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

OR

ý **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 for the year ended 30 June 2007**

OR

o **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

OR

o **SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Commission file number: 001-31615

Sasol Limited

(Exact name of registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Republic of South Africa

(Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

**1 Sturdee Avenue, Rosebank 2196
South Africa**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
American Depositary Shares	New York Stock Exchange
Ordinary Shares of no par value*	New York Stock Exchange

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Listed on the New York Stock Exchange not for trading or quotation purposes, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **None**

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: **None**

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:

612,776,556 ordinary shares of no par value

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**

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 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 financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

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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**

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PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION

We are incorporated in the Republic of South Africa as a public company under South African Company law. Our consolidated financial statements included in our corporate filings in South Africa were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as approved by the International Accounting Standards Board for the financial years ended 30 June 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

For purposes of this annual report on Form 20-F, we have prepared our consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS and net income and shareholders' equity have been reconciled to accounting principles as generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP). Our consolidated financial statements for each of the financial years ended 30 June 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 have been audited.

As used in this Form 20-F:

"rand" or "R" means the currency of the Republic of South Africa;

"US dollars", "dollars", "US\$" or "\$" means the currency of the United States;

"euro" or "€" means the common currency of the member states of the European Monetary Union;

"GBP" means British Pound Sterling, the currency of the United Kingdom;

"JPY" means Japanese Yen, the currency of Japan; and

"AUD" means Australian dollar, the currency of Australia.

We present our financial information in rand, which is our reporting currency. Solely for your convenience, this Form 20-F contains translations of certain rand amounts into US dollars at specified rates. These rand amounts do not represent actual US dollar amounts, nor could they necessarily have been converted into US dollars at the rates indicated. Unless otherwise indicated, rand amounts have been translated into US dollars at the rate of R6.92 per US dollar, which was the noon buying rate for customs purposes of the rand as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on 28 September 2007.

All references in this Form 20-F to "years" refer to the financial years ended on 30 June. Any reference to a calendar year is prefaced by the word "calendar".

Besides applying barrels (b) and cubic feet (cf) for reporting oil and gas reserves and production, Sasol applies the Système International (SI) metric measures for all global operations. A ton or tonne denotes one metric ton equivalent to 1,000 kilograms (kg). Sasol's reference to metric tons should not be confused with an imperial ton equivalent to 2,240 pounds (or about 1,016 kg). Barrels per day or bpd is used to refer to our oil and gas production.

All references to billions in this Form 20-F are to thousands of millions.

All references to the "group", "us", "we", "our", "the company", or "Sasol" in this Form 20-F are to Sasol Limited, its group of subsidiaries and its interests in associates and joint ventures. All references in this Form 20-F are to Sasol Limited or the companies comprising the group, as the context may require. All references to "(Pty) Limited" refers to (Proprietary) Limited, a form of corporation in South Africa which restricts the right of transfer of its shares, limits the number of members and prohibits the public offering of its shares.

All references in this Form 20-F to "South Africa" and "the government" are to the Republic of South Africa and its government. All references to the "JSE" are to the JSE Limited, the securities exchange of our primary listing. All references to "SARB" refer to the South African Reserve Bank, all

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references to "PPI" and "CPI" refer to the Producer Price Index and Consumer Price Index, respectively, which are a measure of inflation in South Africa. All references to "GTL" and "CTL" refer to our gas-to-liquids and coal-to-liquids processes, respectively.

Certain industry terms used in this Form 20-F are defined in the Glossary of Terms.

Unless otherwise stated, presentation of financial information in this annual report on Form 20-F will be in terms of IFRS. Our discussion of business segment results, which is also in accordance with IFRS, follows the basis used by the Group Executive Committee (GEC) (the company's chief operating decision maker) for segmental financial decisions, resource allocation and performance assessment, it forms the accounting basis for segmental reporting that is disclosed to the investing and reporting public.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We may from time to time make written or oral forward-looking statements, including in this Form 20-F, in other filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, in reports to shareholders and in other communications. These statements may relate to analyses and other information which are based on forecasts of future results and estimates of amounts not yet determinable. These statements may also relate to our future prospects, developments and business strategies. Examples of such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

statements regarding our future results of operations and financial condition and regarding future economic performance;

statements regarding recent and proposed accounting pronouncements and their impact on our future results of operations and financial condition;

statements of our business strategy, plans, objectives or goals, including those related to products or services;

statements regarding future competition and changes in market share in the South African and international industries and markets for our products;

statements regarding our existing or anticipated investments (including the gas-to-liquid (GTL) projects in Qatar and Nigeria, the Arya Sasol Polymer Project, the potential development of two coal-to-liquid (CTL) projects in China and other investments), acquisitions of new businesses or the disposition of existing businesses;

statements regarding our estimated oil, gas and coal reserves;

statements regarding the probable future outcome of the litigation and the future development in legal and regulatory matters, including initiatives for the economic empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans;

statements regarding future fluctuations in refining margins and crude oil, natural gas and petroleum product prices;

statements regarding the demand and cyclicity of petrochemical product prices;

statements regarding changes in the manufacturers' fuel pricing mechanism in South Africa and their effects on fuel prices, our operating results and profitability;

statements regarding future fluctuations in exchange and interest rates;

statements regarding our plans to expand the South African retail and commercial markets for liquid fuels;

statements regarding our current or future products and anticipated customer demand for these products;

statements regarding acts of war, terrorism or other events that may adversely affect the group's operations or that of key stakeholders to the group; and

statements of assumptions underlying such statements.

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Words such as "believe", "anticipate", "expect", "intend", "seek", "will", "plan", "could", "may", "endeavour" and "project" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements.

By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and there are risks that the predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. If one or more of these risks materialise, or should underlying

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assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in this Form 20-F. You should understand that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors include among others, and without limitation:

the outcomes in developing regulatory matters and the effect of changes in regulation and government policy;

the political, social and fiscal regime and economic conditions and developments in the world, especially in those countries in which we operate;

our ability to maintain key customer relations in important markets;

our ability to improve results despite increased levels of competitiveness;

the continuation of substantial growth in significant developing markets, such as China;

the ability to benefit from our capital expenditure programme;

the capital cost of projects (including material, engineering and construction cost);

growth in significant developing areas of our business;

changes in the demand for and international prices of crude oil, petroleum and chemical products and changes in foreign currency exchange rates;

the ability to gain access to sufficient competitively priced gas and coal reserves;

our success in continuing technological innovation;

our ability to maintain sustainable earnings despite fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates;

our ability to attract and retain sufficient skilled employees; and

our success at managing the risks of the foregoing.

The foregoing list of important factors is not exhaustive; when relying on forward-looking statements to make investment decisions, you should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and events. Such forward-looking statements apply only as of the date on which they are made and we do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any of them, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

ENFORCEABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL LIABILITIES

We are a public company incorporated under the Company law of South Africa. All of our directors and officers reside outside the United States, principally in South Africa. You may not be able, therefore, to effect service of process within the United States upon those directors and officers with respect to matters arising under the federal securities laws of the United States.

In addition, substantially all of our assets and the assets of our directors and officers are located outside the United States. As a result, you may not be able to enforce against us or our directors and officers judgements obtained in United States courts predicated on the civil liability provisions of the federal securities laws of the United States.

A foreign judgement 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 judgement has jurisdiction to entertain the case according to the principles recognised by South African law with reference to the jurisdiction of foreign courts;

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

the judgement has not been prescribed;

the recognition and enforcement of the judgement 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 proceeding 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 judgement was not obtained by fraudulent means;

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

the enforcement of the judgement 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 judgement was 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 judgement 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 contract will usually be determined in accordance with South African law. It is doubtful whether an original action based on United States federal securities law can be brought before South African courts. A plaintiff who 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.

PART I

ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

3.A Selected financial data

The following information should be read in conjunction with "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" and the consolidated financial statements, the accompanying notes and other financial information included elsewhere in this annual report on Form 20-F.

The IFRS financial data set forth below for the years ended as at 30 June 2007 and 2006 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended 30 June 2007 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included in Item 18 of this annual report on Form 20-F.

Financial data at 30 June 2005, 2004 and 2003 have been derived from the group's previously published audited consolidated financial statements not included in this document.

The financial data at 30 June 2007 and 2006 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended 30 June 2007 should be read in conjunction with, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, our audited consolidated financial statements.

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The audited consolidated financial statements from which the selected consolidated financial data set forth below have been derived were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as approved by the International Accounting Standards Board, and net income and shareholders' equity have been reconciled to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP), which differs in some respects from IFRS. For a discussion of the principal differences between IFRS and US GAAP, see "Item 5.A "Principal Differences Between IFRS and US GAAP" and Note 67 to our consolidated financial statements.

	Year ended					
	30 June 2003 restated	30 June 2004 restated	30 June 2005 restated	30 June 2006 restated	30 June 2007	30 June ⁽¹⁾ 2007
	(Rand in millions)					(US\$ in millions)
(except per share information and weighted average shares in issue)						
Income Statement data:						
IFRS						
Turnover	64,555	60,151	69,239	82,395	98,127	14,180
Operating profit	11,767	9,168	14,386	17,212	25,621	3,702
Earnings attributable to shareholders ⁽³⁾	7,674	5,795	9,449	10,406	17,030	2,461
US GAAP						
Turnover	63,769	58,808	67,427	80,466	95,831	13,848
Operating profit	11,011	8,739	14,865	17,911	24,135	3,488
Earnings attributable to shareholders ⁽³⁾	7,344	5,358	9,719	11,299	16,765	2,423
Per share information (Rand and US\$):						
IFRS						
Basic earnings per share	12.59	9.50	15.39	16.78	27.35	3.95
Diluted earnings per share ⁽⁵⁾	12.39	9.40	15.22	16.51	27.02	3.90
Dividends per share ⁽²⁾	450	450	540	710	900	130
US GAAP						
Basic earnings per share	12.06	8.78	15.83	18.22	26.93	3.89
Diluted earnings per share	11.85	8.70	15.65	17.93	26.60	3.84
Weighted average shares in issue (in millions):						
Average shares outstanding basic	609.3	610.0	613.8	620.0	622.6	622.6
Average shares outstanding diluted ⁽⁴⁾	619.6	616.2	620.9	630.2	630.3	630.3
Balance Sheet data:						
IFRS						
Total assets ⁽⁴⁾	69,619	73,346	88,178	103,158	119,065	17,206
Total shareholders' equity	33,818	35,400	44,006	52,984	63,269	9,143
Share capital	2,783	2,892	3,203	3,634	3,628	524
US GAAP						
Total assets ⁽⁴⁾	67,905	68,765	80,428	93,888	110,134	15,915
Total shareholders' equity	32,793	33,669	40,945	50,668	60,764	8,781
Share capital	2,842	2,976	3,356	4,414	4,594	664

- (1) Translations into US dollars in this table are for convenience only and are computed at the noon buying rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on 28 September 2007 of R6.92 per US dollar. You should not view such translations as a representation that such amounts represent actual US dollar amounts.
- (2) Includes the final dividend which was declared subsequent to the balance sheet date and is presented for information purposes only. No provision for this final dividend has been recognised.
- (3) The income statement has been restated for the effect of the reclassification of Sasol Olefins and Surfactants (O&S) as a continuing operation.
- (4)

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The comparative periods have been restated for the effects of a change in accounting policy and the reclassification of assets under construction from property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets.

(5)

The diluted weighted average number of shares has been restated to include the effect of the fair value of the services to be received in the future from participation in the Sasol Share Incentive Scheme (see Item 18 Financial Statements note 4.1).

Exchange rate information

The following table sets forth certain information as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York with respect to the noon buying rate of US dollars in terms of rand for the years shown:

Rand per US dollar for the year ended 30 June or the respective month	Average⁽¹⁾	High	Low
2003	9.04	10.90	7.18
2004	6.88	7.80	6.17
2005	6.21	6.92	5.62
2006	6.41	7.43	5.99
2007	7.20	7.88	6.74
2008 ⁽²⁾	7.10	7.50	6.81
April 2007	7.09	7.30	6.90
May 2007	7.02	7.23	6.86
June 2007	7.16	7.36	7.02
July 2007	6.97	7.15	6.81
August 2007	7.22	7.50	7.02
September 2007 ⁽²⁾	7.10	7.25	6.88

(1) The average exchange rates for each full year are calculated using the average exchange rate on the last day of each month during the period. The average exchange rate for each month is calculated using the average of the daily exchange rates during the period.

(2) Through 28 September 2007.

3.B Capitalisation and indebtedness

Not applicable.

3.C Reasons for the offer and use of proceeds

Not applicable.

3.D Risk factors**Fluctuations in exchange rates may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition**

The rand is our principal operating currency. However, a large part of our group's turnover is denominated in US dollars and some part in Euro, derived either from exports from South Africa or from our manufacturing and distribution operations outside South Africa. Also, a significant part of our turnover is determined by the US dollar, as petroleum prices in general and the price of most petroleum and chemical products in South Africa are based on global commodity and benchmark prices which are quoted in US dollars. Hence, a large part of our group turnover is denominated in US dollars or influenced by the underlying global commodity and benchmark prices which are quoted in US dollars. Furthermore, a significant part of our capital expenditure is also US dollar-denominated, as it is directed to investments outside South Africa or constitutes equipment or plant imported into South Africa. In our South African operations the majority of our costs are rand based and in our European operations a large part of our costs are Euro based. Accordingly, fluctuations in the exchange rates between the rand and US dollar, the rand and the Euro and the Euro and the US dollar may have a material effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

During 2007, the rand/US dollar exchange rate averaged R7.20 and fluctuated between the high of R7.88 and the low of R6.74. This compares to an average exchange rate of R6.41 during the 2006 financial year, which fluctuated between the high of R7.43 and the low of R5.99. The rand exchange

rate is impacted by various international and South African economic and political factors. Subsequent to 30 June 2007, the rand has on average strengthened marginally against the US dollar and Euro.

In addition, although the exchange rate of the rand is primarily market-determined, its value at any time may not be an accurate reflection of its underlying value, due to the potential effect of, among other factors, exchange controls. For more information regarding exchange controls in South Africa see "Item 10.D Exchange controls".

We use derivative instruments to protect us against adverse movements in exchange rates on certain transactional risks in accordance with our group hedging policies see "Item 11 Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk".

Fluctuations in refining margins and crude oil, natural gas and petroleum product prices may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

Market prices for crude oil, natural gas and petroleum products may fluctuate as they are subject to local and international supply and demand fundamentals and factors over which we have no control. Worldwide supply conditions and the price levels of crude oil may be significantly influenced by international cartels, which control the production of a significant proportion of the worldwide supply of crude oil, and by political developments, especially in the Middle East. Other factors which may influence the aggregate demand and hence affect the markets and prices for petroleum products in regions which influence South African fuel prices through the Basic Fuel Price (BFP) price formula (used for the calculation of the refinery gate price of petroleum products in South Africa) and/or where we market these products, may include changes in economic conditions, the price and availability of substitute fuels, changes in product inventory, product specifications and other factors. In recent years, prices for petroleum products have fluctuated widely.

During 2007 the dated Brent crude oil price averaged US\$63.95/b and fluctuated between the high of US\$78.70/b and the low of US\$50.67/b. This compares to an average dated Brent crude oil price of US\$62.45/b during the 2006 financial year.

A substantial proportion of our turnover is derived from sales of petroleum and petrochemical products. Through our equity participation in the National Petroleum Refiners of South Africa (Pty) Limited (Natref) crude oil refinery, we are exposed to fluctuations in refinery margins resulting from differing fluctuations in international crude oil and petroleum product prices. We are also exposed to changes in absolute levels of international petroleum product prices through our synthetic fuels and oil operations. Fluctuations in international crude oil prices affect our results mainly through their indirect effect on the BFP price formula, see "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Synfuels" and "Sasol Oil", as well as the impact on oil derived feedstock. Prices of petrochemical products and natural gas are also affected by fluctuations in crude oil prices.

Fluctuations in the price of crude oil and petroleum products can have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We use derivative instruments to protect us against day-to-day US dollar oil price and rand to US dollar exchange rate fluctuations affecting the acquisition cost of our crude oil needs. During the course of the 2007 financial year, we have again hedged a portion of our synthetic fuel production against falling oil prices in respect of the 2008 financial year. See "Item 11 Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk".

