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2008 Annual Results US\$107m Firm Placing

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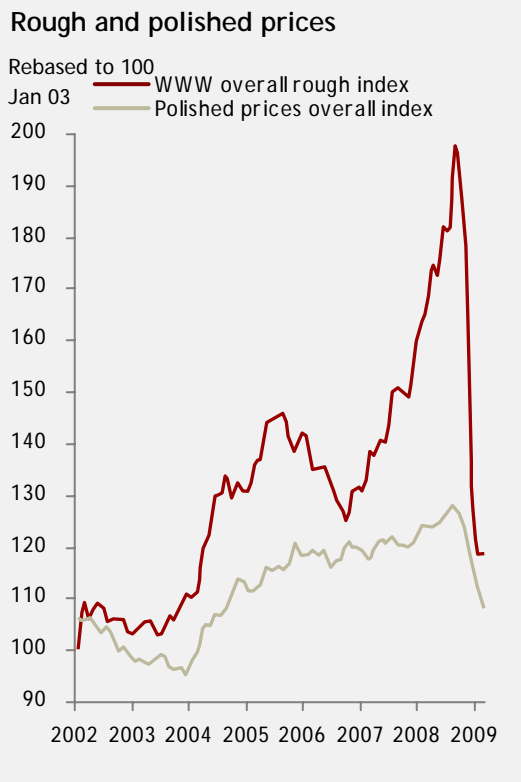
- Robust operational performance in 2008
 - Letšeng doubling of production
 - Ellendale production ramp up
- Recovery and sale of Light of Letšeng for US\$18.4 million
- Q108 - Q308: Strong diamond prices despite emerging economic crisis
- Q408: Weak trading conditions in the diamond industry → swift and significant price decline
- Rapid response by management
 - Reduce costs and operating expenditure
 - Preserve capital
- Firm Placing raising US\$107m
 - Expected to reduce debt to zero and provide working capital
- Positioning to emerge from downturn in position of strength



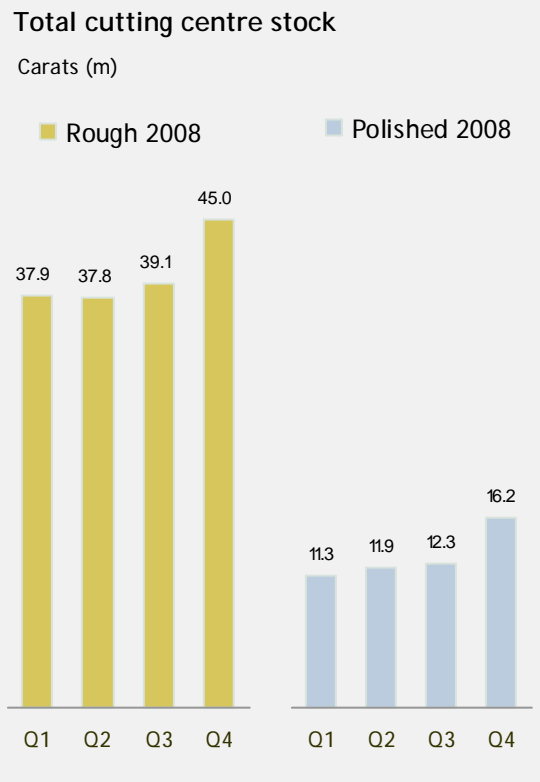
DIAMOND MARKET OVERVIEW



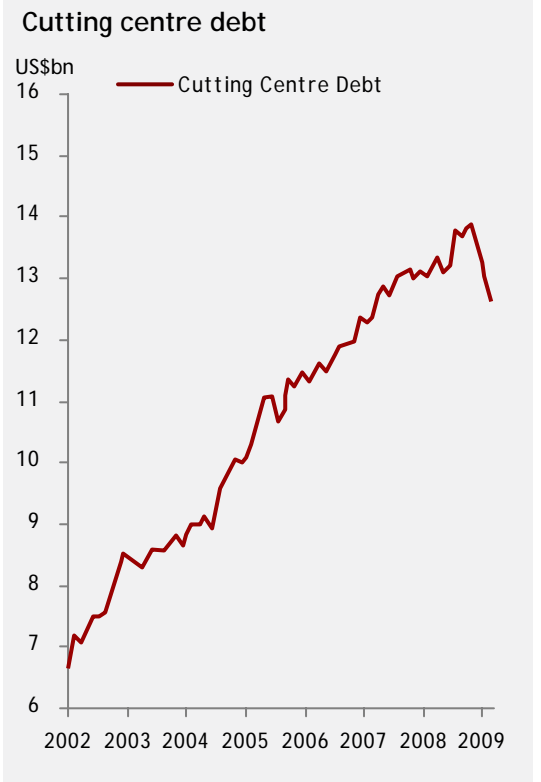
Diamond pricing history



Source: WWW Diamond Forecasts Ltd



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Source: De Beers Group

Tightening liquidity in the trading and manufacturing businesses has significantly impacted prices



