

# **Interim Report 2023**

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# **Corporate Directory**

#### Directors

Anna Ladd-Kruger Christopher Gerteisen Louie Simens Craig Bentley Chair of the Board CEO & Executive Director Executive Director Director of Finance & Compliance Non-Executive Director Non-Executive Director

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#### **Share Registry**

Link Market Services Limited Level 13, Tower 4 727 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia

### ASX: NVA

# OTC: NVAAF

#### Auditors

RSM Australia Pty Ltd Level 21, 55 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia Developing 'Estelle' North America's next major gold trend in Alaska



# **About Nova Minerals**

Nova Minerals Limited (ASX: NVA) vision is developing North America's next major gold trend, Estelle, to become a world class, tier-one, global gold producer. Its flagship Estelle Gold Project contains multiple mining complexes across a 35km long mineralised corridor of over 20 identified gold prospects, including two already defined multi-million ounce resources containing a combined 9.6 Moz Au. The project is situated on the Estelle Gold Trend in Alaska's prolific Tintina Gold Belt, a province which hosts a 220 million ounce (Moz) documented gold endowment and some of the world's largest gold mines and discoveries including Victoria Gold's Eagle Mine and Kinross Gold Corporation's Fort Knox Gold Mine.

Additionally, Nova holds a substantial interest in NASDAQ-listed lithium explorer Snow Lake Resources Ltd (NASDAQ: LITM) and a holding in Asra Minerals Limited (ASX: ASR), a gold and rare earths exploration company based in Western Australia, and a 9.9% interest in privately owned RotorX Aircraft manufacturing (<u>www.rotorxaircraft.com/evtol/</u>) who are seeking to list in the USA in the near future.

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Highlights – Continuing to deliver on our Vision to Develop the Estelle Gold Project

> 30,000m highly targeted drill program completed, including maiden drilling of RPM South and Cathedral

More world class, thick, high-grade intercepts reported at RPM North

Various PFS level mine and process optimization, material haulage, environmental, and other trade-off studies commenced, including the investigation of another processing plant in the RPM Mining Complex

Phase 2 scoping study, including the highgrade RPM deposits, commenced

A\$30m funding secured lead by global gold fund

Metallurgical results show up to 96% gold recovery from RPM

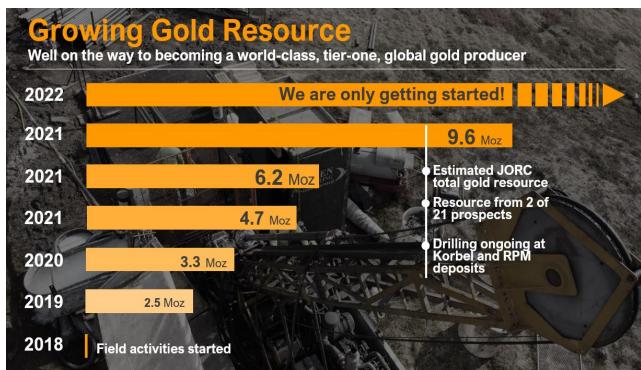


Winter road operations recommenced late in 2022

# **Review of Operations**

# Transformational 30,000m Drill Program Completed

Nova's vision is to develop 'Estelle' North America's next major gold trend to become a world-class, tier one, global gold producer. In pursuit of this goal Nova undertook a transformational 30,000m highly targeted diamond drill program during the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the 2023 financial year. The aim of this program is to increase both the size and confidence of the Korbel and RPM deposits, with the inclusion of the high grade RPM ore in the production schedule expected to have a significant positive impact on the key economic metrics such as NPV and IRR in the Phase 2 Scoping Study, now well underway



# Figure 1. Resource Growth

The 2022 diamond drill program comprised of:

- 9,000m (24 holes) of close spaced infill and step out drilling at the RPM North deposit to prove up and expand the existing 1.5 Mozs @ 2.0g/t Inferred resource to the Indicated and Measured levels (All assay results received and upgraded resource estimate pending)
- 3,000m (8 holes) maiden drilling at the RPM South prospect (All assay results received and maiden resource estimate pending)
- 10,000m (30 holes) infill drilling at Korbel, in the saddle area within the proposed conceptual Korbel Main pit zone, with the goal being to convert additional Inferred resources from the 8.1 Moz total gold resource (3.0 Moz Indicated | 5.1 Moz Inferred) into the higher Indicated category (Assays results pending, following which an upgraded resource estimate will be undertaken)
- 5,000m (12 holes) maiden drilling at the Cathedral prospect (All assay results are pending, following which a maiden resource estimate will be undertaken)
- 1,000m (12 holes) for hydro wells for ground water monitoring as part of the environmental studies currently underway.

