

# **ASX Announcement**

27 February 2024

# **Appendix 4D and Interim Report**

**BRISBANE**, Australia - In accordance with the Listing Rules of the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX), XPON Technologies Group Limited (ASX:XPN), (XPON) encloses for immediate release the following information:

- Appendix 4D Half Year Report; and
- Interim Report for the half year ended 31 December 2023.

This announcement was authorised for release by the Board of XPON Technologies Group Limited.

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# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Appendix 4D Half-year report

# 1. Company details

Name of entity: XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities

ACN: 635 810 258

Reporting period: For the half-year ended 31 December 2023 Previous period: For the half-year ended 31 December 2022

#### 2. Results for announcement to the market

Reported	31 December 2023 \$000's	31 December 2022 \$000's (i)		Change \$000's	Change %
Revenue from ordinary activities	4,465	4,634	Down	(169)	(4%)
Net loss from ordinary activities after tax attributable to the owners of XPON Technologies Group Limited	(2,466)	(3,747)	Up	(1,281)	34%
Net loss for the half-year attributable to the owners of XPON Technologies Group Limited	(5,410)	(3,487)	Up	(1,923)	55%

# **DIVIDENDS**

XPON Technologies Group Limited has not paid, recommended or declared dividends for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: Nil).

# 3. Net tangible assets

	31-Dec-23 (cents)	31-Dec-22 (cents) (i)
Net tangible assets per ordinary security	(1.07)	1.19

Derived by dividing the net assets less intangible assets attributable to equity holders of the Company by the total ordinary shares on 31 December 2023 (303,608,169) and 31 December 2022 (303,608,169) respectively.

(i) Refer to point 5 of the Appendix 4D

# 4. Control gained over entities

Not applicable.

<sup>(</sup>i) Refer to point 5 of the Appendix 4D



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#### 5. Loss of control over entities

XPON Digital Limited (UK Company) and Holoscribe Australia Pty Ltd (Australian Company) were sold on 22 December 2023 to reduce cash burn of the Company. Accordingly:

- The (loss)/profit of these divested entities has been presented as "(Loss)/profit for the half-year
  after tax from discontinued operations" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other
  comprehensive income. This presentation has been used for both the half-year ended 31
  December 2023 and 31 December 2022 and further details are provided in note 3 of the following
  financial statements;
- The consolidated statement of financial position at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022 is unchanged in presentation from previous statutory reporting given the sale of the two entities was not announced until after those reporting dates;
- Metrics that are derived from the consolidated statement of financial position (such as Net tangible assets per ordinary security as at 31 Dec 2022) are also unchanged.

#### 6. Dividends

Current period

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the current financial period.

Previous period

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the previous financial period.

# 7. Dividend reinvestment plans

Not applicable.

#### 8. Details of associates and joint venture entities

Not applicable.

#### 9. Foreign entities

Details of origin of accounting standards used in compiling the report:

For all foreign entities, International Financial Reporting Standards have been used in compiling this report.

# 10. Audit qualification or review

This half-year was subject to review by the Company's auditors and the review report is attached as part of this half year report.

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# 11. Attachments

The Interim Report of XPON Technologies Group Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 is attached.

Date: 27 February 2024

# 12. Signed

Signed \_\_

Phil Aris Independent Non-Executive Chairman

# **XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities**

ACN 635 810 258

Half-year Report - 31 December 2023

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# **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

#### **Directors**

Matt Forman – Managing Director and CEO Phil Aris – Independent Non-Executive Chairman Tim Ebbeck – Independent Non-Executive Director Jodie Leonard – Independent Non-Executive Director

# **Company Secretary**

Clare Craven Company Matters Pty Limited www.companymatters.com.au

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#### **Auditors**

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# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Directors' report 31 December 2023

The directors submit the interim financial report of the Group for the half year ended 31 December 2023.

