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<b>Enclosures</b> : Interim financial results for the six months ended 31 December 2007

# Sasol Limited interim financial results for the six months ended 31 December 2007

These results and comprehensive additional information are available on www.sasol.com

- · Operating profit up 15% to R14,0 billion
- · Synfuels volumes up 4%
- · Headline earnings per share up 18% to R14,56
- · Interim dividend up 18% to R3,65 per share
- · Share repurchase programme advanced, gearing increased to 32%
- · Turnaround of several businesses succeeding
- · Transformation progressing

#### **Overview**

Chief executive Pat Davies says:

"Sasol's continued commitments to safety, to reducing our environmental footprint and to making progress with transformation are part of our core values. These elements are also essential to sustaining our strong financial performance, underpinned by a healthy balance sheet. Sasol is well-positioned for future growth."

Earnings attributable to shareholders for the six months ended 31 December 2007 increased by 15% to R9,1 billion from R8,0 billion in the comparable period in the previous financial year, while earnings per share and headline earnings per share both increased by 18% over the same period, to R15,05 and R14,56 respectively.

Operating profit of R14,0 billion was 15% higher than the comparable period of the previous financial year. The increase in operating profit was buoyed by higher crude oil prices (average dated Brent was US\$81,83/barrel in 2007 compared with US\$64,59/barrel in 2006) and refined product prices, which were partially offset by a 4% strengthening in the average exchange rate (R6,94/US\$ in 2007 compared with R7,23/US\$ in 2006) and softer refining margins. The average crude oil price exceeded the cap on Sasol Synfuels and Sasol Petroleum International oil hedges during the period September 2007 to December 2007, resulting in a cash outflow of R465 million. The recognition of the fair value of the oil hedge resulted in an unrealised fair value loss of R1,1 billion at the end of the period as a result of the significant increase in crude oil prices towards the end of December 2007. Cash of R14,1 billion generated by operating activities represents a 4% increase on the comparable period of the previous financial year.

Chief financial officer Christine Ramon says:

"This pleasing set of results has been achieved under favourable market conditions, supported by continued progress in the restructuring of our overseas chemical business and improved operating performance by our energy business. Good progress in our capital projects such as Oryx GTL, Arya Sasol Polymers and the Selective Catalytic Cracker at Synfuels is laying the foundation for sustainable growth."

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#### Focus on sustainable development yields results

Sasol's continued focus on safety and our commitment to sustainable development has led to tangible results:

- · Our safety performance continues to improve. The recordable case rate covering employees and service providers, including injuries and illnesses, improved to 0,64 at 31 December 2007 from 0,72 at 30 June 2007.
- · We are reducing our environmental footprint. As part of our energy-efficiency initiatives in South Africa, an open cycle gas turbine, which will generate electricity from waste gases, has been ordered.
- · We continue to make significant community investments in education, health and welfare, and job creation.

#### Further progress with transformation

Transformation in South Africa, in line with the Department of Trade and Industry codes on broadbased black economic empowerment, is gathering momentum:

- The final terms of our proposed broad-based black economic empowerment (BEE) transaction for up to 10% ownership at Sasol Limited level will be announced soon.
- The second phase of Sasol Mining's empowerment transaction, valued at R1,9 billion, was announced in October 2007.
- · Procurement from BEE entities reached R2,2 billion for the six months ended 31 December 2007.
- · Sasol continues to invest heavily in skills development.
- · There has been a further increase in the representation of people from designated groups in managerial, professional and supervisory posts, from 47% at 30 June 2007 to 49% at 31 December 2007.

#### Significant progress with capital projects

Cash spent on capital projects amounted to R4,0 billion. Major projects advanced include:

- · Significant progress in improving operations at the Oryx GTL plant in Qatar. The plant, which produces both ultra low sulphur diesel and naphtha, achieved average daily production for the six-month reporting period of 9 000 barrels per day, while the average for December 2007 exceeded 16 000 barrels per day.
- The Selective Catalytic Cracker at Sasol Synfuels in South Africa is in operation and has produced ethylene, propylene and gasoline to specification. Some remedial action is still required to ensure sustained operation.
- · Arya Sasol Polymers in Iran reached a major milestone on 5 November 2007, when the ethylene cracker produced its first on-specification product. Sustainable ethylene production is projected for the first quarter of the 2008 calendar year. The low-density and high-density polyethylene polymer plants are being commissioned and beneficial operation is expected in the second and third quarters of the 2008 calendar year, respectively.
- · Construction of the Escravos GTL plant in Nigeria continues. The contract terms have been modified from a fixed lump sum to a reimbursable basis, the impact of which is still being

evaluated. A material increase in capital costs is expected.

