However, commodity hedges are sometimes undertaken in one or more of the following circumstances: to protect cash flows at times of significant capital expenditures; for specific debt servicing requirements; and to safeguard the viability of higher-cost operations.

Gold Fields may, from time to time, establish currency and/or interest rate financial instruments to protect underlying cash flows or to take advantage of potential favourable currency movements.

Strategic Goals and Objectives

Progress against Strategic Goals and Objectives for Fiscal 2010

To further enhance health and safety performance.

During fiscal 2010, Gold Fields saw a further significant improvement in the overall safety performance of the Group with the achievement of a second successive record safety year. In particular, the fatal injury frequency rate improved by a further 18% over the record improvement achieved in fiscal 2009 with the number of fatal injuries falling from 22 in fiscal 2009 to 18 in fiscal 2010, while the serious injury frequency rate improved by 20%. The first follow-up health and safety audit by DuPont in the South Africa Region indicated a significant improvement in the overall safety culture in the region, which indicates that Gold Fields' efforts to boost safety on a sustainable basis are delivering results, and that Gold Fields' First Value, "if we cannot mine safely, we will not mine," has been thoroughly entrenched throughout the Company.

To increase development and open up ore bodies, in particular at Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix in the South Africa Region, which will improve flexibility and underpin more stable production.

During fiscal 2010, overall development at these three mines increased by 2% from 75,542 meters to 77,188 meters. However, the mechanised flat-end development on all of the long-life shafts increased from a total of 36% during fiscal 2009 to 68% by the end of fiscal 2010. Management believes that this lays the foundation for achieving the target.

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To maintain momentum in the build-up of South Deep towards its target of producing between 750,000 and 800,000 ounces per annum by the end of 2014.

During fiscal 2010, gold production at South Deep increased by 52% from 175,000 ounces in fiscal 2009 to 265,000 ounces. During the year a new capital control system, the PRISM system, was implemented at the mine to improve controls over capital expenditure. The mission critical shaft deepening project at the ventilation shaft commenced on schedule on April 14, 2010 and full calendar operations were re-introduced to underpin the planned production build-up over the next few years.

To achieve greater stability, predictability and consistency in production, and to work towards a target of producing between 925,000 and 950,000 attributable gold equivalent ounces per quarter and between 3.5 and 3.8 million gold equivalent ounces for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011.

During fiscal 2010, Group production increased by 3% from 3.41 to 3.50 million attributable gold equivalent ounces, which is within 5% of the targeted quarterly range of between 925,000 and 950,000 ounces. It is also a significant improvement over the historical 10% planning gap between targets and actual production. To achieve greater stability, consistency and predictability in production performance, significant enhancements were made to the planning and forecasting systems on the mines.

To increase skills levels across the company by improving Gold Fields' ability to attract and retain key personnel through a more aggressive program of recruitment, review of remuneration models, and enhancing our education and training initiatives.

During fiscal 2010, management believes that significant progress was made to improve the ability of the Group to attract and retain key personnel and several initiatives were launched to address critical skills shortages. In addition, progress was made in providing technical services and capital project management skills to the international regions through the appointment of an Executive Vice President, International Technical Services and Capital Projects, and the establishment of a specialist team of technical experts. They will provide the international regions with the required technical leadership as well as project management skills for capital projects.

To further improve Gold Fields' performance in the field of sustainable development and, in particular, to improve our environmental footprint.

During fiscal 2010, the Gold Fields Sustainable Development Framework was embedded in the company. A wide range of projects was undertaken across all the Group's mines to further enhance their sustainability. These range from social and community development projects to the commitment to further improve environmental compliance in all of the regions in which Gold Fields operates. In addition a comprehensive review of environmental compliance was conducted in the South Africa, Australasia and West Africa regions and action plans formulated and implemented to address weaknesses and further improve environmental compliance. Subsequent to the fiscal year end, Gold Fields created an executive committee position responsible for sustainable development in order to further focus on this goal.

To further entrench the regionalisation strategy by bolstering the new executive teams in each of the regions, to drive the operational performance and advance our growth strategy.

During fiscal 2010 the new regional organisation structure was fully implemented and new executive teams put in place. The supporting structures in the regions are now being optimised. As a consequence of moving operational support and control from the Corporate Office to the regions, the Corporate Office in Johannesburg was rationalised to focus on the formulation and implementation of Group strategy; policies and standards; deciding on the allocation of capital; and the performance of Group quality assurance and quality control.

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Specific Strategic Goals and Objectives for the 12 Month Period Ending June 30, 2011

The specific strategic goals and objectives for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 flow from the strategy and were designed to consolidate the operational gains made during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2010. The specific strategic goals and objectives for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 are:

Safety

To improve performance against all safety indicators by at least 25% in the South Africa Region and by 20% in the international regions.

Production

To improve the key controllable elements of the business, namely mining mix, quality and volume, with a view to producing between 3.5 and 3.8 million attributable gold equivalent ounces during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011.

Notional Cash Expenditure Margin

To achieve an NCE margin of 20% in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 across the Group. To this end a business process re-engineering program is being implemented at the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix Gold Mines in the South Africa Region as well as Tarkwa in Ghana and St Ives in Australia. This will entail a significant focus on operating costs, the rationalisation of on-mine and regional overhead cost structures and a review of the mine-to-mill processes.

Regional Organisational Structure

To further strengthen the new Regional Organisational Structure and to optimise the supporting structures in the West Africa, Australasia and South America Regions for appropriately resourced operational, financial and human resources functions.

Ore Reserve Development and Flexibility

Through increased ore reserve development to advance opening up of ore bodies to improve flexibility at the long-life shafts at Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix. The aim is to achieve greater consistency and reliability of operational performance.

Energy Management and Consumption

To develop strategies for the optimisation of energy management and consumption throughout the Group. Each region needs to offset known and anticipated cost increases by saving a further 5% of electricity consumption up until the second quarter of calendar 2011.

Skills Requirements

To take the steps required to ensure that the Group has an adequate supply of critical skills in all key disciplines, specifically through competitive recruitment strategies and practices. Retention strategies are aimed at ensuring that existing employees are afforded opportunities for growth through improved education and training; talent management and mentorship; and leadership development.

Group Transformation

To significantly advance the transformation objectives of the Group in line with the requirements of the MPRDA and the associated Revised Mining Charter. These include the transformation of the Group's Board of Directors and Executive Committee; the ongoing fulfillment of the Social and Labour Plan commitments at the South African mines; the implementation of the South Deep mining rights conversion; and the execution of the three transactions proposed for securing the 2014 requirements for Black Economic Empowerment ownership of the South African assets.

Stakeholder Relations Management

To further advance positive and mutually beneficial relationships between the company and its many stakeholders, specifically governments, organised labour and host communities, in each of the jurisdictions in which Gold Fields operates.

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To continue the momentum achieved in the production build-up at the South Deep project and to ensure the delivery of the milestones required to achieve the production target of between 750,000 and 800,000 ounces of gold by the end of 2014.

To complete the construction of the Athena underground mine at the St Ives mine in Australia and to commence production early in calendar 2011. Furthermore, to complete the feasibility study of the Hamlet project and to commence construction also in the first quarter of calendar 2011.

To complete the feasibility study and commence construction of the Oxide Plant at the Cerro Corona Mine in Peru during the first quarter of calendar 2011.

To complete the pre-feasibility study of the Chucapaca project which is planned for the third quarter of calendar 2011.

To continue work on the pilot plant testing at the Arctic Platinum Project.

To continue work on an 80,000 meter drill program which is underway at the Far Southeast Project.

Reserves of Gold Fields as of June 30, 2010**Methodology**

Gold Fields is in the process of changing its year-end from June to December to align with the company's peers in the gold mining industry. Consequently, the June 30, 2010 Mineral Reserves primarily reflect mining depletion of last year's figures except where material differences were encountered for technical or economic reasons, in which case suitably revised models and schedules were implemented.

Methodology applied for the June 30, 2010 declaration:

Operation	Methodology applied Mineral Reserves
Driefontein	30 June 2009 depleted
Kloof	30 June 2009 depleted plus exclusions of lower grade ore at 7 Shaft
Beatrix	30 June 2009 depleted plus exclusions of specific mining areas as a result of infrastructure and footprint reduction
South Deep	30 June 2009 depleted
Tarkwa	Additional exploration drilling incorporated and new model for the Ridge portion of Akontansi, updated Reserve costs, optimisation and schedule
Damang	Additional exploration drilling incorporated, owner mining costs and updated Reserve schedules
St Ives	Additional drilling incorporated, new models, updated Reserve schedules
Agnew	Additional exploration drilling incorporated, owner mining costs and updated Reserve schedules
Cerro Corona	Sylvita Concession, cut-back incorporated, revised costs and prices, steeper slope angles, updated Resource model, capacity of TSF increased by 6Mt grade control model included in overall

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While there are some differences between the definition of the South African Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves, or SAMREC Code, and that of the Securities and Exchange Commission's, or SEC's, industry guide number 7, only reserves at each of Gold Fields operations and exploration projects as of June 30, 2010 which qualify as reserves for purposes of the SEC's industry guide number 7 are presented in the table below. See Glossary of Mining Terms. In accordance with the requirements imposed by the JSE, Gold Fields reports its reserves using the terms and definitions of the SAMREC Code. Mineral or ore reserves, as defined under the SAMREC Code, are divided into categories of proved and probable reserves and are expressed in terms of tons to be processed at mill feed head grades, allowing for estimated mining dilution, recovery and other factors.

Gold Fields reports reserves using cut-off grades (international operations and South Deep) and pay limits (South Africa excluding South Deep) to ensure the reserves realistically reflect both the cost structures and required margins relevant to each mining operation. Cut-off grade is the grade that distinguishes the material within an orebody that is to be extracted and treated from the remaining material. The pay limit is the grade at which an orebody can be mined without profit or loss calculated using an appropriate gold price and working costs, plus modifying factors. Modifying factors used to calculate the pay limit grades include adjustments to mill delivered amounts, due to dilution incurred in the course of mining. Modifying factors applied in estimating reserves are primarily historical, but commonly incorporate adjustments for planned operational improvements such as those described below under Description of Mining Business Productivity Initiatives. Tonnage and grade may include some mineralization below the selected pay limit and cut-off grade to ensure that the reserve comprises blocks of adequate size and continuity. Reserves also take into account cost levels at each operation and are supported by mine plans.

The estimation of reserves at the South African underground operations is based on surface drilling, underground drilling, surface three-dimensional reflection seismics, orebody facies modeling, structural modeling, underground mapping channel sampling and geostatistical estimation. The reefs are initially explored by drilling from the surface on an approximately 500 meter to 2,000 meter grid. Once underground access is available, drilling is undertaken on an approximately 30 meter by 60 meter grid. Underground channel sampling perpendicular to the reef is undertaken at three-meter intervals in development areas and five-meter intervals at stope faces.

The following sets out the reserve estimation methodologies for the different categories of reserves at the underground operations of each of the South African mines.

Driefontein

Reserve Classification	Sample Spacing	Maximum Distance Data
	Range Min/Max (meters)	is Projected (meters)
Proved	3 to 180	110
Probable (AI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 1,140	570
Probable (BI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 2,840	1,420

Note:

(1) AI is above infrastructure; BI is below infrastructure.

For proved reserves, the orebody is opened up and sampled on a three-meter spacing for development (such as raises), and a five meter grid for stopping, together with underground borehole spacings ranging from tens to hundreds of meters. Blocks classified as proved are therefore generally adjacent to closely spaced sampling and generally pierced by a relatively dense irregular pattern of boreholes. Estimation is constrained within both geologically homogenous structural and facies zones, and is generally derived from either ordinary or simple kriged small-scale grids, ranging from 10 meter to 20 meter block sizes.

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For above infrastructure probable reserves, the estimates are founded on significant numbers of samples on a three-meter spacing for development, and a five-meter grid for stoping bordering these areas. In addition underground borehole spacings ranging from tens to hundreds of meters are used together with surface boreholes and seismic surveys. Blocks classified as probable (AI) are generally adjacent to blocks classified as proved. Estimation is constrained within homogenous structural and facies zones, and is generally derived from either ordinary or simple kriged medium- to macro-scale-sized grids ranging from 40 meter to 420 meter sizes, or through declustered averaging or Sichel t techniques. For planning purposes, these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

For below infrastructure probable reserves, the estimates access the significant numbers of samples on a three-meter spacing for development, and a five-meter grid for stoping above these areas. In addition underground borehole spacings ranging from tens to hundreds of meters are used together with surface boreholes and seismic surveys. Blocks classified as probable (BI) are generally downdip of blocks classified as proved or probable (AI). Estimation is constrained within homogenous structural and facies zones, and is generally derived from either ordinary or simple kriged medium- to macro-scale-sized grids ranging from 40 meters to 420 meter sizes, or through declustered averaging or Sichel t techniques. For planning purposes, these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

Kloof

Reserve Classification	Sample Spacing Range	Maximum Distance Data is
	Min/Max (meters)	Projected (meters)
Proved	3 to 150	150
Probable (AI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 718	360
Probable (BI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 1,390	890

Note:

(1) AI is above infrastructure; BI is below infrastructure.
Estimations for proved reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein.

Estimations for above infrastructure probable reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein, but with medium-sized kriged grids starting from 40 meters to macro blocks of 400 meters. For planning purposes, these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

Estimations for below infrastructure probable reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein, but with medium-sized kriged grids starting from 40 meters to macro blocks of 400 meters. The distinction between estimation techniques for above infrastructure and below infrastructure probable reserves is the same as at Driefontein. For planning purposes, these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

Beatrix

Reserve Classification	Sample Spacing Range	Maximum Distance Data is
	Min/Max (meters)	Projected (meters)
Proved	3 to 120	120
Probable (AI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 820	700
Probable (BI) ⁽¹⁾	3 to 580	740

Note:

(1) AI is above infrastructure; BI is below infrastructure.

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Estimations for proved reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein but with kriging blocks ranging from 16 meters to 32 meters.

Estimations for above infrastructure probable reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein but with medium-sized kriged blocks of 32 meters, and macro geological zone estimates being made through declustered averaging or Sichel t techniques or macro-scale-sized kriged grids of up to 128 meters. For planning purposes these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

Estimations for below infrastructure probable reserves are made on the same basis as at Driefontein but with medium-sized kriged blocks being 32 meters, to macro geological zone estimates through declustered averaging or Sichel t techniques or macro scale sized kriged grids of up to 128 meters. The distinction between estimation techniques for above infrastructure and below infrastructure probable reserves is the same as at Driefontein. For planning purposes, these blocks are further evaluated to facilitate the selection of blocks above the pay limit.

South Deep

Reserve Classification	Sample Spacing Range	Maximum Distance Data is
	Min/Max (meters)	Projected (meters)
Proved	0 to 100	220
Probable (AI) ⁽¹⁾	100 to 180	450
Probable (BI) ⁽¹⁾	>180	1,200

Note:

(1) AI is above infrastructure; BI is below infrastructure.

For proved reserves, the orebody must be fully destressed and drilling is planned at an approximate 30-meter by 30-meter grid-spacing for development (such as access ramps and drives), and similarly for stoping. Estimation is constrained within both geologically homogenous structural and facies zones, and is generally derived from either ordinary or simple kriged small-scale grids.

For above infrastructure probable reserves, the estimates access a significant number of samples on spacing greater than the spacing for development and stoping bordering these areas. In addition, borehole spacings ranging from tens to hundreds of meters are used in conjunction with 3D seismic survey results that confirm certain structural elevations and surfaces. Reserves classified as probable above infrastructure are generally adjacent to those classified as proven. Estimation is constrained within homogenous structural and facies zones, and is generally derived from simple and ordinary kriging and through declustered averaging techniques.

The below infrastructure probable reserves are based on the December 2005 pre-acquisition reserve figures as defined by an Independent Review Panel acting on behalf of the Barrick Gold Western Areas Joint Venture between BGSA (formerly, Placer Dome South Africa Proprietary Limited) and Western Areas Limited. See Information on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA and Risk Factors Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields as included in this annual report.

The primary assumptions of continuity of the geologically homogenous zones are driven by the geological model, which is updated when new information arises. Any changes to the model are subject to peer, internal technical corporate consultant and independent consultant review. Historically, mining at South African deep-level gold mines has shown significant geological continuity, so that new mines were started based on limited surface borehole information. Customarily, geological models are primarily based on the definition of different facies within each conglomerate horizon. These facies are extrapolated into new, undeveloped areas taking into account any surface borehole data in those areas. Normally these facies are continuous, supported by extensive historical sample databases, and can be incorporated in the macro kriging of large blocks.

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Ghana

For the Tarkwa open pit operation, estimation of reserves is based on a combination of an initial 100- or 200-meter grid of diamond drilling and in certain areas a 12.5 meter to 25.0 meter grid of reverse circulation drilling. For the Damang open pit operation, estimation of reserves is based on a 20 meter to 80 meter grid of combined reverse circulation and diamond drilling and, in certain areas, reverse circulation drilling on an eight-meter by five-meter drill grid.

Australia

At the Australian operations, the estimation of reserves for both underground and open pit operations is based on exploration, sampling and testing information gathered through appropriate techniques, primarily from boreholes and mine development. The locations of sample points are spaced closely enough to deduce or confirm geological and grade continuity. Generally, drilling is undertaken on grids, which range between 20 meters by 20 meters to 40 meters by 40 meters, although this may vary depending on the continuity of the orebody. Due to the variety and diversity of resources at St. Ives and Agnew, sample spacing may also vary depending on each particular ore type.

Peru

For the Cerro Corona operation, estimation is based on diamond drill and reverse circulation holes. The spacing of holes at Cerro Corona is generally around 50 meters, with some areas approximating a 25-meter grid.

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As of June 30, 2010, Gold Fields had aggregate attributable proved and probable gold reserves of approximately 75.9 million ounces as set forth in the following table.

Gold ore reserve statement as of June 30, 2010⁽¹⁾

	Proved reserves			Probable reserves			Total reserves			Attributable gold production in the 12 months ended
	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾ (000 oz)
Underground (UG) South Africa										
Driefontein (UG) (total).	15.7	7.4	3,714	46.0	9.0	13,353	61.7	8.6	17,066	628
Above infrastructure ⁽³⁾	15.7	7.4	3,714	18.6	8.8	5,256	34.3	8.1	8,969	628
Below infrastructure ⁽³⁾				27.4	9.2	8,097	27.4	9.2	8,097	
Kloof (UG) (total)	16.4	7.4	3,934	20.5	7.9	5,225	36.9	7.7	9,159	522
Above infrastructure ⁽³⁾	16.4	7.4	3,934	17.1	7.9	4,357	33.5	7.7	8,291	522
Below infrastructure ⁽³⁾				3.4	8.0	868	3.4	8.0	868	
South Deep (UG) (total) ⁽⁶⁾	14.1	6.0	2,700	134.1	6.2	26,558	148.2	6.2	29,258	261
Above infrastructure ⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾	14.1	6.0	2,700	67.5	6.6	14,243	81.6	6.5	16,943	261
Below infrastructure ⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾				66.6	5.8	12,315	66.6	5.8	12,315	
Beatrix (UG) (total)	10.3	4.8	1,585	25.4	5.0	4,120	35.6	5.0	5,705	386
Above infrastructure ⁽³⁾	10.3	4.8	1,585	23.0	5.1	3,749	33.3	5.0	5,334	386
Below infrastructure ⁽³⁾				2.4	4.8	371	2.4	4.8	371	
Australia										
St. Ives	1.0	5.5	183	5.4	4.8	834	6.4	4.9	1,017	199
Agnew	0.7	6.9	166	6.0	5.5	1,061	6.7	5.7	1,226	158
Total Underground	58.2	6.6	12,282	237.4	6.7	51,151	295.5	6.7	63,431	2,154
Surface (Rock Dumps)										
Driefontein				6.8	0.7	152	6.8	0.7	152	82
Kloof				11.2	0.9	314	11.2	0.9	314	45
South Deep ⁽⁶⁾										4
Beatrix				3.0	0.4	35	3.0	0.4	35	6
Surface (Production Stockpile)										
Ghana										
Tarkwa	2.8	0.7	64				2.8	0.7	64	8
Damang				3.3	1.1	114	3.3	1.1	114	
Australia										
St. Ives	5.2	1.0	170				5.2	1.0	170	
Agnew										7
Peru										
Cerro Corona	1.0	1.3	39				1.0	1.3	39	
Surface (Open Pit)										
Ghana										
Tarkwa	94.5	1.3	3,983	76.3	1.2	2,961	170.8	1.3	6,944	504
Damang ⁽⁵⁾	2.0	1.6	104	24.4	1.6	1,291	26.4	1.6	1,395	147 ⁽⁴⁾
Australia										
St. Ives ⁽⁵⁾	1.1	2.4	84	17.9	1.8	1,019	19.0	1.8	1,103	222 ⁽⁴⁾
Agnew ⁽⁵⁾										
Peru										

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Cerro Corona	19.1	1.0	636	51.9	0.9	1,541	71.0	1.0	2,177	113 ⁽⁴⁾
Total Surface	125.7	1.3	5,080	194.9	1.2	7,429	320.6	1.2	12,507	1,139
Grand Total	183.9	2.9	17,361	432.3	4.2	58,579	616.1	3.8	75,940	3,293

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	Proved reserves			Probable reserves			Total reserves			Attributable gold production in the 12 months ended
	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	Tons (million)	Head Grade (g/t)	Gold (000 oz)	June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾ (000 oz)
Totals by Mine										
Driefontein	15.7	7.4	3,714	52.8	8.0	13,505	68.5	7.8	17,219	710
Kloof	16.4	7.4	3,934	31.7	5.4	5,539	48.1	6.1	9,473	567
South Deep ⁽⁶⁾	14.1	6.0	2,700	134.1	6.2	26,558	148.2	6.1	29,258	265
Beatrix	10.3	4.8	1,585	28.4	4.6	4,155	38.6	4.6	5,740	392
Tarkwa	97.3	1.3	4,047	76.3	1.2	2,961	173.6	1.3	7,008	512
Damang	2.0	1.6	104	27.8	1.6	1,406	29.8	1.6	1,509	147
St. Ives	7.3	1.9	437	23.3	2.5	1,853	30.6	2.3	2,290	421
Agnew	0.7	6.9	166	6.0	5.5	1,061	6.7	5.7	1,226	165
Cerro Corona	20.1	1.0	675	51.9	0.9	1,541	72.0	1.0	2,216	113
Grand Total	183.9	2.9	17,361	432.3	4.2	58,579	616.1	3.8	75,940	3,293

Notes:

- (1) (a) Quoted as mill delivered metric tons and Run of Mine, or RoM, grades, inclusive of all mining dilutions and gold losses except mill recovery. Metallurgical recovery factors have not been applied to the reserve figures. The approximate metallurgical factors are as follows: (1) Driefontein 97.0%; (2) Kloof 97.6%; (3) Beatrix 96.0%; (4) South Deep 97.3%; (5) Tarkwa 97.0% for milling, 64.0% for heap leach; (6) Damang 92.5% to 93.5%; (7) St. Ives 89.4% for milling, 55% to 75% for heap leach; (8) Agnew 94.7%; and (9) Cerro Corona 53% to 74% for gold. The metallurgical recovery is the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the mass of the specific mineral product actually recovered from ore treated at the plant to its total specific mineral content before treatment. The South African operations have a fairly consistent metallurgical recovery, while the recoveries on the International operations vary according to the mix of the source material and method of treatment.
- (b) For Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix, a gold price of Rand 240,000 per kilogram (\$925 per ounce at an exchange rate of Rand 8.07 per \$1.00) was applied in valuing ore reserve figures (please refer to Note 1(g) below). For the Tarkwa and Damang operations, ore reserve figures are based on an optimized pit at a gold price of \$925 per ounce. For the Australian operations, ore reserve figures are based on a gold price of A\$1,100 per ounce (\$925 per ounce at an exchange rate of A\$1.19 per \$1.00). Open pit ore reserves at the Australian operations are similarly based on optimized pits. The gold price used for reserves is the approximate three-year trailing average, calculated on a monthly basis, of the London afternoon fixing price of gold. These prices are approximately 4% higher in South African Rand terms, 16% higher in U.S. dollar terms and 10% higher in Australian dollar terms than the prices used for the June 30, 2009 declaration and reflect the effect of a consistently increasing gold price on historical average. Gold Fields is still evaluating the overall reserve position at South Deep following its acquisition of the mine during fiscal 2007 and accordingly has included the reserves for the Upper Elsburg reefs in the Current Mine and in Phase 1 north of the Wrench Fault and also Phase 1 south of the Wrench Fault (above mine infrastructure) as remodeled, re-evaluated, designed and scheduled in accordance with Gold Fields standards and procedures. The remainder of the reserves are as declared by the Barrick Gold Western Areas Joint Venture (now, the South Deep Joint Venture) as at December 31, 2005, before its acquisition by Gold Fields. These historical reserves were calculated using a Rand price of 87,193 per kilogram (\$400 per ounce at an exchange rate of Rand 6.78 per \$1.00). For the Cerro Corona gold reserves, the optimized pit is based on a gold price of \$925 per ounce and a copper price of \$2.40 per pound, which, due to the nature of the deposit and the importance of net smelter returns, need to be considered together.

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- (c) For the South African operations, mine dilution relates to the difference between the mill tonnage and the stope face tonnage and includes other sources stoping (which is waste that is broken on the mining horizon, other than on the stope face), development to mill and tonnage discrepancy (which is the difference between the tonnage expected on the basis of the mine's measuring methods and the tonnage accounted for by the plant). For the International operations, dilution relates to unplanned waste and/or low-grade material being mined and delivered to the mill. Ranges are given for those operations that have multiple orebody styles and mining methodologies. The mine dilution factors are as follows: (i) Driefontein 23%; (ii) Kloof 27%; (iii) Beatrix 23%; (iv) South Deep 6%; (v) Tarkwa 11%; (vi) Damang 15% for hydrothermal and 20 cm for each of the hanging wall and footwall for paleoplacer; (vii) St. Ives 6% to 13% (open pits) and 2% to 47% (underground); (viii) Agnew 12% to 38%; and (ix) Cerro Corona 0%.

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- (d) The mining recovery factor relates to the proportion or percentage of ore mined from the defined orebody at the gold price used for the declaration of reserves. This percentage will vary from mining area to mining area and reflects planned and scheduled reserves against total potentially available reserves (at the gold price used for the declaration of reserves), with all modifying factors, mining constraints and pillar discounts applied. The mining recovery factors are as follows: (i) Driefontein 81%; (ii) Kloof 77%; (iii) Beatrix 50%; (iv) Tarkwa 98%; (v) Damang 100%; (vi) St. Ives 90% to 99% (open pits) and 75% to 95% (underground); and (vii) Agnew 100%. The methodology of this factor is currently being reviewed across the operations, and South Deep continues to be excluded from this summary pending completion of the review of the original acquisition model.
- (e) The pay limit (South African operations) and cut-off grade (International operations) vary per shaft, open pit or underground mine, depending on the respective costs, depletion schedule, ore type and dilution. The following are the average or range of values applied in the planning process: (i) Driefontein 1,170 cm.g/t; (ii) Kloof 1,310 cm.g/t; (iii) Beatrix 840 cm.g/t; (iv) South Deep 4.0g/t (at South Deep, the values are expressed in g/t, as focus is on tonnage rather than square meters, and they are only applicable to the area remodeled by Gold Fields); (v) Tarkwa 0.31 g/t for heap leach and 0.44 g/t for mill feed; (vi) Damang 0.70 g/t for fresh ore and 0.38 g/t for oxide ore; (vii) St. Ives 0.7 g/t for heap leach, 0.7 g/t for mill feed open pit, and 1.7 g/t to 3.3 g/t for mill feed underground; (viii) Agnew 0.37 g/t for mill feed stockpiles, and 3.1 to 4.4 g/t for mill feed underground; and (ix) Cerro Corona \$13.95 net smelter return (combined copper and gold).
- (f) Totals may not sum due to rounding. Where this occurs it is not deemed significant.
- (g) Due to the change in fiscal year end from June 30 to December 31 going forward, the South African pay limits used for reserves are based on the June 30, 2009 estimate of Rand 230,000 per kilogram (\$800 per ounce at an exchange rate of Rand 8.07 per \$1.00). The South African June 30, 2009 reserves have been depleted for mining and take into consideration (a) for Driefontein, the suspension of operations at Shaft No. 9; (b) for Kloof, the exclusion of lower grade ore removal from the Shaft No. 7 profile, based on the latest evaluation and (c) for Beatrix, the exclusions of G-Block and the south-western corner at the South Section due to economics and a desire to reduce Gold Fields environmental footprint, together with the inclusion of a small amount of surface material.
- (2) Actual gold produced after metallurgical recovery.
- (3) Above infrastructure reserves relate to mineralization which is located at a level at which an operation currently has infrastructure sufficient to allow mining operations to occur. Below infrastructure reserves relate to mineralization which is located at a level at which an operation currently does not have infrastructure sufficient to allow mining operations to occur, but where the operation has made plans to install additional infrastructure in the future which will allow mining to occur at that level. The current studies for below infrastructure reserves at Driefontein, which contemplate accessing the area via a sub-vertical shaft complex, are currently being reviewed versus multiple declines, which may materially impact the below infrastructure reserve ounces at this operation.
- (4) Includes some gold produced from stockpile material, which cannot be separately measured.
- (5) Excludes inferred material within the pit design.
- (6) See Risk Factors Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields included in this annual report and note (1)(b) above. The following table sets forth the proved and probable copper reserves of the Cerro Corona mine as of June 30, 2010 that are attributable to Gold Fields.

Copper ore reserve statement as of June 30, 2010⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

	Tons	Proved Reserves Grade Cu	Cu	Tons	Probable Reserves Grade Cu	Cu	Tons	Total Reserves Grade Cu	Cu	Attributable copper production in the 12 months ended June 30, 2010 (million lbs)
	(million)	(%)	(million lbs)	(million)	(%)	(million lbs)	(million)	(%)	(million lbs)	(million lbs)
Surface (Open Pit) Peru										
Cerro Corona	20.1	0.5	233	51.9	0.5	555	72.0	0.5	788	73.7

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Notes:

- (1) Metallurgical recovery factors have not been applied to the reserve figures. The approximate metallurgical factor for copper at Cerro Corona is 65% to 90%.
- (2) For the copper reserves, the optimized pit is based on a gold price of \$925 per ounce and a copper price of \$2.40 per pound, which, due to the nature of the deposit, need to be considered together.

Gold and copper price sensitivity

The amount of gold mineralization that Gold Fields can economically extract, and therefore can classify as reserves, is very sensitive to fluctuations in the price of gold. At gold prices significantly different than the gold price of \$925 per ounce used to estimate Gold Fields attributable gold reserves (excluding copper) of 75.9 million ounces of gold as of June 30, 2010 listed above, Gold Fields operations would have had materially different reserves. Based on the same methodology and assumptions as were used to estimate Gold Fields reserves as of June 30, 2010 listed above, but applying different gold prices that are 10% above and below the \$925 per ounce gold price used to estimate Gold Fields attributable reserves, the attributable gold reserves of Gold Fields operations, excluding South Deep, would have been as follows:

	\$833/oz	\$925/oz	\$1,017/oz
	(000 oz)		
Driefontein ⁽¹⁾	16,359	17,219	17,683
Kloof ⁽¹⁾	8,409	9,473	9,940
Beatrix ⁽¹⁾	4,977	5,740	6,492
Tarkwa	6,247	7,008	8,114
Damang	1,323	1,509	1,650
St. Ives	2,112	2,290	2,703
Agnew	1,102	1,226	1,333
Cerro Corona ⁽²⁾	2,216	2,216	2,216

Notes:

- (1) South African operations reserves include run-of-mine ore stockpiles and low-grade strategic stockpiles. Gold Fields is still evaluating the overall reserve position at South Deep following its acquisition of the mine during fiscal 2007. It has included the Phase 2 reserves for South Deep declared by the Placer Dome Western Areas Limited Joint Venture as at December 31, 2005, calculated using a U.S. dollar price of \$400 per ounce and has updated to June 30, 2009 for remodeling of the Upper Elsburg reefs in the Current Mine, Phase 1 north of the Wrench Fault and also Phase 1 south of the Wrench Fault (above mine infrastructure). Therefore, it is not feasible to present a comparable sensitivity analysis for South Deep. See Risk Factors Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields included in this annual report.
- (2) Under the current tailings dam design at Cerro Corona, reserves would not respond to an upward movement of the gold price because of current capacity constraints at the tailings storage facility for the Cerro Corona mine. A decrease of 10% in gold prices is insufficient to affect the level of gold reserves.

The London afternoon fixing price for gold on November 26, 2010 was U.S.\$1,355 per ounce. Gold Fields attributable gold reserves decreased from 78.9 million ounces at June 30, 2009 to 75.9 million ounces at June 30, 2010, primarily due to mining depletion.

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The amount of copper mineralization that Gold Fields can economically extract, and therefore can classify as reserves, could be sensitive to fluctuations in the price of copper. However, under the current tailings dam design at Cerro Corona, reserves would not respond to an upward movement of the copper price because of current capacity constraints at the tailings storage facility for Cerro Corona and a decrease of 10% in copper prices is insufficient to affect the level of copper reserves.

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The London Metal Exchange, or LME, cash buyer price for copper on November 26, 2010 was U.S.\$8,289 per ton.

Gold Fields' methodology for determining its reserves is subject to change and is based upon estimates and assumptions made by management regarding a number of factors as noted above under [Methodology](#) . Accordingly, the sensitivity analysis of Gold Fields' reserves provided above should not be relied upon as indicative of what the estimate of Gold Fields' reserves would actually be or have been at the gold or copper prices indicated, or at any other gold or copper price, nor should it be relied upon as a basis for estimating Gold Fields' ore reserves based on the current gold or copper price or what Gold Fields' reserves will be at any time in the future. See [Risk Factors](#) . Gold Fields' reserves are estimates based on a number of assumptions, any changes to which may require Gold Fields to lower its estimated reserves.

Geology

The majority of Gold Fields' gold production is derived from deep-level underground gold mines located along the northern and western margins of the Witwatersrand Basin in South Africa. These properties include the Driefontein operation, the Kloof operation, the Beatrix operation and the South Deep operation. These mines are typical of the many Witwatersrand Basin operations, which have been the primary contributors to South Africa's production of a significant portion of the world's recorded gold output since 1886.

The Witwatersrand Basin comprises a 6,000 meter vertical thickness of sedimentary rocks, extending laterally for some 350 kilometers northeast to southwest by some 1,200 kilometers northwest to southeast, generally dipping at shallow angles toward the center of the basin. The basin outcrops at its northern extent near Johannesburg but to the west, south and east it is overlaid by up to 4,000 meters of volcanic and sedimentary rocks. The Witwatersrand Basin is Archaean in age, meaning the sedimentary rocks are of the order of 2.8 billion years old.

Gold mineralization occurs within laterally extensive quartz pebble conglomerate horizons called reefs, which are developed above unconformable surfaces near the basin margin. As a result of faulting and primary controls on mineralization processes, the gold fields are not continuous and are characterized by the presence or dominance of different reef units. The reefs are generally less than two meters in thickness and are widely considered to represent laterally extensive braided fluvial deposits or unconfined flow deposits, which formed along the flanks of alluvial fan systems around the edge of an inland sea. Dykes and sills of diabase or dolerite composition are developed within the Witwatersrand Basin and are associated with several intrusive and extrusive events.

The gold generally occurs in native form, often associated with pyrite, carbon and uranium. Pyrite and gold within the reefs display a variety of forms, some obviously indicative of detrital transport within the depositional system and others suggesting crystallization within the reef itself.

The most fundamental controls of gold distribution are the primary sedimentary features such as facies variation and channel directions. Consequently, the modeling of sedimentary features within the reefs and the correlation of payable grades within certain facies is key to in situ reserve estimation as well as effective operational mine planning and grade control.

For a discussion of the geological features present at the Tarkwa, Damang, St. Ives, Agnew and the Cerro Corona mines, see the geology discussion contained in the description of each of those mines found below under [Gold Fields' Mining Operations Ghana Operations Tarkwa Mine](#), [Gold Fields' Mining Operations Ghana Operations Damang Mine](#), [Gold Fields' Mining Operations Australia Operations St. Ives, Mining Operations Australia Operations Agnew](#) , [Gold Fields' Mining Operations Peru Operations Cerro Corona](#) .

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Description of Mining Business

The discussion below provides a general overview of the mining business as it applies to Gold Fields.

Exploration

Exploration activities are focused on the extension of existing orebodies and identification of new orebodies both at existing sites and at undeveloped sites. Once a potential orebody has been discovered, exploration is extended and intensified in order to enable clearer definition of the orebody and the potential portions to be mined. Geological techniques are constantly refined to improve the economic viability of prospecting and mining activities.

Mining

Gold Fields currently mines only gold and copper, with silver as a by-product. The mining process can be divided into two principal activities: (i) developing access to the orebody; and (ii) extracting the orebody once accessed. These two processes apply to both surface and underground mines.

Underground Mining

Developing Access to the Orebody

For Gold Fields South African underground mines, access to orebodies is provided through vertical, inclined and declined shaft systems. If additional depth is required to fully exploit the reef, and it is economically feasible, then secondary (sub-vertical) or tertiary shafts are sunk from the underground levels. Horizontal development at various intervals of a shaft, known as levels, extends access to the horizon of the reef to be mined. On-reef development then provides specific mining access. South African mine layouts generally follow a linear, crisscross pattern, while Australian mines have more varied layouts and typically use a spiral-shaped decline layout to descend alongside the orebody.

Extracting the Orebody

Once an orebody has been accessed, drilling, blasting, supporting and cleaning activities are carried out on a daily basis. At Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix, the broken ore is scraped into and down gullies to ore passes, where it is channeled to the crosscut below. The ore is then hauled by rail to shaft ore passes, where it is tipped into loading stations for hoisting to the surface. At South Deep, now a fully mechanized mine, ore is hauled by trucks along decline corridors to ore pass systems which connect to corridor crosscuts below. The ore is then transported by rail and tipped into loading stations for hoisting to the surface. At the Australian operations, the broken ore is loaded straight from the stope face into trucks, using mechanical loaders, and hauled to the surface via the decline. Mining methods employed at Gold Fields conventional operations include longwall mining, closely spaced dip pillar mining and conventional scattered mining while at South Deep, horizontal and inclined de-stress mining, drift-and-bench as well as long hole stoping are applied. In Australia, extraction methods are highly mechanized, with mechanized equipment used within the declines and at the stope for drilling, loading and hauling.

Open Pit Mining

Developing Access to the Orebody

In open pit mining, access to the ore is achieved by stripping the overburden in benches of fixed height to expose the ore below. This is most typically achieved by drilling and blasting an area, loading the broken rock with excavators into dump trucks and hauling the rock and/or soil to dumps.

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Extracting the Orebody

Extraction of the orebody in open pit mining involves the same activity as in stripping the overburden. Lines are established demarcating ore from waste material and the rock is then drilled and blasted. The ore is loaded into dump trucks and hauled to the crusher or stockpile, while the waste is hauled to waste rock dumps.

Rock Dump and Production Stockpile Mining

Gold Fields mines surface rock dumps and production stockpiles using mechanized earth-moving equipment.

Mine Planning and Management

Operational and planning management on the mines receives support from corporate management and centralized support functions. The current philosophy is one of top-down/bottom-up management, with the non-financial operational objectives at each mine defined by the personnel at the mine based on parameters, objectives and guidelines provided by Gold Fields head office. This is based on the premise that the people on the ground have the best understanding of what is realistically achievable.

Each operation compiles a detailed one-year operational plan that rolls into a life of mine, or LoM, plan prior to the commencement of each fiscal year. The plans are based on financial parameters determined by the Gold Fields Executive Committee, or the Executive Committee. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees Executive Committee . The operational plan is presented to the Executive Committee, which takes it to the Gold Fields Board of Directors, or the Board, for approval before the commencement of each fiscal year. The planning process is sequential and is based upon geological models, evaluation models, mine design, depletion schedules and, ultimately, financial analysis. Capital planning is formalized pursuant to Gold Fields capital spending planning process. Projects are categorized in terms of total expenditure, and all projects involving amounts exceeding Rand 100 million (South Africa), A\$15 million (Australia) and U.S.\$15 million (Ghana/Peru) are submitted to the Board for approval. Material changes to the plans have to be referred back to the Executive Committee and the Board.

The South African operations have implemented an integrated electronic reserve and resource information system, called IRRIS, to enhance LoM planning capabilities. This system provides a common planning platform to facilitate quicker, more flexible and more accurate short- and long-term planning and more timely identification of production shortfalls. Short-term planning on the operations is conducted monthly and aligned with the operational plan. Financial and economic parameters for the LoM and the operational plan are issued to the operations from the Executive Committee and relevant survey and evaluation factors are determined in accordance with Gold Fields guidelines. Significant changes in the LoM plans may occur from year to year as a result of mining experience, new ore discoveries, changes in the ore reserve estimates, changes in mining methods and rates, process changes, investment in new equipment and technology, input costs and gold prices.

