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## Dowlais Group plc

### Trading update

#### Encouraging start to the year, full year expectations unchanged

Dowlais Group plc (“Dowlais” or the “Group”), the specialist engineering group focussed on the Automotive sector, provides a trading update for the four month period to 30 April 2023 (“the period”).

The Group delivered £1.9bn of adjusted revenue in the period or 9% growth at constant currency, in line with our expectations. Adjusted operating margins in the period were in line with those delivered in full year 2022 but significantly up (over 200 bps) over the same period of the prior year. Cash conversion continues to be strong.

Automotive has had a good start to the year with 11% growth at constant currency led by Europe and the US. This has resulted in significant operating margin expansion in the period, when compared to the same period of the prior year, as well as margins slightly above full year 2022. Bookings were healthy with the majority relating to BEV platforms, underlining our strong market position as the transition to electrification continues.

Powder Metallurgy revenue in constant currency was flat versus prior year, with similar operating margins to those seen in H2 2022. More encouragingly, the period ended with positive momentum.

The Group has made an encouraging start to 2023, increasing our confidence in achieving adjusted operating margin expansion (pre-central costs) in the full year. Our full year expectations are unchanged.

The Group’s interim results will be announced on 12 September 2023.

#### Liam Butterworth, CEO of Dowlais, said:

“We have had a very encouraging start to the year. As markets continue to recover, we are increasingly confident of delivering sector leading financial performance, based on our proven financial model and continued execution of our restructuring programs. We remain excited about the future.”

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