# Nova Minerals Limited

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Interim Report - 31 December 2021

#### Nova Minerals Limited Directors' report 31 December 2021

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the consolidated entity (referred to hereafter as the 'consolidated entity') consisting of Nova Minerals Limited (referred to hereafter as the 'company' or 'parent entity') and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2021.

# Directors

The following persons were directors of Nova Minerals Limited during the whole of the financial half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

- Louie Simens
- Avi Geller
- Christopher Gerteisen
- Craig Bentley (appointed 18.2.2022)
- David Hersham (resigned 10.3.2022)
- Colin Belshaw (resigned 12.1.2022)

# **Principal Activities**

During the financial half-year the principal continuing activities of the consolidated entity consisted of exploration for and evaluation of mineral deposits.

Review of operations

# Estelle Gold Trend

**Nova's vision is to develop North America's next major gold trend.** Located in Alaska's prolific Tintina Gold Belt, the company's flagship Estelle Project is a 35km long corridor of 21 identified gold prospects.

Since the release of the Annual Report, Nova Minerals Limited ("Nova" or the "Company") has continued its fast-track exploration strategy at the Estelle Gold Trend in Alaska. Drilling continued throughout the period with further higher-grade feeder zones discovered at the Korbel Main Deposit (ASX Announcements: 7 October 2021) and a bonanza grade result at the RPM North Deposit of 3.5 g/t Au over 400m, including 10.1 g/t Au over 132m (ASX Announcement 11 October 2021)

As a result of this drilling the Company released a maiden JORC compliant 1.5Moz Inferred Resource at its high-grade RPM North Deposit (ASX Announcement 27 October 2021) and significantly upgraded the resource at the Korbel Main Deposit to 8.1Moz, including 3Moz Indicated, which combined now gives the Estelle Project a total mineral resource of 9.6Moz (ASX Announcement: 23 December 2021 and Table 1).

 Table 1. Global Mineral Resource Statement, Estelle Gold Trend.

Deposit	Category	Cut off	Mt	Au g/t	Moz
Korbel Main	Indicated	0.15	286	0.3	3.0
Korbel Main	Inferred	0.15	583	0.3	5.1
RPM North	Inferred	0.30	23	2.0	1.5
Total	Ind + Inf		892	0.3	9.6

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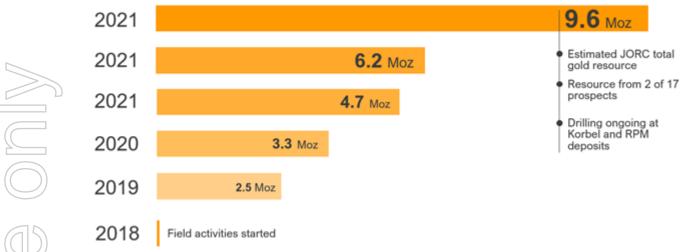
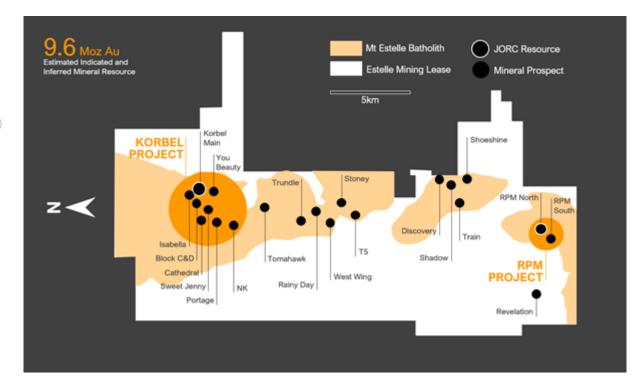


Figure 1. Growing gold resource. We are just getting started!

During the period, the Company also started exploring some of the other 19 identified prospects within the Trend including:

An exploration mapping and sampling campaign at the Train and Shoeshine Prospects which encountered another large IRGS exposed at surface with a 1km long and 500m wide strike at Train, and 1km long strike at Shoeshine, and high grade reconnaissance rock samples of 30.4g/t, 24.5g/t, 21.6g/t, 7.5g/t, 5.7g/t, 5.4g/t (ASX Announcement 23 September 2021)

An exploration mapping and sampling campaign at the Stoney Prospect which confirmed a massive polymetallic mineralized vein observed along 4km of strike length, up to 10m wide, and >300m vertical extent with high grade reconnaissance rock chip samples of 48.4g/t Au, 2720g/t Ag, 2.4% Cu (ASX Announcement 20 September 2021)



# Figure 2. The Estelle Gold Trend

In July, due to the vastly increased times in getting the assay results processed at the external laboratory, Nova decided to set up its own on-site sample preparation lab which can process up to 7,500 samples per month. The on-site lab will reduce costs and improve the assay turnaround times.

