

# APPENDIX 4D & INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the Half-Year 31 December 2023

**ABN:** 48 604 797 033 **ASX Code:** CCR

### Appendix 4D - Half-Yearly report

### **Reporting Period**

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

### Results for Announcement to the Market

**Key Information** 

	Half-year Ended 31 December 2023 \$000	Half-year Ended 31 December 2022 \$000	% Change
Revenue from ordinary activities	20,030	17,374	15%
Profit / (Loss) after tax from ordinary activities attributable to members	(2,102)	(7,227)	71%
Net profit / (loss) attributable to members	(2,102)	(7,227)	71%

### Dividends

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

Dividend Reinvestment Plans Not applicable.

### Net tangible assets per security

	Half-year Ended 31 December 2023 \$/Share	Half-year Ended 31 December 2022 \$/Share	
Net tangible assets per security	0.03	0.01	

### Control Gained or Lost over Entities in the Half-year

On 1 December 2023, Credit Clear Limited acquired a 100% interest in Debt Recoveries Australia Pty Ltd, ADC Legal Pty Ltd and Nova Team Solutions Inc for a consideration of \$1,500,000, payable 60% in cash and 40% CCR equity. This resulted in Credit Clear Limited obtaining control of the DRA Group.

### **Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures**

Not applicable

### Audit qualification or review

Details of audit/review dispute or qualification (if any):

The financial statements were subject to a review by the auditors and the review report is attached as part of the Half Year Financial Report.

Signed

Michael Doery Director

### **Directors' Report**

Your directors submit the financial report of Credit Clear Limited (the company) and the entities it controlled (the consolidated group) for the half-year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Directors

The following persons were directors during the period and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Paul Dwyer Hugh Walter Robertson Andrew Smith Michael Doery

### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the Group during the financial period were the provision of receivable collection services and the ongoing technology development and implementation of the Company's receivable management platform. The Group also provides legal recovery services as part of its full end to end collections management offering to clients.

### **Dividends**

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

### **Review of Operations**

Revenue from customers for the six months ending 31 December 2023 increased 15% to \$20.03 million (December 2022 \$17.374 million). The increase was driven by increasing revenues from both existing and new clients. New clients signed during the period continued to remain strong.

Earnings/losses before interest, tax depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) was a profit of \$0.974 million (December 2022 \$4.384 million loss). The Board and Executives continue to focus on developing digital collections technology to enhance the customer experience and optimise receivables management in combination with providing traditional collection services to our clients. This hybrid approach of digital and traditional has proven to achieve better results for our clients. This is also driving new client acquisitions which continued to be successful during the period.

### Significant changes in the state of affairs

On 1 December 2023, Credit Clear Limited acquired a 100% interest in Debt Recoveries Australia Pty Ltd, ADC Legal Pty Ltd and Nova Team Solutions Inc for a consideration of \$1,500,000, payable 60% in cash and 40% CCR equity. This resulted in Credit Clear Limited obtaining control of the DRA Group.

Other than the above, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity during the financial period.

### Matters subsequent to the end of the financial period

A net cash adjustment of \$175,456 payable for the DRA Group acquisition was paid after the financial period. This represents net working capital assets acquired in accordance with the Purchase Agreement.

Except for the above, no other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affect or could significantly affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in future financial periods.

### **Directors' Report**

### **Rounding of Amounts**

The Consolidated Group has applied the relief available to it in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and accordingly certain amounts in the financial report and the directors' report have been rounded off to the nearest \$1,000.

### **Auditors Independence declaration**

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporation Act 2001 is set out immediately after this directors' report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of the Directors.

Michael Doery Director

Andrew Smith Director

Date: 26 February 2024



### Auditor's Independence Declaration

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

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

This declaration is in respect of Credit Clear Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

