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#### **2Q21 QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES REPORT & APPENDIX 4C**

Sydney, NSW – NSX Limited (ASX:NSX), ("the Company"), is pleased to provide its Activities Report and ASX Appendix 4C Cashflow Statement for the period ended 31 December 2020 (2Q21).

#### **Group Cash Flow Activities Report**

- Cash at the end of the quarter was \$3.7 million, following a net cash outflow of \$1.4 million as part of continuing operations.
- During the quarter \$0.2 million in cash receipts were received from customers. The cash receipts in the December quarter were down \$1.2 million on the September quarter but in line with the previous corresponding period (pcp) as the Company receives most of its annual revenue (on a cash basis) in the September quarter.
- Cash payments for administration costs for the period are \$0.7 million up \$0.4 million on the previous quarter and down \$0.1 million on the pcp.
- Cash payments to staff, corporate and the board for the period were \$0.5 million with no change on the previous quarter and down by \$0.5 million on the pcp.

## **Quarterly Business Activities Report**

#### **NSX Limited Activities**

- The Company held an EGM on 30 October 2020. The resolution put to shareholders to remove Mr Thomas Price as a director was passed. The Company held its AGM on 26 November 2020. All resolutions were passed.
- The Company appointed Dr Michael Aitken AM to the Board of the holding company as a nonexecutive director on 26 October 2020.
- COVID-19 restrictions continue to impact staff workflows in particular for those based in Victoria with its stringent restriction criteria. However, the company has continued to operate throughout the period, with minimal disruption at its core NSW operations.
- Directors being related parties of the Company, for the purposes of this report, were paid remuneration in the amount of \$98k during the December quarter. No other related party payments were made.

#### **NSXA Activities**

- The activities of the Company's wholly owned subsidiary, National Stock Exchange of Australia ("NSXA"), involved business as usual processing of new admission applications and market operations. During the quarter period from October 2020 to December 2020, NSXA listed 1 company, admitted 1 new nominated adviser and 1 new participant. During the half yearly period from July 2020 to December 2020, NSXA listed 4 companies, admitted 1 new nominated adviser and 2 new participants.
- The forward pipeline for new listings is now in the order of 50 potential applicants, with the volumes and interest appreciably starting to rise.
- The focus of the last three quarters has been to reduce operating costs through delivering efficiencies whilst enhancing the capability of the exchange, primarily through the deployment of new and updated technologies. The capabilities of the NSXA are now at a level to allow for operations at scale where further participants (brokers) can be readily integrated into our automated trade, clearing, settlement, and post trade services.
- NSXA met its target date of 23 November 2020 for go live of the NSXA TAS service. This service provides clearing and settlement services to NSXA listed issuers and participants.
   NSXA has applied to ASX for cancellation of the Settlement Bond associated with the previous Settlement Transfer Service which is no longer required. Once complete, this will release \$500k to the Company for working capital. Please refer to item 5.8 in the appendix 4C for more detail on the performance bond.





- The ClearPay Delivery VS Payment platform (under construction by Probanx) is based upon digital ledger technology and incorporates the Digital Exchange Subregister System (DESS) as a core sub-system. DESS was deployed last quarter and is now ready for operations at scale. DESS will record trade data from our NASDAQ trade match engine in parallel to CHESS, and in due course will allow NSXA to operate autonomously from CHESS. The NSXA is preparing regulatory submissions calling for structural separation of clearing from settlement activities, in order to promote competition in the Australian market. Structural separation of clearing from settlement has been a feature of the EU securities landscape since 2015 with the introduction of Target2Securities¹. NSXA, in conjunction with iSignthis Ltd, conducted further detailing of ClearPay DLT based DvP platform and liaising with Probanx Solution Ltd with respect to the software development.
- The NSXA appointed Dr Michael Aitken AM to the Board as a non-executive director on 13 November 2020 after receiving the required no-objection notice from ASIC as per the NSXA Australian Market Licence conditions.
- Agreements have been entered into with suppliers to provide all new Issuers with an initial independent
  investment research note, an ABN Newswire profile and newswire services for Issuer announcements. The
  newswire reaches key financial media outlets such as Bloomberg, Yahoo finance, Iress, and the Financial
  Times.