# 1. General information

#### Information on directors

The following persons were directors of XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities during the whole of the financial half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

The names of each person who has been a director during the half year and to the date of this report are:

Phil Aris – Independent Non-Executive Chairman

Matt Forman - Managing Director and CEO

Tim Ebbeck – Independent Non-Executive Director

Jodie Leonard – Independent Non-Executive Director

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report.

#### **Company Secretary**

Clare Craven - Company Matters Pty Limited

# 2. Operating results and review of operations for the year

The loss for the consolidated entity after providing for income tax amounted to \$5,409,737 (31 December 2022: \$3,487,405).

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Directors' report 31 December 2023

# **Review and Results of operations**

	31 Dec 2023 \$	31 Dec 2022 \$	Movement %
Revenue	4,465,126	4,633,795	(4%)
Cost of sales	(1,137,446)	(1,334,473)	15%
Gross profit \$	3,327,680	3,299,322	1%
Gross margin %	75%	71%	4%
Other income	60,087	106,668	(44%)
Operating expenses	(5,139,707)	(6,855,100)	`25%´
Adjusted EBITDA*	(1,751,940)	(3,449,110)	49%
Depreciation and Amortisation	(124,614)	(254,987)	51%
Financial expenses (net)	(8,087)	(65,099)	88%
Write off of related party loans receivable	(428,501)	-	100%
(Loss)/profit from discontinued operations	(2,943,919)	259,338	(1235%)
Loss before income tax	(5,257,061)	(3,509,858)	(50%)

<sup>\*</sup>Adjusted Earnings before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation is a non-IFRS disclosure. In the opinion of the Directors, the Group's Adjusted EBITDA (unaudited) reflects the results generated from ongoing operating activities which is used by Directors and Management as measures in assessing the financial performance of the Group. The non-operating adjustments outlined in this table are considered to be non-cash and/or non-recurring in nature. These items are included in the Group's consolidated statutory result but excluded from the Adjusted EBITDA.

#### Revenue

For the half year ended 31 December 2023, the Group's Revenue from continuing operations was \$4,465,126, representing a 4% decrease over the previous corresponding six-month period (31 December 2022: \$4,633,795). The decrease in continuing operations revenue is a result of tighter customer marketing budgets impacting advertising spend, particularly in the first quarter.

# Gross profit and margin

The Group saw an increase in the gross profit from continuing operations by 1% to \$3,327,680 (31 December 2022: \$3,299,322) and gross margin expanded by 4 ppts, reaching 75% for the half year ended 31 December 2023 in comparison with 71% at the prior corresponding period. These increases are assisted by higher margin revenue mix.

#### Operating expenses

Total operating expense from continuing operations was \$5,139,707, representing a decrease of 25% over the previous corresponding six-month period (31 December 2022: \$6,855,100).

The decrease is in line with the cost reductions implemented in May 2023 and October 2023 – in aggregate, annualised cost saving initiatives since May 2023 total c\$4.5 million (excluding the App Mod business costs included in discontinued operations).

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Directors' report 31 December 2023

Write off of related party loans receivable and loss from discontinued operations

Write off of related party loans receivable expense of \$428,501 arose from the divestment of the Application Modernisation (App Mod) business on 22 December 2023. Similarly, the \$2,943,919 loss from discontinued operations relates to the financial performance and impairment of intangibles in relation to the App Mod business for the period up until divestment. Further details are provided in Note 3 of the financial statements.

Presentation of financial information in light of the App Mod divestment

Given the divestment of the App Mod business on 22 December 2023:

- The (loss)/profit of the App Mod business has been presented as "(Loss)/profit for the half-year
  after tax from discontinued operations" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other
  comprehensive income. This presentation has been used for both the half-year ended 31
  December 2023 and 31 December 2022 and further details are provided in note 3 of the following
  financial statements:
- The consolidated statement of financial position at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022 is unchanged in presentation from previous statutory reporting given the sale of the App Mod business was not announced until after those reporting dates.