The Company also undertook a number of corporate initiatives during the period to provide the best platform for continued growth, including:

Raising AUD\$12 million in an oversubscribed placement to sophisticated and institutional investors to propels Nova's growth strategy (ASX Announcement 27 September 2021)

Released the Company's 1<sup>st</sup> sustainability report to show its commitment to uphold the highest corporate, social and environmental standards and recognize the importance of building respectful and inclusive relationships with our Alaskan stakeholders, communities and governing organizations (ASX Announcement: 27 September 2021)

Successfully listed majority owned Snow Lake Resources in an IPO on the NASDAQ @ US\$7.50 per share (ASX Announcement: 19 November 2021)

Performed a share consolidation of 10:1 to condense the Company's capital structure to 180,202,285 shares to improve the trading liquidity and attract greater investor interest (ASX Announcement: 29 November 2021)

Employed a Public Relations firm to undertake a re-branding of the Company

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In November, SnowCat Services of Alaska built a 100-mile snow road to connect Estelle to the mining towns of Willow and Wasilla. Snow roads provide Nova with easy access to the Estelle site for up to 4 months of the year and enables heavy machinery, fuel, and other supplies to be brought into the Whiskey Bravo camp site in a much more cost-efficient manner.

This year Nova is also bringing in additional infrastructure to expand Nova's Whiskey Bravo man camp near Korbel and safety huts at RPM, in time for the much-anticipated recommencement of the RPM Project drill program.



Figure 3. Snow road operations

The Company also continued work on its scoping study, which was released on time (ASX: Announcement 28 February 2022) and commenced work on the next level PFS studies.

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#### **Investment - Snow Lake Resources**

On 19 November 2021 Nova successfully listed Snow Lake Resources on the NASDAQ under ticker code LITM. The public offering raised US\$24,000,000 before costs from the issue of 3,200,000 common shares at an issue price of US\$7.50 per share. Nova Minerals owns 9,600,000 shares in Snow Lake and maintains a 53.81% majority ownership.

Snow Lake is committed to being the first fully renewable energy powered electric mine in the world capable of delivering a completely traceable, conflict free, net zero carbon, battery grade lithium to the growing electric vehicle, battery storage and consumer markets.

Snow Lake owns 100% of the Thompson Brothers Lithium Project which comprises of a dominant 56km2 land position and is located 20 kilometres east of the mining community of Snow Lake, Manitoba, Canada. The Project has a mineral resource estimate of 9.08 Mt @ 1.00% Li2O indicated and 1.97 Mt @ 0.98% Li2O inferred and is currently undertaking resource expansion drilling to significantly increase the resource size and confidence.

In December, Snow Lake announced that it had increased its land holding by 57% (ASX Announcement 1 December 2021) and that it has also received all the necessary permitting for its winter drilling campaign consisting of between 5,000 and 15,000 metres of core (ASX Announcement: 14 December 2021).

In 2022 Snow Lake will initiate its feasibility studies with an aim to be mining by 2024/25.

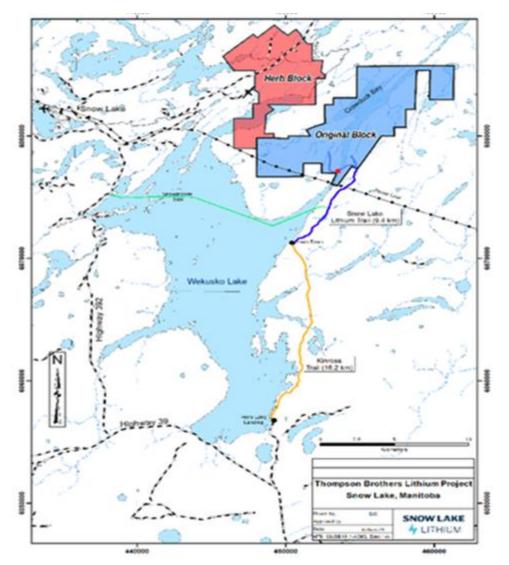


Figure 4. Increased land holdings at the Thompson Brothers Lithium Project

#### Investment – Torian Resources

Nova owns a strategic investment of 11.65% of Torian Resources Ltd (ASX:TNR). Torian is a highly active gold exploration and development company with an extensive and strategic land holding comprising six projects and over 400km<sup>2</sup> of tenure in the Goldfields Region of Western Australia. All projects are nearby to excellent infrastructure and lie within 50km of major mining towns.

