

Delivered by Email To: All known Affected Persons of Group Five Construction Proprietary Limited
(In business rescue)
Companies and Intellectual Property Commission

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Persons

31 December 2025

**BUSINESS RESCUE STATUS UPDATE REPORT FOR GROUP FIVE CONSTRUCTION
PROPRIETARY LIMITED (IN BUSINESS RESCUE) (the "Company")**

1. In accordance with section 132(3)(a) and section 132(3)(b) of the Companies Act 71 of 2008, as amended ("**the Act**") when the business rescue proceedings of a company have not concluded within 3 months of the date on which they started, the business rescue practitioners ("**BRPs**") are required to –
 - 1.1. prepare a report on the progress of the business rescue proceedings and update it at the end of each subsequent month until the end of the business rescue proceedings; and
 - 1.2. deliver the report and each update to each Affected Person and to the CIPC.
2. Accordingly, we, the BRPs of the Company, hereby provide you with the report on the status of the Company's business rescue proceedings for December 2025.
3. Capitalised words not otherwise defined in this report shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the approved Business Rescue Plan for the Company as published on 30 August 2019 ("**the Plan**").
4. **PAYMENT OF BUSINESS RESCUE DISTRIBUTIONS**
 - 4.1. Secured Creditors of the Company have been **repaid in full (100 cents in the Rand)**. This should be compared to the estimated recovery of **65 cents in the Rand** for Secured Creditors contained in the Plan, which was independently estimated in the event of a liquidation of the Company at commencement of business rescue.

- 4.2. All proven and/or accepted Concurrent Creditors have been **repaid in full (100 cents in the Rand)** in respect of their proven and/or accepted Claims. This should be compared to the estimated recovery of **3.4 cents in the Rand** for Concurrent Creditors as contained in the Plan, which was independently estimated in the event of an immediate liquidation of the Company at commencement of business rescue.
- 4.3. Funds have been set aside by the BRPs to cover the settlement of those Concurrent Creditors who have still not claimed their entitlements (despite multiple efforts to trace such Creditors and/or to request that such Creditors come forward with the necessary information to enable such settlement), as well as for the conservatively estimated potential settlement, if so required, of contingent creditors that may arise in the future.
- 4.4. Concurrent Creditors, including trade creditors and sub-contractors, that have not yet received any or all of the cash distributions they believe are due to them are advised to contact Nesh Singh on email nsingh@groupfive.co.za with details of that creditor's claim so that due payments may be released. Payments will only be made to recognised and appraised Concurrent Creditors as previously notified in accordance with the business rescue proceedings of the Company and the approved business rescue plan for the Company. The purpose of such contact will be to validate information including: the claim so submitted; bank details; and the identification of the submitter/claimant.

5. BUSINESS RESCUE UPDATES

- 5.1 Termination of business rescue proceedings - The matter relating to the resolution of Group inter-company loans and the wind up of the Group structure is, in accordance with advice received from Senior Counsel, the last of the matters which needs to be more substantially resolved before the BRPs are able to terminate the business rescue proceedings of the Company. Although activity continues in other matters, all such other matters have been, by and large, sufficiently progressed from a substantial implementation perspective.
- 5.2 Inter-company loans/group structure – as noted above, the key matter being addressed by the BRPs is the winding down of numerous group companies and the resolution of inter-company loans within and amongst the Group Five group of companies. The appointed Werksmans Attorneys team have advised that they will report back substantially to the BRPs on this matter during January 2026.
- 5.3 Asset Disposals and Value Collection – Minor value collection initiatives and asset sale processes continue in accordance with the Plan – proceeds in respect of which continue to

be secured and collected for the benefit of Affected Persons. During this reporting period additional VAT refunds were secured, and various small cash collections were banked by the Company.

- 5.4 Litigation and Dispute Resolution – a small number of litigation and dispute resolution matters relating to the Company, as previously reported to Affected Persons, remain ongoing and are in the process of being resolved by the BRPs and their legal advisors.

5.4.1 During December a material offer of settlement was accepted and signed by the relevant counterparty, resulting in an amount of R16m being banked by the Company – in addition to which a claim against the Company (which represented a material contingent liability for the Company) was abandoned by the counterparty.