• The Octene 3 plant in South Africa, to produce 1-octene for use as a co-monomer in polyethylene production, is being commissioned, with beneficial operation expected towards the first quarter of the next financial year.

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#### Operational review

# South African energy cluster

# Sasol Mining - increased sales volumes

Operating profit of R565 million was 37% higher than the comparable period a year earlier, due primarily to increased export sales volumes at higher export US dollar prices, greater sales volumes at higher prices to Sasol Synfuels and improved coal quality. This increase was partially offset by lower production resulting from certain challenging geological conditions and strike action in October 2007.

#### Sasol Gas - continued growth

Operating profit decreased by 21% compared to the first six months of the previous reporting period, to R923 million. However, taking into account the sale of the 25% of the Republic of Mozambique Pipeline Investments Company (Pty) Limited in the prior period, operating profit increased by 16% as a result of increased sales volumes at higher margins, offset by higher cash fixed costs due to increased activity.

#### Sasol Synfuels – increased production volumes

Production volumes were 4% higher as a result of improved plant stability, production efficiencies and fewer planned maintenance shutdowns. The gains associated with higher oil prices were, however, offset by the stronger rand and the effect of the unrealised fair value loss of the oil hedge, resulting in operating profits decreasing by 7% to R7 815 million compared to the first six months of the previous financial year.

#### Sasol Oil - record results

Sasol Oil's operating profit increased to R2 031 million, 118% higher than the comparable period due to improved production volumes resulting from refinery optimisation, reduced reliance on imports and increased sales volumes. Improved margins have resulted from stronger product prices on the back of higher prevailing crude oil prices. Growth in our retail network to 397 convenience centres has also enhanced performance.

#### International energy cluster

#### Sasol Synfuels International (SSI) – GTL production increasing

Production at the Oryx facility in Qatar is ramping up steadily, with both trains having operated simultaneously in December 2007. The Oryx operating profit contributed to a decrease in operating losses of SSI to R274 million, 25% more favourable than the comparable period a year earlier.

#### Sasol Petroleum International (SPI) – increased exploration activity

Operating profit decreased by 12% to R309 million compared with the first six months of the previous financial year, due mainly to increased exploration expenditure, partially offset by higher oil prices and increased sales volumes from our Gabon operation.

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#### Chemical cluster

#### Sasol Polymers - higher margins

Operating profit increased by 90% to R497 million, due mainly to significant increases in margins, which have recovered off a low base. Plants from the Turbo project have increased the fixed cost base, but the impact thereof has been negated through foreign translation gains.

#### Sasol Solvents - higher sales prices achieved with relatively flat sales volumes

Operating profit increased by 13% to R556 million on the back of improved sales prices, which negated the effect of higher raw material costs.

#### Sasol Olefins & Surfactants - restructuring process progressing well

An operating profit of R458 million was achieved compared to a break-even position for the comparable period a year earlier. The first steps in the restructuring process were the shutdown of the Baltimore and Porto Torres linear alkyl benzene plants, cost reduction in all remaining units and efforts to recover the increase in feedstock costs in selling prices.

#### Other chemical businesses – improved performance

Sasol Wax increased its operating profit by 55% to R416 million primarily due to improved product margins and the sale of Paramelt RMC BV.

Sasol Nitro recorded an improvement of 69% in operating profit to R545 million, primarily due to higher sales volumes in the explosives business, higher fertiliser and ammonia selling prices, and the sale of Sasol Dyno Nobel (Pty) Limited.

#### Gearing - share repurchase programme advanced

Gearing has increased from 22% at 30 June 2007 to 32% at 31 December 2007, due primarily to the share repurchase programme.

During the current period, we repurchased a total of 22 173 525 Sasol ordinary shares at an average price of R329,23 per share. Total shares repurchased since the inception of the programme in March 2007 represent about 5,88% of our issued share capital at 31 December 2007.