While the use of these instruments may provide some protection against short-term fluctuations in crude oil prices it does not protect us against longer term fluctuations in crude oil prices or differing trends between crude oil and petroleum product prices.

We are unable to accurately forecast fluctuations in refining margins and crude oil, natural gas and petroleum products prices. Fluctuations in any of these may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Cyclicality in petrochemical product prices may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

The demand for chemicals and especially products such as solvents, olefins, surfactants, fertilisers and polymers is cyclical. Typically, higher demand during peaks in the industry business cycles leads producers to increase their production capacity. Although peaks in the business cycle have been characterised by increased selling prices and higher operating margins, in the past such peaks have led to overcapacity and supply exceeding demand growth. Low periods in the business cycle are then characterised by decreasing prices and excess capacity, which can depress operating margins and may result in operating losses. We believe that some areas within the chemicals industry currently show overcapacity with the possibility of further capacity additions in the next few years. We cannot assure you that future growth in demand will be sufficient to absorb current overcapacity or future capacity additions without downward pressure on prices of chemical products. Such pressure may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We may not be able to exploit technological advances quickly and successfully

Most of our operations, including the gasification of coal and the manufacture of syngases and petrochemical products, are highly dependent on the development and use of advanced technologies. The development, commercialisation and integration of the appropriate advanced technologies can affect, among other things, the competitiveness of our products, the continuity of our operations, our feedstock requirements and the capacity and efficiency of our production.

It is possible that new technologies or novel processes may emerge and that existing technologies may be further developed in the fields in which we operate. Unexpected rapid advances in employed technologies or the development of novel processes can affect our operations and product ranges in that they could render the technologies we utilise or the products we produce obsolete or less competitive in the future. Difficulties in accessing new technologies may impede us from implementing them and competitive pressures may force us to implement these new technologies at a substantial cost. Examples of new technologies which may in the future affect our business include the following:

The development and commercialisation of non-hydrocarbon-dependent energy carrier technologies, including the further development of fuel cells or the large scale broadening of the application of electricity to drive motor vehicles. These may be disruptive to the use of hydrocarbon and refined crude oil-derived fuels.

The development of improved fuels (and associated automotive technologies) from a crude oil base with equivalent properties to that of Fischer-Tropsch derived fuels, which may erode the competitive advantage of Fischer-Tropsch fuels.

The development by competitors of next generation catalysts in which catalyst performance is manipulated, resulting in highly selective and high purity chemical products, which may render the use of our mixed feed stream catalytic-based production processes uncompetitive.

We cannot predict the effect of these or other technological changes or the development of novel processes on our business or on our ability to provide competitive products. Our ability to compete will depend on our timely and cost-effective implementation of new technological advances. It will also depend on our success in commercialising these advances in spite of competition we face by patents registered by our competitors.

In addition to the technological challenges, a large number of our expansion projects are integrated across a number of Sasol businesses. Problems with the development of an integrated project might accordingly have an impact on more than one Sasol business.

If we are unable to implement new technologies in a timely or cost-efficient manner, or penetrate new markets in a timely manner in response to changing market conditions or customer requirements, we could experience a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Our GTL and CTL projects may not prove sufficiently viable or as profitable as planned

We have constructed a gas-to-liquids (GTL) plant in Qatar and are in the process of developing one in Nigeria. In addition, we are considering opportunities for further GTL and coal-to-liquids (CTL) investments in other areas of the world. The development of these projects, both solely or through joint ventures, is a capital-intensive process and requires us to commit significant capital expenditure and devote considerable management resources in utilising our existing experience and know-how, especially in connection with Fischer-Tropsch synthesis technologies.

See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Synfuels International". The process used and the products developed by these projects may also give rise to patent risks in connection with the use of our GTL and CTL technologies. See below, "Intellectual property risks may adversely affect our products or processes and our competitive advantage".

We consider the development of our GTL and CTL projects as a major part of our strategy for future growth and believe that GTL and CTL fuels will in time develop to become an efficient and widely used alternative and/or supplement to conventional liquid fuels. In assessing the viability of our GTL and CTL projects, we make a number of assumptions relating to specific variables, mainly including:

access to sufficient competitively priced gas or coal reserves;

prices of crude oil, petroleum products and gas;

fluctuations in the exchange rate of the US dollar against the rand;

fluctuations in interest rates;

fiscal dispensation in the countries in which we invest;

capital cost of our facilities, including material, engineering and construction costs;

operating costs, including manpower, services, supplies, utilities, etc;

technology and catalyst performance;

conditions in the countries in which we invest, including factors relating to political, social and economic conditions;

the availability of skilled workers to construct and operate the plants;

timely completion of projects; and

environmental regulations, specifically in respect to emissions to the atmosphere and control thereof.

Significant variations in any one or more of the above factors which are beyond our control, or any other relevant factor, may adversely affect the profitability or even the viability of our GTL and CTL investments. Most of the above assumptions are also applicable to other growth strategies followed by Sasol. Should we not be successful in the implementation of our GTL and CTL projects, we may be required to write off significant amounts already incurred and we may need to redirect our strategy for

future growth. In view of the resources invested in these projects and their importance to our growth strategy, problems we may experience as a result of these factors may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition and opportunities for future growth.

There are risks relating to countries in which we operate that could adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

Several of our subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates operate in countries and regions that are subject to significantly differing political, social, economic and market conditions. See "Item 4B Business Overview" for a description of the extent of our operations in the main countries and regions. Although we are a South African domiciled company and the majority of our operations are located in South Africa, we also have significant chemical businesses in Europe, the USA and South East Asia and an equity interest in a GTL project in Qatar.

Specific aspects of country risks that may have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition include:

- (a) Political, social and economic issues

We have invested or are in the process of investing in significant operations in African, European, North American, Southeast Asian and Middle Eastern countries that have in the past, to a greater or lesser extent, experienced political, social and economic uncertainty. Government policies, laws and regulations in countries in which we operate or plan to operate may change in the future. The impact of such changes on our ability to deliver on planned projects cannot be ascertained with any degree of certainty and such changes may therefore have an adverse effect on our operations and financial results.

- (b) Result of investigation of possible reforms to the fiscal regime applicable to windfall profits in South Africa's liquid fuel energy sector

In February 2006, the South African Minister of Finance announced the appointment of a task team to investigate the issue of windfall profits in the liquid fuels industry, in particular the synthetic fuels industry, and whether a windfall tax should be imposed on such profits.

On 6 August 2007, the Minister announced that the National Treasury would not pursue a windfall tax on the South African liquid fuels industry and that it will explore a levy on refined products to contribute to the construction of excess capacity in relation to the proposed new multi-product pipeline in South Africa.

- (c) Fluctuations in inflation and interest rates

Over recent years, the South African economy has had relatively low and stable levels of inflation and interest rates. Should increases in these rates occur, our costs could increase and our operating margins could be affected. High interest rates could also adversely impact on our ability to ensure cost-effective debt financing in South Africa.

- (d) Transportation, water and electricity and other infrastructure

The infrastructure in some countries in which we operate, such as rail infrastructure, electricity and water supply may need to be further upgraded and expanded and in certain instances possibly at our own cost. These are particularly relevant in South Africa where economic growth has exceeded expectations.

(e) Unionised labour

The majority of our employees worldwide belong to trade unions. These employees comprise mainly general workers, artisans and technical operators. Although we have had minor labour disruptions in South Africa during 2007 we have not experienced significant labour disruptions in recent years. We have constructive relations with our employees and their unions, but we cannot assure you that significant labour disruptions will not occur in the future.

(f) Exchange control regulations

South African law provides for exchange control regulations which restrict the export of capital from the Common Monetary Area, which includes South Africa, subject to South African Reserve Bank dispensation.

These regulations apply to transactions involving South African residents, including both natural persons and legal entities. These regulations also affect our ability to borrow funds from non-South African sources for use in South Africa or to repay these funds from South Africa and, in some cases, our ability to guarantee the obligations of our subsidiaries with regard to these funds. These restrictions have affected the manner in which we have financed our acquisitions outside South Africa and the geographic distribution of our debt. See "Item 10.D Exchange controls" and "Item 5.B Liquidity and capital resources".

(g) Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) in sub-Saharan Africa

Managing AIDS remains a priority for Sasol and for South Africa as a whole. Accurate data regarding the actual prevalence of AIDS in South Africa is not available. To date, 7% of our tested South African employees have tested HIV-positive, which is well below South Africa's previously estimated actuarial prevalence rate of 19%. Based on an actuarial study, which excludes the positive impact of any prevention and management intervention program, we estimate that, while the percentage of infected employees may not rise significantly in the forthcoming years, there will be a significant increase in the number of AIDS-related fatalities. See "Item 6.D Employees".

Our integrated Sasol HIV/AIDS Response Programme (SHARP) remains focused on reducing the rate of HIV infection throughout our South African operations and extending the quality of life of infected employees by providing managed healthcare.

As a result of our collaborative approach, we have had one of the highest uptakes of voluntary counselling and testing (VCT) in South Africa. By 30 June 2006, 82% of our employees in South Africa had undergone VCT. This is significantly higher than the typical 50% to 60% uptake rates achieved by most corporate VCT programmes.

We incur costs relating to the medical treatment and loss of infected personnel, as well as the related loss of productivity. We also incur costs relating to the recruitment and training of new personnel. We are not in a position to accurately quantify these costs, specifically where costs are dependent on the rate of employee participation and changes in treatment costs.

Although Sasol does not expect HIV/AIDS currently to materially and adversely affect its operations and results, it is not possible to determine with certainty that costs incurred in managing HIV/AIDS and the impact of HIV/AIDS in general would remain at current levels and no assurance can be given in this regard.

(h)

Transformation issues

In some countries our operations are required to comply with local procurement, employment equity, ownership and other regulations which are designed to address country specific social and economic transformation issues.

As a leading and patriotic South African-based company, we embrace and will engender or participate in initiatives to bring about meaningful transformation to assist in correcting the imbalances and injustices of the apartheid era. We consider these initiatives to be a strategic imperative and we acknowledge the risk of not vigorously pursuing them. It is not currently known what additional costs or implications will arise for us to comply with these transformation initiatives.

As part of an initiative of the government of South Africa to advance the participation of historically disadvantaged South Africans in the country's economy, in November 2000, we became party to an agreement with the government and the liquid fuels industry, the Charter for the South African Petroleum and Liquid Fuels Industry on Empowering Historically Disadvantaged South Africans in the Petroleum and Liquid Fuels Industry (the Liquid Fuels Charter). The Charter deals with the following key matters:

participation in ownership and control in all facets of the industry by historically disadvantaged South Africans;

addressing the skills gap in the industry;

employment equity; and

procurement from historically disadvantaged South Africans.

See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Oil" and " Empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans".

The Liquid Fuels Charter requires us, amongst other things, to ensure that historically disadvantaged South Africans hold at least 25% equity ownership of our liquid fuels business by the year 2010. We entered into a 25% equity transaction with Tshwarisano LFB Investment (Pty) Limited (Tshwarisano), on 1 July 2006 and we are now compliant with the equity ownership targets of the Liquid Fuels Charter. See "Item 8.B Significant changes".

The financing arrangements for the Tshwarisano transaction are set out in "Item 5.A Operating results Our operations are subject to various laws and regulations in the countries in which we operate" and "Item 8.B Significant changes".

In October 2002, the government and representatives of South African mining companies and mineworkers' unions reached broad agreement on a charter (the Mining Charter), designed to facilitate the participation of historically disadvantaged South Africans in the country's mining industry. The Charter's stated objectives include the:

expansion of opportunities for persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination under the previous political dispensation;

expansion of the skills base of such persons;

promotion of employment and advancement of the social and economic welfare of mining communities; and

promotion of beneficiation of ore into higher value substances.

The Mining Charter, together with the scorecard to facilitate the interpretation of and compliance with the Mining Charter, requires mining companies to ensure that historically disadvantaged South Africans hold at least 15% ownership of mining assets or equity in South Africa within 5 calendar years

(i.e. by 2009) and 26% ownership within 10 calendar years (i.e. by 2014) from the effective date of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act which was on 1 May 2004. The Charter further specifies that the mining industry is required to assist historically disadvantaged South Africans in securing finance to fund their equity participation up to an amount of R100 billion within the first 5 calendar years after the implementation of the aforementioned Act. Beyond this R100 billion commitment, the Mining Charter requires that participation of historically disadvantaged South Africans should be increased towards the 26% target on a willing buyer-willing seller basis.

See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Mining" and "Empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans".

Various principles of the Mining Charter have been incorporated in regulations promulgated by the Minister of Minerals and Energy under the new Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act with respect to the South African mining industry. We have commenced a process to apply for the conversion of our existing mining licenses under the new Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act. See below "New mining legislation may have an adverse effect on our mineral rights". When considering applications for the conversion of existing mining licenses under the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, the Minister of Minerals and Energy must take into account, among other factors, the applicant company's compliance with the Mining Charter. We have entered into a transaction with Eyesizwe Coal (Pty) Limited (Eyesizwe) for our mining export activities which is expected to be effective in 2008.

See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Mining" and "Empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans".

The Minister of Trade and Industry published the Codes of Good Practice for Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment on 9 February 2007, effective from the date of publication. These Codes provide a standard framework for the measurement of broad-based BEE across all sectors of the economy. See "Item 8.B Significant changes".

It is not currently known what implications will arise for us to comply with the said Act and other requirements of both the Liquid Fuels and Mining Charters or the Codes of Good Practice for Broad-based BEE and we cannot assure you, in the short-term, that these implications will not have a material adverse effect on our shareholders or business operating results, cash flows and financial condition. Although we believe that the long-term benefits to the company and our country should outweigh any possible short-term adverse effects, we cannot assure you that these benefits will in fact materialise.

(i) Engineering and construction contract costs

The increase worldwide in the demand for large engineering and construction projects has resulted in a shortage of engineering and construction resources and strains on these industries. These have impacted on some of our projects and have adversely affected construction timing schedules and costs. Whilst higher international crude oil prices may boost post-commissioning income streams and compensate for construction delays and higher capital costs, these strains in the engineering and construction industries are nevertheless a cause for concern and may impact on our project plans and growth ambitions. There is a risk that our plants that are constructed in the current buoyant market, will have to operate in a possible future market where product prices have declined.

(j) Other specific country risks that are applicable to countries in which we operate and which may have a material impact on our business include:

external acts of warfare and civil clashes;

government interventions, including protectionism and subsidies;

regulatory, taxation and legal structure changes;

the control of oil and gas field developments and transportation infrastructure;

failure to receive new permits and consents;

cancellation of contractual rights;

expropriation of assets;

lack of capacity to deal with emergency response situations; and

the introduction of selective environmental and carbon taxes.

Some of the countries where we have already made, or other countries where we may consider making, investments are in various stages of developing institutions and legal and regulatory systems that are characteristic of parliamentary democracies. However, institutions in these countries may not yet be as firmly established as they are in parliamentary democracies in South Africa, the United States and some European countries. Some of these countries are also transitioning to a market economy and, as a result, experience changes in their economies and their government policies that could affect our investments in these countries.

Moreover, the procedural safeguards of the new legal and regulatory regimes in these countries are still being developed and, therefore, existing laws and regulations may be applied inconsistently. In some circumstances, it may not be possible to obtain the legal remedies provided under those laws and regulations in a timely manner.

As the political, economic and legal environments remain subject to continuous development, investors in these countries face uncertainty as to the security of their investments. Any unexpected changes in the political or economic conditions in the countries in which we operate (including neighbouring countries) may have a material adverse effect on the investments that we have made or may make in the future, which may in turn have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

New mining legislation may have an adverse effect on our mineral rights

The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) came into effect on 1 May 2004. The fundamental principle of the Act is that mineral resources are the common heritage of all South Africans and collectively belong to all the people of South Africa. The Act provides that the right to prospect and mine, including the right to grant prospecting and mining rights on behalf of the nation, be administered by the government of South Africa which will have the right to exercise full and permanent custodianship over mineral resources.