#### Financial Position

On 31 December 2023, the Group had net liabilities of \$1,302,108 (June 2023: \$4,082,761 net assets), including cash of \$2,257,265 (June 2023: \$4,415,166).

# 3. Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year

On 26 February 2024, the Group announced it had secured commitments from professional and sophisticated investors to raise \$1.125 million via the issue of 45,000,000 secured convertible notes with attached Warrants. The funds raised from the issue of the convertible notes will strengthen the Group's balance sheet and support general working capital.

Aside from the item above, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 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

The auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* for the half year ended 31 December 2023 has been received and can be found on page 5 of the interim financial report.

This report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

On behalf of the directors

Phil Aris

Matt Forman

27 February 2024

# **XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Auditor's independence declaration**



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# DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY R J LIDDELL TO THE DIRECTORS OF XPON TECHNOLOGIES GROUP LIMITED

As lead auditor for the review of XPON Technologies Group Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2023, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- 1. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- 2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of XPON Technologies Group Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

R J Liddell Director

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

Brisbane, 27 February 2024

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

# Consolidated

	Note	31 Dec 2023 \$	31 Dec 2022 \$
Revenue from contracts with customers Cost of sales	5	4,465,126 (1,137,446)	4,633,795 (1,334,473)
Gross profit		3,327,680	3,299,322
Other income	5	60,087	106,668
Expenses IT and Facilities expenses Employee benefits expense Superannuation expense Depreciation and amortisation expense Contractor expenses Other expenses Finance costs Sales and Marketing expenses Write off of related party loans receivable	6	(445,266) (3,293,973) (292,125) (124,614) (3,698) (1,006,838) (8,087) (97,807) (428,501)	(341,238) (254,987) (173,627)
Loss before income tax (expense)/benefit		(2,313,142)	(3,769,196)
Income tax (expense)/benefit		(152,676)	22,453
Loss after income tax (expense)/benefit for the half-year from continuing operations	-	(2,465,818)	(3,746,743)
Discontinued Operations (Loss)/profit for the half-year after tax from discontinued operations  Loss for the half-year	3	(2,943,919) (5,409,737)	259,338 (3,487,405)
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss  Exchange differences on translating foreign controlled entities		(48,742)	(53,350)
Other comprehensive loss for the half-year, net of tax		(48,742)	(53,350)
Total comprehensive loss for the half-year		(5,458,479)	(3,540,755)

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

		31 Dec 2023 Cents	31 Dec 2022 Cents
Earnings per share			
Basic earnings per share	15	(1.78)	(1.15)
Diluted earnings per share	15	(1.78)	(1.15)
Earnings per share from continuing operations			
Basic earnings per share	15	(0.81)	(1.23)
Diluted earnings per share	15	(0.81)	(1.23)

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of financial position As at 31 December 2023

		Consolidated	
	Note	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		2,257,265	4,415,166
Trade and other receivables	8	3,498,360	4,295,955
Contract assets		<u>-</u>	499,316
Prepayments		312,285	313,999
Other assets Total current assets		50,505 6,118,415	<u>37,886</u> <u>9,562,322</u>
Total current assets		0,110,415	9,302,322
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		32,526	113,009
Intangible assets		1,438,031	4,217,046
Deferred tax Other assets		499,081	585,532
Total non-current assets		81,578 2,051,216	143,594 5,059,181
Total Hon-ourient assets		2,001,210	3,000,101
Total assets		8,169,631	14,621,503
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	7,805,392	8,935,230
Borrowings		<u>-</u>	20,283
Employee benefits	40	403,197	520,507
Contract liabilities	10	1,184,324	946,467
Total current liabilities		9,392,913	10,422,487
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings		-	36,644
Employee benefits		78,826	79,611
Total non-current liabilities		78,826	116,255
Total liabilities		9,471,739	10,538,742
Net (liabilities)/assets		(1,302,108)	4,082,761
Equity			
Issued capital	11	21,796,430	21,796,430
Reserves	12	1,809,852	1,784,984
Accumulated losses		(24,908,390)	(19,498,653)
Total equity (deficit)/surplus		(1,302,108)	4,082,761

