

Media release

External market forces subdue TTNGL's 2023 financial performance

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TTNGL's 2023 financial results reflect the performance of its underlying asset, Phoenix Park Gas Processors Limited (PPGPL), which, according to Chairman of The NGC Group of Companies, Dr. Joseph Ishmael Khan, "...was dampened by the challenges impacting global energy markets."

He noted that for the year ended 31 December 2023, PPGPL recorded a profit after tax of US\$10.7 million (2022: US\$63.8 million). This translated to a share of profit to TTNGL for 2023 of TT\$28.1 million (2022: TT\$168.1 million). After accounting for expenses, the Company recorded a loss after tax of TT\$547.7 million (2022: TT\$396.6 million). As a result, TTNGL was unable to declare a dividend payment to shareholders for 2023. However, TTNGL's board and management are exploring all available options to remedy this situation.

A significant factor impacting TTNGL's performance was the recognition of an impairment charge of TT\$573.6 million (2022: TT\$562.4 million). As in 2022, the impairment charge is unrealised and was a result of the 2023 Fair Value (FV) assessment of TTNGL's investment in PPGPL.

The Chairman explained that external market forces also adversely affected PPGPL's revenues and financial performance, with a warmer-than-usual winter in the US for 2023, combined with higher US NGL production and lower global demand, driving Mount Belvieu prices to 30% lower than that of 2022. Compounding factors included the challenges stemming from lower NGL production coming out of reduced gas volumes in the domestic market, as well as extended facility downtime for maintenance activities and higher that estimated decommissioning costs.

Positively, PPGPL's North American subsidiary's sales volumes for the review period, increased by 19%, despite the market and commercial challenges experienced within this new market. Trading volumes are expected to show continued growth that will positively impact unit cost in this competitive trading market. Chairman Khan also stressed that the possibility exists for the reversal of unrealised losses in future reporting periods, as key inputs at PPGPL are enhanced, including natural gas supply and the useful life of key assets.

In sharing his outlook for TTNGL, Dr. Khan noted that, "...NGL prices are expected to strengthen into 2024 and the energy sector will continue to stabilise through the medium to long term." He expressed the sentiment of being encouraged by the flexibility of The Group amidst all challenging factors and uncertainties.

When reflecting on TTNGL's 2023 financial performance, the Chairman stated, "Our flexibility and sustainability, are contingent on the extent to which we continue to manifest value for our shareholders through sound operational, governance and financial decisions, while navigating the volatile world of energy. Resilience and sustainability are the drivers that marshal us to maintain our commitment to the purpose of securing the future of our valued shareholders by maximising value."

The Chairman declared that PPGPL will continue to pursue its growth strategy, locally, regionally and internationally and will be supported by The NGC Group through its role in the energy value chain. TTNGL and PPGPL remain steadfast in its commitment to deliver long-term shareholder value while navigating the challenging economic and geopolitical environment.

TTNGL's Summary Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, may be viewed at ngl.co.tt/ttngl-financial-statement/summary-financial-statements-for-year-ended-31-dec-2023.

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