Processing

Gold Fields currently has 15 gold processing facilities (eight in South Africa, three in Ghana, three in Australia and one in Peru) which treat ore to extract gold and, in the case of Cerro Corona, copper and gold. A typical processing plant circuit includes two phases: comminution and treatment.

Comminution

Comminution is the process of breaking up the ore to expose and liberate the gold and make it available for treatment. Conventionally, this process occurs in multi-stage crushing and milling circuits, which include the use of jaw and gyratory crushers and rod, tube, ball and semi-autogenous grinding, or SAG, mills. Most of Gold Fields milling circuits utilize SAG milling where the ore itself and steel balls are used as the primary grinding media. Through the comminution process, ore is ground to a pre-determined size before proceeding to the treatment phase.

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Treatment

In most of Gold Fields' metallurgical plants, gold is extracted into a leach solution by leaching with cyanide in agitated tanks. Gold is then extracted onto activated carbon from the solution using either the CIL or CIP process. The activated carbon is then eluted with gold recovered by electrowinning.

Gold Fields has two active heap leach operations. In the heap leach process, crushed ore is stacked on impervious leach pads and a cyanide leaching solution is sprayed on the pile. The solution percolates through the heap and dissolves liberated gold. A system of underdrains removes the gold-containing solution, which is then passed through columns containing activated carbon. The loaded carbon is then eluted and the gold recovered by electrowinning.

As a final recovery step, gold recovered from the carbon using the above processes is smelted to produce rough gold bars. These bars are then transported to the refinery which is responsible for refining the bars to good delivery status.

At Cerro Corona, gold/copper concentrate is produced using a standard flotation process. The concentrate is then shipped to a third-party smelter for further processing.

Productivity and Cost Initiatives

Towards the end of fiscal 2008, the Gold Fields South African operations reviewed a number of their productivity and cost projects in order to ensure that focus was only on those projects with substantial value beyond the next two to five years. The result of the review was the identification of a suite of projects called Project M, as noted below:

Project 1M *One-meter extra face advance* is a productivity initiative that aims to improve quality mining volumes by increasing the face advance by between 5% and 10% per annum, based on financial year 2009 actuals. This should translate to similar improvements in tons broken over the same period. This should be achieved through the following key improvement initiatives:

drilling and blasting practices to improve advance per blast;

support, cleaning and sweeping practices to improve blasting frequency;

mining cycle, labor availability and training; and

improved pay face availability.

Project 2M *Mechanization of flat-end development*, which is development on the horizontal plane, is a technology sub-group initiative aimed at mechanizing all flat-end development at the long-life shafts of Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix. The aim of the project is to improve safety and productivity, reduce development costs and increase ore reserve flexibility. The project achieved a mechanized rate of 68% of flat-end development at the long life shafts by June 30, 2010. South Deep is excluded as it is already a fully-mechanized mine.

Project 3M is a suite of projects focused on reducing energy and utilities consumption, work-place absenteeism and surface costs, including supply chain costs. Project 3M comprises:

The Energy and Utilities Project focuses on reducing, by 10% by fiscal 2012, the consumption of power, compressed air and water. This project is driven primarily at reducing the safety risk to employees of interruptible power supply, maintaining the integrity of equipment and machinery in the face of power supply risks and minimizing the erosion of operating margins due to higher power tariffs and oil prices.

Some of the key initiatives include on-line monitoring of power consumption, main fan inlet-vane control, energy-efficient lighting, energy-efficient machinery and equipment, and reducing compressed air and water

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usage through stope shut-off valves. In the case of diesel, strict controls are being enforced, supported by the continued replacement of diesel with battery locomotives and outsourcing and upgrade of the old surface vehicle fleet.

The Workplace Absenteeism Project (Unavailables Project) focuses on reducing workplace absenteeism in order to minimize the impact of lost shifts on production. In the South Africa Region, the goal is to reduce absenteeism by 2%. Some of the key initiatives under this project include reducing unnecessary time spent by employees in training, work orientation and recruitment and healthcare assessment processes by creating a one-stop engagement and health-assessment center, particularly for Driefontein and Kloof. Stricter controls have been implemented to manage sick leave and its abuse, while maintaining focus on continual improvement of wellness programs and employee and union relations.

The Above-ground Cost Project focuses on reducing surface costs by at least R100 million per annum. Various initiatives are in place including review of surface labor, improving workshop performance, implementing salvage and reclamation programs, enhancing procurement processes, and efficient management and utilization of inventories through a vigorous application of standards and norms.

Project 4M *Achievement of the Mine Health and Safety Council (MHSC) Milestones, as agreed to on June 15, 2003.* This initiative focuses on the Mine Health and Safety Council, or the MHSC, milestones agreed to on June 15, 2003 at a tripartite health and safety summit comprising representatives from the Government, organized labor unions and associations, and mining companies. The focus is on achieving occupational health and safety targets and milestones over a 10-year period. In order to meet the noise-induced hearing loss target, a number of action plans, based on the highest potential exposure sources, were implemented. These include, *inter alia*: the silencing of all auxiliary fans, pneumatic loaders and diamond drills. Progress, as of June 30, 2010, was encouraging and for the three interventions was 97.4%, 85.6% and 93.4% across all four operations.

Silicosis remains one of the biggest health risks associated with the gold mining industry. In order to meet the silicosis targets the company has put several interventions in place. Interventions include the upgrading of tip filters by replacing complete unit installations of additional first stage pre-filtration systems, the use of foggers, footwall treatment, and the installation of tip doors. Progress as of September 30, 2010 was 50%, 83%, 100% and 65% across all four operations which should enable Gold Fields to meet its targets. Progress against all interventions is monitored monthly and reviewed quarterly. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Health and Safety Safety .

Refining and Marketing

South Africa

Gold Fields has appointed Rand Refinery Limited, or Rand Refinery, to refine all of Gold Fields South African-produced gold. Rand Refinery is a non-listed public company in which Gold Fields holds a 34.9% interest, with the remaining interests held by other South African gold producers.

Since October 1, 2004, Gold Fields treasury department arranges the sale of all the gold production from the South African operations. Rand Refinery advises Gold Fields on a daily basis of the amount of gold available for sale. Gold Fields sells the gold at a price benchmarked against the London afternoon fixing price. Two business days after the sale of gold, Gold Fields deposits an amount in U.S. dollars equal to the value of the gold at the London afternoon fixing price into Rand Refinery's nominated U.S. dollar account. Rand Refinery deducts refining charges payable by Gold Fields relating to such amount of gold and deposits the balance of the proceeds into the nominated U.S. dollar account of Gold Fields.

Ghana

All gold produced by Gold Fields at the Tarkwa and Damang mines in Ghana is refined by Rand Refinery pursuant to two non-exclusive evergreen agreements entered into in October 2004 between Rand Refinery and

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Gold Fields Ghana and between Rand Refinery and Abosso. Under these agreements, Rand Refinery collects, refines and sells gold as instructed by Gold Fields Ghana and Abosso. Rand Refinery assumes responsibility for the gold upon collection at either the Tarkwa or Damang mine. The gold is then transported to the Rand Refinery premises in Johannesburg, South Africa, where it is refined. Gold Fields Ghana and Abosso reimburse Rand Refinery for transportation costs. Under these agreements, Rand Refinery sells the refined gold on behalf of Gold Fields Ghana and Abosso at the London afternoon fixing price for gold on the date of delivery. Rand Refinery receives refining fees for gold received, and a realization fee for gold refined. Each of these agreements continues until either party terminates it upon 90 days' written notice.

Australia

In Australia, all gold produced by St. Ives and Agnew is refined by the Western Australian Mint. An evergreen agreement between St. Ives Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd, Agnew Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd and AGR Matthey, which became effective on September 1, 2002, has been transferred by Deed of Novation to the Western Australian Mint. The Western Australian Mint applies competitive charges for the collection, transport and refining services. The collection and transportation fees are calculated by the weight of the unrefined gold and a nominal fixed fee component. The refining fees are calculated per ounce of refined gold produced which includes small refining losses of both gold and silver, with additional assay and environmental disposal charges. The Western Australian Mint takes responsibility for the unrefined gold at collection from St. Ives and Agnew where they engage a sub-contractor, Brinks Australia. Brinks delivers the unrefined gold to the Western Australian Mint in Perth, Australia, where it is refined and the refined ounces of gold and silver are credited to the relevant metal accounts held by St. Ives and Agnew with the Western Australian Mint. St. Ives and Agnew then inform Gold Fields treasury in the corporate office in Johannesburg of the amount of fine gold available for sale in Perth, Australia. After such confirmation, Gold Fields treasury either sells the gold directly to the Western Australian Mint, at the London afternoon fixing price, or swaps it into London for a competitive fee per ounce, meaning the Western Australian Mint provides that volume of fine gold in London for sale by Gold Fields. In the case of a location swap, the Western Australian Mint is instructed to credit St. Ives' or Agnew's metal account held with Deutsche Bank, London. Once the gold is sold to a third-party, Deutsche Bank in London is instructed by Gold Fields to deliver the gold to the relevant counterparty bank. All silver is sold to the Western Australian Mint at market rates. The agreement with the Western Australian Mint continues indefinitely until terminated by either party upon 90 days' written notice.

Peru

La Cima has three contracts for the sale of the entire output of concentrate from the Cerro Corona mine, one with a Japanese refiner, one with a South Korean refiner and one with a German refiner. Two of the contracts expire on December 31, 2015, while the third contract expires on December 31, 2014. Under these contracts, La Cima is to sell approximately one-third of the concentrate to each company and to use reasonable efforts to spread the deliveries evenly throughout the year. Risk passes when the concentrate is loaded in the port of Salaverry, Peru or an alternative port chosen by La Cima. Pricing for copper and gold under each of the contracts is based on average LME copper prices and London Bullion Market Association gold prices, respectively.

World Gold Council

Gold Fields supports and participates in the gold marketing activities of the World Gold Council, or WGC, and, prior to January 1, 2009, contributed to the WGC in support of its activities at a rate of \$1.75 per ounce of the gold it produced in South Africa (excluding gold produced from the South Deep Project) and Australia and \$1.75 per ounce of its attributable production from Tarkwa and Damang. From January 1, 2009, the amount contributed per ounce increased to \$1.85 and from April 1, 2010, the amount contributed per ounce increased to \$2.00 per ounce.

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Mining activities require extensive services, located both on the surface and underground at the mines. Services include:

mining-related services such as engineering, rock mechanics, ventilation and refrigeration, materials handling, operational performance evaluation and capital planning;

safety and training;

housing and health-related services, including hostel and hospital operations;

reserves management, including sampling and estimation, geological services, including mine planning and design, and mine survey;

metallurgy;

equipment maintenance; and

assay services.

Most of these services are provided directly by Gold Fields, either at the operational level or through the head office, although some are provided by third-party contractors.

Gold Fields Mining Operations

Gold Fields conducts underground mining operations at each site except Tarkwa, Damang and Cerro Corona and conducts some processing of surface rock dump material at Driefontein, Kloof and South Deep. Processing of surface rock dump material at Agnew was completed in October 2008. Gold Fields conducts open pit mining at Tarkwa, Damang, St. Ives (which also conducts underground mining) and Cerro Corona and also processes material from production stockpiles at Tarkwa, Damang and St. Ives.

Total Operations

The following table details the operating and production results (including gold equivalents) for each of fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010 for all operations owned by Gold Fields during that fiscal year. The results of operations for mines sold during the relevant period are included through the date of execution of the sale agreement, which was November 30, 2007 for Choco 10 in Venezuela.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	50,376	52,907	56,702
Recovered grade (g/t)	2.4	2.2	2.1
Gold produced (000 oz ¹)	3,915	3,691	3,841
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	3,206.2	3,228.3	4,164.3
Total production costs ⁽²⁾	2,387.9	2,430.5	3,212.4

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Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	1,975.2	1,986.1	2,572.8
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	1,231.0	1,242.2	1,591.5
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	610	659	837
Total cash costs	505	538	670
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁵⁾	822	763	928

Notes:

- (1) In fiscal 2008, 3.670 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, in fiscal 2009, 3.414 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, and in fiscal 2010, 3.497 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields,

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with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana and Peru operations during fiscal 2010, attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana and Peru operations during fiscal 2009 and attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana and Venezuela operations in fiscal 2008.

- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses* and *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses*.
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses* and *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses*.
- (4) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.
- (5) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure*.

Underground Operations

The following table details the operating and production results for Gold Fields' underground operations for fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010. The underground operations include all of the mines in the South African operations and the underground portions of the mines in the Australian operations.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons ('000)	12,017	11,541	11,714
Recovered grade (g/t)	6.7	6.2	5.7
Gold produced ('000 oz ¹)	2,585	2,300	2,155
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	2,100.5	2,015.2	2,338.3
Total production costs	1,535.0	1,508.9	2,055.8
Total cash costs	1,244.7	1,216.6	1,640.0
Cash profit ⁽²⁾	855.8	798.6	698.3
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	594	656	954
Total cash costs	481	529	761

Notes:

- (1) In fiscal 2008, 2,585 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields. In fiscal 2009, all 2,300 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields and in fiscal 2010, all 2,155 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields.
- (2) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

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Tons milled from the underground operations increased from 11.5 million tons in fiscal 2009 to 11.7 million tons in fiscal 2010. At the South African operations, the increase was mainly due to the planned build-up at South Deep. The amount of gold produced from underground operations increased from 2.300 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 2.155 million ounces in fiscal 2010. This decrease was due to lower volumes as a result of safety related stoppages at Kloof. At Driefontein the decrease was due to the drop in average mining value resulting from the abandonment of high-risk higher grade areas and lower volumes from the higher grade Shafts No 4 and 5.

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The following table details the operating and production results (including gold equivalents) for Gold Fields' surface operations for fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010. Surface operations include all of the mines in the Ghana, Venezuela and Peru operations, the open pit portions of the mines in the Australian operations and the surface rock dump material at the mines in the South African operation. The results of operations for Choco 10 are included only through the date of the sale, which was November 30, 2007.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons ('000)	38,359	41,366	44,988
Recovered grade (g/t)	1.1	1.0	1.2
Gold produced ('000 oz ¹)	1,330	1,391	1,686
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	1,105.7	1,213.1	1,826.0
Total production costs	852.9	921.6	1,156.6
Total cash costs	730.5	769.5	932.8
Cash profit ⁽²⁾	375.2	443.6	893.2
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	642	663	686
Total cash costs	550	553	553

Notes:

(1) In fiscal 2008, 1.085 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, in fiscal 2009, 1.114 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields and in fiscal 2010, 1.342 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana and Peru operations in fiscal 2010, attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in both the Ghana and Peru operations in fiscal 2009 and attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Ghana and Venezuela in fiscal 2008.

(2) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

Tons milled and treated from the surface operations increased from 41.4 million tons in fiscal 2009 to 45.0 million tons in fiscal 2010, because of increases at Cerro Corona, Tarkwa and Kloof.

Driefontein Operation**Introduction**

The Driefontein gold mine is located in the Gauteng Province of South Africa in the Far West Rand mining district, some 70 kilometers southwest of Johannesburg. Driefontein operates under mining rights covering a total area of approximately 8,600 hectares. It is an underground mine with nominal surface reserves represented by rock dumps that have been accumulated through the operating history of the mine. Driefontein has multiple operating shaft systems and three metallurgical plants and operates at depths of between 700 meters and 3,420 meters below surface. The Driefontein operation has access to the national electricity grid and water, road and rail infrastructure and is located near regional urban centers where it can routinely obtain needed supplies. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, it produced 0.710 million ounces of gold. As of June 30, 2010, Driefontein had approximately 18,200 employees, including approximately 1,300 employed by outside contractors.

History

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Driefontein was formed from the consolidation in 1981 of the East Driefontein and West Driefontein mines. Gold mining began at Driefontein in 1952.

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Driefontein is located in the West Wits Line that forms part of the Far West Rand of the Witwatersrand Basin. The operation is geologically divided into an eastern section and a western section, separated by a bank anticline and associated faulting. Gold mineralization at Driefontein is contained within three reef horizons. The Carbon Leader Reef, or Carbon Leader, the Ventersdorp Contact Reef, or the VCR, and the Middelvllei Reef, or the MVR, occur at depths of between 500 meters and 4,000 meters. Stratigraphically, the Carbon Leader is situated 40 to 70 meters below the VCR and MVR and is a generally high-grade reef comprising different facies and dips to the south at approximately 25 degrees. The Carbon Leader subcrops against the VCR in the eastern part of the mine. The west-dipping Bank Fault defines the eastern limit of both reefs. The VCR is most extensively developed in the east, and subcrops to the west. The MVR is a secondary reef, situated approximately 50 meters above the Carbon Leader, and, at present, it is a minor contributor to reserves and production. The average gold grades vary with lithofacies changes in all of the reefs.

Mining

In the northern, older portions of Driefontein, which include Shafts No. 2, 6 and 8, production is focused on remnant pillar extraction and accessing and mining of secondary reef horizons. In the southern, newer portions of the mine, which include Shafts No. 1 and 4, the focus is on scattered or longwall mining. In the western portion of the mine, at Shafts No. 10 and 6 Tertiary, reclamation and cleaning operations are being conducted. The shafts at the deepest levels of the mine, consisting of Shaft No. 1 Tertiary and Shaft No. 5 Sub-Vertical, employ the closely spaced dip pillar mining method. This method provides additional mining flexibility.

Reviews of pillar mining were also conducted during the year, which led to the stoppage of extraction of numerous higher-grade pillars across the mine. These stoppages had a significant impact on gold production during the year.

Detailed below are the operating and production results at Driefontein for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	5,981	6,217	6,084
Recovered grade (g/t)	4.8	4.2	3.6
Gold produced (000 oz)	928	830	710
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	756.8	726.5	770.9
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾	477.6	448.7	579.1
Total cash costs ⁽²⁾	384.5	373.8	490.4
Cash profit ⁽³⁾	372.3	352.7	280.5
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	515	541	816
Total cash costs	414	450	691
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁴⁾	584	610	923

Notes:

- (1) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .

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(2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .

(3) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

(4) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure .

The decrease in tonnage from fiscal 2009 to 2010 was primarily due to reduced mining volumes at Shafts No. 1, 2, 4 and 5. This was as a result of the loss of flexibility arising from the abandonment of the high-risk areas, restrictions placed on labor during night shift due to seismic risk, and loss of production shifts due to safety-related stoppages imposed by the DMR and the mine itself. Gold production decreased primarily due to a drop in average mining value due to the abandonment of high-risk higher grade areas and the lower volumes from the higher grade Shafts No. 4 and 5. Gold Fields experienced an increase in total cash costs and total production costs per ounce of gold from fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010 at Driefontein, mainly due to increased costs and lower production.

In fiscal 2010, Driefontein continued to focus on the implementation of various new technologies and initiatives aimed at enhancing the health and safety of employees, improving mining efficiencies and streamlining the mining process. These initiatives included the introduction of electro-hydraulic loaders, new era locomotives and development drill rigs.

The Driefontein operation is engaged in both underground and rock dump mining, and is thus subject to all of the underground and rock dump mining risks discussed in Risk Factors . The primary safety challenges facing the Driefontein underground operation include falls of ground, seismicity, flammable gas, water intrusion and temperatures. Water intrusion is dealt with through drilling, cementation sealing techniques and an extensive water-pumping network. Also, because rock temperatures tend to increase with depth, Driefontein requires an extensive cooling infrastructure. Driefontein has instituted a number of initiatives to reduce the risks posed by seismicity, including a detailed analysis of previous seismic events, precondition blasting and backfilling, the use of a support system to reduce the impact of seismic ground motion and to monitor seismic risk parameters to allow quicker reactions to changes. Centralized blasting systems have also been installed to allow better control of blasting so that most of the mine seismicity is triggered during off-shift periods. In addition, during fiscal 2009, Driefontein adopted a revised stope support standard in all areas with friable hangwall and in areas that have the Westonia Formation Lava hangwall. Continued reviews of remnant and pillar mining areas were also conducted during the year leading to the stoppage of extraction at numerous higher risk areas across the mine. These stoppages reduced the falls of ground incidents in fiscal 2010, improving mine safety. Driefontein has contracted with external seismologists and rock engineers as a seismic task team to assess and improve seismic strategies.

On January 24, 2008, Gold Fields suspended all mining activity at its South African operations, due to Eskom advising their key industrial consumers, including Gold Fields, that they could not guarantee supply. On January 28, 2008, the power supply was restored to 71% of total average consumption allowing Gold Fields to begin ramping up production at its South African operations. Since March 2008, the total power available to Gold Fields' South African mines has been sufficient for the planned mining operations. See Risk Factors Some of Gold Fields' power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to severe power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields' results of operations and its financial condition . Driefontein participates in Project 3M to, among other things, reduce energy and utility consumption.

As a result of the electricity issues in January 2008, and capital allocation decisions, sinking operations at Shaft No. 9 have been suspended indefinitely. Gold Fields plans to continue to perform essential maintenance on the shaft so that the deepening project may be resumed quickly if Gold Fields decides to do so. In the interim,

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Driefontein will continue with the drilling program in the area below the lowest area currently being mined, targeting the area expected to be accessed by Shaft No. 9. Gold Fields is also conducting an optimization study on mining below current infrastructure. This study is currently investigating a viable alternative to the Shaft No. 9 project, such as a phased mini-decline system.

Driefontein continued to process low-grade surface material in fiscal 2010, for which the biggest risk is a decrease in grade of the remaining dumps. In order to manage this risk, the grade of the rock dumps is monitored on a daily basis. Grade management is undertaken through the screening of material to separate out the smaller fraction sizes of ore, which tend to be of higher grade. This process reduces the tonnage that will be available for processing. The surface operation safety risks include problems with ground stability, moving machinery and dust generation. Driefontein has a risk management system in place that guides the mining of the rock dumps to minimize these risks.

In total, during fiscal 2010, there were nine fatalities at Driefontein. Of these, two were due to seismic events, three were due to trucks and tramping, two were due to gravity falls of ground, one was due to heat, one was due to exposure to noxious gas and one was due to a locomotive accident. Since June 30, 2010, there have been three fatalities to date. The serious injury frequency rate (see Defined Terms and Conventions) for fiscal 2010 was 3.6 serious injuries for every million hours worked, as compared to a serious injury frequency rate of 3.0 for fiscal 2009 and 4.4 for fiscal 2008. The fatal injury frequency rate increased from 0.16 in fiscal 2009 to 0.19 fatalities for every million hours worked in fiscal 2010. In fiscal 2008, the fatal injury frequency rate was 0.26 fatalities for every million hours worked. A major source of accidents in the mine remains falls of ground, which make up about 18% of all accidents. Based on the results of the Presidential Safety Audit conducted in 2007, as well as the Du Pont audit in fiscal 2009, Gold Fields is designing a safety management system called the Safe Production Management System to address outstanding issues identified and to assist Driefontein and the other South African operations to improve health and safety to best practice levels. The mine also continued with the Masiphephe safety program, which incorporates elements of the Safe Production Management System, during the year. On July 19, 2010, the mine completed in excess of 1.6 million fatality-free shifts, which is a record achievement for the mine and set a new benchmark for deep-level gold mining in South Africa. Driefontein again maintained its Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series, or OHSAS 18001 certification, through external audits conducted in fiscal 2010.

During fiscal 2010, after each major mine incident or accident, Driefontein received, and complied with, various instructions to halt operations from the Principal Inspector of the Gauteng area of the DMR. During December 2009, the mine was closed for a week due to rescue and recovery efforts after a seismic event. As part of Gold Fields' compliance with these instructions, Driefontein participated in the Health and Safety Audit which checked legal compliance of the mine. The DMR has expressed its satisfaction with the mine's remedial measures. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees' Employees' Safety .

During fiscal 2010, there were two industrial actions that affected production at Driefontein. On October 29, 2009 and December 17, 2009 unauthorized days of mourning were held. Additional production was lost due to high non-available labor caused by unrest in the unsponsored settlement near Gold Fields' property, where a small portion of Driefontein employees have taken-up residence, from January 26, 2010 to January 29, 2010. For more information about labor relations at Driefontein, see Directors, Senior Management and Employees' Employees' Labor Relations South Africa . Driefontein's productivity improvement strategies continue to be hampered by high levels of worker absenteeism. Although the mine has succeeded in reducing the absenteeism rate, the sick rate, which is one factor of the absenteeism rate, remains an area of concern. Driefontein is continuing with a wellness program as an initiative aimed at improving the health of employees generally. The previous shortage of skilled labor at Driefontein has been eased following closures in other areas of the mining industry.

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The total shaft hoisting capacity of Driefontein is detailed below.

Shaft System	Hoisting capacity (tons/month)
No. 1	105,000
No. 2	165,000
No. 4	107,000
No. 5	150,000
No. 6 ⁽¹⁾	96,000
No. 7	190,000
No. 8	96,000
No. 10 ⁽¹⁾	121,000

Note:

(1) Shafts No. 6 Tertiary and 10 are currently only operated on a limited scale, with the focus on reclamation and cleaning. Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserve estimates at Driefontein and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Driefontein, Driefontein's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 17.2 million ounces (9.1 million ounces if excluding Shaft No. 9) of gold will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2042 (fiscal 2029 if excluding Shaft No. 9). However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which thus could materially change the life of mine. Driefontein achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in October 2009.

Processing

The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factors during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, for each of the plants at Driefontein:

Plant	Year commissioned ⁽¹⁾	Comminution phase	Treatment phase	Capacity ⁽²⁾ (tons/month)	Processing Techniques	
					Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010 (tons/month)	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽⁴⁾
No. 1 Plant	1972	SAG milling	CIP treatment and electrowinning	240,000	239,143	97%
No. 2 Plant	1964	SAG/ball milling	CIP treatment ⁽³⁾	200,000	178,561	91%
No. 3 Plant	1998	SAG milling	CIP treatment ⁽³⁾	115,000	89,199	91%

Notes:

(1) No. 1 Plant was substantially upgraded in fiscal 2004, and No. 2 Plant was substantially upgraded in fiscal 2003. No. 3 Plant was originally commissioned as a uranium plant and was upgraded to a gold plant in 1998. Therefore, No. 3 Plant lists the year commissioned as a gold

plant.

- (2) Nameplate capacity. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.
- (3) After CIP treatment, electrowinning occurs at No. 1 Plant.
- (4) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.
In fiscal 2010, the Driefontein plants collectively extracted approximately 96% of the gold contained in ore delivered for processing.

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Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$150 million on capital expenditures at the Driefontein operation in fiscal 2010, primarily on the Shaft No. 4 pillar extraction project, the Uranium Project feasibility study, ore reserve development, continuing mechanization and a residential area upgrade. Gold Fields has budgeted \$74 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$155 million of capital expenditures at Driefontein for fiscal 2011, principally for the Shaft No. 4 pillar extraction project, ore reserve development and a residential area upgrade.

Kloof Operation

Introduction

Kloof is situated approximately 60 kilometers west of Johannesburg, near the towns of Carletonville and Westonaria in the Gauteng Province of South Africa. The Kloof mine operates under mining rights covering a total area of approximately 20,100 hectares. It is principally an underground operation, with surface rock dump material being processed at the Kloof No. 1 Plant. Kloof currently has five operating shaft systems serviced by the Kloof No. 2 Plant, with surplus ore treated at the South Deep plant. Kloof is an intermediate to ultra-deep-level mine, with operating depths between 1,300 meters and 3,500 meters below surface. The Kloof operation has access to the national electricity grid and water, road and rail infrastructure and is located near regional urban centers where it can routinely obtain needed supplies. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, it produced 0.567 million ounces of gold. As of June 30, 2010, Kloof had approximately 16,700 employees, including approximately 1,300 employed by outside contractors.

History

Kloof's present scope of operations is the result of the consolidation of the Kloof, Libanon, Leeudoorn and Venterspost mines. Gold mining began in the area now covered by these operations in 1934.

Geology

The majority of production at Kloof is from the Ventersdorp Contract Reef, or the VCR, which occurs at depths of between 1,300 meters and 3,350 meters below surface. The VCR is a tabular orebody that has a general northeast-southwest strike and dips to the southeast at between 20 and 45 degrees. The Middelvlei Reef, or the MVR, is classified as Kloof's secondary reef and further minor production volumes are delivered from the Kloof Reef, or KR, and Libanon Reef, or LR.

Kloof lies between the Bank Fault to the west, and the north trending West Rand Fault to the east. The latter truncates the VCR along the eastern boundary of the mine, with a 1- to 1.5-kilometer up throw to the east. Normal faults are developed sub-parallel to the westerly dipping West Rand Fault, with sympathetic north- northeast trending dykes that show little to no apparent offset of the stratigraphy. A conjugate set of faults and dykes occurs on a west-southwest trend, with throws of 1 to 50 meters. Structures that offset the VCR increase in frequency toward the southern portion of the mine as the Bank Fault is approached.

Mining

The current preferred mining method at Kloof is breast stoping with closely spaced dip pillar mining, with limited application of longwalling and remnant pillar mining in the mature areas. Shafts No. 1, 3, 4 and 7 provide the main centers of current production at Kloof.

In fiscal 2010, Kloof's production was severely affected by damage to the Shaft No.1 infrastructure due to a burst pump column. Alternative pumping mechanisms have since been installed and production levels have been partially restored. The burst pump column is expected to be fully repaired by December 2010. Production was also affected by numerous safety-related shaft and full mine production stoppages that were imposed by the DMR or required by management as well as by underground fires at Shafts No. 1 and No. 7.

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Over the last several years, the planned extraction schedule for the Shaft No. 1 pillar, or the Main Shaft Pillar, in the VCR, was reduced from an initial 6,000 square meters per month to approximately 2,000 square meters in order to decrease seismicity. Recent work by Gold Fields and Groundwork Consulting (Pty) Ltd. indicated that, towards the latter stages of extraction, the sub-vertical shaft barrels would be threatened and would necessitate a replacement infrastructure, hence alternative scenarios that are being reviewed include not mining the inner section of the pillar in order to protect the Main Shaft infrastructure.

The profile for Shaft No.7 has also been significantly reduced and simulations of building up Shaft No. 4 production to replace the declining Shaft No. 7 profile are underway. Shaft No. 8 is predominantly mining the lower-grade MVR with reduced remnant mining on the VCR horizon.

Short-term grade management is well-entrenched at Kloof and initiatives to drive the Mine Call Factor, or MCF, and quality mining are in place to help achieve the full potential of the mining grade. The objective of the MCF program is to reduce the gap in grade between the stope face and the plant, by optimizing the size of rock fragments delivered to the plant and ensuring effective cleaning of ore accumulations.

Further work with regard to the 55 Line Decline project has indicated that approximately 60% of the ore reserves for the project lie above current infrastructure. An investigation into the possibility of accessing this portion of the project ore reserve without significant capital outlay or shaft infrastructure is underway. Planned infill drilling at Shaft No. 4 will further test the extent of certain higher-grade facies below the current infrastructure. Additional drilling is also planned to target the MVR area to the south of Shaft No. 1 sub-vertical and Shaft No. 8.

In line with the overall Gold Fields productivity initiatives, Kloof continues to focus on optimizing the safety of mine design and configuration of the mine, and ensuring that the high-productivity drivers of workforce motivation and competence are addressed through training and incentive schemes. The optimization of ore flow routes, surface and underground infrastructure, and ore body extraction, as well as footprint reduction initiatives, have been incorporated into the fiscal 2011 operational plan.

Detailed below are the operating and production results at Kloof for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	3,953	3,319	4,299
Recovered grade (g/t)	6.5	6.0	4.1
Gold produced (000 oz)	821	643	567
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	660.9	562.3	613.2
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾	445.6	413.7	548.4
Total cash costs ⁽²⁾	354.6	328.7	435.5
Cash profit ⁽³⁾	306.3	233.6	177.7
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	543	643	968
Total cash costs	432	511	769
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁴⁾	602	698	1,053

Notes:

- (1) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .

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(2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .

(3) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

(4) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure .

The increase in tonnage from fiscal 2009 to 2010 was primarily as a result of the increase in surface tons milled during fiscal 2010. Gold production for fiscal 2010 decreased by 12% to 0.567 million ounces from 0.643 million ounces in fiscal 2009, due to the lower volumes mined as a result of numerous stoppages during the year. Recovered grade decreased from 6.0 g/t in fiscal 2009 to 4.1 g/t in fiscal 2010, primarily due to the higher proportion of lower-grade surface tons processed during fiscal 2010 as part of the processing optimization effort and due to the reduction in higher grade underground volumes due to the factors referred to above. Total cash costs per ounce increased in fiscal 2010, due to cost increases relating to annual wage increases, electricity tariff increase exacerbated by the lower production.

The Kloof operation is engaged in underground and rock dump mining, and is thus subject to all of the underground and rock dump risks discussed in Risk Factors . A significant challenge facing the Kloof operation is seismicity, and a lesser risk is flammable gas. Gold Fields seeks to reduce the impact of seismicity at Kloof by using the closely spaced dip pillar mining method. In addition, during fiscal 2009, Kloof adopted a revised stope support standard in all areas with friable hangwall and in areas that have the Westonia Formation Lava hangingwall. Early detection and increased ventilation of the shafts are being used to minimize the risk of incidents caused by flammable gas. Kloof also requires extensive cooling infrastructure to maintain comfortable conditions for workers due to the extreme depth of its operations.

As discussed, the Kloof operation experienced a total suspension of production during the third quarter of fiscal 2008 due to power constraints. See Risk Factors Some of Gold Fields' power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to severe power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields' results of operations and its financial condition . An application for additional power was made to Eskom in fiscal 2009. This has been granted and Kloof is now permitted a greater power allocation than it used to have prior to the power crisis. This additional power is required for the installation of new ventilation equipment and the running of the mills at higher capacity. In addition, in the unlikely event of a total power outage for a prolonged period, Kloof has installed and commissioned an emergency generation plant to allow mine personnel to be evacuated speedily. Kloof participates in Project 3M to, among other things, reduce energy and utility consumption.

Seven workers lost their lives at Kloof in fiscal 2010, in seven separate incidents. Two were due to tool and equipment accidents, two were due to gravity falls of ground, one was due to a mechanical loader accident, one was due to a tramping accident and one was due to a mud rush. Since June 30, 2010, there have been two fatalities at Kloof. The serious injury frequency rates (see Defined Terms and Conventions) at Kloof in fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 were 2.6, 3.3 and 6.3 injuries per million hours worked, respectively. The fatality frequency rate in fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.15, 0.23 and 0.33 fatalities per million hours worked, respectively. Shaft No. 1 achieved one million fatality-free shifts in June 2010. Management is committed to reducing serious injuries and fatalities at Kloof through its safety programs, including the Kloof Ke Yone program to motivate front-line supervisors. To date, almost 100% of employees at Kloof have been through Self-Mastery Training and positive feedback on the program has been received. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Safety . Kloof maintained its OHSAS 18001 certification through external audits conducted in fiscal 2010.

In fiscal 2010, Kloof experienced numerous safety-related work stoppages imposed internally as well as by the DMR in relation to the fatalities discussed above. There were no strikes at Kloof in fiscal 2010.

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The total shaft hoisting capacity of Kloof is detailed below.

Shaft System	Hoisting capacity (tons/month)
No. 1	265,000
No. 3 ⁽¹⁾	131,000
No. 4	112,000
No. 7	176,000
No. 8	84,000

Note:

(1) This shaft does not hoist material to the surface. It has a capacity of 131,000 tons per month for sub-surface hoisting. Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserve estimates at Kloof and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Kloof, Kloof's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 9.5 million ounces of gold will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2030. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

Kloof achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in October 2009.

Processing

The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factor during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, for each of the plants at Kloof:

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled	Approximate
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase		for the year ended June 30, 2010 (tons/month)	recovery factor for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾
No. 1 Plant	1968	Traditional crushing and milling	CIP treatment ⁽³⁾	180,000	176,020	97%
No. 2 Plant	1990	SAG milling	CIP treatment and electrowinning	150,000	155,995	98%

Notes:

(1) Nameplate capacity. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.

(2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

(3) After CIP treatment, electrowinning occurs at No. 2 Plant.

In fiscal 2010, the Kloof plants collectively extracted approximately 97.5% of gold contained in ore delivered for processing. Following a review of the infrastructure at No. 1 Plant, it was decided that all of Kloof's surface material would be processed at the Kloof No.1 plant for the remainder of its operational life and only underground materials would be processed at the Kloof No. 2 plant, with overflow tonnages trucked over and processed at South Deep (which is adjacent to Kloof).

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Capital Expenditures

Gold Fields spent approximately \$146 million on capital expenditures at the Kloof operation in fiscal 2010, primarily on changes to high-density accommodations and building new houses for employees as part of socio-economic development programs, a refrigeration plant at Shaft No. 3, a pump system at Shaft No. 4, refurbishment of Shaft No. 2 sub-vertical steelwork and ore reserve development. Gold Fields expects to spend \$89 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$158 million on capital expenditures in fiscal 2011, primarily on ore reserve development, further changes to high-density employee accommodations as part of a ongoing socio-economic development program, building new low-density accommodations for Company officials, electrical system refurbishment and surface material treatment solutions such as the Python gravity plant.

Beatrix Operation

Introduction

The Beatrix operation is located in the Free State Province of South Africa, some 240 kilometers southwest of Johannesburg, near Welkom and Virginia, and comprises the Beatrix mine. The Beatrix operation was formerly known as the Free State operation.

Beatrix operates under mining rights covering a total area of approximately 16,800 hectares. Beatrix is an underground only operation. Beatrix has four shaft systems, with two ventilation shafts to provide additional up-cast and down-cast ventilation capacity and is serviced by two metallurgical plants. It is a shallow to intermediate-depth mining operation, at depths between 700 meters and 2,200 meters below surface. The Beatrix mine has access to the national electricity grid and water, road and rail infrastructure and is located near regional urban centers where it can routinely obtain needed supplies. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, Beatrix produced 0.392 million ounces of gold. As of June 30, 2010, Beatrix had approximately 11,800 employees, including approximately 900 employed by outside contractors.

History

Beatrix's present scope of operations is the result of the consolidation with effect from July 1, 1999 of two adjacent mines: Beatrix and Oryx. Gold mining commenced at Beatrix in 1985 and at Oryx in 1991.

Geology

The Beatrix mine exploits the Beatrix Reef, or BXR, at Shafts No. 1, 2 and 3, and the Kalkoenkrans Reef, or KKR, at Shaft No. 4 (the former Oryx mine). The reefs are developed on the Aandenk erosional surface and dip to the north and northeast at between four degrees and nine degrees.

In general, the BXR occurs at depths of between 570 meters and 1,380 meters and the KKR occurs at depths of between 1,800 meters and 2,200 meters. Both the BXR and KKR reefs are markedly channelized and consist of multi-cycle, upward fining conglomerate beds with sharp erosive basal contacts. A general east-west trending pay-zone, some 500 to 800 meters wide, has been identified east of Shaft No. 4 and is known as the main channel Zone 2. In addition, surface exploratory drilling, and underground development has confirmed the reserves to the south of Beatrix's Shaft No. 4 main channel in Zone 5, which now represents the majority of the reserves at the operation. Ongoing development and underground exploration drilling has continued over the past fiscal year so that all facies and structures have been updated and layouts and planning adapted. All new information is used as part of customary mine planning practices.

Mining

Beatrix is managed as three operational sections: the North Section (comprising Shaft No. 3), the South Section (comprising Shaft No. 2 and Shaft No. 1) and the West Section (comprising Shaft No. 4). No shafts were closed or opened in fiscal 2010.

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Mining at Beatrix is based upon a scattered mining method with the North Section being the primary source of production. Focus on increasing development volumes at all shafts to provide future mining flexibility and ore body definition remains essential at Beatrix. However, cessation of activities on some levels, as well as delays associated with water intersections and secondary support upgrading, resulted in a 28.8% decrease in main development volumes at Beatrix in fiscal 2010, as compared to fiscal 2009. The emphasis on development volumes is planned to continue in the six month period ending December 31, 2010 and fiscal 2011. Overall stoping volumes at Beatrix decreased by 8.4% between fiscal 2009 and 2010.

During fiscal 2010, the North Section activity focused on continued haulage development and building up stoping production to full production at the shaft. In general, development and stoping volumes were in line with expectations but were lower year on year due to hoisting constraints and revisions to the mine plan. The overall mining grade at the North Section declined year on year and gold output was affected by the lower mine call factor, or MCF, lower volumes, and the lower grades mined. Beatrix continues to seek to improve MCF at the mine. The power source being used for a variety of activities including drilling is primarily hydropower, as opposed to compressed air, with a majority of the mining equipment being run off a high-pressure water system. The benefits of the system include improved cooling underground, improved machine efficiency, lower noise levels and less electrical power usage

The South Section was repositioned during the latter half of fiscal 2009 to deliver reduced volumes at an improved grade during fiscal 2010. The volumes were reduced further at an improved grade to improve the economics and earnings at the South Section in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011.

The performance at Shaft No. 4 was according to plan in fiscal 2010, primarily as a result of higher values mined, offset by a lower MCF.