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

Consolidated	Ordinary Shares \$	Foreign Currency Translation Reserves \$	General Reserves	Employee Share Based Payment Reserves \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2022	21,796,430	29,806	157,596	1,021,152	(11,157,631)	11,847,353
Loss after income tax expense for the half-year	-	-	-	-	(3,487,405)	(3,487,405)
Other comprehensive loss for the half- year, net of tax		(53,350)	<u> </u>			(53,350)
Total comprehensive loss for the half- year	-	(53,350)	-	-	(3,487,405)	(3,540,755)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Share-based payments	-	-	-	310,354	-	310,354
Share Appreciation Rights	<u> </u>			93,323	<u> </u>	93,323
Balance at 31 December 2022	21,796,430	(23,544)	157,596	1,424,829	(14,645,036)	8,710,275

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

Consolidated	Ordinary Shares \$	Foreign Currency Translation Reserves \$	Employee Share Based Payment Reserves \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	21,796,430	48,206	1,736,778	(19,498,653)	4,082,761
Loss after income tax expense for the half-year	-	-	-	(5,409,737)	(5,409,737)
Other comprehensive loss for the half- year, net of tax		(48,742)			(48,742)
Total comprehensive loss for the half- year	-	(48,742)	-	(5,409,737)	(5,458,479)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Share-based payments (note 12)	-	-	30,619	-	30,619
Share Appreciation Rights (note 12)			42,991	<u> </u>	42,991
Balance at 31 December 2023	21,796,430	(536)	1,810,388	(24,908,390)	(1,302,108)

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Consolidated statement of cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Consolidated		idated
	Note	31 Dec 2023 \$	31 Dec 2022 \$
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST) Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST) Interest received Interest and other costs of finance paid Government grant		6,895,807 (8,693,908) 4,935 (705)	9,420,389 (10,597,123) 11,319 (8,180) 76,685
Net cash used in operating activities		(1,793,871)	(1,096,910)
Cash flows from investing activities Payment for intangible asset Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment Proceeds/(payment) from disposal of businesses		3,201 (261,522)	(4,200) (51,771) -
Net cash used in investing activities		(258,321)	(55,971)
Cash flows from financing activities Repayment of borrowings Principal repayments of lease liabilities		(56,927)	(10,984) (38,721)
Net cash used in financing activities		(56,927)	(49,705)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial half-year Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(2,109,119) 4,415,166 (48,782)	(1,202,586) 8,236,634 (53,350)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial half-year		2,257,265	6,980,698

#### Note 1. Basis of Preparation

The interim financial report covers XPON Technologies Group Limited ('the Company) and its controlled entities ('the Group'). XPON Technologies Group Limited is a for-profit Company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The principal activities of the Company for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 was the provision of:

- software enabled managed services to help companies manage business-critical marketing platforms, Adtech, ML / Al and cloud technologies;
- agile cloud-native software solutions with our unique IP that helps corporate & enterprise clients build and modernise customer-facing applications and products; and
- a next-generation data platform for marketers that centralizes customer & marketing data, supercharging
  it with AI for automated activation.

Each of the entities within the Group prepares its financial statements based on the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the functional currency). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is the parent entity's functional and presentation currency.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 27 February 2024.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years unless otherwise stated.

This condensed consolidated interim financial report for the reporting period ending 31 December 2023 has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The interim financial report is intended to provide users with an update on the latest annual financial statements of the Group. As such it does not contain information that represents relatively insignificant changes occurring during the half year within the Group. This condensed consolidated financial report does not include all the notes normally included in an annual financial report. It is therefore recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 30 June 2023, together with any public announcements made during the half-year.

The same accounting policies and methods of computation have been followed in this interim financial report as were applied in the most recent annual financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

#### **Note 1. Basis of Preparation (continued)**

# **Going Concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates the continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and discharge of liabilities in the ordinary course of business.