Supply side response

Sector news flow

- Nov 08 Gem Diamonds operational review focusing on profitability
De Beers announces production cuts to come

- Dec 08 BHPB announces plans to withdraw from DRC exploration agreements
Diavik delays planned underground mining
Petra reduces exploration—Angola, Botswana & Sierra Leone

- Jan 09 Debswana suspends production at its four mines
Alrosa targets non-core cost reductions (excluding underground mining) of c. US\$149m for 2009
Argyle halts production for 3 months for extended maintenance and slows underground development
Namakwa—optimisation of margins and maintaining liquidity

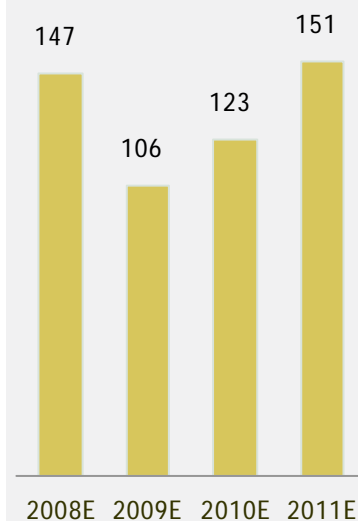
- Feb 09 BHPB reduces production at Ekati
De Beers cuts production at Snap Lake and Victor mines
Diavik defers capex and trims opex further
Debswana confirms Damtshaa and Orapa No.2 closed for 2009

- Mar 09 Namdeb considers closing production for 3 mths in Namibia

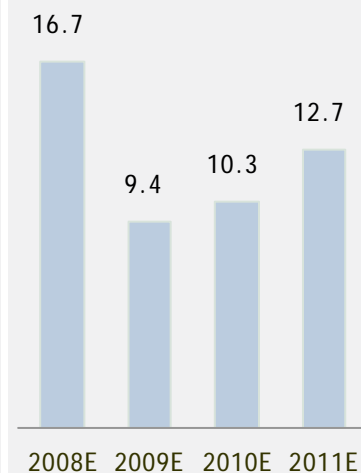
Source: Company announcements, Newswires

Rough diamond production

Carats (m)



Value (US\$bn)¹



Source: WWW Diamond Forecasts Ltd

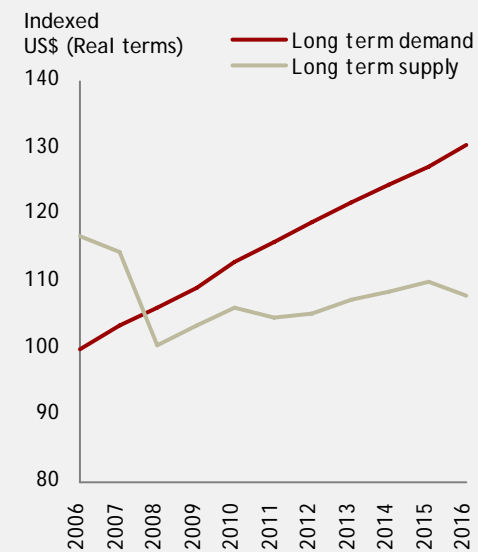
¹Based on 2008 diamond prices



The long-term supply/demand imbalance

Rio Tinto 2008—Rough

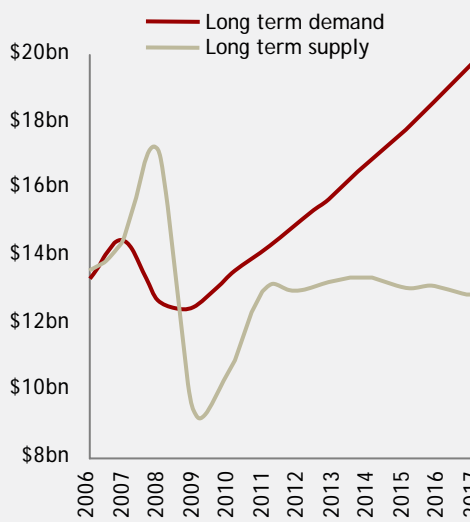
Supply and demand—rough



Source: Rio Tinto Diamonds Annual Review 2008

WWW 2009—Rough

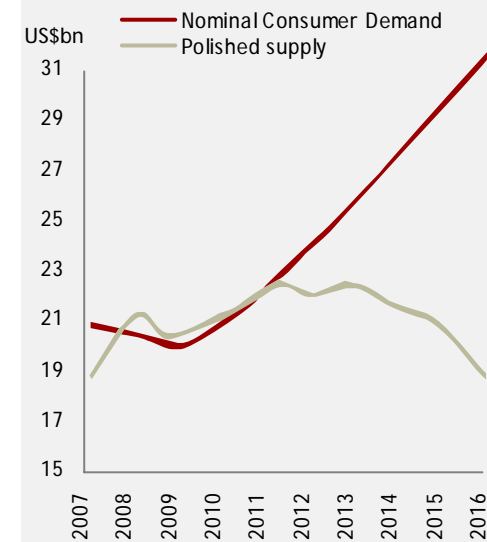
Supply and demand—rough



Source: WWW Diamond Forecasts Ltd
At Q1 2009 prices

De Beers 2009—Polished

Supply and demand—polished



Source: De Beers Group Estimates; Note: Supply figure excludes existing polished stock in pipeline
At November 2008 prices