# **RPM North**

Having derived a 1.5 Moz @ 2g/t Au Inferred resource at the RPM North deposit in 2021, including the bonanza grade result of **3.5 g/t Au over 400m (1,400 gram meters)**, including 10.1 g/t Au over 132m, the 2022 RPM North drill program continued to define the broad high grade zone of continuous gold mineralisation from surface, with more world class, thick, high grade and shallow intercepts including:

- **RPM-015** 
  - 161m @ 8.1 g/t Au from surface including;
  - 117m @ 11.1 g/t Au
  - 78m @ 16.0 g/t Au
  - 45m @ 25.3 g/t Au
  - 14m @ 51.2 g/t Au

(*RPM-015 returned an overall average grade of* **5.1** *g/t* **Au over 258m (1,316 gram meters)** from surface within the RPM North mineralised zone at 0.1g/t cutoff)

- **RPM-008** 
  - 140m @ 6.5 g/t Au from 44m including;
  - 87m @ 10.1 g/t Au
  - 56m @ 15.0 g/t Au
  - 24m @ 24.7 g/t Au

(*RPM-008 returned an overall average grade of* **3.6** *g/t* **Au over 260m (936 gram meters)** from surface within the RPM North mineralised zone at 0.1g/t cutoff)

- **RPM-033** 
  - 107m @ 7.4 g/t Au from 41m including;
  - 80m @ 9.8 g/t Au from 56m
  - 40m @ 11.8 g/t Au from 56m

(*RPM-033 returned an overall average grade of* **3.3** *g/t Au over* **253***m* (*835 gram meters*) *from 14m within the RPM North mineralised zone at 0.1 g/t cutoff*)

- **RPM-022** (Main zone)
  - 67m @ 10.4 g/t Au from 112m including;
  - 55m @ 12.5 g/t Au from 115m
  - 43m @ 15.8 g/t Au from 118m
  - 34m @ 19.4 g/t Au from 118m

(*RPM-022 returned an overall average grade of* **3.9** *g*/*t* **Au over 193m (753 gram meters)** *from 4m within the RPM North mineralised zone at 0.1g/t cutoff*)

- **RPM-010** 
  - 168m @ 2.3 g/t Au from surface including;
  - 94m @ 3.8 g/t Au
  - 61m @ 5.6 g/t Au
  - 30m @ 10.0 g/t Au

(*RPM-010 returned an overall average grade of* **1.9** *g*/**t Au over 199m** from surface within the RPM North mineralised zone)

- RPM-025 (Main zone)
  - 62m @ 6.0g/t Au from 43m including;
  - 30m @ 11.2 g/t Au from 56m
  - 15m @ 19.2 g/t Au from 72m

(*RPM-025 returned an overall average grade of* **2.1 g/t Au over 198m (416 gram meters)** from 8m within the RPM North mineralised zone at 0.1g/t cutoff)

With the completion of the 2022 RPM North drill program, Nova has now defined a strike length of over 400m with close spaced Indicated and Measured level drilling, including a broad zone of continuous high grade gold from surface measuring 150mL x 50mW x 300mD. The deposit remains wide open with a  $2^{nd}$  mineralised intrusive intercepted in holes RPM-025 and RPM-037 and numerous additional gold zones identified for follow up in the 2023 drill program.

# **RPM South**

Maiden drill results received from the RPM South prospect replicate the early RPM North discovery diamond drill hole SE12-008, which returned results of 178m @ 0.8 g/t Au, including 120m @ 1.0 g/t Au and 50m at 1.8 g/t Au. Significant initial results at RPM South include:

- RPM-023
  - **116m @ 0.9 g/t Au** from 8m including;
  - 94m @ 1.0 g/t Au from 24m
  - 15m @ 2.3 g/t Au from 94m

(*RPM-023 returned an overall average grade of* **0.5***g*/*t* **Au over 333***m* from 8*m within the RPM South mineralised zone at 0.1 g*/*t cutoff*)



Figure 2. Drill rig at RPM South

More importantly, the oriented drill core data confirms there is a geological connection between RPM North and RPM South, and the intrusive remains wide open in all directions. The focus in 2023 will be to identify and target further high grade blow out zones like those intercepted at RPM North and to drill out the 600m high priority target area identified that links the two RPM zones (Figure 3).

