

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED ABN 63 616 746 215

### **INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT**

FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

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This Interim Financial Report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an Annual Financial Report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2017 and with any public announcements made by the entity during the interim reporting period.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED DIRECTORS REPORT HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## **Directors' Report**

The directors of Plato Income Maximiser Limited ("the Company") present their report together with the interim financial report of the Company for the half-year ended 31 December 2017.

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

#### **DIRECTORS**

The following persons held office as directors during the half-year or since the end of the half-year and up to the date of this report:

- Mr Jonathan Trollip (Chairman)
- Ms Lorraine Berends
- Ms Katrina Onishi
- Mr Don Hamson
- Mr Alexander Ihlenfeldt

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

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

#### **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

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

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

Investment activities over the half-year ended 31 December 2017 resulted in an operating profit before tax of \$12,788,000 and an operating profit after tax of \$12,966,000.

The Company commenced paying dividends in October 2017, with dividends of \$0.0045 per share being paid in each of October, November and December. This was in line with the Board's stated objective to pay regularly monthly dividends from available profits, provided the Company has sufficient reserves and it is permitted by law and within prudent business practices to do so. A further three monthly dividends of \$0.0045 have been declared for January, February and March 2018, details of which are provided later in this report.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED **DIRECTORS REPORT HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017**

#### **PERFORMANCE**

#### **Investment Portfolio Performance**

The Company's investment portfolio performance shows how Plato Investment Management Limited ("the Manager") has performed after deducting management fees and costs<sup>1</sup>, as compared to the Company's investment objectives.

Investment Portfolio Performance	Since 1 July 2017	Benchmark	Excess
as at 31 December 2017 <sup>2</sup>			
Total return <sup>3</sup>	6.5%	9.2%	-2.7%
Income <sup>4</sup>	6.0%	3.0%	3.0%

Please note that the income measure above represents accrued income and not distributed income.

#### **NTA Performance** (b)

This measure of Company performance shows the change in the value of the Net Tangible Assets (NTA) belonging to the Company's shareholders over the period after deducting management fees and other expenses paid, tax on earnings (including on realised gains but excluding any provision for tax on unrealised gains, capitalised share issue costs and income tax losses), and dividends paid to shareholders.

The Company's NTA performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2017 was 3.2% (from \$1.038 at 30 June 2017 to \$1.071 as at 31 December 2017).

#### (c) **TSR Performance**

Total Shareholder Return (TSR) Performance is a measure of the change in the share price and any dividends paid during the period. It does not include any positive impact shareholders have received from owning options issued as part of the IPO. The TSR Performance can be an important measure as often the share market can trade at a premium or discount to the NTA.

The Company's TSR Performance was 0.8% for the half-year ended 31 December 2017. The Company's share price was \$1.09 as at 31 December 2017 compared to \$1.095 at 30 June 2017, with monthly dividends of \$0.0045 per share being paid in each of October, November and December 2017, totalling \$0.0135 in dividends paid during the half-year.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

The dividends declared and paid during the period, fully franked at 27.5%, were as follows:

Month	October	November	December
Amount:	\$0.0045 per share	\$0.0045 per share	\$0.0045 per share
Ex – Dividend Date:	16 October 2017	15 November 2017	13 December 2017
Dividend Record Date:	17 October 2017	16 November 2017	14 December 2017
Dividend Payment Date:	31 October 2017	30 November 2017	29 December 2017

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is quoted in AUD net of portfolio related fees, costs and taxes.

Inclusive of franking credits.

Includes accrued but not yet distributed dividends and franking credits as income.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED DIRECTORS REPORT HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### **DIVIDENDS** (continued)

Since period end the Company has declared the following dividends fully franked at 27.5%:

Month	January	February	March
Amount:	\$0.0045 per share	\$0.0045 per share	\$0.0045 per share
Ex – Dividend Date:	16 January 2018	13 February 2018	14 March 2018
Dividend Record Date:	17 January 2018	14 February 2018	15 March 2018
Dividend Payment Date:	31 January 2018	28 February 2018	29 March 2018

#### **OPTIONS**

127,000 ordinary shares in the Company were issued during the half-year following the exercise of the same number of options at an exercise price of \$1.10 per option. As at 31 December 2017, the Company has 296,131,407 unissued ordinary shares under option. Shareholders are reminded that the options are exercisable at \$1.10 up until 29 April 2019.

