

Plato Income Maximiser Limited

ACN 616 746 215

Interim Financial Report

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

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This Interim Financial Report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an Annual Financial Report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2021 and with any public announcements made by the entity during the interim reporting period.

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Directors' report

The directors of Plato Income Maximiser Limited ("the Company") present their report together with the interim financial statements of the Company for the half-year ended 31 December 2021.

The Company is a company limited by shares and is incorporated in Australia.

Directors

The following persons held office as directors during the half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Jonathan Trollip (Chairman)

Lorraine Berends

Katrina Onishi

Alex Ihlenfeldt

Donald Hamson

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is to provide shareholders the opportunity to benefit from an investment in an actively managed, well-diversified portfolio of Australian listed equities. There have been no significant changes in the nature of this activity during the half-year.

Review of operations

The Company offers investors the opportunity to benefit from an investment in an actively managed, well-diversified portfolio of Australian listed equities that aims to:

- (a) generate annual income (including franking credits) that exceeds the S&P/ASX 200 Franking Credit Adjusted Daily Total Return Index (Tax Exempt) ("Benchmark"); and
- (b) outperform (after fees) the Benchmark in total return terms including franking credits over each full investment cycle (typically 3 to 5 years).

The Company's net profit after income tax for the half-year ended 31 December 2021 was \$15,396,000, compared with a profit of \$36,770,000 in the prior corresponding period. Note that comparative financial information has been revised to reflect the change to the Company's accounting treatment of fair value ('mark-to-market') movements of its investment in the Plato Australian Shares Income Fund in the prior year. Further information is provided in the notes to the financial statements, at Note 1(a).

The Company continued to pay monthly dividends during the half-year, with fully-franked dividends of \$0.0045 per share being paid each month from July 2021 to September 2021, increased to \$0.005 per share for the months of October 2021 to December 2021. This returned dividends to the level that they were prior to the commencement of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The payment of these dividends is in line with the Board's stated objective to pay regularly monthly dividends from available profits, provided the Company has sufficient reserves and it is permitted by law and within prudent business practices to do so.

A further three fully-franked monthly dividends of \$0.005 per share have been resolved to be paid for January, February and March 2022.

Capital Raising

During the half-year, on 3 November 2021, the Company announced a placement to wholesale investors and Share Purchase Plan (SPP) to existing shareholders comprising:

- a placement to wholesale investors of up to 15% of issued shares at an issue price of \$1.11 per share (based on the value of the Company's pre-tax NTA per share on 2 November 2021); and
- a SPP, following close of the placement, where existing eligible shareholders could purchase up to \$30,000 worth of shares at a price the lower of:
 - \$1.11 per share (being the same price as the placement); and
 - The pre-tax NTA per share on the day the SPP closes.

The placement was completed on 5 November 2021, with 64,264,974 shares being issued on 11 November 2021 at a price of \$1.11 per share for total consideration of \$71,334,000.

The SPP was completed on 29 November 2021, with 61,838,499 shares being issued on 1 December 2021 at a price of \$1.10 per share for total consideration of \$68,025,000.

Performance

The Company's performance results are reported below. We consider that it is useful to consider performance from three different perspectives:

(a) Investment Portfolio Performance

The Company's investment portfolio performance shows how the Manager has performed after deducting management fees¹, as compared to the Company's investment objectives.

Performance as at 31 December 2021 ²	Return	Benchmark	Excess
Total return³			
- Half Year	4.0%	4.6%	- 0.6%
- Since Inception ⁴	10.2%	10.6%	- 0.4%
Income⁵			
- Half Year	3.2%	2.7%	+ 0.5%
- Since Inception ⁴	7.4%	5.2%	+ 2.2%

Please note that the income measure above represents distributed income (i.e. income paid to shareholders), not accrued income.