For the period ended 31 December 2023, the Group generated a net loss after tax of \$5,409,737 and a net loss after tax from continuing operations of \$2,465,818. Further, the Group generated operating cash outflows of \$1,793,871 for the period ended 31 December 2023, and at this date reported a net current asset deficiency of \$3,274,498.

The ability of the Group to continue as a going concern is principally dependent upon one or more of the following:

- The ability of the Group to raise additional capital;
- The ability of the Group to undertake other financing activities;
- The ability to further reduce expenditure in future periods to maintain cost control and cash reserves; and/or
- The ability of the Group to continue growing its revenues from new customer contracts, generating sufficient cash flows to meet obligations as they fall due.

These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. The Directors believe that the going concern basis of preparation is appropriate due to the following reasons:

- As disclosed in the subsequent events (note 14), post 31 December 2023 the Group secured commitments from professional and sophisticated investors to raise \$1.125 million via the issue of 45,000,000 secured convertible notes;
- The Group has previously completed a restructure exercise (announced in May 2023) with further cost reductions in Oct 2023 which collectively are expected to generate c\$4.5 million in annualised people and operating expenditure cost savings;
- The Group has divested its App Mod business (note 3) on 22 December 2023 which is expected to save \$1.3 million in net cash burn annually;
- The continuing business is demonstrating resilience with Q2 FY2024 revenue and gross margin growth (approaching the levels achieved in Q2 FY2023) and financial performance progressing in line with management expectations;
- The Directors are confident additional funds and/or capital can be raised as is necessary to meet obligations as they fall due; and
- The Directors are pursuing strategic opportunities to further improve the business' future prospects.

Should the Group be unable to continue as a going concern, it may be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the ordinary course of business, and at amounts that differ from those stated in the financial statements. The financial report does not include any adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts, or classification of liabilities and appropriate disclosures that may be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

#### Note 2. Significant changes in the current reporting period

Although global market conditions have affected market confidence and consumer spending patterns, the group is clearly focused on growing the business through ongoing product innovation and sales and marketing effort. It has sufficient working capital to service its operating activities with the target of achieving cashflow break-even by 2025.

The financial position and performance of the Group were particularly affected by the following events and transactions during the six months to 31 December 2023:

- Cost reduction measures that were announced in May 2023 and October 2023 which collectively amounted to c\$4.5 million in annualised cost savings;
- A significant decrease in total revenue driven by the decline in revenue attributable to the App Mod business;
- Completion of the sale of the App Mod business on 22 December 2023 to Peppermint Innovation Ltd (PIL). The App Mod business included two subsidiary companies, XPON Digital Limited (UK Company) and Holoscribe Australia Pty Ltd (Australian Company). 100% of the issued shares of both companies were acquired by PIL with a payment of £1 GBP and on terms usual for a transaction of this type;
- Trade and other payables reduced by 2% consistent with the managing of costs in relation to the continuing operations.

For a further discussion about the Group's performance and financial position please refer to our review of operations in the Directors' Report.

# Note 3. Discontinued operations

# (a) Description

On 22 December 2023, the Group entered into a share purchase agreement to sell the non-core App Mod business to Peppermint Innovation Ltd (PIL). The App Mod business includes two subsidiary companies, XPON Digital Limited (UK Company) and Holoscribe Australia Pty Ltd (Australian Company). 100% of the issued shares of both companies have been acquired by PIL with a payment of £1 GBP and on terms usual for a transaction of this type.

An analysis of the fair value of the App Mod business' net assets to the net proceeds resulted in a loss on disposal of \$2,876,874.

# (b) Financial performance and cash flow information

The financial performance and cash flow information presented is for the period from 1 July 2023 to 22 December 2023 and the period ended 31 December 2022.