In fiscal 2010, ongoing improvements were made to rail tracks and ventilation conditions, to increase the logistics capacity and support future mining volumes, and they are expected to continue in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011. Lower-grade and marginal mining activities continued to be curtailed at Beatrix in fiscal 2010, despite the increasing gold price, as the mine plans to maintain operating margins.

Beatrix requires cooling infrastructure to maintain an underground working environment conducive to health and safety for workers at depth. The mine therefore has a refrigeration and cooling infrastructure in both its North and West Sections. The cooling infrastructure in the West Section consists of two bulk air coolers on surface. In the Zone 5 mining area, it consists of two bulk air coolers and some strategically placed cooling coils, and, in the North Section, it consists of a surface bulk air cooler constructed at Shaft No. 3.

Based on the higher gold price received and in anticipation of improving gold prices in the longer term, a number of incremental expansion opportunities are being examined at Beatrix. Initial development work on the Vlakpan project area commenced in fiscal 2008 which involves an extension of access levels from the infrastructure of Shaft No. 1 and Shaft No. 3. The down dip extension project to access ground below the bottom level of Shaft No. 3 has been revised due to the capital required and the hoisting constraint at Shaft No. 3. Selected high grade areas below current infrastructure will now be mined.

An extensive delineation drilling program was approved for fiscal 2010. Drilling of the surface holes at the Vlakpan area began in July 2009 and two holes have now been completed. Further holes may be planned, depending on results.

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Detailed below are the operating and production results at Beatrix for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	3,215	2,991	3,051
Recovered grade (g/t)	4.2	4.1	4.0
Gold produced (000 oz)	438	391	392
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	359.7	339.1	424.6
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾	269.4	267.7	364.0
Total cash costs ⁽²⁾	228.0	217.7	290.3
Cash profit ⁽³⁾	131.7	121.4	134.3
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	615	684	929
Total cash costs	520	557	741
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁴⁾	724	757	985

Notes:

- (1) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations' Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009' Costs and Expenses' and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations' Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008' Costs and Expenses'.
- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations' Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009' Costs and Expenses' and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations' Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008' Costs and Expenses'.
- (3) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.
- (4) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Costs' Notional Cash Expenditure'.

Total tons milled increased from 2.991 million tons to 3.051 million tons as the decrease in underground tonnage milled from fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010 was primarily due to hoisting constraints at Shaft No. 3 during the first half of the year, offset by low grade material (selected underground and dump waste) processed at No. 2 plant. There was no low grade waste processed in fiscal 2009. Gold production was higher in fiscal 2010 and the overall recovered grade in fiscal 2010 decreased due to the milling of the lower grade material from surface.

Beatrix processed 0.190 million tons of low grade material during the year and is expected to process more of its low-grade dumps at the No. 2 Plant during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 by milling and treating screened waste, underground waste from the West Section, and selected waste from the northern waste dump at West Section. The increase in total cash costs per ounce of gold and total production costs per ounce of gold from fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010 resulted primarily from increases in labor and electricity costs.

As discussed, the Beatrix operations experienced a total suspension of production during the third quarter of fiscal 2008 due to power constraints. Power has been restored to 90% of the historical average consumption profile and Gold Fields believes that Beatrix can be fully functional at current levels of electricity supply owing to the shallower depth at which Beatrix operates. Current mine planning and project implementation have taken these power constraints into account and are aligned with power availability. Beatrix participates in Project 3M to,

among other things, reduce energy and utility consumption. Beatrix also participates in a carbon credit program, whereby it plans to earn carbon emission reduction credits by extracting underground methane that can be used to generate electricity.

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See Risk Factors Some of Gold Fields power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to severe power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields results of operations and its financial condition .

The Beatrix mine is engaged in underground mining, and thus is subject to all of the underground mining risks discussed in Risk Factors . The primary safety risks at Beatrix are falls of ground, tramming accidents, winches, ventilation control and flammable gas explosions. Beatrix does experience seismic events and, while the seismic risk is much lower at Beatrix than it is at Kloof or Driefontein, the operation manages these events with a seismic network consisting of several geophones.

In February 2009, Beatrix introduced Khuseleka (be protected) phase II, which consist of a two day theory and practical training course to improve supervisors understanding of certain safety requirements such as risk assessment, planned inspections and observations, and communication. The focus remains on the predominant causes of incidents, namely falls of ground, tramming and winches/rigging, which are part of a formal remedial action tracking system. Methane hazard awareness training also remains an area of focus. During fiscal 2010, following two surveillance audits, Beatrix retained its OHSAS 18001 certification. Beatrix achieved 2.7 million fatality free shifts, followed by another one million fatality free shifts during fiscal 2010, as well as a 33% improvement in all injury rates.

The mine has an ongoing methane management system which includes the declaration by competent ventilation staff of certain locations as hazardous, methane emission rate monitoring, ongoing awareness campaigns as well as the deployment of gas, velocity and fan sensors connected to an electronic telemetry system to act as early warning. These sensors are connected to the mine s electronic telemetry system. Furthermore, all critical fans are connected to the telemetry system and, in certain instances, equipped with localized alarms. These safety systems are monitored on a 24-hour basis from a central control room from which action is taken in the event of alarm.

Although there was one fatality at Beatrix in fiscal 2010, Beatrix experienced no shaft closures for any material length of time due to accidents. The one fatality was due to a gravity fall of ground. Since June 30, 2010, there have been three fatalities at Beatrix to date. The serious injury frequency rate (See Defined Terms and Conventions) for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 2.77, 3.84 and 2.89 serious injuries for every million hours worked, respectively. In fiscal 2010, the fatal injury frequency rate was 0.03 fatalities for every million hours worked, while it was 0.13 in fiscal 2009. In October 2007, the DMR commenced an occupational health and safety audit at all mines, including Gold Fields mines. The audit of legal compliance has been completed and the audit results have been received. Beatrix has implemented action plans to address any issues raised. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Health and Safety .

There were no work stoppages due to national or local union stayaways in fiscal 2010. See Directors, Senior Management and Employees Employees Labor Relations South Africa .

The total shaft hoisting capacities of Beatrix are detailed below.

Shaft System	Hoisting capacity (tons/month)
No. 1	140,000
No. 2	140,000
No. 3	165,000
No. 4	120,000

Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserves estimates at Beatrix and that there are no changes to the current life of mine plan, Beatrix s June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 5.7 million ounces of gold will be sufficient to maintain production through to approximately fiscal 2023. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

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Beatrix achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in July 2009.

Processing

The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factor during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, for each of the plants at Beatrix.

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010 (tons/month)	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase			
No. 1 Plant	1983	SAG milling	CIP treatment	260,000	196,350	95%
No. 2 Plant	1992	SAG milling	CIP treatment	150,000	57,858	97%

Notes:

(1) Nameplate capacity. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.

(2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

In fiscal 2010, the Beatrix plants collectively extracted approximately 95.57% of gold contained in ore delivered for processing. In fiscal 2004, Gold Fields installed a Knelson concentrator at the No. 1 Plant which removes gold earlier in the metallurgical process. A gravity concentrating circuit, which was commissioned in November 2006, was installed at No. 2 Plant in order to reduce locked-up gold in the mills and to improve the overall recovery. These improvements to capacity are expected to remain effective going forward.

Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$86 million on capital expenditures at the Beatrix operation in fiscal 2010, primarily on ore reserve development, upgrade to rail infrastructure from high-volume stoping areas, continuing infrastructure development at Shaft No. 3, improvements at both No. 1 and No. 2 Plants in order to achieve compliance with the International Cyanide Management Code, hydropower equipment, changes to employee hostel accommodations. Gold Fields expects to spend approximately \$37 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and \$71 million on capital expenditures at Beatrix in fiscal 2011, primarily on ore reserve development, upgrades to rail infrastructure, continuing hostel accommodation changes, mechanization of horizontal development and the continuing infrastructure development at Shaft No. 3.

*South Deep Operation**Introduction*

Gold Fields acquired control of South Deep on December 1, 2006. South Deep is situated adjacent to Kloof, in the Gauteng Province of South Africa. South Deep is a capital project and remains a developing mine where currently most of the permanent infrastructure to support expanded production is under construction. During calendar 2010 the DMR approved the conversion of the South Deep old order mining rights into a new order mining right. Included in this approval was an additional portion of ground known as Uncle Harry's, which is contiguous to South Deep. The cumulative effect of this approval, together with the previous conversions for the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix Gold Mines granted in January 2007, is that all of Gold Fields' South African mines have now received their new order mining rights.

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South Deep is engaged in underground mining and is comprised of two operating shaft systems, the older South Shaft complex and the newer Twin Shaft complex, as well as one metallurgical plant. The South Shaft complex includes a main shaft and three sub-vertical (SV) shafts, two of which are operational. SV2 is used to hoist rock with SV3 being used to transport personnel and materials. SV1 is on care and maintenance and only the upper half of the shaft is accessible as shaft sidewall failure damaged the lower portion of the shaft prior to acquisition by Gold Fields. The Twin Shaft complex consists of a single-barrel main shaft and an adjacent bratticed ventilation shaft, or the Twins Main Ventilation Shaft. While the Twin Shaft complex forms the center of production and capital development activities, opening up, equipping and diamond drilling operations are being conducted in the South Shaft area in order to access new mining areas. The South Shaft complex operates to a depth of 2,650 meters below surface and the Twin Shaft complex operates to a depth of 2,995 meters below surface. South Deep's workings are at depth and therefore require a significant cooling infrastructure. The South Deep operation has access to the national electricity grid, water, and road infrastructure and is located near regional urban centers where it can obtain needed supplies and services. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, South Deep produced 0.265 million ounces of gold. As of June 30, 2010, South Deep employed approximately 6,700 employees, including approximately 3,600 contractors.

History

The current South Deep operations derive from the Barrick Gold Western Areas Joint Venture, which Gold Fields acquired in a series of transactions in the second and third quarters of fiscal 2007. The Barrick Gold Western Areas Joint Venture is named the South Deep Joint Venture.

Geology

Gold mineralization at South Deep is hosted by conglomerates of the Upper Elsberg reefs and the VCR. The Upper Elsberg reefs sub-crop against the VCR in a Northeasterly trend, which defines the western limits of the Upper Elsberg Reefs. To the east of the sub-crop, the Upper Elsberg reefs are preserved in an easterly diverging sedimentary wedge attaining a total thickness of approximately 120 meters, which is subdivided into the lower Individuals and the overlying Massives. To the west of the sub-crop, only the VCR is preserved.

The stratigraphic units at South Deep generally dip southward at approximately 12 to 15 degrees and the gold-bearing reefs occur at depths of 1,500 meters to 3,500 meters below surface. The gold grade generally decreases within a reef unit, gradually toward the east away from the Upper Elsberg reefs sub-crop, as sedimentary parameters influence the overall tenor of the reefs in the distal environment.

The North-South trending normal West Rand and Panvlakte faults, which converge on the western side of the lease area, are the most significant large-scale faults in the area and form the western limit to gold mineralization for the mine.

Production at South Deep is currently derived from the Upper Elsberg Reefs. The Upper Elsbergs occur to the East of a North-northeast striking subcrop with the overlying VCR. In general terms, the Upper Elsberg succession represents an easterly prograding sedimentary sequence, with the Massives containing higher gold grades and showing more proximal sedimentological attributes in the eastern sector of the mining authorization than the underlying Individuals.

Mining

South Deep uses trackless mechanized mining methods comprising an array of techniques and mobile machines to achieve the most efficient extraction system for a given area. The Upper Elsbergs are mined by a combination of long hole open stoping, drift-and-fill and drift-and-benching mining methods.

With future production volumes of the Upper Elsberg reefs remaining dependent on de-stress mining rates, de-stress mining on the Upper Elsberg individual horizon is drilled and cleaned by mechanized means. During

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fiscal 2010, the mine also commenced with long hole stoping operations at certain projects. The first trials were successful, and long hole stoping is expected to be a major component of production going forward.

South Deep, originally designed for conventional operations, has made the transition to mechanized mining. The production build-up is steadily progressing, with production from the mechanized section passing the 130,000 ton mark in May 2010. The mine passed in excess of 144, 000 tons in October 2010. During fiscal 2010, significant progress was made in removing hoisting and tramming constraints, and improving short term planning.

In order to ensure continuity in the mining operations, South Deep implemented a two blasting shift day and seven day operational week during fiscal 2010, which is expected to greatly assist in the continued production build-up at the mine.

South Deep remains a developing mine, with efforts focused on bringing the mine into full production by the end of 2014. Infrastructure development and installation progressed well during fiscal 2010. The equipping of the Twins Main Ventilation Shaft, which commenced in September 2009, passed the 2,000 meter mark in May 2010, without any injuries. The deepening of the Twins Main Ventilation Shaft commenced on April 14, 2010.

The new tailings storage facility, or TSF, required at South Deep for the life of mine production, is expected to be complete by the middle of calendar 2011. The surface prospect drilling program for the New Mine project is 55% complete, with the last drill hole expected by June 2012.

The focus for South Deep over the next five years is to complete the shaft, mining and engineering infrastructure to deliver full production by December 2014. This work is supported by increased production volumes at improved productivity levels and includes the opening up and delivery of the mechanized de-stress projects.

Detailed below are the operating and production results at South Deep for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	1,367	1,241	1,681
Recovered grade (g/t)	5.3	4.4	4.9
Gold produced (000 oz)	232	175	265
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	184.6	155.2	288.7
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾	213.2	157.6	276.3
Total cash costs ⁽²⁾	178.2	125.3	216.1
Cash profit ⁽³⁾	6.4	29.9	72.6
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	919	902	1,043
Total cash costs	768	717	816
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁴⁾	1,253	1,403	1,640

Notes:

- (1) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 - Costs and Expenses" and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 - Costs and Expenses" .

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(2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .

(3) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

(4) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure .

The increase in tonnage and gold production was due primarily to the continued build-up in mining production due to an increase in long hole stopping. Cash costs increased primarily due to the planned increase in labor in line with the project build-up as well as wage increases and normal inflationary increases partly offset by the increase in production.

South Deep is engaged in underground mining and is thus subject to all of the underground mining risks discussed in Risk Factors . The primary safety issues facing South Deep underground operations include seismicity (including seismic induced falls of ground) falls of ground due to gravity and the risk of pedestrians being struck by mobile equipment. Aerial support has been installed to prevent falls of ground. Strict adherence to safe operating practices and procedures are enforced to prevent pedestrians being struck by mobile equipment. South Deep is mitigating the seismic risks through de-stress mining, the application of backfill and leaving of regional support pillars. In addition, mechanized mining requires fewer workers and reduces the exposure of employees to higher risk areas. During fiscal 2009, South Deep implemented a one-pass mesh and bolt ground reinforcement and support system. Recent statistics related to falls of ground have confirmed the success of the campaign.

Gold Fields' power needs in South Africa are increasing as it builds up production at its South Deep mine. South Deep has requested an additional allocation from Eskom, which has informally indicated that the additional requested capacity should be made available.

Annual power cost increases in excess of inflation have been approved by the national energy regulator until fiscal 2015. In order to mitigate the cost impact, numerous power saving projects have been initiated to reduce power consumption by 5% in fiscal 2011 and another 5% in fiscal 2012.

In fiscal 2010, the serious injury frequency rate (see Defined Terms and Conventions) was 1.11 injuries for every million hours worked, as compared to 2.08 in fiscal 2009. The fatal injury frequency rate in fiscal 2010 was 0.08 fatalities for every million hours worked. There was one fatality at the South Deep operation in fiscal 2010 related to a tramming accident. This ended 18 months of fatality free operations at South Deep. Since June 30, 2010, there has been one fatality related to a tramming accident. In May 2010 Du Pont conducted a safety audit at South Deep. South Deep has formulated action plans to address the issues identified in the audit. See Information on the Company Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Health and Safety .

There were no labor-related work stoppages at South Deep in fiscal 2010. On November 12, 2010, the local branch of the National Union of Mineworkers declared a protected strike which ended on November 22, 2010.

The ISO 14001:2004 Environmental Management System certification was successfully maintained in fiscal 2010. During fiscal 2010, South Deep received OHSAS 18001 certification. South Deep's certification under the International Cyanide Management Code which it received in December 2008 will be reviewed in December 2011.

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The total shaft hoisting capacities of South Deep are detailed below.

Shaft System	Hoisting capacity (tons/month)
Twins Main Shaft	175,000
Twins Main Ventilation Shaft ⁽¹⁾	195,000
SV2 Shaft ⁽²⁾	60,000
South Main Shaft ⁽³⁾	60,000

Notes:

- (1) The Twins Main ventilation shaft is under construction and is planned to have a hoisting capacity of 195,000 tons/month once commissioned at the end of fiscal 2012.
- (2) This subvertical shaft is currently being refurbished and does not hoist material to the surface. It has a capacity of 60,000 tons per month for sub-surface hoisting during the repair process. Material from SV2 is hoisted to the surface via the South Main Shaft. Therefore, the South Shaft complex has a current combined hoisting capacity of 60,000 tons per month.
- (3) This shaft is currently being refurbished and has a capacity of 60,000 tons per month during the repair process. Assuming that Gold Fields does not materially increase or decrease reserves estimates at South Deep and that there are no significant changes to the life of mine plan, South Deep's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 29.3 million ounces will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2050. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine. See also Information on South Deep, Western Areas and BGSA and Risk Factors. Gold Fields has not independently confirmed the reliability of the South Deep, BGSA or Western Areas information for the period prior to their respective acquisitions by Gold Fields included in this annual report.

Processing

All processing at South Deep is provided by a single plant. The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factors during fiscal 2010 for the plant.

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques			Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010 (tons/month)	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase				
Twin Shaft Plant	2002	Primary SAG and Secondary Ball milling	Leach, CIP treatment with elution and electrowinning	220,000	140,071 ⁽²⁾	97%	

Notes:

- (1) Nameplate capacity as designed. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.
- (2) Excludes Kloof low grade surface material.
- (3) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

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During fiscal 2010, the South Deep plant treated an average of 0.140 million tons per month (excluding Kloof) made up of 0.124 million tons of underground material and 0.016 million tons of surface material from South Deep. Gold Fields originally planned to increase plant capacity from 220,000 tons/month to 330,000 tons/month. An additional exercise to review the viability of mining and the South Deep plant treating a further 120,000 tons per month is underway. The plant may also be expanded to include a floatation circuit, should the uranium project being considered go ahead. See Exploration Project 5M .

During fiscal 2010, 27% by mass of the annual tons milled was returned underground as backfill with the remainder sent to the TSF. The current backfill plant has the capacity to recover 45% by mass of the tons milled as backfill product. The current TSFs have a capacity of 132,000 tons per month and are reaching their limit. The construction of a new TSF for South Deep commenced in the first quarter of fiscal 2010 and is expected to be commissioned by June 2011.

Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$213 million on capital expenditures at the South Deep operation in fiscal 2010, primarily on continuing the infrastructure development, ventilation shaft deepening and the new tailings dam facility. Gold Fields expects to spend \$125 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$251 million on capital expenditures at South Deep in fiscal 2011, primarily on development, ventilation shaft deepening, the new tailings dam facility and full plant tailings backfill system.

Ghana Operations

The Ghana operations are comprised of the Tarkwa and Damang mines.

Tarkwa Mine

Introduction

Gold Fields Ghana, which holds the interest in the Tarkwa mine, is owned 71.1% by Gold Fields, 18.9% by IAMGold and 10.0% by the government of Ghana.

The Tarkwa mine is located in southwestern Ghana, about 300 kilometers by road west of Accra. The Tarkwa mine consists of several open pit operations on the original Tarkwa property and the adjacent southern portion of the property, which was formerly referred to as the Teberebie property and was acquired by Gold Fields in August 2000, together with a heap leach facility, referred to as the North Plant Heap Leach Facility. A new SAG mill and CIL plant commenced continuous operations at the Tarkwa property in November 2004. In December 2008, the expanded CIL plant was commissioned and the stacking of new ore at the South Plant Heap Leach Facility was terminated, although gold harvesting for the existing heaps will continue while it is economically viable. The expansion of the CIL Plant to incorporate a ball mill in close circuit with the SAG mill doubled the capacity of the CIL Plant to 12.3 million tons treated annually. In fiscal 2010, a High Pressure Grinding Rolls Facility was commissioned to re-treat stockpile material and to test the viability of re-treating the South Heap. The capacity of the facility is 3.3 million tons per annum. The total treatment capacity including both the North Plant and the CIL Plant is estimated to be 23 million tons per annum.

The Tarkwa mine operates under mining leases with a total area of approximately 20,800 hectares. It currently conducts only surface operations, although it previously had a small underground mining operation which it operated through July 1999 under Gold Fields' agreement with the government of Ghana. The Tarkwa mine has access to the national electricity grid, water, road and railroad infrastructure. Most supplies are trucked in from either the nearest seaport, which is approximately 70 kilometers away by road in Takoradi, or from Tema near Accra, which is approximately 300 kilometers away by road. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, Tarkwa produced 0.721 million ounces of gold, of which 0.512 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to minority shareholders in Gold Fields Ghana. As of June 30, 2010, Tarkwa had approximately 4,500 employees, including approximately 2,500 employed by outside contractors.

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Gold Fields is committed to sustainable development and acquiring and maintaining a social license to operate in each of the regions in which it operates. As part of this commitment, the Gold Fields Ghana Foundation supports a wide range of projects in the fields of social and economic development, education, and health.

History

Investment in large-scale mining in the Tarkwa area commenced in the last quarter of the nineteenth century. In 1993, Gold Fields of South Africa, or GFSA, took over an area previously operated by the State Gold Mining Corporation, or SGMC. SGMC had, in turn, acquired the property from private companies owned by European investors. Following initial drilling, feasibility studies and project development (which included the removal of overburden and the resettlement of approximately 22,000 people), mining operations commenced in 1997.

Geology

Gold mineralization at Tarkwa is hosted by Proterozoic Tarkwaian metasediments, which overlie but do not conform to a Birimian greenstone belt sequence. Gold mineralization is concentrated in conglomerate reefs and has some similarities to deposits in the Witwatersrand Basin in South Africa. The deposit comprises a succession of stacked, tabular paleoplacer units consisting of quartz pebble conglomerates. Approximately 10 such separate economic units occur in the concession area within a sedimentary package ranging from 40 meters to 110 meters in thickness. Low-grade to barren quartzite units are interlayered between the separate reef units.

Mining

The existing surface operation currently exploits narrow auriferous conglomerates from six pits, namely Pepe, Akontansi, Teberebie, Atuabo, Maintrain and Kottraverchy. Two pits, Atuabo and Maintrain were previously temporarily suspended whilst the VRA substation was being relocated. The substation has since been commissioned and mining has resumed.

Tarkwa uses the typical open pit mining methods of drilling, blasting, loading and hauling. The progression of blasting in the open pit occurs in steps of six meters (or in some cases three meters) with the ore loaded into 144-ton dump trucks.

Tarkwa currently presents no unusual challenges beyond those faced at most open pit and heap leaching mining operations, including variations in amenability of ores to leaching. However, harder ores are expected at Tarkwa which could reduce throughput and recoverable grade at the North Heap Leach facility. As yet, throughput has not been affected, but heap leach recoveries declined from 72% in fiscal 2009 to 68% in fiscal 2010 as a result of the increase in competent ore, which is less amenable to heap leaching. The operational challenges during the year consisted of initial delay in the completion of the CIL expansion project, challenges during the commissioning of the expanded plant and maintaining planned availability of an aging mining fleet.

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Detailed below are the operating and production results at Tarkwa for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	22,035	21,273	22,716
Recovered grade (g/t)	0.9	0.9	1.0
Gold produced (000 oz ¹)	646	612	721
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	531.5	537.2	790.1
Total production costs ⁽²⁾	357.0	417.8	533.6
Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	317.6	368.1	470.0
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	213.9	169.1	320.1
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	553	682	740
Total cash costs	492	601	652
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁵⁾	753	831	743

Notes:

- (1) In fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010, 0.459 million ounces, 0.435 million ounces and 0.513 million ounces of production, respectively, were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to minority shareholders in the Ghana operations.
- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses* and *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses*.
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses* and *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses*.
- (4) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.
- (5) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure*.

In fiscal 2010, overall ore tonnage mined was similar compared with fiscal 2009. Total waste mined increased by 1.529 million ton compared with fiscal 2009 as additional equipment was added to ensure that sufficient waste was mined to meet the production profile for the life of mine. Compared to fiscal 2009 levels, gold production at Tarkwa increased in fiscal 2010 primarily because of the commissioning of the newly expanded CIL plant. Total cash costs per ounce of gold increased approximately 9% during fiscal 2010, primarily due to increased fuel, power and royalty costs.

Gold Fields Ghana, among other mining companies in Ghana, was asked by the state electricity supplier, the Volta River Authority, or VRA, in August 2006 to significantly reduce its electricity demand largely because of the low water reservoir level of the VRA's Akosombo generating facility and concerns about its ability to meet future supply and demand at then present consumption levels. As part of the efforts to stabilize the

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power supply situation, during fiscal 2008, the four largest mining companies in Ghana, including Gold Fields Ghana, formed a consortium and agreed to jointly fund the construction of an 80MW power plant, known as the Mining Reserve Plant, or MRP, to guarantee electricity supply into the future. The MRP was commissioned in the second quarter of fiscal 2008 and has been put into service to stabilize power during periods of peak demand.

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The gold mining industry in Ghana has been notified by the VRA of new rates of between \$0.12 and \$0.165 per kilowatt hour under which the services of the VRA and the services of the transmission and distribution utility are to be billed separately. These new rates have been billed to both the Tarkwa and Damang mines. Gold Fields Ghana is a bulk permit holder, which allows it to negotiate rates with the VRA and Gold Fields Ghana began such negotiations in August 2010. See Risk Factors Some of Gold Fields power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to severe power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields results of operations and its financial condition .

During fiscal 2009, the VRA ceased providing electricity transmission as part of the power sector restructuring program in Ghana. A new Government-owned transmission company called the Ghana Grid Company Limited, or GRIDCo, was formed to carry out the transmission functions. The VRA is now responsible for the generation of power alongside other power generation companies that are emerging. A new VRA substation has been installed close to the Tarkwa mine and the mine has been connected to the national network to the north in addition to the existing southern connection, which is expected to result in more reliable electricity transmission.

Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserves estimates at Tarkwa and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Tarkwa, Tarkwa's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 9.9 million ounces (7.0 million of which were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana operations) will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2022. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

The Tarkwa mine is engaged in open pit mining and is thus subject to all of the risks associated with open pit mining discussed in Risk Factors . Although surface mining generally is less dangerous than underground mining, serious and even fatal accidents do still occur. Tarkwa had no fatalities in fiscal 2010 and had no fatalities in fiscal 2009. Since June 30, 2010, there has been one fatality at Tarkwa. The serious injury frequency rate for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.19, 0.3 and 0.2 serious injuries for every million hours worked, respectively. The fatal injury frequency rate (see Defined Terms and Conventions) for fiscal 2010 was 0.0 fatal injuries for every million hours worked, while for 2009 and 2008 it was 0.0 and 0.2 fatal injuries for every million hours worked, respectively. OHSAS 18001 certification was maintained during the year and Tarkwa received the safety award of Most Improved Mine from the Ghana Inspector of Mines. The mine also was recertified under the ISO 14001 standard during fiscal 2009. Tarkwa achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in June 2008.

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Tarkwa ore can be processed using either conventional heap leach techniques with acceptable recoveries or SAG milling with a CIL plant. The operation incorporates two separate heap leach circuits, the North Plant and the South Plant. The operation also incorporates a SAG mill with a CIL plant which was commissioned in 2004. An expansion of the CIL Plant to incorporate a ball mill was commissioned in December 2008. The design of a secondary crushing step on the CIL plant is currently underway. The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factors during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, for each of the plants at Tarkwa.

Plant	Year commissioned	Comminution phase	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽⁴⁾	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30 2010 ⁽²⁾
			Treatment phase				
CIL Plant	2004	SAG milling (with ball mill) ⁽³⁾	CIL treatment		1,000,000	931,830	97%
North Plant Heap Leach Facility	1997	Multiple-stage crushing and screening process and agglomeration	Heap leach with ADR treatment		810,000	788,000	76%
High Pressure Grinding Rolls Facility	2010	High Pressure Grinding Roll Milling	Heap leach with ADR treatment		275,000	269,000	51%

Notes:

- (1) Nameplate capacity as designed. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.
- (2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.
- (3) The ball mill was added in December 2008.
- (4) Heap leach recoveries are the result of an extended solution application process with full recovery requiring several leach cycles. Full recovery of all recoverable gold for current ores is only achieved over several years. Thus, recoveries must be considered in terms of recovery as time progresses, or a progressive recovery. Over time, Gold Fields expects both plants to achieve progressive recovery factors of about 64% of contained gold, equivalent to full recovery of all recoverable gold during the life of mine. The SAG Mill and CIL plant operated 6% below nameplate capacity during fiscal 2010. The amount of tonnage treated at the heap leach facilities decreased by 2.0 million tons in fiscal 2010 as a result of the CIL expansion and increasing ore competency. The CIL plant processed 11.18 million tons in fiscal 2010, as compared to 7.73 million tons in fiscal 2009. The High Pressure Grinding Rolls Facility processed 2.16 million tons in fiscal 2010.

Capital Expenditure

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Gold Fields spent approximately \$65 million on capital expenditures at the Tarkwa operation in fiscal 2010 (excluding \$84 million spent on capital waste mining, which is expensed), primarily on the primary and ancillary

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mining fleet and the commissioning of the High Pressure Grinding Rolls Facility. Gold Fields has budgeted \$92 million (excluding \$51 million capital waste mining, which is expensed) for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$115 million for capital expenditures at Tarkwa for fiscal 2011 (excluding \$105 million to be spent on capital waste mining, which is expensed), principally for a new tailings dam and workshop expansion.

Damang Mine

Introduction

Abosso, which owns the interest in the Damang mine, is owned 71.1% by Gold Fields, 18.9% by IAMGold and 10% by the Ghanaian government, mirroring the shareholding structure of Gold Fields Ghana.

The Damang deposits are located in the Wassa West District in southwestern Ghana approximately 330 kilometers by road west of Accra and approximately 30 kilometers by road northeast of the Tarkwa mine. The Damang mine consists of an open pit operation with a SAG mill and CIL processing plant.

Damang operates under a mining lease with a total area of approximately 8,100 hectares. The Damang mine has access to the national electricity grid and water and road infrastructure. Most supplies are brought in by road from the nearest seaport, Takoradi, which is approximately 200 kilometers away, or from Accra, which is approximately 360 kilometers away by road. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, the Damang mine produced 0.207 million ounces of gold, of which 0.147 million ounces were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Abosso. As of June 30, 2010, Damang had approximately 1,500 employees, including approximately 1,100 that were employed by outside contractors.

History

Mining on the Abosso concession began with underground mining in the early twentieth century. Surface mining at Damang commenced in August 1997 and Gold Fields assumed control of operations on January 23, 2002. Historically, the underground mine was in operation from 1878 until 1956.

Geology

Damang is located on the Damang Anticline, which is marked by Tarkwaian metasediments on the east and west limbs, around a core of Birimian metasediments and volcanics. Gold in the Tarkwaian metasediment and volcanics is predominantly found in the conglomerates of the Banket Formation and is similar to the Witwatersrand in South Africa; however, at Damang, hydrothermal processes have enriched much of this palaeoplacer mineralization. Within the region, the contact between the Birimian and Tarkwaian metasediment and volcanics is commonly marked by zones of intense shearing and is host to a number of significant shear hosted gold deposits including Prestea, Bogoso, and Obuasi.

Palaeoplacer mineralization occurs on the west limb of the anticline at Abosso, Chida, and Tomento, and on the east limb of the anticline at the Kwesie, Lima South, and Bonsa North locations. Hydrothermal enrichment of the Tarkwaian palaeoplacer occurs at the Rex, Amoanda, and Nyame areas on the west limb and the Damang and Bonsa areas on the east limb.

Mining

Damang uses the typical open pit mining methods of drilling, blasting, loading and hauling. The progression of blasting in the open pit occurs in six-meter benches, which are then combined to form steps of three meters with the ore and waste loaded into 100-ton dump trucks. The primary operational challenges include managing the Damang Pit Cut Back, or DPCB, and maintaining adequate and timely supply of appropriate plant feed blend. There were no material stoppages to the mining operations during fiscal 2010.

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During fiscal 2010, the DPCB pit remained the high-grade fresh ore feed source to the plant. Of the five Tomento pits, four were fully depleted by the end of fiscal 2008 and the oxide in the fifth pit, the Tomento pit 2, is planned for depletion during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011. Currently, the main oxide feed sources to the plant are the Tomento East and Rex pits, which were started during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008 and the first quarter of fiscal 2009, respectively.

The DPCB waste stripping continued in fiscal 2010. Approval was sought for additional waste stripping expenditure over the life of the pit. The waste stripping expenditure, which is projected to increase compared to the original forecast due to the increase in mining volumes and the increasing contract rates of African Mining Services (Ghana) Pty Ltd, or AMS, the main contractor at Damang, is required for the continued development of the DPCB. In addition, a scoping study supplementary to the pre-feasibility study was completed to evaluate the underground mining potential at Abosso Deeps, an area at the southern end of the Damang lease area near the old Abosso underground mine. The scoping study identified that additional drilling from the surface as well as a study into the feasibility of alternative mining methods were required. A second phase of drilling on Abosso Deeps was completed during fiscal 2010. Based on the results of this drilling, Gold Fields will determine whether to undertake a feasibility study. The current focus for immediate growth will be concentrated on the larger Damang and Amoanda areas prior to returning to the Abosso Deeps area.

The extension of mining activities to the old Abosso mine tailings coupled with the sterilization drilling of the proposed waste dumping area resulted in compensation needing to be paid to farmers and a resettlement of 44 property owners from four smaller villages in fiscal 2010. The sterilization program became necessary due to limited space being available for waste dumping facilities around the Damang cutback. Resettlement agreements were signed and houses were constructed for property owners in the Huni-Valley and Damang villages without any community incident. Compensation payments and resettlement efforts will be required for the Amoanda Tomento corridor area in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, due to on-going extensive exploration in the area.

There was an upsurge in illegal mining on the concession at the beginning of the financial year, which was resolved through negotiations, with assistance from the District Security Committee (DISEC) of Prestea Huni-Valley, and the establishment of a task force managed by local Chiefs.

AMS performs a substantial proportion of the mining operations at Damang. In January 2006, AMS was awarded a six-year contract beginning June 25, 2005 to reflect the increased scope of works from mining the DPCB and the Damang satellite pits. In July 2008, the AMS contract was extended by three years. AMS provides employees, supplies and equipment for mining at Damang, which includes drilling, blasting and waste stripping. AMS receives fees under the contract which depend on the type of service being performed and the equipment being used. Under the terms of the contract, AMS is liable for any damage or loss it causes, including that caused by any subcontractor it hires. AMS is not liable for damage that is the result of work performed in accordance with the terms of the contract that is unavoidable or that is caused by any negligent act or omission of employees of Abosso or third parties over whom AMS has no control. AMS is required to take out insurance to cover potential damage and liability. Abosso can terminate its contract at any time; however, there are significant penalties associated with doing this, particularly early on in the life of the contract. In the event of termination, Abosso is under no obligation to purchase any of the AMS equipment, although, should AMS agree, it would have an option to purchase such equipment. Gold Fields has terminated the contract with AMS which termination will be effective March 24, 2011. After a study which indicated a substantial cost saving, Damang will move from the outsourced contract with AMS to owner-mining from March 2011. The company is currently purchasing the necessary fleet of vehicles, spare parts, and consumables.

A different contractor, Engineers & Planners Company Limited, performs the ore haulage contract work at Damang, using 30-ton trucks to haul the material from the various satellite pits to the Run of Mine, or RoM, pad, which is the ore stockpile dump close to the crushing plant.

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Detailed below are the operating and production results at Damang for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Tons (000)	4,516	4,991	5,028
Recovered grade (g/t)	1.3	1.2	1.3
Gold produced (000 oz ¹)	194	200	207
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	160.4	175.7	226.9
Total production costs ⁽²⁾	131.6	144.0	135.5
Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	127.8	134.4	128.7
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	32.6	41.3	98.2
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	678	719	653
Total cash costs	658	671	621
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁵⁾	717	745	738

Notes:

- (1) In fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010, 0.138 million ounces, 0.142 million ounces and 0.147 million ounces of production, respectively, were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Abosso.
- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (4) Cash profit represents revenue less total cash costs.
- (5) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' Costs Notional Cash Expenditure .

The gold production in fiscal 2010 increased primarily due to higher grade gold and increased throughput. The grade, increased as a result of higher grade areas of DPCB and Tomento and Abosso Tailings being mined. Total production and cash costs decreased in fiscal 2010 due to an increase in gold ounces mined, offset partly by significantly increased fuel, power and royalty costs. The mill costs also increased due to an increased level of required maintenance on the processing plant.

Damang obtains its electricity indirectly from the VRA, which generates the electricity. The electricity is distributed by Electricity Company of Ghana, or ECG, which is a distributor for GRIDCo, the electricity transmission utility. The gold mining industry in Ghana has been notified by the VRA of new rates of between \$0.12 and \$0.165 per kilowatt hour under which the services of the VRA and the services of the transmission and distribution utility are to be billed separately. These new rates have been billed to both the Tarkwa and Damang mines. Gold Fields Ghana is a bulk permit holder, which allows it to negotiate rates with the VRA and Gold Fields Ghana began such negotiations in August 2010. See Risk

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Factor Some of Gold Fields power suppliers have forced it to halt or curtail activities at its mines, due to sever power disruptions. Power stoppages, fluctuations and power cost increases may adversely affect Gold Fields results of operations and its financial condition .

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Damang has a back-up power generation facility that is owned and controlled by the mine. This is only used during power outages or reduced grid supply capacity from the VRA or the ECG.

Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserves estimates at Damang and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Damang, Damang's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 2.1 million ounces (approximately 1.5 million of which were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana operations) will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2019. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors that can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

The Damang mine comprises open pit mining, and is thus subject to all of the risks associated with open pit mining discussed in Risk Factors. Although surface mining generally is less dangerous than underground mining, serious and even fatal accidents do still occasionally occur. The Damang mine has not had a fatal injury since its acquisition by Gold Fields in 2002, including to date. The serious injury frequency rate (see Defined Terms and Conventions) at Damang for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.17, 0.33 and 0.16 serious injuries for every million hours worked.

The Damang mine has introduced a safety management system in accordance with OHSAS 18001 and, in fiscal 2010, it was again selected by the Ghana Inspector of Mines as the safest mine in Ghana. The environmental management system at the mine is certified to the ISO 14001 standard. There were no strikes or material work stoppages at Damang in fiscal 2010 or to date. Damang achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in May 2008.

Processing

All ore at Damang is processed through a single facility. The following table sets forth the year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factor during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 for the plant.

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30 2010 ⁽²⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase			
Processing Plant	1997 ⁽³⁾	Primary and two-stage secondary crushing with SAG and ball milling	CIL treatment	383,000	418,857	93%

Notes:

(1) Nameplate capacity as designed. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.

(2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

(3) The secondary crusher was commissioned in 2010.

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Optimization of the Damang mill involves careful blending of hard and soft ores to maximize use of the milling circuit, which remains the major throughput constraint in this plant. Mining operations continue to focus on maintaining an appropriate plant feed blend.

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The installation and commissioning of a secondary crusher, intended to increase the higher-grade, hard fresh ore production in the mill feed, was completed on April 30, 2010. The optimization and fine tuning of the secondary crusher to increase the performance of the plant is still in progress. Changes to the SAG mill to accommodate the new feed type are also in progress.

The walls of the East Tailings Storage Facility were raised during fiscal 2008 to increase the capacity of the facility and the work was completed during the second quarter of fiscal 2009. Damang currently has 12 to 18 months of government approved capacity at its tailings storage and waste storage facilities. Permission is being sought from the EPA to raise the tailings dam wall.

Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$30 million on capital expenditures at the Damang mine in fiscal 2010, primarily on exploration and installation of a secondary crusher. Gold Fields has budgeted \$29 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$64 million of capital expenditures at Damang for fiscal 2011, primarily for the acquisition of new mining equipment and exploration.

Australia Operations

When Gold Fields acquired the St. Ives and Agnew gold mining operations from WMC Resources Limited, or WMC, on November 30, 2001, part of the purchase consideration included Gold Fields agreeing to pay a royalty to WMC. Separate, but similar, royalties were payable for gold produced from the St. Ives and Agnew operations, calculated as follows:

4% of the net smelter returns for gold produced from St. Ives to the extent that cumulative production of gold from November 30, 2001 exceeded 3.3 million ounces, but subject to the average spot price of gold for the relevant quarter exceeding A\$400 per ounce. A similar royalty was payable for gold production at Agnew but only for cumulative production of gold from November 30, 2001 in excess of 0.8 million ounces; and

a price participation royalty equal to 10% of the difference between revenue calculated at the spot gold price expressed in Australian dollars per ounce and at A\$600 per ounce of gold in respect of all gold produced from the St. Ives and Agnew operations each quarter after November 30, 2001, subject to the spot price of gold exceeding A\$600 per ounce.