(b) NTA Performance

This measure of Company performance shows the movement in the value of the Company's Net Tangible Assets (**NTA**) over the period, adjusted for dividends paid. It includes deductions for management fees, Company administration costs and tax on earnings (including tax on realised gains and other earnings but excluding any provision for tax on unrealised gains, capitalised share issue costs and income tax losses), and excludes the value of franking credits.

The Company's NTA Performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2021 was + 1.7%.

¹ Inclusive of the net impact of GST and Reduced Input Tax Credits.

² Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is quoted in AUD net of portfolio related fees, costs and taxes.

³ Inclusive of franking credits.

⁴ Annualised from Inception date: 28 April 2017.

⁵ Distributed income including franking.

(c) TSR Performance

Total Shareholder Return (TSR) Performance is a measure of the change in the share price adjusted for any dividends paid during the period. The TSR Performance can be an important measure as often the share market can trade at a premium or discount to the NTA.

The Company's TSR Performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2021 was - 3.7%.

Dividends

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021 the following fully-franked dividends were paid:

Month	Amount	Ex-Dividend Date	Record Date	Payment Date
July 2021	\$0.0045	19 July 2021	20 July 2021	30 July 2021
August 2021	\$0.0045	16 August 2021	17 August 2021	31 August 2021
September 2021	\$0.0045	15 September 2021	16 September 2021	30 September 2021
October 2021	\$0.005	18 October 2021	19 October 2021	29 October 2021
November 2021	\$0.005	15 November 2021	16 November 2021	30 November 2021
December 2021	\$0.005	16 December 2021	17 December 2021	31 December 2021

Since period end the Company has resolved to pay the following fully-franked dividends:

Month	Amount	Ex-Dividend Date	Record Date	Payment Date
January 2022	\$0.005	19 January 2022	20 January 2022	31 January 2022
February 2022	\$0.005	11 February 2022	14 February 2022	28 February 2022
March 2022	\$0.005	16 March 2022	17 March 2022	31 March 2022

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial period

Other than as disclosed in note 6 of the interim financial statements, no matter or circumstance has occurred subsequent to period end that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

Apart from the above, there were no significant changes to the state of affairs of the Company during the half-year.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 7.

Rounding of amounts

In accordance with ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, the amounts in the directors' report have been rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, or in certain cases, to the nearest dollar (where indicated).

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Jonathan Trollip

Chairman

Sydney

25 February 2022

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**Auditor's Independence Declaration
To the Directors of Plato Income Maximiser Limited
ACN 616 746 215**

In relation to the independent auditor's review of Plato Income Maximiser Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2021, to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor's independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Plato Income Maximiser Limited during the period.



C I Chandran
Partner

Pitcher Partners
Sydney

25 February 2022

Interim financial statements

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	31 Dec 2021 \$'000	RESTATED * 31 Dec 2020 \$'000
Investment income			
Net (losses) / gains on financial instruments held at fair value through profit and loss		(13,586)	37,204
Distribution income received		27,328	12,860
Total investment income		13,742	50,064
Expenses			
Management fees		(2,130)	(1,760)
ASX and share registry fees		(169)	(109)
Professional fees		(32)	(31)
Director fees		(57)	(57)
Other expenses		(96)	(77)
Total expenses		(2,484)	(2,034)
Profit before income tax		11,258	48,030
Income tax benefit / (expense)		4,138	(11,260)
Net profit after income tax for the half-year		15,396	36,770
Other comprehensive income for the half-year net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to shareholders		15,396	36,770
Earnings per share for profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company			
Basic and diluted earnings per share	5	3.4	8.6

* Please refer to Note 1(a) regarding change in accounting policy

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the notes to the interim financial statements.

Statement of financial position

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	31 Dec 2021 \$'000	30 Jun 2021 \$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		144	866
Trade and other receivables		12,486	1,969
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2	611,337	483,144
Deferred tax assets		3,393	2,432
Total assets		627,360	488,411
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables		952	420
Deferred tax liabilities		-	3,177
Total liabilities		952	3,597
Net assets		626,408	484,814
Shareholders' equity			
Issued capital	3	604,198	464,839
Profits reserve		68,411	66,176
Accumulated losses		(46,201)	(46,201)
Total equity		626,408	484,814

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the notes to the interim financial statements.