Ben Gargett

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Melbourne 26 February 2024

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

**Consolidated Group** 

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	Note	Half-year Ended 31 December 2023	Half-year Ended 31 December 2022	
		\$000	\$000	
Revenue from customers		20,030	17,374	
Other income		154	618	
Employee benefits expense		(11,533)	(11,465)	
Legal Fees		18	(237)	
Consultancy Fees		(469)	(410)	
Professional service fees		(1,392)	(1,158)	
Acquisitions – Earnout		-	(2,510)	
Service delivery fees		(3,205)	(2,697)	
Share based payments	6	(822)	(1,989)	
Other expenses		(1,807)	(1,910)	
EBITDA		974	(4,384)	
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(3,252)	(2,870)	
EBIT		(2,278)	(7,254)	
Interest Income		282	74	
Interest Expense		(201)	(45)	
Profit/(loss) before income tax		(2,197)	(7,225)	
Income tax benefit/(expense)	4	95	(2)	
Net profit/(loss) for the period		(2,102)	(7,227)	
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			-	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		(2,102)	(7,227)	
attributable to the owners of Credit Clear Limited.				
Earnings per share				
		Cents	Cents	
		\$	\$	
<ul> <li>basic earnings per share (cents)</li> </ul>		(0.005)	(0.020)	
<ul> <li>diluted earnings per share (cents)</li> </ul>		(0.005)	(0.020)	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

**Consolidated Group** 

Note

	As at 31 December 2023	As at 30 June 2023
	\$000	\$000
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	13,043	12,001
Trust Funds	4,557	4,064
Trade and other receivables	4,399	4,371
Other assets	1,277	780
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	23,276	21,216
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Financial Assets	905	1,167
Right of use assets	4,652	5,077
Property, plant and equipment	283	297
Intangible assets	2 48,698	49,086
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	54,538	55,627
TOTAL ASSETS	77,814	76,843
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	3,901	3,297
Lease liabilities	1,118	1,032
Provisions	2,300	1,868
Borrowings	648	-
Other liabilities	4,390	4,586
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	12,357	10,783
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease liabilities	3,710	4,106
Provisions	537	667
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	4,247	4,773
TOTAL LIABILITIES	16,604	15,556
NET ASSETS	61,210	61,287
EQUITY		
Issued capital	5 101,000	99,684
Reserves	5,022	4,313
Accumulated losses	(44,812)	(42,710)
TOTAL EQUITY	61,210	61,287

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Consolidated Group	Note	Ordinary Share Capital	Retained Earnings	Reserves	Total
		\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance at 1 July 2022		89,307	(31,652)	2,734	60,389
Comprehensive income/(loss)					
Loss for the period		-	(7,227)	-	(7,227)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		-	(7,227)	-	(7,227)
Transactions with owners, in their capacity as owners, and other transfers					
Share based payments		-	-	1,893	1,893
Shares issued during the period		342	-	-	342
Total transactions with owners and other transfers		342	-	1,893	2,235
Balance at 31 December 2022		89,649	(38,879)	4,627	55,397
Balance at 1 July 2023		99,684	(42,710)	4,313	61,287
Comprehensive income/(loss)					
Loss for the period		-	(2,102)	-	(2,102)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		-	(2,102)	-	(2,102)
Transactions with owners, in their capacity as owners, and other transfers					
Share based payments		-	-	709	709
Shares issued during the period		716	-	-	716
Issue of ordinary shares as considerati a business combination, net of transac costs and tax	ion for ction	600	-	-	600
Total transactions with owners and other transfers		1,316	-	709	2,025
Balance at 31 December 2023		101,000	(44,812)	5,022	61,210

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Consolidated Group Half-year Ended

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	\$000	\$000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	22,454	17,528
Payments to suppliers and employees	(20,866)	(16,959)
Interest received	252	74
Interest paid	(197)	(44)
Net cash (used in)/generated by operating activities	1,643	599
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(61)	(41)
Payment for acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	(481)	-
Payments - other	-	(237)
Capitalised development costs	(657)	(778)
Net cash (used in)/generated by investing activities	(1,199)	(1,056)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from issue of shares, net of transaction costs	500	-
Proceeds from borrowings	648	-
Principal elements of lease payments	(551)	(428)
Net cash (used in)/generated by financing activities	597	(428)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held	1,041	(885)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	12,002	10,204
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	13,043	9,319

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 December 2023

### **General information**

The financial statements cover Credit Clear Limited (the company) as a consolidated entity consisting of Credit Clear Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the period. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Credit Clear Limited's functional and presentation currency.

The Company is a listed public company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

A description of the nature of the consolidated entity's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 26 February 2024.

### **NOTE 1: BASIS OF PREPARATION**

These general purpose interim financial statements for the half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2023 have been prepared in accordance with requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting*. The Group is a for- profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

This interim financial report is intended to provide users with an update on the latest annual financial statements of Credit Clear Limited and its controlled entities (referred to as the "Consolidated Group" or "Group"). As such, it 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 annual financial report of the Group for the year ended 30 June 2023, together with any public announcements made during the following half-year.