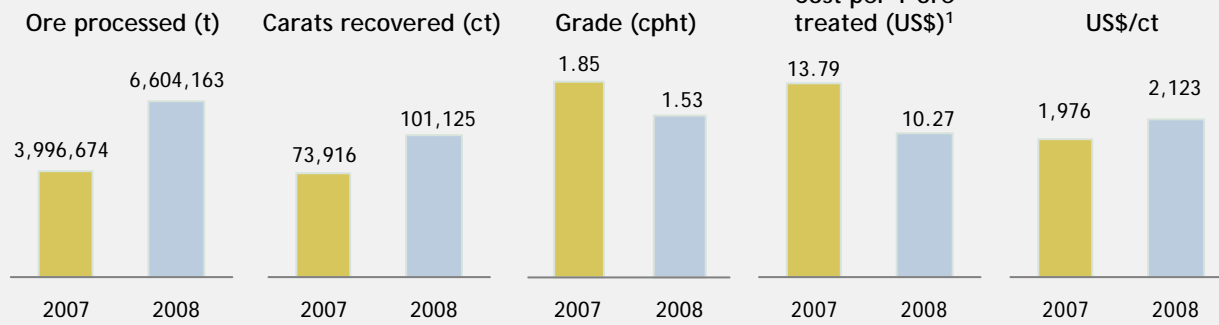


2008 OPERATIONAL REVIEW



2008 operational report

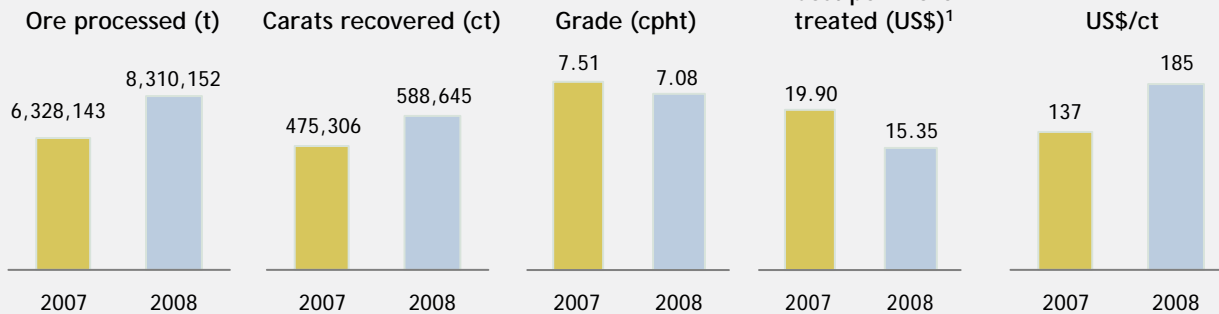
Letšeng operational statistics



Letšeng in Lesotho



Ellendale operational statistics



Ellendale in Australia



¹ Cost per tonne comprises all operating costs and depreciation and amortisation



Other projects

Gope, Botswana



Chiri, Angola



DRC&CAR-Central Africa



Cempaka, Indonesia

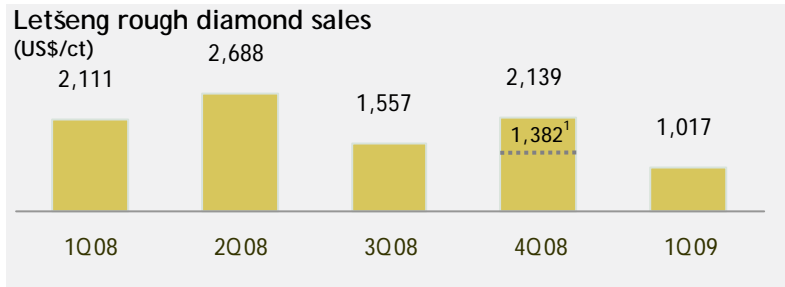


Beneficiation

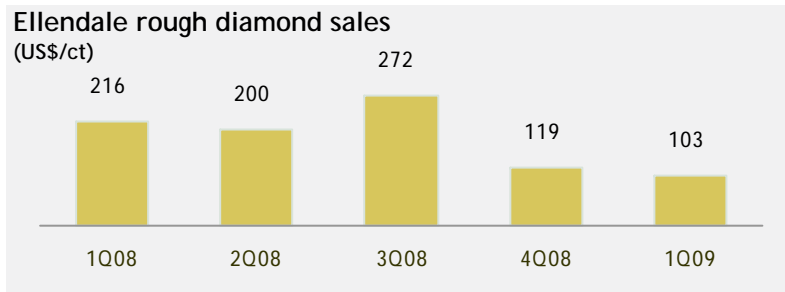
- Acquired Calibrated Diamonds for US\$5.9 million
 - Consistently accurate high speed low labour cutting and polishing technology
- Recruited Matrix Diamond Technology executives
 - Owners of sophisticated proprietary diamond analysis expertise and process
- Successful diamond polishing trials undertaken