Torian is continuing with its exploration strategy aimed at making significant gold and rare earth discoveries that have near term production potential. The Company is entering an exciting phase in its development as its exploration to date has already resulted in several gold discoveries.

Torian's flagship Mt Stirling Project is situated approximately 40km NW of Leanora, and neighbours Red 5's Kind of the Hills mine. The region is rich in gold endowment with producing mines such as Tower Hills, Sons of Gwalia, Thunderbox, Harbour Lights and Gwalia.

During the period Torian conducted ongoing drilling campaigns over its tenements with the aim of producing a global project mineral resource estimate by the end of Q1 2022.

# Investment – RotorX Aircraft Manufacturing

Nova owns a strategic investment of 9.9% in Rotor X Aircraft Manufacturing, which is a helicopter kit manufacturing company that provides the world's most affordable and reliable 2 seat personal helicopter.

Recently Rotor X also announced that it has entered the electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL) market with the aim of developing innovative, low operating cost heavy-lift electric helicopters and drones, to support mining and other industries, as well as the growing urban air taxi market.

The unprecedented potential benefits for Nova's mining operations through the innovative application of clean aircraft technology, have been the primary motive behind the Company's investment in aerospace company RotorX.

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

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As a result of the shareholding dilution, as well as the company having limited oversight in management of the Snow Lake Resources, the directors of Nova Minerals determined the company had lost control of its subsidiary as at 23 November 2021.

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Nova Minerals was determined by the directors to retain significant influence over Snow Lake Resources and therefore Nova Mineral's remaining interest in Snow Lake Resources has been recognised as an investment in an associate at fair value as at the date of control loss and the equity method of investment accounting applied.

There were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity during the financial half-year.

# Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year COVID-19 Impact

The impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is ongoing and it is not practicable to estimate the potential impact, positive or negative, after the reporting date. The situation is rapidly developing and is dependent on measures imposed by the Australian Government and other countries, such as maintaining social distancing requirements, quarantine, travel restrictions and any economic stimulus that may be provided.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2021 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the consolidated entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the consolidated entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### 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 immediately after this directors' report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

Louie Simens Executive Chairman

15 March 2022 



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#### AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

As lead auditor for the review of the financial report of Nova Minerals Limited for the half year ended 31 December 2021, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

#### **RSM AUSTRALIA PARTNERS**

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Dated: 15 March 2022 Melbourne, Victoria





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# **General information**

The financial statements cover Nova Minerals Limited as a consolidated entity consisting of Nova Minerals Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Nova Minerals Limited's functional and presentation currency.

Nova Minerals Limited is a listed public company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

Suite 602 566 St Kilda Road Melbourne Victoria 3004 Australia

A description of the nature of the consolidated entity's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 15 March 2022.

#### Nova Minerals Limited Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Consol 31 Dec 2021 \$	idated 31 Dec 2020 \$
Revenue			
Interest income		20,000	2,113
Other income		(00,000)	2 596 402
Fair value (loss)/gain on investments Gain from deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources	5	(88,098) 91,778,098	2,586,403
Fair value gain/(loss) on derivative liabilities	5	133,649	(1,828,857)
Share of profits of associate accounted for using equity method	5	29,088	-
Total revenue		91,872,737	759,659
Expenses	2	(4.055.007)	(007 047)
Administration expenses Contractors & consultants	3 3	(1,255,007) (696,294)	(607,617) (379,704)
Share based payments	16	(1,064,675)	(1,073,367)
Finance costs	3	(141,435)	(1,434)
Total expenses		(3,157,411)	(2,062,122)
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Profit/(loss) before income tax expense		88,715,326	(1,302,463)
Income tax expense			
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense for the half-year		88,715,326	(1,302,463)
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Foreign currency translation		1,190,373	(1,911,169)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year, net of tax		1,190,373	(1,911,169)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year		89,905,699	(3,213,632)
Profit/(loss) for the half-year is attributable to:			
Non-controlling interest		(244,379)	(45,529)
Owhers of Nova Minerals Limited		88,959,705	(1,256,934)
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		88,715,326	(1,302,463)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year is attributable to:			(250,200)
Non-controlling interest Owners of Nova Minerals Limited		(65,703) 89,971,402	(358,200) (2,855,432)
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		89,905,699	(3,213,632)
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings/(loss) per share	15	51.25	(0.84)
Diluted earnings/(loss) per share	15	47.34	(0.84)

