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## Results mask real issues

Harmony is unperturbed by attempts of Gold Fields management team to undermine last quarter s operating performance by Harmony, which underpins the company s offer to Gold Fields shareholders.

Referring specifically to the accounting methods employed in the annual report and this week squarterly results, Harmony would like to remind Gold Fields that the two companies share the same auditors and mineral resource compliance advisors.

We make a continuous effort to maintain open, honest and transparent communications when addressing regulatory, shareholder or other stakeholder issues, and so note with wry amusement some of Gold Fields interpretations of our quarterlies, said CE Bernard Swanepoel.

Today we discovered that the performance of Gold Fields so called high-quality gold assets were no better than Harmony s low grade, poor quality assets - our assets delivered R433 cost per tonne for the quarter and Gold Fields delivered R540 cost per tonne (excluding G&A).

Commenting on Gold Fields cost performance, CEO Ian Cockerill stated that the desire to cut costs and the ability to deliver are two different things. At least Harmony has got that right, said Bernard.

Last week, continued Bernard, Gold Fields was fortunate enough to stumble upon (after 20 years of mining the same ore bodies), 12 years and 5 million ounces, as reported in the media, of additional reserves at Oryx, although not in time to include them in the F2004 Mineral Reserve and Resource supplement.

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The results as announced further highlight that the international assets continue to outperform the South African operations. While the margins for the local assets slipped further to 7%, international margins held steady at 36% and their share of operating profits grew from last quarter s 70% to 74% in the current quarter.

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