# Profit outlook - good earnings growth for the full 2008 financial year

We are currently commissioning new production capacity at Arya Sasol and Oryx GTL's output is steadily increasing. We expect to see the benefits in our earnings during the second half of the 2008 financial year and into the 2009 financial year, when production at these plants ramps up. Taking into account our assumptions on prices and currencies, the earnings for the full 2008 financial year will reflect good growth compared with the 2007 financial year. The effects of our BEE transactions as announced in September 2007, which are expected to have material non-cash accounting effects, have not been taken into account in this outlook.

#### Disposal of businesses

On 10 July 2007, Sasol Wax disposed of its investment in Paramelt RMC BV, operating in the Netherlands, realising a profit of R129 million.

In August 2007, Sasol Investment Company (Pty) Limited disposed of its investment in FFS Refiners (Pty) Limited in South Africa, realising a profit of R108 million.

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On 17 September 2007, Sasol Nitro disposed of 50% of its investment in Sasol Dyno Nobel (Pty) Limited in South Africa and realised a profit of R114 million.

On 13 November 2007, Sasol Chemical Industries Limited disposed of its joint venture investment in African Amines (Pty) Limited in South Africa and realised a loss of R3 million.

#### Post balance sheet events

Sasol Chemical Industries Limited and Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation agreed to dissolve their Acrylates joint venture in South Africa, in terms of which Sasol Chemical Industries Limited acquired effective control from 24 January 2008.

On 20 February 2008, the South African Minister of Finance announced that the corporate tax rate would be reduced from 29% to 28%. The effect of this reduction on our taxation will be reflected in our annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2008.

#### Declaration of cash dividend number 57

An interim cash dividend of South African R3,65 per share (2007: R3,10 per share) has been declared.

The salient dates for holders of ordinary shares are:

Last day for trading to qualify for and participate in the interim

dividend (cum dividend)

Friday, 4 April 2008

Trading ex dividend commences

Monday, 7 April 2008

Record date

Friday, 11 April 2008

Dividend payment date

Monday, 14 April 2008

Holders of American Depositary Receipts\*

Last day for trading to qualify for and participate in the interim

dividend (cum dividend)

Tuesday, 8 April 2008

Record date

Friday, 11 April 2008

Date of currency conversion

Tuesday, 15 April 2008

Dividend payment date

Monday, 21 April 2008

\*all dates approximate as the NYSE approves the record date after receipt of the dividend declaration.

On Monday, 14 April 2008, dividends due to certificated shareholders on the South African registry will either be electronically transferred to shareholders' bank accounts or, in the absence of suitable mandates, dividend cheques will be posted to such shareholders. Shareholders who have dematerialised their share certificates will have their accounts credited on Monday, 14 April 2008. Share certificates may not be dematerialised or re-materialised between Monday, 7 April 2008 and Friday, 11 April 2008, both days inclusive.

On behalf of the board

Pieter Cox

Pat Davies

Christine Ramon

Chairman

Chief executive

Chief financial officer Sasol Limited 10 March 2008

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A Jain (Indian), IN Mkhize\*, S Montsi\*, TH Nyasulu, JE Schrempp (German)\*, TA Wixley\*

(executive): LPA Davies (Chief executive), KC Ramon(Chief financial officer), VN Fakude, AM Mokaba \*Independent

Company secretary: NL Joubert

Company registration number: 1979/003231/06, incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

JSE NYSE

Share code:

SOL

SSL

ISIN code:

ZAE000006896 US8038663006

American depositary receipts (ADR) program: Cusip number 803866300 ADR to ordinary share 1:1

Depositary: The Bank of New York, 22nd floor, 101 Barclay Street, New York, NY 10286, USA

**Forward-looking statements:** In this report we make certain statements that are not historical facts and relate to analyses and other information based on forecasts of future results not yet determinable, relating, amongst other things, to

exchange rate fluctuations, volume growth, increases in market share, total shareholder return and cost reductions. These

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such as "believe", "anticipate", "intend", "seek", "will", "plan", "could", "may", "endeavour" and "project" and similar

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statements. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties and, if one or more of these risks materialise, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may be very different from those anticipated.

The factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from such forward-looking statements are discussed

more fully in our most recent annual report under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on Form 20-F filed on 21 November 2007 and in other filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements apply only as of the date on which they are made, and Sasol does not undertake any obligation to update or

revise any of them, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Please note: A billion is defined as one thousand million.

#### Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The condensed consolidated interim financial results for the six months ended 31 December 2007 have been prepared in

compliance with the Listings Requirements of the JSE Limited, International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as published by the International Accounting Standards Board (in particular International Accounting Standard 34 Interim

Financial Reporting) and the South African Companies Act, 1973, as amended.

The accounting policies applied in the presentation of the interim financial results are consistent with those applied for the

year ended 30 June 2007, except as follows:

- · Sasol Limited has revised the format of its interim financial results in line with the amendments to IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting. IAS 34 has been amended as a result of IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements (as revised 2007). Sasol Limited has early adopted these amendments.
- · Sasol Limited has early adopted IFRIC 14 IAS 19, The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction. The adoption did not have a significant impact.

These condensed consolidated interim financial results have been prepared in accordance with the historic cost convention except that certain items, including derivatives and available for sale financial assets, are stated at fair value

The condensed consolidated interim financial results are presented in rand, which is Sasol Limited's functional and presentation currency.

#### Related party transactions

The group, in the ordinary course of business, entered into various sale and purchase transactions on an arm's length basis at market rates with related parties.

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# Significant changes in contingent liabilities since 30 June 2007

In January 2008, Yellow Rock was awarded damages in the amount of US\$9,2 million, plus interest against Sasol North

America LLC, who will be appealing the decision. A liability for the damages amounting to R76 million (US\$11 million) has

been recognised at 31 December 2007.

#### Independent review by the auditors

The condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position at 31 December 2007 and the related condensed consolidated interim income statement, statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the six months then ended have been reviewed by KPMG Inc. Their unmodified review report is

available for inspection at the registered office of the company.

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#### SASOL LIMITED GROUP

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-06

30-Jun-07

Reviewed

Reviewed

**Audited** 

Rm

Rm

Rm

**ASSETS** 

Property, plant and equipment

54 301

42 421

50 515

Assets under construction

23 424

24 362

24 611

Goodwill

**607** 

457

586

Other intangible assets

586

664

629

Post-retirement benefit assets

532

80

363

Deferred tax assets

808

604

845

Other long-term assets

3 080

2 697

3 134

#### **Non-current assets**

83 338

71 285

80 683

Assets held for sale

11 794

334

Inventories

# 17 028 9 004 14 399 Trade and other receivables 17 787 12 035 16 994 Short-term financial assets 239 161 22 Cash restricted for use 768 710 646 Cash 3 956 6 057 5 987 **Current assets** 39 784 39 761 38 382 **Total assets** 123 122 111 046 119 065 **EQUITY AND LIABILITIES** Shareholders' equity 60 228 57 917 61 617 Minority interest 1 759 1 5 1 5 1 652 **Total equity** 61 987 59 432 63 269 Long-term debt 12 687 15 139 13 359 Long-term financial liability 51 36 53 Long-term provisions

**4 048** 3 643

3 788 Post-retirement benefit obligations 3 887 2 591 3 661 Long-term deferred income 2 942 2 150 2 765 Deferred tax liabilities 8 657 7 2 1 6 8 304 Non-current liabilities 32 272 30 775 31 930 Liabilities in disposal group held for sale 5 2 3 6 35 Short-term debt 8 671 2 694 5 621 Short-term financial liabilities 1 318 507 383 Other current liabilities 16 971 12 084 17 282 Bank overdraft 1903 318 545 **Current liabilities** 28 863 20 839 23 866 Total equity and liabilities 123 122 111 046 119 065 Note: At December 2006, Sasol O&S was classified as held for sale and all attibutable assets and liabilities relating to group were disclosed as part of assets and liabilities held for sale. The business was reclassified as a continuing

operation during March 2007. *Page 8* 

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#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

for the period ended

half-year

half-year

full year

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-06

30-Jun-07

Reviewed

IXC VIC WCG

Reviewed

**Audited** 

Rm

Rm

Rm

**Turnover** 

55 517

48 481

98 127

Cost of sales and services rendered

(32548)

(30277)

(59997)

# **Gross profit**

22 969

18 204

38 130

Non-trading income

215

578

639

Marketing and distribution expenditure

(3226)

(2842)

(5818)

Administrative expenditure

(2480)

(2612)

(6094)

Other operating expenditure

(3468)

(1 141)

(1236)

Other expenditure<sup>1</sup>

(3439)

(885)

 $(1\ 004)$ 

Translation losses

**(29)** 

(256)