	Consolidated		
	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022	
	\$	\$	
Revenue	528,485	4,240,730	
Expenses	(1,024,031)	(3,947,637)	
Write off of related party loans receivable	428,501	-	
(Loss)/profit before tax	(67,045)	293,093	
Income tax expense	-	(33,755)	
(Loss)/profit after income tax of discontinued operation	(67,045)	259,338	
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries after income tax (see (c) below)	(2,876,874)	-	
(Loss)/profit from discontinued operation	(2,943,919)	259,338	
Exchange differences on translation of discontinued operations	(48,742)	-	
Other comprehensive income from discontinued operations	(48,742)	259,338	
Cash flows from discontinued operations			
Net cash inflows from operating activities	9,845	683,018	
Net cash outflows from investing activities	(258,321)	(73,444)	
Net cash outflows from financing activities  Net increase/(decrease) in cash generated by the disposed	(56,927)	(10,984)	
subsidiaries	(305,403)	598,590	

# Note 3. Discontinued operations (continued)

(c) Details of the sale of the subsidiary	•
Cash consideration received Total disposal consideration	\$ 2 2
Carrying value of net assets disposed Carrying value of goodwill, intangible assets & deferred tax liability allocated to disposed subsidiaries on consolidation	(301,426) _(2,624,192)
Loss on sale before income tax and reclassification of foreign currency translation reserve	(2,925,616)
Reclassification of foreign currency transaction reserve Income tax on disposal of foreign currency	48,742 -
Loss on disposal after income tax	(2,876,874)
The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities as at the date of sale (22 December 2023)	
Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables Prepayments Other assets Property, plant and equipment Total assets	\$ 261,522 72,177 18,602 86,147 17,503 455,951
Trade and other payables Employee benefits Contract liabilities Total liabilities	(132,808) (1,351) (20,366) (154,525)
Net assets	301,426

# Note 4. New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The Group has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 1 July 2023, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Group

#### Note 5. Revenue from contracts with customers and Other Income

# Revenue from contracts with customers

	Consolidated	
	31 Dec	31 Dec
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Licenses	3,002,814	2,660,057
Managed Services	320,837	1,184,627
Project Management Services	361,157	17,400
Usage fees	780,318	771,711
Total Revenue from contracts with customers	4,465,126	4,633,795
	Consolidated	
	31 Dec	31 Dec
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Other Income		
- R&D refund	54,428	76,685
- Other income	5,659	29,983
Total Other Income	60,087	106,668
Note 6. Other expenses		
	Consol	
	31 Dec	31 Dec
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Consulting and Accounting expenses	225,311	319,549
Insurance and Travel expenses	13,539	237,836
Compliance expenses	239,583	345,799
Other expenses	528,405	319,547
	1,006,838	1,222,731

# Note 7. Operating Segments

Identification of reportable operating segments

The Group has determined that it only has one operating segment. The operating segment identified is based on the internal reports that are received and used by the chief operating decision-makers in assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources. All significant operating decisions are based upon the analysis of the Group as one segment.

The financial results from the segment are equivalent to the financial statements of the group as a whole.

#### Note 8. Trade and Other Receivables

	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$
Trade receivables	3,593,339	4,371,668
Other receivables	30,229	51,802
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	(125,208)	(127,515)
Total current trade and other receivables	3,498,360	4,295,955

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable in the financial statements.

# Impairment of trade receivables

	Consoli	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$	
Opening balance	127,515	150,000	
Additional impairment loss recognised	-	332,607	
Amounts written off as uncollectible	(2,307)	(355,092)	
Closing balance	125,208	127,515	

The Group applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses (ECL) prescribed by AASB 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

The expected credit loss rates are based on the payment profiles (using a provision matrix) of sales over a period of 3 years before 31 December 2023 and the corresponding historical credit losses experienced within this period. The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information including macroeconomic factors that affect the ability of the customers to settle the receivables.

The Group writes off a trade receivable when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the debtor has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings or when the trade receivables are over 1 year past due, whichever occurs first.