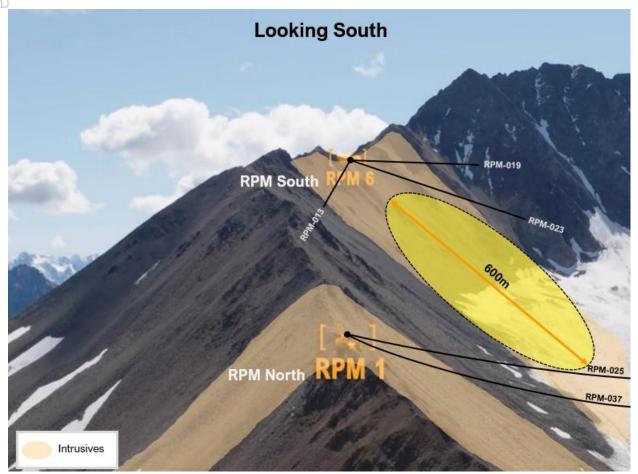


Figure 3. High priority target linking RPM North and RPM South to be drilled in 2023

# Further Unlocking Multiple Mining Complexes Within the Estelle Gold Project

Nova has already commenced the various mine and process optimization, material haulage, environmental, and other trade-off study options and concepts to fast track the Pre-Feasibility Study. With the significant scope for major resource development at RPM, and possibly another deposit in the Train area as well (subject to drilling to commence in 2023), the case for another processing plant sited within the RPM Mining Complex is growing even stronger (See Figure 4).

Upon the completion of Phase 2 Scoping Study, PFS level trade-off studies will be used to investigate the possibility of establishing an initial standalone processing plant within the RPM Mining Complex, for the initial years, with another processing plant within the Korbel Mining Complex to be commissioned in later years, as outlined in the previously released Phase 1 Scoping Study.



Figure 4. Unlocking the opportunity to establish two proposed major mining complexes with standalone processing plants within the Estelle Gold **Project.** To be investigated as part of the PFS trade-off studies currently under way.

# 2023 Financial Year Next Steps

- Continuous results from the 2022 drill program as they are received from the laboratory, for Korbel Main, Cathedral and You Beauty
- Resource (MRE) updates for RPM North, RPM South, Korbel Main and Cathedral
- Phase 2 Scoping Study to be produced soon after the Global MRE is complete
- PFS test work and trade off studies as they become available
- Drill planning for 2023, focusing on the RPM and Train areas
- Drilling at RPM to recommence with new drill plan upon completion of the resource estimate and Phase 2 Scoping Study
- Metallurgical test work ongoing for the highly anticipated and exciting Phase 2 Scoping Study
- Environmental test work ongoing
- PFS studies commenced
- The company is fundamentally running on schedule to unlock the Estelle Gold Project, which sits within the much larger Estelle Gold Trend, in a tier 1, safe jurisdiction.

# **Strategic Investments**

In addition to its flagship Estelle Gold Project in Alaska, Nova also owns investments in the following strategic assets which it will monetize over time to provide funding for the Estelle project.

### **Snow Lake Resources Ltd**

#### **SNOW LAKE**

# 4 LITHIUM 6.6 million shares | 37% owned | NASDAQ: LITM

Nova is the majority owner of Snow Lake Resources Ltd, listed on the NASDAQ (LITM), which is engaged in lithium exploration at the Thompson Brothers Lithium Project located in the province of Manitoba, Canada. Snow Lake's prime objective is to be the next low-cost lithium producer by fast-tracking the development of its near term production and cash flow lithium mine through conventional DSO truck and shovel mining methods to supply the North American electric vehicle and battery markets.

Snow Lake has a dominant 55,318 acre land position, and the Thompson Brothers Lithium Project currently 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.

For more information, see www.snowlakelithium.com

# Asra Minerals Ltd



# 117.3 million shares | 8.76% owned | ASX: ASR

Asra Resources Ltd is a highly active gold and rare earths exploration and development company with an extensive and strategic land holding comprising of 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. The Company is entering an exciting phase in its development as its exploration to date has already resulted in several gold discoveries, including its flagship Mt Stirling Project which neighbours Red 5's King of the Hills mine.

For more information, see www.asraresources.com.au

# **Rotor X Aircraft Manufacturing**



Rotor X Aircraft Manufacturing is a helicopter kit manufacturing company that produces 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, which are expected to lower Nova's estimated logistics costs by a third, have been the primary motive behind the Company's investment in aerospace company Rotor X.

For more information, see www.rotorxaircraft.com



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# **Directors' Report**

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 2022.

### **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 Anna Ladd-Kruger Rodrigo Capel Pasqua

### **Principal Activities**

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

### **Dividends**

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the current or previous financial half-year.