(232)**Operating profit** 14 010 12 187 25 621 Finance income 273 363 825 Finance expenses (4444)(457)(1148)Share of profits of associates (net of tax) 121 192 405 **Profit before tax** 13 960 12 285 25 703 **Taxation** (4393)(4074)(8.153)Profit for the period 9 567 8 211 17 550 Attributable to Owners of Sasol Limited 9 148 7 981 17 030 Minority interests in subsidiaries 419 230 520 9 567 8 211 17 550 Earnings per share Rand Rand Rand Basic earnings per share 15,05 12,79

27,35

14,85

Diluted earnings per share<sup>2</sup>

12,60 27,02

<sup>1</sup> Included in other expenditure is an unrealised fair value loss of R1,1 billion (June 2007 - loss of R0,2 billion) that relates to the revaluation of the crude oil hedge.

<sup>2</sup> Diluted earnings per share is calculated taking the Sasol Share Incentive Scheme into account.

Note: The income statement for December 2006 has been restated for the effect of the reclassification of Sasol O&S as a continuing operation.

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17 292

# Attributable to

Owners of Sasol Limited

#### 9 169

7 743

16772

Minority interests in subsidiaries

418

225

520

9 587

7 968

17 292

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#### SASOL LIMITED GROUP

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

for the period ended

half-year

half-year

full year

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-06

31-Dcc-00

30-Jun-07 Reviewed

Reviewed

Audited

Rm

Rm

Rm

**Opening balance** 

63 269

52 984

52 984

Shares issued during period

262

160

332

Repurchase of shares

 $(7\ 300)$ 

-

(3669)

Share based payment expense

77

92

186

Change in shareholding of subsidiaries

73

1 129

1 165

Total comprehensive income for the period

9 587

7 968

17 292

Dividends paid

(3597)

(2683)

(4613)

Dividends paid to minority shareholders

(384)

(218)

(408)

**Closing balance** 

61 987

59 432

63 269 **Comprising** Share capital 3 890 3 456 3 628 Share repurchase programme (10969)(3669)Retained earnings 66 660 53 990 61 109 Share based payment reserve 1 043 872 966 Foreign currency translation reserve (389)(435)(443)Investment fair value reserve 2 Cash flow hedge reserve (10)32 24 Shareholders' equity 60 228 57 917 61 617 Minority interest 1759 1 515 1 652 **Total equity** 61 987 59 432

63 269 Page 11

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#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the period ended

half-year

half-year

full year

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-07

30-Jun-07

30-Juli-07

Reviewed

Reviewed

**Audited** 

Rm

Rm

Rm

Cash receipts from customers

54 857

49 229

97 339

Cash paid to suppliers and employees

(40746)

(35655)

(68914)

# Cash generated by operating activities

14 111

13 574

28 425

Finance income

504

600

1 059

Financing expenses paid

(935)

(724)

(1816)

Tax paid

(4712)

(3557)

(7251)

Dividends paid

(3597)

(2683)

(4613)

# Cash retained from operating activities

5 371

7 2 1 0

15 804

Additions to non-current assets

(4577)

(6.050)

```
(12045)
Acquisition of businesses
(221)
(285)
Disposal of businesses
686
2 183
2 200
(Cash) / bank overdraft disposed of on disposal of businesses
33
33
Other net cash flows from investing activities
44
(183)
(441)
Cash utilised in investing activities
(3878)
(4238)
(10538)
Share capital issued
262
160
332
Share repurchase programme
(7\ 300)
(3669)
Dividends paid to minority shareholders
(384)
(218)
(408)
Decrease in long-term debt
(2014)
(43)
(13)
Increase in short-term debt
4 685
63
Cash effect of financing activities
(4751)
(38)
(2893)
Translation effects on cash and cash equivalents of foreign operations
(9)
12
Movement in cash and cash equivalents
```

(3267)

2 946
2 349
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period
6 088
3 244
3 244
Net reclassification from held for sale
259
495
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period
2 821
6 449
6 088

