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Interim Report

31 December 2022

EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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The Company is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange Limited. Home Exchange Perth ASX Code: Shares ERL

DIRECTORS' REPORT 31 DECEMBER 2022

Directors' Report

Your directors submit the interim report on Empire Resources Limited (the "Company") and its controlled entity ("the Group") for the half-year ended 31 December 2022. In order to comply with the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the directors report as follows:

Directors

The directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the half-year were:

Michael Ruane Sean Richardson Jeremy Atkinson

Review of Operations and Exploration Activities

The Group's loss for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 was \$727,484 (2021: \$1,378,610) primarily as a result of exploration expense of \$483,341 (2021: \$639,607).

During the period the principal activities of the Group consisted of mineral exploration and evaluation of properties in Australia. There has been no significant change in these activities during the financial period.

During the half year the Company carried out the following activities:

Exploration at the Penny's Gold Project

Exploration returned to the Company's gold assets near Kalgoorlie in Western Australia with a 5,000m aircore program at the Penny's Gold Project. The drilling targeted historic gold in soil anomalies that had yet to be tested by modern drilling techniques.

Assay results for the aircore (AC) drilling were as follows:

- 8m @ 2.89g/t Au from 64m in PAC22-14 including 4m @ 5.33g/t Au from 64m
- 7m @ 1.66g/t Au from 48m (EOH) in PAC22-29 including 2m @ 2.42g/t Au from 52m
- 4m @ 2.41g/t Au from 56m in PAC22-50
- 6m @ 0.92g/t Au from 48m in PAC22-63 including 4m @ 1.21g/t Au from 48m
- 12m @ 0.76g/t Au from 8m in PAC22-06 including 4m @ 1.22g/t Au from 12m

The strong gold results returned in assays from this AC drilling demonstrated the potential for the Penny's Gold Project. The results supported the potential for additional economic gold mineralisation discoveries analogous to the proximal high-grade Penny's Find Gold Mine. Further AC drilling commenced subsequent to half year end.

Exploration at Yuinmery

During the half year, the Company wrapped up its field program at Yuinmery with some residual diamond drilling results received having completed a four hole diamond drilling campaign for 1,612m. The results continued to reinforce the Company's hypothesis that Yuinmery could host additional economic multi-element mineral deposits.

Downhole Electromagnetic (DHEM) geophysical surveys were also completed for both the Smiths Well and YT01 prospects. The results of drilling and geophysical surveys will be used to assist in the design and targeting of future exploration programs at Yuinmery.

Smiths Well Prospect

Drilling at Smiths Well tested the down plunge extension of the strong downhole electromagnetic conductor and the massive to disseminated pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite-pyrite sulphides identified in previous drilling.

Assays received for the previously reported 22.38m of massive to disseminated pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite-pyrite sulphides intersected from 328.42m downhole in YDD22-04 included:

23.09m @ 0.45% Cu, 0.15% Ni & 364ppm Co from 328.42m including 6.46m @ 0.67% Cu, 0.16% Ni & 390ppm Co from 340m

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Assays received within a 12.9m zone of massive to disseminated pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite-pyrite sulphides of diamond hole YDD22-05 included:

- 2.9m @ 0.39% Cu, 0.08% Ni & 122ppm Co from 382.1m
- 4.4m @ 0.43% Cu, 0.13% Ni & 251ppm Co from 387m
- 2.0m @ 0.66% Cu, 0.05% Ni & 268ppm Co from 393m including 0.55m @ 1.26% Cu, 0.04% Ni & 222ppm Co from 393m

YT01 Prospect

Additional diamond drilling at YT01 confirmed previously intercepted sulphide mineralisation. The lithologies intercepted were similar to those encountered in previous drilling which included zones of disseminated chalcopyrite and stringer sulphides (chalcopyrite-pyrite) in altered basaltic rocks.

DHEM surveys completed during the half-year did not detect sufficiently conductive bodies. Empire will continue to explore YT01 for extensions of previously identified mineralisation along strike.

Royalty Portfolio

Penny's Find Royalty

Empire is entitled to royalty payments on gold produced from the Penny's Find Gold Mine to the extent of 5% of gold recovered up to 50,000 oz and 2.5% on gold produced above that amount.

The fourth and final non-commencement royalty pre-payment of \$100,000 was received during the September 2022 quarter.

In August 2022 Horizon Minerals Ltd (ASX:HRZ) announced that the acquisition of the remaining 50% interest in the Penny's Find gold project had been completed. Horizon now owns 100% of the Penny's Find Gold Project.