### **Significant Changes in the State of Affairs**

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

The following events have occurred subsequent to the period end :

- The Company's 2022 exploration mapping and sampling campaign confirmed the discovery of a new broad zone of high-grade gold mineralisation at the recently named Trumpet Prospect, located 1.5km Northwest of Train.
- As a 37% shareholder in Snow Lake Lithium Ltd (NASDAQ:LITM) the Company announced the restructuring of the Snow Lake board, and outlined Snow Lake's growth and development strategy moving forward.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2022 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**

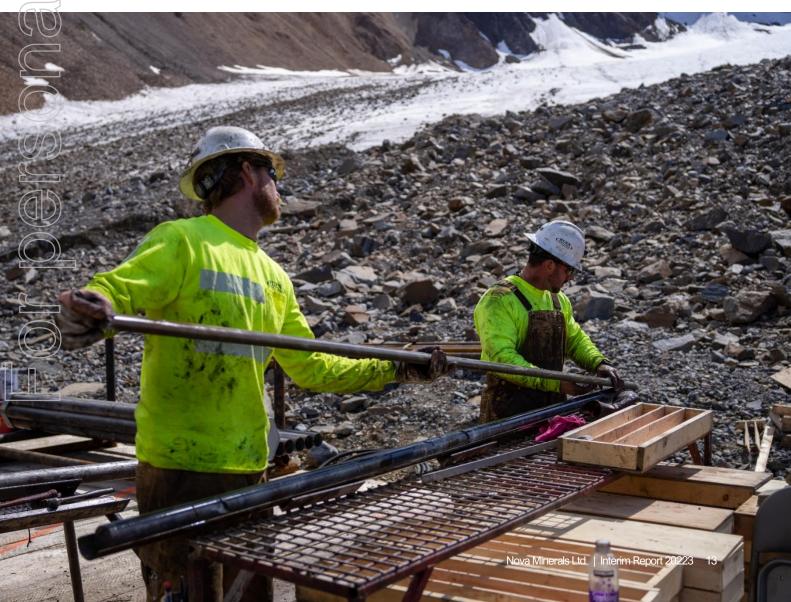
A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out immediately after this directors' report.

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

Anna Ladd - Kruger Chairperson

28 February 2023



# **Auditor's Independence Declaration**



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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 2022, 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** 

B Y CHAN Partner

Date: 28 February 2023 Melbourne, Victoria

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# **Financial Statements**

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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.



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The above consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

	Consolidated Statement of Financial Position For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2022	Note	31 Dec	olidated 30 June 2022 \$
	Assets			
	Current Assets			
	Cash and cash equivalents		24,979,845	21,278,93
2	Trade and other receivables	4	367,485	242,48
	Total current assets	_	25,347,330	21,521,41
	Non-Current Assets			
	Investment in associate	5	20,572,985	23,022,26
		6	2,874,563	3,963,79
		7	2,920,950	3,118,80
		8	74,729,744	56,702,62
	Total non-current assets	-	101,098,242	86,807,49
	Total Assets		126,445,572	108,328,90
	Liabilities			
	Current Liabilities			
	Trade and other payables		1,961,535	3,999,58
	Convertible note S	)	2,663,337	
	Total current liabilities	-	4,624,872	3,999,58
	Non-Current Liabilities			
	Convertible note S	)	4,446,918	
	Total non-current liabilities	-	4,446,918	
	Total Liabilities	-	9,071,790	3,999,58
	Net Assets	1	17,373,782	104,329,32
	Eauth			
	Equity Issued capital	0 1	42,405,474	125,713,26
	Foreign currency reserves		2,912,448	2,226,05
	Share based-payment reserves 1	1	8,755,165	7,309,32
	Accumulated losses		14,358,819)	(38,500,932
	Equity attributable to the owners of Nova Minerals Limited		09,714,268	96,747,70
	Non-controlling interest 1:		7,659,514	7,581,62
	Total Equity	1.	17,373,782	104,329,326

The above consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying

# **Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity** For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2022

Consolidated	lssued Capital \$	Share Based Payments Reserves \$		Accumulate d 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, net of tax	-	-	- 1,011,697	88,959,705	(244,379) 178,676	88,715,326 1,190,373
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year			1,011,697		(65,703)	89,905,699
Movement in non- controlling interest due to increase in issued capital of AKCM Pty Ltd Movement in equity of Snow Lake Resources due to loss of control	-	- (1,043,848)	131,318 (241,826)	(2,626,949) 3,898,683		- 1,228,924
<i>Transactions with</i> <i>owners in their capacity</i> <i>as owners:</i> Issue of shares for cash (note 10)	12,000,000		-	-	-	12,000,000
Exercise of performance rights (note 10) Share issue costs (note	312,000	-	-	-	-	312,000
10)	(1,521,439)	-	-	-	-	(1,521,439)
Share options expense for period (note 17) Performance rights	-	1,457,000	-	-	-	1,457,000
granted ( note 17)		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

