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### DECEMBER 2021 QUARTERLY REPORT

Pacific Bauxite Ltd (**Pacific Bauxite** or **Company**) (ASX: PBX) provides its Quarterly Activities Report for the period ending 31 December 2021 (**Quarter**).

#### <u>CORPORATE</u>

#### VOLUNTARY ADMINISTRATION

On 24 December 2019, Pacific Bauxite announced that Messrs Richard Albarran and Cameron Shaw of Hall Chadwick Chartered Accountants (**Administrators**) were appointed as Joint and Several Voluntary Administrators of the Company pursuant to Section 436A of the Corporations Act 2001 (**Voluntary Administration**).

On 7 January 2020, the Administrators convened a first meeting of creditors of the Company pursuant to Section 436E of the Corporations Act 2001 (**Initial Creditors Meeting**). The purpose of the Initial Creditors Meeting was for the Administrators to provide an update on the Voluntary Administration of the Company and ratify their appointment.

On 18 June 2020, the Administrators convened a second meeting of creditors of the Company pursuant to Section 439A of the Corporations Act 2001 (Second Creditors Meeting). The purpose of the Second Creditors Meeting was to determine the future of the Company. At the Second Creditor Meeting, the Company resolved that the Deed of Company Arrangement (DOCA) proposal presented by First Guardian Synergy Capital Limited (First Guardian) or its nominee(s) be accepted by the Company. On 9 July 2020, the DOCA was executed by First Guardian and the Company. Following multiple extensions granted to First Guardian to satisfy the conductions precedent required under their DOCA, on 16 June 2021, the Administrators advised the market that First Guardian had withdrawn from the DOCA.

On 12 August 2021, the Administrators announced that a replacement proponent, Oceanic Capital Pty Ltd (**Oceanic**) had presented a revised recapitalisation proposal which was accepted by creditors on 23 August 2021 (**Third Creditors Meeting**).

On 6 September 2021, the Administrators advised the market that the Company's creditors resolved to accept the variation to the DOCA and recapitalisation proposed presented by Oceanic. The DOCA variation was executed on 6 September 2021 and control of the Company passed to the new board of Directors with the Administrators retaining supervisory powers.

The annual general meeting of shareholders to approve the DOCA is scheduled to be held on 31 January 2022.

#### **ASX REINSTATEMENT**

The Company's securities have been suspended from quotation on the official list of ASX since 24 December 2019 (following the Company being placed into Voluntary Administration) and will remain suspended from quotation until the Company has re-complied with Chapters 1 and 2 of the ASX Listing Rules, including by satisfying the conditions to reinstatement imposed by ASX.

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Pursuant to ASX Guidance Note 33, ASX's policy is to remove from the official list an entity whose securities have been suspended from quotation for a continuous period of 2 years. Pursuant to ASX guidance, ASX may agree to a short extension of this 2-year deadline for delisting if the entity can demonstrate to ASX's satisfaction that it is in the final stages of implementing a transaction that will lead to the resumption of trading in its securities.

As at 24 December 2021, the Company's shares had been suspended from trading for a continuous period of 2 years. ASX has advised the Company that its delisting date has been extended, subject to various conditions. The Company will provide an update to shareholders in due course. Extensions to the Company's delisting date are at the ultimate discretion of ASX. Shareholders should be aware that there is no guarantee that the Company will be able to meet any conditions imposed by ASX to avoid automatic removal of the Company from the official list of ASX. If that occurs, the Administrators will be required to convene a meeting of the Company's creditors (in accordance with the DOCA) for the purposes of varying or terminating the DOCA. In those circumstances, the administrators are currently uncertain about the return likely to the Company's creditors.

#### **FINANCIALS**

#### APPENDIX 5B QUARTERLY REPORT AND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The ASX Appendix 5B quarterly report is attached to and lodged with this report. The Company's Appendix 5B Quarterly Report covers the 3-month period from 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021.