On June 26, 2002, WMC agreed to give up its right to receive royalties from the Agnew operation in exchange for a payment of A\$3.6 million. In July 2002, WMC sold its right to royalties from the St. Ives operation to Morgan Stanley. During fiscal 2009, the gold price continued to exceed the A\$600 per ounce price required to trigger the price participation royalty and, as a result, royalties of A\$25.8 million (approximately U.S.\$19.1 million) were expensed in fiscal 2009. During June 2008, St. Ives exceeded the threshold of 3.3 million ounces of cumulative production of gold from November 30, 2001, creating the liability to pay the 4% net smelter return royalty on subsequent ounces sold, and, as a result, additional royalties of A\$20.5 million (approximately U.S.\$15.2 million) were expensed in fiscal 2009.

On August 26, 2009, Gold Fields executed an agreement with Morgan Stanley pursuant to which the royalty payable by St. Ives to certain subsidiaries of Morgan Stanley was terminated for a consideration of A\$308 million (\$267.1 million). See *Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Recent Developments Termination of Royalty Over St. Ives* .

St. Ives

Introduction

St. Ives is located 80 kilometers south of Kalgoorlie and 20 kilometers south of Kambalda, straddling Lake Lefroy in Western Australia. It holds exploration licenses, prospecting licenses and mining leases covering a total

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area of approximately 97,700 hectares. St. Ives is both a surface and underground operation, with a number of open pits, four operating underground mines, a metallurgical CIP plant and a heap leach facility. The St. Ives operation obtains electricity pursuant to a contract with a major mining company that expires in January 2014 and has access to water, rail, air and road infrastructure. Needed supplies are trucked in locally from both Perth and Kalgoorlie. In fiscal 2010, St. Ives produced 0.421 million ounces of gold. St. Ives had a workforce of approximately 1,100 employees as of June 30, 2010, approximately 800 of whom were employed by outside contractors.

Gold production takes place over an extensive area at St. Ives, although it is mainly concentrated in a 55-kilometer corridor extending south-southeast from Kambalda across Lake Lefroy.

History

Gold mining began in the St. Ives area in 1897, with WMC commencing gold mining operations at St. Ives in 1980. Gold Fields acquired the St. Ives gold mining operation from WMC in November 2001.

Geology

The gold deposits of St. Ives are located at the southern end of the Norseman-Wiluna greenstone belt of the West Australian Goldfields Province. In the St. Ives area the belt consists of Kalgoorlie Group volcanic rocks, Black Flag group felsic volcanic rocks and sediments and a variety of intrusive and overlying post-tectonic sediments. The area is structurally complex, with host rocks metamorphosed to upper greenschist and lower amphibolite facies. Gold mineralization discovered to date is best developed in the mafic-dominated parts of the sequence, hosted in minor structures including vein arrays, breccia zones and central, quartz-rich and mylonitic parts of shear zones. Deposit styles and ore controls are varied, but deposits are commonly associated with subsidiary structures which splay off the regionally extensive Boulder-Lefroy Fault.

Mining

St. Ives sources production from a variety of underground and surface operations. The site has a mill that treats primary ore and a heap leach facility which treats low- and marginal-grade ore. The principal production sources in fiscal 2010 included the Argo, Belleisle and Cave Rocks underground mines together with the Leviathan, Agamemnon, and Apollo open pits. The new Athena underground mine is expected to commence production in March 2011 and reach full production by the end of June 2011. The Apollo open pit also commenced operations during fiscal 2010 and has reached full production.

Argo Complex. Stopping activities at the Argo mine commenced in November 2003. Production at the Argo underground mine improved significantly in the last two quarters of fiscal 2010, achieving scheduled ounce production. Challenging ground conditions remain at depth, but due to significantly improved management, this is not expected to impact the mines production in fiscal 2010. Performance at Argo in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 will remain stable and in line with the production performances from quarter three and four of the fiscal 2010. Based on the June 30, 2010 reserves, Argo has a further four years of production. It is however expected that production will continue beyond this point as existing ore resources are converted and further exploration and development is performed at the Argo mine.

Greater Revenge Complex. Mining at the Greater Revenge Area commenced in 1989. The operation utilizes typical open pit and lake sediment mining methods. Further exploration and mine optimism have resulted in extensions to the Agamemnon open pit and this pit will continue through to the end of the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011.

Belleisle Underground Mine. The Belleisle deposit lies in the Greater Revenge area adjacent to the depleted Mars open pit. Development of a decline tunnel commenced in the second half of fiscal 2007 to access the

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Belleisle ore body. Fiscal 2010 was a difficult year for this project due to a series of mine-related issues, dewatering, water ingress, paste fill and a significant write down of the mineral reserves which affected delivery of scheduled ounce production from the mine. Completion of the primary heart ore zone of Belleisle was completed in March 2010. Fiscal 2010 saw the commencement of capital development of the Niaid ore body, which is a new ore zone situated at a depth lower and to the hanging wall of the original mineralized ore zone. The Belleisle mine finally achieved steady state production the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010. Mining at the remaining reserve blocks at Belleisle will continue until June 2011, after which time the mine is scheduled to cease production.

Cave Rocks. Cave Rocks is located approximately six kilometers to the west of the Kambalda West township and was previously an open pit mine completed in 1985. The mining of a series of three open pits was completed in the first quarter of fiscal 2009. Development of an underground mine via a decline tunnel from the southern pit commenced in September 2007, with a second decline being developed from the northern pit, which commenced in November 2007. Development was based on the ore body mined in the open pits. However, during development, the geometry of the ore body was found to be different than expected in the original interpretation, being a series of lenses instead of a single sheet. This does not significantly change the stoping method but does slightly increase the quantity of development needed on a level to connect the lenses. The underground mine utilizes primarily open stoping methods without backfill to extract ore as originally planned and is currently undergoing an intensive delineation and exploration program. Based on current reserves, Cave Rocks will continue to operate until the end of calendar 2011 though this is may be extended.

Leviathan Open Pit. The Leviathan open pit is based on the expansion of a pre-existing open pit located approximately two kilometers southeast of the Lefroy processing plant. Mining of the cut back commenced in 2007, with first ore production in the fourth quarter. The mine utilizes conventional truck and shovel mining practices. Mining is planned to occur through areas previously exploited by underground mining methods, requiring special care when passing through these mined areas. Procedures based on industry best practice in the mining district have been implemented to manage the risks associated with these zones. Production continued at Leviathan throughout fiscal 2010 and is expected to continue until 2012 under current economic assumptions.

St. Ives's exploration program in fiscal 2010 led to an improved understanding of the underlying geological mineralization of all mines, enabling consolidation of mine geology and a number of key project areas going forward. The majority of activities completed during fiscal 2010 were the focused drill out and extension of the new Hamlet ore body, situated approximately one kilometer to the east of the Athena ore body and surrounding prospective environment. See Exploration Near Mine Exploration. At all mines and in particular Cave Rocks, extensional drilling continued in order to replace and extend the existing ore bodies at each of these mines. The benefits of the results achieved in fiscal 2010 include improved geological and resource models which contributed to improved mine designs and scheduling accuracy and compliance. Continued early-stage exploration and follow-up of prospective targets with first-pass exploratory drilling was also completed in a number of areas. In fiscal 2010, the exploration program included expansion of underground reserves at the Cave Rocks, Athena and the new Hamlet mine, extensional growth at Apollo open pit and future potential open pit mining areas, and selective targeting in prospective greenfield areas. Hamlet is a significant project which will contribute to the extension of the St. Ives life of mine.

The St. Ives production schedule requires that new open pit and underground mining sources are progressively accessed. The new mine developments of the Athena underground and the Apollo, Formidable and Paddy's open pits will significantly enhance production in calendar 2011 and into calendar 2012. The Leviathan and Agamemnon open pits are expected to continue to provide the primary source of open pit ore in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011.

Underground mining activities at Belleisle, Cave Rocks and Argo are undertaken under an agreement with Carlowen Proprietary Ltd, which trades as GBF Underground Mining, or GBF. A five-year agreement with GBF commenced in April 2004, which includes a cost-reimbursable performance-based remuneration model. In fiscal 2010, a three-year contract with extension options beyond the three years at the sole discretion of St. Ives was

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agreed. GBF provides all the employees and equipment necessary to complete the underground development and stoping for Belleisle, Cave Rocks and Argo. Under the terms of the agreement, Gold Fields approves all expenditures incurred and guarantees to reimburse 95% of these costs, with the remaining 5% plus any profit earned contingent on GBF achieving certain key performance indicators. Under the terms of the agreement, GBF is liable for claims arising from its performance or non-performance, and any loss, damage, injury or death related to the presence of its employees onsite. GBF is not liable for liabilities or losses that are the result of negligence or a breach of a statutory duty of the mine owner. GBF is required to ensure that it and any subcontractors have adequate insurance.

A separate two-year contract for the capital development of the new Athena underground mine was awarded to Byrnegut Mining Proprietary Limited, or Byrnegut, in December 2009. Byrnegut is an access tunnel development specialist and underground contract miner. Byrnegut is liable for claims arising from its performance or non-performance, and any loss, damage, injury or death related to the presence of its employees on site. Byrnegut is not liable for liabilities or losses that are the result of negligence or a breach of a statutory duty of the mine owner. Byrnegut is required to ensure that it and any subcontractors have adequate insurance.

Leighton Contractors Proprietary Limited, or Leighton, performs the surface mining at St. Ives under an alliance agreement which was extended in January 2004 for a five-year period. In fiscal 2009, a letter of intent was agreed with Leighton that extends the existing contract and contemplates a term sheet and ultimately a new agreement for a three year term with extension options for up to two more years at the sole discretion of St. Ives. As of September 30, 2010 the new agreement had yet to be finalized. Leighton provides employees and equipment for mining ore and waste from the open pit mines. Leighton is reimbursed 100% of its approved costs and earns an additional margin payment contingent upon Leighton achieving targets in regards to certain key performance indicators. Under the terms of the agreement, Leighton is liable for claims arising from any loss and/or damage related to the negligence, injury or death of its employees on the sites. Leighton is not liable for claims or loss resulting from the mine owner's negligence. Leighton is required to ensure that it and any subcontractors have adequate insurance.

Detailed below are the operating and production results at St. Ives for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons (000)	7,233	7,262	6,819
Recovered grade (g/t)	1.8	1.8	1.9
Gold produced (000 oz)	418	428	421
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	342.1	378.6	460.6
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	351.4	350.3	450.6
Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	276.0	280.2	318.0
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	66.1	98.4	142.6
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	841	818	1,070
Total cash costs	661	654	755
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁵⁾	915	802	1,023

Notes:

- (1) For purposes of allocating production costs between St. Ives and Agnew, the consideration paid for the Australian operations in excess of the book value of the underlying net assets was allocated pro rata to the value of the underlying assets.

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- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 - Costs and Expenses" and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 - Costs and Expenses".
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 - Costs and Expenses" and "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Results of Operations - Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 - Costs and Expenses".
- (4) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.

- (5) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - Costs - Notional Cash Expenditure".

From fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010, there was a decrease in tonnage at St. Ives with a marginally lower tonnage treated at the Lefroy Plant and a significant decrease in tonnage treated through the heap leach circuit. The reduced tonnage treated through the heap leach was the consequence of mechanical availability in the crushing and screening plant and in the stacking system. Gold production decreased from fiscal 2009 to fiscal 2010 primarily due to lower throughput tonnage. Total cash costs increased in fiscal 2010 as compared to fiscal 2009 due to general increases in the cost of consumables, labor costs, power costs and plant maintenance costs.

Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserves estimates at St. Ives and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at St. Ives, St. Ives' June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 2.3 million ounces will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2015. However, as discussed earlier in "Risk Factors" and "Mine Planning and Management", there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

St. Ives is engaged in underground mining and in both open pit and production stockpile surface mining, and is thus subject to all of the underground and surface mining risks discussed in "Risk Factors". Seismicity is the primary underground safety risk with mining increasingly occurring at depths below 500 meters. The risk is addressed through the use of backfilling and by mining different parts of the orebody in controlled steps to improve stability, which is called stope sequencing. No fatalities were recorded in 2008, 2009, 2010 or to date. The serious injury frequency rate (see "Defined Terms and Conventions") for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.0, 0.0 and 0.0 serious injuries per million hours worked, respectively. St. Ives has a health and safety system that conforms to the requirements of OHSAS 18001 and is integrated with its ISO 14001 environmental management system. St. Ives achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in August 2009. There were no strikes or material work stoppages at St. Ives in fiscal 2009 or to date in fiscal 2010.

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The table below sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and metallurgical recovery factors during fiscal 2010, for each of the plants at St. Ives.

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30 2010 ⁽²⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase			
Lefroy Plant	2005	Single-stage crushing and SAG milling	CIP	375,000	397,196	93%
Heap Leach Facility	2000	Multiple-stage crushing and screening process	Carbon absorption	167,000	171,024	56% ⁽³⁾

Notes:

- (1) Nameplate capacity as designed. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.
- (2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.
- (3) Heap leach recoveries are the result of an extended solution application process with full recovery requiring several leach cycles. Full recovery of all recoverable gold (about 60% of the contained gold) for current ores is only achieved over several years. Thus, recoveries must be considered in terms of recovery as time progresses, or a progressive recovery. Over time, Gold Fields expects the plant to achieve progressive recovery factors of about 60% of contained gold, equivalent to full recovery of all recoverable gold.

The Lefroy Plant was fully commissioned in February 2005 and is located on the south shore of Lake Lefroy, approximately 12 kilometers south of the township of Kambalda. The plant consistently achieved in excess of nameplate capacity throughout fiscal 2010. Optimization continued throughout the year to realize incremental improvements in recovery while maintaining throughput and minimizing costs.

The Heap Leach Facility treats low- and marginal-grade ore from St. Ives. Fiscal 2010 saw significant increases in the costs of operating this process stream. The decision not to invest capital in a new pad and the adoption of the rehandle strategy has increased the operating costs of the heap by \$2.06 per tons stacked. There has also been a corresponding drop in overall recoveries from the heap as a result of the significant reduction in the leaching time of the stack material. An optimization study was undertaken in September 2010 to identify key projects that may improve the overall operating characteristics of the Heap Leach process stream at St. Ives.

The Lake Disturbance Permit required to operate on Lake Lefroy expires in 2011. The mine has started the reapproval process and Gold Fields believes that there is ample time to get this permit approved.

Capital Expenditure

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Gold Fields spent approximately \$85 million on capital expenditures at St. Ives in fiscal 2010, primarily on the development of the Athena underground mine and continued development at the Argo, Belleisle and Cave Rocks underground mines. Gold Fields has budgeted \$58 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$216 million for capital expenditures at St. Ives in fiscal 2011. These funds are principally earmarked for the continuing development at Athena, mine extensions at Cave Rocks and Argo, development of Hamlet, transition to owner mining at the underground mines, surface haulage across the site and exploration drilling.

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Agnew

Introduction

Agnew is located 23 kilometers west of Leinster, approximately 375 kilometers north of Kalgoorlie in Western Australia. It holds exploration licenses, prospecting licenses and mining leases covering a total area of approximately 54,000 hectares. Agnew is an underground operation, having completed mining of the most recent open pit in August 2007 and processing of its ore stockpiles by October 2008. All mining is currently from the Waroonga Underground Complex which comprises multiple ore zones. Agnew has one metallurgical plant. Agnew is serviced by sealed road infrastructure to the mine gate. Agnew is largely a fly-in fly-out site. Local services including air transport with a sealed runway and accommodation is provided pursuant to an arrangement with a neighbouring mine operated by a major mining company. Agnew has access to electricity pursuant to a contract with the same neighboring mine which expires in January 2014. The bulk of the water is supplied from the mining operations and recovered from the in-pit tailings facility. Supplies are generally trucked in from Perth or Kalgoorlie. In fiscal 2010, the operation produced 0.165 million ounces of gold. As of June 30, 2010, Agnew had approximately 300 employees, including approximately 100 employed by outside contractors.

History

Gold was discovered at Agnew in 1895 and production was intermittent until Western Mining Corporation, or WMC, acquired the operation in the early 1980s and constructed the current mill in 1986. Since that time, numerous open pits and underground operations have been mined.

Geology

The Agnew deposits are located within the northwest portion of the Norseman-Wiluna greenstone belt of the Western Australian Goldfields. In the Agnew area the greenstone belt consists of an older sequence of ultramafic flows, gabbros, basalts, felsic volcanics and related sedimentary rocks. The rocks are folded about the large, moderately north plunging Lawlers Anticline. The Agnew deposits are located on the western limb of this anticline, and major deposits discovered to date lie on sheared contacts between stratigraphic units. The anticline is cut by north-northeast trending faults such as the Waroonga and East Murchison Unit shear zones.

Mining

The principal production source in fiscal 2010 at Agnew was the Waroonga underground mining complex. Gold Fields expects the principal production source in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 will remain the Waroonga complex. Additional ore will be mined from open pit sources to maximize throughput in the mill.

Waroonga Underground Complex. The Waroonga Underground Complex currently includes underground mining of the Kim South, Rajah and Main Lode orebodies. The mining method involves longhole open stoping with paste filling. Ore development tunnels are developed on 20 to 25 meter vertical spacings, with stoping taking place between these tunnels in blocks of 20 to 40 meters along strike depending on ground conditions. Each stope is mucked clean using tele-remote loaders prior to pastefilling. Access to the orebody is through a decline tunnel which accommodates workers, materials and equipment. Waroonga underground performance averaged 48,000 tons per month in the fiscal 2010.

During fiscal 2010, the redesign of the Kim and Main Lode declines and level accesses to improve the flexibility and mineability of the mine, including a second link drive between the orebodies at a depth of 650 meters below surface was completed. This has provided additional flexibility in the mine. Capital development of the Kim and Main declines has been accelerated to enable detailed ore definition drilling of the ore body prior to ore development and to provide drilling platforms for future reserve conversion. See Exploration Near Mine Exploration . In late fiscal 2010, Agnew moved to an owner/operator model of mine production with a contractor undertaking mine development. Additionally, all mobile plant maintenance is

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performed under a maintenance and repair contract, or a MARC, by the same contractor. Under this arrangement Agnew has purchased all necessary equipment to undertake mine production and employed its own workforce to operate the equipment. Underground development is performed by Barmenco Limited or Barmenco. Barmenco provides employees, consumables and equipment including drilling, blasting and haulage of ore and waste. Barmenco receives fees under an agreement which depend on the type of service being performed and the equipment being used, with adjustments for performance. Under the terms of the agreement, Barmenco is liable for claims arising from its performance or non-performance and any loss, damage or injury related to the presence of its employees on the sites. Barmenco is not liable for claims or loss due to the mine owner's negligence. Barmenco is required to ensure that it and any subcontractors have adequate insurance. Barmenco was awarded a three-year contract for mine development in June 2010. Detailed below are the operating and production results at Agnew for the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Production			
Tons ('000)	1,315	1,066	883
Recovered grade (g/t)	4.8	5.6	5.8
Gold produced ('000 oz)	204	192	165
Results of operations (\$ million)			
Revenues	169.0	169.9	177.8
Total production costs ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	109.6	94.1	108.4
Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	84.4	77.6	87.7
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	84.6	92.3	90.1
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)			
Total production costs	538	490	656
Total cash costs	414	404	531
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁵⁾	606	564	874

Notes:

- (1) For purposes of allocating production costs between St. Ives and Agnew, the consideration paid for the Australian operations in excess of the book value of the underlying net assets was allocated pro rata to the value of the underlying assets.
- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (4) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.
- (5) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Costs Notional Cash Expenditure .

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In fiscal 2010, 0.883 million tons of ore were processed and 0.165 million ounces of gold were produced. Tons processed were lower than fiscal 2009 and gold production was lower than in fiscal 2009 due to the completion of processing of the stockpiles. 94% of ounces produced came from underground similar to fiscal 2009. Total cash costs increased in U.S. dollar terms due to additional rehabilitation cost as a result of adverse ground conditions. Capital equipment totalling approximately \$12.1 million was purchased late in fiscal 2010 for the change to owner-operator.

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Exploration to extend reserves at Waroonga continued to focus on down-dip extensions to the Kim South and Main Lode resources. Deep drilling to a depth of 1,500 meters below surface was completed at Kim Lode which will allow significant reserves to be added to the operation. Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserves estimates at Agnew and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Agnew, Agnew's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves at 1.2 million ounces will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2017. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors which can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

Agnew is engaged in underground mining and surface stockpile reclamation and may pursue further open pit opportunities in the future and is thus subject to all of the underground and surface mining risks discussed in Risk Factors. The primary safety risk at Agnew is falls of ground at the underground operations, which is addressed through the use of ground support, backfilling of open voids and sequencing of mine operations to improve overall stability of the ground. There were no fatalities at Agnew in fiscal 2008, 2009, 2010 or to date. The serious injury frequency rate for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.0, 0.0 and 0.0 serious injuries per million hours worked, respectively.

Agnew deploys a health and safety management system that conforms to the requirements of OHSAS 18001. The mine also has an environmental management system that is certified to the ISO 14001 standard. Agnew achieved full compliance certification under the International Cyanide Management Code in March 2010. There were no strikes or material work stoppages at Agnew in fiscal 2010 or to date.

Processing

All processing at Agnew is provided by a single plant. The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, as well as average tons milled per month and the metallurgical recovery factor during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 for the plant:

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30 2010 ⁽²⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase			
Main Plant	1986	2-stage ball milling	CIP treatment	100,000	73,500	93%

Notes:

(1) Nameplate capacity as stated by the manufacturer. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.

(2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$49 million on capital expenditures at Agnew in fiscal 2010, primarily on further development of the Kim South and Main Lode declines, various capital works projects in the processing plant, exploration and purchase of underground mobile equipment. Gold Fields has budgeted \$32 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$55 million for capital expenditures at Agnew for fiscal 2011, primarily for mine development, exploration and new primary ventilation infrastructure.

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Gold Fields owns a 92% voting interest (80.7% economic interest) in the Cerro Corona mine through its shareholding in Gold Fields La Cima S.A., or La Cima.

Cerro Corona***Introduction***

The Cerro Corona mine became operational by the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2009. It forms part of a porphyry copper-gold deposit situated within the Hualgayoc Mining District in northern Peru. It is located in the highest part of the Western Cordillera of the Andes, in northern Peru, close to the headwaters of the Atlantic continental basin. It lies approximately 80 kilometers by road north of the City of Cajamarca and near the village of Hualgayoc. Cerro Corona holds mining leases covering a total area of approximately 1,600 hectares and the project was developed over an area of 940 hectares. Access to Cerro Corona from Cajamarca is by means of two roads, one from Cajamarca to the Yanacocha Mine (40 kilometers), and then from Yanacocha to the village of Hualgayoc (40 kilometers). Cerro Corona's electricity is supplied through a long-term contract with a local power supplier and transported through the national power transmission system and a 34 kilometer transmission line constructed by Compania Transmisora Nor Peruana. Cerro Corona's water requirements are provided primarily by retention of rainfall and pit dewatering; water is continuously recycled. In fiscal 2010, the operation produced 0.139 million ounces of gold and 41,416 tons of copper for a total of 0.393 million gold equivalent ounces, of which 0.113 million ounces of gold and 33,424 tons of copper for a total of 0.318 million gold equivalent ounces were attributable to Gold Fields. As of June 30, 2010, Cerro Corona had approximately 1,800 employees involved in operating the mine including approximately 1,600 contractors.

History

In December 2003, Gold Fields, through a subsidiary, signed a definitive agreement to purchase an 80.72% economic and 92% voting interest in the Cerro Corona mine from a Peruvian family-owned company, Sociedad Minera Corona S.A., or SMC. The agreement called for a reorganization whereby the assets of Cerro Corona were transferred to La Cima, in July 2004. Following approval of an environmental impact assessment on December 2, 2005, Gold Fields completed the purchase of the 92% voting interest (80.7% economic interest) in La Cima in January 2006, for a total consideration of \$40.5 million. La Cima subsequently acquired all requisite additional permits to construct the mine and construction commenced in May 2006.

Geology

The Cerro Corona gold-copper deposit is hosted by a 600- to 700-meter diameter sub-vertical cylindrical-shaped quartz diorite porphyry stock emplaced into mid-Cretaceous limestone and marls. Within the porphyry, gold-copper mineralization is primarily hosted by extensive zones of stockwork veining. There are at least two phases of diorite placement, only one of which is mineralized. The non-mineralized diorite is generally regarded as the last phase, and is referred to as barren core. The latest re-modeling suggests that the Cerro Corona porphyry is probably comprised of four or five satellite stocks with the last two being barren. The intrusive has been emplaced at the intersection of Andean-parallel and Andean-normal (transandean) structures. Supergene oxidation and leaching processes at Cerro Corona have led to the development of a weak to moderate copper enrichment blanket, allowing for the subdivision of the deposit, from the surface downward, into an oxide zone, a mixed oxide-sulphide zone, a secondary enriched (supergene) sulphide zone and a primary (hypogene) sulphide zone.

Mining

The Cerro Corona deposit is mined by conventional, bulk surface mining methods. The Cerro Corona operation involves a single surface mine. This ore is treated in a conventional milling and sulphide flotation

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concentrator capable of treating 6.2 million tons per annum of ore and producing between 120,000 and 160,000 tons per annum of copper and gold containing concentrate, which is treated mainly at smelters in Japan, Korea and Europe.

The construction of the Cerro Corona mine was completed in July 2008 and the first concentrate shipment was made in September 2008.

Detailed below are the operating and production results at Cerro Corona for the 10 month period from September 2008 to June 30, 2009 (the period of operations at the mine in fiscal 2009) and in fiscal 2010.

	10 months ended June 30, 2009	Year ended June 30, 2010
Production		
Tons (000)	4,547	6,141
Recovered gold yield (g/t)	0.7	0.7
Recovered copper yield (%)	0.78	0.70
Gold produced (000 oz)	105	139
Copper produced (000 tons)	24	41 ⁽¹⁾
Gold Equivalent Ounces	219	394
Results of operations (\$ million)		
Revenues ⁽¹⁾	183.8	411.4
Total production costs ⁽²⁾	120.4	196.7
Total cash costs ⁽³⁾	80.3	135.5
Cash profit ⁽⁴⁾	103.5	275.9
Cost per ounce of gold (\$)⁽⁵⁾		
Total production costs	553	504
Total cash costs	369	348
Notional cash expenditure per equivalent ounce of gold produced (\$)⁽⁶⁾	908	560

Notes:

- (1) Equates to 254,234 ounces on a gold equivalent basis at a price of \$1,085 per ounce of gold and \$6,658 per ton of copper.
- (2) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total production costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (3) For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' total cash costs to production costs, see Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 Costs and Expenses and Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 Costs and Expenses .
- (4) Cash profit represents revenues less total cash costs.
- (5) Calculated on the basis of a total of 389,823 ounces of gold and gold equivalent sold.
- (6)

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Calculated on the basis of a total of 393,649 ounces of gold and gold equivalent produced. For a reconciliation of Gold Fields' notional cash expenditure to its production costs for fiscal 2010, see "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" Costs "Notional Cash Expenditure".

In fiscal 2010, 6.141 million tons of ore were processed compared to 4.547 million tons in fiscal 2009, and 0.139 million ounces of gold were produced, compared to 0.105 million ounces in fiscal 2009 and 0.041 million tons of copper were produced compared to 0.024 million tons of copper in fiscal 2009. Tons processed and production were higher than in fiscal 2009, primarily due to a first full year of production in fiscal 2010, exceeding expected design production results.

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The single largest contractor employer is Minera San Martin. Minera San Martin carries out all mining activities under the direction of the La Cima mining and geology department. All mine planning, excavation and head grade and engineering specifications to meet the required design performance through the life of mine are directly managed by La Cima personnel. Other contractors provide camp administration and catering, security, safety and laboratory operations. In addition, during the second phase of the tailings dam construction, which was completed in April 2010, an average of approximately 1,300 temporary contractors per month were present on site.

Assuming that Gold Fields does not increase or decrease reserve estimates at Cerro Corona and that there are no changes to the current mine plan at Cerro Corona, Cerro Corona's June 30, 2010 proven and probable reserves of 2.7 million ounces of gold and 976 million pounds of copper (of which, 2.2 million ounces of gold and 788 million pounds of copper were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Peru operation) will be sufficient to maintain production through approximately fiscal 2024. However, as discussed earlier in Risk Factors and Mine Planning and Management, there are numerous factors that can affect reserve estimates and the mine plan, which could thus materially change the life of mine.

The Cerro Corona mine involves open pit mining, and is thus subject to all of the risks associated with open pit mining discussed in Risk Factors. Although surface mining generally is less dangerous than underground mining, serious and even fatal accidents do still occasionally occur.

There were no fatalities at Cerro Corona in fiscal 2010 and none to date. The serious injury frequency rate at Cerro Corona for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 was 0.16, 0.16 and 0.64 serious injuries for every million hours worked, respectively. Cerro Corona has implemented a health and safety management system in accordance with the Gold Fields Full Compliance Health and Safety Management System and in accordance with the OHSAS 18001. OHSAS 18001 certification was obtained in July 2010. The environmental management system, or EMS, implementation according to the ISO 14001 requirements, started in June 2008 and the certification was awarded in November 2009. EMS maintenance is now performed according to a continuous improvement process. La Cima was ranked first for its safety practices in the open pit category of the 13th National Mining Safety Contest in Peru during fiscal 2010. La Cima was also awarded the Green Seal by the Municipality of Cajamarca for its environmental and social responsibility and recognized for the second year in a row as one of the top ten listed companies in relation to corporate governance practices by the Lima Stock Exchange.

Currently, La Cima's employees at the mine are not unionized and there were no strikes in fiscal 2010 or to date. Over the last few years Peru has seen many cases of conflict and dissension between local communities and mining operations and mining projects, stemming largely from the communities' desire for greater participation in the economic benefits of these mining projects. Cerro Corona has undertaken extensive community consultation and negotiation since 2003 through the land purchase and permitting process to achieve agreement with local communities on various aspects of community involvement. A comprehensive strategy to work with the communities has been implemented through the construction and operations stages. The main focus of this strategy relies on three pillars which are (i) promoting the development of basic local infrastructure such as roads, telecommunications, electricity, potable water, education and health, (ii) training and employing the local communities, including employing more than 1,000 locals during construction and approximately 500 currently, and developing more than 50 local contractors and (iii) developing economically self-sustaining projects such as a natural pastures and dairy product processing, a blueberry plantation and pork and guinea pig farms. Gold Fields believes its social strategy has created goodwill with the local communities, with key projects underway such as the paving of the road to Hualgayoc, rural electrification, a potable water plant, and the Kunturwasi highway, among others. The sustainable development projects have been very successful, with more than 450 hectares of natural pastures improved, 250 cows genetically enhanced to improve production of milk and a dairy plant built and currently under commissioning. In addition, blueberries are being delivered as part of a pilot program. In recognition of these projects, La Cima was awarded a government grant of U.S.\$250,000 to support its funding needs. Through the construction and operations phase, La Cima has carefully prioritized the agreements with local communities.

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Gold Fields believes that, over time, Cerro Corona has generated strong community relationships; however, there have been instances of conflict with the local communities in the past and members of local communities have blocked road access to Cerro Corona on occasion. The Cerro Corona social team is continuously working to ensure continuity in the relationships. No blockades or demonstrations occurred during fiscal 2010 or to date that have impacted Cerro Corona's operations. Notwithstanding the above, recent regional and local elections and upcoming national elections could affect normal activities.

Activity at Gold Fields 50:50 joint venture, Consolidada de Hualgayoc, has been suspended after violent clashes between local communities and anti-mining campaigners in September 2009. See Exploration Near Mine Exploration

Processing

The following table sets forth year commissioned, processing techniques and processing capacity per month, for the processing plant at Cerro Corona:

Plant	Year commissioned	Processing Techniques		Capacity ⁽¹⁾ (tons/month)	Average milled for the year ended June 30, 2010	Approximate recovery factor for the year ended June 30, 2010 ⁽²⁾
		Comminution phase	Treatment phase			
Processing Plant	2008	SAG/ball milling	Conventional sulphide flotation circuit	517,000	512,000	Gold 65% Copper 83%

Note:

(1) Nameplate capacity as designed. Plant/Mill nameplate capacities are based on a number of operating assumptions, including assumptions regarding the blend of soft and hard ores processed, that can change and which may result in an increased level of throughput over and above the designed nameplate capacity.

(2) Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole percent.

Gold Fields operates a concentrate storage warehouse at the port of Salaverry in the city of Trujillo, approximately 450 kilometers away from Cerro Corona. Concentrate is shipped from the Salaverry port in bulk carrier vessels. Gold Fields entered into a five-year contract with Transportes Rodrigo Carranza, or TRC, in the third quarter of fiscal 2008 pursuant to which TRC handles the logistics of trucking concentrate from the mine to the warehouse and then transferring it to the ships. Operations at Salaverry are managed under the same safety and environmental standards as those at Cerro Corona. La Cima has contributed to improvement of the environmental practices at the port by implementing the first fully hermetic shiploading equipment in Peru.

A feasibility study is underway for the construction of a new plant to treat oxide ore at Cerro Corona. If the feasibility study proves positive and the required permits are obtained, construction is expected to commence in the second half of calendar 2011.

Capital Expenditure

Gold Fields spent approximately \$86 million on capital expenditures at Cerro Corona in fiscal 2010, consisting primarily of further construction on the tailings dam. Gold Fields has budgeted \$43 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$115 million for capital expenditures at Cerro Corona for fiscal 2011, primarily on the new oxide ore treatment plan and phase three of the tailings dam construction.

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Exploration

Gold Fields holds a diverse portfolio of active gold exploration projects and assets in Africa, Central Asia, the Americas and Australasia. In addition, Gold Fields has a number of exploration projects associated with mineral rights it holds which are adjacent to its active mining operations in South Africa, Ghana, Peru and Australia. Gold Fields' exploration program is managed from two exploration hubs in Perth, Western Australia and Denver, Colorado. The company also has offices in Santiago, Chile; Lima, Peru; Vancouver, Canada; Bamako, Mali; Accra, Ghana and Beijing, China. As of June 30, 2010, Gold Fields' exploration team included 375 full-time and contract employees, of which 135 are geoscientists, who provide the key exploration capability in the regions of focus around the world. Gold Fields' exploration team also employs approximately 600 outside contractors.

Gold Fields' exploration strategy is based on a balanced approach to projects, which provides the ability to consider a project at any stage of development, from the greenfields stage through to full feasibility study.

The goal of this strategy is to maintain a consistent pipeline covering all stages of the exploration process in order to deliver a new feasibility level project every one to two years.

Gold Fields budgets to spend about \$25 per ounce of gold produced on greenfields exploration (distinct from near mine exploration which refers to exploration around Gold Fields' mine sites), provided that the opportunities offered warrant such expenditure.

Gold Fields focuses its exploration activities on finding opportunities with the correct balance of quality, size and risk. When determining whether it will proceed with a project, Gold Fields weighs a variety of factors, including acquisition costs, expected operating and capital costs of production, as well as the possible technical, commercial, social, environmental and geo-political risks against the expected returns for the project. Other important considerations include the optionality embedded in the project and the project's strategic importance in terms of geographic diversification and production profiles. This could result in consideration of additional multi-commodity targets such as copper-gold deposits or gold-silver type deposits.

Outside South Africa, the focus is on growing Gold Fields' three international regions of West Africa, Australasia and South America with the objective of achieving one million ounces per annum of production from each region. Gold Fields will leverage off its established infrastructure wherever possible to reduce development hurdles and delivery timelines for new opportunities. Near mine exploration projects, which are adjacent to Gold Fields' existing mining operations, endeavor to capture any possible operating synergies which can be realized, for example, by sharing processing plants and other infrastructure, which has a knock-on effect with regard to minimum project size criteria. For greenfields projects, Gold Fields makes use of its existing operating centers in Ghana (through Gold Fields Exploration (Ghana) Ltd.), Australia and Peru (through Minera Gold Fields Peru S.A.) to pursue, incubate and facilitate new opportunities within other prospective countries in the respective regions.

In the longer term, Gold Fields is also considering a limited number of opportunities in jurisdictions outside its established regions. The focus is on areas of the world which are historically under-explored or where new technologies and concepts can be applied to improve the likelihood of discovery. Gold Fields has successfully expanded its exploration activities in countries and regions where it has limited experience by means of equity investments in, and strategic alliances with, junior mining partners who are already well established in those areas. Gold Fields has historically applied this strategy to exploration projects in Mali, China, Philippines and Kyrgyzstan, amongst others.

Gold Fields divides the different phases of an exploration target's development into what it refers to as the resource pipeline. An exploration project normally comprises several distinct exploration targets and the resource pipeline provides for the progression of the exploration targets in five stages: (1) target definition, (2) initial drilling, (3) advanced drilling, (4) resource development and (5) feasibility study. To be successful, exploration

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targets need to be drill tested and moved up to the next exploration phase, or be divested. There is, therefore, a focus on turning over targets as quickly and as effectively as possible by drill testing. Greenfields exploration is generated by reviewing and ranking the most prospective terrains across the world and exploration areas are selected after considering country risk and strategic fit. Each exploration region continuously monitors and reviews third party projects at all stages of development.

Gold Fields Greenfields Exploration Targets

The table below provides a breakdown of the number of targets in Gold Fields three main exploration regions, as well as targets in the rest of the world, for each of the five stages of the resource triangle as of June 30, 2010. The table does not include near mine exploration projects on sites adjacent to Gold Fields existing operations.

Phase	Africa	Australasia	South America	Rest of World
Feasibility Study	0	0	0	0
Resource Development	0	0	0	0
Advanced Drilling	1	0	1	2 ⁽¹⁾
Initial Drilling	8	14	3	12
Target Definition	41	18	18	7

Note:

(1) Including the Arctic Platinum Project in Finland

During fiscal 2010, Gold Fields spent \$76.8 million on greenfields exploration projects not adjacent to its mining operations. Gold Fields total budget for greenfields exploration and project development for fiscal 2011 is approximately \$160 million.

Early Stage Projects

At the East Lachlan joint ventures with Clancy Exploration Ltd. in New South Wales, Australia, Gold Fields has earned into an 80% interest in two porphyry gold-copper project areas (Wellington North and Cowal East), and achieved the first 51% earn-in of a potential 80% earn-in on the Myall joint venture. Gold Fields also exercised an option to pursue four additional joint venture projects (Jemalong, Moorefield, Parkes-Clancy, and Parkes-Centaurus) and take an immediate 80% ownership. The Gobondery joint venture was ended after reaching the end of its term without meeting earn-in requirements. Extensive aircore drilling programs completed at the Myall and Cowal East joint ventures identified broad areas of gold and copper anomalism coincident with widespread alteration and mineralization consistent with porphyry-style signatures. Exploration continues to focus on identifying high quality targets for initial diamond drill testing.

Gold Fields increased its landholding in its fully-owned Delamerian project in South Australia to over 11,000 square kilometers. This is an early stage greenfields project targeting covered orogenic gold mineralization in an unexplored province. Preliminary aircore drilling and soil sampling has identified a number of areas of low level anomalism.

The Mt. Carlton Joint Venture agreement in Queensland, Australia, between Gold Fields and Conquest Mining Limited was terminated on March 22, 2010. Full exploration rights and management of the exploration tenements were transferred back to Conquest. Gold Fields secured a 2.5% Net Smelter Royalty, or NSR, over the entire Mt. Carlton project tenements, including the Silver Hill project. Gold Fields retains about a 14% shareholding in Conquest.

In the Philippines, Gold Fields is in its first year earn-in on three joint ventures with Mindoro Resources where it can earn up to a 75% interest. The projects, located in the Batangas region of Luzon, are prospective for

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porphyry copper gold and epithermal gold mineralization. Five targets have been tested with about 2,000 meters of diamond drilling, intersecting two low-grade porphyries. Drilling is now focused on diamond drill testing a large epithermal related gold anomaly on the Lobo joint venture.

In Peru, Gold Fields, through its wholly-owned exploration subsidiary Minera Gold Fields Peru S.A., is exploring the Moquegua Regional and Tacna gold properties located in the southern Altiplano region. The initial phase of diamond drilling was completed on one of the targets at Tacna in May 2010. In December 2009, Minera Gold Fields Peru S.A. signed a joint venture agreement with Vena Resources Inc. to earn up to a 70% interest in Vena's Amantina gold property, located within the Chucapaca Regional project area.

In Chile, Gold Fields has an option to acquire 100% of the Pircas gold property held by S.C.M. Aguas Heladas, a private Chilean company. During the year, the first stage of diamond drilling was completed at Pircas following reverse circulation drilling in 2009. In January 2010, Gold Fields signed an option agreement to fully acquire the nearby Pedernales property from S.L.M. Terrier, a private Chilean company. The Pedernales property is located seven kilometers to the northwest of Pircas.

In British Columbia, Canada, Gold Fields is earning into a 70% interest on the Woodjam North copper-gold project held by Fjordland Exploration Inc. and Cariboo Rose Resources. Two phases of diamond drilling were completed on the Woodjam North property in fiscal 2010 and results have been positive. On May 20, 2010, Gold Fields signed a second joint venture agreement with Fjordland Exploration Inc. and Cariboo Rose Resources to earn into 70% on the adjacent Woodjam South property.