The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

# **Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity** (Continued) For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2022

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Consolidated	lssued capital \$	Share based payments reserves \$	Foreign currency reserves \$	Accumulat ed losses \$	Non- controlling interest \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2022	125,713,259	7,309,323	2,226,051	(38,500,93	32) 7,581,624	104,329,325
Loss after income tax expense for the half-year Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the	-	-	-	(5,857,88	, , ,	
half-year, net of tax	-		686,397		- 123,454	809,851
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year <i>Transactions with</i> <i>owners in their capacity</i> <i>as owners:</i>		-	686,397	(5,857,88	37) 77,890	(5,093,600)
Issue of shares for cash (note 10) Exercise of options	18,474,999	-	-			18,474,999
(note 10) Share issue costs (note	40,000	-	-			40,000
10) Share options expense	(1,822,784)	-	-			(1,822,784)
for period (note 17) Performance rights	-	1,308,220	-			1,308,220
granted (note 17)		137,622				137,622
Balance at 31 December 2022	142,405,474	8,755,165	2,912,448	(44,358,81	19) 7,659,514	117,373,782

Consolidated Statement of Cash FlowsFor the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2022Note	Consol 31 Dec 2022 \$	idated 31 Dec 2021 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)	(1,433,529)	(1,149,773)
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,433,529)	<u>(1,149,773)</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(887,607)
Payments for exploration and evaluation	(19,064,831)	(16,379,715)
Convertible note in Asra Minerals Limited	(250,000)	-
Monies received from related party	74,239	-
Payments to acquire investments	-	(357,658)
Proceeds from disposal of Investments	-	72,796
Loss of cash due to deconsolidation of Snow Lake Resources	-	(59,719)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	38,500	-
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(19,306,556)</u>	(17,611,903)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issue of shares 10	18,474,999	12,000,000
Proceeds from Issue of convertible note	7,449,210	-
Proceeds from exercise of options	40,000	-
Corporate advisory costs	(300,000)	-
Share issue transaction costs	(1,257,391)	(846,964)
Net cash from financing activities	24,406,818	11,153,036
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,666,733	(7,608,640)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial half-year	21,278,936	(7,000,040)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	34,176	86,062
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Financial Half-Year	24,979,845	7,993,534

The above consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements For the Half-Year Ended 31 December 2022

### **Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies**

These general-purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2022 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 2022 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.

#### 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 2022 period the Canadian assets relate to the investment in associate and the exploration asset as been eliminated due to the deconsolidation.

#### Geographical information

	Intere	est Income	Geographical Non- Current Assets		
	31 Dec 2022 \$	2022 2021		30 June 2022 \$	
Australia Canada United States	-	20,000 - -		4,527,957 23,022,266 59,257,269	
		20,000	101,098,246	86,807,492	

# Note 3. Expenses

	Profit/(loss) before in
	Depreciation Superannuation
$\bigcirc$	Corporate and consu
	<i>Finance costs</i> Finance charges Amortisation of finance
	Finance costs expens
(D)	Note 4. Trade and
UOSJÐ	<i>Current assets</i> Other receivable Rent Bond Prepayments GST receivable
$\bigcirc$	

Profit/(loss) before income tax includes the following specific expenses:

Depreciation Superannuation	211,443 610	157,899 1,909
	212,053	159,808
Corporate and consultants	519,748	696,294
<i>Finance costs</i> Finance charges Amortisation of financial liability	49,330 151,229	141,435 -
Finance costs expensed	200,559	141,435

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# Note 4. Trade and Other Receivables

	Consoli 2022 \$		
Current assets			
Other receivable	240,718	29,216	
Rent Bond	5,830	5,830	
Prepayments	41,568	64,575	
GST receivable	79,369	142,860	
	367,485	242,481	
	•		