During the quarter, an amount of \$12k was paid to creditors of the Company for services provided during the Voluntary Administration.

The Company remained in voluntary administration as at 31 December 2021.

#### PAYMENTS TO RELATED PARTIES AND THEIR ASSOCIATES

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 5.3.5, there was no payments to related parties of the Company and their associates during the Quarter.

#### **PROJECTS**

#### PGE PROJECTS

On 31 December 2021, the Company announced that it had entered into agreements to acquire 100% of the issued capital of Western Yilgarn PGM Pty Ltd (**Western Yilgarn**) and AAM Resources Pty Ltd (**AAM Resources**), who own various projects located in the Eastern Goldfields and Pilbara regions of Western Australia prospective for platinum group metals, gold, nickel and other minerals (**Proposed Acquisitions**).

The tenement package to be acquired as a result of the Proposed Acquisitions comprises three exploration licences (E36/1010, E36/1011 and E70/5767) granted to Western Yilgarn, three exploration licences (E52/3861, E58/0562 and E59/2496) granted to AAM Resources and two exploration licence applications (E36/1025 and E70/5921) applied for by Western Yilgarn (collectively, the **PGE Projects**). The PGE Projects is comprised of the Mount Magnet (Challa

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& Boondanoo), Sylvania, Bulga and Melbourne Prospects. An overview of the location of the PGE Projects is shown below.



Material terms of the Proposed Acquisitions are:

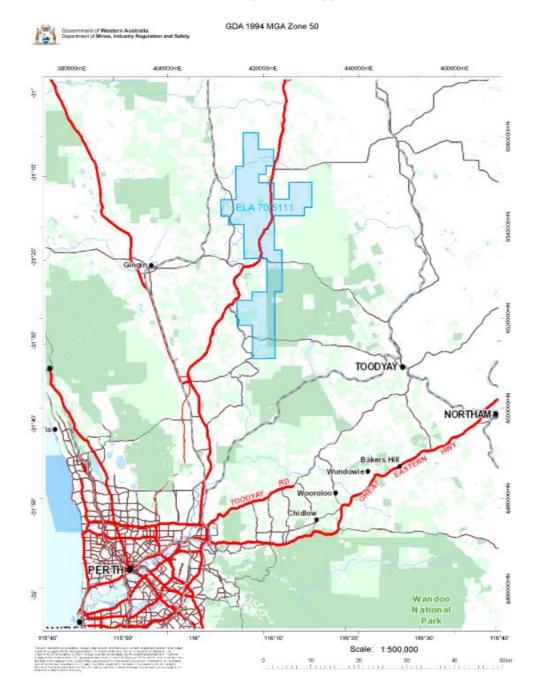
- 1,500,000 Shares to St Barnabas Pty Ltd and Glen William Goulds (collectively, the Vendors) for the acquisition of Western Yilgarn and 1,500,000 Shares to the Vendors for the acquisition of AAM Resources (all on a post-Consolidation basis and all Shares issued at a deemed issue price of \$0.20) (together, the Consideration Shares);
- 2. a 2% net smelter return royalty payable to the vendors on all minerals extracted from the PGE Projects; and
- 3. reimbursement to the Vendors of outgoings in respect of the PGE Projects, including costs associated with keeping such tenements in good standing (currently totalling approximately \$43,000).

The Proposed Acquisitions are conditional on various conditions precedent including the Company obtaining all necessary regulatory and shareholder approvals to effect the Proposed Acquisitions and satisfying all other requirements of the ASX for the reinstatement to official quotation of the Company's shares on ASX.

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#### DARLING RANGE BAUXITE PROJECT

The Company, through its wholly owned subsidiary PBX Aus Pty Ltd, has a 100% interest in exploration licence application (**ELA**) 70/5111 (**Darling Range Bauxite Project**). The project covers a total area of 349km<sup>2</sup> within the Darling Ranges located approximately 75km northeast of Perth, Western Australia. A map of the application is shown below.