#### Nova Minerals Limited Consolidated statement of financial position As at 31 December 2021

	Consolidated		
	Note	31 Dec 2021 \$	30 June 2021 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		7,993,534	15,516,112
Trade and other receivables	4	337,893	195,012
Total current assets		8,331,427	15,711,124
Non-current assets			
Investment in associate	5	99,738,270	-
Other financial assets	6	3,382,033	2,942,087
Property, plant and equipment	7	2,745,534	2,370,972
Exploration and evaluation	8	42,809,161	35,843,069
Total non-current assets		148,674,998	41,156,128
Total assets		157,006,425	56,867,252
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		1,016,375	3,424,690
Convertible notes		-	862,371
Total current liabilities		1,016,375	4,287,061
Total liabilities		1,016,375	4,287,061
Net assets		155,990,050	52,580,191
Equity			
Issued capital	9	125,713,259	114,922,698
Foreign currency reserves	-	84,798	(816,390)
Share based-payment reserves	10	7,173,945	6,733,118
Retained profits/(accumulated losses)		16,176,379	(74,055,061)
Non-controlling interest	11	6,841,669	5,795,826
Total equity		155,990,050	52,580,191

#### Nova Minerals Limited Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

Consolidated	lssued capital \$	Share based payment reserves \$	Foreign currency reserves \$	Accumulated losses \$	Non controlling interest \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2020	78,401,191	4,468,607	28,854	(67,386,819)	2,528,017	18,039,850
Loss after income tax expense for the half-year Other comprehensive	-	-	-	(1,256,934)	(45,529)	(1,302,463)
net of tax			(1,598,498)		(312,671)	(1,911,169)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year	-	-	(1,598,498)	(1,256,934)	(358,200)	(3,213,632)
Movement in non-controlling interest due to increase in issued capital of AKCM Pty Ltd Transactions with owners in their	-	-	(63,807)	(2,498,545)	2,531,015	(31,337)
<i>capacity as owners:</i> Share issued for cash (note 9) Options converted (note 9)	21,000,000 14,181,257	-	-	-	-	21,000,000 14,181,257
Issue of shares as part of derivative security (note 9) Share issue costs (note 9)	3,142,857 (2,058,910)	-	-	-	-	3,142,857 (2,058,910)
Share options expense for period (note 10)		1,773,157	-		-	1,773,157
Balance at 31 December 2020	114,666,395	6,241,764	(1,633,451)	(71,142,298)	4,700,832	52,833,242

#### Nova Minerals Limited Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

Consolidated	lssued capital \$	Share based payments reserves \$	Foreign currency reserves \$	Accumulated losses \$	Non- controlling interest \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2021	114,922,698	6,733,118	(816,390)	(74,055,061)	5,795,826	52,580,191
Profit/(loss) after income tax expense for the half-year Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year,	-	-	-	88,959,705	(244,379)	88,715,326
net of tax	-		1,011,697		178,676	1,190,373
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year	-	-	1,011,697	88,959,705	(65,703)	89,905,699
Movement in non-controlling interest due to increase in issued capital of AKCM Pty Ltd	_	_	131,318	(2,626,949)	2,495,631	
Movement in equity of Snow Lake Resources due to loss of control	-	(1,043,848)	(241,826)		(1,384,085)	1,228,924
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Issue of shares for cash (note 9) Exercise of performance rights	12,000,000	-	-	-	-	12,000,000
(note 9)	312,000	-	-	-	-	312,000
Share issue costs (note 9) Share options expense for period	(1,521,439)	-	-	-	-	(1,521,439)
(note 16) Performance rights granted	-	1,457,000	-	-	-	1,457,000
(note 16)	-	27,675	-	<u> </u>	-	27,675
Balance at 31 December 2021	125,713,259	7,173,945	84,799	16,176,378	6,841,669	155,990,050

#### Nova Minerals Limited Consolidated statement of cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Consol 31 Dec 2021 \$	
Cash flows from operating activities Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(1,194,246)	(2,161,971)
Interest received		(1,134,240)	26,957
Refund received		44,473	
Net cash used in operating activities		(1,149,773)	(2,135,014)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(887,607)	(1,028,055)
Payments for exploration and evaluation		(16,379,715)	(20,015,645)
Loans to related party		-	(219,052)
Payments to acquire investments		(357,658)	(200,000)
Proceeds from disposal of Investments		72,796	407,225
Loss of cash due to deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources		(59,719)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(17,611,903)	(21,055,527)
Cash flows from financing activities	_		
Proceeds from issue of shares	9	12,000,000	21,110,883
Proceeds from Issue of derivative financial liability		-	805,000
Proceeds from exercise of options		-	15,446,247
Payments for share buy-backs		-	(997,018)
Share issue transaction costs		(846,964)	(1,481,130)
Net cash from financing activities		11,153,036	34,883,982
		(7,000,040)	44 000 444
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(7,608,640)	11,693,441
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial half-year		15,516,112	4,197,220
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		86,062	(371,227)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial half-year		7,993,534	15,519,434
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# Note 1. Significant accounting policies