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**SEGMENT REPORT** 

for the period ended

**Turnover** 

Operating profit

Rm

Business unit analysis

Rm

full year

half-year

half-year

half-year

half-year

full year

30-Jun-07

31-Dec-06

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-06

30-Jun-07

Audited

Reviewed

Reviewed

Reviewed

Reviewed

**Audited** 

77 019

38 670

45 315

South African energy cluster

11 334

10 869

21 775

6 042

2 837

3 387

Mining

565

411

1 171

3 702

1 878

2 173

Gas

923

1 167

1 936

29 084

14 694

16 987

# Synfuels 7 815 8 360 16 251 38 191 19 261 22 768 Oil 2 031 931 2 4 1 7 1 465 761 1 407 International energy cluster (14) (463) 65 82 577 Synfuels International (274)(366)(763)1 400 679 830 Petroleum International 309 352 300 58 881 29 149 31 804 Chemical cluster 2 396 1 165 4 293 9 4 1 0 4 661 4 749 Polymers 497 262 1 089 13 766 6 659 7 331 Solvents

556

**55 517** *Page 13* 

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#### SASOL LIMITED GROUP

# **SALIENT FEATURES**

for the period ended

half-year

half-year

full year

31-Dec-07

31-Dec-06

30-Jun-07

**Selected ratios** 

Return on equity

%

15,0

14,4

29,8

Return on total assets

%

11,9

11,9

24,2

Operating margin

%

25,2

25,1

26,1

Borrowing cost cover

times

15,4

17,6

14,8

Dividend cover

times

4,2

4,2

3,0

# **Share statistics**

Total shares in issue

million

630,6

625,2

627,7

Treasury shares (share repurchase programme)

million

37,1

14,9

Weighted average number of shares

million

607,7

623,8

622,6 Diluted weighted average number of shares million 616,0 633,5 630,3 Share price (closing) Rand 339,00 258,79 266,00 Market capitalisation Rm 213 773 161 796 166 968 Net asset value per share Rand 101,48 92,64 100,55 Dividend per share Rand 3,65 3,10 9,00 Other financial information Total debt (including bank overdraft) - interest bearing Rm 22 661 17 681 18 925 - non-interest bearing Rm 600 600 600 Borrowing costs capitalised Rm 660 386 989 Capital commitments Rm 21 605 13 664 18 575

- authorised and contracted

Rm **27 095** 

30 116 28 416 - authorised, not yet contracted 14 340 7 440 11 720 - less expenditure to date (19830)(23892)(21561)Guarantees and contingent liabilities - total amount Rm 31 479 33 924 35 147 - liability included on balance sheet Rm 12 931 11 560 13 888 Significant items in operating profit - employee costs Rm 6 465 5 674 11 695 - depreciation and amortisation of non-current assets Rm 2 355 1 887 3 736 Effective tax rate 31,5 33,2 31,7 Number of employees number 32 893 31 852 31 860 Average crude oil price - dated Brent US\$/barrel 81,83 64,59 63,95 Average rand / US\$ exchange rate

1US\$ = Rand

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6,94
7,23
7,20
Closing rand / US$ exchange rate
1US$ = Rand
6,87
7,01
7,04
Reconciliation of headline earnings
Rm
Rm
Rm
Profit for the period
9 567
8 2 1 1
17 550
Less minority interest
(419)
(230)
(520)
Effect of capital items
(304)
(162)
(1140)
Impairment of assets
27
114
208
Reversal of fair value write-down of disposal group held for sale
(803)
Fair value write-down of disposal group held for sale
420
Profit on disposal of assets
(391)
(748)
(749)
Loss on repurchase of participation rights in GTL venture
34
Scrapping of property, plant and equipment
26
52
204
Tax effects and minority interest
(93)
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(93) **Headline earnings** 8 851 7 726 15 797 Capital items per above Mining (3) 8 13 Gas (371)(370) Synfuels (2) 64 Oil (26) (9) Synfuels International 34 Polymers 5 9 Solvents 23 47 152 Olefins & Surfactants 6 466 (707)Other chemical businesses (229)9 8 Nitro (114)Wax (118)(1) (4)

Other

3

10 12

Other businesses

(109)

(315)

(311)

# **Capital items**

(304)

(162)

(1140)

# Headline earnings per share

Rand

14,56

12,39

25,37

The reader is referred to the definitions contained in the 2007 Sasol Limited annual financial statements.

Note: The salient features for December 2006 have been restated to incorporate the effect of the reclassification of Sasol O&S as a

continuing operation.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant, Sasol Limited, has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: 10 March 2008

By:

/s/ N L Joubert

Name: Nereus Louis Joubert Title: Company Secretary