The Act requires mining companies, including our subsidiary, Sasol Mining (Pty) Limited, to apply for conversion of their existing prospecting and mining permits (old order rights) to new order rights. A wide range of factors and principles must be taken into account by the Minister of Minerals and Energy when considering these applications. These factors include the applicant's access to financial resources and appropriate technical ability to conduct the proposed prospecting or mining operation, the environmental impact of the operation and, in the case of prospecting rights, considerations relating to fair competition. Other factors include considerations relevant to promoting employment and the social and economic welfare of all South Africans and showing compliance with the provisions of the Mining Charter for the empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans in the mining industry. See "Item 4.B Business overview Regulation of mining activities in South Africa" and " Empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans". The Act also provides that a mining right granted under the Act may be cancelled if the mineral to which such mining right relates is not mined optimally.

It is the declared intent of the South African government not to disrupt operations as a result of the introduction of the new legislation and we have taken, and continue to take, the appropriate actions in order to ensure conversion of our existing prospecting and mining rights. Thus far, the majority of the prospecting rights for which we have applied have been granted. We have also been granted mining rights in respect of four smaller areas within and adjacent to the Secunda mining complex, whilst we are still waiting for the conversion of mining rights in respect of the greater Secunda mining complex. We are in the process of preparing our application for conversion of our old order mining rights in the Free State Province, which will be submitted in due course. However, we cannot assure you that we will be successful in all our applications for conversion of the total extent of our existing old order rights and that our rights on existing coal mine reserves will not be affected, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

In case of a breach of its obligations by an entity, the new order right can be suspended or cancelled by the Minister of Mineral and Energy if the entity, upon receiving a notice of breach from the Minister, fails to remedy such breach. The MPRDA also imposes additional responsibilities with respect to environmental management as well as environmental pollution, degradation or damage from mining or prospecting activities. We cannot assure you that these changes will not affect our operations and mining rights in future, which could impact negatively on our business and operating results.

Furthermore, royalties from mining activities will become payable to the state under provisions contained in the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Royalty Bill. This Bill was first published in March 2003 and has since been revised, with the final Bill being published on 11 October 2006. The Bill provides for a royalty rate of 1% on coal with an ash content of higher than 15% for South African energy consumption and 3% on coal with ash content lower than 15%. The royalty is revenue based, payable bi-annually in arrears, and will take effect from 1 May 2009. The royalty will be deductible for normal income tax purposes.

New legislation on petroleum and energy activities may have an adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

The Petroleum Products Amendment Act became effective on 17 March 2006. This Act amends the existing Petroleum Products Act, enacting provisions regulating a wide range of matters including the licensing of persons involved in the manufacturing, wholesale and retail sale of petroleum products. As the Act and regulations to be promulgated, regulate matters pertaining to wholesale and retail sales of petroleum products, Sasol Oil, Natref and Sasol Synfuels have applied for licenses for existing manufacturing and wholesale activities. Pending a decision in respect of these applications, the companies are deemed to be the holders of licenses for those activities. As required by the Act and regulations, Sasol Oil's existing franchisees and dealers have applied for applicable retail licenses. We cannot assure you that these licenses will be granted and if they are granted that the conditions of the licenses will not have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. New retail site development by Sasol Oil could be delayed given the requirements under the new regulations for site and retail licenses. See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Oil" and " Regulation of petroleum-related activities in South Africa".

The Petroleum Pipelines Act became effective on 1 November 2005. The Act regulates petroleum pipelines and storage and loading facility activities, including the construction and operation of petroleum pipelines and the delivery of certain commercial services in connection with these pipelines and facilities. The Petroleum Pipelines Act grants limited discretion to the National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA) to adopt different pricing methodologies in connection with the setting of tariffs, which may prove advantageous for some competitors, because of different market and geographic positions. The regulations pertaining to tariff setting methodologies have not been issued yet, but the rules that may be made by the regulator under the Act may affect our advantage due to

the location in the economic heartland of the country of our Sasol Synfuels facilities at Secunda. It may also impact on our ability to recover crude oil pumping costs incurred to supply our Natref refinery fully from the market. See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Oil" and " Regulation of petroleum-related activities in South Africa".

We have applied for licenses under the Petroleum Pipelines Act and the rules issued by the NERSA for our depots and related infrastructure and await the issue of licenses. Notwithstanding continuous interaction and comments submitted in respect of regulations to be issued under these statutes, we cannot assure you that the enactment of new legislation or the amendment of existing laws and regulations will not have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. Among the matters governed by the Petroleum Pipelines Act, of particular significance to our business are issues relating to the powers granted to NERSA with respect to the determination or approval of tariffs, the granting of construction, conversion and operating licenses and open access to pipelines and depots.

The South African government issued guidelines relating to new fuel specifications, portions of which came into effect in January 2006 and resulted in regulations being issued on 23 June 2006. These specifications relate to the phasing out of lead from the petroleum products we manufacture, a reduction in the sulfur content in certain of these products and a new national octane structure. The clean fuels introduction plans have been successfully completed and in order to meet these new specifications we have made significant capital investments at our manufacturing sites to modify our current petroleum production processes. It is as yet uncertain what the final market demand will be for the various new products.

The final guidelines regarding the importation and exportation of petroleum products were published on 30 November 2006. From the guidelines it can be concluded that there may be more flexibility afforded to oil companies and wholesalers, including airline companies, to directly import petroleum products. The risk of increased competition could have an adverse effect on the company.

The Department of Minerals and Energy is currently reviewing the methodology for determining the margins of the regulated retail price of fuel. The results are not yet known, but may impact the wholesale price of fuel, thereby having a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

The Gas Act came into effect on 1 November 2005. The Act regulates matters relating to gas transmission, storage, distribution, liquefaction and re-gasification activities. Although we negotiated a ten year regulatory dispensation (7 years remaining until 2014) with the South African government covering the supply of Mozambican natural gas to the South African market, we cannot assure you that the enactment of the Gas Act and the appointment of the NERSA will not have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. See "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Gas" and " Regulation of gas related activities in South Africa".

The Consumer Protection Bill was issued for public comment on 23 June 2006 and intends to establish national norms and standards relating to consumer protection and prohibits certain unfair marketing and business practices and to promote responsible consumer behaviour. It remains uncertain what the impact on our business will be when the guidelines and the Consumer Protection legislation are passed. This could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We may not be successful in attracting and retaining sufficient skilled employees

We are highly dependent on the continuous development and successful application of new technologies. In order to achieve this, we need to maintain a focus on recruiting and retaining qualified scientists and engineers as well as artisans and operators. In addition, we are dependent on highly

skilled employees in business and functional roles to establish new business ventures as well as maintaining existing operations.

In the past, we have been successful in recruiting and retaining such personnel. However, demand for personnel with the range of capabilities and experience required in our industry is high globally and success in attracting and retaining such employees is not guaranteed. The risk exists that our scientific, engineering and project execution skills base may be depleted over time because of, for example, natural attrition and a shortage of people being available in these disciplines.

Failure to attract and retain people with the right capabilities and experience could negatively affect our ability to introduce and maintain the appropriate technological improvements to our business, our ability to successfully construct and commission new plants or establish new business ventures. This may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Intellectual property risks may adversely affect our products or processes and our competitive advantage

Our various products and processes, including most notably, our chemical, CTL and GTL products and processes have unique characteristics and structures and, as a result, are subject to patent protection, the extent of which varies from country to country. The expiry of a patent results in increased competition in the market for the previously patented products and processes. In addition, aggressive patenting by our competitors may result in an increased patent infringement risk.

A high percentage of our products can be regarded as commodity chemicals, some of which have unique characteristics and structure. These products are normally utilised by our clients as feedstock to manufacture specialty chemicals or application-type products. We have noticed a worldwide trend of increased filing of patents relating to the composition of application-type products. These patents may create pressure on our clients who market these application-type products which may adversely affect our sales to these clients. Patent-related pressures may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

We believe that our proprietary technology, know-how and trade secrets, especially in the Fischer-Tropsch area, provide us with a competitive advantage. A possible loss of experienced personnel to competitors, and a possible transfer of know-how and trade secrets associated therewith, may negatively impact this advantage.

Similarly, operating and licensing technology in countries in which intellectual property laws are not well established and enforced may result in some transfer of our know-how and trade secrets to our competitors. This may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Increasing competition from products originating from countries with low production costs may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

Certain of our chemical production facilities are located in developed countries, including the United States and Europe. Economic and political conditions in these countries result in relatively high labour costs and, in some regions, inflexible labour markets, compared to others. Increasing competition from regions with lower production costs, for example the Middle East and China, exercises pressure on the competitiveness of our chemical products and, therefore, on our profit margins and may result in withdrawal of particular products or closure of facilities. We cannot assure you that increasing competition by products originating from countries with lower production costs will not result in withdrawal of our products or closure of our facilities, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Changes in consumer and safety, health and environmental regulations and legislation and public opinion may adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

Our products are required to comply with legislation relating to the protection of the environment, health and safety of employees, the public and the end consumer, as well as meet customer needs. As these regulations may grow stricter, we may be required in some cases to incur additional expenditure in providing additional test data in order to register our products or to adjust the manufacturing processes for certain of our products, including liquid fuels and chemicals, or even withdraw some of them, in order to be in a position to comply with market needs or more stringent regulatory requirements. For example, compliance with the registration, evaluation and authorisation of chemicals (REACH) procedure implemented by the European Commission (EC) may have significant cost implications as we may be required, among other things, to provide risk assessments and apply for registration of our products. Similarly, public opinion is growing more sensitive to consumer health and safety and environmental protection matters, and, as a result, markets may apply pressure on us concerning certain of our products. Should we be required to take additional actions in order to comply with REACH requirements, then we may incur significant additional costs.

We may be required to withdraw from the market certain products which we consider uneconomical given these additional costs of compliance or otherwise due to public opinion considerations. These factors may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Our exploration, mining and production operations are required to conform to legislation relating to the protection of the environment, health and safety of the workforce and neighbouring communities. As these regulations may grow stricter, we may be required in some cases to incur additional expenditure in order to provide additional protection or to adjust specifications or manufacturing processes or transport and distribution arrangements for certain of our operations or products. Should we make changes or incur such costs this may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. More specifically:

the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, in terms of which the Vaal Triangle area (in which our Sasolburg operations are located) has been declared a Priority Area for purposes of implementation of an emission reduction and management plan by the South African Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT). DEAT has also indicated its intent to make a similar proposal for the Highveld Area (in which Secunda is located). The Department is also in the process of setting ambient air quality and emission standards, which will form the basis for a review of atmospheric emission licenses for our operations in Sasolburg and Secunda. More stringent air quality standards may have significant cost implications for us; and

the nature of some of our processes, like the gasification of coal to produce synthetic fuels and petrochemicals, result in relatively high emission of carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas. Although certain countries in which we operate are exempt from greenhouse gas reduction targets, it is uncertain how any future developments in carbon dioxide restrictions will affect our group.

We may face potential costs in connection with industry-related accidents or deliberate acts of terror causing property damage, personal injuries or environmental contamination

We operate coal mines, explore for and produce oil and gas and operate a number of plants and facilities for the manufacture, storage, processing and transportation of oil, chemicals and gas related raw materials, products and wastes. These facilities and their respective operations are subject to various risks, including, but not limited to, fire, explosion, leaks, ruptures, discharges of toxic hazardous substances, soil and water contamination, flooding and land subsidence, among others. As a result, we are subject to the risk of experiencing, and have in the past experienced, industry-related incidents.

According to the World Economic Forum's report on Global Risks 2007, the risk of future attacks has risen and a future terrorist attack is highly likely. In addition, according to the US National Intelligence Estimate report, the Iraq war has heightened risks, while the situations in Afghanistan, Somalia and Pakistan continue to cause concern.

Our facilities, located mainly in South Africa, the United States and various European countries, as well as in various African countries, the Middle East and Southeast Asia, are subject to the risk of experiencing deliberate acts of terror.

Our main Sasol Synfuel production facilities are concentrated in a relatively small area in Secunda. In addition, this facility is integrated in the form of our mining and gas businesses providing feedstock whilst the chemical and oil businesses rely on the facility for raw materials produced. Industry-related accidents and acts of terror may result in damages to our facilities and may require shutdown of the affected facilities, thereby disrupting production, increasing production costs and may even disrupt the mining, gas, chemicals and oil businesses which make up a significant portion of our total income.

Furthermore, acts of terror or accidents at our longstanding operations may cause, or may have caused, environmental contamination, personal injuries, health impairment or fatalities and may result in exposure to extensive environmental remediation costs, civil litigation, the imposition of fines and penalties and the need to obtain or implement costly pollution control technology.

We obtain insurance cover over our assets and against property damage and business interruption. We also obtain insurance to limit certain of our liability exposures. In some cases we also have indemnity agreements with the previous owners of acquired businesses which limit certain of our exposures to environmental contamination. We are implementing a number of programs, including on-the job safety training, in order to increase safety, and we closely monitor our safety, health and environmental procedures. However, there can be no assurance that accidents or acts of terror will not occur in the future, that insurance will adequately cover the entire scope or extent of our losses or that we may not be found directly liable in connection with claims arising from these and other events.

In general, we cannot assure you that costs incurred as a result of the above or related factors will not have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Failure to comply with safety, health and environmental and other laws may adversely affect our market position and our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition

We are subject to a wide range of general and industry-specific environmental, health and safety and other legislation in jurisdictions in which we operate. Environmental requirements govern, among other things, land use, air emissions, use of water, wastewater discharge, waste management and site remediation. These regulations often require us to obtain and operate in compliance with the conditions of permits, licenses and authorisations from the appropriate regulatory authorities. Compliance with these laws, regulations, permits, licenses and authorisations is a significant factor in our business, and we incur, and expect to continue to incur, significant capital and operating expenditures in order to continue to comply, in all material respects, with applicable laws, regulations, permits, licenses and authorisations.

Failure to comply with applicable safety, health and environmental laws, regulations or permit requirements may result in fines or penalties or enforcement actions, including regulatory or judicial orders enjoining or curtailing operations or requiring corrective measures, installation of pollution control equipment or other remedial actions, any of which could entail significant expenditures.

We are also continuing to take remedial actions at a number of sites due to soil and groundwater contamination. The process of investigation and remediation can be lengthy and is subject to the uncertainties of site specific factors, changing legal requirements, developing technologies, the

allocation of liability among multiple parties and the discretion of regulators. Accordingly, we cannot estimate with certainty the actual amount and timing of costs associated with site remediation.

In order to comply with these safety, health and environmental licenses, laws and regulations we may have to incur costs which we may finance from our available cash flows or from alternative sources of financing. We may be required to provide for financial security for environmental rehabilitation in the form of a trust fund, guarantee, deposit or any other method as may be required by the regulations (not yet promulgated) under the Petroleum Products Act in respect of the rehabilitation of environmental impacts. However, this is not required in terms of the Petroleum Products Amendment Act and the regulations if a license applicant at the time of the commencement of the Petroleum Products Amendment Act, held or was in the process of developing a site, manufactured or wholesaled or retailed petroleum products. No assurance can be given that changes in safety, health and environmental laws and regulations or their application or the discovery of previously unknown contamination or other liabilities will not have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Whilst it is our policy that asbestos-containing materials will be phased out on a risk-based order of priority, there are currently certain asbestos-containing materials at our facilities. In addition, our manufacturing processes may utilise and result in the emission of substances with potential carcinogenic properties. We also manufacture products which may contain carcinogenic components. Although we implement occupational health and safety, product stewardship and other measures to eliminate or mitigate potential risks we cannot assure you that no liabilities may arise as a result of the use or exposure to these materials.

In addition to undertaking internal investigations we are also subject to review from time to time by government authorities on our compliance with, inter alia, tax, customs and excise duty, anti-trust laws and regulations impacting our operations. Our product pricing structures are also reviewed from time to time by regulatory authorities. Whilst it is our policy to conduct our operations in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and we have established control systems to monitor such compliance, no assurance can be given that these control systems will not fail or that some of our product pricing structures will not change in the future.