These interim financial statements were authorised for issue on 26 February 2024.

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 Group has considered the implications of new or amended Accounting Standards, but determined that their application to the financial statements is either not relevant or not material.

### NOTE 2: ACQUISITION OF DRA GROUP ENTITIES

On 1 December 2023, Credit Clear Limited acquired a 100% interest in Debt Recoveries Australia Pty Ltd, ADC Legal Pty Ltd and Nova Team Solutions Inc. This resulted in Credit Clear Limited obtaining control of the DRA Group. At 31 December 2023, the acquisition has been accounted for on a provisional basis.

The following table shows the assets acquired, liabilities assumed and the purchase consideration at the acquisition date

	1 December 2023 Fair Value \$
- Cash	900,000
- Shares issued in Credit Clear Limited	600,000
- Net cash adjustment payable (paid post half-year end)	175,456
Total purchase consideration	1,675,456
Assets or liabilities acquired:	
Cash	415,563
Trust funds - clients	138,986
Trade receivables	153,372
Prepayments	85
Other assets	75,271
Fixed Assets	7,578
Trade payables	(61,370)
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	(144,842)
Employee provisions	(134,737)
Tax Payable	(116,872)
Deferred tax liability	(95,000)
Provision for office makegood	(20,000)
Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed	218,034
Purchase consideration	1,675,456
Less: Identifiable net assets acquired	(218,034)
Intangible Assets Acquired	1,457,422
The Group undertook an internal valuation to calculate the identifiable intangible assets the DRA Group on 1 December 2023. The valuation determined that the Group's intangib amortisation are as follows:	
Customer List	380,000
Goodwill	1,077,422
Intangible Assets Acquired	1,457,422

### **NOTE 3: OPERATING SEGMENTS**

### Identification of reportable operating segments

The group has identified its operating segments to be the two major areas of services provided to customers; Receivable Collections and Legal Services.

Receivable Collections: represents the provision of receivable collection services using a combination of technology solutions and traditional collection methods.

*Legal Services*: provides specialised credit legal services, which when combined with the Receivables Collections business, allows the company to provide a full service end to end offering for its clients.

Head Office is not an operating segment, it represents Group overheads, corporate head office, Group tax balances, financing, payroll and treasury functions.

### **Revenue Categorisation**

Revenue is generated by the Group and is categorised into the reportable segments disclosed below. Sales to external customers are recognised when the performance obligations are delivered over time. Once a contract has been entered into, the Group has an enforceable right to payment for work completed to date. Therefore, revenue is recognised over time. Additional billings are recognized when the performance obligations are delivered over time and are included within the sales to external customers.

These operating segments are based on the internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Chief Executive Officer (who is identified as the Chief Operating Decision Makers ('CODM')) in assessing performance and in determining the allocation of resources. There is no aggregation of operating segments in reporting to the CODM. The CODM reviews EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation). The accounting policies adopted for internal reporting to the CODM are consistent with those adopted in the financial statements.

	Colle	ections	Legal S	ervices	Head	d Office	Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Revenue								
External sales	16,828	15,056	3,202	2,318	-	-	20,030	17,374
Other Income	154	618	=	-	-	<u>-</u>	154	618
Total segment revenue	16,982	15,674	3,202	2,318	-	_	20,184	17,992
EBITDA	4,464	3,297	317	116	(3,807)	(7,797)	974	(4,384)
Depreciation and Amortisation					(3,252)	(2,870)	(3,252)	(2,870)
Interest revenue					282	74	282	74
Interest expense					(201)	(45)	(201)	(45)
Segment net profit/(loss) before tax	4,464	3,297	317	116	(6,978)	(10,638)	(2,197)	(7,225)
Tax benefit/(expense)					95	(2)	95	(2)
Net profit/(loss) after tax	4,464	3,297	317	116	(6,883)	(10,640)	(2,102)	(,227)
Segment assets	15,249	11,945	824	1,492	61,741	64,494	77,814	77,481
Segment liabilities	15,160	9,659	1,444	1,623	-	10,802	16,604	22,084
Net assets/(liabilities)	89	1,836	(620)	(131)	61,741	53,692	61,210	55,397

### **NOTE 4: INCOME TAX EXPENSE**

The Group has an unrecognised deferred tax asset totalling \$4,854,211 (December 2022: \$3,832,504). The group has not recognised a deferred tax asset in excess of deferred tax liabilities on the basis that they are not considered probable of utilisation at period end, on the basis that group has not yet generated taxable profits to apply against these accumulated losses.