The Darling Range Bauxite Project is geologically within the Western Gneiss Terrane along the western margin of the Yilgarn Craton of Western Australia. The Yilgarn Craton is host to numerous precious and base metal deposits (i.e. gold, nickel, iron, bauxite and tantalite) which includes the Kalgoorlie, Southern Cross, Leonora, Meekatharra and Wiluna gold mining centres. Within the Yilgarn Craton, nickel is also sourced from Mount Keith, Kambalda, Lake Johnston, Forrestania and Ravensthorpe areas, whilst iron is derived predominantly from

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Koolyanobbing, Koolanooka, Weld Range and Tallering Peak in the central/west Yilgarn. In addition, bauxite is currently mined at Huntley and Willowdale from the Darling Ranges south of Perth. The Darling Ranges area is considered to be a highly prospective geological region for bauxite, PGE, nickel and copper mineralisation.

The Company applied for ELA 70/5111 on 4 January 2018. The application was recommended for grant on 16 February 2018 and has since cleared Native Title and other approval processes. The application overlaps approximately 2.97% with a file notation area for the Strategic Assessment of the Perth-Peel Green Growth Plan (SAPPR). The Department of Mines, Industry, Regulation and Safety (DMIRS) previously delayed the grant of tenements which overlap the SAPPR, including ELA 70/5111, however DMIRS recently advised that they are consulting with the Department of Biodiversity, Conversation and Attractions for the application to be granted on the basis that a no-mining condition be applied to the application upon grant to protect the reserved area. The application also encroaches on the Julimar State Forest and other land-use stakeholders, including private landholders.

In relation to the file notation and State Forest areas encroaching on ELA 70/5111, if the usual condition restricting mining activities in the affected areas is imposed on the application upon grant, the Company will need to seek ministerial consent to conduct such activities which would require the approval of a conservation management plan. The Company currently understands that approval to grant over the SAPPR area is the final step before the application is granted. The Company continues to investigate the impact of all conflicting land-uses affecting ELA 70/5111 and further updates will be provided to shareholders in due course.

Upon granting of ELA 70/5111, the Company plans to undertake an extensive low impact minimal disturbance reconnaissance mapping, geophysical surveying and re-interpretation work to delineate targets for drill testing. Given the recent discovery of significant tonnages of nickel-copper-PGE mineralisation within the adjacent tenure held by Chalice Mining Limited, the Company has prioritised data compilation and analysis over the Darling Range Bauxite Project to delineate targets capable of representing known extensions or repetitions of this mineralisation style.

#### NENDO BAUXITE PROJECT

The Company, through its wholly owned subsidiary Iron Mountain Pty Ltd (**Iron Mountain**), holds a 50% interest in Eight South Investments Pty Ltd (**ESI**). ESI is the holder of the Nendo Bauxite Project, which is comprised of a single prospecting licence PL 01/16 (**Prospecting Licence**) located in the Solomon Islands.

On 6 June 2018, the Company advised Shareholders that it had unexpectedly received a letter from the Solomon Islands' Minister of Mines, Energy and Rural Electrification (**Minister**), advising that the Prospecting Licence was cancelled (**Minister's Letter**) (refer to ASX announcement 6 June 2018).

In accordance with the requirements of the Minister's Letter, work at the Nendo Project Bauxite was immediately suspended.

On 5 April 2019, the High Court of Solomon Islands delivered a ruling in relation to proceedings commenced by ESI which included orders that:

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- 1. the Minister's decision to cancel the Prospecting Licence was beyond power, quashed and declared null and void; and
- 2. the Prospecting Licence was valid as at 24 May 2018.

The Attorney General of the Solomon Islands (on behalf of the Minister, the Director of Mines and the Mines and Minerals Board) subsequently filed and served a Notice of Appeal with the Solomon Islands court of appeal. Following lengthy court proceedings, the Company provided an update on the court proceedings (refer to ASX announcement 5 September 2019).