These general purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2021 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting' and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

These general purpose financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2021 and any public announcements made by the company during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

The principal accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, unless otherwise stated below

# Associates

Associates are entities over which the consolidated entity has significant influence but not control or joint control. Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, the share of the profits or losses of the associate is recognised in profit or loss and the share of the movements in equity is recognised in other comprehensive income.

Investments in associates are carried in the statement of financial position at cost plus post acquisition changes in the consolidated entity's share of net assets of the associate.

Goodwill relating to the associate is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is neither amortised nor individually tested for impairment. Dividends received or receivable from associates reduce the carrying amount of the investment.

When the consolidated entity's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any unsecured long-term receivables, the consolidated entity does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

The consolidated entity discontinues the use of the equity method upon the loss of significant influence over the associate and recognises any retained investment at its fair value. Any difference between the associate's carrying amount, fair value of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal is recognised in profit or loss.

#### New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The consolidated entity has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

# Note 2. Operating segments

Operating segment information is disclosed on the same basis as information used for internal reporting purposes by the Board of Directors.

At regular intervals, the board is provided management information for the Company's cash position, the carrying values of exploration permits and Company cash forecast for the next twelve months of operation. On this basis, the board considers the consolidated entity operates in one segment being exploration of minerals and two geographical areas, being Australia and United States.

For the December 2021 period the Canadian assets relate to the investment in associate and the exploration asset as been eliminated due to the deconsolidation.

# Note 2. Operating segments (continued)

# Geographical information

	Interest	Interest income		Il non-current sets
	31 Dec 2021 \$	31 Dec 2020 \$	31 Dec 2021 \$	30 June 2021 \$
Australia Canada	20,000	1,800	2,919,963 99,992,602	2,734,349 8,674,650
United States		313	45,762,431	29,747,129
	20,000	2,113	148,674,996	41,156,128

# Note 3. Expenses

	Consolidated		
	31 Dec 2021 \$	31 Dec 2020 \$	
Profit/(loss) before income tax includes the following specific expenses:			
Depreciation	157,899	74,354	
Superannuation	1,909	6,500	
adi	159,808	80,854	
Corporate and consultants	696,294	379,704	
Finance costs			
Finance charges	141,435	1,434	
Note 4. Current assets - trade and other receivables			
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(U/2)	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2021 : \$	30 June 2021 \$
Interest receivable	20,000	-
Placement funds receivable	55,023	55,023
Rent Bond	5,830	5,830
Prepayments	205,073	152,768
BAS receivable	51,967	(18,609)
	337,893	195,012

#### Note 5. Non-current assets - Investment in associate

	Conso 31 Dec 2021 \$	lidated 30 June 2021 \$
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Investment in Snow Lake Resources	99,738,270	
Reconciliation Reconciliation of the carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial half-year are set out below:		
Opening carrying amount Fair value of Snow Lake Resources investment at date of deconsolidation	- 99,709,182	-
Share of Snow Lake Resources profits for period	29,088	-
	00 700 070	
Closing carrying amount	99,738,270	
20	Conso	lidated
	31 Dec 2021	30 June 2021
	\$	\$
Gain on deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources		
Fair value of Snow Lake Resources investment at date of deconsolidation	99,709,182	-
Less carrying value of net assets on deconsolidation	(7,931,084)	
Gain of deconsolidation	91,778,098	-
	01,770,000	
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The initial fair value of the investment recognised on deconsolidation was determined as Nova Minerals shareholding in Snow Lake Resources at the initial public offering price of \$7.50 USD.

