

QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES REPORT PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

West African gold explorer Asara Resources Limited (ASX: AS1; **Asara** or **Company**) is pleased to provide its Quarterly Activities Report for the quarter ended 31 December 2023 (**Quarter**).

HIGHLIGHTS

Kada Gold Project, Guinea

- o Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) update released, with attractive attributes, including:
 - 30.3 Mt at 0.95 g/t gold for 923,000 ounces contained gold across the Massan and Bereko prospects.
 - >40% of the oxide gold is now classified as Indicated.
 - A shallow, central oxide core at the Massan prospect containing 319Koz @ 1.03 g/t (40% indicated).

KADA GOLD PROJECT, GUINEA

Kada Exploration Activities

Asara completed drilling during the September 2023 quarter and released an updated MRE during the December quarter. The updated MRE includes a maiden MRE at Bereko, and an updated Resource at Massan, where drilling throughout 2022 and 20233 significantly increased geological understanding of and the mineralisation and allowed a significant portion of Massan to be classified as Indicated.

Key attributes of the updated MRE at Kada are as follows:

- **Significant portion of Massan now classified as Indicated**: including >40% of oxide material and 24% of Massan resource.
- Majority of MRE comprises shallow oxide-transitional gold: totals 58% of the MRE ounces (17.4 Mt @ 1.0 g/t gold for 536,000oz).
- **Positive mining characteristics**: broad zones of soft oxide-transitional gold mineralisation from surface to ~100m depth; clear potential for free-digging, low-strip, low-cost development.
- **Favourable metallurgical recoveries**¹: test work indicates the gold mineralisation is amenable to simple cyanide leach processing, with recoveries up to 97% in oxide.

¹ ASX Announcement: Outstanding Gold Recoveries From Kada Metallurgical Testwork dated 09 March 2022.



• Exceptional Mineral Resource growth potential:

- MRE open at depth, with intersections up to 12m @ 2.5 g/t gold below the conservative USD\$1,800 pit-shell.
- o Significant gold mineralisation both north and south of Massan MRE within 200m.
- Bereko MRE open in all directions, constrained by drilling limits.
- Numerous shallow oxide gold targets in the project area, particularly along the 15km Kada Gold Corridor.
- Analogies with the +10Moz gold Siguiri Mine Complex: gold-bearing quartz-sulphide-tourmaline stockwork mineralisation, with a deep >100m oxide zone, very similar to the mineralisation at AngloGold Ashanti's Siguiri Mine, located 35km north along the same mineralisation trend (Figure 8).

The updated MRE was prepared by independent consultants, Wardell Armstrong International (**WAI**). The MRE is reported within an optimised pit shell based on a US\$1,800/oz gold price and is reported at a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t gold, well above the calculated break-even grades.

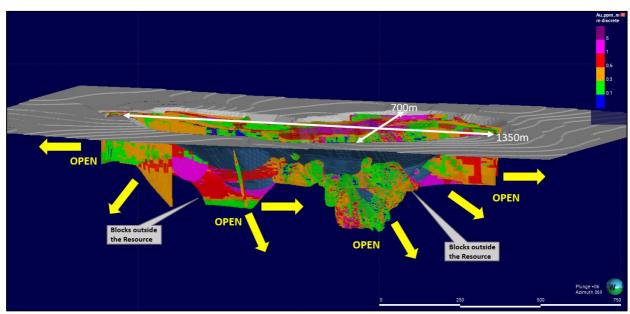


Figure 1: Massan Mineral Resource 3D perspective view, looking northeast (note Low-grade mineralised halo removed from image for clarity)



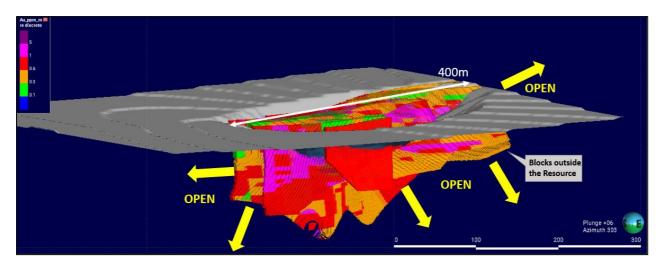


Figure 2: Bereko Mineral Resource 3D perspective view, looking northwest (note Low-grade mineralised halo removed from image for clarity) **Table 1:** Kada Mineral Resource Estimate