**Authorised by the Board of Directors** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.ecb.europa.eu/paym/target/t2s/facts/html/index.en.html



# **Appendix 4C**

# Quarterly cash flow report for entities subject to Listing Rule 4.7B

# Name of entity

33 089 447 058 31 December 2020

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	158	1,559
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) research and development	-	-
	(b) product manufacturing and operating costs	-	-
	(c) advertising and marketing	(5)	(11)
	(d) leased assets	-	-
	(e) staff costs	(487)	(975)
	(f) administration and corporate costs	(703)	(1,026)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	3	9
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	(47)	(85)
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	46	146
1.8	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(1,035)	(383)

2.	Ca	sh flows from investing activities		
2.1	Pay	ments to acquire or for:		
	(a)	entities	-	-
	(b)	businesses	-	-
	(c)	property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d)	investments	-	-
	(e)	intellectual property	-	-
	(f)	other non-current assets	(93)	(94)

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Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
2.2	Proceeds from disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) businesses	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d) investments	-	-
	(e) intellectual property	-	-
	(f) other non-current assets	-	-
2.3	Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	-
2.4	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
2.5	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	(93)	(94)

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	-	
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	(256)	
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	(10)	
3.8	Dividends paid	-	
3.9	Other	-	
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	(266)	

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,047	4,597
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(1,035)	(383)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(93)	(94)

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	(266)	(467)
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,653	3,653

5.	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.1	Bank balances	1,162	2,058
5.2	Call deposits	789	789
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (Term deposits maturing before 31 March 2021)	502	1,000
5.5	Other (see below)	1,200	1,200
5.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	3,653	5,047

# Item 5: Other disclosures required by AASB 107: Cash available for use by the Group.

# Reconciliation of funding arrangements to support business operations

		Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.6	Total cash at end of quarter (item 4.6)	3,653	5,047
5.7	Cash Deposits held for Equity Markets Compensation Arrangements.	(700)	(700)
5.8	Cash Deposit held while National Stock Exchange of Australia is registered as a General Settlement Participant of ASX Settlement Pty Ltd.	(500)	(500)
5.9	Total: cash on hand and at bank (items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4)	2,453	3,847

# **Item 5.7 - Exchange Compensation Arrangement**

As part of the National Stock Exchange of Australia Limited's Australian Financial Markets License, NSX operates investor Compensation Arrangements in accordance with Part 7.5 Division 3 of the

Corporations Act 2001. The minimum cover required by the License is \$800,000. The sources for the cover is a Fidelity Fund and also a Letter of Credit as allowed by the Act. The Fidelity Fund currently has over \$580,000 on deposit. To support the Letter of Credit the National Stock Exchange of Australia Limited has provided a cash deposit of \$700,000. There is currently excess funds to the cover required in the compensation arrangements. The cash balances for the Fidelity Fund are not consolidated with NSX accounts above. Therefore \$700,000 is not available cash for use by the NSX Group as working capital. Interest earned from the cash deposits is available for working capital purposes.

### Item 5.8 - General Settlement Participant Requirements

As part of the requirements for the National Stock Exchange of Australia (NSXA) to be registered as a General Settlement Participant for the purposes of ASX Settlement Pty Ltd Operating Rules (ASXOR 4.3.13) NSX has to lodge a Settlement Bond in the form of a Bank Guarantee with ASX Settlement. The amount of the settlement bond is \$500,000 and is used to compensate ASX Settlement if and only if NSX, as a Settlement Participant, breaches any rule that causes ASX Settlement to suffer or incur any losses or damages as a result of that breach.

Therefore \$500,000 is not available cash for use by the NSX Group as working capital. Interest earned from the cash deposits is available for working capital purposes. With the introduction of the Trade Acceptance Service NSXA has applied to ASX Settlement for the return of the Bank Guarantee as the Settlement Transfer Service is no longer used. Once returned the funds will be available for working capital use.

6.	Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
6.1	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	98
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
Note to	Note to Item 6.1: The amount of \$98k was payment of Director remuneration for the guarter ended 31 December 2020.	

7.	Financing facilities  Note: the term "facility' includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity.  Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000
7.1	Loan facilities	-	-
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	-	-
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at qu	arter end	-
7.6	Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional financing facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter end, include a note providing details of those facilities as well.		tional financing
	N/A		

8.	Estim	ated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net ca	sh from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(1,035)
8.2	Cash a	and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 5.9)	2,453
8.3	Unuse	d finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.4	Total a	available funding (item 8.2 + item 8.3)	2,453
8.5	Estima	ated quarters of funding available (item 8.4 divided by .1)	2.37
		the entity has reported positive net operating cash flows in item 1.9, answer iten or the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in item 8.5.	n 8.5 as "N/A". Otherwise, a
		em 8.2 refers to item 5.9 instead of item 4.6 as item 5.9 excludes cash deposits ansation Arrangements (\$700k) and Settlement Bond (\$500k).	that are held for the
8.6	If item	8.5 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the follow	ving questions:
	8.6.1	Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current I cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?	evel of net operating
	Answe	er: N/A	
	8.6.2	Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and believe that they will be successful?	
	Answe	er: N/A	
	8.6.3	Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and objectives and, if so, on what basis?	d to meet its business
	Answe	er: N/A	
	Note: w	here item 8.5 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.6.1, 8.6.2 and 8.6.3 abov	re must be answered.

# **Compliance statement**

- This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Date:	25 January 2021
Authorised by:	By the Board(Name of body or officer authorising release – see note 4)

#### Notes

1. This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An

- entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
- 2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standard applies to this report.
- 3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
- 4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
- 5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.