#### Note 6. Non-current assets - other financial assets

		lidated 30 June 2021 \$
Investments in Torian Resources Limited at fair value	2,919,963	2,734,349
Loans granted to related parties	207,738	207,738
Loan to associate entity	254,332	
	3,382,033	2,942,087

#### Note 6. Non-current assets - other financial assets (continued)

		lidated 30 June 2021 \$
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Reconciliation Investments at fair value Reconciliation of the carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the current and previous		
financial year are set out below:		
Opening balance	2,734,349	30,719
Addition		405 705
Conversion of Torian Resources convertible note and interest Torian Resources shares	- 300,000	425,725 200,000
Torian Resources options	46,509	- 200,000
Disposal	,	
AX8 shares	-	(93,623)
Torian Resources shares	(34,807)	-
Gain on disposal Torian Resources shares	20 175	62.004
Movement in fair value	28,475	62,904
Torian Resources shares	(387,107)	2,108,624
Torian Resources TNROB options	232,544	
Closing fair value	2,919,963	2,734,349

The Investment in Torian Resources Limited comprises shares and options held by the group measured at fair value. The group shareholding in Torian comprises 11.65 % ownership

# Note 7. Non-current assets - property, plant and equipment

	Consolidated	
$\bigcirc$	31 Dec 2021   30 June 2021 \$     \$	
Plant and equipment - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	3,268,894 2,729,709 (523,360) (358,737)	-
	2,745,534 2,370,972	

Reconciliations

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Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial half-year are set out below:

	Plant and equipment
<mark>⊆ <del>Co</del>nsolidated</mark>	\$
Balance at 1 July 2021 Additions Foreign exchange movement Depreciation expense	2,370,972 465,343 67,118 (157,899)
Balance at 31 December 2021	2,745,534

#### Note 8. Non-current assets - exploration and evaluation

				blidated 30 June 2021 \$
Exploration and evaluation expenditure			42,809,161	35,843,069
Reconciliations				
Reconciliations of the written down values at the begi	nning and end	of the current financial	half-year are set	out below:
Consolidated				\$
Consolidated				Φ
Balance at 1 July 2021				35,843,069
Additions				14,517,346
Deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources				(8,532,572)
Revaluation due to foreign exchange				981,318
Balance at 31 December 2021				42,809,161
Note 9. Equity - issued capital				
		Consolidat	ed	
3	31 Dec 2021			30 June 2021

	Consolidated				
	31 Dec 2021 Shares		June 2021 Shares	31 Dec 2021 \$	30 June 2021 \$
Issued capital Share issue costs	180,202,285	1,6	80,946,647	130,246,297 (4,533,038)	117,934,296 (3,011,598)
	180,202,285	1,6	80,946,647	125,713,259	114,922,698
Ordinary share - issued and fully paid	Dec 202 No	1	Dec 2021 \$	June 2021 No	June 2021 \$
At the beginning of the period - Contributions of equity - Shares issued on conversion of options - Shares issued on conversion of derivative security - Share buy back - Performance rights exercised - Consolidation of shares adjustment <sup>(a)</sup> - Share issue costs - share based payments note 1 - Share issue costs - cash payments	12,000, (1,621,835,	910 - - 000	114,922,698 12,000,000 - - 312,000 - (732,000 (789,439	123,529,412 453,476,481 31,428,572 (7,000,000) - -	3,142,857
Closing balance	180,202,	285	125,713,259	1,680,946,647	114,922,698

(a) On the 29 November 2021 the company completed share consolidation on a 10:1 basis

#### Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on the winding up of the company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares held. The fully paid ordinary shares have no par value and the company does not have a limited amount of authorised capital.

On a show of hands every member present at a meeting in person or by proxy shall have one vote and upon a poll each share shall have one vote.

#### Preference shares

Preference shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on the winding up of the company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares held, with priority over ordinary shareholders.

# Note 9. Equity - issued capital (continued)

Preference shares do not have any voting rights.

# Note 10. Equity - Share based-payment reserves

		blidated 30 June 2021 \$
Share-based payments reserve Convertible note reserve	7,173,945	6,652,087 81,031
	7,173,945	6,733,118

#### Share-based payments reserve

The reserve is used to recognise the value of equity benefits provided to employees and directors as part of their remuneration, and other parties as part of their compensation for services.

#### Movements in reserves

Movements in each class of reserve during the current financial half-year are set out below:

Consolidated	\$
Balance at 1 July 2021 Movement in reserve due to deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources (note 5) Options expense in period (note 16) Performance rights granted (note 16)	6,733,118 (1,043,848) 1,457,000 27,675
Balance at 31 December 2021	7,173,945

Note 11. Equity - non-controlling interest

		Consolidated 31 Dec 2021   30 June 2021 \$         \$	
Issued capital Reserves Accumulated losses	6,956,216 17,218 (131,765)	6,326,958 222,783 (753,915)	
	6,841,669	5,795,826	

In line with AASB 10 Consolidated Financial Statements Nova Minerals derecognised Snow Lake Resources in its consolidated statement of financial position as at 23 November 2021 The non-controlling interest as of 31 December 2021 is 0% (30 June 2021: 26.20%).