#### **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS**

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

#### MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

Other than as disclosed in Note 8 of the interim financial report, no matter or circumstance has occurred subsequent to period end that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

#### **ROUNDING OF AMOUNTS**

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

#### **AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

The Auditor's Independence Declaration under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 6 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2017.

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

Jonathan Trollip
Chairman

Jonathur Milip

Sydney

22 February 2018



### **AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION** TO THE DIRECTORS OF PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED ABN 63 616 746 215

In relation to the independent auditor's review for the half-year ended 31 December 2017, to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

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

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

**SCOTT WHIDDETT** 

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Partner

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Sydney

22 February 2018

# PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

the Financial Statements.

	Note	31 Dec 2017 \$'000
Investment income		
Distribution income received		14,338
Interest income received		7
Total Investment income		14,345
Management fees		1,280
ASX and share registry fees		107
Professional fees		33
Directors fees		50
Other expenses		87
Profit before income tax		12,788
Income tax benefit		178
Net profit after income tax for the half-year		12,966
Other comprehensive income Items that will not be reclassified to profit and loss		
		4.462
Revaluation of investments		1,162
Provision for tax expense on revaluation of investments		(320)
Other comprehensive income for the half-year net of tax		842
Total Comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to	shareholders	13,808
Earnings per share for profit attributable to ordinary equity ho	liders of the Company:	Cents
Basic and diluted earnings per share		4.4

The above Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Notes to

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## **Statement of Financial Position**

As at 31 December 2017

	Note	31 Dec 2017 \$'000	30 June 2017 \$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		2,231	150
Trade and other receivables		2,563	2,290
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	2	313,339	305,302
Deferred tax assets		5,064	5,205
Total Assets		323,197	312,947
Liabilities			
Trade & other payables		583	280
Total Liabilities		583	280
Net Assets		322,614	312,667
Equity			
Contributed equity	3	319,425	319,285
Profits reserve		9,828	863
Asset revaluation reserve		(6,639)	(7,481)
Retained earnings		-	-
Total Equity		322,614	312,667

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## **Statement of Changes in Equity**

For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

	Note	Contributed Equity \$'000	Profits Reserve \$'000	Asset Revaluation Reserve \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Total \$'000
		•				•
Balance at 1 July 2017		319,285	863	(7,481)	-	312,667
Comprehensive Income						
Profit/(loss) for the period		-	-	-	12,966	12,966
Other comprehensive income		-	-	842	-	842
Total comprehensive income		-	-	842	12,966	13,808
Transfer between reserves						
Transfer to profits reserve		-	12,966	-	(12,966)	-
Total transfer between reserves		-	12,966	-	(12,966)	-
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners						
Shares issued on exercise of options	3	140	-	-	-	140
Dividends paid to shareholders	5	-	(4,001)	-	-	(4,001)
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners		140	(4,001)	-	-	(3,861)
Balance at 31 December 2017		319,425	9,828	(6,639)	-	322,614

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## **Statement of Cash Flows**

For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

	Note	31 Dec 2017 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received		7
Distributions received		13,486
Payments to suppliers		(1,286)
Net cash provided by operating activities		12,207
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Payment for investments		(6,875)
Net cash used in investing activities		(6,875)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Share issue transaction costs, gross of tax		610
Shares issued upon exercise of options		140
Dividends paid to shareholders	5	(4,001)
Net cash used in financing activities		(3,251)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		2,081
Cash at beginning of the financial period		150
Cash at the end of the financial period		2,231

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue on 22 February 2018 by the Board of directors.

#### **Basis of preparation**

These interim financial statements for the half-year ended 31 December 2017 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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

As these financial statements do not include all of the disclosures normally provided in a set of annual financial statements, it is recommended that this half-year financial report be read in conjunction with the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2017 and with any public announcements made by the entity during the interim reporting period.

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

#### Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, as disclosed in the 30 June 2017 annual report.

#### New and revised accounting requirements applicable to the current half-year reporting period

There are no new and revised accounting requirements significantly affecting these interim financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Company throughout the reporting period.

#### **Prior period balances**

The Company was incorporated on 10 January 2017, and therefore no prior period balances are disclosed for the half-year period ended 31 December 2016.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### NOTE 2 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

#### (a) Fair value hierarchy

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

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

### Recognised fair value measurements

The following tables present the Company's assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair in the financial statements.

