

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Impala Platinum's 14 Shaft – methane explosion

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<p><b>Ticker symbols:</b> JSE: Imp LSE: Ipla ADRs: Impuy</p> <p><b><a href="http://www.implats.co.za">www.implats.co.za</a></b></p> <p><b>Queries:</b></p> <p><b>Jon Andrews</b> Group Executive: Health, Safety and Environment</p> <p>+27 14 569 6653 +27 82 807 2131</p>	<p>Impala Platinum Holdings Limited (Implats) deeply regrets to advise that following a methane explosion which took place last week, one of our employees, Mr Bongakale Motshodi, a scraper winch operator, passed away in hospital last night. Implats extends its deepest sympathy to the family, friends and colleagues of Mr Motshodi. Another two employees were injured in the incident and are in a critical condition in hospital.</p> <p>The incident took place in the conventional mining section at No 14 Shaft at Implats' Rustenburg operations on Wednesday, 9 September 2009. At this stage the cause of the explosion has not been determined. All operations have been suspended at 14 Shaft and Implats management and the DMR are currently investigating the incident.</p> <p>No further information can be released by the company until an investigation has been completed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[ends]</p>
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