#### Note 5. Investment in Associate

		Consol 31 Dec 2022 \$	idated 30 June 2022 \$
$\sim$	<i>Non-current assets</i> Investment in Snow Lake Resources	20,572,985	23,022,266
	<i>Reconciliation</i> Reconciliation of the carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial half-year are set out below:		
2	Opening carrying amount Fair value of Snow Lake Resources investment at date of deconsolidation Disposals	23,022,266 - -	- 99,709,182 (22,056,932)
	Loss on disposal on Snow Lake Resources Share of Snow Lake Resources (loss)/profit for period Impairment of investment in Snow Lake Resources	- (2,449,281)	(9,102,187) 29,088 (45,556,885)
7	Closing carrying amount	20,572,985	23,022,266
	Note 6. Other Financial Assets	Consol 31 Dec 2022 \$	idated 30 June 2022 \$
	<i>Non-current assets</i> Investments in Asra Minerals Limited at fair value Loans granted to related parties	2,533,068 91,495	<b>\$</b> 3,797,443 166,348
))	Convertible note in Asra Minerals Limited	250,000 2,874,563	3,963,791
		Consol 31 Dec 2022 \$	idated 30 June 2022 \$
2	<b>Reconciliation Investments at fair value</b> Reconciliation of the carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:		
)	Opening balance Addition	3,797,443	2,734,349
)	Asra Minerals Shares Asra Minerals Options <i>Disposal</i>	-	495,590 46,509
	Asra Minerals Shares Gain on disposal	-	(238,927)
	Asra Minerals Shares <i>Movement in fair value</i>	-	232,596
	Asra Minerals Shares Asra Minerals ASROB options	(938,813) (325,562)	62,238 465,088
	Closing fair value	2,533,068	3,797,443

The Investment in Asra Minerals Limited comprises shares and options held by the group measured at fair value. The group shareholding in Asra Minerals comprises 8.75% ownership.

#### Note 7. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Consolidated 31 Dec 30 June 2022 2022	
Non-current assets	\$	\$
Plant and equipment - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	3,852,024 (931,074)	3,854,410 (735,602)
	2,920,950	3,118,808

#### Reconciliations

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

	Plant and equipment
Consolidated	\$
Balance at 1 July 2022 Disposals Foreign exchange movement Depreciation expense	3,118,808 (18,863) 32,448 (211,443)
Balance at 31 December 2022	2,920,950

#### **Note 8. Exploration and Evaluation**

	Consolidated		
	31 Dec 2022 \$	30 June 2022 \$	
<i>Non-current assets</i> Exploration and evaluation expenditure	74,729,744	56,702,626	

#### Reconciliations

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

Consolidated	\$
Balance at 1 July 2022 Additions Revaluation due to foreign exchange	56,702,626 17,073,010 954,108
Balance at 31 December 2022	74,729,744

#### **Note 9. Convertible Note**

#### Consolidated

	31 Dec 2022 \$	30 June 2022 \$
Current liabilities		
Financial Derivative Liability	1,734,470	-
Financial Liability	928,867	-
	2,663,337	
Non-current liabilities		
Financial Liability	4,446,918	-
	7,110,255	_

#### Reconciliations

Reconciliation of convertible note since inception to the 31 December is set out below:

		31 Dec 2022 \$
J	The initial recognition of the financial liability and derivative was:	
	Financial Derivative Liability	2,120,963
_	Financial Liability	5,328,247
_		7,449,210
))		
	Movement to 31 December 2022	(000,400)
)	Financial Derivative Movement - P&L	(386,493)
リ	Financial Liability	47,538
		7,110,255

The financial liability and corresponding derivative represent the fair value of the loan facility Nova entered into on 27 October 2022 up to \$7 million USD with a interest payable of 6.05% adjusted by the delta over a 3% SOFR floor. This was subsequently drawn down on 21 November 2022 and has a maturity of 24 months from draw down. The facility has a conversion option which gives the lender the right to convert the principal plus any accrued interest into a variable number of shares. If Nova's share price is greater than 150% of the Conversion Price, then Nova at its option may elect to force Nebari to convert the Conversion Amount, at the Conversion Price. Given the lender has the right to a variable number of shares and in accordance with AASB 9 this constitutes a compound financial instrument which requires both a financial liability and derivative to be recognised. The derivative is recognised first at fair value and subsequently remeasured at each reporting period with the corresponding gain or loss recognised through the profit and loss. The remaining value is recognised as a financial liability and amortised over the life of the loan based on a 25.32% effective interest rate in accordance with AASB 9. Nova may repay up to 50% of the outstanding principal in discounted shares (10% discount to the 15-day VWAP proceeding the prepayment date). In the event of a voluntary prepayment, Nova will also issue Nebari options to subscribe for Nova shares, with a 2 year expiry period from the date of the options issuance, at a strike price equal to a 40% premium to the VWAP of the Company's shares for the 15 days preceding the earlier of the documentation completion date and the date at which the financing facility is announced to the public, converted at the AUD:USD exchange rate on the day preceding the conversion date ("Strike Price") and in the amount of 80% of the Prepayment Amount divided by the Strike Price.