31 December 2017	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Managed funds	-	313,339	-	313,339
Total assets	-	313,339	-	313,339
30 June 2017	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Managed funds	-	305,302	-	305,302
Total assets	-	305,302	-	305,302

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

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

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

#### Recognised fair value measurements

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

#### NOTE 3 MOVEMENTS IN CONTRIBUTED EQUITY

Date	Details	Number of shares	Price	\$'000
1 July 2017 July – Dec 2017	Opening Balance Options exercised for \$1.10 per share	296,278,408 127,000	\$1.10	319,285 140
31 December 2017		296,405,408		319,425

#### (a) Ordinary Shares

On 1 May 2017, the Company issued 296,268,407 fully paid ordinary shares under the initial public offering at an application price of \$1.10 per share. Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of shares held. On a show of hands every holder of ordinary shares present at a meeting in person or by proxy, is entitled to one vote, and upon a poll each share is entitled to one vote.

#### (b) Options

On 1 May 2017, as part of the initial public offering of the Company, 296,268,407 options were issued to acquire ordinary shares in the Company at an exercise price of \$1.10. The options can be exercised at any time on or before 29 April 2019. The options give its holder the right but not the obligation to subscribe for ordinary shares in the Company at \$1.10 per share. The options can be exercised in full or in part. The options are currently trading on the ASX under the code PL8O. 296,131,407 options were unexercised as at 31 December 2017.

#### NOTE 4 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

The Company has no known contingent liabilities or contingent assets.

#### NOTE 5 DIVIDENDS

	31 Dec 2017
(a) Dividends paid during the half-year	\$'000
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 31 October 2017	
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,333
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 30 November 2017	
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,334
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share paid on 29 December 2017	
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,334
Total dividends paid	4,001
(b) Dividends not recognised at the end of the half-year	
Since period end the Directors have declared the following interim dividends:	
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share payable on 31 January 2018	
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,334
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share payable on 28 February 2018	,
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,334
Interim dividend of \$0.0045 per fully paid ordinary share payable on 29 March 2018	•
- Fully franked at 27.5%	1,334
The aggregate amount of dividends expected to be paid but not recognised as a liability at half	
year end *	4,002

<sup>\*</sup> the aggregate amount of dividends expected to be paid but not recognised as a liability at half-year end is estimated based on the number of shares issued at 31 December 2017.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

#### NOTE 5 DIVIDENDS (continued)

#### (c) Dividend franking account

The balance of the Company's dividend franking account at 31 December 2017 was \$3,691,000.

#### NOTE 6 CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS

The Company had no material contingent liabilities or commitments as at 31 December 2017.

#### NOTE 7 SEGMENT INFORMATION

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

#### NOTE 8 EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER BALANCE DATE

Since balance date the Directors have declared three monthly dividends of \$0.0045 per share payable in January 2018, February 2018 and March 2018. The January dividend was paid on 31 January 2018. Refer note 5 for further details.

Other than the above, the directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance which has arisen since balance date that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

## PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED DIRECTORS' DECLARATION HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

## **Directors' Declaration**

The directors declare that the Financial Statements and Notes as set out on pages 7 to 14 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) complying with Accounting Standard AASB134 Interim Financial Reporting, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2017 and of its performance for the period ended on that date.

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

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

Jonathan Trollip

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Chairman

Sydney

22 February 2018



### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED ABN 63 616 746 215

#### **Report on the Half-Year Financial Report**

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Plato Income Maximiser Limited ("the company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017, statement of profit or loss and comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flow for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration of the company.

#### Directors' Responsibility for the Half-Year Financial Report

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

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

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 company's financial position as at 31 December 2017 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. As the auditor of Plato Income Maximiser Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of the half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for the 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.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED ABN 63 616 746 215



#### Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

#### **Conclusion**

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 Plato Income Maximiser Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2017 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting and Corporations Regulations 2001.

SCOTT WHIDDETT

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Partner

22 February 2018

Sydney

### PLATO INCOME MAXIMISER LIMITED

#### **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

**Board of Directors** 

Jonathan Trollip
Independent Chairman

Lorraine Berends

Independent Director

Katrina Onishi Independent Director

Don Hamson

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