Deposit	Туре	Classification	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal (Oz Au)
		Indicated	4.60	1.07	158,000
Massan Bereko Total Kada Project	Oxide	Inferred	7.28	0.93	219,000
Massan Bereko		Total	11.88	0.99	377,000
		Indicated	1.07	0.88	30,000
	Transition	Inferred	3.8	0.91	113,000
Massan		Total	4.94	0.90	143,000
IVIASSAII		Indicated	1.25	0.90	36,000
	Fresh	Inferred	11.65	0.93	350,000
		Total	12.90	0.93	386,000
		Indicated	6.92	1.01	224,000
	All	Inferred	22.80	0.93	682,000
		Total	29.72	0.95	906,000
	Oxide	Inferred	0.48	0.92	14,000
Bereko Total Kada	Transition	Inferred	0.06	1.05	2,000
	Fresh	Inferred	0.04	1.01	1,000
	All	Inferred	0.58	0.94	18,000
		Indicated	4.60	1.07	158,000
	Oxide	Inferred	7.76	0.93	233,000
		Total	12.37	0.98	391,000
		Indicated	1.07	0.88	30,000
	Transition	Inferred	3.92	0.91	115,000
Total Kada		Total	4.99	0.90	145,000
Project		Indicated	1.25	0.90	36,000
	Fresh	Inferred	11.69	0.93	351,000
		Total	12.94	0.93	387,000
		Indicated	6.92	1.01	224,000
	All	Inferred	23.38	0.93	699,000
		Total	30.30	0.95	923,000



Notes for Table 1:

- 1. Mineral Resources are reported on a dry in-situ basis at a 0.50g/t Au cut-off as selected by Golden Rim, exceeding breakeven cut-off grades for economic extraction, and constrained to the limit of an optimised USD 1,800/oz gold price pit shell, based on a gravity/CIL processing route and typical West African open pit mining costs.
- 2. Mineral Resources have been compiled by Mr Frank Browning who is a full-time employee of WAI and a Registered Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Browning has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that he has undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code.
- 3. All Mineral Resource figures reported in the table above represent estimates on 1st October 2023. Mineral Resource estimates are not precise calculations, being dependent on the interpretation of limited information on the location, shape, and continuity of the occurrence and on the available sampling results. The totals contained in the above table have been rounded to reflect the relative uncertainty of the estimate. Numbers may not add due to rounding.
- 4. Mineral Resources are reported in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (The Joint Ore Reserves Committee Code JORC 2012 Edition).
- 5. Mineral Resources have been reported at a 100% equity stake and not factored for ownership proportions. Ownership proportions are detailed in Appendix 1.

Table 2: Kada Project Mineral Resource Estimate by Gold Cut-off Grade

Gold Cut-Off Grade	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal (oz Au)
0	126.2	0.37	1,480,000
0.05	117.1	0.39	1,470,000
0.1	91.0	0.48	1,410,000
0.15	74.5	0.56	1,340,000
0.2	64.7	0.62	1,290,000
0.25	56.7	0.67	1,230,000
0.3	50.0	0.73	1,170,000
0.35	44.1	0.78	1,110,000
0.4	38.9	0.84	1,050,000
0.45	34.3	0.89	980,000
0.5	30.3	0.95	920,000
0.55	26.9	1.00	870,000
0.6	24.0	1.05	810,000
0.65	21.5	1.10	760,000
0.7	19.3	1.15	710,000
0.75	17.3	1.20	670,000
0.8	15.5	1.25	620,000
0.85	13.8	1.30	580,000
0.9	12.2	1.36	530,000
0.95	10.9	1.41	490,000
1	9.8	1.46	460,000

Notes for Table 2: Sensitivity analysis across a range of cut-off grades is only intended to provide additional context and should not be considered Mineral Resources.

Further details can be found in the ASX released dated 10 October 2023.

Kouri Gold Project, Burkina Faso

The Kouri Gold Project in Burkina Faso remains on care and maintenance as the Company explores potential divestment opportunities.



Paguanta Project, Chile

The Paguanta project in Chile remains on care and maintenance as the Company explores potential divestment opportunities or a strategy for project advancement.

Loreto Project, Chile

The Company's joint venture partner, Teck Resources Chile Limitada (**Teck Chile**), continued to work on community engagement and exploration planning.

During the quarter, the Company announced that its Paguanta Project Joint Venture Partner Costa Rica Dos SpA (**Costa Rica Dos**) instigated legal proceedings in Chile regarding the Loreto Project in the form of a civil action for damages against the Company and Teck Chile. The civil action relates to predecessor exploration concessions over the ground comprising the Loreto Project that were historically held by Costa Rica Dos.

Asara disputes any wrongdoing on its behalf and is currently assessing the veracity and merits of Costa Rica Dos' claim. Please refer to the ASX announcement <u>Chilean Operations Updated and Litigation</u> dated 15 November 2023 for further information.

