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## **AURORA GLOBAL INCOME TRUST (TRUST)**

The estimated Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit of the Trust including franking credits as at 17 July 2023 was \$0.11.

## HHY Fund (HHY) holding

The Trust has a significant holding in HHY. This investment has been valued at HHY's Net Tangible Asset (NTA) position.

## Molopo Energy Limited (MPO) holding

The Trust has an exposure to Molopo Energy Limited (MPO). MPO was suspended from trading on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) on 27 July 2017 and remains suspended as at the date of this update.

On 10 August 2018, Aurora made an ASX Announcement advising of its decision to not declare Aurora Fortitude Absolute Return Fund's (AFARF) takeover bid free from its defeating conditions and therefore to withdraw the AFARF takeover bid. Following the withdrawal of the AFARF takeover bid, Aurora reassessed its valuation of Molopo from \$0.135 per share (take-over bid price) to \$0.036 per share, based on information released by Molopo at that time. As part of the year-end audit process, Aurora further reassessed its valuation of Molopo from \$0.036 to \$0.026 per share.

On 31 January 2019, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 31 December 2018. Based on the information contained in that Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has further reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to write it down from 2.6 cents to 1.9 cents per share.

On 24 July 2019, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 30 June 2019. Based on the information contained in this Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to further write the value of its investment down from 1.9 cents to 1.5 cents.

On 30 October 2019, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 30 September 2019. Based on the information contained in this Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to write the value of its investment down from 1.5 cents to 0.9 cents.

On 3 February 2020, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 31 December 2019. Based on the information contained in this Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to write the value of its investment down from 0.9 cents to 0.5 cents.

On 31 July 2020, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 30 June 2020.

Based on the information contained in this Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to write the value of its investment down from 0.5 cents to 0.4 cents.

On 25 February 2021, Molopo released its Quarterly Cash Flow Statement for the quarter ended 31 December 2020. Based on the information contained in this Quarterly Cash Flow Statement, Aurora has reassessed the carrying value of its investment in Molopo and has decided to write the value of its investment down from 0.4 cents to nil.

The fair value of the Molopo Investment was based on significant estimates and judgements adopted by the Board of Aurora based on all available information about Molopo as at the current date. The Aurora Board considered the range of possible values and determined that the fair value of the Molopo investment held by the Fund should be valued at nil.

On 17 December 2021, Molopo Energy Limited (Molopo) advised (on its website) that it had settled the legal action against the former Molopo directors for A\$12 million. This equates to 4.8 cents per Molopo share (based on 249,040,648 shares on issue). The Fund currently has a relevant interest in 12,771,679 Molopo shares, equating to \$613,040 (at 4.8 cents per Molopo share), which would increase AIB's NTA by 8.9 cents per unit. Aurora however does not propose to adjust the carrying value of the Fund's investment in Molopo until the outcome of its outstanding Canadian litigation is known.

Aurora will continue to monitor this situation and will provide further updates as required.

## **About the Aurora Global Income Trust**

The Trust seeks to produce positive returns irrespective of the direction of the share market by investing in global equities and derivatives.

Yours faithfully
Aurora Funds Management Limited
as responsible entity for Aurora Global Income Trust

John Patton

Company Secretary