On 2 February 2021, the Company announced that it had received a judgment from the Court of Appeal which confirmed the High Court's original judgment, namely that the Minister's decision of 24 May 2018, which cancelled the Prospecting Licence, was quashed. However, whilst the Court of Appeals ruling declared that the Prospecting Licence was still valid as at 24 May 2018, the protracted litigation resulting in the expiry date of 1 December 2018 passing (ASX Announcement dated 2 February 2021).

The judgment entitled ESI to legal costs in the amount of approximately \$250,000. The Administrators have previously assessed options for recovery of this amount as well as seeking possible reinstatement of the Prospecting Licence, which may be explored following the Proposed Divestment (see below).

A condition of the DOCA presented by Oceanic is for the Nendo Bauxite Project to be divested via the divestment of Iron Mountain (**Proposed Divestment**) as follows:

- 1. 80% of the issued share capital to be divested to parties associated with Aurum Pacific, a creditor of the Company encapsulated by the DOCA (being Scott James Dodds, Nicholas Michael Wixon Willis and Peter Forrest Pty Ltd); and
- 2. 20% of the issued share capital to be divested to Richard Albarran and Cameron Shaw in their capacity as trustees for the Iron Mountain Trust. The Iron Mountain Trust is a trust established for the benefit of those persons who were shareholders of the Company as at the date of the Voluntary Administration being 24 December 2019.

To effect the Proposed Divestment, the Company has entered into a share transfer deed with various parties, whereby the Company has agreed to sell the Company's shares in Iron Mountain (refer ASX Announcement 31 December 2021).

PBX notes its previous intentions to divest the Nendo Bauxite Project prior to the external administration as announced to the market on 13 December 2019. However, opportunities to extract value from the Nendo Bauxite Project were limited given the funding required to progress the project and sovereign risk hurdles. While the Company will receive no consideration for the Proposed Divestment, the Company believes the Proposed Divestment is in the best interests of the Company based on an assessment of the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed transaction. Shareholders of the Company as at the date of voluntary administration will also retain a 20% interest in Nendo Bauxite Project via the Iron Mountain Trust.

Authorised for release by the Board and the Joint and Several Deed Administrators of Pacific Bauxite Limited.

Ends.

All Shareholder enquires relating to the DOCA – Please contact: Aaron Dominish - ADominish@hallchadwick.com.au or (08) 6557 6200 All Shareholder enquiries relating to the Company's operations – Please contact: Peter Lewis on 0418 785 259 or (08) 6166 9107

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### PBX SCHEDULE OF INTEREST IN MINING TENEMENTS (as required by ASX Listing Rule 5.3.3)

#### Mining Tenements at 31 December 2021<sup>2</sup>

Location	Tenement	Name	Holder	Equity	Status	Area (blocks)
Western Australia	ELA 70/5111	Darling Range	PBX Aus Pty Ltd	100%	Application Pending	119
Western Australia	E52/3861	Sylvania	AAM Resources	0%1	Application Granted	43
Western Australia	E58/562	Challa	AAM Resources	0%1	Application Granted	1
Western Australia	E59/2496	Boodanoo	AAM Resources	0%1	Application Granted	13
Western Australia	E36/1010	Bulga	Western Yilgarn	0%1	Application Granted	21
Western Australia	E36/1011	Bulga	Western Yilgarn	0%1	Application Granted	16
Western Australia	ELA36/1025	Bulga	Western Yilgarn	0%1	Application Pending	14
Western Australia	E70/5767	Melbourne	Western Yilgarn	0%1	Application Granted	35
Western Australia	ELA70/5921	Melbourne	Western Yilgarn	0%1	Application Pending	35

Notes:

1. Tenement to be acquired subject to Proposed Acquisitions (refer to commentary above).

2. The Company's subsidiary, Eight South Investments, is the granted holder of prospecting licence PL 01/16 located in the Solomon Islands. Prior to entering voluntary administration, the Company announced its intention to divest its interests in PL 01/16. This remains the Company's intention and it is a condition of the DOCA presented by Oceanic that the Company's interest in PL 01/16 be divested. Refer to commentary in this Quarterly Report for further details on the Proposed Divestment. As such, the details of PL 01/16 have not been included in the above table.