As part of the DRA acquisition, a Deferred Tax Liability of \$95,000 has been recognised in relation to the acquired customer list assets. Deferred Tax Assets of \$95,000 were subsequently also recognised with the benefit reported in the Statement of Profit or Loss.

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	31 Dec 2023	30 Jun 2023	31 Dec 2023	30 Jun 2023
	Shares	Shares	\$000	\$000
Ordinary shares – fully paid	416,701,326	410,036,983	101,000	99,684
Movements in ordinary share capita	al:			
Details	Date	Shares	Issue Price	\$000
Balance	1 July 2023	410,036,983		99,684
Capital raised - Directors	12 July 2023	2,173,913	\$0.23	500
Employee incentives	12 July 2023	91,666	\$0.19	18
Employee incentives	12 July 2023	239,702	\$0.21	50
Employee incentives	9 November 2023	245,185	\$0.18	44
DRA acquisition – equity consideration	1 December 2023	3,367,003	\$0.178	600
Shares issued in lieu of director fee	s 11 December 2023	546,874	\$0.19	104
Balance	_	416,701,326		101,000

### **NOTE 6: SHARE BASED PAYMENTS**

The Group established the Credit Clear Limited Equity Incentive Plan on 19 August 2020 as a long-term incentive scheme to recognise talent and motivate employees to strive for Group performance. The purpose of the EIP is to allow the Board to make offers to employees, contractors, non-executive directors and other persons declared by the board to acquire securities in Credit Clear and to otherwise incentivise employees.

During the half year ending 31 December 2023, the company issued 8,440,206 share rights to employees but did not issue any options. Rights were issued to the participant at no cost. Each right entitles the holder, on vesting, to one share in the company as listed in the tables below. The conversion of rights which are issued to management and employees is subject to certain tenure-based or performance-based conditions. The rights carry no entitlements to voting rights or dividends of the Group. There were 427,353 share rights and 500,000 options that vested during the period.

### Employee share option scheme

The company did not issue any options to employees during the period.

### Non-Executive Director share options

There were no share rights issued to non-executive directors during the period.

### Management share rights scheme

Managers are entitled to participate in the share rights scheme. Employees were granted 8,440,206 rights during the period. Vesting is based on business performance and employment tenure. Employees were granted 3,279,808 rights that vest if tenure-based conditions are met. A further 5,160,398 rights were issued based on business performance and tenure conditions. Should the tenure or performance criteria not be met, the rights which were available for vesting for that respective period shall be considered forfeited. Rights granted to employees are as follows:

Issue Date	Number	Vesting Date	Vesting Condition
22 September 2023	2,585,366	31 August 2024	Employment tenure
30 November 2023	2,613,333	31 December 2024	Business performance and tenure
30 November 2023	2,547,065	31 December 2025	Business performance and tenure
22 December 2023	694,442	31 December 2024	Employment tenure

### **NOTE 7: CONTINGENCIES**

The Group is not aware of any contingencies.

### **NOTE 8: RELATED PARTIES**

The fee receivable from Romano Family Holdings in an amount of \$317,000 which relates to a historic legal matter, has now been settled on commercially viable terms. Pursuant to a Deed, the receivable amount has been agreed in the sum of \$250,000.

### NOTE 9: EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE INTERIM PERIOD

The net cash adjustment payable of \$175,456 for the DRA Group acquisition referred to at Note 2 above was paid after the financial period.

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or could significantly affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in future financial periods.

### **Directors' Declaration**

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Credit Clear Limited, the directors of the Company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 8 to 16, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting; and
  - giving 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 Entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Michael Doery Director

Dated this 26th day of February 2024



# Independent auditor's review report to the members of Credit Clear Limited

### Report on the half-year financial report

### Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Credit Clear Limited (the Company) and the entities it controlled during the half-year (together the Group), which comprises the Condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the Condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity, the Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes 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 Credit Clear Limited does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- 1. giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date
- 2. 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 (ASRE 2410). Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the half-year financial report section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & 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.

### Responsibilities of the directors 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 responsibilities for the review of the half-year 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 of 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.

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Ben Gargett Partner Melbourne 26 February 2024