#### Note 10. Issued Capital

		Dec2022 hares		Consol June 2022 Shares	idated 31 Dec 202 \$	2	30 June 2022 \$
Issued capital Share issue costs	2'	1,005,131 -	18	30,202,285 -	148,761,29 (6,355,82		130,246,298 (4,533,038)
	2	1,005,131	18	80,202,285	142,405,4	74	125,713,260
Ordinary share - issued and fully paid		Dec 20 No	22	Dec 2022 \$	2 June 20 No	)22	June 2022 \$
At the beginning of the period - Contributions of equity		180,202, 26,392,		125,713,25 18,474,99		7	114,922,698 12,000,000
<ul> <li>Shares issued on conversion of options</li> <li>Shares issued on conversion of cashless options</li> </ul>		100, 3,358,	000 990	40,00	-	-	-
- Performance rights exercised - Consolidation of shares adjustment <sup>(a)</sup>			-		- 12,000, (1,621,83		312,000
<ul> <li>Share issue costs - share based payment</li> <li>Share issue costs - cash payments</li> </ul>	S <sup>(note</sup>		-	(636,67 (1,186,11	'	-	(732,000) (789,439)
Closing balance		210,054,	131	<b>_</b>		285	125,713,259

(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.

Preference shares do not have any voting rights.

#### Note 11. Share Based-Payment Reserves

	Conso	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2022 \$	30 June 2022 \$	
Share based payment reserve	8,755,165	7,309,323	

#### 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 2022 Options expense in period <sup>(note 17)</sup> Performance rights granted <sup>(note 17)</sup>	7,309,323 1,308,220 137,622
Balance at 31 December 2022	8,755,165

### Note 12. Non-Controlling Interest

	Consoli	Consolidated		
	31 Dec 2022 \$	30 June 2022 \$		
Issued capital	7,357,911	7,357,911		
Reserves	516,286	392,832		
Accumulated losses	(214,683)	(169,118)		
	7,659,514	7,581,625		

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 2022 is 0% (2021: 0%)

As of the 31 December 2022 the non-controlling interest is 15% (2021: 15%) equity holding in AKCM Pty Ltd.

### Note 13. 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 December 2022	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3 \$	Total \$
Assets				
Investments in Asra Minerals at fair value	2,533,068	-	-	2,533,068
Convertible note in Asra Minerals Limited	-	250,000	-	250,000
Total assets	2,533,068	250,000	-	2,783,068
Liabilities				
Financial Derivative Liability	-	1,734,470	-	1,734,470
Financial Liability - current	-	929,868	-	929,868
Financial Liability - non current	-	4,446,918	-	4,446,918
Total liabilities		7,111,256	-	7,111,256

Consolidated - 30 June 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>Assets</i> Investments in Asra Minerals at fair value Total assets	<u>3,797,443</u> 3,797,443	-		<u>3,797,443</u> 3,797,443

### Note 14. Contingent Liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities that the consolidated entity has become aware of at 31 December 2022 and 30 June 2022.

### Note 15. Events After the Reporting Period

The following events have occurred subsequent to the period end :

- The Company's 2022 exploration mapping and sampling campaign confirmed the discovery of a new broad zone of high-grade gold mineralisation at the recently named Trumpet Prospect, located 1.5km Northwest of Train.
- As a 37% shareholder in Snow Lake Lithium Ltd (NASDAQ:LITM), the Company announced the restructuring of the Snow Lake board, and outlined Snow Lake's growth and development strategy moving forward.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2022 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 16. Earnings/(Loss) Per Share

	Conso 31 Dec 2022 \$	lidated 31 Dec 2021 \$
Profit/(loss) after income tax Non-controlling interest	(5,903,451) <u>45,564</u>	88,715,326 244,379
Profit/(loss) after income tax	(5,857,887)	88,959,705
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share Adjustments for calculation of diluted earnings per share: Options outstanding	184,228,08 6 28,510,727	173,581,05 3 11,950,000
Performance rights	2,400,000	2,400,000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	215,138,81 <u>3</u>	187,931,05 <u>3</u>
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings/(loss) per share Diluted earnings/(loss) per share	(2.27) (2.27)	51.25 47.34

- As of the 31 December 2021 there were 11,950,000 outstanding unlisted options that would be included in the diluted calculation.

- As of the 31 December 2022 there were 28,510,727 outstanding unlisted options that would be included in the diluted calculation.