Statement of changes in equity

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Issued capital \$'000	RESTATED * Profits Reserve \$'000	RESTATED * Accumulated losses \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Half-year ended 31 December 2021					
Balance as at 30 June 2021		464,839	66,176	(46,201)	484,814
Total comprehensive income					
Profit for the half-year		-	-	15,396	15,396
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income		-	-	15,396	15,396
Transfer between reserves					
Transfer to profits reserve		-	15,396	(15,396)	-
Total transfer between reserves		-	15,396	(15,396)	-
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners					
Issue of shares	3(b)	139,359	-	-	139,359
Dividends paid to shareholders	4(a)	-	(13,161)	-	(13,161)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners		139,359	(13,161)	-	126,198
Balance as at 31 December 2021		604,198	68,411	(46,201)	626,408
Half-year ended 31 December 2020					
Balance as at 30 June 2020		464,839	13,722	(46,201)	432,360
Total comprehensive income					
Profit for the half-year		-	-	36,770	36,770
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income		-	-	36,770	36,770
Transfer between reserves					
Transfer to profits reserve		-	36,770	(36,770)	-
Total transfer between reserves		-	36,770	(36,770)	-
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners					
Dividends paid to shareholders	4(a)	-	(10,284)	-	(10,284)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners		-	(10,284)	-	(10,284)
Balance as at 31 December 2020		464,839	40,208	(46,201)	458,846

* Please refer to Note 1(a) regarding change in accounting policy

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the notes to the interim financial statements.

Statement of cash flows

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	31 Dec 2021 \$'000	31 Dec 2020 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Distributions received		16,978	13,560
Payments to suppliers		(2,118)	(2,328)
Net cash provided by operating activities		14,860	11,232
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from redemption of investments		5,000	1,700
Payments for investments		(146,780)	(2,865)
Net cash used in investing activities		(141,780)	(1,165)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issue of shares	3(b)	139,359	-
Dividends paid to shareholders	4(a)	(13,161)	(10,284)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		126,198	(10,284)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(722)	(217)
Cash assets at beginning of the financial period		866	908
Cash assets at the end of the financial period		144	691

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the notes to the interim financial statements.

Notes to the interim financial statements

For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue on 25 February 2022 by the Board.

Basis of preparation

These interim financial statements for the half-year ended 31 December 2021 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Act 2001.

The interim financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis, and are based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

These interim financial statements do not include all of the disclosures normally included in annual financial statements. It is recommended that this interim financial report be read in conjunction with the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2021 and with any public announcements made by the entity during the interim reporting period.

In accordance with ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, the amounts in the interim financial statements have been rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted in these interim financial statements are consistent with those of the previous financial year, as disclosed in the 30 June 2021 annual report.

New accounting standards and interpretations

There are no new accounting standards, amendments and interpretations that are expected to have a material impact on the interim financial statements.

(a) Change in classification of investments

During the previous financial year, the Company reassessed the classification of investments held in managed funds. Previously, the Company elected to designate, and subsequently measure, all investments held in managed funds at fair value through other comprehensive income. After reconsidering the underlying terms and conditions of units held in managed funds, the Company determined that it would be more appropriate for units redeemable directly to the fund to be classified, and subsequently measured, at fair value through profit or loss.

As a result, changes in fair value of investments in redeemable units are now recognised in profit or loss, instead of other comprehensive income. Whilst this change was reflected in the 30 June 2021 annual financial statements, the change had not been made in the 31 December 2020 interim financial statements. Comparative information has been restated to align with the revised accounting policy, so that both the current half-year and prior half-year information is presented on a consistent and comparable basis.