Diamond pricing impact on Gem Diamonds



¹ Q4 excluding the sale of the 478ct Light of Letšeng

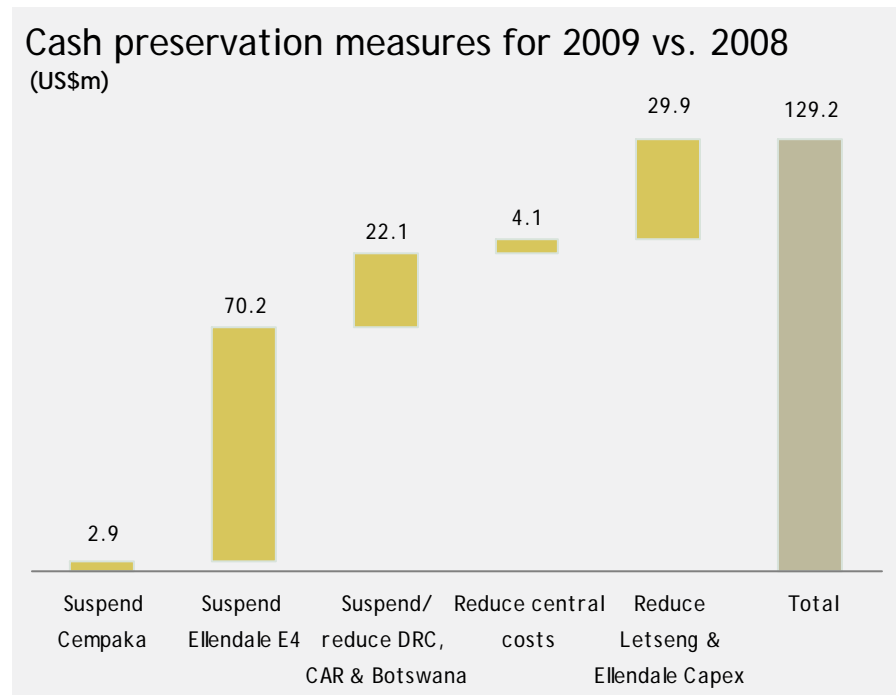


- Trading conditions weakened further into January
- However, Letšeng February tender pricing up 9.7% from January low
- Improved attendance at February tender
- Numerous parties expressing firm interest in entering into offtake agreements at Letšeng and Ellendale



Actions taken to mitigate impact of downturn

- Central cost reduction
 - Reducing Directors' salaries and fees
 - No bonuses in respect of 2008
 - Headcount reduction
- Further reducing operating expenditure and focus on cash preservation
- Offtake agreements to sustain operations
 - Offtake renegotiation at Ellendale
- Opex and capex forecast at US\$16.6m per month for 2009 from Q2 onwards