#### Mining Tenements Cancelled During the Quarter

None to report.

#### Mining Tenements Acquired During the Quarter

On 31 December 2021, the Company announced the Proposed Acquisition (refer to commentary above)

#### Mining Tenements Disposed During the Quarter

None to report.

### Appendix 5B

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

Name of entity	
Pacific Bauxite Ltd	
ABN	Quarter ended ("current quarter")
62 112 914 459	31 December 2021

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation	(1)	(1)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	-	-
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(12)	(137)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	-	-
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (refunds of costs)	-	-
	Other (new project dd costs)	-	-
	Other (movement cash from restricted to non-restricted)	-	-
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(13)	(138)

2.	Cash flows from investing activities	
2.1	Payments to acquire or for:	
	(a) entities	-
	(b) tenements	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-
	(d) exploration & evaluation	-
	(e) investments	-

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
	(f) other non-current assets	-	-
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(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 (royalty sale costs)	-	-
2.5	Other (DOCA proceeds)	-	150
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	-	150

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	-
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	225	225
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	-
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	-	-
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	120
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (payment for financial lease liabilities)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	225	345

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	152	7
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(13)	(138)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	-	150

Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	225	345
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	364	364

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	364	152
5.2	Call deposits	-	-
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)	-	-
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	364	152

6.	Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
6.1	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	-
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
	f any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must includ ation for, such payments.	de a description of, and an

7.	<b>Financing facilities</b> 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	120,000	120,000
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	-	-
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at qu	larter 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. On 22 September 2021, PBX Aus Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a \$120,000 loan facility with Oceanic Capital Pty Ltd (Oceanic) (Oceanic Loan The Oceanic Loan is for a term of 6 months and accrued interest of 15% per annum. The Oceanic Loan is secured over the assets of PBX Aus Pty Ltd.		tional financing
			eanic) (Oceanic Loan).

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(13)
8.2	(Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities) (item 2.1(d))	-
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(13)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)	364
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	364
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8.6 divided by item 8.3)	27.56
	Note: if the entity has reported positive relevant outgoings (ie a net cash inflow) in item 8.3 Otherwise, a figure for the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in ite	-
8.8	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 le cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?	evel of net operating
	No. On 24 December 2019 Pacific Bauxite announced that Messrs Ric	hard Albarran and

No. On 24 December 2019 Pacific Bauxite announced that Messrs Richard Albarran and Cameron Shaw of Hall Chadwick Chartered Accountants were appointed as Joint and Several Voluntary Administrators of the Company pursuant to Section 436A of the Corporations Act 2001 on 23 December 2019 (Voluntary Administration). 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?

Yes. On 12 August 2021, the Deed Administrators announced that Oceanic Capital Pty Ltd (**Oceanic**) has presented a revised recapitalisation proposal which was accepted by creditors on 23 August 2021 (**Third Creditors Meeting**). On 6 September 2021, the Deed Administrators advised the market that the Company's creditors resolved to accept the variation to the DOCA and recapitalisation proposed presented by Oceanic. The DOCA variation was executed on 6 September 2021 and control of the Company passed to the new board of Directors with the Deed Administrators retaining supervisory powers. The annual general meeting of shareholders to approve the DOCA has been scheduled to be held on 31 January 2022.

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?

Yes, refer to response under section 8.8.1 and 8.8.2.

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: 13 January 2022....

Authorised by: Board of Directors...... (Name of body or officer authorising release – see note 4)

#### Notes

- This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
- 2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 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.