Applying the revised accounting policy to the comparative information resulted in the restatement of prior half-year profit from \$10,727,000 to a profit of \$36,770,000, and the restatement of prior half-year other comprehensive income from \$26,043,000 to \$nil. The revised accounting policy did not change the reported amount of total comprehensive income, the closing equity balance or the carrying amount of investments held in managed funds.

The table following sets out the impact of these changes on the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the previous financial year:

Note 1 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

(a) Change in classification of investments (continued)

	Originally reported 31 Dec 2020 \$'000	RESTATED 31 Dec 2020 \$'000	Difference \$'000
Investment income			
Net gains on financial instruments held at fair value through profit and loss	-	37,204	37,204
Distribution income received	12,860	12,860	-
Total investment income	12,860	50,064	37,204
Total expenses	(2,034)	(2,034)	-
Profit before income tax	10,826	48,030	37,204
Income tax expense	(99)	(11,260)	(11,161)
Net profit after income tax	10,727	36,770	26,043
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit and loss</i>			
Gain on revaluation of investments	37,204	-	(37,204)
Provision for tax expense on revaluation of investments	(11,161)	-	11,161
Other comprehensive income net of tax	26,043	-	(26,043)
Total comprehensive income attributable to shareholders	36,770	36,770	-

Note 2 Fair value measurements

The Company measures and recognises its investments on a recurring basis.

Fair value hierarchy

AASB 13: Fair Value Measurement requires the disclosure of fair value information using a fair value hierarchy reflecting the significance of the inputs in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy consists of the following levels:

- (a) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- (b) inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices) (level 2); and
- (c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

Recognised fair value measurements

The following table presents the Company's assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets				
At 31 December 2021				
Managed funds	-	611,337	-	611,337
Total assets	-	611,337	-	611,337
At 30 June 2021				
Managed funds	-	483,144	-	483,144
Total assets	-	483,144	-	483,144

The investment included in level 2 of the hierarchy is the amount of the investment based on the redemption price of the Plato Australian Shares Income Fund as at the end of the reporting period.

There were no transfers between levels for recurring fair value measurements during the half-year.

The Company's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

The carrying amounts of all financial instruments other than those measured at fair value on a recurring basis are considered to represent a reasonable approximation of their fair values.

Note 3 Issued capital

(a) Share capital

	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2021	30 Jun 2021	30 Jun 2021
	Number	\$'000	Number	\$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares	554,536,636	604,198	428,433,163	464,839
Total share capital	554,536,636	604,198	428,433,163	464,839

The Company does not have an authorised capital value or par value in respect of its issued shares.

Note 3 Issued capital (continued)

(b) Movements in ordinary share capital

Date	Details	Number of shares	Price	Total \$'000
Half-year ended 31 December 2021				
1 July 2021	Balance	428,433,163		464,839
11 November 2021	Issue of shares pursuant to wholesale placement (refer (e) below)	64,264,974	\$1.11	71,334
1 December 2021	Issue of shares pursuant to SPP (refer (e) below)	61,838,499	\$1.10	68,025
31 December 2021	Balance	554,536,636		604,198
Half-year ended 31 December 2020				
1 July 2020	Balance	428,433,163		464,839
	No changes	-		-
31 December 2020	Balance	428,433,163		464,839

(c) Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares held.

On a show of hands every holder of ordinary shares present at a general meeting in person or by proxy is entitled to one vote and upon a poll each share is entitled to one vote.

(d) Options

As at 31 December 2021 the Company had no unissued ordinary shares under option.

(e) Capital Raising

During the half-year, on 3 November 2021, the Company announced a placement to wholesale investors and Share Purchase Plan (SPP) to existing shareholders comprising:

- a placement to wholesale investors of up to 15% of issued shares at an issue price of \$1.11 per share (based on the value of the Company's pre-tax NTA per share on 2 November 2021); and
- a SPP, following close of the placement, where existing eligible shareholders could purchase up to \$30,000 worth of shares at a price the lower of:
 - \$1.11 per share (being the same price as the placement); and
 - The pre-tax NTA per share on the day the SPP closes.

