

ASX Announcement 29 January 2021

## MOTHAE MINE RECOMMENCEMENT

Lucapa Diamond Company Limited (ASX: **LOM**) ("Lucapa" or "the Company") and its partner the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho ("GoL") are pleased to announce the recommencement of mining operations at the Mothae kimberlite mine ("Mothae").

As per the 13 January 2021 ASX announcement, mining operations at Mothae were suspended as a result of a 14 day nationwide lockdown initiated by the GoL to curb the surge in COVID-19 cases. Following the conclusion of this initial 14 day period, mining and treatment operations have recommenced.

Lucapa Managing Director, Stephen Wetherall commented "It is great to see the Mothae mine operating once again as we prioritise the health and safety of our teams returning to site. With the diamond market continuing its strong momentum into 2021, we look forward to the remainder of the quarter and completing the expansion project on time."

Authorised by the Lucapa Board.

STEPHEN WETHERALL MANAGING DIRECTOR

## **ABOUT LUCAPA**

Lucapa is a niche diamond producer with high-value mines in Angola (Lulo) and Lesotho (Mothae).

The Lulo alluvial mine and Mothae kimberlite mine both produce large and high-value diamonds, with >75% of revenues generated from the recovery of +4.8 carat stones.

Lulo has produced 18 +100 carat diamonds to date and is one of the highest average US\$ per carat alluvial diamond producers in the world. Lucapa and its *Project Lulo* partners have also received highly encouraging results from their search to discover the primary hard-rock source of the high-value Lulo alluvial diamonds.

The 1.1Mtpa Mothae kimberlite mine in diamond-rich Lesotho commenced commercial mining and processing operations in January 2019. It produced >30,000 carats in its first year of production and 4 +100 carat diamonds to date. Lucapa has recently secured funding to commission a ~45% expansion in the processing capacity of the Mothae kimberlite mine from 1.1Mtpa to 1.6Mtpa which is scheduled for completion in Q1 2021.

Lucapa's Board, management team and new strategic investors have decades of diamond industry experience across the globe and right through the diamond pipeline, particularly in extracting value from large and high-quality diamonds.

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