Also in British Columbia, Gold Fields is earning up to a 75% interest in Cascadero Copper Corp.'s Toodoggone copper and gold property. The initial diamond drilling program concluded in October 2009. *Force majeure* has been declared to suspend the joint venture terms while Gold Fields tries to resolve the First Nations' opposition to exploration activities in the project area.

In Ghana, Gold Fields Exploration (Ghana) Ltd. carried out exploration work over the Wenchi and Zuarungu reconnaissance licenses as well as the Asheba exploration license. Gold Fields concluded a joint venture agreement with Pramere Resources on their exploration license located north of the Ayanfuri deposit along the Asankrangwa belt. At Wenchi and Zuarungu, the completion of regional and detailed soil sampling outlined a series of gold in soil anomalies that were used as a basis for converting both the Wenchi and Zuarungu Reconnaissance titles into Prospecting licenses. Under the terms of the agreement executed between Gold Fields and Pramere Resources, Gold Fields will solely fund a staged exploration program to a maximum of U.S.\$1.5 million over a period of four years and earn up to 70% equity in the project.

The Asheba exploration license came with the successful conclusion of the acquisition of Glencar Mining plc. This license was initially under option to Adamus Resources Ltd. However, the option expired on March 22, 2010, and the license has now reverted back to Gold Fields. Gold Fields has worked with the relevant regulatory bodies to ensure the license is in good standing and plans to continue exploration work on the license.

On September 20, 2010, Gold Fields entered into option agreements with Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company, or Lepanto, a company listed in the Philippines, and Liberty Express Assets, or Liberty, a private holding company, to acquire a 60% interest in the undeveloped gold-copper Far Southeast, or FSE, deposit in the Philippines, or the Far Southeast Transaction. See also Developments since June 30, 2009 Far Southeast Transaction .

Advanced Projects

On December 3, 2008, Gold Fields announced a joint venture agreement with Orsu Metals Corporation for the further exploration and development of the Talas license area in northwestern Kyrgyzstan. The agreement gives Gold Fields the right to earn as much as a 70% interest in Orsu's Talas license area. Gold Fields assumed

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operatorship of the Talas Project at the beginning of the third quarter of fiscal 2009 and completed an aggressive drilling program through the winter months to delineate the resource potential at the Taldybulak gold and copper porphyry target as well as testing other promising targets within the license area. Results continue to be encouraging and work is progressing on optimizing various components of a conceptual study. Gold Fields has earned a 60% interest in the joint venture.

During April 2010, the President of Kyrgyzstan resigned following a period of political instability and an interim government was installed. A referendum on the constitution and the appointment of a new president took place on June 27, 2010 and the new president was inaugurated on July 3, 2010. Parliamentary elections were held October 10, 2010 with five parties passing the election threshold and none achieving a majority. Gold Fields has suspended field activities in Kyrgyzstan until uncertainty surrounding the election of a new parliament is resolved.

In February 2010, Gold Fields, through its exploration subsidiary, Minera Gold Fields Peru S.A., completed its back-in right to earn a 51% interest in the Chucapaca joint venture project with Compania de Minas Buenaventura S.A., or Buenaventura, in southern Peru. Gold Fields and Buenaventura have registered Canteras del Hallazgo S.A.C., or CDH, as the joint venture company to hold, explore and potentially develop the Chucapaca gold-copper property. In January 2010, CDH completed a 22,290 meter delineation drilling program on the Canahuire deposit at Chucapaca. In May 2010, CDH announced an inferred mineral resource estimate of 5.6 million ounces of gold-equivalent. CDH completed a conceptual mine scoping study in June 2010 and the decision was made to advance the project towards pre-feasibility. Environmental permits were approved for the next phase of drilling which commenced in July 2010.

On March 25, 2009, Gold Fields signed a non-binding Letter of Intent with Glencar, which allowed Gold Fields to earn up to a 65% interest in the Komana project in Mali. As part of the agreement, Gold Fields acquired an equity interest in Glencar and, as of June 30, 2009, held approximately 9% of Glencar's issued share capital. Gold Fields and Glencar were unable to negotiate the definitive terms for joint venture and abandoned joint venture discussions. On August 2, 2009, Gold Fields launched a recommended cash offer for Glencar which valued Glencar at approximately \$47.7 million. Gold Fields completed the final squeeze-out of shareholders on November 9, 2009. Gold Fields now holds 100% of Glencar Mining plc, resulting in 100% ownership of the Komana, Solona and Sankarani (formerly a joint venture with Gold Fields) projects. These three now form part of the Yanfolila project, which also includes new exploration licenses acquired by Gold Fields Exploration Mali SARL, and two other licenses under option agreements.

Field work including geophysical surveys, diamond, reverse circulation and air core drilling commenced in November 2009 on the Yanfolila project, focused on the Komana East and West deposits, and the Sanioumale West and Bokoro Main initial drilling targets. Infill drilling completed at Komana East outlined four main high grade shoots within a 1,800 meter long mineralized envelope with wire frames constrained by solid geological model being built up. At the Sanioumale West and Bokoro Main targets, initial diamond and reverse circulation drilling returned encouraging results. From November 2009, Gold Fields worked on delineating open-pittable resources over Komana East and West deposits, and drill tested eight initial drilling targets. Regional soil sampling was also completed over four reconnaissance licenses. Two additional exploration licenses, Tagan and Soumaya were successfully wholly acquired by Gold Fields Exploration Mali SARL.

The Arctic Platinum Project, or APP, is located approximately 60 kilometers south of the city of Rovaniemi in northern Finland. APP is assessing a number of potential surface mineable platinum group elements plus copper and nickel deposits located within the Portimo and Narkaus mafic layered intrusions. Starting in fiscal 2000, the initial exploration and project development focus was on Konttijarvi and Ahmavaara, which were referred to as the Suhanko Project. Gold Fields completed a feasibility study for the Suhanko Project in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and, based on the results of the study, decided to postpone the development of a large-scale surface mining complex.

On March 24, 2006, an Acquisition and Framework Agreement, or Acquisition Agreement, was entered into between North American Palladium Limited, or NAP, Gold Fields Exploration BV, Gold Fields Finland Oy and

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North American Palladium Finland Oy to form a joint venture to further explore mining properties and develop a mine at the APP. The Acquisition Agreement granted NAP an option to acquire up to a 60% undivided interest in the APP, including the Suhanko, SJ Reef and SK Reef mining properties and claims located south of Rovaniemi, Finland, upon satisfaction of certain conditions on or before August 31, 2008. During the option period, NAP was the operator with the responsibility to manage and fund the project. On September 10, 2008, NAP declined to exercise its right to acquire 60% of APP and the project has reverted back to Gold Fields. See also Additional Information Material Contracts Arctic Platinum Project .

For the remainder of fiscal 2009, Gold Fields explored the possibility of applying the hydrometallurgical process instead of off-site smelting options to recover copper, nickel, gold and the platinum group elements (platinum, palladium and rhodium) from the flotation concentrates. The preliminary metallurgical testwork returned positive results and further engineering work was conducted to provide initial operating and capital cost estimates to use hydrometallurgical recovery on a commercial scale at APP.

For fiscal 2010, a budget was approved for tenement renewal payments, updating of operating and capital costs for construction of a large-scale processing plant, ongoing environmental baseline studies, and further metallurgical tests, including flotation of platinum group elements copper nickel concentrates and hydrometallurgical recovery tests. The samples were transported to the laboratory during April and reporting of the complete set of test results is expected during the second half of calendar year 2010. The initial results were encouraging and work is underway to test a larger sample through a continuous pilot plant facility.

Sino Gold Alliance

In November 2006, Gold Fields wholly-owned subsidiary Gold Fields Australasia BVI entered into an alliance with Sino Gold Mining Limited, or Sino Gold, for the purposes of exploring and developing geological belts within the People's Republic of China, or China.

On August 26, 2009, Eldorado Gold Corporation, or Eldorado, and Sino Gold announced that they had agreed that Eldorado would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Sino Gold in exchange for 0.55 Eldorado shares for each share of Sino Gold. Sino Gold shareholders approved the transaction on December 1, 2009. Eldorado closed its acquisition of Sino Gold on December 15, 2009 and Gold Fields received an additional 4,057,762 shares in Eldorado due to its top-up rights. Gold Fields fully divested its interest in Eldorado by the end of fiscal 2010.

The alliance was dissolved on July 3, 2009 and Gold Fields and Eldorado (previously Sino Gold) are seeking to divest their current interest in the Jinshu project. Gold Fields maintains a limited number of staff in Beijing to implement its new strategy for China.

Near Mine Exploration

Gold Fields is undertaking a project termed Project 5M, or the West Wits Tailings Reprocessing Project (previously referred to as the Uranium Project), which is focused on exploring the economic potential of re-processing Gold Fields South African tailings, or TSFs, to recover uranium, gold and sulphur as well as the treatment of the current underground reserves to recover uranium and sulphur. Drilling of thirteen TSFs within the West Wits area of Gold Fields is complete and models have been developed that define the gold, uranium and sulphur content of each TSF. These models have been reviewed by independent consultants and further evaluation based on additional information is expected to be achieved by the end of calendar 2010. A bankable feasibility study began in July 2009 to optimize the best option identified during the pre-feasibility study. This option envisages the concurrent re-treatment of the TSFs and processing of the current horizons from Driefontein, Kloof and South Deep in two metallurgical plants. An engineering study was completed in March 2010, however further opportunities were identified for a phased approach, and these are now being included in the study. The bankable feasibility study was completed in September 2010.

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Near mine exploration at the South Deep mine in South Africa has ten surface drill rigs targeting the Upper Elsburg reefs of the Witwatersrand Basin, contiguous to the mine lease area. Early indications suggest the structural and sedimentological parameters are consistent with the current geological models.

A surface drilling program to further explore the Beatrix reef in the Valkpan area commenced in July 2009. It is anticipated that this program will be finalized early in calendar 2011.

At the St. Ives mine in Western Australia, the main development focus for fiscal 2010 was on completion of the portal at Athena and sinking of the decline to the hard ore position, which was intersected as planned on May 13, 2010. Full production from Athena is scheduled for the middle of calendar 2011. After completion of the Athena feasibility study, near mine exploration shifted to the Hamlet discovery which is located approximately one kilometer east of Athena. Similar to Athena, Hamlet is a lode-style deposit. On May 20, 2010, Gold Fields announced an indicated and inferred mineral resource of 1.03 million ounces of gold at Hamlet. Drilling to further expand the resource and support a feasibility study is underway and a construction decision is planned for the first half of calendar 2011. Other near mine opportunities in the Argo Athena area were discovered and tested during the year with initial drilling to assess open pit and underground mining opportunities. The intention during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 is to advance the exploration of at least two of these discoveries with infill and extensional drilling.

At the Agnew mine in Western Australia, drilling for the year focused on the underground extensional drilling and reserve delineation at Waroonga, specifically at Kim South where underground and surface resource definition drilling of the Kim Lode below current infrastructure was completed. Directional surface drilling technology was successfully introduced and the surface drilling project, amounting to 21,743 meters, was completed in May 2010 to depths of 1,400 meters below surface. The underground drilling program was run in parallel, after new drilling media were successfully tested. A total of 11,608 meters was drilled from underground stations and the program was completed in March 2010. Drill testing of the shallow Cinderella deposit, located a short distance from the Agnew processing plant, was completed late during the fiscal year and a study is planned to evaluate mining methods.

At the Damang mine in Ghana, the emphasis during fiscal 2009 was on extensional drilling to the south of the main Damang mine and between some of the smaller surface mines. Good indications for extensional opportunities were highlighted by this work and near mine exploration during fiscal 2010 was directed at two core growth projects termed Greater Damang, extending for approximately five kilometers from Huni North to the Nyame prospect in the south, and Greater Amoanda which extends for two kilometers from the Tomento East surface mine to south of the Amoanda mine. The objective during the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 is to advance the Greater Damang project with additional infill drilling to support a feasibility study decision on an enlarged surface mining operation by the second half of calendar 2011.

In Peru, no exploration activity has transpired at the Consolidada de Hualgayoc joint venture with Compania de Minas Buenaventura S.A. since the district exploration program was suspended in September 2009 due to community opposition. Within the Cerro Corona mine property, an initial review of the potential for copper-gold skarn mineralization at the margin of the Cerro Corona porphyry system was completed in May 2010.

Recent Developments

See Developments since June 30, 2009 .

Insurance

Gold Fields insurance policies provide coverage for general liability, accidental loss or damage to its property, business interruption in the form of fixed operating costs or standing charges, material damage and other losses. While the bulk of these are insured through a captive insurance company domiciled in Gibraltar, not

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all potential losses are covered. Gold Fields does not insure all potential losses associated with its operations as some insurance premiums are considered to be too high, some risks are considered too remote to insure and some types of insurance cover are not available. Should an event occur for which there is no or limited insurance cover, this could affect Gold Fields' cash flows and profitability.

Management believes that the scope and amount of insurance coverage is adequate, taking into account the probability and potential severity of each identified risk. Gold Fields' insurance coverage is consistent with customary practice for a gold mining company of its size with multinational operations. See Risk Factors. Gold Fields' insurance coverage may prove inadequate to satisfy potential claims.

Environmental and Regulatory Matters

South Africa

Environmental

Gold Fields' South African operations are subject to various laws relating to the protection of the environment. South Africa's Constitution grants the people of South Africa the right to an environment that is not harmful to human health or well-being and to protection of that environment for the benefit of present and future generations through reasonable legislative and other measures. The Constitution and the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998, or NEMA, as well as various other related pieces of legislation grant legal standing to a wide range of people and interest groups to bring legal proceedings to enforce their environmental rights, which are enforceable against private entities as well as the South African government.

South African environmental legislation commonly requires businesses whose operations may have an impact on the environment to obtain permits and authorizations for those operations. The applicable environmental legislation also imposes general compliance requirements and incorporates the "polluter pays" principle. Under the terms of the 2002 Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, or the MPRDA, all prospecting and mining operations are to be conducted according to an environmental management plan/program which must be approved by the DMR. Directors will be held liable under provisions of the MPRDA and NEMA for any environmental degradation. See Mineral Rights.

South African mining companies are required by law to undertake rehabilitation works as part of their ongoing operations in accordance with an approved environmental management plan/program, which incorporates a mine closure plan. In addition, during the operational life of the mine they must provide for the cost of mine closure and post-closure rehabilitation and monitoring once mining operations cease. Gold Fields funds these environmental rehabilitation costs by making contributions into an environmental trust fund. The trust fund system enables payments to be made in a tax-efficient way, while providing comfort to the regulators that the operator has the means to restore any mine after operations have ceased. As of June 30, 2010, Gold Fields had contributed more than Rand 1,012.5 million, including accrued interest, to the fund. Gold Fields has implemented environmental management systems in compliance with ISO 14001 throughout its operations in South Africa, and has received full certification under ISO 14000 for all surface portions of its South African operations including the shafts. South Deep is in the process of implementing an environmental management system that is ISO 14001 compliant, with certification successfully achieved in fiscal 2009.

In addition, Gold Fields became a signatory to the International Cyanide Management Code, or Cyanide Code, on November 3, 2005, along with nine gold companies and five cyanide manufacturers. All of Gold Fields' operations are committed to complying with the Cyanide Code. The implementation structure of the Cyanide Code allows the operations up to three years from the date of becoming a signatory to have independent, third-party audits conducted to evaluate compliance status. As of March 2010, all of Gold Fields' operations had obtained full compliance under the Cyanide Code.

Under the National Water Act, all water in the hydrological cycle is under the custodianship of the State held in trust for the people of South Africa and water users have been required to re-register their water uses. In

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addition, the National Water Act governs waste water and waste discharge into water resources. Gold Fields is lawfully removing water from its South African mines. Kloof was issued a water use license in December 2008. Though this license contains some conditions which cannot be achieved within the stipulated timeframe, Gold Fields is currently in discussions with the Department of Water Affairs, or the DWA, to extend the deadline for compliance beyond mid-2012 as it relates to certain parameters of the license or to revise the parameters for compliance. Driefontein was issued a water use license in October 2010. Due to onerous conditions imposed in terms of this license, formal reasons have been requested from the DWEA. This process could lead to the amendment of the license conditions or a formal appeal process. While there has been a delay in processing the water license application at South Deep, which was submitted within the applicable time limits, Gold Fields has engaged DWA to address these issues. The DWA has advised Beatrix, which had pre-existing water permits of indefinite length, that its current water usage remains authorized and it need not apply for a new license. However, Beatrix has nevertheless proactively begun the water license application process.

In September 2005, certain sections of the National Environmental Management Air Quality Act, or the Air Quality Act, came into force. In the past, certain air polluting activities were allowed to be carried on provided that the operator registered the activity and was granted permission from the authority with responsibility for air quality in the region. However, the Air Quality Act sets more onerous standards which companies will be required to achieve. It is envisaged that the Air Quality Act will be fully phased in over the next few years. To the extent that more stringent requirements may be introduced regarding dust, Gold Fields is positioning itself operationally.

The National Environmental Management Amendment Act 62 of 2008, or NEMAA, was promulgated on January 9, 2009 and came into effect on May 1, 2009. The Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Amendment Act 49 of 2008, or MPRDAA, was promulgated on April 21, 2009, although a commencement date has not been proclaimed by the President. Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, or EIA Regulations, for 2009 have also been published for final comments and, once effective, will replace the existing 2006 EIA Regulations. The effect of the amendments as contained in the NEMAA and the MPRDAA will ultimately mean that NEMA will be responsible for all environmental authorizations for and relating to mining and the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs will be the relevant authority. There are three relevant periods or phases that will take place before the ultimate position is achieved. Until the MPRDAA comes into effect, as well as during the first 18 month period after such effect, the MPRDA is the applicable legislation and the Minister of Mineral Resources is the responsible authority for all environmentally related mining activities. Once the first 18 month period has elapsed, the provisions relating to the environment will be excised from the MPRDA and included in NEMA. NEMA will contain all the environmental provisions relating to mining, therefore environmental authorizations will be applied for in terms of NEMA. The Minister of Mineral Resources will remain the responsible authority and appeals may be directed to the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs. Upon completion of the second 18 month period, that is three years after the commencement of the MPRDAA, NEMA will be the applicable legislation for all environmental provisions relating to mining, however, the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs will be the responsible authority.

Section 24G of NEMA introduced an amnesty period to allow operations which had not been authorized under the previous Environment Conservation Act EIA regulations to continue. The amnesty period was available from January 7, 2005 to July 6, 2005. Gold Fields submitted three applications for such amnesty (as each identified activity required its own application) and is currently awaiting the decision of the environmental authorities in this regard. The applications related to the authorization of cyanide plants at Beatrix, Kloof and Driefontein. It is likely that the applications will be granted. If the applications are granted, the maximum fine that can be levied is R1 million per application. In the unlikely event that the applications are not granted, the authorities may order that the activities are stopped and that remediation and rehabilitation takes place.

Although South Africa has a comprehensive environmental regulatory framework, enforcement of environmental law has traditionally been poor. The DWEA has indicated that enforcement will improve and Environmental Management Inspectors have been appointed under NEMA. The Environmental Management

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Inspectors have commenced with environmental inspections and investigations at some of the major industrial facilities. The focus to date has been on those industries that impact heavily on air quality, such as platinum mines and the steel industry.

Gold Fields undertakes activities which are regulated by the National Nuclear Regulator Act 47 of 1999, or the NNR Act. The NNR Act requires Gold Fields to obtain authorization from the National Nuclear Regulator, or NNR, and undertake activities in accordance with the conditions of such authorizations. The NNR has alleged certain non-compliance issues relating to radiation levels in water running adjacent to certain of Gold Fields' properties. Gold Fields does not concede the accuracy of the NNR samples and is currently undertaking its own sampling. Despite Gold Fields' belief that it has not breached compliance with the NNR Act, it is in discussions with the NNR regarding the possible remediation of these areas as part of an industry initiative.

It has been publicly indicated by various individuals purporting to represent certain non-governmental organizations and other interested parties that they believe that Gold Fields, together with various other mining companies in South Africa, have polluted the water in and around the Wonderfontein Spruit, which is a catchment area in the West Wits Basin. This may lead to action being taken against Gold Fields, individually or collectively with other mining companies, and/or against the regulator. In March 2008, Gold Fields and two other mining companies received letters of demand from attorneys representing Duffuel (Pty) Ltd, or Duffuel, claiming substantial damages in the sum of R50 million based on this alleged pollution. In April 2009, Duffuel instituted action for damages of approximately R100 million against one of the other mining companies, but as yet no such action has been instituted against Gold Fields.

During fiscal 2008, a decision was taken by the Executive Committee to consolidate and contextualize the environmental and associated legal risks at the South African operations. This was done through a due diligence exercise conducted by two external firms that specialize in environmental risk and environmental law, respectively. The reason for selecting these firms was to ensure objectivity and to maintain an irreproachable level of credibility. The exercise was expected to fully identify the South African operation's current risk profile in terms of environmental and associated legal risks. The results of this exercise have been finalized and will form the basis upon which existing strategies will be reviewed and modified so as to reduce any risks that have been identified. This process is ongoing.

Health and Safety

The principal objective of the South African Mine Health and Safety Act No. 29 of 1996, or the Mine Health and Safety Act, is to protect the health and safety of persons at mines. The Mine Health and Safety Act requires that employers and others ensure their operating and non-operating mines provide a safe and healthy working environment, determines penalties and a system of administrative fines for non-compliance and gives the Minister of Mineral Resources the right to restrict or stop work at any mine and require an employer to take steps to minimize health and safety risks at any mine. The Mine Health and Safety Act further provides for employee participation through the establishment of health and safety committees and by requiring the appointment of health and safety representatives. It also gives employees the right to refuse dangerous work. Finally, it describes the powers and functions of the mine health and safety inspectorate (which is part of the DMR), or the MHSI, and the process of enforcement.

Under the Mine Health and Safety Act, an employer is obligated, among other things, to ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that its mines are designed, constructed and equipped to provide conditions for safe operation and a healthy working environment and the mines are commissioned, operated, maintained and decommissioned in such a way that employees can perform their work without endangering their health and safety or that of any other person. Every employer must ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that persons who are not employees, but who may be directly affected by the activities at a mine, are not exposed to any hazards to their health and safety.

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The Mine Health and Safety Amendment Act came into operation on May 30, 2009. It criminalizes violations of the Mine Health and Safety Act and increases the maximum fines. Any owner convicted in terms of the above offenses may have its mining permits withdrawn or suspended, be fined R3 million and/or be imprisoned for a period not exceeding five years, while the maximum fine for other offenses and administrative fines are increased, with the highest fine being R1 million per occurrence. Two sections of the Mine Health and Safety Amendment Act, which create new offenses of contravening or failing to implement provisions of the Mine Health and Safety Act resulting in a person's death and vicarious liability for an employer where certain persons commit an offense and the employer permitted or did not take all reasonable steps to prevent the person's actions, have not yet come into effect. Several mining companies objected to them on constitutional grounds and the government agreed that they would not come into effect pending further discussion with the industry.

In October 2007, as a result of a spate of accidents at various mining operations in South Africa, including Gold Fields' operations, the Department of Minerals and Energy (now the DMR) commenced an occupational health and safety audit at all mines. The department developed audit protocols and divided them into two parts: (1) Legal Audit and (2) Technical Audit of certain installations and practices at mines. The intention of the audits was to give an indication of the extent to which mines comply with health and safety requirements, and also to help mines develop programs of action to improve their health and safety. The legal audits began in December 2007 and the results were released in the Presidential Mine Health and Safety Audit Report in February 2009. As yet, there has been no further development regarding the technical audit. The audit process was intended to broadly cover the topics indicated below:

Legal audit of mines:

Design and maintenance;

Legal appointments;

Occupational health and safety policy;

Occupational health and safety risk management;

Training;

Health and safety representatives and committees;

Reporting;

Mandatory codes of practice;

Explosives control;

Water management; and

Public health and safety.

Technical audit of mines:

Shafts and shaft infrastructure;

Rockfalls and rockbursts;

Rail bound and trackless mobile equipment;

Occupational health; and

Effectiveness of the Mine Health and Safety Act legal sanctions.

See Risk Factors Gold Fields operations in South Africa are subject to environmental and health and safety regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

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The Occupational Diseases in Mines and Works Act 78 of 1973, or the Occupational Diseases Act, governs compensation and medical costs related to certain illnesses contracted by persons employed in mines or at sites where activities ancillary to mining are conducted. Occupational healthcare services are made available by Gold Fields to employees from its existing facilities. Pursuant to changes in the Occupational Diseases Act, Gold Fields may experience an increase in the cost of these services. See Risk Factors Gold Fields operations in South Africa are subject to environmental and health and safety regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens. This increased cost, should it transpire, is currently indeterminate.

*Mineral Rights**The MPRDA*

The MPRDA came into effect on May 1, 2004. The MPRDA vests the right to prospect and mine in the state (which includes the rights to grant prospecting and mining rights on behalf of the nation) to be administered by the government of South Africa in order to, among other things, promote equitable access to the nation's mineral resources by South Africans, expand opportunities for historically disadvantaged persons who wish to participate in the South African mining industry, advance social and economic development, and create an internationally competitive and efficient administrative and regulatory regime, based on the universally accepted principle, and consistent with common international practice, that mineral resources are part of a nation's patrimony. In accordance with the MPRDA, the DMR on April 29, 2009 published a Code of Good Practice for the Mineral Industry and the Housing and Living Conditions Standard for the Minerals Industry, or the Code, relating to the socio-economic transformation of the mining industry. However, certain provisions of the Code appeared to be inconsistent with the Mining Charter, or to go beyond the scope envisaged by the MPRDA. Various industry participants have been in discussions with the DMR regarding the scope and applicability of the Code. At the release of the Revised Mining Charter, the Director-General of the DMR, indicated that the DMR will bring the Code in line with the Revised Mining Charter by the end of March 2011.

Under the MPRDA, prospecting rights are initially granted for a maximum period of five years and can be renewed once upon application for a further period not exceeding three years. Mining rights are valid for a maximum period of 30 years, and can be renewed upon application for further periods, each of which may not exceed 30 years. Provision is made for the grant of retention permits, which would have a maximum term of three years and could be renewed once upon application for a further two years. A wide range of factors and principles, including proposals relating to black economic empowerment and social responsibility, will be considered by the Minister of Minerals Resources when exercising her discretion whether to grant these applications. A mining right can be canceled if the mineral to which such mining right relates is not mined at an optimal rate. In November 2006, the DMR approved the conversion of Gold Fields' mining licenses under the old regulatory regime at Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix into rights under the new regime. During May 2010, the DMR approved the conversion of the South Deep old order mining rights into a new-order mining right. Included in this approval was an additional portion of ground known as Uncle Harry's, which is contiguous to South Deep. The duration of the South Deep mining right and the Uncle Harry's mining right were both 30 years. The cumulative effect of this approval, together with the previous conversions for the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix gold mines granted in January 2007, is that all of Gold Fields' South African mines have now received their new-order mining rights. See Additional Information Material Contracts Black Economic Empowerment Transactions .

The Mining Charter became effective on May 1, 2004 and its stated objectives are to:

promote equitable access to South Africa's mineral resources for all the people of South Africa;

substantially and meaningfully expand opportunities for HDSAs, including women, to enter the mining and minerals industry and to benefit from the exploitation of South Africa's mineral resources;

utilize the existing skills base for the empowerment of HDSAs;

expand the skills base of HDSAs in order to serve the community;

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promote employment and advance the social and economic welfare of mining communities and areas supplying mining labor; and

promote beneficiation of South Africa's mineral commodities beyond mining and processing, including the production of consumer products.

The charter clarifies that it is not the government's intention to nationalize the mining industry.

To achieve these objectives, the charter requires that, within five years of its May 1, 2004 effective date, each mining company achieves a 15% HDSA ownership of mining assets and, within 10 years of that date, a 26% HDSA ownership of mining assets. Ownership can comprise active involvement, through HDSA-controlled companies (where HDSAs own at least 50% plus one share of the company and have management control), strategic joint ventures or partnerships (where HDSAs own at least 25% plus one vote of the joint venture or partnership interest and there is joint management and control) or collective investment vehicles, the majority ownership of which is HDSA based, or passive involvement, particularly through broad-based vehicles such as employee stock option plans. The charter envisages measuring progress on transformation of ownership by:

taking into account, among other things, attributable units of production controlled by HDSAs;

allowing flexibility by credits or offsets, so that, for example, where HDSA participation exceeds any set target in a particular operation, the excess may be offset against shortfalls in another operation;

taking into account previous empowerment deals in determining credits and offsets; and

considering special incentives to encourage the retention by HDSAs of newly acquired equity for a reasonable period.

It is envisaged that transactions will take place in a transparent manner and for fair market value with stakeholders meeting after five years to review progress in achieving the 26% target. Under the charter, the mining industry as a whole agreed to assist HDSA companies in securing finance to fund participation in an amount of Rand 100 billion over the first five years. Beyond the Rand 100 billion commitment, HDSA participation will be increased on a willing seller-willing buyer basis, at fair market value, where the mining companies are not at risk.

In addition, the charter requires, among other things, that mining companies:

spell out plans for achieving employment equity at management level with a view to achieving a baseline of 40% HDSA participation in management and achieving a baseline of 10% participation by women in the mining industry, in each case within five years;

give HDSAs preferred supplier status, where possible, in the procurement of capital goods, services and consumables; and

identify current levels of beneficiation and indicate opportunities for growth.

When considering applications for the conversion of existing licenses, the government takes a scorecard approach to the different facets of promoting the objectives of the charter. The scorecard sets out the requirements of the charter in tabular form which allows the DMR to tick off areas where a mining company is in compliance. The scorecard covers the following areas:

human resource development;

employment equity;

migrant labor;

mine community and rural development;

housing and living conditions;

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ownership and joint ventures;

beneficiation; and

reporting.

The scorecard does not indicate the relative significance of each item, nor does it provide a particular score which an applicant must achieve in order to be in compliance with the charter and be granted new order rights. The charter, together with the scorecard, provides a system of credits or offsets with respect to measuring compliance with HDSA ownership targets. Offsets may be claimed for beneficiation activities undertaken or supported by a company above a predetermined base state, which has not yet been established for each mineral. Offsets may also be claimed for continuing effects of previous empowerment transactions.

The charter also requires mining companies to submit annual, audited reports on progress toward their commitments, as part of an ongoing review process.

Following a review, the DMR recently amended the Mining Charter and the Revised Mining Charter was released on September 13, 2010. The requirement under the Mining Charter for mining entities to achieve a 26% HDSA ownership of mining assets by the year 2014 has been retained. Amendments to the Mining Charter in the Revised Mining Charter include, inter alia, the requirement by mining companies to (i) facilitate local beneficiation of mineral commodities; (ii) procure a minimum of 40% of capital goods, 70% of services and 50% of consumer goods from HDSA suppliers (i.e. suppliers of which a minimum of 25% + 1 vote of their share capital must be owned by HDSAs) by 2014. These targets will however be exclusive of non-discretionary procurement expenditure; (iii) ensure that multinational suppliers of capital goods contribute a minimum of 0.5% of their annual income generated from South African mining companies towards the socioeconomic development of South African communities into a social development fund from 2010; (iv) achieve a minimum of 40% HDSA demographic representation by 2014 at executive management (board) level, senior management (EXCO) level, core and critical skills, middle management level and junior management level; (v) invest up to 5% of annual payroll in essential skills development activities; and (vi) implement measures to improve the standards of housing and living conditions for mineworkers by converting or upgrading mineworkers hostels into family units, attaining an occupancy rate of one person per room and facilitating home ownership options for all mineworkers in consultation with organized labor, all of which must be achieved by 2014. In addition, mining companies are required to monitor and evaluate their compliance to the Revised Mining Charter, and must submit annual compliance reports to the DMR. The Scorecard for the Broad-Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the South African Mining Industry attached to the Revised Mining Charter, or the Scorecard, makes provision for a phased-in approach for compliance with the above targets over the 5-year period ending in 2014. For measurement purposes, the Scorecard allocates various weightings to the different elements of the Revised Mining Charter. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Revised Mining Charter will amount to a breach of the MPRDA and may result in the cancellation or suspension of a mining company's existing mining rights and may prevent Gold Fields South African operations from obtaining any new mining rights. For further information, please refer to Risk Factors Gold Fields mineral rights in South Africa are subject to legislation, which could impose costs and burdens.

The Royalty Act

The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Royalty Act, 2008, or the Royalty Act, was promulgated on November 24, 2008 and came into operation on March 1, 2010. The Royalty Act imposes a royalty on refined and unrefined minerals payable to the State.

The royalty in respect of refined minerals (which include gold and platinum) is calculated by dividing earnings before interest and taxes, or EBIT, by the product of 12.5 times gross revenue calculated as a percentage, plus an additional 0.5%. EBIT refers to taxable mining income (with certain exceptions such as no deduction for interest payable and foreign exchange losses) before assessed losses but after capital expenditure. A maximum royalty of 5% of revenue has been introduced for refined minerals.

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The royalty in respect of unrefined minerals (which include uranium) is calculated by dividing EBIT by the product of nine times gross revenue calculated as a percentage, plus an additional 0.5%. Where unrefined mineral resources (such as uranium) constitute less than 10% in value of the total composite mineral resources, the royalty rate in respect of refined mineral resources may be used for all gross sales and a separate calculation of EBIT for each class of mineral resources is not required. For Gold Fields, this means that currently it will pay a royalty based on the refined minerals royalty calculation as applied to its gross revenue. The rate of royalty tax payable for the period from March 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 was 1.2% of revenue. See Risk Factors Gold Fields mineral rights in South Africa are subject to new legislation, which could impose significant costs and burdens The Royalty Act .

Exchange Controls

South African law provides for exchange control regulations, or the Exchange Control Resolutions, which, among other things, restrict the outward flow of capital from the Common Monetary Area, or CMA, comprising South Africa, the Kingdoms of Lesotho and Swaziland and the Republic of Namibia. The Exchange Control Regulations, which are administered by the South African Reserve Bank, or the SARB, are applied throughout the CMA and regulate transactions involving South African residents, including companies. The basic purpose of the Exchange Control Regulations is to mitigate the negative effects caused by a decline of foreign capital reserves in South Africa, which may result in the devaluation of the Rand against other currencies. It is anticipated that the Exchange Control Regulations will remain in place for the foreseeable future. The South African government has, however, committed itself to gradually relaxing exchange controls and various relaxations have occurred in recent years. The most recent relaxations to the Exchange Control Regulations were announced by the Minister of Finance in the 2010 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement in October 2010. These relaxations included the removal of exchange controls on emigrant blocked assets, the increase of offshore investment allowances for individuals and the lifting of exchange controls on the raising and deployment of capital offshore by qualifying international head quarter companies. These relaxations will be formalized and amplified in circulars from the South African Reserve Bank, which the Minister indicated would be issued shortly but which have not yet come to hand. It is the stated objective of the authorities to achieve equality of treatment between residents and non-residents in relation to inflows and outflows of capital. The gradual approach to the abolition of exchange controls is designed to allow the economy to adjust more smoothly to the removal of controls that have been in place for a considerable period of time.

SARB approval is required for Gold Fields and its South African subsidiaries to receive and/or repay loans to non-residents of the CMA. Repayment of principal and interest on such loans will usually be approved where the payment is limited to the amount borrowed and a market-related rate of interest.

Funds raised outside of the CMA by Gold Fields non-South African resident subsidiaries (whether through debt or equity) can be used for overseas expansion, subject to any conditions imposed by the SARB. Gold Fields and its South African subsidiaries would, however, require SARB approval in order to provide guarantees for the obligations of any of Gold Fields subsidiaries with regard to funds obtained from non-residents of the CMA. Debt raised outside the Common Monetary Area by Gold Fields non-South African subsidiaries must be repaid or serviced by those foreign subsidiaries. Absent SARB approval, income earned in South Africa by Gold Fields and its South African subsidiaries cannot be used to repay or service such foreign debts. Unless specific SARB approval has been obtained, income earned by one of Gold Fields foreign subsidiaries cannot be used to finance the operations of another foreign subsidiary.

Exchange Control Circular No.16/2009, announced in October 2009, addresses foreign direct investments outside the CMA by South African companies. Transfers of funds from South Africa for the purchase of shares in offshore entities or for the creation or expansion of business ventures offshore require exchange control approval. However, if the investment is a new outward foreign direct investment where the total cost does not exceed R500 million per company per calendar year, the investment application may, without specific SARB approval, be processed by an authorized dealer, subject to all existing criteria and reporting obligations. In determining whether Gold Fields and its South African subsidiaries can invest overseas, the SARB will consider whether the

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investment meets certain requirements, including the benefit of the investment to South Africa. Gold Fields applies annually to the SARB for blanket approval for a specified amount for offshore exploration expenditure and to make exploration related foreign investments. The current approval allows for annual expenditures of up to U.S.\$80 million per year. Gold Fields is required to provide the SARB with an annual update on the Group's activities, including any such exploration investments.

Prior to October 2009, South African entities operating Customer Foreign Currency accounts, or CFC Accounts, were obliged to convert foreign currency proceeds and repatriate to South Africa within 180 days. Under Exchange Control Circular No. 19/2009 issued in October 2009, the above restrictions have been abolished and South African entities are not required to convert and repatriate funds.

A listing by a South African company on any stock exchange other than the JSE for the purpose of raising capital needs permission from the SARB. Any such listing which would result in a South African company being redomiciled also needs approval from the Minister of Finance.

Gold Fields must obtain approval from the SARB regarding any capital raising involving a currency other than the Rand. In connection with its approval, it is possible that the SARB may impose conditions on Gold Fields' use of the proceeds of any such capital raising, such as limits on Gold Fields' ability to retain the proceeds of the capital raising outside South Africa or requirements that Gold Fields seeks further SARB approval prior to applying any such funds to a specific use. Any limitations imposed by the SARB on Gold Fields' use of the proceeds of a capital raising could adversely affect Gold Fields' financial and strategic flexibility. See Risk Factors Gold Fields' financial flexibility could be materially constrained by South African exchange control regulations.

In his speech to Parliament on February 20, 2008, the Minister of Finance announced that the requirement for South African companies to obtain a significant equity interest in investments outside the CMA of at least 25% was replaced with the requirement that at least 10% of the foreign target entity's voting rights must be acquired. In addition, to further enable South African companies, trusts, partnerships and banks to manage their foreign exposure, they are to be permitted to participate without restriction in the Rand futures market on the JSE. This dispensation was also extended to investment in inward-listed (foreign) instruments on the JSE and the Bond Exchange of South Africa. In his budget speech of February 17, 2010, the Minister of Finance reaffirmed that his department was continuing its work on reforming the exchange control legislation.

New Companies Act

The Group's South African companies are subject to the applicable provisions of the South African Companies Act. The new Companies Act, 2008 (which will replace the Companies Act) has been promulgated as law but the date on which it is to come into effect has not been gazetted. The regulations to the new Companies Act, 2008 are still in draft form.

Ghana

Environmental

The laws and regulations relating to the environment in Ghana have their roots in the 1992 Constitution which charges both the state and individuals with a duty to take appropriate measures to protect and safeguard the natural environment. Mining companies are also required, under the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 (Act 703), Environmental Assessment Regulations 1999 (LI 1652) and Water Use Regulations 2001 (LI 1692), to obtain all necessary approvals from the Environmental Protection Agency, or EPA, and the Forestry Commission before undertaking mining operations. The Minerals and Mining Act also requires mines to comply with all laws for the protection of the environment.

Under the relevant environmental laws and regulations, mining operations are required to undergo an environmental impact assessment process and obtain approval for an environmental permit prior to commencing

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operations. Within 24 months of the date upon which operations commence, Ghanaian mining operations must submit an environmental management plan, or EMP, for the operations to obtain an environmental certificate. EMPs are submitted every three years and include details regarding the likely impact of the operation on the environment, including local communities, as well as a comprehensive plan and timetable for actions to lessen and remediate adverse impacts.

The laws also require mining operations to rehabilitate land disturbed as a result of mining operations pursuant to an environmental reclamation plan agreed with the Ghanaian environmental authorities. The reclamation plan provides an estimate of the costs to rehabilitate the mining area for the life of the mine, or the life of mine rehabilitation estimate, and an estimate of the costs to rehabilitate the mine as at the date of the reclamation plan, or the current estimated rehabilitation costs. These estimates are adjusted every two years, taking into account any new disturbance or rehabilitation undertaken during the two year period from the date of the previous estimate. The obligations to rehabilitate the mining area and to provide security for the rehabilitation costs is included in a reclamation security agreement negotiated with the EPA and signed by the mining company. Each mining company is required to secure a percentage (typically between 50% and 100%) of the current estimated rehabilitation costs by posting a reclamation bond and a cash deposit, which serve as a security deposit against default.