The placement was completed on 5 November 2021, with 64,264,974 shares being issued on 11 November 2021 at a price of \$1.11 per share for total consideration of \$71,334,000.

The SPP was completed on 29 November 2021, with 61,838,499 shares being issued on 1 December 2021 at a price of \$1.10 per share for total consideration of \$68,025,000.

(f) Capital Management

The Company's objective in managing its capital is to satisfy its aim to provide shareholders with dividend income and total return in excess of the Company's benchmark. The Company considers its capital to be its issued capital, reserves and accumulated retained earnings.

The Company's capital will fluctuate with market conditions. The Company can manage its capital through the level of dividends paid to shareholders, the issue of shares or the use of share buy-backs.

The Company is an ASX listed investment Company and is subject to ASX listing rule requirements.

Note 4 Dividends

(a) Dividend paid

During the half-year ended 31 December 2021 the Company paid the following dividends:

	31 Dec 2021 \$'000	31 Dec 2020 \$'000
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 30 July 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 31 July 2020)	1,928	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 31 August 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 31 August 2020)	1,928	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 30 September 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 30 September 2020)	1,928	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 29 October 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 30 October 2020)	2,141	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 30 November 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 30 November 2020)	2,463	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 31 December 2021 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 31 December 2020)	2,773	1,714
Total dividends paid	13,161	10,284

(b) Dividends not recognised at the end of the half-year

Since the end of the half-year the Company has resolved to pay the following dividends. The aggregate amount of dividends expected to be paid but not recognised as a liability at period end, is:

	31 Dec 2021 \$'000	31 Dec 2020 \$'000
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 31 January 2022 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 29 January 2021)	2,773	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share payable on 28 February 2022 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 26 February 2021)	2,773	1,714
Interim fully-franked dividend of \$0.005 per fully paid ordinary share payable on 31 March 2022 (31 Dec 2020 - \$0.004 paid on 31 March 2021)	2,773	1,714
Total dividends payable but not recognised as a liability at period-end	8,319	5,142

(c) Dividend franking account

The balance of the Company's dividend franking account at 31 December 2021 was \$10,059,000 (31 December 2020: \$4,865,000).

The franking debit that will arise from the payment of the dividends not recognised as a liability at period end, based on the number of issued shares at 31 December 2021, is \$3,565,000.

Note 5 Earnings per share

(a)	Earnings used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share	31 Dec 2021	RESTATED *
		\$'000	31 Dec 2020 \$'000
	Profit from continuing operations attributable to the owners of the Company	15,396	36,770
(b)	Basic and diluted earnings per share	Cents	Cents
	Profit from continuing operations attributable to the owners of the Company	3.4	8.6
(c)	Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share	Number	Number
	Ordinary shares	455,978,835	428,433,163

* Please refer to Note 1(a) regarding change in accounting policy

Note 6 Subsequent events

Except as detailed in note 4(b), no matter or circumstance has occurred subsequent to period end that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

Note 7 Segment Information

The Company has only one reportable segment. The Company is engaged solely in investment activities in Australia.

Note 8 Contingencies and commitments

The Company has no commitments at period end and no known contingent assets or liabilities.

Directors' declaration

The directors declare that the interim financial statements and notes as set out on pages 8 to 17 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- (a) complying with Accounting Standard AASB134 Interim Financial Reporting, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date.

In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that Plato Income Maximiser Limited will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Jonathan Trollip

Chairman

Sydney

25 February 2022

**Independent Auditor's Review Report
To the Members of Plato Income Maximiser Limited
ACN 616 746 215**

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Plato Income Maximiser Limited ("the Company") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of Plato Income Maximiser Limited does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*. Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* ("the Code") that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Review of the Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.



C I Chandran
Partner

25 February 2022



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Corporate directory

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