2008 ANNUAL RESULTS



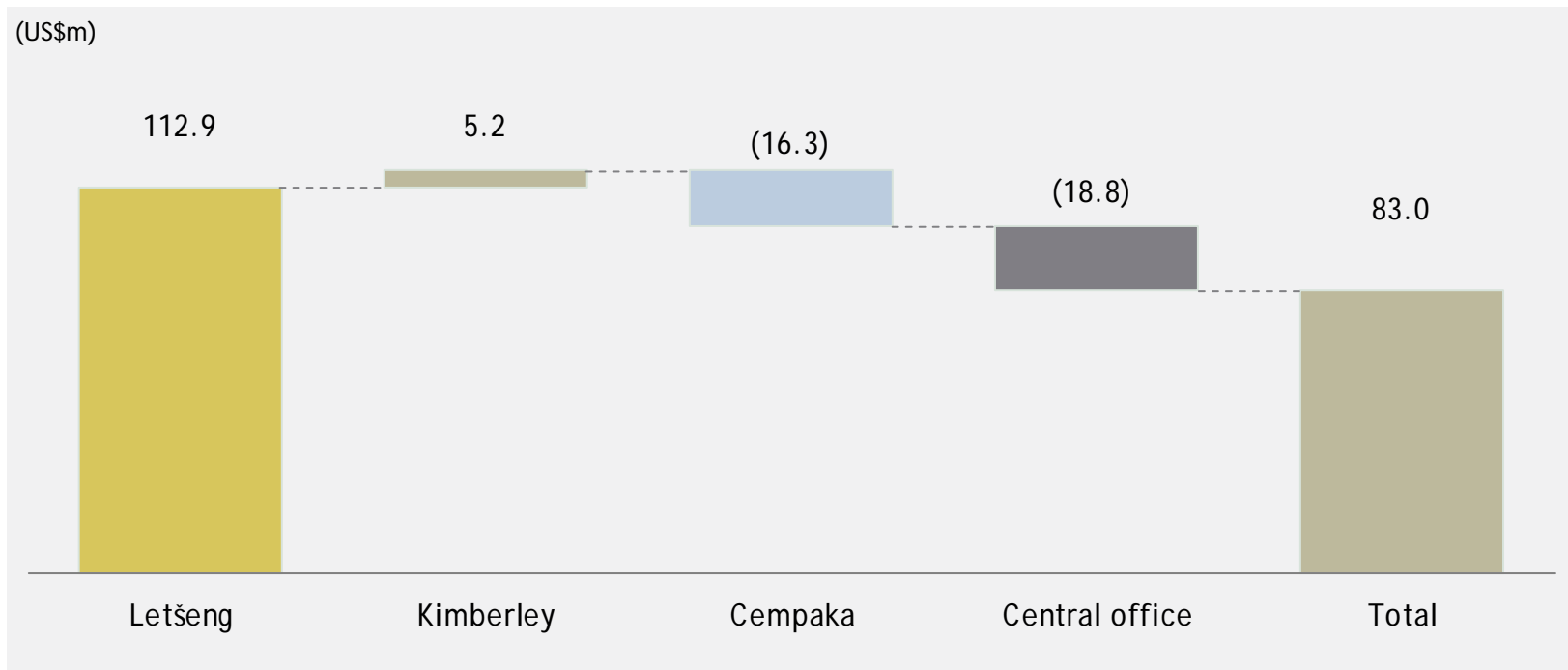
Key financial results 2008

Year ended 31 December	2008			2007
	Pre-exceptional items	Exceptional items	Total	
US\$m				
Revenue	296.9	-	296.9	152.7
Cost of sales	(167.7)	(20.5)	(188.2)	(44.2)
Royalty and selling costs	(27.1)	-	(27.1)	(16.6)
Corporate expenses	(19.1)	(1.8)	(20.9)	(17.4)
Share of loss of an associate	-	-	-	(1.0)
EBITDA¹	83.0	(22.3)	60.7	73.5
Depreciation	(41.6)	-	(41.6)	(7.6)
Amortisation	(19.4)	-	(19.4)	(13.0)
Share based payments	(10.4)	-	(10.4)	(19.5)
Impairment	-	(546.5)	(546.5)	-
Foreign exchange gain	(19.4)	-	(19.4)	14.7
Finance income / (costs)	(0.1)	-	(0.1)	20.1
(Loss) / profit before tax	(7.9)	(568.8)	(576.7)	68.4

¹ EBITDA unless indicated to the contrary, is before exceptional items and share based payments. Exceptional items are significant items of income and expense which due to their nature or expected infrequency are presented separately in the Income Statement