Updated reclamation plans are submitted to the EPA every two years with a readjustment of the calculated bond based on the current estimated rehabilitation costs. Gold Fields Ghana's current reclamation bond secures an amount of \$7.4 million which is 50% of the rehabilitation costs estimated as at December 2005. The amount secured will be revised based on adjusted current estimated rehabilitation costs as at the date a new reclamation security agreement is signed. The EPA is reviewing the current life of mine rehabilitation estimate forecast for Tarkwa (following its expansion) of \$39.2 million. Upon submission of a Notice of Intent for the Tarkwa expansion project in 2006, Gold Fields Ghana was advised by the EPA to submit a new environmental impact statement, or EIS, and the EPA further advised Gold Fields Ghana to submit an updated reclamation plan and revised security bond agreement after the approval of the new EIS document. Gold Fields Ghana submitted a new EIS in February 2007 which was approved by the EPA in May 2007. A new environmental permit was issued in May 2007 allowing Gold Fields Ghana to continue operations subject to submission of a revised EMP for the site within 18 months. Gold Fields Ghana submitted a revised EMP to the EPA in November 2008 and the EPA responded in January 2009 that it was reviewing the document. In late June 2009, Gold Fields was advised by African Environmental Research Consultants to reformat the document and to address issues raised by consultants engaged by the EPA. The EPA has also asked that recommendations made in the Akoben inspection, a mine-wide audit conducted by consultants engaged by the EPA in July 2009, be incorporated in the EMP before the certificate is issued. Gold Fields submitted a revised EMP, including the Akoben recommendations, in July 2010. Following this review, a revised Closure Plan and security bond agreement will be negotiated based on the agreed estimated rehabilitation costs.

Abosso has submitted the required EMP and reclamation plans and is in compliance with all permit, certificate and reclamation requirements. Following submission of Damang's Environmental Management Plan 2005 to 2008 in August 2005, on January 23, 2006 Damang's environmental certificate was renewed for a further three years. A revised Environmental Management Plan for the period from 2008 to 2011 was submitted to the EPA in November 2008. The EPA has indicated that the new environmental certificate, which covers a three year period, will be issued after concerns raised in the Akoben inspection have been addressed. Under Ghanaian law, a mining company may continue operations while its application is being considered as long as all necessary filings have been made.

Abosso was the first mining company in Ghana to sign a reclamation security agreement, in May 2001. Following various intermediate amendments to the agreement, in April 2006, Abosso provided the EPA with a revised draft reclamation security agreement. The draft reclamation security agreement was based on calculated current estimated rehabilitation costs totaling \$4.2 million. The current life of mine rehabilitation estimate is \$5.8 million (which includes the \$4.2 million in current estimated rehabilitation costs) and takes into account a reduction in the liability for completed reclamation works. Meetings with the EPA were held during 2007 and a

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further draft agreement was submitted to the EPA in November 2007. Abosso was asked to make certain amendments to this draft and submitted a final draft to the EPA in November 2008. A reclamation bond (in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit of \$2.0 million) and a \$200,000 cash deposit were provided as security. The bond expired in June 2009, but has been renewed, most recently in June 2009 and is again in the process of being renewed. The bond is expected to continue to be renewed until the amount required to be secured is revised by the EPA and a new reclamation security agreement can be signed with the EPA.

Gold Fields has implemented environmental management systems in compliance with ISO 14001 throughout its operations in Ghana. Gold Fields' operations in Ghana were re-certified under ISO 14001 (2007) during fiscal 2009 for a further three years.

Following Gold Fields becoming a signatory to the Cyanide Code on November 3, 2005, all its operations, including the Ghanaian operations, are committed to complying with the code. Certification under the code at both Ghana operations was achieved in May 2008. As of October 2009, all of Gold Fields' eligible operations had obtained accreditation under the International Cyanide Management Code.

Health and Safety

Ghanaian health and safety regulations impose statutory duties on the owner of a mine to, among other things, take steps to ensure that the mine is managed and worked in a manner which provides for the safety and proper discipline of the mine workers. Additionally, Gold Fields is required, under the terms of its mining leases, to comply with the reasonable instructions of the relevant authorities for securing the health and safety of persons working in or connection with the mine. A violation of the health and safety regulations or a failure to comply with the reasonable instructions of the relevant authorities could lead to, among other things, a temporary shutdown of all or a portion of the mine, the loss of the right to mine, or the imposition of costly compliance procedures, and, in the case of a violation of the regulations relating to health and safety, constitutes an offense under Ghanaian law. Gold Fields, as the holder of the mining lease, has potential liability arising from injuries to, or deaths of, workers, including, in some cases, workers employed by its contractors. Although Ghanaian law provides statutory workers compensation for injuries or fatalities to workers, it is not the exclusive means for workers to claim compensation. Gold Fields' insurance for health and safety claims or the relevant workers' compensation may not be adequate to meet the costs which may arise upon any future health and safety claims. As a result, Gold Fields may suffer adverse consequences. See *Risk Factors* Gold Fields' operations in Ghana are subject to environmental and health and safety regulations which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Every person resident in Ghana is required to belong to either a public or private health insurance scheme. Since August 1, 2004, to fund the National Health Insurance Fund, a levy of 2.5% has been imposed on goods and services produced or provided in, or imported into, Ghana, although certain types of machinery used in mining, as well as water and certain types of fuel, are exempt from the levy. Employers who establish or contribute to a private health insurance scheme are not exempt from payment of the levy.

Mineral Rights

Gold Fields Ghana holds five mining leases in respect of its operations at the Tarkwa property, each dated April 18, 1997, and two mining leases dated February 2, 1988 and June 18, 1992, respectively, for its operations at the former Teberebie property. The Tarkwa property mining leases all expire in 2027 and the Teberebie property mining leases both expire in 2018. Under the provisions of the Minerals and Mining Law, 1986 (PNDCL 153), or the Minerals and Mining Law, and the terms of the mining leases, all of the Tarkwa property and Teberebie property mining leases are renewable by agreement between Gold Fields Ghana and the government of Ghana.

Abosso holds a mining lease in respect of the Damang mine dated April 19, 1995, as amended by an agreement dated April 4, 1996. This lease expires in 2025. Abosso also holds a mining lease in respect of Lima

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South, dated March 22, 2006, which expires in 2017. As with the Tarkwa and Teberebie mining leases, these leases are renewable under their terms and the provisions of the Minerals and Mining Law by agreement between Abosso and the government of Ghana.

In addition, under Ghanaian law, the Tarkwa property mining leases are subject to the ratification of Parliament. The Minerals Commission, the statutory corporation overseeing the mining operations on behalf of the government of Ghana, has confirmed that the Tarkwa property leases have been ratified by Parliament.

A license is required for the export, sale or other disposal of minerals and the permission of the Chief Inspector of Mines is required to remove minerals obtained by the holder of a mineral right. Under Ghanaian law, the government has the right to compel the sale to it of all mineral rights obtained in Ghana and all products derived from the refining or treatment of minerals. However, the current project development agreement entitles Gold Fields to export and sell its entire production of gold and by-products. In respect of Abosso, the government has agreed not to exercise these pre-emption rights for as long as Abosso follows such procedure for marketing its products as may be approved by the Bank of Ghana acting on the advice of the Minerals Commission.

Under the provisions of the Minerals and Mining Law, the size of an area in respect of which a mining lease may be granted cannot exceed 50 square kilometers for any single grant or 150 square kilometers in the aggregate for any company. Gold Fields Ghana's mining leases cover approximately 207 square kilometers and Abosso's mining lease covers approximately 52 square kilometers. Gold Fields Ghana is currently discussing a development agreement with the Ghanaian government which would permit it to hold all its current land.

The Minerals and Mining Act came into force on March 31, 2006. Although the Minerals and Mining Act repealed the Minerals and Mining Law, and the amendments to it, the Minerals and Mining Act provides that leases, permits and licenses granted or issued under the repealed laws will continue under those laws unless the Minister responsible for minerals provides otherwise by regulation. Therefore, unless and until such regulations are passed in respect of Gold Fields' mineral rights, the Minerals and Mining Law will continue to apply to Gold Fields' current operations in Ghana.

The major provisions of the Minerals and Mining Act include:

the government of Ghana's right to a 10% free carried interest in mineral operations is restricted to mining leases. The government may participate further in mineral operations upon agreement with the holder;

mineral rights in land over which mineral rights have been granted may not be granted to any other person in respect of the same minerals;

introduction of a new system for demarcating the land, referred to as the cadastral system, whereby land is demarcated in blocks. Under the new system, a mining lease area may not be less than one block or more than 300 contiguous blocks. A block is defined as 21 hectares;

mining companies which have invested or intend to invest at least \$500 million may benefit from stability and development agreements, relating to both existing and new operations, which will serve to protect holders of current and future mining leases for a period not exceeding 15 years against changes in laws and regulations generally and in particular relating to customs and other duties, levels of payment of taxes, royalties and exchange control provisions, transfer of capital and dividend remittances. A development agreement may contain further provisions relating to the mineral operations and environmental issues. Each stability and development agreement is subject to the ratification of Parliament;

provisions requiring the renewal of a mining lease for a further period of up to 30 years once the holder has made an application for renewal pursuant to the terms of the lease if the holder is in material compliance with its obligations under law and under the lease;

provisions restricting royalty rates to not more than 6% or less than 3% of the total revenue of minerals; and

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changes to the definition of a mining company. Under the Minerals and Mining Law, a mining company is defined as a company which or whose subsidiary is the holder of a mining lease. The Minerals and Mining Act defines a mining company as a company which or whose subsidiary is the holder of a mineral right (holders of mineral rights include prospecting and reconnaissance license holders) and excludes companies listed on a stock exchange and companies whose holding in mining companies or whose subsidiary's assets are less than 50% of the market value of their total assets. The effect of this re-definition is that persons seeking to become controllers of prospecting or reconnaissance license holders as well as mining lease holders are required to seek the approval of the Minister responsible for mines. Further, mineral rights holders are required to notify the Minister of changes in control.

Additionally, similar to its rights currently in respect of companies holding mining leases, the government of Ghana is entitled to a special share in prospecting or reconnaissance license holders. See Government Option to Acquire Shares of Mining Companies.

Under the Minerals and Mining Act, neither a landowner nor any other person may search for minerals or mine on any land without having been granted a mineral right by the Minister responsible for mines. Additionally, even if a mineral right granted under the Minerals and Mining Law is made subject to the Minerals and Mining Act, the Act provides that this shall not have the effect of increasing the holder's costs, or financial burden, for a period of five years.

In 2010, the Minerals and Mining Act was amended to provide for a fixed royalty rate of 5% of the total revenue earned from minerals obtained, with effect from April 1, 2011.

Government Option to Acquire Shares of Mining Companies

Under Ghanaian law, the government is entitled to a 10% interest in any Ghanaian company which holds a mining lease in Ghana, without the payment of compensation. The government of Ghana has already received this 10% interest in each of Gold Fields Ghana and Abosso. The government also has the option, under the Minerals and Mining Law, of acquiring an additional 20% interest in the share capital of mining companies whose rights were granted under the Minerals and Mining Law at a price agreed upon by the parties, at the fair market value at the time the option is exercised, or as may be determined by international arbitration. The government of Ghana exercised this option in respect of Gold Fields Ghana and subsequently transferred the interest, which now forms part of the IAMGold interest in Gold Fields Ghana. The Government of Ghana retains this option to purchase an additional 20% of the share capital of Abosso. As far as management is aware, the government of Ghana has not exercised this option for any other gold mining company in the past.

Under the Minerals and Mining Law, which continues to apply to Gold Fields Ghana's operations, and under the Minerals and Mining Act, the government has a further option to acquire a special share in a mining company for no consideration or in exchange for such consideration as the government and that company shall agree. This interest, when acquired, constitutes a special share which gives the government the right to attend and speak at any general meeting of shareholders, but does not entitle the government to any voting rights. The special share does not entitle the government to distributions of profits of the company which issues it to the government. The written consent of the government is required to make any amendment to a company's articles of incorporation relating to the government's option to acquire a special share. Although the government of Ghana has agreed not to exercise this option in respect of Gold Fields Ghana, it has retained this option for Abosso.

Exchange Controls

Under Ghana's mining laws, the Bank of Ghana or the Minister for Finance may permit the holder of a mining lease to retain a percentage of its foreign exchange earnings for certain expenses in bank accounts in Ghana. Under a foreign exchange retention account agreement with the government of Ghana, Gold Fields Ghana is required to repatriate 20% of its revenues derived from the Tarkwa mine to Ghana and use the repatriated revenues in Ghana or maintain them in a Ghanaian bank account. Management believes that Gold

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Fields Ghana is entitled to rely on the provisions of the foreign exchange retention account agreement for the duration of the Tarkwa mining leases. Abosso is currently obligated to repatriate 25% of its revenue to Ghana, although the level of repatriation under the deed of warranty between Abosso and the government of Ghana is subject to renegotiation every two years. The most recent negotiations were concluded in February 2003. Since then there have been no requests for negotiations by either side and Abosso's obligations remain the same. Until Abosso's repatriation level is renegotiated, it will remain the same. While management has no reason to believe that the repatriation level will increase as a result of the next set of negotiations, there is no agreed ceiling on the repatriation level, and it could be increased. Any increase could adversely affect Gold Fields' ability to use the cash flow from the Damang mine outside Ghana, including to fund working costs and capital expenditures at other operations, to provide funds for acquisitions and to repay principal and interest on indebtedness. Gold Fields currently repatriates on average approximately 40% of revenues from the Ghana operations to Ghana, annually. In fiscal 2010, Gold Fields repatriated approximately 84% to fund its capital expenditures and capital waste program in Ghana. However, Gold Fields does not expect repatriation to remain at this level in the future.

Australia

Environmental

While Australia's national government retains the power to regulate activities which impact matters of national environmental significance, the Constitution vests the power to legislate environmental matters principally in the states. Gold Fields' gold operations in Australia are primarily subject to the environmental laws and regulations of the State of Western Australia which require, among other things, that Gold Fields obtains environmental licenses, work approvals and mining licenses to begin mining operations.

During the operational life of its mines, Gold Fields is required by law to make provisions for the ongoing rehabilitation of its mines and to provide for the cost of post-closure rehabilitation and monitoring once mining operations cease. Gold Fields guarantees its environmental obligations by providing the Western Australian government with unconditional bank-guaranteed performance bonds. However, the value of these bonds would not necessarily cover the actual costs of rehabilitation or any environmental events requiring remediation that were unforeseen at the time the bonds were issued or which occur as a result of a breach of Gold Fields' environmental licence conditions.

Gold Fields is subject to the Environmental Protection Act 1986. Under the Environmental Protection Act 1986, Gold Fields is obliged to prevent and abate pollution and environmental harm. Under the Contaminated Sites Act 2003, Gold Fields is required to report known or suspected contaminated sites. The Western Australian government's Department of Environment and Conservation then classifies the site based on the risk posed to human health and the environment. Gold Fields may be required to investigate or remediate an affected site if there is contamination that is likely to cause harm to human health or the environment. If that happens, Gold Fields' environmental duties and responsibilities will be increased.

Gold Fields is required to publicly report energy use and efficiency measures under the Energy Efficiency Opportunities (EEO) Act 2006, with the first report for the 2008 fiscal year already submitted and published on the Gold Fields website in December 2008. Reports are required by the December 31 following the end of each fiscal year, with an additional more detailed government report due December 31, 2011.

Under the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007, Gold Fields is required to submit yearly reports to the federal government in relation to the energy use, energy production and greenhouse gas emissions associated with its Australian mining operations. The scheme, which commenced on July 1, 2008, also requires regulated companies to retain energy and emissions data for seven years for audit. Gold Fields Australia, which includes St. Ives, Agnew, the Australian division of the Exploration group and associated offices, recently submitted energy use and emission data for the 2010 fiscal year.

On May 14, 2009, a bill was introduced into the Australian parliament which, if passed, would have introduced a country-wide cap and trade system for greenhouse gases. The Carbon Pollution Reduction

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Scheme Bill 2009, or the CPRS Bill, would have required large direct emitters of greenhouse gases in certain sectors of the economy to purchase and then surrender carbon permits called Australian Emission Units, or AEU's for each ton of carbon dioxide directly produced by their facilities during that financial year.

After the Australian Senate voted against it twice, the CPRS Bill was reintroduced to Parliament on February 2, 2010. However, before it was reconsidered, the Prime Minister announced, on April 27, 2010, that the Government had decided to delay the bill's implementation until after 2012. If the CPRS Bill is ultimately passed in the same form, Gold Fields is likely to be directly regulated under the scheme due to St. Ives exceeding the 25kt CO₂-e facility threshold for direct emissions. Gold Fields' operational expenditures will also be affected by the pass-through of compliance costs via its contracts with regulated suppliers.

Following Gold Fields becoming a signatory to the International Cyanide Management Code, or the Code, on November 3, 2005, all its operations, including its Australian operations, are committed to complying with the Code. The Code requires signatories to have their compliance audited by independent, third-party auditors every three years. As of October 2009, all of Gold Fields' eligible operations had obtained accreditation under the International Cyanide Management Code. St. Ives achieved full compliance with the Code on August 5, 2009 and Agnew achieved full compliance in January 2010.

Health and Safety

The Western Australia Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 (WA), or the Safety and Inspection Act, regulates the duties of employers and employees in the mining industry with regard to occupational health and safety and outlines offenses and penalties for breach. The regulations prescribe specific measures and provide for inspectors to review the work site for hazards and violations of the health and safety requirements. A violation of the health and safety laws or failure to comply with the instructions of the relevant health and safety authorities could lead to, among other things, a temporary shutdown of all or a portion of the mine, a loss of the right to mine or the imposition of costly compliance procedures. However, mine owner liability for contractors' employees and labor hire employees under the Safety and Inspection Act extends only to matters over which the Company has the capacity to exercise control. See Risk Factors Gold Fields' operations in Australia are subject to environmental and health and safety regulations, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

The Safety and Inspection Act was amended in April 2005 and the changes include:

a new regime of penalties characterized by significant increases (particularly in relation to companies), higher penalties for repeat offenses, and new offenses of causing death or serious harm through gross negligence, which attract high penalties including the option of imprisonment;

broader powers for inspectors to impose improvements or prohibition notices on machinery and work practices; and

a new duty of care imposed on employers with respect to residential accommodation supplied in connection with employment.

The Western Australian Government is currently reviewing the manner in which safety and health in the resources industry is regulated. The review is placing greater emphasis on risk management and less on detailed prescription. Recent amendments to legislation reflect this approach.

The effect of the amendments is that the cost of health and safety compliance at Gold Fields' mining operations in Australia has increased, as may its exposure to prosecution.

Mineral Rights

In Australia, the ownership of land is separate from the ownership of most minerals, which are the property of the states and are thus regulated by the state governments. The Western Australian Mining Act 1978 (WA), or the Mining Act, is the principal piece of legislation governing exploration and mining on land in Western

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Australia. Licenses and leases for, among other things, prospecting, exploration and mining must be obtained pursuant to the requirements of the Mining Act before the relevant activity can begin. Application fees and rental payments are payable in respect of each mining tenement.

Prospecting licenses, exploration licenses and mining leases are subject to prescribed minimum annual expenditure commitments. Royalties are payable to the state based on the amount of gold produced from a mining tenement. Royalties are payable quarterly at a fixed rate of 2.5% of the royalty value of gold sold. The royalty value of gold is the amount of gold produced during the month multiplied by the average gold spot price for the month.

Ministerial consent is required with respect to assignment or sale of a mining lease and certain other leases and tenements. Gold Fields has obtained ministerial consent for the transfer of all material mining leases and other tenements acquired from WMC.

Land Claims

In 1992, the High Court of Australia recognized a form of native title which protects the rights of indigenous people in relation to land in certain circumstances. As a result of this decision, the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), or Native Title Act, was enacted to recognize and protect existing native title by providing a mechanism for the determination of native title claims and a statutory right for Aboriginal groups or persons to negotiate, object, and/or be consulted when, among other things, there is an expansion of, or change to, the rights and interests in the land which affects native title and constitutes a future act under the Native Title Act. The existence of these claims does not necessarily prevent continued mining under existing tenements. Tenements granted prior to January 1, 1994 are not future acts and do not need to comply with the aforementioned consultation or negotiation procedures. As a general rule, tenements granted after January 1, 1994 need to comply with this process. However, in Western Australia, some tenements were granted without complying with this consultation or negotiation process on the basis of then prevailing Western Australian legislation. This legislation was subsequently found to be invalid as it conflicted with the Native Title Act which is Commonwealth legislation. Subsequent legislation was passed validating the grant of tenements between January 1, 1994 and December 23, 1996, provided certain conditions were met.

Certain of Gold Fields tenements are currently subject to native title claims. However, most of Gold Fields tenements were granted prior to January 1, 1994. Where tenements were granted between January 1, 1994 and December 23, 1996, Gold Fields believes it complies with the conditions set out by the Native Title Act for those tenements to be validly granted. On those tenements not granted before December 1996, Gold Fields has entered into agreements with the claimant parties which provides the Company with security of tenure. Therefore, the granting of native title over any of these tenements will not have a material effect on Gold Fields tenure.

Mining leases do not necessarily extinguish all native title, but do extinguish the native title rights with which they conflict. The right of native title holders to control access to land is extinguished by a mining lease in Western Australia. However, mining leases may not extinguish other native title rights. Therefore, some native title rights may co-exist with the rights granted under a mining lease. Compensation could be payable for rights lost by native title holders on the grant of a mining lease. In addition, negotiations with native title applicants are generally necessary before a new mining lease will be granted by the state and these can be time consuming and costly.

It is possible that land comprised in seven of Gold Fields existing tenements could be at risk due to native title claims, because those particular tenements may have been granted by the State of Western Australia in a manner contrary to the Native Title Act. Although the validity of those seven tenements is in question, Gold Fields management does not believe those tenements are material to its Australian operation.

The Aboriginal heritage laws protect sites of significance to Aboriginal people which have ongoing ethnographic, archaeological or historic significance. Gold Fields is aware of several Aboriginal heritage sites on

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its tenements. However, it does not believe that the protected status of these sites will materially affect its current operations in Australia. See Risk Factors Gold Fields tenements in Australia are subject to native title claims and include Aboriginal heritage sites, which could impose significant costs and burdens.

Peru

Regulatory

The regulatory framework governing the development of mining activities in Peru mainly consists of a General Mining Act (*Ley General de Minería*), or the LGM, and Regulations relating to mining procedures, health and safety, environmental protection, and mining investment and guarantees. Other laws, such as the Mining Royalty Law and laws relating to the granting of mining concessions in urban areas and urban expansion areas, the closing of mines, and liabilities for environmental damage, also affect mining companies.

The exploration and exploitation of mineral substances from the soil or subsoil is governed by the LGM. Mining activities as defined by the LGM include surveying, prospecting, exploration, exploitation, general workings, beneficiation, trading and transportation of ore.

Regulatory and Supervisory Entities

In general terms, the principal regulator of mining activities in Peru is the Ministry of Energy and Mines, or the MEM, through its General Bureau of Mining (*Dirección General de Minería*), or DGM, and its General Bureau of Mining and Environmental Affairs (*Dirección General de Asuntos Ambientales Mineros*), or DGAAM. Other regulatory institutions are the Geological, Mining and Metallurgical Institute (*Instituto Geológico Minero Metalúrgico*), or the INGEMMET; the Supervisory Body of Investment in Energy and Mining (*Organismo Supervisor de la Inversión en Energía Minería*), or the OSINERGMIN; and the Assessment and Environment Supervising Agency (*Organismo de Evaluación y Fiscalización Ambiental*), or the OEFA, which was created in 2008 and entered into operation in 2010.

The DGM is the senior body of the MEM overseeing the mining industry. It reports directly to the Office of the Vice-Minister of Mining and is responsible for, among other things, the promotion of mining activities, the granting of beneficiation, ore transportation and general working concessions, the proposal of welfare, health and safety regulations.

The DGAAM has the following duties, among others: (i) propose policy and legal provisions for environmental conservation and protection in the mining sector; (ii) approve technical standards for the appropriate application of regulations on environmental conservation and protection to apply to activities of the mining sector; and (iii) assess environmental and social impacts derived from activities of the mining sector, establishing the preventive and corrective measures necessary to control such impacts.

The INGEMMET has the following duties, among others: (i) process mining claims, grant titles to mining concessions and act on applications relating to mining rights pursuant to law; (ii) keep the National Mining Land Register (*Catastro Minero*); administer and distribute the Annual Concession Fee, or ACF, and collect any penalties for failure to meet minimum annual production targets; and (iii) cancel mining claims or mining concessions pursuant to applicable laws.

The OSINERGMIN supervises and inspects mining activities as regards matters of mine safety and health. Until July 2010, OSINERGMIN also oversaw the environmental compliance of mining activities.

Since July 2010, all supervising, inspecting and sanctioning duties regarding environmental matters have been undertaken by the Organization for Environmental Assessment (*Organismo de Evaluación Ambiental*), or the OEFA. The OEFA is also responsible for proposing to the Ministry of Environment the scale of penalties applicable to each type of infringement pursuant to the Environmental Act.

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In accordance with the LGM, mining activities (except surveying, prospecting and trading) must be performed exclusively under the concession system. A concession confers upon its holder the exclusive right to develop a specific mining activity within a defined area. The LGM establishes four types of concessions:

Mining Concessions

Mining concessions confer the right to explore and exploit the mineralization granted which is within a solid of undefined depth, limited by vertical planes corresponding to the sides of a square, rectangle or closed polygon, the vertices of which refer to Universal Transversal Mercator, or UTM, coordinates. A mining concession is a real property interest independent and separate from surface land located within the UTM coordinates of the concession. It is granted by the INGEMMET. Once the claimed area is subject to a mining concession, the titleholder must register its title with the Public Mining Registry (*Registro de Derechos Mineros*) administered by the National Superintendent of Public Registers (*Superintendencia Nacional de Registros Públicos*) where all the agreements, resolutions and acts thereto must also be registered.

Holders of mining concessions or pending claims for mining concessions must comply with several obligations, including payment of the ACF, which is equivalent to U.S.\$3.00 per hectare per year. Default in payment of the ACF for two consecutive or non-consecutive years may result in cancellation of the relevant concession or claim.

Holders of mining concessions are also required to meet minimum annual production targets prescribed by law. Titleholders are entitled to aggregate multiple concessions for these purposes provided certain conditions are met. In the case of mining concessions obtained prior to October 2008, the minimum annual production target for concessions to mine metals is equivalent to U.S.\$100.00 per hectare per year. If the titleholder has not met the minimum annual production target by the end of the sixth year of the concession having been granted, the titleholder is required to pay from the seventh year a penalty equal to U.S.\$6.00 per year per hectare until the year in which the minimum annual production target is achieved. The penalty increases to U.S.\$20.00 per year per hectare if the minimum production target is not met by the end of the twelfth year of the concession having been granted. Failure to pay this penalty for two consecutive years may lead to the cancellation of the mining concession, although titleholders may be able to avoid paying the penalty if they can prove to the mining authorities that they have invested an amount equivalent to at least 10 times the amount of the penalty in the concession or Administrative Economic Unit (a grouping of concessions) during the previous year.

Pursuant to new regulations enacted in 2008, in the case of mining concessions obtained starting in October 2008, the minimum annual production target for metallic concessions is equivalent to one Fiscal Payment Unit, or UIT, per hectare per year. The UIT is fixed on a yearly basis and in 2010 is equal to approximately U.S.\$ 1,285. If the titleholder has not met the minimum annual production target by the end of the tenth year of the mining concession having been granted, the titleholder is required to pay as of the eleventh year an annual penalty equal to 10% of the minimum annual production target until the target is fulfilled. This regime also applies to mining concessions acquired prior to October 2008, if the titleholder does not achieve the minimum annual production target by January 2, 2019.

Pursuant to the new regulations, mining concessions obtained after October 2008 may be canceled if the titleholder (i) does not meet the minimum annual production target for two consecutive years between the eleventh and fifteenth year of the concession having been granted or (ii) does not meet, after the fifteenth year, the minimum annual production target, unless the corresponding penalty has been paid and the titleholder has evidenced investments in mining activities or in public infrastructure for an amount equivalent to 10 times the penalty. Finally, if the non-fulfillment of the minimum annual production target remains until the end of the twentieth year, the mining concession will be canceled. These requirements will also apply to mining concessions obtained prior to October 2008, in case they do not meet the minimum annual production target established by the new regulations by January 2, 2019.

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Beneficiation Concessions

Beneficiation or process concessions confer the right to extract or concentrate the valuable substances of an aggregate of minerals and/or to smelt, purify or refine metals through a set of physical, chemical and/or physicochemical processes. This concession is granted by the DGM.

As with mining concessions, holders of beneficiation concessions are required to pay the ACF of between 0.0014 and 2.00 UIT per metric ton/day of installed capacity, calculated on the basis of the production capacity of the processing plant, and default over two consecutive or non-consecutive years may result in cancellation of the concession.

General Working Concessions

General workings concessions confer the right to render ancillary services to two or more mining concession holders. The following are considered ancillary services: ventilation, drainage, hoisting or extraction in favor of two or more concessions of different concessionaires. This concession is granted by the DGM.

Ore Transportation Concessions

Ore transportation concessions confer the right to install and operate a system for the continuous massive transportation of mineral products between one or more mining centers and a port or beneficiation plant, or a refinery, or along one or more stretches of these routes. The ore transportation system must be non-conventional, such as conveyor belts, pipelines or cable cars, among others. This concession is granted by the DGM. Conventional transportation systems are authorized by the Ministry of Transport and Communications.

All the concessions regulated by the LGM must be registered with the Public Mining Registry. In addition, all concessions in force must be registered with the National Mining Land Register, administered by the INGEMMET, including the UTM coordinates of the vertices of each mining concession.

In order to fulfill the work obligations established by Peruvian law, the holder of more than one mining concession of the same class and nature may group them in Administrative Economic Units, provided that the concessions are located within a radius of five kilometers in the case of non-ferrous metallic minerals or primary auriferous metallic minerals such as gold, silver and copper; 20 kilometers in the case of ferrous, coal or non-metallic minerals; and 10 kilometers in the case of auriferous detritus or heavy minerals detritus. Creation of an Administrative Economic Unit requires an approval resolution issued by the DGM.

The holders of concessions have the following rights, among others: (i) in concessions granted on uncultivated lands, to make free mining use of the concession surface for their economic purpose, without any additional request being required; (ii) to request the right to the free mining use, for the same purpose, of uncultivated lands located outside the concession; (iii) to request an authorization to establish easements on third-party lands as necessary for the rational use of the concession; an easement will be established after paying fair value compensation; (iv) to request an authorization to establish mining use or easements, if applicable, on the surface lands of other concessions, provided that the mining activity of their holders is not disturbed or hindered; (v) to construct, on neighboring concessions, the works that may be necessary for access, ventilation and drainage of its own concessions, ore transportation and the safety of its workers, after appropriate compensation has been paid if such works cause any damages and without creating any encumbrance to the adjacent concessions; and (vi) to use the water necessary for the concession operations pursuant to the applicable law.

Mining Royalty

On June 24, 2004, the Peruvian Congress approved the Mining Royalty Law, which established a mining royalty that owners of mining concessions must pay to the Peruvian government for the exploitation of metallic and non-metallic resources. The mining royalties are calculated on a sliding scale with rates ranging from 1% to

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3% over the value of mineral concentrates based on international market prices. As provided by the Mining Royalty Law, since January 26, 2007, the Peruvian Tax Authority is responsible for the collection of mining royalties.

Voluntary Contributions

In fiscal 2010, mining companies in Peru agreed to voluntary, extraordinary and temporary economic contributions by mining companies to a private fund aimed at promoting social welfare, combating poverty and improving the living conditions of people who live in areas where mining activities take place. The agreed Voluntary Contributions of each company are expected to be a maximum of 3.75% of their respective annual profits after income taxes and mandatory profit distributions to workers. The mining companies have committed to making these voluntary contributions for five years.

La Cima and the Peruvian Ministry of Energy and Mines have executed a one year Voluntary Contribution Agreement in relation to contributions for calendar 2010, which is pending execution by the Ministry of Economy and Finances.

After consultation with the government, the mining industry has indicated its agreement to extend the voluntary payment of 3.75% of profits for a further 5 years. This proposal is under consideration by the government. In 2006, the mining industry agreed to the voluntary payment for an initial period of 5 years for the purpose of creating a common fund to benefit social projects aimed at health, nutrition, education and combating poverty.

Environmental

During the 1990s, a modern environmental practice that conforms to the international environmental standards was established and made generally applicable to most of the mining industry. In 1990, the Environmental Code was enacted, which established for the first time a legal and institutional system to preserve the environment. In 1993, the Environmental Protection Regulations for Mining and Metallurgical Activities were enacted. On October 15, 2005, the Environmental Act completely repealed and replaced the Environmental Code.

The following items are required to be produced under the environmental laws in order to perform mining activities:

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA): EIAs are required for new projects, expansions of the operations by more than 50% and in conjunction with a project moving from the exploration stage to the development stage. EIAs must evaluate the physical, biological, socioeconomic and cultural impacts on the environment resulting from the execution of the mining projects.

Semi-Detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (SD-EIAs) and Environmental Impact Statement (DIA): SD-EIAs and DIAs are required for mining exploration projects. SD-EIAs apply to larger projects while DIAs apply to smaller projects.

Annual Consolidated Statement: Holders of mining concessions must submit statements by June 30 of each year describing emissions to the environment and follow-up actions taken pursuant to the previously approved EIA and/or the Program for Environmental Adequacy, or PAMA.

As of July 2010, OEFA, rather than OSINERGMIN, is responsible for performing periodic Environmental Audits to supervise compliance with the commitments undertaken in the respective EIAs and/or PAMA.

In 2003, a law regulating mine closure was approved. The closure of a mine usually entails the sealing of exits, in the case of underground mines, the removal of surface infrastructure and the environmental rehabilitation of the surface where the mining activity has been developed. The law requires mining companies to ensure the availability of the resources necessary for the execution of an adequate mine closure plan, including an

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Environmental Liabilities Closure Plan, in order to prevent, minimize and control the risks to and negative effects on health, personal safety and environment that may be generated or may continue after the cessation of mining operations. Furthermore, the law obligates holders of mining concessions to furnish guarantees in favor of the MEM to ensure that they will carry out the Environmental Liabilities Closure Plan in accordance with the environmental protection regulations and to ensure that the MEM has the necessary funds to execute the mine closure plan in the event of non-compliance by the holder of the mining concession. Mine concession holders may satisfy these requirements by providing to the MEM stand-by letters of credit to cover the amount of any mine closure plan.

Regulations under the mine closure law establish the procedure to be followed to obtain approval of the Environmental Liabilities Closure Plan and the requirements and characteristics of the guarantees furnished by the holders of mining concessions. These regulations also establish procedures for the approval of mine closure plans and inspection of the implementation of such plans, as well as the penalties to be imposed in the event of non-compliance by the holders of mining concessions.

Property

Gold Fields' operations as of June 30, 2010 comprised the following:

Gold Fields' operative mining areas as of June 30, 2010

Operation	Size
South Africa	
Driefontein	8,561 hectares
Kloof	20,087 hectares
Beatrix	16,821 hectares
South Deep	3,566 hectares ⁽¹⁾
Ghana	
Tarkwa	20,825 hectares
Damang	8,111 hectares
Australia	
St. Ives	97,717 hectares
Agnew	60,579 hectares
Peru	
Cerro Corona	940 hectares

(1) As of July 13, 2010, the South Deep mining rights were extended to include Uncle Harry's Area, increasing South Deep's mining area to 4,268 hectares.

Gold Fields leases its corporate headquarters in Sandton, its South African Regional Office in Roodepoort and its exploration offices not located at the mines.

The MPRDA came into operation on May 1, 2004 and vests the right to prospect and mine in the South African State with administration by the government of South Africa. In November 2006, the South African Department of Minerals and Energy approved the conversion of Gold Fields' mining rights under the former regulatory regime at Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix into rights under the new regime. During May 2010 the DMR approved the conversion of the South Deep old order mining rights into a new order mining right. Included in this approval was an additional portion of ground known as Uncle Harry's, which is contiguous to South Deep. The cumulative effect of this approval, together with the previous conversions for the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix Gold Mines granted in January 2007, is that all of Gold Fields' South African mines have now received their new order mining rights.

Gold Fields also owns most of the surface rights with respect to its South African mining properties. Where Gold Fields conducts surface operations on land the surface rights of which it does not own, it does so in

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accordance with applicable mining and property laws. In addition, Gold Fields owns various mineral rights, under the previous regime, and surface rights contiguous to its operations in South Africa. As required under the MPRDA, Gold Fields has registered its surface rights utilized for mining purposes. Gold Fields has received prospecting rights on properties which it has identified as being able to contribute, now or in the future, to its business and is in the process of converting those prospecting rights to mining rights under the MPRDA. See Environmental and Regulatory Matters South Africa Mineral Rights .

Gold Fields Ghana obtained the mining rights for the Tarkwa property from the government of Ghana in 1993. In August 2000, with the consent of the government of Ghana, Gold Fields Ghana was assigned the mining rights for the northern portion of the Teberebie property. The Tarkwa rights expire in 2027, while the Teberebie rights expire in 2018. Abosso holds the right to mine at the Damang property under a mining lease from the government of Ghana which expires in 2025. Gold Fields may exploit all surface and underground gold at all three sites until the rights expire, provided that Gold Fields pays the government of Ghana a quarterly royalty which is calculated on the basis of a formula which ranges from 3% to 12% of revenues derived from mining at the sites. For fiscal 2010, this formula resulted in Gold Fields Ghana paying royalties equivalent to approximately 3.6% of the revenues from gold produced at the Tarkwa and Teberebie properties, and Abosso paying approximately 3.7% of the revenues from gold produced at the Damang property. In 2010, the Minerals and Mining Act was amended to provide for a fixed royalty rate of 5% of the total revenue earned from minerals obtained, with effect from April 1, 2011.

In Australia, mining rights and property are leased from the state. Australian mining leases have an initial term of 21 years with one automatic 21-year renewal period and thereafter an indefinite number of 21-year renewals with government approval. At the St. Ives operations, the initial 21-year term has expired for 12 mining leases, with those mining leases having now entered their second 21-year term in the last two to three years. At the Agnew operations, the initial 21-year term has expired for 39 mining leases, with those mining leases having now entered their second 21-year term. In relation to gold produced from the mining leases at St. Ives and Agnew, Gold Fields pays an annual royalty to the state of 2.5% of production.

In Peru, exploration and extraction activities can only be performed in duly authorized areas. Authorization is granted when a mining concession is issued. Mining concessions are for an indefinite term provided the titleholder complies with the timely payment of annual concession fees of U.S.\$3.00 per hectare and any applicable fines. La Cima's mining rights cover 2,939.68 hectares, including 185.2 hectares outside of Cerro Corona. The total surface rights related to Cerro Corona cover 1,092 hectares.

As of June 30, 2010, Gold Fields also held exploration tenements covering a total of approximately 3.6 million hectares in various countries, including Chile, Peru, Finland, Kyrgyzstan, South Africa, Ghana, Mali, the Philippines, Australia and Canada. Gold Fields' ownership interests in these sites vary with its participation interests in the relevant exploration projects. Gold Fields' international exploration offices are leased under various contract terms and durations. See Exploration .

Gold Fields also holds title to numerous non-mining properties in South Africa, including buildings, shops, farmland and hospitals, and is the registered owner of approximately 56,541 hectares of land in the Gauteng, North-West and Free State Provinces.

Research and Development

Gold Fields undertakes various research and development projects relating to gold production technology and potential uses of gold. In particular, Gold Fields has developed a patented technology called BIOX[®] through its wholly-owned Swiss subsidiary Biomin Technologies S.A. BIOX[®], which involves a process whereby bacteria release gold from sulfide-bearing gold ore to permit more economical recovery of the gold. On October 2, 2008, Gold Fields entered into an agreement with Bateman Engineering to sell its BIOX[®] Technology Business to Bateman Engineering for a net cash consideration of \$8.8 million. However, the agreement was canceled on February 3, 2009 as some of the conditions precedent to completion were not fulfilled. Gold Fields continues to actively develop and market BIOX[®] technology.

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Gold Fields participates in a collaborative research and development project, entitled the Autek Project, together with AngloGold Ashanti Limited, Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited and Mintek, which is focused on investigating potential new industrial uses for gold. The Autek Project has been integrated into the Nanotechnology Innovation Centre, which is an initiative of the South African government's Department of Science and Technology. Gold Fields' primary contribution to the Autek Project is aimed at researching gold nanotechnology.

The Company is currently involved in the testing of biotechnology for the destruction of cyanide compounds in residue streams, for the purpose of complying with the Cyanide Code. The ASTER® process is patented in South Africa.

In Australia, Gold Fields continue to work with the Commonwealth Scientific & Industrial Research Organisation, or CSIRO, on mining projects that are mutually beneficial, building on a relationship agreement signed in 2008. Laboratory scale tests have been carried out to test CSIRO's patented mechanical agitation for use at the Agnew mine. The tests were successful and economic evaluations are currently being carried out, with full scale trialing planned in the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, if viable. Further to this, test work is underway using material samples from the St. Ives mine, to assess the applicability of in-place leaching of small, shallow, oxide ore zones at the mine. Finally, the Queensland Centre for Automation Technology, or QCAT, are working on alternate mining solutions for the significant mineral inventory contained within paleochannel style deposits at the St. Ives mine.