Failure to interpret correctly and comply with such laws and regulations and/or changes to our product pricing and cost structures may have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

In recent years global understanding and awareness regarding green house gases (GHG) have increased significantly. Potential CTL technology providers are experiencing an increasing number of questions regarding their CTL technology and how the CO₂ emitted will be addressed. We have initiated a focused and coordinated approach to understand and provide solutions to reduce CO₂ emissions from our CTL ventures. We cannot predict the effect of these solutions on our ability to implement our CTL projects, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

Our coal, crude oil and natural gas reserve estimates may be materially different from reserves that we may actually recover

Our reported coal reserves are estimated quantities based on applicable reporting regulations that under present and anticipated conditions have the potential to be economically mined and processed. Our proved developed and undeveloped crude oil and natural gas reserves are estimates based on applicable reporting regulations. There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of reserves and in projecting potential future rates of coal, oil and natural gas production, including many factors beyond our control. In addition, reserve/reservoir engineering is a subjective process of estimating underground deposits of reserves that cannot be measured in an exact manner and the

accuracy of any reserve estimate is a function of the quality of available data and engineering and geological interpretation and judgment. Estimates of different engineers may vary and results of our mining/drilling and production subsequent to the date of an estimate may justify revision of estimates.

Reserve estimates may require revision based on actual production experience and other factors. In addition, several factors including the market price of coal, oil and natural gas, reduced recovery rates or increased production costs due to inflation or other factors may render certain of our estimated proved and probable coal reserves and proved developed oil and natural gas reserves and undeveloped oil and natural gas resources uneconomical to exploit and may ultimately result in a restatement of reserves. This may have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. See "Item 4.D Property, plants and equipment".

There is a possible risk that sanctions may be imposed on Sasol by the US government as a result of our existing investments in Iran

There are possible risks posed by the potential imposition of US economic sanctions in connection with activities we are undertaking in the polymers field in Iran. For a description of our activities in Iran see "Item 4.B Business overview Sasol Polymers".

The risks relate to two sanctions programmes administered by the US government that we have considered: the Iranian Transactions Regulations (ITR) administered by the US Treasury Department Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and the Iran Sanctions Act (ISA) administered by the US Department of State.

The ITR prohibit or restrict most transactions between US persons and Iran. The ITR, administered by OFAC, do not apply directly to either Sasol or the group entities involved in activities in Iran, because none of them would be considered a US person under these regulations. Nonetheless, because the group is a multinational enterprise, we are aware that the ITR may apply to certain entities associated with the group, including US employees, investors and certain subsidiaries.

We are taking measures to ensure that our US employees, investors and certain subsidiaries of the group to which the ITR applies will not violate the ITR as a result of their respective affiliations with the group. For instance, to that end, we are taking measures to:

ensure that no US persons are involved in our Iranian activities, either as directors and officers, or in other positions, including engineering, financial, administrative and legal;

ensure that funds dedicated to projects in Iran will be kept segregated from general group funds;

ensure that no funds of US investors will be utilised in the projects by using separate bank accounts for any funds directed to, or to be received from, these projects and monitoring the flow of funds to and from these projects; and

separate the results of these businesses into separate legal entities.

By undertaking these steps, we believe that any risks posed by the ITR to US persons and entities affiliated with the group will be mitigated. Nevertheless, we cannot predict OFAC's enforcement policy in this regard and it is possible that OFAC may take a different view of the measures described above. In such event, US persons or affiliates associated with the group may be subject to a range of civil and criminal penalties.

ISA was adopted by the US government in 1996 with the objective of denying Iran the ability to support acts of international terrorism and fund the development or acquisition of weapons of mass destruction. ISA was extended in 2001 and amended in 2006 by the Iran Freedom Support Act; it will continue in force through 2011. In addition, the House and the Senate have considered amendments to ISA in 2007 that could subject a broader range of business or investment activities to sanctions, although to date none of the proposed amendments to ISA have been enacted into law.

As amended, ISA grants the President of the United States discretion in imposing sanctions on companies found to be in violation of its provisions involving investment in the petroleum industry in Iran or involving exports, transfers or other provisions any person or company, regardless of nationality, that (i) makes an investment in Iran of US\$20 million or more in any 12-month period that directly and significantly contributes to Iran's ability to develop its petroleum industries, or (ii) exports, transfers or otherwise provides to Iran any goods, services, technology or other items with the knowledge that such provision would contribute materially to the ability of Iran to acquire or develop chemical, biological or nuclear weapons (or related technologies), or destabilising numbers and types of advanced conventional weapons.

Should the US government determine that some or all of our activities in Iran are investments in the petroleum industry, as statutorily defined by ISA, the President of the United States may at his discretion impose, among other to determine which sanctions to apply, including restrictions on our ability to obtain credit from US financial institutions, restrictions on our ability to procure goods, services and technology from the United States or restrictions on our ability to make sales into the United States.

We cannot predict future interpretations of ISA or the implementation policy of the US government with respect to ISA. Although we believe that our polymers project is not in the petroleum industry and we were only involved in a feasibility study in connection with other activities in Iran, we cannot assure you that our activities in Iran would not be considered investments as statutorily defined by ISA or that the imposition of sanctions on the company or other entities of the group would not have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition.

In addition to the sanctions administered by OFAC and the US Department of State described above, the US government can and, from time to time, has imposed restrictions and sanctions against Iranian financial institutions under the USA Patriot Act and other anti-money laundering legislation. Such measures against Iranian financial institutions could have an adverse effect on our operations and investments in Iran.

Legislation by US states that may require US public pension funds to divest of securities of companies with certain Iran-related activities could adversely affect our reputation with US investors or the market price of our shares

Several US states have enacted or are considering legislation that may require US state pension funds to divest securities of companies that have certain business operations in Iran. The terms of these provisions differ from state to state, and we cannot predict which legislation, if any, would require state pension funds to divest our shares. If a substantial number of our shares is divested as a result of state legislation, or the perception that the divestiture is required to occur, our reputation with US investors or the market price of our shares could be adversely affected.

The exercise of voting rights by holders of American Depositary Receipts is limited in some circumstances

Holders of American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) may exercise voting rights with respect to the ordinary shares underlying their American Depositary Shares (ADSs) only in accordance with the provisions of our deposit agreement (Deposit Agreement) with The Bank of New York, as the depositary (Depositary). For example, ADR holders will not receive notice of a meeting directly from us. Rather, we will provide notice of a shareholders meeting to The Bank of New York in accordance with the Deposit Agreement. The Bank of New York has undertaken in turn, as soon as practicable after receipt of our notice, to mail to holders of ADRs voting materials. These voting materials include information on the matters to be voted on contained in our notice of the shareholders meeting and a statement that the holders of ADRs on a specified date will be entitled, subject to any applicable provision of the laws of South Africa and our Articles of Association, to instruct The Bank of New

York as to the exercise of the voting rights, pertaining to the shares underlying their respective ADSs on a specified date. In addition, holders of our ADRs will be required to instruct The Bank of New York how to exercise these voting rights.

Upon the written instruction of an ADR holder, The Bank of New York will endeavour, in so far as practicable, to vote or cause to be voted the shares underlying the ADSs in accordance with the instructions received. If instructions from an ADR holder are not received by The Bank of New York by the date specified in the voting materials, The Bank of New York will not request a proxy on behalf of such holder. The Bank of New York will not vote or attempt to exercise the right to vote other than in accordance with the instructions received from ADR holders.

We cannot assure you that you will receive the voting materials in time to ensure that you can instruct The Bank of New York to vote the shares underlying your ADSs. In addition, The Bank of New York and its agents are not responsible for failing to carry out voting instructions or for the manner of carrying out voting instructions. This means that you may not be able to exercise your right to vote and there may be no recourse if your voting rights are not exercised as you directed.

Sales of a large amount of Sasol's ordinary shares and ADSs could adversely affect the prevailing market price of the securities

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 Sasol's ordinary shares on the JSE in a timely manner, especially in a large block trade, may be restricted by this limited liquidity. The sales of ordinary shares or ADSs, if substantial, or the perception that these sales may occur and be substantial, could exert downward pressure on the prevailing market prices for the Sasol ordinary shares or ADSs, causing their market prices to decline.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

4.A History and development of the company

Sasol Limited, the ultimate holding company of our group, is a public company. It was incorporated under the laws of the Republic of South Africa in 1979 and has been listed on the JSE Limited (JSE) since October 1979. Our registered office and corporate headquarters are at 1 Sturdee Avenue, Rosebank, 2196, South Africa, and our telephone number is +27 11 441 3111. Our agent for service of process in the United States is Puglisi and Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, P.O. Box 885, Newark, Delaware 19715.

In 1947, the South African Parliament enacted legislation detailing the establishment of an oil-from-coal industry in South Africa. This followed 20 years after the publication of a White Paper by Parliament, aiming to protect the country's balance of payments against increasing crude oil imports in view of the lack of domestic crude oil reserves. As a result of this initiative, the South African government in 1950, through the Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa Limited (IDC), a state-owned entity, formed our predecessor company known as the South African Coal, Oil and Gas Corporation Limited to manufacture fuels and chemicals from indigenous raw materials.

Construction work on our synthetic fuels plant at Sasolburg (Sasol One), in the Free State province, about 80 kilometres (km) south of Johannesburg, commenced in 1952, and in 1955, the original Sasol One production units were commissioned. We supplied our first gasoline and diesel to motorists in Sasolburg in November 1955. The operation of this plant was based on a combination of the German fixed-bed and the US fluidised-bed Fischer-Tropsch technologies, together with German Lurgi coal gasification technologies for the synthetic production of gasoline, diesel, other liquid fuels and chemical feedstock from coal.

During the 1960s, we became a major supplier of raw materials for the chemical industry. This included products such as solvents for paints, butadiene and styrene for synthetic rubber and ammonia for nitrogenous fertiliser. When our first naphtha cracker became operational in the mid-1960s, we added ethylene and propylene for the plastics industry to our product portfolio.

In 1966, we completed construction of our first gas pipeline, which connected 250 industrial companies in the greater Johannesburg area to pipeline gas.

In December 1967, National Petroleum Refiners of South Africa (Pty) Limited (Natref) was incorporated and, at the same time, construction of the oil refinery commenced at Sasolburg. The refinery was commissioned in February 1971. Currently we, through our 75% holding in Sasol Oil (Pty) Limited, and Total South Africa (Pty) Limited (Total), a subsidiary of Total S.A. of France, hold 63.64% and 36.36%, respectively, in Natref.

The increased oil prices experienced in the early 1970's presented us with an opportunity to increase our synfuels production capacity and assist in reducing South Africa's dependence on imported crude oil. We commenced the construction of Sasol Two in Secunda, 145 km southeast of Johannesburg in the Mpumalanga province, in 1976, and in March 1980, this plant produced its first synthetic fuel. During the final construction phases of Sasol Two in 1979, work commenced on the construction of our third synfuels and chemicals plant also in Secunda, Sasol Three, which was completed in 1982. The virtually identical operations of Sasol Two and Sasol Three were merged in 1993 to form Sasol Synthetic Fuels, now Sasol Synfuels.

Towards the time of the completion of the Sasol Three project, all our technical and research and development services were consolidated into a new company, Sasol Technology (Pty) Limited. Since then, Sasol Technology has been an important area of our activities, responsible for research and development, technology development and commercialisation, project management and specialist engineering skills.

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In October 1979, Sasol Limited was listed on the JSE, and 70% of its share capital was privatised. We used the proceeds from the private and public issue to acquire 100% shareholding in Sasol One and 50% shareholding in Sasol Two and Sasol Three from the IDC. During 1983 we acquired the IDC's remaining interest in Sasol Two and the remaining interest in Sasol Three was acquired effective 1 July 1990. Subsequently, the interest in our share capital held by the South African government through the IDC was further reduced to its current 8.48%.

In 1982, our ADRs were quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ) National Market through an unsponsored ADR programme, which was later converted to a sponsored American Depositary Receipt (ADR) programme in 1994. With effect from 9 April 2003 we transferred our listing to the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

Our technology enabled us to enter the downstream production of higher-value chemicals, including nitrogenous fertilisers and commercial explosives in 1983 and 1984, respectively, and also of solvents, phenolics, waxes and alpha olefins.

During 1988 and 1989 we undertook the construction of a large polypropylene plant that incorporated BASF gas-phase technology. Between 1990 and 1993, Sasol One underwent an R820 million renovation, during which we discontinued the production of synfuels and increased the production of higher-value chemicals, including ammonia, solvents, phenolics, paraffin and waxes.

Polifin Limited (Polifin) was established in Johannesburg in January 1994, as a joint venture with AECI Limited (AECI), a South African listed chemicals and explosives company. The joint venture manufactured and marketed monomers and polymers. In 1996, Polifin was listed on the JSE. In 1999, pursuant to a takeover offer, we acquired Polifin's remaining share capital from AECI and the public, delisted Polifin and subsequently it became part of our chemicals portfolio and was renamed Sasol Polymers.

In June 1994, the first alpha olefins plant at Secunda was commissioned to produce 1-hexene and 1-pentene for the international copolymers market.

In 1995, we founded Sasol Petroleum International (Pty) Limited (SPI) to undertake oil and gas exploration and production in selected high potential areas in West and Southern Africa. SPI is active in South Africa, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, Nigeria and, most notably, in Mozambique. In 2000 and 2001, we signed agreements with the government of Mozambique for the development of natural gas fields and the construction of a gas pipeline transporting gas to the South African market. The construction of this pipeline was completed in 2004. We introduced natural gas to the South African pipeline gas market as of 2004 and use natural gas as part of our feedstock for our chemicals and synfuels operations in both Secunda and Sasolburg.

The Schumann Sasol International wax manufacturing and marketing joint venture was established in 1995 after a merger of Sasol Waxes and the Hamburg-based Schumann wax operations. It produces paraffin and Fischer-Tropsch waxes and operates in various countries. Effective 1 July 2002, we acquired from Vara Holdings GmbH and Co KG the remaining third of the share capital of Schumann Sasol, for approximately €51.1 million (approximately R521 million at actual rates), and this group of companies, now 100% owned, has been renamed Sasol Wax.

By early 1999, Sasol Synfuels had commissioned the last of its eight new generation Sasol Advanced Synthol (SAS) reactors at Secunda, and a ninth reactor was commissioned in 2001. The 1-octene plant, also at Secunda, was commissioned in April 1999 by Sasol Alpha Olefins and commenced supply to The Dow Chemical Company polyethylene plants in May 1999.

In recent years, we have been exploring opportunities through Sasol Synfuels International (Pty) Limited (SSI) to exploit the Sasol Slurry Phase Distillate (Sasol SPD) process technology for the production of high-quality, environment-friendly diesel and other higher-value hydrocarbons from

natural gas. In October 2000, we signed agreements with Chevron for the creation of Sasol Chevron, a 50:50 global joint venture founded on gas-to-liquids (GTL) technology. Sasol Chevron was formed in order to take advantage of the synergies of Sasol's and Chevron's GTL strengths. Sasol has advanced Fischer-Tropsch technology and Chevron has extensive global experience with respect to natural gas utilisation, product marketing and hydrotreating technology.

Sasol Chevron is currently involved in the development of a GTL project in collaboration with the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) and Chevron Nigeria Limited at existing oil and gas facilities at Escravos in Nigeria. In April 2005, the engineering, procurement and construction contract for this project was awarded to Team JKS, a consortium of the Japan Gas Corporation; Kellogg, Brown and Root (KBR), a subsidiary of Halliburton and Italy's Snamprogetti. SSI and Sasol Chevron continue to explore opportunities to develop other GTL plants over the next decade.

To promote the performance and environmental merits of cleaner synthetic fuels, Sasol Chevron cofounded the Alliance for Synthetic Fuels in Europe (ASFE) with DaimlerChrysler, Renault, Royal Dutch Shell and Volkswagen, which was launched in Brussels in March 2006.

In July 2001, we signed a joint venture agreement with Qatar Petroleum to establish Oryx GTL (Qatar Petroleum 51% and Sasol 49%). The joint venture has constructed a GTL plant located at Ras Laffan Industrial City to produce high quality synfuels from Qatar's natural gas resources. The plant started producing on specification product during the first quarter of 2007 and first product was sold in April 2007.