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Entitlement Offer to Shareholders

During the quarter, the Company undertook a pro-rata non-renounceable entitlement issue (**Entitlement Issue**) of 1 new fully paid share for every 1 share held, at \$0.012 per share to raise up to \$7,099,060 (before costs). Eligible shareholders subscribed for a total of 141,142,538 new fully paid ordinary shares pursuant to their entitlements and additional shares subscribed for, raising a total of \$1,693,710.40. A further \$720,000 was raised under the Shortfall Offer described in the Prospectus.

As announced on 18 January 2024, the Company has appointed Argonaut Securities Limited to act as a non-exclusive broker and bookrunner to use its best endeavours to place the remaining shortfall to the Entitlement Issue. The Shortfall Offer will close on 16 February 2024.

Annual General Meeting

The Company held its Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (**AGM**) on 28 November 2023. All resolutions put to shareholders were passed by poll.

Change of Company Name

At the Company's AGM, shareholders voted in favour of changing the Company's name from Golden Rim Resources Limited to Asara Resources Limited. The Company's name officially changed with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and was registered for trading as AS1 on the Australian Securities Exchange from the commencement of trading on 22 December 2023.

Over the last 12 months, the Company has undergone a Board and Management renewal process and the Board considered that the change of name is appropriate to better reflect the next chapter in the Company's evolution. Asara has Arabic origins with the meaning of 'hope' and the Board believes that



Asara Resources Limited is the ideal name to carry the Company on its journey to explore in West Africa and beyond.

Investor Relations

During the quarter the Company undertook a number of Investor Relations activities including road shows in Australia and Kelowna, BC, Canada. Managing Director Tim Strong will be attending the 121 Mining Investment Conference in Cape Town in February 2024.

Related Party Payments

The following payments to Related Parties of the Company and their associates were made during the quarter:

Director Salaries and Non-Executive Director Fees (including Superannuation where applicable) \$70,804.

Convertible Note Repayments

During the quarter, the Company repaid \$1m to Capital DI Limited as part repayment of the \$1.5m Convertible Note Deed entered into in September 2023 (Refer ASX Announcement dated 6 September 2023). As at 31 December 2023, \$500,000 remains outstanding.

Exploration Expenditure

During the quarter, evaluation and exploration expenditure across the Company's projects totalled \$1,387,000. The final invoices for the drilling campaign and mineral resource estimate update at Kada were settled during the December quarter and represent a significant portion of this total.

Cash on Hand as at 31 December 2023

The Company had \$1.12m in cash as at 31 December 2023.

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This announcement was authorised for release by the Board of Directors.



ABOUT ASARA RESOURCES

Asara Resources Limited is an ASX listed exploration company with a portfolio of advanced minerals projects in Guinea and Burkina Faso, West Africa and in Chile, South America.

The Company's flagship project is the advanced Kada Gold Project in eastern Guinea. Guinea remains one of the most under-explored countries in West Africa. Asara has outlined an Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 30.3Mt at 1.0g/t gold for 923Koz², the majority of which is shallow oxide-transitional gold mineralisation. Golden Rim is focussed on growing the Mineral Resource Estimate. Most of the 150km² project area remains under explored and there is considerable upside for the discovery of additional oxide gold mineralisation.

The Company has outlined an Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resource of 50Mt at 1.3g/t gold for 2Moz³ at the Kouri Gold Project, located in north-east Burkina Faso, and it also holds the Paguanta Copper and Silver-Lead-Zinc Project in northern Chile which has a Measured, Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resource of 2.4Mt at 88g/t silver, 5.0% zinc and 1.4% lead for 6.8Moz silver, 265Mlb zinc and 74Mlb lead⁴ at the Patricia Prospect, which remains open. The Company is seeking to divest these projects to focus on Kada.

At the adjacent Loreto Copper Project in Chile, Asara has signed an Option and Joint Venture agreement with Teck Chile whereby Teck Chile can acquire up to a 75% interest in the project.

Competent Persons Statements

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the ASX announcements referred to in this report and it further confirms that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the mineral resource estimate and exploration results continue to apply and have not materially changed.

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² ASX Announcement: Kada Mineral Resource Estimate Update improves confidence; more than 40% of oxide gold now indicated dated 09 October 2023.

³ ASX Announcement: Kouri Mineral Resource Increases by 43% to 2 Million ounces Gold dated 26 October 2020 (Total Mineral Resource includes: Indicated Mineral Resource of 7Mt at 1.4g/t gold and Inferred Mineral Resource of 43Mt at 1.2g/t gold).