# Note 9. Trade and Other Payables

	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$
Trade payables	6,972,504	7,168,467
GST payable	120,421	236,013
Accruals and other payables	712,467	1,530,750
Total Trade and Other Payables	7,805,392	8,935,230

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

# Note 10. Contract Liabilities

	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$
Licenses	998,082	877,613
Managed services	17,500	42,850
Project services	168,742	26,004
Total contract liabilities	1,184,324	946,467

The balance of contract liability is for clients that pay us in advance of services being delivered. The movement of contractor liability relates to the timing of contract renewals as well as new clients paying in advance as per payment terms.

# Note 11. Issued Capital

	Consolidated
	31 Dec 30 Jun 2023 2023 \$ \$
303,608,169 Ordinary shares Share issue costs net of deferred tax	22,536,110 22,536,110 (739,680) (739,680)
Total	21,796,430 21,796,430

No additional shares were issued during the period. The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company. On a show of hands at meetings of the Company, each holder of ordinary shares has one vote in person or by proxy, and upon a poll each share is entitled to one vote.

# Note 12. Reserves

# (a) Foreign currency translation reserve

The foreign currency translation reserve is used to recognise exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations to Australian dollars.

	Consoli	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$	
Foreign currency translation reserve	(536)	48,206	

# (b) Employee option reserve

This reserve records the cumulative value of employee service received for the issue of share options. When the option is exercised the amount in the share option reserve is transferred to share capital.

	Consolidated	
	31 Dec 2023 \$	30 Jun 2023 \$
Employee option reserve		
Opening balance	1,736,778	1,021,152
Share based payment and Share Appreciation Rights expenses	73,610	821,534
Transfer Share Appreciation Rights expenses for Non-Executive Directors to		
retained earnings	-	(105,908)
Total Employee option reserve	1,810,388	1,736,778

#### Note 13. Share based payments and Share Appreciation Rights

#### (a) Employee Option Plan

The share based payment expense recognise during the half year is included within the 'employee benefits expense' category in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. No additional options were awarded or forfeited during the half year.

# (b) Share appreciation rights

During the 2022 annual general meeting, shareholders approved the grant of 2,569,196 share appreciation rights to the managing director and non-executive directors under XPON's Omnibus Incentive Plan.

Share appreciation rights for Non-Executive Directors were foregone in FY23, therefore the accounting standards required the recognition of the remaining value of the rights in the FY23 financial statements. No additional share appreciation rights were awarded or forfeited during the half year.

# Note 14. Events after the reporting period

On 26 February 2024, the Group announced it had secured commitments from professional and sophisticated investors to raise \$1.125 million via the issue of 45,000,000 secured convertible notes with attached Warrants. The funds raised from the issue of the convertible notes will strengthen the Group's balance sheet and support general working capital.

Aside from the item above, no matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 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 per share

	Cons 31 Dec 2023 \$	olidated 31 Dec 2022 \$
Loss after income tax	(5,409,73	7) (3,487,405)
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share	303,608,169	303,608,169
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	303,608,169	303,608,169
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share	(1.78 (1.78	, , ,
Loss after income tax from continuing operations	(2,465,818	3) (3,746,743)
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share	303,608,169	303,608,169
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	303,608,169	303,608,169
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	(0.8)	

# XPON Technologies Group Limited and Controlled Entities Directors' declaration 31 December 2023

The directors of the Company declare that:

- 1. The interim financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 6 to 22 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
- (a) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting; and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the consolidated group's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date.
- 2. In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company 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 Board of Directors.

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27 February 2024



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of XPON Technologies Group Limited

# Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of XPON Technologies Group Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

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

- (i) Giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (ii) Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

#### Basis for conclusion

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

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

# Material uncertainty relating to going concern

We draw attention to Note 1 in the financial report which describes the events and/or conditions which give rise to the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and therefore the Group may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter.



# Responsibility of the directors for the financial report

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

# Auditor's responsibility for the review of the financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2023 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.

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

R J Liddell

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Director

Brisbane, 27 February 2024