- 5.5 Construction Projects – All construction projects that were in progress at the commencement of business rescue proceedings have now either been successfully completed, ceded, sold as part of a business sale or terminated.

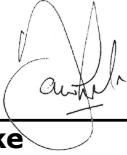
- 5.6 Other – Other matters still underway in relation to the business rescue process include:

- 5.6.1 dealing with SARS related matters, including current and past VAT refund claims;
- 5.6.2 addressing residual matters relating to remaining staff and operations;
- 5.6.3 audit completions - there was limited activity during the reporting period, largely attributable to the December holiday shutdown;
- 5.6.4 winding down numerous group companies in conjunction with Group Five Limited. At the commencement of Business Rescue, there were 179 companies in the group (85 international, 94 local). Currently, 61 companies remain (32 international, 29 local);
- 5.6.5 closure of excess bank accounts continues and will continue until such time that the remaining bank accounts are used for central treasury functions only;
- 5.6.6 SSL Structural Systems (Africa) Pty Ltd – this process should now progress fairly quickly as the ground work has been done;
- 5.6.7 outstanding tax returns in respect of group companies are being submitted as audits are completed; and
- 5.6.8 dealing with matters as required in respect of the inter-related Group Five Limited business rescue process.

6. **TERMINATION OF BUSINESS RESCUE PROCEEDINGS**

- 6.1. The BRP's are pleased to record that Secured Creditors, Preferent Creditors and Post Commencement Financiers of the Company have all been repaid in full (100c in the Rand). In addition, as noted above, all verified Concurrent Creditors have now also been repaid in full (100c in the Rand). Full cash provision has been made for all known but (as yet) unverified Concurrent Creditors, as well as for potential Contingent Concurrent Creditors as have been reasonably estimated by the BRPs and their advisors.
- 6.2. On this basis the BRPs have commenced the process for the termination of the business rescue proceedings of both Group Five Construction Proprietary Limited and its parent company Group Five Limited.
- 6.3. Senior Counsel legal advice is that, whilst all other matters are sufficiently advanced and/or financially provided for such that they can be considered to be "substantially implemented" in terms of the Plan, the resolution of Group inter-company loans and the wind up of the Group structure must be more substantially resolved before the BRPs are able to terminate the business rescue proceedings of the Company. This is the key matter which is being actively addressed by the BRPs.
- 6.4. The BRPs are currently of the view that, once out of business rescue, there is likely to be a residual positive net asset value in Group Five Construction Proprietary Limited, and that there is likely to be positive value available to the shareholders of Group Five Limited.
- 6.5. Affected Persons will be advised as to progress on the business rescue terminations in these monthly updates. The BRPs estimate that termination of the rescue could take place in the first or second quarter of 2026 remains in place.
7. If Affected Persons have any queries or concerns with regard to the business rescue proceedings of the Company, such queries or concerns may be directed to the business rescue team on: g5constructionptyltdbr@groupfive.co.za

Yours faithfully,



Dave Lake
Business Rescue Practitioner
Group Five Construction (Pty) Ltd



Peter van den Steen
Business Rescue Practitioner
Group Five Construction (Pty) Ltd

Signed and issued on 12 January 2026

Companies and Intellectual Property Commission
Republic of South Africa

Form CoR 125.1

About this Form

- This form is issued in terms of section 132 and 141 of the companies Act, 2008, and Regulation 125 of the Companies Regulations, 2011.
- This Notice and the attached report must be published to every affected person, and to:
 - a) The Commission, if the business rescue proceedings were started by the company; or
 - b) The court, if the proceedings were ordered by the court.
- A report and Notice must be issued at the end of the first three months of the business rescue proceedings, and at regular monthly intervals after that

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Business Rescue Status Report

Date: 31 December 2025

Customer Code: D55152

Concerning

(Name and Registration Number of Company)

Name: Group Five Construction Proprietary Limited

Registration No: 1974/003166/07

The above named company commenced business rescue proceedings on
11 March 2019.

Because the business rescue proceedings have not concluded within three months, the appointed business rescue practitioner provides the attached report in terms of section 132 (3).

Name and Title of person signing on behalf of the Practitioner:

DAC Lake and PF van den Steen - Joint Business Rescue Practitioners

Authorised Signature:

