

GOLD FIELDS LTD

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Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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GOLD FIELDS LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

150 Helen Rd.

Sandown, Sandton 2196

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

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MEDIA RELEASE

FATAL ACCIDENT AT SOUTH DEEP

Johannesburg, 12 September 2016: Gold Fields Limited (Gold Fields) (JSE, NYSE: GFI) regrets to announce that an employee at the South Deep mine in South Africa lost his life in a fall-of-ground accident on Saturday following a -1.5 magnitude seismic event.

South Deep management immediately suspended all destress mining activities and notified the Department of Mineral Resources. Due to ongoing seismic activity in the area, the in-loco inspection has been deferred until later today.

Nick Holland, Chief Executive Officer of Gold Fields, said: “Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family, friends and colleagues of the deceased. Management will do everything possible to support them in this hour of need.”

“While this is the first fatality at South Deep since May 2015, our review will reassess all safety protocols, procedures and standards,” Mr Holland added.

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About Gold Fields

Gold Fields Limited is an unhedged, globally diversified producer of gold with eight operating mines in Australia, Ghana, Peru and South Africa with attributable annual gold production of approximately 2.0 million ounces. It has attributable Mineral Reserves of around 46 million ounces and Mineral Resources of around 102 million ounces. Attributable copper Mineral Reserves total 532 million pounds and Mineral Resources 5,912 million pounds. Gold Fields has a primary listing on the JSE Limited, with secondary listings on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and the Swiss Exchange (SWX).

Sponsor: J.P. Morgan Equities South Africa (Pty) Ltd

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on

its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

GOLD FIELDS LIMITED

Dated: 12 September 2016

By:

/s/ Nicholas J. Holland

Name:

Nicholas J. Holland

Title:

Chief Executive Officer