We acquired Condea in March 2001 from German-based RWE-DEA AG for €1.3 billion (R8.3 billion). Most of this business was subsequently hosted in Sasol Olefins & Surfactants (Sasol O&S) with production facilities mainly in the United States, Europe and South Africa. In 2003, it was determined that we would continue to grow our chemical businesses conditional upon projects leveraging our technology or securing integrated and highly cost-competitive feedstock positions. We announced in August 2005 that we were considering the divestment of the Sasol O&S business, excluding our comonomers activities in South Africa, subject to fair value being attained. In March 2007, we announced our intention to terminate the divestiture process and retain and restructure the business. The reason for the termination of the sale was that fair value could not be obtained. A restructuring programme has been implemented and the shutdown for an indefinite period of the Baltimore, USA and Porto Torres, Italy facilities has been announced as the first phase of this programme.

In February 2003, we signed a joint venture agreement with the National Petrochemical Company of Iran. The joint venture (Arya Sasol Polymer Company), on behalf of both joint venture parties, is constructing a polymer plant designed to produce one million tons of ethylene to be converted into polyethylene or exported as ethylene. The plant will comprise one ethane cracker for producing polymer-grade ethylene and two polyethylene plants. The commissioning of the ethane cracker has started and the plant should be producing to specification on a sustainable basis in the last quarter of the 2007 calendar year. The polyethylene plants are in pre-commissioning stage and should be in beneficial operation by the first quarter of the 2008 calendar year.

In 2004, we initiated Project Turbo, our fuel enhancement project, intended to liberate further chemical feedstock and enable concomitant investments by Sasol Polymers to expand its South African polymer production capacity by more than 80%. The selective catalytic cracker (SCC) at Secunda was first operated during the latter part of calendar 2006. The SCC was subsequently taken out of operation for modifications following initial performance problems. Investigations and modifications were performed and the plant was started up again in July 2007.

Effective 1 January 2004, Sasol Oil entered the South African retail fuel market with the establishment of its first Sasol-branded retail convenience centre (service station). Sasol Oil also

completed the acquisition and integration of Exel Petroleum in a major step towards forming Sasol Oil. We now have 391, compared to 376 in 2006, Sasol-and Exel-branded retail convenience centres.

We announced on 16 March 2006, the first phase implementation of Sasol Mining's broad-based empowerment strategy through the formation of Igoda Coal (Pty) Limited (Igoda Coal), an empowerment venture with Eyesizwe Coal (Pty) Limited (Eyesizwe), a black-owned mining company. Igoda Coal will comprise the full value chain of Sasol Mining's coal export business the Twistdraai mine and beneficiation plant at Secunda, the marketing and logistics components of its coal export business, and Sasol Mining's 5% shareholding in the Richards Bay Coal Terminal Company (Pty) Limited.

In June 2006, we announced the signing of a co-operation agreement with a consortium led by Shenhua Corporation of the People's Republic of China to proceed with the second stage of feasibility studies to determine the viability of an 80,000 barrels per day (bpd) coal-to-liquids (CTL) plant in the Shaanxi Province, about 650 kilometres west of Beijing in China and for another 80,000 bpd CTL plant in the Ningxia Hui Autonomous region, about 1,000 kilometres west of Beijing.

On 30 June 2006, we announced that our R1.45 billion broad-based black economic empowerment (BEE) transaction, through partnership with Tshwarisano LFB Investment (Pty) Limited (Tshwarisano), was successfully concluded. In terms of the agreement, Tshwarisano acquired a 25% shareholding in Sasol Oil effective 1 July 2006.

Since May 2000 we have undertaken share repurchases, which may be made at times and at prices deemed appropriate by management and consistent with the authorisation of the shareholders. At 30 June 2006, a total of 60,111,477 shares, representing 8.8% of the issued share capital of the company, had been repurchased since 9 May 2000 at an average price of R60.67 per share. At a general meeting held on 3 October 2006, shareholders approved that we acquire 60,111,477 Sasol Limited shares held by our subsidiary, Sasol Investment Company (Pty) Limited. These shares were cancelled on 10 October 2006. Except for the related transaction costs, the repurchase and cancellation of these shares had no effect on the consolidated financial position of the group. At the meeting of 3 October 2006, shareholders also approved that we be granted the authority to acquire up to 10% of Sasol Limited shares by way of a general repurchase. This authority was again renewed by shareholders at our general meeting held on 23 November 2006. Up to 28 September 2007, through our subsidiary, Sasol Investment Company (Pty) Limited, we had purchased 18,179,319 shares representing 2.89% of the issued share capital of the company, for R4,661 million at an average price of R255.63 per share.

As of 30 June 2007, we were the seventh largest JSE listed company by market capitalisation (R166,968 million), with total consolidated turnover of R98,127 million in 2007. We employ approximately 32,000 people in our operations.

Capital expenditure

In 2007, we invested approximately R12 billion, compared with R13 billion and R13 billion in 2006 and 2005, respectively, in capital expenditure (on a cash flow basis excluding capitalised interest and

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including projects and investments incurred by our joint ventures) to enhance our existing facilities and to expand operations. Capital expenditure incurred on key projects to expand our operations includes:

Projects and investments ⁽¹⁾	Business categories	30 June 2007	30 June 2006	30 June 2005
(Rand millions)				
Sasol Oil distribution network	Sasol Oil	91	59	294
Oryx GTL and Escravos GTL ⁽¹⁾	Sasol Synfuels International	2,426	1,734	1,245
Mozambique expansion	Sasol Petroleum International	266		
West Africa expansion projects	Sasol Petroleum International	339		
Arya Sasol Polymer (Iran)	Sasol Polymers International Investments	774	1,590	945
Project Turbo polymers project	Sasol Polymers	1,169	2,608	3,321
2 nd and 3 rd Octene trains	Sasol Solvents	708	714	288
Other smaller projects	Various	1,172	1,010	1,198
		6,945	7,715	7,291

(1) The amounts include business development costs and our group's share of capital expenditure of joint ventures. The amounts exclude borrowing costs capitalised. These amounts were approved by our board of directors. We hedge all our major South African capital expenditure in foreign currency immediately upon commitment of the expenditure or upon approval of the project.

Key projects to address environmental matters and enhance existing assets during the 2007 year include:

Projects and investments ⁽¹⁾	Business categories	30 June 2007	30 June 2006	30 June 2005
(Rand millions)				
Project Turbo unleaded petrol	Sasol Synfuels	302	1,867	2,520
Sulphuric acid plant	Sasol Synfuels	364		
Clean fuels project	Sasol Oil	28	224	
Mining renewal	Sasol Mining	158	171	177
Waste recycling facility	Sasol Synfuels		98	263
Other smaller projects	Various	4,248	3,221	2,365
		5,100	5,581	5,325

(1) The amounts include business development costs and our group's share of capital expenditure of joint ventures. The amounts exclude borrowing costs capitalised. These amounts were approved by our board of directors. We hedge all our major South African capital expenditure in foreign currency immediately upon commitment of the expenditure or upon approval of the project.

In addition, we invested approximately R74 million in intangible assets (including investments made by joint ventures), mainly in respect of software, patents and trademarks during the year. For a discussion of the method of financing for capital expenditures, see "Item 5.B Liquidity and capital resources liquidity".

Capital commitments

As at 30 June 2007, we had authorised approximately R40 billion of group capital expenditure, of which we had spent R22 billion by 30 June 2007. Of the unspent capital commitments of R18 billion, R7 billion has been contracted for. Of this amount, we expect to spend

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R13 billion in 2008, R4 billion in 2009 and the remainder in 2010 and thereafter. For more information regarding our capital commitments see "Item 5.B Liquidity and capital resources liquidity" and "Item 5.F Capital and contractual commitments".

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We expect to spend approximately R12 billion of our capital commitments on projects in South Africa, R5 billion in other African countries, R0.5 billion in the Middle East and the remainder on projects in other regions.

The following table reflects key projects approved and contracted which were not completed at 30 June 2007:

Project	Business categories	Total project cost	Scheduled operation date
		(in millions)	
Project Turbo unleaded petrol	Sasol Synfuels	R5,733	3 rd quarter 2007
Project Turbo polymers projects	Sasol Polymers	R6,272	4 th quarter 2007
3 rd Octene train	Sasol Solvents	R2,087	1 st quarter 2008
Energy optimisation	Sasol Synfuels	R2,008	1 st quarter 2008
Arya Sasol Polymer Company ⁽²⁾	Sasol Polymers International Investments	R4,861	1 st quarter 2008
Gas treatment and Synfuels production capacity increase	Sasol Synfuels	R1,843	2 nd quarter 2008
Escravos GTL (EGTL) ⁽¹⁾	Sasol Synfuels International	R10,875	2 nd quarter 2010

The amounts include business development costs and our group's share of capital expenditure of joint ventures.

- (1) Sasol provides financing for 50% of the capital expenditure on the EGTL joint venture. The engineering procurement and construction contract was converted from a fixed-price to a cost-reimbursable contract and the project cost is currently under review. The current estimated cost has been translated at a rate of R7.04 per US\$1.00 solely for the reader's convenience.
- (2) Sasol Polymers' share of the estimated cost to establish the Arya Sasol Polymer production facilities is €510 million and has been translated at a rate of R9.53 per €1.00 solely for the reader's convenience.

4.B Business overview

Sasol is an integrated oil and gas company with substantial chemical interests based in South Africa and operating in numerous countries throughout the world. Sasol manufactures and markets liquid fuels, gas and chemicals.

In South Africa, Sasol uses in-house technology for the commercial production of synthetic fuels and chemicals from low-grade coal and manufactures a wide variety of fuel and chemical products sold in more than 90 countries. In addition, the group operates coal mines to provide feedstock for its synthetic fuel and chemical plants, manufactures and markets synthetic gas and operates the only inland crude oil refinery in South Africa. Sasol supplements its coal mining activities by supplying Mozambican natural gas both to customers and its petrochemical plants in South Africa.

We also have chemical manufacturing and marketing operations in Europe, Asia and the Americas. Our larger chemical portfolios include monomers, polymers, solvents, olefins, surfactants, surfactant intermediates, comonomers, waxes, phenolics and nitrogenous products.

The group has also commissioned their first GTL plant outside South Africa, in Qatar and is currently constructing a GTL plant in Nigeria.

Our activities

Sasol believes that its ability to compete and grow sustainably is contingent on internal collaboration, knowledge and resource sharing, as well as building effective external partnerships and joint ventures in different markets, territories and cultural contexts. We recognised the need some time ago to evolve a business structure to support this inclusive approach and over the past two years have undertaken an extensive diagnostic review of Sasol's business model, under the name Project DNA. We have begun to implement the recommendations of the review systematically, one of which has been to cluster our businesses according to common business drivers. Clustering, which involves creating linkages among logically related businesses that allow for strategic consistency and operational efficiencies, has been increasingly adopted by world-class companies to become recognised best practice. In the last year we formalised the group's structure into three focused business clusters - South African Energy Cluster, International Energy Cluster and Chemical Cluster - and our reporting this year follows this new structure.

The financial information presented to our Group Executive Committee (GEC), including the financial information in the reportable segments, is presented based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Since IFRS financial information is the basis for segmental financial decisions, resource allocation and performance assessment, it forms the accounting basis for segmental reporting that is disclosed to the investing and reporting public.

The audited consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as approved by the International Accounting Standards Board, and net income and shareholders' equity have been reconciled to accounting principles generally

accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP), which differs in some respects from IFRS. For a discussion of the principal differences between IFRS and US GAAP, see "Item 5.A "Principal Differences Between IFRS and US GAAP" and Note 67 to our consolidated financial statements.

We divide our operations into the following segments (turnover percentages and amounts in terms of IFRS):

South African Energy Cluster

Sasol Mining. We mine approximately 45 million tons (Mt) a year of saleable coal at Sasolburg and Secunda for our South African plants and export approximately 4 Mt of coal annually. Sasol Mining accounted for 2% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Sasol Synfuels. We operate the world's only commercial coal-based synfuels manufacturing facility at Secunda. We produce synthesis gas through coal gasification and natural gas reforming, using our proprietary technology to convert synthesis gas into synthetic fuel components, chemical feedstock and pipeline gas. Sasol Synfuels accounted for 1% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Sasol Oil. We market fuels blended at Secunda and refined through our 63.6% interest in the Sasolburg Natref refinery (South Africa's only inland crude oil refinery). Products include petrol, diesel, jet fuel, illuminating paraffin, fuel oils, bitumen and lubricants. We have created 169 Sasol retail convenience centres and 222 Exel service stations in South Africa and export fuels to several South African Development Community (SADC) countries. Sasol Oil accounted for 39% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Sasol Gas. We distribute and market Mozambican-produced natural gas and Secunda-produced methane-rich gas to customers in the Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Free State, and KwaZulu-Natal provinces of South Africa. We have a 49% interest in Spring Lights Gas (Pty) Limited, an empowerment gas marketing company in Durban, and a 50% interest in Republic of Mozambique Pipeline Investment Company (Pty) Limited (Rompc), the owner of the Mozambique to Secunda gas pipeline (MSP). Sasol Gas accounted for 2% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

International Energy Cluster

Sasol Synfuels International. We and our joint venture partner, Sasol Chevron, develop and implement international ventures based on the Sasol Slurry Phase Distillate (SPD) process. We brought our first international GTL plant into production in a joint venture with Qatar Petroleum in January 2007. These activities are only expected to contribute to our total external segmental turnover in 2008. We also pursue opportunities based on other hydrocarbons that could be benefited through our Fischer-Tropsch technology.

Sasol Petroleum International. SPI develops and manages our upstream interests in oil and gas exploration and production in Mozambique, South Africa, Gabon, Nigeria and the Joint Development Zone between Nigeria and Sao Tome/Principe. It produces gas and condensate from Mozambique's Temane and Pande gas field and oil from the offshore Etame oil field in Gabon and pursues gas exploration opportunities globally for feedstock in GTL monetisation. SPI accounted for 1% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Chemical Cluster

Sasol Polymers. We operate plants at Sasolburg and Secunda and market ethylene, propylene, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinyl chloride, chlor-alkali chemicals and mining reagents to a diverse South African and international customer base. We also have an interest at Kertih,

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Malaysia in ethylene, propylene and polyethylene production and marketing and we are constructing ethylene and polyethylene plants in Iran. Sasol Polymers accounted for 9% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Sasol Solvents. We operate plants in South Africa and Germany and supply a diverse range of solvents (mostly alcohols and ketones) and associated products through various business units, including an acrylic acid. We also have an acrylates joint venture in South Africa with Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation and a maleic anhydride joint venture in Germany with Huntsman Corporation. Sasol Solvents accounted for 13% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Sasol Olefins & Surfactants. We manufacture and market surfactants and surfactant intermediates, as well as monomers and inorganic specialty chemicals, mainly at plants in Germany, Italy, the USA and South Africa, for customers across the globe. Sasol Olefins & Surfactants accounted for 22% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007.

Other chemical businesses. We are involved in a number of other activities in the chemicals industry, both in South Africa and abroad, which, among others, include production and marketing of other chemical products, like waxes, fertilisers and mining explosive products. These activities accounted for 11% of our total external segmental turnover in 2007

Other businesses

Other. We are involved in a number of other activities in the energy and chemicals industries, both in South Africa and abroad, which, among others, are technology research and development, and our financing activities.