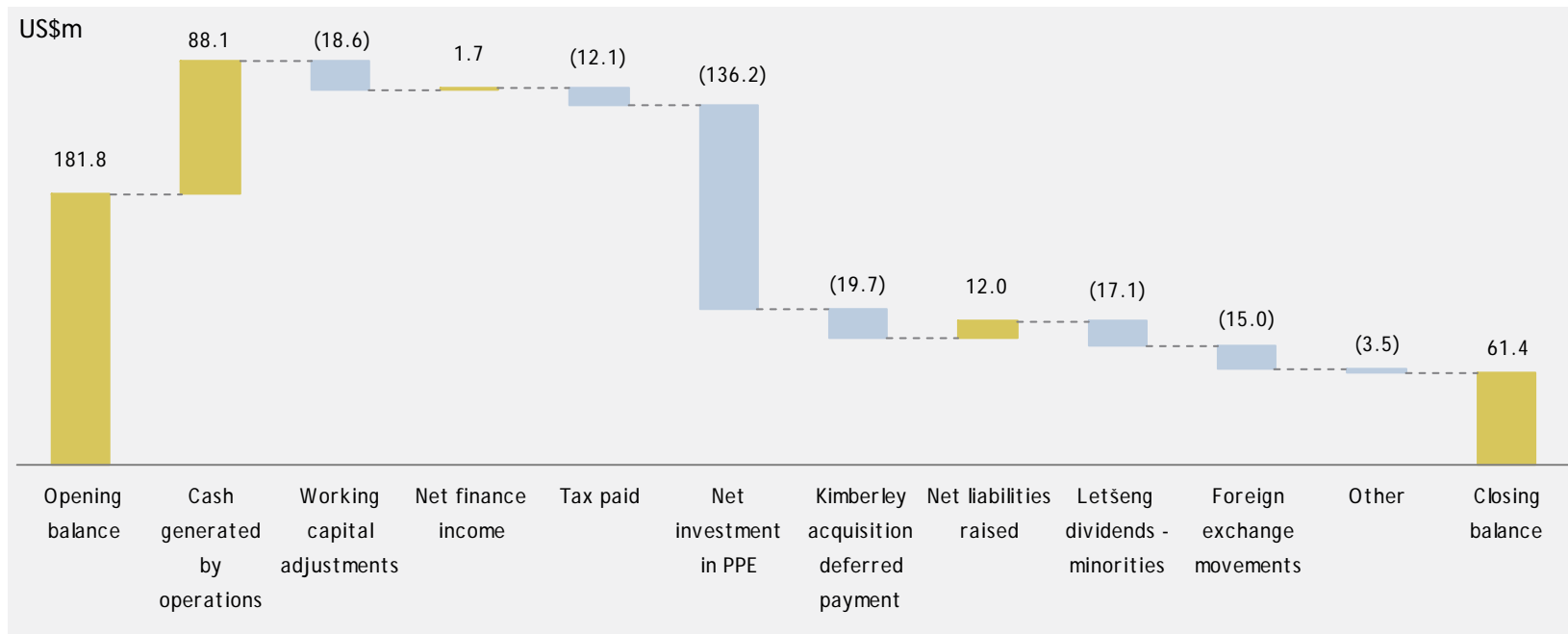


EBITDA by Segment 2008



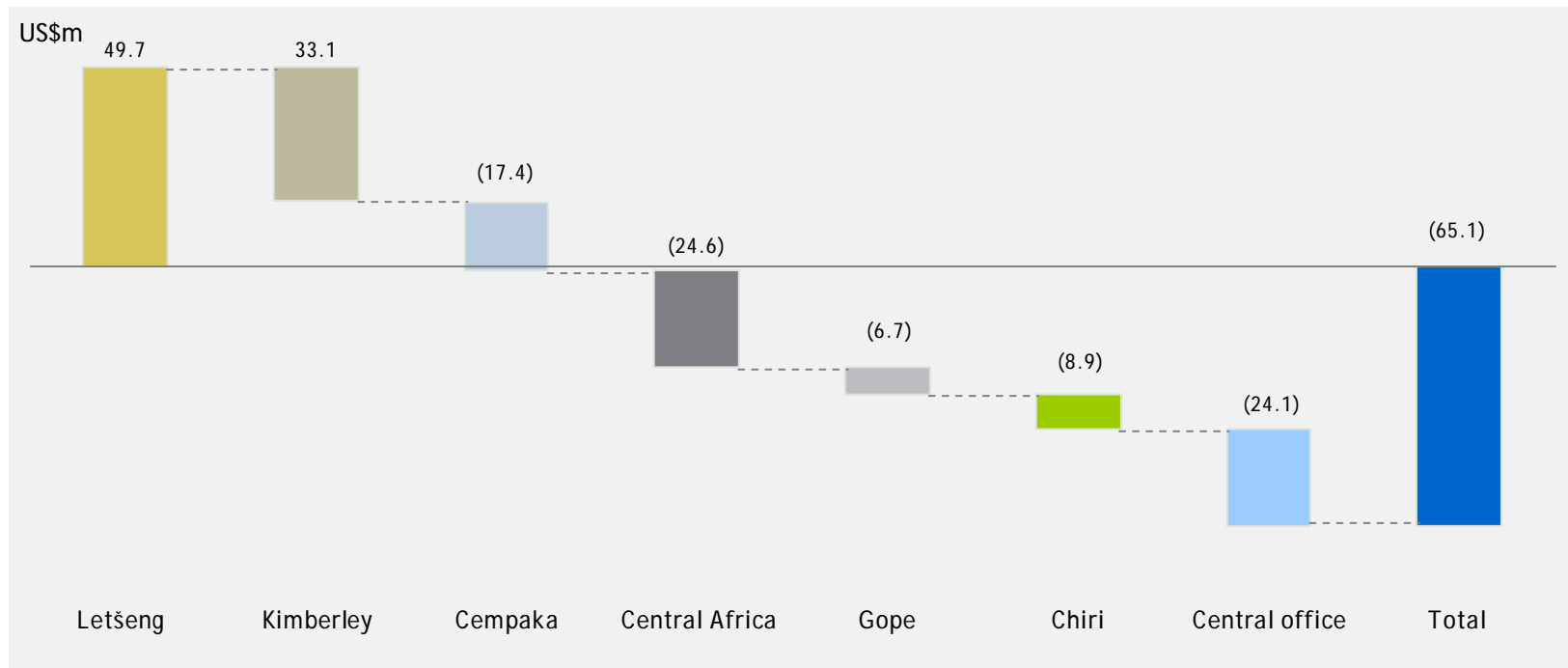


Group cash flow 2008





Cash generation/consumption by Segment 2008¹



¹ The impact of cash taxes has been included in the cash generated/consumed
Segmental analysis excludes investment in Beneficiation



