

GOLD FIELDS LTD

Form 6-K

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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2008

Commission File Number 1-31318

Gold Fields Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

24 St. Andrews Rd.

Parktown, 2193

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

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MEDIA RELEASE

UPDATE: FATAL ACCIDENT AT DRIEFONTEIN

Johannesburg, 16 October 2008: Gold Fields Limited (Gold Fields) (NYSE, JSE, DIFX: GFI) regrets to announce that the body of the employee who was trapped at Driefontein Gold Mine, following a seismic event yesterday, has been found.

This brings to two the number of people who lost their lives as a result of this accident.

All operations at the Driefontein Gold mine have been stopped pending an on-site investigation by the Department of Minerals and Energy today.

The names of the deceased are being withheld until their next of kin have been informed.

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About Gold Fields

Gold Fields Limited is one of the world's largest unhedged producers of gold with attributable production of 3,64 million ounces per annum from eight operating mines in South Africa, Ghana and Australia. A ninth mine, Cerro Corona Gold/Copper mine in Peru, commenced production in August 2008 at an initial rate of approximately 375,000 gold equivalent ounces per annum. Gold Fields aims to reach a production rate of approximately 4.0 million ounces per annum during the March quarter of 2009. The company has total attributable ore reserves of 83 million ounces and mineral resources of 251 million ounces. Gold Fields is listed on the JSE Limited (primary listing), New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and Dubai International Financial Exchange (DIFX) New Euronext in Brussels (NYX) and Swiss Exchange (SWX). For more information please visit the Gold Fields website at www.goldfields.co.za

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 authorized.

Date: 16 October 2008

GOLD FIELDS LIMITED

By:

Name: Mr W J Jacobsz

Title: Senior Vice President: Investor
Relations and Corporate Affairs