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The following tables present our total external turnover after the elimination of inter-segment turnover by business operation and geographic market in accordance with IFRS:

2007	South Africa Energy Cluster				International Energy Cluster		Chemical Cluster					Total
	Sasol Mining	Sasol Synfuels	Sasol Oil	Sasol Gas	Sasol Synfuels International	Sasol Petroleum International	Sasol Polymers	Sasol Solvents	Sasol Olefins and Surfactants	Other chemicals	Other businesses	
(Rand in millions)												
South Africa	124	806	34,766	2,074			7,198	1,228	137	4,593	(18)	50,908
Rest of Africa	122	20	3,048	1	89	777	858	135	110	589	(2)	5,747
Europe	1,322	116	2		31		79	5,710	11,993	2,855	340	22,448
Middle East and India	53	5			(55)			1,184	194	283	8	1,672
Far East	73	3					592	1,034	966	63	86	2,817
North America		16						2,043	7,814	1,383	3	11,258
South America		6					9	408	714	251	(2)	1,387
Southeast Asia and Australasia		4					569	767	84	454	12	1,890
Turnover under IFRS	1,694	976	37,816	2,075	65	777	9,305	12,509	22,012	10,471	427	98,127

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(Rand in millions)												
South Africa	204	631	29,598	1,663			5,936	1,092	168	3,596	21	42,909
Rest of Africa		19	2,643		98	649	846	158	159	578		5,150
Europe	1,313	107	2		15		88	4,317	9,555	2,323	116	17,836
Middle East and India		4			48		2	1,121	169	182	10	1,536
Far East		2					386	991	1,026	51		2,456
North America		136						1,829	6,638	1,236		9,839
South America		8					12	307	744	178		1,249
Southeast Asia and Australasia		8					267	670	86	387	2	1,420
Turnover under IFRS	1,517	915	32,243	1,663	161	649	7,537	10,485	18,545	8,531	149	82,395

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2005	South Africa Energy Cluster				International Energy Cluster		Chemical Cluster					Total
	Sasol Mining	Sasol Synfuels	Sasol Oil	Sasol Gas	Sasol Synfuels International	Sasol Petroleum International	Sasol Polymers	Sasol Solvents	Sasol Olefins and Surfactants	Other chemicals	Other businesses	
(Rand in millions)												
South Africa	42	642	22,902	1,408		3	5,651	1,303	84	3,346	14	35,395
Rest of Africa		6	620			393	752	155	111	505	11	2,553
Europe	1,429	107	3				86	3,732	8,945	2,686	157	17,145
Middle East and India		16					28	880	235	133	41	1,333
Far East							358	1,145	888	116		2,507
North America		20						1,302	5,985	842		8,149
South America		11					7	217	391	134		760
Southeast Asia and Australasia		18					317	627	103	331	1	1,397
Turnover under IFRS	1,471	820	23,525	1,408		396	7,199	9,361	16,742	8,093	224	69,239

Our strategy

We are active in the oil, gas and chemical sectors, primarily in integrated petroleum and chemical centres of activity in Southern Africa and other countries where we can obtain an advantage through competitive feedstock. Our core business is adding value to low-cost coal and gas feedstock through our unique Fischer-Tropsch synthesis and other proprietary technologies for the production of fuel, fuel components and chemical feedstock.

Commercialising and expanding our Fischer-Tropsch GTL and CTL technology We have made further progress in the drive to commercialise our GTL technology based on the Sasol SPD process in natural gas-rich regions. The Sasol SPD process allows us to monetise underutilised gas resources by converting them into ultra-low sulphur, superior quality diesel and naphtha in line with global trends towards cleaner fuel and reduced emissions to the environment.

Oryx GTL, the 49:51 joint venture shipped its first GTL product in April 2007. The plant with its capacity of 34,000 bpd is the world's first commercial scale Slurry Phase Fischer-Tropsch GTL plant outside South Africa, developed and built specifically to produce GTL diesel and to a lesser extent, GTL naphtha and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG). The GTL diesel can be used either as a fuel neat or as a blend stock.

Work on the Escravos GTL plant in Nigeria, a joint venture between Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) and Chevron Nigeria Limited is progressing according to plan. It is envisaged that the plant will be operational in 2010. With its capacity of 34,000 bpd the Escravos GTL plant will produce GTL diesel, GTL naphtha and LPG utilising Sasol licensed technology.

Following our progress in Qatar and Nigeria, other potential GTL options are also under review. These options include a second GTL plant in Qatar and possible GTL investment in Australia. We are not, however, progressing with a feasibility study on a potential GTL project in Iran, although this may change pending a review of the political situation in that country. The political situation in Iran is being monitored. If a stage-one feasibility study is initiated it will, however, take up to two years before the investment merits of a potential GTL project are precisely determined for consideration and scrutiny by the relevant risk assessment, governance and investment decision-making bodies within the group, which will also take full cognisance of the political situation prevailing in Iran at that time.

In support of this growth driver, our team of researchers continues to advance our second-generation GTL technology, including our proprietary low-temperature Fischer-Tropsch Slurry Phase reactor and cobalt-based catalysts.

With their vast coal reserves, China, India and the US offers potential opportunities for us to commercialise our CTL technology. We signed agreements in June 2006 enabling us to continue with feasibility studies for the potential development of two CTL plants in China. China has been able to sustain high levels of economic growth for more than a decade, coupled with a growing demand for energy which outstrips the world average.

We have started the first phase of significantly expanding our existing synthetic fuels capacity in Secunda, South Africa, by proceeding with a pre-feasibility study into a greenfields CTL facility in partnership with the South African government. The pre-feasibility study of the project, known as Project Mafutha, is expected to be completed during 2008.

We will continue to explore new opportunities to commercialise our competitive Fischer-Tropsch synthesis technology for the beneficiation of coal and other hydrocarbon resources, including environmentally friendly biomass.

Grow our integrated chemicals portfolio in selected areas we will focus on growing our chemicals portfolio either by:

leveraging new chemical growth opportunities from our Fischer-Tropsch processes; or

securing integrated positions with highly cost-competitive feedstocks.

Sasol Polymers remains an outstanding performer in our chemicals portfolio by focusing on continued business optimisation and benefiting from a buoyant demand for polyethylene, polypropylene and polyvinyl chloride. As part of Project Turbo, this division is advancing the construction of two new polymer plants in South Africa to increase our polymer capacity by about 80%. We brought one of the two plants (polyethylene) into operation during 2007. The other plant (polypropylene) is planned for operation at the end of calendar year 2007. Outside South Africa, our polymer business continues to gain momentum. In Iran, Sasol is investing up to €510 million (our 50% share of the total capital project) in a new polymer plant which is designed to produce one million tons of ethylene to be converted into polyethylene, or exported as ethylene. This project is a 50:50 joint venture (called Arya Sasol Polymer Company) between Sasol and the National Petrochemical Company of Iran, and comprises one ethane cracker for producing polymer-grade ethylene and two polyethylene plants. The cracker start-up is currently targeted for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2007, followed by commissioning of the two polyethylene plants in the first quarter of calendar year 2008.

Sasol Solvents continues to benefit from its status as a diversified producer and marketer of industrial solvents. The breadth of our solvents product portfolio and international market presence covering all major regions are competitive strengths of this business unit.

In March 2007, we announced that we have terminated the planned divestiture process of the Sasol Olefins & Surfactants (O&S) business and will retain this business. We believe that it was in shareholders' interests not to pursue the divestiture since fair value for the business could not be obtained. We have identified restructuring and other opportunities to improve business performance. We intend, after consultation with the stakeholders, to implement these over the next three to five years after which the options for the Sasol O&S business will be reconsidered.

Exploit upstream hydrocarbon opportunities SPI produces natural gas and condensate from the Temane gas field in Mozambique. We are continuing to explore for additional natural gas resources in and around the Temane and Pande onshore gas fields as well as two offshore gas fields. Moreover, SPI remains a 27.75% partner in Gabon's offshore Etame oil field, where crude oil production is being sustained at an annual average of approximately 18,000 bpd.

Sasol Gas continues to focus on growing the South African gas market following the successful introduction of natural gas from Mozambique in 2004. At 30 June 2005, Sasol held a 100% interest in Republic of Mozambique Pipeline Investment Company (Pty) Limited (Rompc), a company which operates and maintains the cross-border pipeline that conveys natural gas from the Temane central processing facility to the gas network at Secunda. On 1 July 2005, we sold a 25% interest in Rompc to South African Gas Development Company (Pty) Limited (iGas), owned by the South African government), and realised a profit of R230 million. On 2 August 2006, Companhia Mocambicana de Gasoduto S.A.R.L (CMG), a company owned by the Mozambique government, exercised its option to acquire a 25% interest in Rompc and we realised a profit of R346 million on the sale of the shares.

South African Energy Cluster**Sasol Mining****Nature of the operations and principal activities**

In South Africa, we have three coal mining operations:

Secunda Mining Complex, consisting of four underground mines (Bosjesspruit, Brandspruit, Middelbult and Syferfontein) at Secunda from which 30.5 Mt of coal was supplied to Sasol Synfuels, its primary customer, and 1.0 Mt utility coal to Eskom Holdings Limited (Eskom), South Africa's state-owned power company.

Export Complex (situated in the Secunda Mining Complex), supplied by the Twistdraai mine at Secunda, producing coal for the international market (export coal sales of 4.0 Mt) as well as a secondary product (middlings), of 4.0 Mt, supplied to Sasol Synfuels.

Sigma: Mooikraal Complex. The Sigma: Mooikraal mine near Sasolburg was brought into operation to supply utility coal to the group's utility plants in Sasolburg at a rate of about 1.4 Mt a year to replace the depleted Mohlolo underground operation and the Wonderwater high-wall operation, which are undergoing final closure and rehabilitation.

During 2007, total production was 43.3 Mt of coal, compared to 46.2 Mt in the previous year. The decrease in production resulted from increased coal purchases from Anglo Operations (Pty) Limited's Isibonelo Colliery (Anglo Operations), according to contract, for supply to Sasol Synfuels and a reduction in sales to Sasol Synfuels due to the two shutdowns that occurred during the year. Each year, saleable production volumes vary according to internal demand and export capacity.

Operational statistics

	2007	2006	2005
	(Mt, unless otherwise stated)		
Sigma Mine	1.4	1.6	2.6
Secunda Mines	41.9	44.6	45.1
Total production	43.3	46.2	47.7
Saleable production from all mines ⁽¹⁾	41.3	44.5	45.5
External coal purchases from Anglo Operations	4.9	3.1	
Sales to Sasol Infrachem, Sasolburg	1.7	1.7	3.0
Sales to Sasol Synfuels, Secunda	39.8	40.3	39.4
Additional South African market sales	1.3	2.1	0.5
Export sales (primarily Europe)	3.7	3.6	3.6
Total sales including exports	46.5	47.7	46.5
Production tonnes per continuous miner (mining production machine) per shift (t/cm/shift)	1,696	1,674	1,561

- (1) Saleable production equals our total production minus discard and includes both product sold and movements in stockpiles.

Strategy

To address the current business challenges, Sasol Mining will over the next 12 months engage in various strategic exercises to primarily confirm sufficient reserves to produce for the remaining life of

Synfuels and secondly to develop methodologies to deliver on our strategic and business challenges which have been identified as:

Leveraging transformation as a competitive advantage;

Building operational excellence into everything we do to drive reliable, low cost performance which should be aligned with the Synfuels life expectation;

Driving growth in conjunction with the group's mandate;

Attract, develop and retain high quality people to deliver our objectives; and

Redefining our business to act as a partner in new BEE opportunities.

Sasol Mining is however still focusing on the six key strategic themes identified during the previous year:

Mining charter compliance;

Safety, health and environment (SH&E);

Continuous improvement;

Business and reserve optimisation;

Product and market optimisation and logistics; and

Winning with people.

Mining Charter compliance

Economic empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans. The first phase of the implementation of the broad-based BEE ownership strategy commenced with the formation of Igoda Coal, being a venture in the export coal market between Sasol Mining and Eyesizwe Coal (Pty) Ltd, on 9 March 2006. The transaction is conditional on the conversion of Sasol Mining's mining rights to new order mining rights which is still awaited. Eyesizwe Coal partakes in the benefits and risks from the date of transaction and is consequently fully involved in the direction of the business via the Interim Management Committee.

The second phase of the BEE ownership strategy is in the process of negotiation, with an anticipated completion date by end December 2007. This phase will result in Sasol Mining achieving 26% BEE ownership, well in advance of 2009 as required by the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA).

Royalties on reserves. It is anticipated that royalties will be payable from 2009. Based on the current Bill, an amount of approximately R80 million per annum has been included in the budget from 2010 onwards. For 2009 an amount of R10 million was budgeted for as it is expected the legislation will take effect from May 2009.

Sasol Mining mineral rights conversion. The deadline for conversion of old to new order mining rights is April 2009. The submission of the application for the conversion of the mining rights, by Sasol Mining in Secunda, was completed by the end of June 2006. The application for the conversion of Sigma: Mooikraal will be submitted after completion of the second BEE deal.

Safety, health and environment

Safety and health are the main priorities at Sasol Mining's operations. The Sasol Mining Safety Improvement Plan is based on guidelines from the DuPont Safety Resources reviews, the Sasol Mining Dust Improvement Plan and lessons learnt at operations, which form the basis of Sasol Mining's quest

towards zero harm incidents. The focus is mainly on personal attitude towards safety and health as well as comprehensive safety and health training to increase employee competency and awareness. Main challenges include high turnover of skilled personnel, resulting in the erosion of the safety and health knowledge base as well as legacy occupational illness cases negatively influencing Sasol Mining's Recordable Case Rate. The programme towards OSHAS 18001 Certification, in order to contribute to a sustainable safety and health culture is progressing according to schedule.

Sasol Mining's recordable case rate (RCR) excluding health cases decreased to 0.73 for the year ended 30 June 2007 from 0.93 for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Continuous improvement

Through a process of consultation with all role players, a "Sasol Way" of operating was designed, supported by a tracking tool for monitoring progress and sustainability. This process will be implemented throughout all the mining operations during the next eighteen months.

In keeping with recent trends, we continue to advance our mechanical productivity, measured by the average number of tons produced by one continuous miner in one shift (t/cm/shift). Since launching a dedicated productivity-improvement programme seven years ago, Sasol Mining has increased its continuous miner productivity by 109%, while also sustaining a general trend of improvement during this period of lowering its recordable injuries. Machine productivity increased by 1% during the year from 1,674 t/cm/shift to 1,696 t/cm/shift.

Business and reserve optimisation

A business planning process has been established which allows for integrated planning from the strategic level to life-of-complex planning, ten year budgets and short-term planning. During 2007, the business has operated soundly within the context of this business plan. The business plan is focused on continuously operating the mines in the most cost effective manner whilst also focusing on reserve optimisation.

Product and market optimisation and logistics

The changes in both the demand pattern at the Sasolburg petrochemical complex (only utility coal required) and the supply sources at the Secunda Mining Complex (less Twistdraai coal produced and more coal purchases from Anglo Operations) have necessitated more focus to ensure stability in the coal blends supplied to our internal customers (Sasol Synfuels and Sasol Infrachem). Different computerised blending models have been developed and implemented to manage coal quality and coal blends of products supplied to Synfuels.

Principal markets

We extract and supply coal mainly to our synfuels and chemical plants under terms and conditions which are determined on an arm's length basis. We export approximately 9% of the Secunda Mining Complex's production. In 2007, external sales, primarily exports, amounted to 5.0 Mt, compared to 5.7 Mt in 2006. In a volatile currency market, average US dollar export prices achieved, increased by 3%, while the Rand weakened by 11% compared to the prior year. This resulted in a net increase in the Rand export coal price of 15%.

Marketing opportunities for coal in both the international and domestic utility market are being explored. It is our intention to increase our presence in the international market over the ensuing decade. This is currently constrained by our throughput entitlement at the Richards Bay Coal Terminal, South Africa's only coal export outlet.

External market opportunities

Eskom. The short-term coal sales to Eskom from Brandspruit Mine terminates in December 2007. Sasol Mining does not plan to extend this agreement as coal from the Secunda reserves will be retained for supply only to the Synfuels market.

International CTL projects. In support of Sasol Synfuels International (SSI), Sasol Mining is involved in CTL project studies in China, USA and India. At this stage, Sasol Mining's role is to evaluate the coal feedstock supply in terms of the reserve base, the ability to mine the feedstock, pricing of feedstock, quality requirements of the coal for gasification and safety issues.

Mafutha project. This study is still in the idea packaging phase and is expected to progress to the pre-feasibility phase during calendar year 2008. Sasol Mining has been retained as the business partner that will ensure the feedstock (coal) supply to the CTL plants.

Seasonality

The demand for inter-segment coal is consistent throughout the year. The demand for coal in Europe, the international market in which Sasol Mining is most active, is consistent throughout the year. Variations in tonnage from season to season in the export market are therefore limited.

Marketing channels

Sasol Mining has appointed a limited number of agents in Europe to represent the company, each with their own specific geographic markets. These agents operate on a commission basis and are authorised to act as intermediaries only. All sales require approval of Sasol Mining before they may be concluded with the customer.

Property, plants and equipment

Sasol Mining operates six mines for the supply of coal to Sasol Synfuels, Sasol Infrachem (utility coal only) and the external market. The annual production of each mine, the primary market to which it supplies coal and the location of each mine are indicated in the table below:

Mining activities

Mine	Market	Location	Production (Mt)		
			2007	2006	2005
Bosjesspruit	Sasol Synfuels	Secunda	7.6	7.8	7.7
Brandspruit	Sasol Synfuels	Secunda	7.7	8.2	8.3
Middelbult	Sasol Synfuels	Secunda	8.1	9.3	8.0
Syferfontein	Sasol Synfuels	Secunda	8.4	8.8	7.1
Twistdraai	Export/Synfuels ⁽¹⁾	Secunda	10.1	10.5	14.0
Sigma: Mooikraal	Sasol Infrachem	Sasolburg	1.4	1.6	2.6
			43.3	46.2	47.7

(1)

The middlings product from the export beneficiation plant is supplied to the Synfuels market.

Beneficiation plant

A coal beneficiation plant is operated at Secunda to enable coal export to the international market. The design throughput of the plant is 10.5 Mt per annum. The plant feedstock is supplied by Twistdraai mine via overland conveyor belts of approximately 22 kilometres in length.

Coal handling facility Sasol Coal Supply (SCS)

SCS at Secunda is responsible for the conveyance of coal from mine mouth to a stock holding facility. Here the coal from the different mines is blended in order to homogenise the product that is then conveyed to Sasol Synfuels as demanded.

Sasol Synfuels

Nature of the operations and principal activities

Sasol Synfuels, based in Secunda operates a coal and gas-based synthetic fuels manufacturing facility which, on the basis of our knowledge of the industry and publicly available information, we believe to be the world's only large commercial-scale facility of this type. We produce syngas primarily from low-grade coal with a smaller portion of feedstock being natural gas. The process uses advanced high temperature Fischer-Tropsch technology to convert syngas into a range of synthetic fuel components, as well as industrial pipeline gas and chemical feedstock. We produce most of South Africa's chemical and polymer building blocks, including ethylene, propylene, ammonia, phenols, alcohols and ketones. We operate the world's largest oxygen production facilities (according to Air Liquide, the French industrial gas company), currently consisting of 15 units. As a result, we also have the capacity to recover high volumes of two noble gases, krypton and xenon.

We obtain our coal feedstock requirements from Sasol Mining and purchase natural gas feedstock from Sasol Gas.

Strategy

The vision of Sasol Synfuels is: Growing the world's most exciting petrochemical manufacturing business.

The primary strategic focus areas, to achieve the above vision of Sasol Synfuels are:

People having inspired and performing employees;

Stability consistently achieving targets;

Volume growing to meet requirements;

Unit cost achieving best efficiencies; and

Sustainability caring for all stakeholder views.

Major growth opportunities exist for us in domestic and international markets. Sasol Synfuels is partnering with Sasol Technology, Sasol Oil and key chemical businesses in a feasibility study for a phased 20% increase in production over the next 9 years. The envisaged first-phase growth of 15% would be based on higher throughput of natural gas and thereafter on higher throughput of coal. The latter coal-based growth phase would require new-generation coal gasification technology. Sasol Synfuels envisages complementing the current low-temperature Lurgi coal gasifiers with high-temperature gasifiers, mostly to improve plant efficiency and reduce emissions to the atmosphere. High-temperature gasifiers produce carbon monoxide, which along with hydrogen can be used to produce synthesis gas instead of being emitted to the atmosphere. The additional volumes of reaction hydrogen would be sourced from natural gas.

Working in partnership with Sasol Technology and Sasol Oil we continue to meet the new South African fuel specifications implemented on 1 January 2006. Project Turbo, the fuel-optimisation and polymer-expansion project was delayed due to mechanical problems and is expected to be commissioned during the first half of 2008. Project Turbo will necessitate the rerouting of almost one-million cubic meters a year of fuel precursors produced by Sasol Synfuels to the SCC, where it will

be converted into higher-octane fuel, as well as ethylene and propylene. As a result of starting up the SCC, we have a different end-product ratio because our fuel volumes will decrease slightly as some of the fuel streams will be converted into polymer feedstock. In the longer term, however, our growth plans will offset the Project Turbo-related reduction in fuel volumes and the negative impact on unit cost. We expect that in addition to delivering the new fuels solution of 2006, this project will also address most of the envisaged more stringent fuel specifications which are expected to be mandated in future years.

Various safety initiatives continue to yield positive returns, with our RCR decreasing by almost 50% from 0.95 (combined figure for Synfuels and Service providers) in 2006 to 0.48 in 2007.

Principal markets

Sasol Synfuels sells fuel components to Sasol Oil, and methane-rich gas is sold to Sasol Gas. Chemical feedstocks are processed and marketed by Sasol and its joint venture partners, including Merisol. Unrefined ethylene and propylene are purified by Sasol Polymers' monomers division at Secunda for the downstream production of polymers. Ammonia is sold to the fertiliser and explosives industries, including Sasol Nitro, our nitrogenous products division.

The inland South African market for liquid transportation fuels continues to grow, as do many of the major markets for the group's main chemical businesses.

Property, plants and equipment

Specific product volumes

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
	(Mt)		
Total production volumes	7.3	7.5	7.5
	(% of total production)		
Liquid and gaseous fuels	64	65	64
Petrochemical feedstock	27	25	25
Carbon plus nitrogenous feedstock for fertilisers and explosives	7	8	8
Specialised cokes, creosote and related carbon and tar products	2	2	3

We are continuing the development of an Operations Excellence approach suitable for our manufacturing activities. Greater energy efficiency is also being pursued through new programmes aimed at reducing overall unit cost, improving environmental performance and assuring the reliability of electricity supply. This is particularly important at a time when Sasol Synfuels is pursuing significant expansion plans. Sasol Synfuels has been given approval to commence work in the year ahead for the development of a 300-megawatt power-generation plant at Secunda. This facility will be commissioned on natural gas but will eventually use waste-gas streams as an energy source to reduce costs and environmental impact as well as overall site energy efficiency.

Overall production integrity and reliability remained at high levels throughout the year despite one unplanned shutdown due to an electrical system failure. Overall volumes in fiscal 2007 were lower due to both a phase (western factory) and a total shutdown (eastern factory) that were completed in the same year. This was the result of the postponement of the statutory shutdown in 2005/6. Ongoing programmes are followed to improve plant reliability, availability and efficiency of operations.

Sasol Synfuels continued to advance a series of major environmental projects as part of a wider group initiative in South Africa to reduce our environmental footprint and enhance operational efficiency. We are constructing a sulphuric acid plant at Sasol Synfuels and an ammonium sulphate facility at Sasol Nitro. The acid plant will use hydrogen sulphide and offtake gas from the Rectisol plant as feedstock. Sasol Nitro will convert a large percentage of the sulphuric acid into ammonium sulphate, an important fertiliser ingredient.

We are also focusing on opportunities to reduce volumes of low-level volatile organic compounds (VOCs), as well as emissions of sulphur oxides (SOx) and oxides of nitrogen (NOx). Conceptual studies are progressing with a view to reduce emissions significantly below the VOC, SOx and NOx limits prescribed by South Africa's more stringent new legislation, the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act.

We completed further environmental cleanup projects with a combined cost of R491 million. In the year ahead, besides the sulphur-reduction investments associated with building plants for producing sulphuric acid and ammonium sulphate, Sasol Synfuels expects to invest further to improve environmental performance.

Sasol Oil

Nature of the operations and principal activities

Sasol Oil encompasses the established liquid fuels, bitumen and lubricants marketing activities of Sasol through our commercial and retailing interests, including the Exel brand. Operations include fuel blending and storage facilities at our Secunda operations to turn fuel components procured from Sasol Synfuels into market ready products. We are also responsible for crude oil procurement, shipping and the subsequent refining of crude through our majority shareholder interest in the Natref refinery in Sasolburg, as well as final product supply to, and trading with, other licensed wholesalers operating in Southern Africa. Products include gasoline, fuel alcohol, diesel, jet fuel, illuminating paraffin, LPG, fuel oils, motor and industrial lubricants and bitumen.

Liquid fuels marketed (million m³)

	2007	2006	2005
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Total liquid fuel sales	9.72	9.61	9.60
Total liquid fuel sales (exported)	0.83	0.77	0.85

Strategy

Sasol Oil follows a growth strategy, and has appropriately structured the organisation and management team to drive the following objectives:

pursuance of growth in fuels production, and growth in the fuels marketing on an economic profit stand alone basis;

focusing growth in selected geographical markets for the retail and commercial business, utilising a dual brand strategy;

improving the logistical infrastructure to support growth and customer focused initiatives; and

supporting Sasol's international growth by providing marketing expertise to SSI.

Progress has been made with the marketing of fuels to licensed wholesalers, as contracts are being concluded for periods ranging between one and five years to secure sales of available fuel molecules. Significant progress has been made since Sasol Oil's entrance into the South African retail market, and our 345 Sasol and Exel- branded retail convenience centres in 2005, have grown to 391 sites as at the

end of June 2007. Sasol Oil's dual brand approach supports two distinctive but complementary marketing strategies.

On 1 July 2006, we complied with our commitment to the of South African Liquid Fuels Charter and the advancement of BEE, when Tshwarisano acquired a 25% shareholding in Sasol Oil. See "Item 4.B Business overview Regulations Empowerment of historically disadvantaged South Africans".

Principal markets

Sasol Oil's fuel production is primarily located in South Africa's industrial heartland, where an estimated 63% of the country's gasoline and diesel is consumed. Our full production of approximately 9.1 million m³ of white products per year is insufficient to supply this market. The balance of the market is supplied from coastal refineries and imports, transported via the Transnet Pipelines (previously Petronet) pipeline, road and rail tankers. Limited amounts of white products are exported overland to neighbouring countries.

Seasonality

The total South African demand for transportation fuels is fairly consistent throughout the year. However, slightly higher demand for gasoline is evident during the December holiday period and diesel demand tends to peak during October, the summer grain planting season. Demand during the first quarter of the calendar year is generally weaker than the annual average.

As a result of South Africa's longstanding regulatory regime, which is based on import alternatives, the local oil industry is a price taker from international markets. Local price seasonality is mainly as a result of gasoline demand during the USA summer driving season and heating fuels demand impacting on middle distillate prices in Europe during their winter. This normally results in gasoline and diesel prices being higher during our winter and summer compared to the USA and Europe, respectively. Furthermore, during tight supply/demand periods internationally, margins tend to increase disproportionately with peaks, but in time normally reduce as investment is stimulated or as demand dissipates.

Raw materials

Sasol Oil's main raw material inputs are blending components from Sasol Synfuels, crude oil and base oils for lubricant manufacturing.

Blending Components

Sasol Oil has an agreement with Sasol Synfuels to uplift white product components, which are then blended to market specifications in Secunda. Fuel oil components from Sasol Synfuels and Natref are blended to provide customer specific heating fuel solutions.

Crude Oil

Natref obtains approximately 65% of its crude oil requirements from the Middle East (of the purchases from the Middle East approximately 13,800 bpd of crude oil is purchased from Naftiran Intertrade Company Limited of Iran and approximately 20,000 bpd of crude oil is purchased from Saudi Arabia) through crude oil term contracts. The balance of the requirement is bought on the spot market from West Africa and other sources. Volatility in crude oil prices has increased since the late 1990's as result of international supply/demand dynamics and geo-politics. Crude oil is landed at Durban and transferred to the refinery by a 670 kilometre pipeline owned and operated by Transnet Pipelines, a subsidiary of Transnet, which is a state-owned multi-modal transport company.

Lubricant Base Oils

Sasol Oil owns a portion (40%) of the ESA Lubes Blend Plant in Durban. The plant is managed by Engen and blends automotive and industrial lubes to Sasol Oil specifications. Base Oils are predominantly sourced locally, with Engen being the main source. We only import when local supply is disrupted.

Marketing channels

Sasol Oil's marketing effort can be divided into four main areas namely sales to licensed wholesalers, marketing in African countries and overland exports into Africa as well as direct sales in the South African retail and commercial markets.

Licensed Wholesalers

Sasol Oil is predominantly a bulk supplier to licensed wholesalers. Multi-national oil companies with their own South African refining capacity, BP, Engen, Shell, Chevron and Total, rely on Sasol to supply a large part of their inland retail and commercial marketing requirement. A new type of licensed wholesaler, referred to as a Non-Refining Wholesaler, has emerged over the past two years. Non-Refining Wholesalers have limited access to retail networks and tend to compete with major oil companies in the commercial market.

Individual agreements that vary in terms of duration, volume, and modes of delivery, regulate the relationship between Sasol and its licensed wholesale customers. The agreed product slates reflect Sasol Oil's production slate to aid efficient and reliable supply. Product is imported to cover planned and unplanned refinery outages to ensure that our supply commitments are met.

Retail, Commercial, Lubricants, Aviation Fuel, Fuel Oil and Bitumen

We believe that independent access to retail and commercial markets have strategic, competitive and growth advantages, and we intend to improve our position in the South African fuels market in this respect. Sasol Oil entered the South African retail market on 1 January 2004 with the establishment of the first Sasol-branded retail convenience centre. Currently our network consists of 391 Sasol and Exel branded retail convenience centres across South Africa. Sasol's current national market share is 8.6%. New site development is progressing well, although somewhat slower than anticipated, due to a challenging regulatory environment.

The commercial business has been repositioned to become an end-user focused business. Progress is fair and a number of large supply contracts have been signed with construction, distribution and mining customers. There is potential to grow market share from the present level of just below 5%.

Efforts for future growth in the retail and commercial business are focused in our "Marketing Corridor" consisting of the Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, North West, Free State and KwaZulu-Natal provinces of South Africa. Currently 90% of our commercial volumes and 82% of our retail sites are within this marketing corridor. Lubricants are marketed by the commercial business unit with transport operators, industry and our own retail network accounting for the majority of sales.

Exelem is a joint venture with ExxonMobil, tasked with jet fuel marketing at South Africa's premier airport, O R Tambo International. Since its inception in 2003, Exelem's market share at the airport has grown to 16%.

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The Fuel Oil business provides a remarkably diverse range of heating fuels and applications to industrial and mining customers. The Natref refinery is situated 670 kilometres from the coast. The resultant lack of a bunker fuels market makes this business unit crucial to ensure smooth refining operations.

Tosas is a joint venture with Total. Tosas procures bitumen from Sasol Oil as well as Total, and supplies customer specific solutions to the construction industry.

Africa Marketing and Namibia Liquid Fuel (Pty) Ltd (NLF)

Lesotho, Swaziland and Botswana are in the natural supply area of Sasol Oil's production facilities. Exel Lesotho, a fully owned subsidiary of Sasol Oil, acquired the marketing assets of BP in Lesotho recently and is now the leading fuel supplier in Lesotho. Marketing efforts in Swaziland are progressing well, and a trading license was obtained during June 2007. Entry into the Botswana market has not yet been finalised.

We have an empowerment venture with NLF, to supply 50% of Namibia's white product requirements (about 500,000 m³ a year) for three years as from 1 January 2005.

Trading Exports (Africa Overland)

Export sales to other African countries are effected at the refinery gate, as Sasol Oil has no marketing assets in these countries. Volumes available for export to these markets are limited as a result of huge demand growth in South Africa.

Factors on which the business is dependent

Manufacturing and wholesale licenses are required. Refer to Government regulations below.

Government regulations

Retail pump prices of gasoline, the maximum refining gate price of LPG and a maximum single national retail price of unpacked illuminating kerosene are controlled by the Petroleum Controller under the Petroleum Products Act, 1977 (Act 120 of 1977).

The methodology to determine marketing margins via controlled fuels prices is currently under review by the Petroleum Controller, and it is uncertain how the results of this review will impact on our gasoline retailing activities.

The NERSA, under the Petroleum Pipelines Act, sets tariffs for petroleum pipelines and approves tariffs for third party access to storage and marine loading facilities. The Act grants limited discretion to the NERSA to adopt different pricing methodologies in connection with the setting of tariffs, which may prove advantageous for some competitors, because of different market and geographic positions. The regulations pertaining to tariff setting methodologies have not been issued yet, but may affect our advantage, due to the location of our synfuels facilities at Secunda, in the economic heartland of the country. It may also impact on our ability to fully recover crude oil pumping costs incurred to supply our Natref refinery from the market.

A new licensing regime for activities in the South African oil industry was introduced during 2006. Manufacturing, wholesaling and retailing of petroleum products may only be conducted once a licence has been issued by the Petroleum Controller under the Petroleum Products Act, 1977 (Act 120 of 1977). Onerous application requirements and a lengthy licensing process may hamper the development of retail convenience centres in future.

Property, plants and equipment**Natref refinery operational statistics⁽¹⁾**

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Crude oil processed (million m ³)	3.2	3.1	3.2
White product yield (% of raw material)	90.4	89.3	89.5
Total product yield (%)	98.7	97.1	97.9

(1) Data based on our 63.6% share in Natref.

Natref is an inland refinery, focusing on the production of refined distillate fuels and producing only a small percentage of fuel oil and bitumen. It is designed to upgrade relatively heavy crude oil with a high sulphur content (sour) to yield about 90% white petroleum products. Crude oil selection and degree of upgrade are ultimately dictated by refinery configuration and overall economics. Products of the refinery include gasoline, gasoil, commercial propane, jet fuel, different grades of bitumen and fuel oils.

While Sasol Oil operates the refinery, Total participates in its management with veto rights in respect to a number of corporate actions, including, among others, increasing or reducing Natref's share capital, amending Natref's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the rights attaching to its shares, appointing directors to serve as executive officers and determining directors' remuneration.

Under the terms of an agreement concluded between Total and Sasol, Total has the option to purchase up to 13.64% of the ordinary shares in Natref from Sasol at fair market value upon the occurrence of certain events. Since December 2003 Total has had two opportunities to increase its shareholding in Natref to 50%, the first being the termination of the Main Supply Agreements and the second the proposed transaction between Sasol and Petronas, which was subsequently prohibited by the Competition Tribunal. On both occasions Total decided not to exercise its option to increase its shareholding in Natref.

During 2005, we have invested in the Natref refinery to meet new fuel specifications, which required us to discontinue the addition of lead additive to gasoline and to produce diesel that contains less than 500 ppm sulphur. The impact of this has been that Natref's refining capacity was reduced to 89% of previous capacity. We are currently busy with initiatives and further investigations to return our share of the Natref refinery back to its previous capacity. It is foreseen that new processing units will have to be built to meet the further evolution of South African fuel specifications (required for the control of exhaust emissions from road-going vehicles in South Africa) by the earliest in 2013, and restore the resultant reduced capacity of the refinery, which will require a substantial investment.

Over the year, the overall refinery availability amounted to 95.5%, mainly due to unplanned shutdowns. Of the unplanned shutdowns, the most significant were outages of the diesel hydrotreater, sulphur and residual crude desulphuriser plant. The major turnaround of the crude distillation unit and catalytic reforming units planned for the 2007 financial year was successfully executed.

Sasol Gas**Nature of the operations and its principal activities**

Established in 1964, originally as the South African Gas Distribution Corporation Limited (Gascor), Sasol Gas operates a 2,084-kilometre pipeline network in South Africa. Sasol Gas is a shareholder in Republic of Mozambique Pipeline Investment Company (Pty) Ltd (Rompeco) and Spring Lights Gas (Pty) Ltd (Spring Lights Gas).

The first pipeline was constructed in 1966 to distribute gas produced from coal to industrial customers in the then Witwatersrand area. We expanded our network to more than 800 kilometres of

distribution pipelines by 1977. During 1996, we concluded an agreement with Transnet Pipelines to utilise the Lilly pipeline to expand our network to the KwaZulu-Natal area. Our network has reached, 1,350 kilometres of distribution lines after the expansion to the Pretoria geographical area in 1997. Based on the availability of methane rich gas in Secunda we developed the industrial markets of Secunda, Witbank, Middelburg and developed the KwaZulu-Natal market down to the Durban South Area.

As part of the Natural Gas Project for the development, production and transportation of natural gas from Mozambique, Rompco was established as the owner of the Mozambique to Secunda gas transmission pipeline (MSP).

Initially, Rompco was a wholly owned subsidiary of Sasol Gas Holdings. Pursuant to the Rompco Shareholders' Agreement the South African and Mozambican governments' nominated shareholders, namely the South African Gas Development Company (Pty) Ltd (iGas) and Companhia de Moçambicana de Gasoduto S.A.R.L (CMG) were afforded a deferred option to purchase in aggregate up to 50% of the shareholding in Rompco. With effect from 1 July 2005, iGas exercised its option to purchase 25% of the shares in Rompco. CMG exercised its option with effect from 2 August 2006. Total profit of R576 million has been realised on the sale of shares to the respective parties. The change in shareholding positively impacts the political risk profile of the investment in Rompco and the MSP.

As part of Sasol Gas' commitment to BEE, Sasol Gas Holdings formed a joint venture company, Spring Lights Gas, in 2003 to which it sold its business rights to market pipeline gas in the Durban South area. Spring Lights Gas is now entering its fifth year of successful commercial operations. A BEE company, Coal Energy and Power Resources, holds 51% of the shares and Sasol Gas Holdings the balance. During 2007, the shareholders amended the existing shareholders' agreement to expand the marketing area of Spring Lights Gas, previously limited to Durban South, to the whole of KwaZulu-Natal. This has already realised some growth opportunities during 2007.

Since 1996, Sasol Gas has been using the Transnet Pipelines Lilly pipeline for the transportation of gas to the KwaZulu-Natal market. During 2005, we renewed the gas transportation agreement to continue to use the pipeline for a duration of 17 years (until 2022), with an option to extend the agreement for a further three years.

Strategy

Sasol Gas follows a growth strategy which it believes will enable us, as part of the "Sasol Pipeline Gas Value Chain", to add value to our stakeholders through the marketing of pipeline gas from various gas sources in Southern Africa as it becomes available.

We are optimistic that we can achieve the medium term goal of 141MGJ/a (million gigajoules per annum) by June 2008.

Although the strategy focuses on volume growth, it takes diligent cognisance of safety, profit margin, infrastructure capacity, customer focus and stakeholder relationships.

We play an important role in monetising Sasol's natural gas reserves in Mozambique and our growth strategy provides an incentive for further gas exploration by SPI. Sasol Gas also adds value to methane rich gas produced by the Sasol Synfuels plant in Secunda through the marketing of the gas.

The majority of the volume growth up to 141MGJ/a is expected to come from sales to Sasol Synfuels and the external coal alternative market. The latter includes the wider definition of all applications of coal (e.g. power generation and co-generation) and not only in boilers for steam generation. Growth opportunities in the high value markets, where the energy alternatives include LPG, fuel oil and other oil products are regarded as being equally important.

Targeted geographical expansion is essential to provide access to new markets. During the 2007 financial year Sasol Gas completed a R16 million geographical expansion of its distribution network into the Roodekop industrial area, south-east of Johannesburg.

We also started two new expansion projects to the western side of Johannesburg to supply gas to the industrial areas of Driefontein and Tarlton. These R63 million and R40 million projects, respectively, are planned to be completed by the last quarter of calendar year 2007.

Due to the nature of the coal alternative markets it takes longer to penetrate such markets. Signing up new customer contracts encompass the negotiation of long-term commitments, gas supply contracts and capital allocations. Large projects, such as co-generation, require significant time to be developed as they are integrated into the customer's production facility through the supply of electricity and steam facilities.

The long-term strategy is to increase the natural gas market to 240 MGJ/a over the next 5 years. Possible expansion opportunities are being investigated to enable the supply of 240 MGJ/a to markets in South Africa and Mozambique by 2012.

As a first step towards achieving this long-term goal Sasol is investigating the expansion of the Mozambique to Secunda pipeline (Rompc pipeline) to transport an additional 27MGJ/a to markets in South Africa.

Principal markets

Sasol Gas markets methane-rich gas, produced by Sasol Synfuels and natural gas produced from gas fields in Mozambique. In the energy market, pipeline gas competes with crude oil-derived products, electricity and coal in various industries, such as ceramics, glass, metal, manufacturing, chemical, food and pulp and paper.

The pipeline gas segment in the energy industry in South Africa is still in its infancy. It is expected that the market will grow further as a result of the introduction of natural gas from Mozambique since 2004. The current supply of 112.9 MGJ/a of pipeline gas increased from 105.7 MGJ/a in 2006. Compared to developed countries, South Africa is a small consumer of natural gas as a percentage of its total energy requirements. This presents us with the opportunity to increase sales of environmentally preferred natural gas. Environmental and technological trends together with new environmental legislation are expected to entice customers to convert to gas as a substitute for environmentally less desirable energy sources. During 2007, natural gas volumes sold reached 91.6 MGJ/a and methane rich gas volumes 21.3 MGJ/a.

Sasol Gas supplies 54.5 MGJ/a of gas to 526 industrial and commercial customers in the provinces of Mpumalanga, Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, North-West and the Free State. Besides marketing pipeline gas to these customers, natural gas is also supplied as feedstock to Sasol's facilities in Sasolburg and Secunda.

Raw materials

The natural gas purchased in Mozambique from an un-incorporated joint venture consisting of Sasol Petroleum Temane Limitada (SPT), International Finance Corporation (IFC) and Companhia Moçambican de Hoidrocarbonetos, S.A.R.L (CMH) is transported by Rompc to Secunda in South Africa. Methane-rich gas is purchased from the Sasol Synfuels facility in Secunda. Sasol Synfuels has been supplying methane-rich gas to Sasol Gas since 1994. Methane-rich gas is transported and distributed via our own pipelines to customers in the Secunda, Witbank and Middelburg area. Methane-rich gas to Kwazulu-Natal is transported via the Transnet Pipelines owned Lilly transmission pipeline and then distributed to customers via Sasol Gas owned pipeline.

Property, plants and equipment

The Mozambique to Secunda (MSP) natural gas transmission pipeline owned by Rompco is a 26 inch carbon steel underground pipeline of 865 km. The pipeline starts from the natural gas central processing facility at Temane in Mozambique and ends at the pressure protection station (PPS) in Secunda, South Africa. The instantaneous capacity of the pipeline is 136 MGJ/a with an annual average of 120 MGJ/a.

The inland distribution network of Gauteng is fed from the PPS at Secunda at a pressure of 4,500 kPa. The network is operated at a pressure of 3,350 kPa and lower and the capacity of the distribution network is 80MGJ/a. These pipelines supply various low pressure distribution areas as well as some customers directly. Where these lines enter into various distribution areas, a pressure reduction station reduces the pressure to 625kPa.

The inland network ends at the auto thermal reformer plant (ATR) in Sasolburg. The ATR plant is used to convert the natural gas into chemical feedstock for the Chemical Cluster businesses located in Sasolburg. The ATR plant is operated by Sasol Infrachem on behalf of Sasol Gas.

The Secunda, Witbank, Middelburg distribution network receives methane-rich gas from Sasol Synfuels. The normal maximum operating pressure for this pipeline is 3,000 kPa and the capacity of the network is 10MGJ/a.

The same methane-rich gas as supplied to Witbank and Middelburg is compressed and fed into the Transnet Pipelines transmission pipeline to feed our customers in the KwaZulu-Natal province. The normal maximum operating pressure for this pipeline is 5,900 kPa and the capacity of the network is 20MGJ/a.

International Energy Cluster

Sasol Synfuels International

Nature of operations and principal activities

Based in Johannesburg and formed in 1997, Sasol Synfuels International (SSI), our technology marketing and support subsidiary, is responsible for developing and implementing international business ventures based on our Fischer-Tropsch synthesis technology. We initiate and develop new ventures from project conception through to venture implementation and participate fully in supporting those ventures and marketing the products.

The Sasol SPD process

Based on our long and extensive experience in the commercial application of Fischer-Tropsch technology, we have successfully developed the Fischer-Tropsch-based Sasol SPD process for converting natural gas into high-quality, environment-friendly diesel and other liquid hydrocarbons. The GTL process consists of three main steps, each of which is commercially proven. These include:

the Haldor Topsøe reforming technology, which converts natural gas and oxygen into syngas;

our Slurry Phase Fischer-Tropsch reactor, which converts syngas into hydrocarbons; and

the Chevron Isocracking technology, which converts hydrocarbons into particular products, mainly diesel, naphtha and LPG.

Currently we believe, based on our knowledge of the industry and publicly available information, that on a worldwide basis we have the most extensive experience in the application of Fischer-Tropsch technology on a commercial scale. Given the increasing discovery of extensive natural gas reserves, especially in remote regions, our Sasol SPD process can be applied with significant commercial

advantages in various parts of the world. As a consequence, our technology has evoked interest from countries and companies with extensive natural gas reserves as an appealing alternative for commercialising these reserves. In recent years, we have been actively promoting our Sasol SPD technology and are examining several projects with a view to commencing commercial application at new GTL plants.

The Sasol SPD process converts natural gas into diesel and other liquid hydrocarbons which are generally more environment-friendly and of higher quality and performance compared to the equivalent crude oil-derived products. In view of product specifications gradually becoming more stringent, especially with respect to emissions, we believe that the option of environment-friendly GTL fuels will become more appealing in time. However, the construction of GTL facilities and the production of GTL fuels require significant capital investment, at least during their initial stages, as is usually the case with the application of new technologies. GTL fuels can be used with optimised engines for best performance, although they can also be utilised with current compression ignition engines. We also expect that GTL diesel may be suitable as a cost-competitive blend stock for conventional diesels, thereby enabling diesel producers to improve the quality of their existing diesel formulations without investing substantially in sophisticated new plants and infrastructure. We anticipate the combined factors of GTL diesel's superior characteristics and the prevailing market conditions in developed economies will enable GTL products to initially command premium prices for either niche applications or as a blend stock for upgrading off-specification products.

In support of this growth driver, our team of researchers continues to advance our second-generation GTL technology, including our proprietary low-temperature Fischer-Tropsch Slurry Phase reactor and cobalt-based catalysts.

The Sasol Chevron joint venture

In June 1999, Sasol and Chevron Corporation, agreed to create a global alliance, Sasol Chevron (SC), in order to identify and implement ventures based on the Sasol SPD process as part of our strategy to exploit our Fischer-Tropsch technology and to develop and commercialise the GTL process. We believe that there are considerable synergies between the two companies, which will enable the alliance to accelerate both the implementation of GTL ventures and the development of markets for the new products, to be produced from the ventures that will be established. We finalised and implemented our global joint venture in October 2000. SC and SSI continue to be involved in exploratory discussions and feasibility studies with some of the world's gas-rich countries, including inter alia, Qatar, Nigeria and Australia, with a view to develop GTL plants over the next decade.

Strategy

Working in partnership with Sasol Technology, Sasol Mining, Sasol Oil, and Sasol Petroleum International, we continue to explore for new opportunities to commercialise Sasol's competitive Fischer-Tropsch synthesis technology for the beneficiation of coal, gas and other hydrocarbon resources, including biomass.

Early-stage investigation of potential GTL projects

Qatar Petroleum (QP) and SC previously agreed to evaluate the opportunity of developing an integrated GTL project, at Ras Laffan, Qatar, with a capacity of about 130,000 bpd. SC has completed a feasibility study which was presented to QP for their support. No progress has been made on this project due to the uncertainty regarding the availability of natural gas.

SC and Chevron Australia completed a joint pre-feasibility study for a GTL facility in Australia. Engineering and design work by Sasol Technology commenced in February 2007 and feasibility study activities have commenced.

Global trends in favour of CTL

Global trends now favour the establishment of a global CTL industry. Most major energy consuming countries are experiencing declining domestic crude oil production whilst energy consumption continues to increase. This has resulted in increasing dependence on oil and petroleum product imports, particularly from politically unstable regions. It is becoming widely acknowledged that CTL can play a prominent role in the future energy mix of countries pursuing energy security.

The implementation of Sasol's global CTL strategy is however facing challenges due to the very high capital costs involved and concerns surrounding carbon dioxide (CO₂) emis