⁴ ASX Announcement: New Resource Estimation for Paguanta dated 30 May 2017 (Total Mineral Resource includes: Measured Mineral Resource of 0.41Mt at 5.5% zinc, 1.8% lead, 88g/t silver, 0.3g/t gold; Indicated Mineral Resource of 0.61Mt at 5.1% zinc, 1.8% lead, 120g/t silver, 0.3g/t gold; Inferred Mineral Resource of 1.3Mt at 4.8% zinc, 1.1% lead, 75g/t silver, 0.3g/t gold).



Appendix 1 Summary of Mining Tenements and Area's of Interest.

Permit name	Project name	Asara Holding (%)	Changes in the Quarter to permits and/or interest
Guinea			
Kada	Kada	51	N/A
Bamfele	Kada	51 effective. 100% legal ownership, held on behalf of Kada Joint Venture.	
Burkina Faso			
Kouri	Kouri	100	N/A
Margou	Kouri	100	
Gouéli	Kouri	100	
Babonga	Babonga	100	
Chile			
José Miguel 1 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 2 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 3 1-20 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 4 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 5 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 6 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
José Miguel 7 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	N/A
José Miguel 8 1-10 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 1 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 2 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 3 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 4 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 5 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Carlos Felipe 6 1-30 Exploitation	Paguanta	74	
Teki I 1 1-20 Exploitation	Loreto	100	N/A
Teki I 2 1-40 Exploitation	Loreto	100	
Teki I 3 1-60 Exploitation	Loreto	100	
Teki I 4 1-60 Exploitation	Loreto	100	
Teki I 5 1-60 Exploitation	Loreto	100	
Teki I 6 1-60 Exploitation	Loreto	100	
Teki I 7 1-20 Exploitation	Loreto	100	

Appendix 5B

Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity

ASARA RESOURCES LTD	
ABN Quarter ended ("current quarter")	
39 006 710 774	31 December 2023

Cons	solidated 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	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation	(262)	(499)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	(73)	(276)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(105)	(259)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	2	5
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	(43)	(43)
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(481)	(1,072)

2.	Ca	sh flows from investing activities		
2.1	Pay	yments to acquire or for:		
	(a)	entities	-	-
	(b)	tenements	-	-
	(c)	property, plant and equipment	(3)	(3)
	(d)	exploration & evaluation	(1,125)	(2,379)
	(e)	investments	-	-
	(f)	other non-current assets	-	-

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	8	8
	(d) investments	-	-
	(e) 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	(1,120)	(2,374)

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	2,414	2,414
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	1,500
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	-
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	(11)	(15)
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	(1,000)	(1,000)
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	1,403	2,899

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,277	1,639
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(481)	(1,072)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(1,120)	(2,374)
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	1,403	2,899

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Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	41	28
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1,120	1,120

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	1,120	1,247
5.2	Call deposits	-	-
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details) – Term Deposit	-	30
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	1,120	1,277

Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	41
Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	30
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Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 explanation for, such payments.

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	1,500	1,500
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	1,500	1,500
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at quarter end		-

7.6 Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interest rate, 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.

\$1.5m Convertible Note Deed with Capital DI Limited was entered into and fully drawn in the September quarter. The Convertible Note is unsecured, interest payable at 11.5% per annum (payable monthly or capitalised). \$1m of this loan was repaid during the December quarter and the remaining \$0.5m is due on, or prior to, maturity of the loan (5 March 2024). No further facilities have been entered into or proposed to be entered into post quarter end.

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(481)
8.2	(Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities) (item 2.1(d))	(1,120)
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(1,601)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)	1,120
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	1,120
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8.6 divided by item 8.3)	0.70
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Note: if the entity has reported positive relevant outgoings (ie a net cash inflow) in item 8.3, answer item 8.7 as "N/A". Otherwise, a figure for the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in item 8.7.

- 8.8 If item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:
 - 8.8.1 Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?

Answer:Pending the outcome of the Company's current capital raising, the Company has planned an exploration program at Kada. Should the exploration program go ahead, it is expected that cash flows would increase. Should the planned exploration program not go ahead, the Company will review the cashflow and look at reducing overheads which would result in the current level of cashflows reducing in the next quarter.

8.8.2 Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?

Answer: The entity undertakes various fundraising activities from time to time to fund its operations. It undertook a non-renounceable, pro-rata Entitlement Issue during the quarter. Subsequent to quarter end, the Company entered into a mandate with Argonaut Securities Pty Ltd on a non-exclusive, best endeavours basis to place the shortfall from the Entitlement Issue. The Company is confident that additional capital can be raised as and when required.

8.8.3 Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?

Answer: Yes, based on the answers to 8.8.1 and 8.8.2 above.

Note: where item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.8.1, 8.8.2 and 8.8.3 above must be answered.

Compliance statement

- 1 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: 31 January 2024

Authorised by: Board of Directors

(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.
- If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources and 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 standards apply 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.