Impairments as at end 2008

Asset	Impairment (US\$m)	Rationale
DRC	190.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All alluvial operations placed on care and maintenance• Impaired full carrying value of resources and development costs• No residual value attributed to kimberlite exploration
CAR	17.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All alluvial operations placed on care and maintenance• Impaired full carrying value of resources and development costs
Cempaka	95.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mine placed on care and maintenance in January 2009• Full value of goodwill and asset impaired
Kimberley	242.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ellendale 4 pipe placed on care and maintenance February 2009 (higher grade/lower quality)• Mining, capital, deferred stripping assets impaired along with goodwill
TOTAL	546.5	



Cash / (debt) position

US\$m as at 31 Dec 08

External borrowings:

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|--------------------|--------|
| • Convertible | (16.1) |
| • Bank debt | (20.9) |
| • Bonding facility | (4.5) |

Total	(41.5)
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Cash and cash equivalents	61.4
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Net cash / (debt)	19.9
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- Convertible bond
 - US\$16m/160 units outstanding
 - Repayment: 2 October 2009
 - Interest rate: 6%
 - Conversion price: \$17.01
- Société Générale loan
 - A\$30m/US\$20.9m outstanding
 - Agreed repayment: 2 business days after completion of the Placing
 - Interest rate: Bank bill swap bid rate + 125 bps
 - Bond guaranteed to State of Western Australia for Kimberley environmental provisions:
 - c. A\$6.4m/US\$4.5m drawn
 - Total A\$36.4m/US\$25.4m



FIRM PLACING



Capital raising terms

Firm Placing	New shares issued	up to 75,000,000
	Placing price	100p per share
	Discount to previous close	33%
	Total proceeds	£75m / \$107m
	Total number of shares in issue, post capital raising	137,977,853

USD:GBP rate = 1.4331 as at 31 March 2009, Bank of England close price



Expected timetable

Timetable	Announcement	1 April
	Publish Prospectus / Circular	3 April
	General meeting	20 April
	Firm Placing settlement	22 April
	Admission	22 April



Use of proceeds & importance of capital raising

Use of proceeds

- Repay existing debt
 - Repay US\$16.5m convertible bonds and c.US\$25.4m Soc Gen loan and environmental bond
 - Debt expected to reduce to zero
- Balance will fund working capital requirements
 - Repay Kimberley creditors due c. US\$10.2m

Importance of capital raising

- Allows Company to meet its debt obligations
- Creates a suitable capital structure to allow operations to weather a prolonged downturn
- Alternative to Firm Placing
 - Renegotiating terms and repayment dates of convertible bond and Société Générale loan—prospects uncertain and likely to be costly
 - Entering into offtake agreements at Letšeng and Ellendale
 - Risk of receiving sub-optimal terms if the Company is under financial duress