#### Note 17. Share-Based Payments

From time to time, the Group provides Incentive Options and Performance Rights to officers, employees, consultants and other key advisors as part of remuneration and incentive arrangements. The number of options or rights granted, and the terms of the options or rights granted are determined by the Board. Shareholder approval is sought where required. During the period the following share-based payments have been recognised:

#### **Share-Based Payments**

During the period, the following share-based payments have been granted:

	Consolidated 31 Dec 2022 \$
Recognised in Profit & Loss :	
1 - Director options	450,956
2 - Consultant options	196,068
3 Director options	6,582
4 - Director options	17,944
Total options granted	671,550
Performance rights granted	137,622
Total	809,172
	Consolidated 2022 \$
<b>Options Recognised in Equity:</b> 5. Options issued to brokers	636,670

#### **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 Director Options	2 Consultants Options
Recognised in	Profit & Loss	Profit & Loss
Grant date	29/11/2022	29/11/2022
Number of options issued	5,750,000	2,500,000
Expiry date	30/11/2025	30/11/2025
Vesting date	31/03/2023	31/03/2023
Share price at grant date	0.66	0.66
Exercise Price	1.20	1.20
Expected Volatility	90%	90%
Risk-Free Interest Rate	3.24%	3.24%
Trinomial step	200	200
Early exercise factor	1.20	1.20
Underlying fair value at grant date	0.299	0.299
The total share-based payment expense recognised from the	450,956	196,068
amortisation as of the 31 December 2022 for the issued		
options		

)	Vesting terms			Continuous employment and, \$1bn project valuation		Continuous employment and, \$1bn project valuation
		3. Director Options	4. Direc	tor Options	5. E	Broker Options
	Recognised in	Profit & Loss	Profit &	Loss	Eqι	uity
	Grant date	29/11/2022	29/11/20	022	16/0	09/2022
)	Number of options issued	200,000	500,000	)	1,7	14,286
	Expiry date	7/Oct/2023	20/05/20	023	16/0	09/2025
	Vesting date	29/11/2022	29/11/20	022	16/0	09/2022
	Share price at grant date	0.66	0.66		0.78	8
	Exercise Price	2.20	1.35		0.9	1
	Expected Volatility	90%	90%		90%	6
	Risk-Free Interest Rate	3.18%	3.18%		3.4	5%
	Trinomial step	200	200		200	)
	Early exercise factor	2.50	2.50		2.5	
	Underlying fair value at	0.0329	0.0359		0.37	714
	grant date					
	Fair Value	6,582	17,944		636	6,670

#### **Option Movement 31 December 2022**

Set out below are movements in options on issue over ordinary shares of Nova Minerals Limited during the 31 December 2022 half year period

Exercise period	Exercise price	Beginning balance	Issued	Exercised	Lapsed	Ending balance
	price	Dalatice	155060	Exercised	Lapseu	Dalalice
On or before 19 September						
2022	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	3.00	1,050,000	-	-	(1,050,000)	-
On or before 29 December	- <b>-</b> -					
2023	0.75	1,100,000	-	-	-	1,100,000
On or before 7 October	0.00	4 700 000	000 000			4 000 000
2023 <sup>(1)</sup>	2.20	1,700,000	200,000	-	-	1,900,000
On or before 20 May 2023	1.35	1,100,000	500,000			1,600,000
On or before 30 November	1.55	1,100,000	500,000	-	-	1,000,000
2025 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.20	-	8,250,000	_	_	8,250,000
On or before 30 November	1.20		0,200,000			0,200,000
2024 <sup>(1)</sup>	1.10	-	13,196,441	-	-	13,196,441
On or before 16 January	-		, -,			, -,
2026 (1)	0.91	-	1,714,286	-	-	1,714,286
Total	-	11,950,000	23,860,727	(6,250,000)	(1,050,000)	28,510,727

(1) As of the 31 December 2022 the options had not been issued however, they had been granted and approved to be issued at the AGM

#### 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 2022 was 1.19 years.

#### **Performance Rights**

During the June 2022 Financial year the Company issued 24 million performance rights (2.4 million postconsolidation) 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 Rights	Applicable Milestone	Lapse Date	Number Rights Issued
Class A Performance Rights	Completion of either a pre-feasibility study or a definitive feasibility study of the Korbel Main deposit that demonstrates at the time of 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.	5 years from issue	600,000
Class B Performance Rights Class C Performance Rights	Completion of the first gold pour (defined as a minimum quantity of 500 oz.) from the Korbel Main deposit. Achievement of an EBITDA of more than \$20m in the second half-year reporting period following the commencement of commercial operations at the Korbel Main deposit.	5 years from issue 5 years from issue	600,000 1,200,000

The performance rights were valued as the closing share price \$1.30 on the grant date 24 November 2021. The total share-based payment expense recognised form the amortisation as of the 31 December 2022 issued performance rights was \$137,622.

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

Grant date	Expiry date	Class	Price at Grant date	Granted	Exercised	Expired/ Lapsed/ other	Balance at the end of 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	- - -	- -	600,000 600,000 1,200,000

# **Director's Declaration**

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 2022 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

Anna Ladd - Kruger Chairperson

28 February 2023

# **Independent Auditor's Report**



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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 statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and 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:

- giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2022 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 2022 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.

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