As of the 31 December the non-controlling interest is 15% (30 June 2021: 15%) equity holding in AKCM Pty Ltd.

# Note 12. Fair value measurement

The following tables detail the consolidated entity's assets and liabilities, measured or disclosed at fair value, using a three level hierarchy, based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the entire fair value measurement, being:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability

Consolidated - 31 Dec 2021	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3 \$	Total \$
Assets				
Investments at fair value	2,919,963	-	-	2,919,963
Investment in Snow Lake Resources	99,738,270	-	-	99,738,270
Total assets	102,658,233		-	102,658,233
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Consolidated - 30 June 2021	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets				
Investments at fair value	2,734,349	-	-	2,734,349
Total assets	2,734,349		-	2,734,349
Liabilities				
Convertible Note	862,371	-	-	862,371
C Total liabilities	862,371	-	-	862,371

#### Note 13. Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities that the consolidated entity has become aware of at 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2021.

# Note 14. Events after the reporting period

#### COVID-19 Impact

The impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is ongoing and it is not practicable to estimate the potential impact, positive or negative, after the reporting date. The situation is rapidly developing and is dependent on measures imposed by the Australian Government and other countries, such as maintaining social distancing requirements, quarantine, travel restrictions and any economic stimulus that may be provided.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2021 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the consolidated entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the consolidated entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### Note 15. Earnings/(Loss) per share

	Conso	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2021 \$	31 Dec 2020 \$	
Profit/(loss) after income tax Non-controlling interest	88,715,326 244,379	(1,302,463) 45,529	
Profit/(loss) after income tax	88,959,705	(1,256,934)	

# Note 15. Earnings/(Loss) per share (continued)

	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share Adjustments for calculation of diluted earnings per share:	173,581,053	149,448,583
Options outstanding Performance rights	11,950,000 2,400,000	-
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	187,931,053	149,448,583
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings/(loss) per share Diluted earnings/(loss) per share	51.25 47.34	(0.84) (0.84)
The weighted average number of ordinary shares for 30 December 2020 has been restate consolidation completed in November 2021, in accordance with AASB 133 'Earnings per sha		t of the share
	1	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share (be restatement) Restatement following consolidation	1	,494,485,838 ,345,037,254 <u>)</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share (at restatement)		149,448,584
-As of the 31 December 2020 there were 109,500,000 (10,950,000 restated) outstanding unicluded in the diluted calculation - As of the 31 December 2021 there were 11,950,000 outstanding unlisted options that wo		
calculation		
Note 16. Share-based payments		
From time to time, the Group provides Incentive Options and Performance Rights to officers other key advisors as part of remuneration and incentive arrangements. The number of option terms of the options or rights granted are determined by the Board. Shareholder approval is so the period the following share-based payments have been recognised:	ons or rights gra	anted, and the
Share-based payments		
During the period, the following share-based payments have been have been granted:		
		Consolidated 31 Dec 2021
Recognised in profit & loss :		\$

Re	cognised	IN	profit	&	loss	:
2	Advisoro	nti	200			

- 2 Advisor options3 Advisor options
- 4 Performance rights exercised (note 9)
- 5 Performance rights granted

Total

395,000 330,000

312,000

1,064,675

27,675

# Note 16. Share-based payments (continued)

	Consolidated 31 Dec 2021 \$
Recognised in equity: 1. Options issued to brokers	732,000

#### **Options granted**

For the options granted during the current financial half-year, the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date, are as follows:

		1 Broker optic	ons 27	Advisor options	3 Advisor	options
Recognised in Grant date Issued date Number of options issued Expiry date Vesting date Share price at grant date Exercise Price Expected Volatility Risk-Free Interest Rate Underlying fair value at grant da Fair Value	te	Equity note 9 27/09/2021 27/09/2021 1,200,000 27/09/2023 27/09/2021 1.45 2.200 100% 0.26% 0.61 732,000	20 50 20 1.5 1.5 10 0.2 0.7	/10/2021 /10/2021 0,000 /05/2023 /10/2021 55 350 0% 26%	P&L 20/10/202 20/10/202 500,000 7/10/2023 20/10/202 1.55 2.200 100% 0.26% 0.66 330,000	1
Exercise period	Exercise price	Beginning balance	Issued	Exercised	Lapsed	Ending balance
On or before 19 September	0.40	6,100,000			-	6,100,000
On or before 28 October 2022	0.56	150,000			-	150,000
On or before 28 January 2023	0.60	750,000			-	750,000
On or before 2 December 2022 On or before 29 December	3.00	1,050,000			-	1,050,000
(2023	0.75	1,100,000			-	1,100,000
On or before 20 May 2023 On or before 27 September	1.35	600,000			-	600,000
2023	2.20	-	1,200,000	) -	-	1,200,000
On or before 20 May 2023	1.40	-	500,000		-	500,000
On or before 7 October 2023	2.20	-	500,000		-	500,000
Cotal	-	9,750,000	2,200,000		-	11,950,000