Legal Proceedings

On August 21, 2008, Gold Fields Operations Limited, formerly known as Western Areas Limited, or WAL, a subsidiary of Gold Fields, received a summons from Randgold and Exploration Company Limited, or R&E, and African Strategic Investment (Holdings) Limited. The summons claims that during the period that WAL was under the control of Brett Kebble, Roger Kebble and others, WAL assisted in the unlawful disposal of shares owned by R&E in Randgold Resources Limited, or Resources, and Afrikander Lease Limited, now known as Uranium One. WAL's assessment remains that it has sustainable defenses to these claims and, accordingly, WAL's attorneys have been instructed to vigorously defend the claims. The claims have been computed in various ways. The highest claims have been computed on the basis of the highest prices of Resources and Uranium One between the dates of the alleged unlawful acts and March 2008 (approximately R12 billion). The alternative claims have been computed on the basis of the actual amounts allegedly received by WAL to fund its operations (approximately R519 million). The claims lie only against WAL, which holds a 50% stake in the South Deep Mine. This alleged liability is historic and relates to a period of time prior to Gold Fields purchasing the company. The plaintiffs have failed, to date, to prosecute their claims and the action remains in abeyance.

Other than the summons and investigation described above, Gold Fields is not a party to any material legal or arbitration proceedings, nor is any of its property the subject of pending material legal proceedings.

Glossary of Mining Terms

The following explanations are not intended as technical definitions, but rather are intended to assist the reader in understanding some of the terms used in this annual report.

Absorption, desorption and recovery, or AD&R means a treatment process involving the extraction of gold in solution using activated carbon, followed by removal of the gold from the carbon.

Agglomeration means a method of concentrating gold based on its adhesive characteristics.

Backfill means material, generally sourced from tailings or waste rock, used to refill mined-out areas to increase the long-term stability of mines and mitigate the effects of seismicity.

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Brattice wall means a partition normally made from pre-cast concrete panels that separates the fresh air entering and the exhaust exiting a mine shaft.

Breast Stopping means a mining method whereby the direction of mining is in the direction of strike of the reef.

Carbon absorption means a treatment process which uses activated carbon to remove gold in solution.

Carbon in leach, or CIL means a process similar to CIP (described below) except that the ore slurries are not leached with cyanide prior to carbon loading. Instead, the leaching and carbon loading occur simultaneously.

Carbon in pulp, or CIP means a common process used to extract gold from cyanide leach slurries. The process consists of carbon granules suspended in the slurry and flowing counter-current to the process slurry in multiple- staged agitated tanks. The process slurry, which has been leached with cyanide prior to the CIP process, contains soluble gold. The soluble gold is absorbed onto the carbon granules which are subsequently separated from the slurry by screening. The gold is then recovered from the carbon by electrowinning onto steel wool cathodes or by a similar process.

Cleaning means the process of removing broken rock from a mine.

Closely spaced dip pillar mining method means a mining method where support pillars are left in place at relatively close intervals to increase the stability of the mine. Mining is conducted using conventional drilling and blasting techniques.

Comminution means the breaking, crushing or grinding of ore by mechanical means.

Crosscut means a mine working driven horizontally and at right angles to a level.

Cut-off grade means the grade which distinguishes the material within the orebody that is to be extracted and treated from the remainder.

De-bottlenecking means decreasing production constraints (e.g., removing mechanical deficiencies so that processed tonnage may be increased).

Decline or incline means a sloping underground opening for machine access from the surface to an underground mine or from level to level in a mine. Declines and inclines are often driven in a spiral to access different elevations in the mine.

Declustered averaging means an estimation technique used in the evaluation of ore reserves.

Depletion means the decrease in quantity of ore in a deposit or property resulting from extraction or production.

Development means activities (including shaft sinking and on-reef and off-reef tunneling) required to prepare for mining activities and maintain a planned production level and those costs incurred to enable the conversion of mineralization to reserves.

Dilution means the mixing of waste rock with ore, resulting in a decrease in the overall grade.

Dissolution means the process whereby a metal is dissolved and becomes amenable to separation from the gangue material.

Electrowinning means the process of removing gold from solution by the action of electric currents.

Elution means removal of the gold from the activated carbon.

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Exploration means activities associated with ascertaining the existence, location, extent or quality of mineralization, including economic and technical evaluations of mineralization.

Flotation means the process whereby certain chemicals are added to the material fed to the leach circuit in order to float the desired minerals to produce a concentrate of the mineral to be processed. This process can be carried out in column flotation cells.

Friable Hangwall means a hangwall made of rock that crumbles naturally or is easily broken or pulverized.

Gangue means commercially valueless material remaining after ore extraction from rock.

Gold in process means gold in the processing circuit that is expected to be recovered during or after operations.

Gold reserves means the gold contained within proven and probable reserves on the basis of recoverable material (reported as mill delivered tons and head grade).

Grade means the quantity of metal per unit mass of ore expressed as a percentage or, for gold, as grams of gold per ton of ore.

Greenfield means a potential mining site of unknown quality.

Grinding means reducing rock to the consistency of fine sand by crushing and abrading in a rotating steel grinding mill.

Head grade means the grade of the ore as delivered to the metallurgical plant.

Heap leaching means a relatively low-cost technique for extracting metals from ore by percolating leaching solutions through heaps of ore placed on impervious pads. Generally used on low-grade ores.

Hypogene means ore or mineral deposits formed by ascending fluids within the earth.

In situ means within unbroken rock or still in the ground.

Kriging means an estimation technique used in the evaluation of ore reserves.

Leaching means dissolution of gold from the crushed and milled material, including reclaimed slime, for absorption and concentration onto the activated carbon.

Level means the workings or tunnels of an underground mine which are on the same horizontal plane.

Life of mine, or LoM means the expected remaining years of production, based on production rates and ore reserves.

London afternoon fixing price means the afternoon session open fixing of the gold price which takes place daily in London and is set by a board comprising five financial institutions.

London morning fixing price means the morning session open fixing of the gold price which takes place daily in London and is set by a board comprising five financial institutions.

Longwall mining method means a mining method involving mining over large continuous spans without the use of pillars.

Mark-to-market means the current fair value of a derivative based on current market prices, or to calculate the current fair value of a derivative based on current market prices, as the case may be.

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Measures means conversion factors from metric units to U.S. units are provided below.

Metric unit		U.S. equivalent
1 ton	= 1 t	= 1.10231 short tons
1 gram	= 1 g	= 0.03215 ounces
1 gram per ton	= 1 g/t	= 0.02917 ounces per short ton
1 kilogram per ton	= 1 kg/t	= 29.16642 ounces per short ton
1 kilometer	= 1 km	= 0.62137 miles
1 meter	= 1 m	= 3.28084 feet
1 centimeter	= 1 cm	= 0.39370 inches
1 millimeter	= 1 mm	= 0.03937 inches
1 hectare	= 1 ha	= 2.47104 acres

Metallurgical plant means a processing plant used to treat ore and extract the contained gold.

Metallurgical recovery factor means the proportion of metal in the ore delivered to the mill, that is recovered by the metallurgical process or processes.

Metallurgy means in the context of this document, the science of extracting metals from ores and preparing them for sale.

Mill delivered tons means a quantity, expressed in tons, of ore delivered to the metallurgical plant.

Milling/mill means the comminution of the ore, although the term has come to cover the broad range of machinery inside the treatment plant where the gold is separated from the ore.

Mine call factor means the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the specific product recovered at the mill (plus residue) to the specific product contained in an orebody calculated based on an operation's measuring and valuation methods.

Mineralization means the presence of a target mineral in a mass of host rock.

Net smelter return means the volume of refined gold sold during the relevant period multiplied by the average spot gold price and the average exchange rate for the period, less refining, transport and insurance costs.

Open pit means mining in which the ore is extracted from a pit. The geometry of the pit may vary with the characteristics of the orebody.

Ore means a mixture of material containing minerals from which at least one of the minerals can be mined and processed at an economic profit.

Orebody means a well defined mass of material of sufficient mineral content to make extraction economically viable.

Ore grade means the average amount of gold contained in a ton of gold-bearing ore expressed in grams per ton.

Ore reserves or reserves means that part of a mineral deposit which could be economically and legally extracted or produced at the time of the reserve determination.

Ounce means one troy ounce, which equals 31.1035 grams.

Overburden means the soil and rock that must be removed in order to expose an ore deposit.

Paste filling means a technique whereby cemented paste fill is placed in mined out voids to improve and maintain ground stability, minimize waste dilution and maximize extraction of the ore.

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Pay limit means the value at which the orebody can be mined without profit or loss, calculated using an appropriate gold price, production costs and recovery factors.

Porphyry means an igneous rock of any composition that contains larger, well-formed mineral grains in a finer- grained groundmass.

Probable reserves means reserves for which quantity and grade and/or quality are computed from information similar to that used for proven reserves, but the sites for inspection, sampling, and measurement are farther apart or are otherwise less adequately spaced. The degree of assurance, although lower than that for proven reserves, is high enough to assume continuity between points of observation.

Production stockpile means the selective accumulation of low grade material which is actively managed as part of the current mining operations.

Prospect means to investigate a site with insufficient data available on mineralization to determine if minerals are economically recoverable.

Prospecting permit or right means permission to explore an area for minerals.

Proven reserves means reserves for which means (1) quantity is computed from dimensions revealed in outcrops, trenches, workings or boreholes; (2) grade and/or quality are computed from the results of detailed sampling; and (3) the sites for inspection, sampling and measurement are spaced so closely and the geologic character is so well defined that size, shape, depth and mineral content of reserves are well-established.

Reef means a gold-bearing sedimentary horizon, normally a conglomerate band, that may contain economic levels of gold.

Refining means the final stage of metal production in which final impurities are removed from the molten metal by introducing air and fluxes. The impurities are removed as gases or slag.

Rehabilitation means the process of restoring mined land to a condition approximating its original state.

Remnant pillar mining means the removal of blocks of ground previously left behind for various reasons during the normal course of mining.

Rock burst means an event caused by seismicity which results in damage to underground workings and/or loss of life and equipment.

Rock dump means the historical accumulation of low grade material derived in the course of mining which is processed in order to take advantage of spare processing capacity.

Run of Mine, or RoM means a loose term to describe ore of average grade.

Sampling means taking small pieces of rock at intervals along exposed mineralization for assay (to determine the mineral content).

Scattered mining method means conventional mining which is applied in a non-systematic configuration.

Seismicity means a sudden movement within a given volume of rock that radiates detectable seismic waves. The amplitude and frequency of seismic waves radiated from such a source depend, in general, on the strength and state of stress of the rock, the size of the source of seismic radiation, and the magnitude and the rate at which the rock moves during the fracturing process. Rock bursts, as defined above, involve seismicity.

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Semi-autogenous grinding, or SAG, mill means a piece of machinery used to crush and grind ore which uses a mixture of steel balls and the ore itself to achieve comminution. The mill is shaped like a cylinder causing the grinding media and the ore itself to impact upon the ore.

Shaft means a shaft provides principal access to the underground workings for transporting personnel, equipment, supplies, ore and waste. A shaft is also used for ventilation and as an auxiliary exit. It may be equipped with a surface hoist system that lowers and raises conveyances for men, materials and ore in the shaft. A shaft generally has more than one conveyancing compartment.

Shortfall means the ratio of actual reef tonnage hoisted compared to monthly reef tonnage broken.

Sichel t means an estimation technique used in the evaluation of ore reserves.

Slimes means the finer fraction of tailings discharged from a processing plant after the valuable minerals have been recovered.

Slurry means a fluid comprising fine solids suspended in a solution (generally water containing additives).

Smelting means thermal processing whereby molten metal is liberated from beneficiated ore or concentrate with impurities separating as lighter slag.

Spot price means the current price of a metal for immediate delivery.

Stockpile means a store of unprocessed ore.

Stope means the underground excavation within the orebody where the main gold production takes place.

Stripping means the process of removing overburden to mine ore.

Stripping ratio means the number of units of overburden which must be removed in order to mine one unit of ore.

Sulfide means a mineral characterized by the linkages of sulfur with a metal or semi-metal, such as pyrite (iron sulfide). Also a zone in which sulfide minerals occur.

Supergene means ores or ore minerals formed where descending surface water oxidizes mineralized rock and redistributes the ore minerals, often concentrating them in zones.

Tailings means finely ground rock from which valuable minerals have been extracted by milling.

Tailings dam/slimes dam means dams or dumps created from tailings or slimes.

Ton means one ton is equal to 1,000 kilograms (also known as a metric ton or tonne).

Tonnage means quantities where the ton or tonne is an appropriate unit of measure. Typically used to measure reserves of gold-bearing material in situ or quantities of ore and waste material mined, transported or milled.

Total cash costs per ounce means a measure of the average cost of producing an ounce of gold, calculated by dividing the total cash costs in a period by the total gold sold over the same period. Total cash costs represent production costs as recorded in the statement of operations less offsite (i.e., central) general and administrative expenses (including head office costs charged to the mines, central training expenses, industry association fees and social development costs) and rehabilitation costs, plus royalties and employee termination costs. In determining the total cash cost of different elements of the operations, production overheads are allocated pro rata.

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Total production costs per ounce means a measure of the average cost of producing an ounce of gold, calculated by dividing the total production costs in a period by the total gold production over the same period. Total production costs represent total cash costs, plus amortization, depreciation and rehabilitation costs.

Waste means rock mined with an insufficient gold content to justify processing.

Westonia Formation Lava Hangwall means lava formations directly overlying the VCR in certain localities. Under mining conditions, the lava is brittle and is easily fractured.

Yield means the actual grade of ore realized after the mining and treatment process.

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ITEM 4A: UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

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You should read the following discussion and analysis together with Gold Fields' consolidated financial statements including the notes, appearing elsewhere in this annual report. Certain information contained in the discussion and analysis set forth below and elsewhere in this annual report includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. See Forward-looking Statements and Risk Factors for a discussion of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results described in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this annual report.

Overview***General***

Gold Fields is a significant producer of gold and a major holder of gold reserves in South Africa, Ghana, Australia and Peru. In Peru, Gold Fields also produces copper. Gold Fields is primarily involved in underground and surface gold and copper mining and related activities, including exploration, extraction, processing and smelting. Gold Fields is one of the largest gold producers in the world, based on annual production. In the year ended June 30, 2010, Gold Fields produced 3.841 million ounces of gold and gold equivalents, 3.497 million ounces of which were attributable to Gold Fields, and the remainder of which were attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Gold Fields Ghana Limited, or Gold Fields Ghana, Abosso Goldfields Limited, or Abosso and Gold Fields La Cima S.A., or La Cima. Gold Fields reported attributable gold reserves, including copper expressed as gold equivalent ounces, of 78.0 million ounces as of June 30, 2010, with attributable gold reserves (excluding copper) of 75.9 million ounces and attributable copper reserves of 788 million pounds. For a description of how gold equivalent ounces are determined, see [Defined Terms and Conventions](#).

Total managed gold production was 3.841 million ounces in fiscal 2010 (3.497 million ounces of which were attributable to Gold Fields with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Gold Fields Ghana, Abosso and La Cima). Total gold production was 3.691 million ounces in fiscal 2009 (3.414 million ounces of which were attributable to Gold Fields with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in Gold Fields Ghana, Abosso and La Cima).

In fiscal 2010, production from the South African operations decreased 5.2% mainly due to safety-related mine stoppages and a particularly slow start after the Christmas break. Driefontein's production was 14.5% lower due to lower underground volumes mined and a decrease in underground yield. The lower volumes were mainly due to safety-related stoppages. At Kloof, production was 11.9% lower mainly due to safety related mine stoppages. Beatrix's production was relatively flat. South Deep's production increased 51.6% in line with anticipated production build-up. Production at the international operations increased 15.5%. In Ghana, Tarkwa's production was 17.7% higher due to commissioning issues at the new CIL plant in fiscal 2009, which allowed increased throughput. Damang's production was 3.5% higher due to the commissioning of the secondary crusher in the last quarter of fiscal 2010 which allowed more hard high-grade ore to be milled. In Australia, St. Ives' production decreased 1.7% mainly due to less ore mined at Belleisle. At Agnew, production was 14.0% lower primarily due to the depletion of the Songvang surface stockpiles during fiscal 2009, in addition to lower underground volumes at lower grades linked to ground conditions. In Peru, Cerro Corona's production increased 79.5% mainly due to a full year's production in fiscal 2010 compared with only six full months in fiscal 2009. Cerro Corona commenced commercial levels of production in January 2009.

Mvelaphanda Transaction

On March 8, 2004, the shareholders of Gold Fields approved a series of transactions, referred to in this discussion as the Mvelaphanda Transaction, involving the acquisition by Mvelaphanda Resources Limited, or Mvela Resources, of a 15% beneficial interest in the South African gold mining assets of Gold Fields for cash consideration of Rand 4,139 million. See [Listing Details and Related Party Transactions](#) [Related Party Transactions](#) [Mvelaphanda Transaction](#).

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Acquisition and disposal of IRCA

On March 1, 2007, Gold Fields acquired 70% of IRCA (Pty) Limited, or IRCA, for \$7.9 million. The consideration consisted of \$5.3 million in cash plus the assumption of a bank overdraft of \$2.6 million. IRCA is a company that specialises in mine safety training and it formed part of the Gold Fields Business Leadership Academy structure. The holding in IRCA was disposed of in March 2009 for \$5.0 million, resulting in a loss of \$0.3 million.

Sale of Essakane project

On October 11, 2007, Gold Fields reached an agreement to sell its 60% stake in the Essakane exploration project located in Burkina Faso to Orezone for a minimum total consideration of U.S.\$200 million. The transaction closed on November 26, 2007. Orezone paid Gold Fields U.S.\$152 million in cash and issued 41,666,667 common shares having an aggregate subscription price of U.S.\$48 million to its wholly-owned subsidiary, Gold Fields Essakane (BVI) Limited.

Following the acquisition, Gold Fields owned 41,666,667 common shares of Orezone, representing 12.2% of Orezone's issued and outstanding common shares. During fiscal 2009, Gold Fields exchanged the Orezone shares for approximately 3.3 million shares of IAMGold Limited, as a result of the acquisition of all Orezone shares by IAMGold. Gold Fields subsequently disposed of the IAMGold shares for a cash consideration of \$33.4 million. See Results of Operations Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 (Loss)/Profit on disposal of listed investments.

Disposal of Sino Gold shares

During fiscal 2010, Gold Fields entered into a sale agreement with Eldorado Gold Corporation, or Eldorado, or to exchange its entire holding in Sino Gold (50 million shares) for equivalent shares in Eldorado (28 million). This resulted in a profit of \$57.4 million. Subsequent to the share exchange, a further four million top-up shares were issued to Gold Fields by Eldorado. The entire holding in Eldorado was sold during fiscal 2010 resulting in a profit of \$99.9 million of which \$53.6 million relating to the top-up shares was accounted for as a gain on financial instruments. The total proceeds on disposal of the Eldorado shares were \$361.9 million.

St Ives royalty termination

On August 27, 2009, Gold Fields reached agreement with Morgan Stanley Bank to terminate, for A\$308 million (\$257.1 million), the royalty agreement between St Ives Gold Mining Company Pty Limited and Morgan Stanley Bank's subsidiaries. The terminated royalty agreement required St Ives to pay a 4% net smelter volume royalty on all of its revenues once total gold produced from November 30, 2001 exceeded 3.3 million ounces which was triggered early in fiscal 2009, and provided that if the gold price exceeded A\$600 per ounce, to pay an additional 10% of the revenue difference between the spot gold price, in Australian dollars per ounce, and the price of A\$600 per ounce.

Purchase of Glencar

In fiscal 2010, Gold Fields acquired, for cash, 100% of Glencar Mining Plc., a company whose principal asset, and only defined resource, is the Komana project in Southern Mali, West Africa. The cash consideration paid was \$43.0 million.

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Substantially all of Gold Fields' revenues are derived from the sale of gold and copper. As a result, Gold Fields' revenues are directly related to the prices of gold and copper. Historically, the prices of gold and copper have fluctuated widely. The gold and copper prices are affected by numerous factors over which Gold Fields does not have control. See Risk Factors Changes in the market price for gold, and to a lesser extent copper, which in the past have fluctuated widely, affect the profitability of Gold Fields' operations and the cash flows generated by those operations. The volatility of gold and copper prices is illustrated in the following tables, which show the annual high, low and average of the London afternoon fixing price of gold and the London Metal Exchange cash settlement price for copper in U.S. dollars for the past 12 calendar years and to date in calendar year 2010:

Gold	Price per ounce ⁽¹⁾		
	High	Low (\$/oz)	Average
1998	313	273	294
1999	326	253	279
2000	313	264	282
2001	293	256	270
2002	349	278	310
2003	416	320	363
2004	454	375	409
2005	537	411	445
2006	725	525	604
2007	834	607	687
2008	1,011	713	872
2009	1,213	810	972
2010 (through November 26, 2010)	1,421	1,058	1,210

Note:

(1) Rounded to the nearest U.S. dollar.

On November 26, 2010, the London afternoon fixing price of gold was U.S.\$1,355 per ounce.

Copper	Price per ton ⁽¹⁾		
	High	Low (\$/ton)	Average
1998	1,880	1,438	1,654
1999	1,846	1,354	1,574
2000	2,009	1,607	1,814
2001	1,837	1,319	1,577
2002	1,690	1,421	1,558
2003	2,321	1,545	1,780
2004	3,287	2,337	2,867
2005	4,650	3,072	3,687
2006	8,788	4,537	6,728
2007	8,301	5,226	7,128
2008	8,985	2,770	6,952
2009	7,346	3,051	5,164
2010 (through November 26, 2010)	8,925	6,091	7,386

Source: I-Net

Note:

(1) Rounded to the nearest U.S. dollar.

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On November 26, 2010, the London Metal Exchange cash settlement price for copper was U.S.\$8,289 per ton.

As a general rule, Gold Fields sells the gold it produces at market prices to obtain the maximum benefit from prevailing gold prices and does not enter into hedging arrangements such as forward sales or derivatives which establish a price in advance for the sale of its future gold production. Hedges are sometimes undertaken in one or more of the following circumstances: to protect cash flows at times of significant capital expenditures; for specific debt servicing requirements; and to safeguard the viability of higher cost operations. At June 30, 2010, Gold Fields had no outstanding hedges. See *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk Commodity Price Sensitivity*. Significant changes in the prices of gold and copper over a sustained period of time may lead Gold Fields to increase or decrease its production in the near-term, which could have a material impact on Gold Fields' revenues.

Sales of copper concentrate are provisionally priced that is the selling price is subject to final adjustment at the end of a period normally ranging from 30 to 90 days after delivery to the customer, based on market prices at the relevant quotation points stipulated in the contract.

Revenue on provisionally priced copper concentrate sales is recorded on the date of shipment, net of refining and treatment charges, using the forward London Metal Exchange price to the estimated final pricing date, adjusted for the specific terms of the agreements. Variations between the price used to recognize revenue and the actual final price received can be caused by changes in prevailing copper and gold prices and result in an embedded derivative. The host contract is the receivable from the sale of copper concentrate at the forward London Metal Exchange price at the time of sale. The embedded derivative, which does not qualify for hedge accounting, is marked-to-market each period until final settlement occurs, with changes in fair value classified as provisional price adjustments and included as a component of revenue while the contract itself is recorded in accounts receivable.

Gold Fields' Realized Gold and Copper Prices

The following table sets out the average, the high and the low London afternoon fixing price per ounce of gold and Gold Fields' average U.S. dollar realized gold price during the past three fiscal years. Gold Fields' average realized gold price is calculated using the actual price per ounce of gold received on gold sold and the actual amount of revenue received on sales of copper concentrate, expressed in terms of the price per gold equivalent ounce. For a description of how gold equivalent ounces are determined, see *Defined Terms and Conventions*.

Realized Gold Price⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	Year ended June 30,		
	2008	2009	2010
Average	821	874	1,089
High	1,011	989	1,261
Low	649	713	909
Gold Fields' average realized gold price ⁽²⁾	819	875	1,085

Note:

- (1) Prices stated per ounce
- (2) Gold Fields' average realized gold price may differ from the average gold price due to the timing of its sales of gold within each year.
- (3) Realized gold price relates to fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010 as opposed to calendar 2008, 2009 and 2010 as disclosed in the table on page 145.

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The following table sets out the average, the high and the low London Metal Exchange cash settlement price per ton for copper and Gold Fields average U.S. dollar realized copper price for the 10 month period from September 1, 2008 (when the Cerro Corona Mine commenced production) and the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010.

Realized Copper Price⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	10 months ended June 30, 2009	Year ended June 30, 2010
Average	4,322	6,675
High	7,420	7,951
Low	2,770	4,821
Gold Fields average realized copper price ⁽²⁾	4,115	6,273

Note:

- (1) Prices stated per ton
- (2) Gold Fields average realized copper price may differ from the average copper price due to the timing of its sales of copper within each year and is net of treatment and refining charges.
- (3) Realized copper price relates to the ten months ended June 30, 2009 and fiscal 2010 as opposed to calendar 2009 and 2010 as disclosed on page 145.

Costs

Over the last three fiscal years, Gold Fields total cash costs consist primarily of labor and, where applicable, contractor costs, power and water and consumable stores, which include explosives, timber and other consumables, including diesel fuel and other petroleum products. Gold Fields expects that its total cash costs, particularly the input costs noted above, are likely to continue to increase in the near future driven by general economic trends, market dynamics and other regulatory changes

Gold Fields South African operations are labor intensive due to the use of deep level underground mining methods. As a result, over the last three fiscal years labor has represented on average approximately 47% of total cash costs at the South African operations.

At the South African operations, power and water made up on average approximately 11% of total cash costs over the last three fiscal years. In fiscal 2010, power costs made up 12% of the costs of production at the South African operations. Eskom recently applied to the National Energy Regulator of South Africa, or NERSA, for a 35% average tariff increase on each of April 1, 2010, 2011 and 2012, and NERSA granted average increases of 24.8%, 25.8% and 25.9%, respectively. Gold Fields may pay higher ratio than the average as an industrial user and it expects further significant additional increases during the next several years as Eskom embarks on an electricity generation capacity expansion program.

The gold mining industry in Ghana has been notified by the VRA of new rates of between \$0.12 and \$0.165 per kilowatt hour under which the services of the VRA and the services of the transmission and distribution utility are to be billed separately. These new rates have been billed to both the Tarkwa and Damang mines. Gold Fields Ghana is a bulk permit holder, which allows it to negotiate rates with the VRA and Gold Fields Ghana began such negotiations in August 2010.

At the Ghana operations, mining operations at Damang are conducted by an outside contractor, while starting in fiscal 2005, Tarkwa began engaging in owner mining and therefore significantly reduced its use of outside contractors. Contractor costs represented on average 19% of total cash costs at Tarkwa over the last three fiscal years, and 18% of total cash costs during fiscal 2010. Over the last three fiscal years contractor costs represented on average 50% of total cash costs at Damang with 46% in fiscal 2010. Direct labor costs represent on average a further 9% of total cash costs at Tarkwa over the last three fiscal years and 8% in fiscal 2010. Over the last three fiscal years direct labor costs represented on average 7% at Damang and 9% in fiscal 2010.

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At Cerro Corona labor represented 19% of total cash costs and contractor costs represented 39% of total cash costs. Cerro Corona has only been in full production for fiscal 2010 therefore no further comparatives can be provided.

At the Australian operations, mining operations were conducted by outside contractors. However at Agnew, owner mining commenced in May 2010, while development is still conducted by outside contractors. Agnew spent A\$13 million (\$12 million) on the acquisition of mining fleet in the last quarter of fiscal 2010 to commence owner mining. Over the last three fiscal years, total contractor costs represented on average 50% at Agnew and 36% at St. Ives of total cash costs and direct labor costs represented on average a further 17% at Agnew and 16% at St. Ives of total cash costs.

Gold Fields operations in Ghana consume large quantities of diesel fuel for the running of their mining fleet. The cost of diesel fuel is directly related to the oil price and any movement in the oil price will have an impact on the cost of diesel fuel and therefore the cost of running the mining fleet. Over the last three fiscal years, fuel costs have represented approximately 15% of total cash costs at the Ghana operations. Fuel use is proportionately higher at the Ghana operations than at other operations because open pit mining in general requires more fuel usage than underground mining and because of the configuration of the Ghana operations, including the scale of certain of the pits and the distances between the pits and the plants. In order to provide some protection against future rises in oil prices, and therefore in diesel fuel prices, Gold Fields has in recent years entered into various call options for diesel fuel for the benefit of its Ghana operations. There were no call options entered into during fiscal 2010. However, call options entered into during fiscal 2009 expired on February 28, 2010. See Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Commodity Price Sensitivity, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Commodity Price Hedging Policy Oil, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Commodity Price Hedging Experience Oil and Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Commodity Price Contract Position Oil.

During fiscal 2010, price participation royalties of A\$3.4 million (\$3.0 million) were paid to certain subsidiaries of Morgan Stanley Bank in respect of St. Ives.

Total gold produced from St. Ives since November 30, 2001 exceeded 3.3 million ounces during fiscal 2009, creating the liability to pay the 4% net smelter volume royalty which amounted to A\$2.8 million (\$2.5 million) for fiscal 2010. See Information on the Company Gold Fields Mining Operations Australia Operations. On August 26, 2009, Gold Fields terminated the royalty for a consideration of A\$308 million (\$257.1 million). The remainder of Gold Fields total costs consist primarily of amortization and depreciation, exploration costs and selling, administration and general and corporate charges.

Business Process Re-engineering Program

One of Gold Fields strategic priorities relates to the proactive management of costs with a view to maintaining an NCE margin of between 20% and 25% at each mine. To this end, a comprehensive and far reaching business process re-engineering program has been implemented at the Driefontein, Kloof and Beatrix mines in South Africa, as well as at the Tarkwa mine in Ghana and the St. Ives mines in Australia. This will entail a significant focus on operating costs and the rationalization of on-mine and regional overhead cost structures and a review of the mine-to-mill processes.

Notional Cash Expenditure

Gold Fields defines notional cash expenditure, or NCE, as operating costs plus additions to property, plant and equipment, and defines operating costs as production costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) plus corporate expenditure, employment termination costs and accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation. Gold Fields reports NCE on a per equivalent ounce basis. Management considers NCE per equivalent ounce to be an important measure as it believes NCE per ounce provides more information than other commonly used measures, such as total cash costs per equivalent ounce, regarding the real cost to Gold Fields of producing an equivalent ounce of gold, reflecting not only the ongoing costs of production but also the

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investment cost of bringing mines into production. Management also believes that NCE per equivalent ounce is a useful indication of the cash Gold Fields has available for paying taxes, repaying debt, funding exploration and paying dividends and the like.

NCE is not a U.S. GAAP measure. An investor should not consider NCE or operating costs in isolation or as alternatives to production costs, cash flows from operating activities or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. NCE and operating costs as presented in this annual report may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of performance of other companies.

The following tables set out a reconciliation of Gold Fields' production costs, as calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP, to its NCE for fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008.

	For the year ended June 30, 2010									Group
	Driefontein	Kloof	Beatrix	South Deep	Tarkwa	Damang	St. Ives	Agnew	Cerro Corona	
	(in \$ million except as otherwise stated) ⁽¹⁾									
Production Costs	487.5	435.6	289.8	216.5	452.9	122.9	320.4	92.4	126.0	2,544.0
Add:										
Corporate expenditure	10.3	9.4	5.5	3.8	5.7	1.5	3.6	1.6	6.1	47.5
Employment termination costs	2.6	3.4	2.7	0.7				0.3		10.3
GIP movement					10.9	(1.3)	18.8	(0.3)	1.3	29.4
Accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation	4.8	3.2	2.5	0.7	1.5	0.3	3.3	1.6	1.5	19.3
Operating costs	505.1	451.4	300.4	221.5	470.8	123.3	346.1	95.6	134.9	2,649.9
Additions to property, plant and equipment	150.3	145.7	85.8	212.8	64.6	29.8	84.9	48.8	85.6	913.1
Notional cash expenditure	655.4	597.1	386.2	434.3	535.4	153.1	431.0	144.5	220.5	3,562.8
Gold produced ('000oz)	709.8	566.5	391.9	264.8	720.7	207.4	421.1	165.2	393.6	3,841.0
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)	923	1,053	985	1,640	743	738	1,023	874	560	928

Notes:

(1) Calculated using an average exchange rate of R7.58 per \$1.00.

(2) Including gold equivalent ounces.

	For the year ended June 30, 2009									Group
	Driefontein	Kloof	Beatrix	South Deep	Tarkwa	Damang	St. Ives	Agnew	Cerro Corona	
	(in \$ million except as otherwise stated) ⁽¹⁾									
Production Costs	378.6	330.6	218.4	128.3	359.4	130.7	288.9	84.6	79.1	1,998.6
Add:										
Corporate expenditure	7.1	5.7	3.9	2.5	8.1	1.3	3.4	1.5	2.0	35.5
Employment termination costs	1.8	2.5	2.0				0.6	0.2		7.1
Accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation	4.0	3.5	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.2	1.0	0.3	1.3	13.9

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Operating costs	391.8	342.3	226.1	131.8	368.3	132.2	293.6	86.6	82.4	(0.3)	2,055.1
Additions to property, plant and equipment	114.8	106.4	69.9	113.3	140.8	16.9	49.4	21.7	116.8	10.2	760.3
Notional cash expenditure	506.6	448.7	296.0	245.1	509.1	149.1	343.3	108.3	199.2	9.9	2,815.4
Gold produced (000oz)	829.9	643.0	391.1	174.7	612.4	200.4	428.3	192.1	219.3 ⁽²⁾		3,691.2
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)	610	698	757	1,403	831	744	802	564	908		763

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Notes:

(1) Calculated using an average exchange rate of R9.01 per \$1.00.

(2) Including gold equivalent ounces.

	For the year ended June 30, 2008											Group
	Driefontein	Kloof	Beatrix	South Deep	Tarkwa	Damang	Choco 10	St Ives	Agnew	Cerro Corona	Corporate	
	(in \$ million except as otherwise stated) ⁽¹⁾											
Production Costs	390.3	358.9	229.0	170.3	312.5	126.9	25.1	292.2	97.5		(6.6)	1,996.1
Add:												
Corporate expenditure	8.5	7.4	4.6	2.8	3.7	1.4	2.1	3.0	1.0	5.2	1.3	41.0
Employment termination costs	2.2	1.9	2.4	9.4				0.3				16.2
Accretion expense on provision for environmental rehabilitation	1.1	2.6	2.0	0.5	0.8	0.2	1.0	3.0	0.8			12.0
Operating costs	402.1	370.8	238.0	183.0	317.0	128.5	28.2	298.5	99.3	5.2	(5.3)	2,065.3
Additions to property, plant and equipment	139.8	123.5	79.3	107.9	169.7	10.8	7.4	83.6	24.1	348.4	59.9	1,154.4
Notional cash expenditure	541.9	494.3	317.3	290.9	486.7	139.3	35.6	382.1	123.4	353.6	54.6	3,219.7
Gold produced (000oz)	928.0	820.9	438.1	232.1	646.1	194.2	33.8	417.7	203.7			3,914.6
Notional cash expenditure per ounce of gold produced (\$)	584	602	724	1,253	753	717	1,053	915	606			822

Note:

(1) Calculated using an average exchange rate of R7.27 per \$1.00.

NCE increased from \$763 per ounce in fiscal 2009 to \$928 per ounce in fiscal 2010, primarily because of significant increases in additions to property, plant and equipment mainly due to the project build-up at South Deep and expenditure on underground development at Athena, at St Ives. In addition, costs increased due to the 15.9% strengthening of the South African Rand against the U.S. dollar, annual wage increases, increases in electricity tariffs in South Africa and Ghana and the increase in statutory workers participation in Cerro Corona.

Income and Mining Taxes**South Africa**

Gold Fields pays taxes on its taxable income generated by its mining and non-mining tax entities. Under South African law, gold mining companies and non-gold mining companies are taxed at different rates. For tax purposes, GFI Mining South Africa, or GFIMSA, as well as Gold Fields Operations Limited, or GFO, and GFI Joint Venture Holdings (Proprietary) Limited (the legal partners of the South Deep Joint Venture), are considered gold mining companies whereas Gold Fields itself and its other South African subsidiaries are non-gold mining companies. All non-gold mining companies pay tax at the statutory rate of 28%, whereas gold mining companies pay tax at a rate which is calculated in terms of

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a formula which is explained below. In addition, non-gold mining companies are liable for Secondary Tax on Companies, or STC, which is currently charged at a rate of 10%. STC is a tax on dividends declared by companies or closed corporations that are resident in South Africa. It differs from a dividend withholding tax in that it is a tax imposed on companies or closed corporations, and not on its shareholders. STC is payable on the amount of dividends declared by the company, less the sum of qualifying dividends received or accrued to the company during a particular time period (referred to as a dividend cycle).

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Gold mining companies are subject to tax at different rates on their mining and non-mining income. Mining income is taxed on a formula basis, in terms of which the tax rate rises as the ratio of taxable income to gross mining revenue increases.

The formula takes the form

where Y = the tax rate, a = the marginal tax rate, b = the quantum of revenue that is free of tax (which is a form of depletion allowance and is calculated as a percentage of mining revenue, with the currently applicable rate being effectively 5%) and x = the ratio of profit to revenue (expressed as a percentage).

Gold mining companies can elect to be exempt from STC and different formulae are used to calculate tax on mining income depending on whether an election has been made. If the election has been made, the current relevant values are $a = 43$ and $b = 5$. The rate applicable to non-mining income for gold mining companies who have made the election is 35%.

As a result of the consolidation of the South African assets into GFIMSA in 2004, the mines are no longer separate tax entities but are treated as a single tax entity. However, unredeemed capital expenditure is still ring fenced between the divisions of GFIMSA, so that capital expenditure at one mine cannot be used to reduce taxable income from another mine. GFIMSA has elected to be exempt from STC. However, Gold Fields itself, as a holding company not conducting any gold mining operations, as well as its other non-mining South African subsidiaries, are not eligible to be exempt from STC. To the extent Gold Fields receives dividends from GFIMSA, such received dividends are offset against the amount of dividends paid by Gold Fields for purposes of calculating the net amount subject to STC.

The Mineral and Petroleum Resource Royalty Act, 2008, or the Royalty Act, was promulgated on November 24, 2008 and came into operation on March 1, 2010. The Royalty Act imposes a royalty on refined (mineral resources that have undergone a comprehensive level of beneficiation such as smelting and refining as defined in Schedule 1 of the Act) and unrefined (mineral resources that have undergone limited beneficiation as defined in Schedule 2 of the Act) minerals payable to the State.

The royalty in respect of refined minerals (which include gold refined to 99.5% and above and platinum) is calculated by dividing earnings before interest and taxes, or EBIT, by the product of 12.5 times gross revenue calculated as a percentage, plus an additional 0.5%. EBIT refers to taxable mining income (with certain exceptions such as no deduction for interest payable and foreign exchange losses) before assessed losses but after capital expenditure. A maximum royalty of 5% has been introduced on refined minerals.

The royalty in respect of unrefined minerals (which include uranium) is calculated by dividing EBIT by the product of nine times gross revenue calculated as a percentage, plus an additional 0.5%. A maximum royalty of 7% has been introduced on unrefined minerals.

Where unrefined mineral resources (such as uranium) constitute less than 10% in value of the total composite mineral resources, the royalty rate in respect of refined mineral resources may be used for all gross sales and a separate calculation of EBIT for each class of mineral resources is not required. For Gold Fields, this means that currently it will pay a royalty based on the refined minerals royalty calculation as applied to its gross revenue. The rate of royalty tax payable for the period from March 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 was approximately 1.2%. This royalty is included in the mining and income tax benefit/(expense) line item in Gold Fields consolidated income statement.

Ghana

Ghanaian resident companies are subject to tax on the basis of income derived from, accruing in, received in, or brought into Ghana. The standard corporate income tax rate is currently 25% having been reduced from 28% with effect from January 1, 2006. Because the mineral rights are owned by the state, the Tarkwa and

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Damang operations are also subject to a 3% gold royalty. With effect from April 1, 2011, the royalty rate has been fixed at 5% of total revenue earned from minerals obtained. This royalty is included in the income and mining tax benefit/(expense) line item in Gold Fields consolidated income statements. A reconstruction and development levy of 2.5% on operating profit that was introduced on January 1, 2001 was abolished from January 1, 2006.

On July 21, 2009, the Ghanaian government promulgated the National Fiscal Stabilisation Levy Act, which introduces a levy of 5% on profits before tax of companies in selected industries, including mining. The Ghanaian government has indicated that this will only be applicable to the 2009 and 2010 calendar years, commencing for Gold Fields during the quarter ended September 30, 2009. The levy was introduced as a temporary measure to raise additional revenue and meet critical government expenditure, and is not intended to be a permanent feature of the Ghanaian fiscal regime. The Minister for Finance in his 2011 Budget has proposed to extend the levy for one more year.