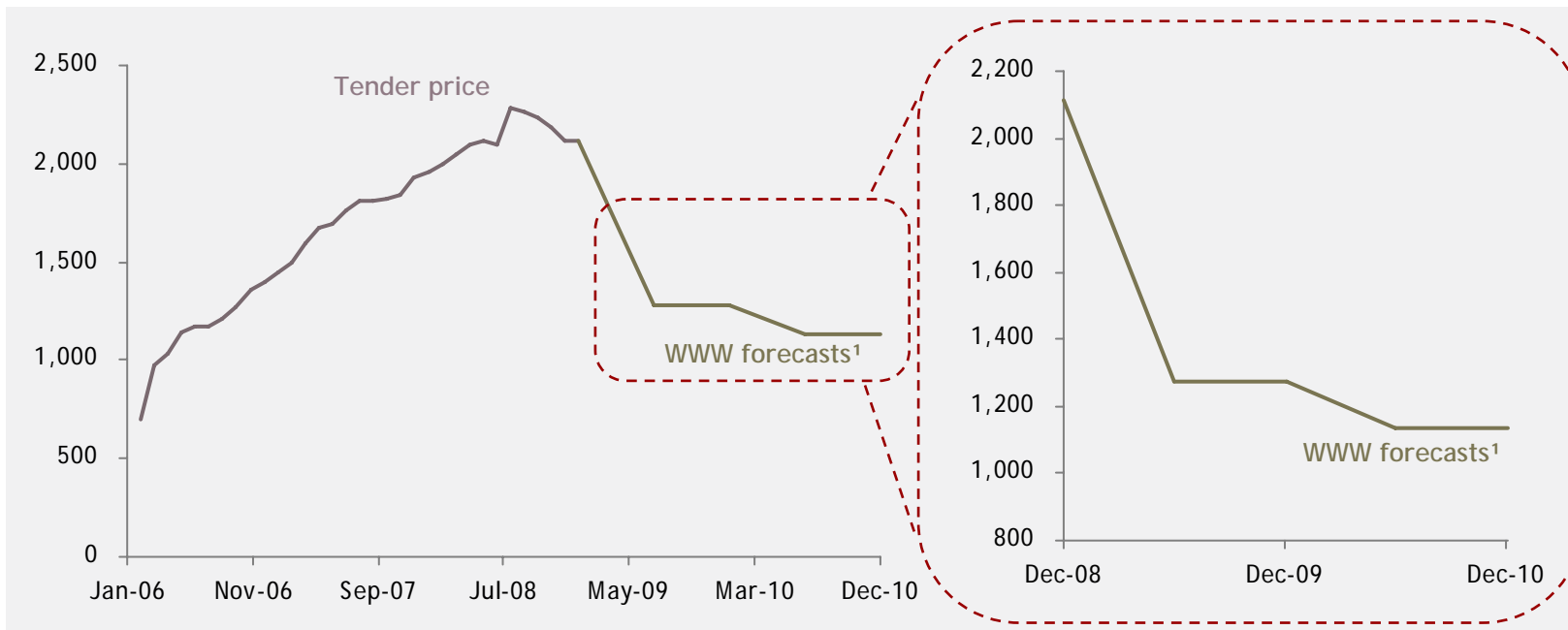


OUTLOOK & STRATEGY



Diamond price outlook

Rough diamond pricing (US\$/Ct) - Letseng 6 month rolling average historic, WWW index forecasts



Near term WWW forecasts expect a stabilisation in high quality rough diamond prices

Source: Gem Diamonds, WWW Diamond Forecasts Ltd, (prices in real terms), Equity research

Note: Historical pricing is on a 6-month rolling basis and includes 3 "special" stones discovered at Letseng mine

¹ WWW Diamond Forecasts Ltd fine large rough diamond forecasts (the majority of Letseng's production) on an annual basis, applied to Letseng 2008 dollar per carat price achieved

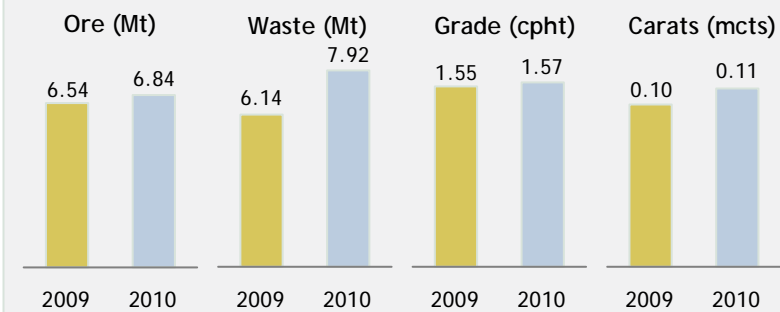


Strategy: Survival through the cycle

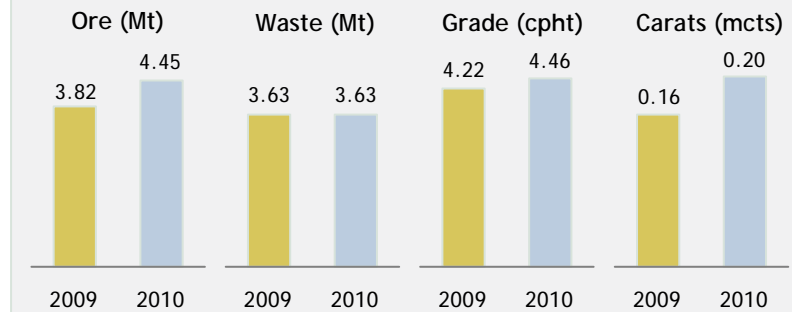
Short-term plan to weather downturn

- Continue to mine and develop higher margin operations at Letšeng and Ellendale
- Conserve cash
- Position Gem Diamonds to emerge from downturn in a position of strength

Letšeng mine plan



Ellendale mine plan





Emerge from downturn in position of strength

- Letseng
 - Two independent kimberlite pipes and two plants - low production risk
 - Producer of large top quality diamonds
 - Life of mine 33 years
- Ellendale
 - Producer of vivid and intense fancy yellow diamonds
 - Significant portion of fancy yellow market
 - Off-take heads of terms signed
- Longer term development projects - Gope, DRC kimberlites
- Experienced management team
- Capital raising to ensure balance sheet strength and growth optionality maintained
- Long term supply demand imbalance remains
- Future capital returns to shareholders as conditions permit