# The weighted average year remaining contractual life

The weighted average year remaining contractual life for share-based payment options outstanding as of the 31 December 2021 was 1.38 years

# Note 16. Share-based payments (continued)

# Performance rights

2021 Performance rights :

During the period the Company issued 24 million performance rights (2.4 million post-consolidation) to three directors. The terms of the performance rights issued were disclosed in the annual general meeting notice announced 22 October 2021. The performance rights are long-term incentives to offer conditional rights to fully paid ordinary shares in the Company upon satisfaction of vesting criteria over the vesting periods for no cash consideration. Fair value has been measured using the share price at grant date.

Vesting conditions for the rights are set out in the table below:

Class of Performance	Applicable	Lapse date	Number rights
	11	. '	•
Rights	Milestone	date	issued
Class A Performance	Completion of either a pre-feasibility study or a definitive feasibility	5 years from	600,000
Rights	study of the Korbel Main deposit that demonstrates at the time of	issue	,
GD	reporting that extraction is reasonably justified and economically		
	mineable indicating an internal rate of return to the Company of		
	greater than 20% and an independently verified JORC classified		
	mineral reserve equal to or greater than 1,500,000 oz Au with an		
	average grade of not less than 0.4g/t for not less than 116Mt.		
Class B Performance	Completion of the first gold pour (defined as a minimum quantity of	5 years from issue	600,000
Rights	500 oz.) from the Korbel Main deposit.	•	
Class C Performance	Achievement of an EBITDA of more than \$20m in the second half-	5 years from issue	1,200,000
Rights	year reporting period following the commencement of commercial	,	, ,
	operations at the Korbel Main deposit.		

The performance rights were valued as the closing share price \$1.30 on the grant date 24 November 2021. The total sharebased payment expense recognised form the amortisation of the 2021 issued performance rights was \$27,675

Set out below are the summaries of Performance rights granted during period as share based payments

Grant date	Expiry date	Class	Price at grant date	Granted	Exercised	Expired/ Lapsed/ other	Balance at the end of the half-year
24/11/2021 24/11/2021 24/11/2021	24/11/2026 24/11/2026 24/11/2026	A B C	\$1.30 \$1.30 \$1.30	600,000 600,000 1,200,000	-	-	600,000

2020 Performance rights issue:

On 2 April 2020 36 million performance rights were issued to directors and key management as disclosed in the 2020 annual general meeting notice announced 26 February 2020. The performance rights were long-term incentives to offer conditional rights to fully paid ordinary shares in the Company upon satisfaction of vesting criteria over the vesting periods for no cash consideration. Achievement of the vesting conditions attached to the rights within the expiry period was initially assessed by the directors as highly improbable and therefore no charge was recognised.

During the period 12 million of the 2020 performance rights issue vested and were exercised by holders resulting in 12 million ordinary shares being issued on 29 October 2021 - see issued capital note 11.

Fair value of the exercised rights was been measured using the share price at grant date and a charge of \$312,000 recognised in share-based payment expenses in the current period in respect of the issue.

The remaining 24 million performance rights as part of the 2020 issue expired on 28 October 2021.

#### Nova Minerals Limited Directors' declaration 31 December 2021

In the directors' opinion:

 the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting', the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;

the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and of its performance for the financial half-year ended on that date; and

there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

Louie Simens Executive Chairman

15 March 2022



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT To the Members of Nova Minerals Limited

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Nova Minerals Limited which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the half-year end or from time to time during the half-year.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Nova Minerals Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity'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 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 Nova Minerals Limited, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

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# Responsibility of the Directors' for the Financial Report

The directors of the Nova Minerals Limited 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 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. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, 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 consolidated entity'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.

#### **RSM AUSTRALIA PARTNERS**

B Y CHAN Partner

Dated: 15 March 2022 Melbourne, Victoria