Tax depreciation of capital equipment operates under a capital allowance regime. The capital allowances consist of an initial allowance of 80% of the cost of the asset and the balance is added to the balance carried forward and depreciated at a rate of 50% per year on a declining balance basis. For the purposes of computing depreciation for the year following its acquisition, 5% of the cost of the mining asset is included in the balance, effectively allowing a total of 105% allowance on mining assets. Under the project development agreement entered into between the Ghanaian government and Gold Fields Ghana and the deed of warranty entered into between the Ghanaian government and Abosso, the government has agreed that no withholding tax shall be payable on any dividend or capital repayment declared by Gold Fields Ghana or Abosso which is due and payable to any shareholder not normally resident in Ghana.

Australia

Generally, Australia will impose tax on the worldwide income (including capital gains) of all of Gold Fields Australian incorporated and tax resident entities. The current income tax rate for companies is 30%. Exploration costs are deductible in full as incurred and other capital expenditure is deductible over the lives of the assets acquired. In addition, other expenditures, such as export market development, mine closure costs actually incurred and the defence of native title claims, may be deducted from income. The St. Ives and Agnew operations are also subject to a 2.5% gold royalty, which came into effect from 1 July, 1998, because the mineral rights are owned by the state. This royalty is included in the mining and income tax benefit/(expense) line item in Gold Fields consolidated income statements.

The Australian federal government has announced a proposal to introduce a new Minerals Resource Rent Tax, or MRRT, on profits from the mining of iron ore and coal in Australia, at a rate of 30% from July 1, 2012. The comprehensive resource rent tax that was originally announced will no longer proceed. Accordingly, state royalties will continue to apply due to gold and several minerals being excluded from this tax.

With effect from July 1, 2001 the Australian legislature introduced a Uniform Capital Allowance, which allows tax deductions for:

depreciation attributable to assets; and

certain other capital expenditures.

Gold Fields Australia and its wholly-owned Australian controlled entities have elected to be treated as a tax consolidated group for taxation purposes. As a tax consolidated group, a single tax return is lodged for the group based on the consolidated results of all companies within the group. The decision to implement the tax consolidation regime was made by Gold Fields during the 2005 fiscal year and applied as of July, 1, 2003.

Withholding tax is payable on dividends, interest and royalties paid by Australian residents to non-residents. In the case of dividend payments to non-residents, withholding tax at a rate of 30% will apply. However, where the recipient of the dividend is a resident of a country with which Australia has concluded a double taxation

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agreement, the rate of withholding tax is generally limited to 15% (or 10% where the dividend is paid to a company's parent company). Where dividends are paid out of profits that have been subject to Australian corporate tax there is no withholding tax, regardless of whether a double taxation agreement is in place.

Peru

Peru taxes resident individuals and domiciled corporations on their worldwide income. The corporate income tax rate applicable to domiciled corporations is 30% on taxable income. Capital gains are also taxed as ordinary income (except for resident individuals whom are levied with a 5% income tax rate).

Tax losses may be carried forward by a domiciled corporation using one of the following methods, the election of which is made annually:

Losses may be carried forward and used in full in the subsequent four tax years. The balance of tax losses carried forward and not used during these four tax years is forfeited

Losses can be carried forward, and the amount of the loss carry-forward that can be offset against subsequent years is limited to 50% of the taxable income of that subsequent tax year. The balance of the assessed losses may be carried forward and applied on this basis until balance is fully used up, with no time limit on the carry forward.

On October 4, 2007, La Cima and its parent company, Gold Fields Corona (BVI) Limited, or Gold Fields Corona, signed stability agreements with the relevant governmental authorities in Peru. These agreements, among other things, guarantee the current tax regime, including a 4.1% withholding tax rate on dividends and 30% income tax rate, for a period of 10 years. In line with certain provisions of these agreements, Gold Fields Corona capitalized \$404.5 million of inter-company loans in March 2008.

On June 24, 2004, the Peruvian Congress approved the Mining Royalty Law, which established a mining royalty that owners of mining concessions must pay to the Peruvian government for the exploitation of metallic and non-metallic resources. The mining royalties are calculated on a sliding scale with rates ranging from 1% to 3% of the value of mineral concentrates based on international market prices.

Exchange Rates

Gold Fields' South African revenues and costs are very sensitive to the Rand/U.S. dollar exchange rate because revenues are generated using a gold price denominated in U.S. dollars, while the costs of the South African operations are incurred principally in Rand. Depreciation of the Rand against the U.S. dollar reduces Gold Fields' average costs when they are translated into U.S. dollars, thereby increasing the operating margin of the South African operations. Conversely, appreciation of the Rand results in South African operating costs being translated into U.S. dollars at a lower Rand/U.S. dollar exchange rate, resulting in lower operating margins. The impact on profitability of any change in the value of the Rand against the U.S. dollar can be substantial. Furthermore, the exchange rates obtained when converting U.S. dollars to Rand are set by foreign exchange markets, over which Gold Fields has no control. For more information regarding fluctuations in the value of the Rand against the U.S. dollar, see Key Information Exchange Rates. In fiscal 2010, movements in the U.S. dollar/Rand exchange rate had a significant impact on Gold Fields' results of operations as the Rand strengthened 15.9% against the U.S. dollar, from an average of 9.01 in fiscal 2009 to 7.58 in fiscal 2010.

During fiscal 2010, Gold Fields had two different forward purchase contracts to manage its exposure to fluctuations in the value of the Rand against the U.S. dollar:

As a result of the draw down on January 31, 2007 of \$550 million under a \$1.8 billion bridge loan facility entered into to close-out the Western Areas gold derivative structure and refinance certain working capital loans, U.S. dollar/Rand forward cover was purchased during fiscal 2007 in an amount of \$550.8 million for settlement August 6, 2007, at an average forward rate of R7.3279 based on a spot rate of R7.1918. Subsequently, that cover was extended for periods of between one and three months during fiscal 2008, 2009 and 2010. The cover was reduced as a result of loan repayments of

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\$60.8 million, \$172.0 million and \$44 million made on December 6, 2007, December 31, 2007 and June 15, 2009, respectively. The balance of the \$274 million forward cover was then extended to July 15, 2009, the next repayment date on the loan, at an average forward rate of R8.0893.

On September 17, 2009, the forward cover of \$274 million was settled as a result of the decision to repay the outstanding loan amount. For accounting purposes, this forward cover was designated as a hedging instrument. As a result, the gains and losses were accounted for under foreign exchange gains/(losses), along with gains and losses on the underlying loan that had been hedged. The forward cover points were deemed to be an interest cost and therefore accounted for as part of interest. During fiscal 2010, this contract was closed out and the realized foreign exchange loss on the settlement was exactly offset by R34 million cumulative positive gains on the forward cover purchased at an original rate of R7.3279; and

During fiscal 2010, South African Rand forward cover contracts were taken out to cover commitments of the South African operations in various currencies. An initial U.S. dollar forward contract of \$20 million was entered into during the year. At the end of the financial year, \$3 million was outstanding

Gold Fields' operations are also affected by movements in the Australian dollar/U.S. dollar exchange rate. An initial Australian dollar forward contract of A\$12 million was entered into during the year. At the end of the financial year, A\$9 million was outstanding

See [Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk](#) [Foreign Currency Sensitivity](#) [Foreign Currency Hedging Experience](#) .

With respect to the Australian operations, Gold Fields expects that the effect of fluctuations in the value of the Australian dollar against the U.S. dollar will be similar to that for the Rand, with weakness in the Australian dollar resulting in improved earnings for Gold Fields and strength in the Australian dollar producing the opposite result.

With respect to its operations in Ghana and Peru, a substantial portion of Gold Fields' operating costs (including wages) are either directly incurred in U.S. dollars or are determined according to a formula by which costs are indexed to the U.S. dollar. Accordingly, fluctuations in the Ghanaian Cedi and Peruvian Nuevos Soles do not materially impact operating results for the Ghana and Peru operations.

Inflation

It is possible that a period of significant inflation in South Africa could adversely affect Gold Fields' results and financial condition. However, because the majority of Gold Fields' costs at the South African operations are in Rand, while its revenues from gold sales are in U.S. dollars, the extent to which the Rand devalues or appreciates against the U.S. dollar will impact South African inflation. In Ghana and Peru, Gold Fields' operations are not significantly impacted by Ghanaian and Peruvian inflation because a substantial portion of Gold Fields' costs are either incurred directly in U.S. dollars or are determined according to a formula by which U.S. dollar amounts are converted into Ghanaian Cedi and Peruvian Soles. Gold Fields expects that the impact of Australian inflation will be similar to that of South Africa.

Capital Expenditures

Gold Fields will continue to be required to make capital investments in both new and existing infrastructure and opportunities and, therefore, management will be required to continue to balance the demands for capital expenditure in the business and allocate Gold Fields' resources in a focused manner to achieve its sustainable growth objectives. Gold Fields expects that its use of available capital resources and allocation of its capital expenditures may shift in future periods as it increases investment in certain of its exploration projects.

Set out below are the capital expenditures made by Gold Fields during fiscal 2010 and those budgeted for the respective future periods noted below.

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South African Operations

Gold Fields spent approximately \$150 million on capital expenditures at the Driefontein operation in fiscal 2010 and has budgeted \$74 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$155 million of capital expenditures at Driefontein for fiscal 2011.

Gold Fields spent approximately \$146 million on capital expenditures at the Kloof operation in fiscal 2010 and expects to spend \$89 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$158 million on capital expenditures in fiscal 2011.

Gold Fields spent approximately \$86 million on capital expenditures at the Beatrix operation in fiscal 2010 and expects to spend approximately \$37 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and \$71 million on capital expenditures at Beatrix in fiscal 2011.

Gold Fields spent approximately \$213 million on capital expenditures at the South Deep operation in fiscal 2010 and expects to spend \$125 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$251 million on capital expenditures at South Deep in fiscal 2011.

Ghanaian Operations

Gold Fields spent approximately \$65 million on capital expenditures at the Tarkwa operation in fiscal 2010 (excluding \$84 million spent on capital waste mining, which is expensed and has budgeted \$143 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$115 million for capital expenditures at Tarkwa for fiscal 2011 (excluding \$105 million spent on capital waste mining, which is expensed).

Gold Fields spent approximately \$30 million on capital expenditures at the Damang mine in fiscal 2010 and has budgeted \$29 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$64 million of capital expenditures at Damang for fiscal 2011.

Australian Operations

Gold Fields spent approximately \$85 million on capital expenditures at St. Ives in fiscal 2010 and has budgeted \$58 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$216 million for capital expenditures at St. Ives in fiscal 2011.

Gold Fields spent approximately \$49 million on capital expenditures at Agnew in fiscal 2010 and has budgeted \$32 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$55 million for capital expenditures at Agnew for fiscal 2011.

Peruvian Operations

Gold Fields spent approximately \$86 million on capital expenditures at Cerro Corona in fiscal 2010 and has budgeted \$43 million for the six month period ending 31 December 2010 and approximately \$115 million for capital expenditures at Cerro Corona for fiscal 2011.

Exploration

In the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, Gold Fields plans to spend about \$50 million on near mine exploration, and about \$100 million on greenfields exploration (not including exploration spending in relation to the FSE deposit), the latter largely in the three targeted international regions.

The actual expenditures for the future periods noted above may be different from the amounts set out above and the amount of actual capital expenditure will depend on a number of factors, such as production volumes, the price of gold, copper and other minerals mined by Gold Fields and general economic conditions. Some of the factors are outside of the control of Gold Fields. Please see [Risk Factors](#) and [Information on the Company](#) for further information.

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Gold Fields' significant accounting policies are more fully described in note 2 to its audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this annual report. Some of Gold Fields' accounting policies require the application of significant judgments and estimates by management that can affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. By their nature, these judgments are subject to a degree of uncertainty and are based on Gold Fields' historical experience, terms of existing contracts, management's view on trends in the gold mining industry, information from outside sources and other assumptions that Gold Fields considers to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Gold Fields' significant accounting policies that are subject to significant judgments, estimates and assumptions are summarized below.

Business combinations

Management accounts for its business acquisitions under the purchase method of accounting. The total value of the consideration paid for acquisitions is allocated to the underlying net assets acquired, based on their respective estimated fair values determined by using internal or external valuations. Management uses a number of valuation methods to determine the fair value of assets and liabilities acquired including discounted cash flows, external market values, valuations on recent transactions or a combination thereof and others and believes that it uses the most appropriate measure or a combination of measures to value each asset or liability. In addition, management believes that it uses the most appropriate valuation assumptions underlying each of those valuation methods based on current information available including discount rates, market risk rates, entity risk rates, cash flow assumptions and others. The accounting policy for valuation of business acquisitions is considered critical because judgments made in determining the estimated fair value and expected useful lives assigned to each class of assets and liabilities acquired can significantly impact the value of the asset or liability, including the impact on deferred taxes, the respective amortization periods and ultimately net profit. Therefore the use of other valuation methods, as well as other assumptions underlying these valuation methods, could significantly impact the determination of financial position and the results of operations.

Depreciation, depletion and amortization of mining assets

Depreciation, depletion and amortization charges are calculated using the units-of-production method and are based on Gold Fields' current gold production as a percentage of total expected gold production over the lives of Gold Fields' mines. An item is considered to be produced at the time it is removed from the mine. The lives of the mines are estimated by Gold Fields' mineral resources department using interpretations of mineral reserves, as determined in accordance with the SEC's industry guide number 7.

Depreciation, depletion and amortization at Gold Fields' South African operations are calculated using above-infrastructure proven and probable reserves only, which because of their reserve base and respective long lives (which range from 13 to 30 years), are less sensitive to change in reserve assumptions. Accordingly, at these locations, it is Gold Fields' policy to update its depreciation, depletion and amortization calculations only once the new ore reserve declarations have been approved by Gold Fields' Board. However, if Gold Fields' management becomes aware of significant changes in its above-infrastructure reserves ahead of the scheduled updates, management would not hesitate to immediately update its depreciation, depletion and amortization calculations and then subsequently notify the Board.

A similar approach is followed at Gold Fields' operations in Ghana and Peru, due to the longer life of the primary orebody. At Gold Fields' Australian operations, where mine-life ranges from 4 to 5 years, proven and probable reserves used for the calculation of depreciation, depletion and amortization are more susceptible to changes in reserve estimates. At these locations, Gold Fields' depreciation, depletion and amortization

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calculations are updated on a more regular basis (at least quarterly) for all known changes in proven and probable reserves. The nature of the orebody, and the on-going information being gathered in connection with the orebody, facilitates these updates.

The estimates of the total expected future lives of Gold Fields' mines could be different from the actual amount of gold mined in the future and the actual lives of the mines due to changes in the factors used in determining Gold Fields' mineral reserves. Changes in management's estimates of the total expected future lives of Gold Fields' mines would therefore impact the depreciation, depletion and amortization charge recorded in Gold Fields' consolidated financial statements. Changes due to acquisitions, sales or closures of shafts expected to have a material impact on Gold Fields' depreciation, depletion and amortization calculations, are incorporated in those calculations as soon as they become known.

Impairment of long-lived assets

Gold Fields reviews and tests the carrying amounts of assets when events or changes in circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Assets are grouped at the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of the cash flows of other assets and liabilities. The lowest level at which such cash flows are generated are generally at an individual operating mine, even if the individual operating mine is included in a larger mine complex.

If there are indications that an impairment may have occurred, Gold Fields prepares estimates of expected future cash flows for each group of assets. Expected future cash flows reflect:

estimated sales proceeds from the production and sale of recoverable ounces of gold contained in proven and probable reserves;

expected future commodity prices and currency exchange rates (considering historical averages, current prices, forward pricing curves and related factors). In impairment assessments conducted in fiscal 2010, the Group used an expected future market gold price of \$1,100 per ounce, and expected future market exchange rates of R7.35 to \$1.00 for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, an expected future market gold price of \$1,000 per ounce, and expected future market exchange rates of R8.09 to \$1.00 for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2012 and R9.02 to \$1.00 thereafter and A\$1.09 to \$1.00 for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011 and A\$1.15 to \$1.00 thereafter;

expected future operating costs and capital expenditures to produce proven and probable gold reserves based on mine plans that assume current plant capacity, but exclude the impact of inflation; and

expected cash flows associated with value beyond proven and probable reserves.

Gold Fields records a reduction of a group of assets to fair value as a charge to earnings if expected future cash flows are less than the carrying amount. The process of determining fair value is subjective as gold mining companies typically trade at a market capitalization that is based on a multiple of net asset value and requires management to make numerous assumptions. Gold Fields estimates fair value by discounting the expected future cash flows using a discount factor that reflects a market-related rate of interest for a term consistent with the period of expected cash flows.

Expected future cash flows are inherently uncertain, and could materially change over time. They are significantly affected by reserve estimates, together with economic factors such as gold prices and currency exchange rates, estimates of costs to produce reserves and future sustaining capital.

Because of the significant capital investment that is required at many mines, if an impairment occurs, it could materially impact earnings. Due to the long-life nature of many mines, the difference between total estimated discounted net cash flows and carrying value can be substantial. An impairment is only recorded when the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds the total estimated discounted net cash flows. Therefore, although the value of a mine may decline gradually over multiple reporting periods, the application of impairment accounting rules could lead to recognition of the full amount of the decline in value in one period.

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Due to the highly uncertain nature of future cash flows, the determination of when to record an impairment charge can be very subjective. Management makes this determination using available evidence taking into account current expectations for each mining property.

For acquired exploration-stage properties, the purchase price is capitalized, but post-acquisition exploration expenditures are expensed. The future economic viability of exploration stage properties largely depends upon the outcome of exploration activity, which can take a number of years to complete for large properties. Management monitors the results of exploration activity over time to assess whether an impairment may have occurred. The measurement of any impairment is made more difficult because there is not an active market for exploration properties, and because it is not possible to use discounted cash flow techniques due to the very limited information that is available to accurately model future cash flows. In general, if an impairment occurs at an exploration stage property, it would probably have minimal value and most of the acquisition cost may have to be written down.

Gold Fields recorded no impairment charges on its long-lived assets during fiscal 2010 or fiscal 2009 and recorded impairment charges amounting to \$11.4 million in fiscal 2008.

Impairment of goodwill

Gold Fields acquired the South Deep mine on December 1, 2006. Goodwill related to this acquisition is reflected in the balance sheet in the U.S. dollar reporting currency at \$1,154.9 million. Gold Fields performs its annual impairment test of goodwill related to the South Deep mine at the end of each fiscal period.

Under U.S. GAAP, the goodwill impairment test consists of two steps. The first step, which compares the reporting unit's fair value to its carrying amount, is used as a screening process to identify potential goodwill impairment. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds the reporting unit's fair value, the second step of the impairment test must be completed to measure the amount of the reporting unit's goodwill impairment loss, if any. During this step, the reporting unit's fair value is assigned to the reporting unit's assets and liabilities, using the initial acquisition accounting guidance in ACS 805, in order to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill. The implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill is then compared with the carrying amount of the reporting unit's goodwill to determine the goodwill impairment loss to be recognized, if any.

The process for determining fair value of the South Deep mine is subjective as gold mining companies typically trade at a market capitalisation that is based on a multiple of net asset value and requires management to make numerous assumptions.

The net asset value represents a discounted cash flow valuation based on expected future cash flows. The expected future cash flows used to determine the fair value of the reporting unit are inherently uncertain and could materially change over time. They are significantly affected by a number of factors including, but not limited to, reserves and production estimates, together with economic factors such as the spot gold price and foreign currency exchange rates, estimates of production costs, future capital expenditure and discount rates. Therefore it is possible that outcomes within the next financial year that are materially different from the assumptions used in the impairment testing process could require an adjustment to the carrying values.

Management's estimates and assumptions to estimate the fair value of the South Deep reporting unit include:

estimated sales proceeds from the production and sale of recoverable ounces of gold contained in proven and probable reserves;

expected future commodity prices and currency exchange rates (considering historical averages, current prices, forward pricing curves and related factors). In impairment assessments conducted in fiscal 2010, the Group used an expected future market gold price of \$1,100 per ounce, and expected

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future market exchange rate of R7.35 to \$1.00 for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2011, an expected future market gold price of \$1,000 per ounce, and expected future market exchange rate of R8.09 to \$1.00 for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2012 and R9.02 to \$1.00 thereafter;

expected future operating costs and capital expenditures to produce proven and probable gold reserves based on mine plans that assume current plant capacity, but exclude the impact of inflation; and

expected cash flows associated with value beyond proven and probable reserves.

Gold Fields has determined that the fair value of the South Deep mine is considered in excess of its carrying value of \$3,324.8 million and the goodwill related to the South Deep mine was therefore not considered impaired under U.S. GAAP.

Deferred taxation

Management establishes a valuation allowance deferred tax assets where cumulative losses require a valuation allowance or where management believes that they will not be realized based on projections. These determinations are based on the projected taxable income and realization of tax allowances and tax losses. In the event that these tax assets are not realized, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be required, which would be charged to income in the period that the determination was made. Likewise, should management determine that Gold Fields would be able to realize tax assets in the future in excess of the recorded amount, an adjustment to reduce the valuation allowance would be recorded generally as a credit to income in the period that the determination is made.

Gold Fields is periodically required to estimate the tax basis of assets and liabilities. Where tax laws and regulations are either unclear or subject to varying interpretations, it is possible that changes in these estimates could occur that materially affect the amounts of deferred income tax assets and liabilities recorded in the consolidated financial statements. Changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities generally have a direct impact on earnings in the period of changes. See note 6 to the audited consolidated financial statements which appear elsewhere in this annual report.

Derivative financial instruments

The determination of the fair value of derivative financial instruments, when marked-to-market, takes into account estimates such as interest rates, commodity prices and foreign currency exchange rates under prevailing market conditions, depending on the nature of the financial derivatives.

These estimates may differ materially from actual interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates prevailing at the maturity dates of the financial derivatives and, therefore, may materially influence the values assigned to the financial derivatives, which may result in a charge to or an increase in Gold Fields' earnings through maturity of the financial derivatives.

Environmental rehabilitation costs

Gold Fields makes provision for environmental rehabilitation costs and related liabilities when environmental disturbances occur based on management's interpretations of current environmental and regulatory requirements. The provisions are recorded by discounting the expected cash flows associated with the environmental rehabilitation using a discount factor that reflects a credit-adjusted, risk-free rate of interest. The principal factors that can cause expected cash flows to change are: the construction of new processing facilities; changes in the quantities of material in reserves and a corresponding change in the life of mine plan; changing ore characteristics that ultimately impact the environment; changes in water quality that impact the extent of water treatment required; and changes in laws and regulations governing the protection of the environment. In general, as the end of the mine life becomes nearer, the reliability of expected cash flows increases, but earlier in the mine life, the estimation of rehabilitation liabilities is inherently more subjective. Significant judgments and

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estimates are made when estimating the fair value of rehabilitation liabilities. In addition, expected cash flows relating to rehabilitation liabilities could occur over periods up to the planned life of mine at the time the estimate is made and the assessment of the extent of environmental remediation work is highly subjective. While management believes that the environmental rehabilitation provisions made are adequate and that the interpretations applied are appropriate, the amounts estimated for the future liabilities may, when considering the factors discussed above, differ materially from the costs that will actually be incurred to rehabilitate Gold Fields' mine sites in the future.

Employee benefits

Management's determination of Gold Fields' obligation and expense for pension and provident funds, as well as post-retirement healthcare liabilities, depends on the selection of certain assumptions used by actuaries to calculate the amounts. These assumptions are described in note 16 to Gold Fields' consolidated financial statements and include, among others, the discount rate, healthcare inflation costs and rates of increase in compensation costs. Actual results that differ from management's assumptions are accumulated and charged over future periods, which will generally affect Gold Fields' recognized expense and recorded obligation in future periods. While management believes that these assumptions are appropriate, significant changes in the assumptions may materially affect Gold Fields' pension and other post-retirement obligations as well as future expenses, which will result in an impact on earnings in the periods that the changes in the assumptions occur.

Stockpiles, gold-in-process and product inventories

Costs that are incurred in or benefit the production process are accumulated as stockpiles, gold-in-process, ore on leach pads and product inventories. Net realizable value tests are performed at least annually and represent the estimated future sales price of the product based on prevailing and long-term metals prices, less estimated costs to complete production and bring the product to sale.

Stockpiles are measured by estimating the number of tons added and removed from the stockpile, the number of contained gold ounces based on assay data, and the estimated recovery percentage based on the expected processing method. Stockpile tonnages are verified by periodic surveys.

Although the quantities of recoverable metal are reconciled by comparing the grades of ore to the quantities of gold actually recovered (metallurgical balancing), the nature of the process inherently limits the ability to precisely monitor recoverability levels. As a result, the metallurgical balancing process is constantly monitored and the engineering estimates are refined based on actual results over time.

Concentrate inventories represent concentrate available for shipment. The concentrate inventory is valued at the average cost, including an allocated portion of amortization. Costs are added to and removed from the concentrate inventory based on tons of concentrate and are valued at the lower of average cost and net realizable value. Management's determination of the percentage gold and copper content and the total quantity by weight of gold and copper in the concentrate depends on assay and laboratory results for the content and survey for the quantity.

Share-based compensation

U.S. GAAP requires Gold Fields to determine the fair value of share options as of the date of the grant, which is then amortized as share-based compensation expense in the income statement over the vesting period of the option grant. Gold Fields determines the grant-date fair value of options using a Black-Scholes or Monte Carlo simulation valuation model, which require Gold Fields to make assumptions regarding the estimated term of the option, share price volatility, expected forfeiture rates and Gold Fields' expected dividend yield. While Gold Fields management believes that these assumptions are appropriate, the use of different assumptions could have a material impact on the fair value of the option grant and the related recognition of share-based

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compensation expense in the consolidated income statement. Gold Fields' options have characteristics significantly different from those of traded options and therefore fair values may also differ.

Recently adopted accounting pronouncements

The accounting standards codification

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, established the Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, to become the single source of authoritative U.S. GAAP to be applied by nongovernmental entities. The ASC is a new structure which took existing accounting pronouncements and organized them by accounting topic. Relevant authoritative literature issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and select SEC staff interpretations and administrative literature was also included in the ASC. All other accounting guidance not included in the ASC is non-authoritative. It became effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements, other than the references to authoritative U.S. GAAP.

Foreign currency issues

In May 2010, the ASC guidance relating to foreign currency issues: multiple foreign currency exchange rate was updated. The update codifies an announcement made by the SEC Observer at the March 2010 meeting of the FASB's Emerging Issues Task Force, or the EITF. The announcement clarified the accounting required when there are differences between amounts recorded for financial reporting purposes versus the underlying U.S. dollar denominated values upon transition to highly inflationary accounting. The update was effective as of March 18, 2010. There were no differences between the amounts recorded for financial reporting purposes and the underlying U.S. dollar denominated values of the Group's investment in Rusoro upon transition to highly inflationary accounting on January 1, 2010, and the updated guidance did not have an impact on the Group's financial statements.

Subsequent events

In February 2010, the ASC guidance was amended to clarify that SEC filers must still evaluate subsequent events through the issuance date of their financial statements, however, they are not required to disclose that date in their financial statements. The amendment was effective on issuance and had no impact on the Group's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Decreases in ownership of a subsidiary

In January 2010, the FASB updated the ASC guidance for decreases in ownership of a subsidiary to update the scope of the guidance and include additional disclosures required upon deconsolidation of a subsidiary. The amendments became effective beginning in the first interim or annual reporting period ending on or after December 15, 2009 and were applied retrospectively to the first period in which the guidance on noncontrolling interests was adopted. The adoption of the guidance had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Distributions to shareholders

In January 2010, the ASC guidance for accounting for distributions to shareholders with components of shares and cash was updated to clarify that the share portion of a distribution to shareholders that allows them to elect to receive cash or shares with a potential limitation on the total amount of cash that all shareholders can elect to receive in aggregate is considered a share issuance that is reflected in earnings per share prospectively. The guidance was effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2009, and was applied retrospectively to all prior periods. The adoption of the guidance had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Table of Contents***Fair value measurements***

In April 2009, the ASC guidance was updated to provide additional guidance on determining fair value when the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have significantly decreased and identifying circumstances that indicate when a transaction is not orderly. In April 2009, the guidance for investments in debt and equity securities was updated to: (i) clarify the interaction of the factors that should be considered when determining whether a debt security is other than temporarily impaired, (ii) provide guidance on the amount of an other-than-temporary impairment recognized for a debt security in earnings and other comprehensive income and (iii) expand the disclosures required for other-than-temporary impairments for debt and equity securities. Also in April 2009, the guidance for financial instruments was updated to require disclosures about the fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements. The Group adopted the updated guidance for the annual reporting period beginning July 1, 2009. The adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Post-retirement benefit plan assets

In December 2008, the ASC guidance for retirement benefits was updated to expand the requirements of employers' disclosures about post-retirement benefit plan assets in a defined benefit pension or other post-retirement plan. The objective is to require more detailed disclosures about employers' plan assets, including employers' investment strategies, major categories of plan assets, concentrations of risk within plan assets, and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets. The Group adopted the updated guidance beginning July 1, 2009. These disclosures are not required for earlier periods that are presented for comparative purposes. The adoption did not have an impact on the Group's financial statements.

Equity method investment

In November 2008, the ASC guidance for equity method and joint venture investments was updated to clarify the accounting for certain transactions and impairment considerations involving equity method investments. The intent is to provide guidance on: (i) determining the initial measurement of an equity method investment, (ii) recognizing other-than-temporary impairments of an equity method investment and (iii) accounting for an equity method investee's issuance of shares. The updated guidance was effective for the Group's annual reporting period beginning July 1, 2009 and was applied prospectively. The adoption had no impact on the Group's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Equity-linked financial instruments

In June 2008, the ASC guidance for derivatives and hedging when accounting for contracts in an entity's own equity was updated to clarify the determination of whether an instrument (or embedded feature) is indexed to an entity's own shares which would qualify as a scope exception from hedge accounting. The updated guidance was effective for the Group's annual reporting period beginning July 1, 2009. The adoption had no impact on the Group's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Convertible debt instruments

In May 2008, the ASC guidance was updated for convertible debt instruments that, by their stated terms, may be settled in cash (or other assets) upon conversion, including partial cash settlement, unless the embedded conversion option is required to be separately accounted for as a derivative. The update requires that the liability and equity components of convertible debt instruments within the scope be separately accounted for in a manner that reflects the entity's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate. It became effective for the Group's fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009. The adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Table of Contents***Useful life of intangible assets***

In April 2008, the ASC guidance for determination of the useful life of intangible assets was updated. The guidance amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset and remove the requirement to consider whether an intangible asset can be renewed without substantial cost or material modifications to the existing terms and conditions. Instead, it requires an entity to consider its own historical experience in renewing similar arrangements. It became effective for the Group's annual reporting period beginning July 1, 2009 and has been applied prospectively to intangible assets acquired after the effective date. The adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Derivative instruments

In March 2008, the ASC guidance for disclosures about derivative instruments and hedging activities was updated. The guidance requires entities to provide enhanced disclosures about (i) how and why an entity uses derivative instruments, (ii) how derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for, and (iii) how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Group adopted these provisions beginning July 1, 2009. Except for presentation changes, the adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Noncontrolling interests

In December 2007, the ASC guidance for noncontrolling interests was updated to establish accounting and reporting standards pertaining to: (i) ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent (noncontrolling interests), (ii) the amount of net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interests, (iii) changes in a parent's ownership interest, and (iv) the valuation of any retained noncontrolling equity investment when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. If a subsidiary is deconsolidated, any retained noncontrolling equity investment in the former subsidiary is measured at fair value and a gain or loss is recognized in net income based on such fair value. For presentation and disclosure purposes, the guidance requires noncontrolling interests to be classified as a separate component of equity. The Group adopted the updated guidance beginning July 1, 2009 and adopted the economic entity model. Except for presentation changes, the adoption had no impact on the Group's financial statements.

Business combinations

In December 2007, the ASC guidance for business combinations was updated, which requires the acquiring entity in a business combination to recognize all the assets acquired and liabilities assumed in the transaction; establishes the acquisition-date fair value as the measurement objective for all assets acquired and liabilities assumed; and requires the acquirer to disclose information on the nature and financial effect of the business combination. In April 2009, the guidance was further updated to address application issues on initial recognition and measurement, subsequent measurement and accounting, and disclosure of assets and liabilities arising from contingencies in a business combination. The Group adopted the provisions beginning July 1, 2009 to be applied to all future business combinations. The adoption did not have any impact on the Group's financial statements.

Recently issued accounting pronouncements***Fair value measurements***

In January 2010, the ASC guidance for disclosures about fair value measurements was updated, providing amendments to the guidance which requires entities to disclose separately the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and describe the reasons for the transfers. In addition, entities are required to present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). The disclosures

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related to Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009. The disclosures related to Level 3 fair value measurements are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2010. Except for presentation changes, the updated guidance will have no impact on the Group's financial statements.

In August 2009, the ASC guidance was updated to clarify how entities should estimate the fair value of liabilities. It provides clarification for circumstances in which: (i) a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, (ii) the liability has a restriction that prevents its transfer, and (iii) the identical liability is traded as an asset in an active market in which no adjustments to the quoted price of an asset are required. The amended guidance on measuring liabilities at fair value is effective for the first interim or annual reporting period beginning after August 28, 2009. The Group is evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on the Group's consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Receivables

In July 2010, the ASC guidance relating to disclosures about the credit quality of financial receivables and the allowance for credit losses was updated. The update requires disclosure of additional information to assist financial statement users understand more clearly an entity's credit risk exposures to finance receivables and the related allowance for credit losses. For public companies, the update is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2010 with specific items, such as the allowance roll forward and modification disclosures effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The Group is currently assessing the impact of adoption of the updates.

Variable interest entities

In June 2009, the ASC guidance for consolidation accounting was updated to require an entity to perform a qualitative analysis to determine whether the enterprise's variable interest gives it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity. This analysis identifies a primary beneficiary of a VIE as the entity that has both of the following characteristics: (i) the power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and (ii) the obligation to absorb losses or receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE. The updated guidance is effective as of the beginning of each reporting entity's first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009, for interim periods within that first annual reporting period, and for interim and annual reporting periods thereafter. The Group does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on the Group's financial statements.

Results of Operations

Years Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009

Revenues

Product sales increased by \$936.0 million, or 29.0%, from \$3,228.3 million in fiscal 2009 to \$4,164.3 million in fiscal 2010. The increase in product sales was primarily due to an increase in the average realized gold price of 24.0% from \$875 per ounce in fiscal 2009 to \$1,085 per ounce in fiscal 2010 and an increase in the average realized copper price of 52.4% from \$4,115 per ton to \$6,273 per ton, coupled with an increase of approximately 0.15 million equivalent ounces, or 4.0%, in total equivalent gold sold, from 3.690 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 3.837 million ounces in fiscal 2010.

At the Cerro Corona operation in Peru copper production was converted to equivalent gold ounces on a monthly basis using average copper and gold prices for the month in which the copper was produced.

At the South African operations, gold sales decreased from 2.04 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 1.93 million ounces in fiscal 2010 primarily as a result of safety-related mine stoppages and a particularly slow

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start after the Christmas break. At Driefontein, gold sales decreased by 14.5% from 0.83 million ounces to 0.71 million ounces as a result of lower underground volumes mined and a 10.7% decrease in underground yield from 7.5 grams per ton to 6.7 grams per ton. The lower volumes were mainly due to safety-related stoppages. Gold sales at Kloof decreased by 11.9% from 0.64 million ounces to 0.57 million ounces primarily as a result of safety related stoppages. At Beatrix, gold sales remained relatively flat at 0.39 million ounces. At South Deep, gold sales increased from 0.17 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.26 million ounces for fiscal 2010, in line with anticipated production build-up.

At the West African operations, total gold sales increased from 0.81 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.93 million ounces in fiscal 2010. This was mainly due to a 17.7% increase in gold sales at Tarkwa from 0.61 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.72 million ounces in fiscal 2010. Gold sales increased at Tarkwa mainly as a result of the commissioning of the new CIL plant, which allowed increased throughput. Damang gold sales increased by 3.5% from 0.20 million ounces to 0.21 million ounces due to the commissioning of the secondary crusher in the last quarter of fiscal 2010 which allowed more hard high-grade ore to be milled.

At the South American operation of Cerro Corona in Peru, total gold equivalent sales increased by 79.0% from 0.22 million gold equivalent ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.39 million gold equivalent ounces in fiscal 2010, because of a full year's production in fiscal 2010 compared with only six full months in fiscal 2009. Cerro Corona commenced commercial levels of production in January 2009.

At the Australasian operations, total gold sales decreased from 0.62 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.59 million ounces in fiscal 2010. At St. Ives, gold sales decreased by 1.7% from 0.43 million ounces to 0.42 million ounces due to less ore mined at Belleisle. At Agnew, gold sales decreased by 14.0% from 0.19 million ounces in fiscal 2009 to 0.17 million ounces fiscal 2010 due to the depletion of the Songvang surface stockpiles.

Costs and Expenses

The following table sets out Gold Fields' total ounces sold and weighted average total cash costs and total production costs per ounce for fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2010.

	Fiscal 2009			Fiscal 2010			Percentage increase/ (decrease) in unit total cash costs	Percentage increase/ (decrease) in unit total production costs (%)
	Gold sold ('000 oz)	Total cash costs ⁽¹⁾ (\$/oz)	Total production costs ⁽²⁾ (\$/oz)	Gold sold ('000 oz)	Total cash costs ⁽¹⁾ (\$/oz)	Total production costs ⁽²⁾ (\$/oz)		
South Africa								
Driefontein	830	450	541	710	691	816	54	51
Kloof	643	511	643	567	769	968	50	51
Beatrix	391	557	684	392	741	929	33	36
South Deep	175	717	902	264	816	1,043	14	16
Ghana								
Tarkwa ⁽³⁾	612	601	682	721	652	740	8	9
Damang ⁽⁴⁾	200	671	719	207	621	653	(7)	(9)
Peru								
Cerro Corona ⁽⁵⁾	219	369	553	390	348	504	(6)	(9)
Australia⁽⁶⁾								
St. Ives	428	654	818	421	755	1,070	15	31
Agnew	192	404	490	165	531	656	31	34
Total ⁽⁷⁾⁽⁸⁾	3,690			3,837				
Weighted average		538	659		670	837	25	27

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Notes:

- (1) For information on how Gold Fields has calculated total cash costs per ounce, see Key Information Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data Statement of Operations Data Footnote 3.
- (2) For information on how Gold Fields has calculated total production costs per ounce, see Key Information Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data Statement of Operations Data Footnote 4.
- (3) In fiscal 2009 and 2010, 0.435 million ounces and 0.513 million ounces of sales, respectively, were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Tarkwa operation.
- (4) In fiscal 2009 and 2010, 0.142 million ounces and 0.147 million ounces of sales, respectively, were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Damang operation.
- (5) In fiscal 2009 and 2010, 0.176 million ounces and 0.315 million ounces of sales were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Cerro Corona operation.
- (6) The consideration paid for the Australian operations in excess of the book value of the underlying net assets was allocated pro rata to the value of the underlying assets, which affected the allocation of amortization between St. Ives and Agnew.
- (7) In fiscal 2009 and 2010, 3.414 million ounces and 3.494 million ounces of sales, respectively, were attributable to Gold Fields, with the remainder attributable to noncontrolling shareholders in the Ghana and Venezuela operations.
- (8) The total may not reflect the sum of the line items due to rounding.

The following tables set out a reconciliation of Gold Fields' production costs to its total cash costs and total production costs for fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2009.

	For the year ended June 30, 2010										
	Driefontein	Kloof	Beatrix	South Deep	Tarkwa	Damang	St. Ives	Agnew	Cerro Corona	Corporate	Group
	(in \$ million except as otherwise stated) ⁽¹⁾										
Production Costs	487.5	435.6	289.8	216.5	452.9	122.9	320.4	92.4	126.0		2,544.0
Less:											
G&A other than corporate costs	5.5	4.6	2.9	1.6	18.3	2.4	6.1	2.9	1.4		45.7
GIP adjustment ⁽²⁾					(6.4)		(4.1)	0.2	(0.6)		(10.9)
Exploration							12.0	6.3			18.3
Plus:											
Employee termination costs	2.6	3.4	2.7	0.7				0.3		0.6	10.3
Royalties	5.8	1.1	0.7	0.5	29.0	8.2	11.6	4.4	10.3		71.6
Total cash costs	490.4	435.5	290.3	216.1	470.0	128.7	318.0	87.7	135.5	0.6	2,572.8

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Plus:											
Amortization ⁽²⁾	84.0	109.7	71.2	59.5	62.1	6.5	129.3	19.1	59.7	19.2	620.3
Rehabilitation	4.7	3.2	2.5	0.7	1.5	0.3	3.3	1.6	1.5		19.3
Total production costs	579.1	548.4	364.0	276.3	533.6	135.5	450.6	108.4	196.7	19.8	3,212.4
Gold produced											
('000 oz) ¹⁾	709.8	566.5	391.9	264.8	720.7	207.4	421.1	165.2	393.6		3,841.0
Gold sold ('000 oz)	709.8	566.5	391.9	264.8	720.7	207.4	421.1	165.2	389.9		