In September 2022 Horizon announced an increase in the Penny's Find Mineral Resource to 270kt @ 4.99g/t Au for 43koz and stated that additional extension drilling was planned at Penny's Find to be incorporated into an update MRE for the Project. The updated MRE would be used for underground design, optimisation, and economic analysis for generation of an Ore Reserve.

Gnaweeda Royalty

During the December 2022 quarter Empire divested tenement E51/1995 to Great Boulder Resources (ASX:GBR) for a \$10,000 consideration plus a 1% gross revenue royalty. The tenement was considered a non-core asset by the Company with the divestment offering Empire the opportunity to leverage Great Boulder's activities in the region given the proximity of the tenement to their Side Well Gold Project.

Diversity Royalty

During the December 2022 quarter Empire divested tenement E57/1202 to Diversity Resources Pty Ltd (Diversity) for a \$10,000 consideration plus a 1% net smelter royalty. The four-block exploration tenement was considered non-core by the Company with the divestment offering Empire the opportunity to leverage off Diversity's activities in the region given the proximity of the tenement to their Youanmi Lithium Project.

Capital Raising

During the second quarter, the Company announced that it raised \$520,540 by issuing 74,362,823 new fully paid shares through a pro-rata non-renounceable rights issue. A shortfall of 133,351,596 shares remained after the completion of the rights issue and these were not placed within three months of the closing date.

Dividends

No dividends have been paid during the period and no dividends have been recommended by the directors.

Events subsequent to reporting date

No matter or circumstance has arisen, since the end of the financial half year, which significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent financial periods.

DIRECTORS' REPORT 31 DECEMBER 2022

Auditor's Independence Declaration

Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 requires our auditors, HLB Mann Judd, to provide the directors of the company with an Independence Declaration in relation to the review of the interim financial report. This written Auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on page 16 and forms part of this directors' report for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

This report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to s306(3) of the Corporations Act 2001.

Michael Ruane Director

Perth, Western Australia 15th March 2023

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		Consolidated	
		6 months	6 months
		ended	ended
	Note	31/12/2022	31/12/2021
		\$	\$
Interest income		3,754	364
Other income	10	20,000	107,466
Interest expense		-	(19,373)
Depreciation expense		(641)	(641)
Exploration expense		(483,341)	(639,607)
Business development expense		(12,697)	(8,572)
Legal expense		-	(21,407)
Employee benefits expense		(84,504)	(90,026)
Directors' fees expense		(36,000)	(36,000)
Accounting expense		(37,140)	(36,837)
ASX expense Corporate relations expense		(29,869) (2,000)	(31,169) (5,148)
Insurance expense		(22,223)	(20,644)
Net fair value loss on financial assets		(22,223)	(482,988)
Other expenses		(42,823)	(94,028)
		(42,020)	(01,020)
Loss before income tax		(727,484)	(1,378,610)
Income tax benefit		-	-
Net loss		(727,484)	(1,378,610)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		_	_
Total comprehensive loss		(727,484)	(1,378,610)
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Basic and diluted loss per share (cents per share)	11	(0.07)	(0.15)
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

		Conso	lidated
	Note	31/12/2022	30/06/2022
ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS		\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents			
Trade and other receivables	6	1,663,135	1,846,633
Other financial assets	0	52,203	167,286
		10,000	10,000
Total Current Assets		1,725,338	2,023,919
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and equipment		6,151	12,565
Total Non-Current Assets		6,151	12,565
TOTAL ASSETS		1,731,489	2,036,484
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	7	126,361	181,634
Total Current Liabilities		126,361	181,634
TOTAL LIABILITIES		126,361	181,634
NET ASSETS		1,605,128	1,854,850
EQUITY			
Issued capital	8	27,356,030	26,878,268
Reserves		1,802,246	1,802,246
Accumulated losses		(27,553,148)	(26,825,664)
TOTAL EQUITY		1,605,128	1,854,850

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Consolidated			
	Issued Capital	Accumulated Losses \$	Option Reserves \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2021 Loss for the year Other comprehensive income	25,414,463 - -	(24,172,421) (1,378,610)	1,802,246	3,044,288 (1,378,610)
Total comprehensive loss for the year Shares issued during the year Equity issue expenses Balance at 31 December 2021	-	(1,378,610)	-	(1,378,610)
	884,022 (44,931)	-	-	884,022 (44,931)
	26,253,554	(25,551,031)	1,802,246	2,504,769
Balance at 1 July 2022 Loss for the year Other comprehensive income	26,878,268 - -	(26,825,664) (727,484)	1,802,246 - -	1,854,850 (727,484) -
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(727,484)	-	(727,484)
Shares issued during the year Equity issue expenses	520,540 (42,778)	-	-	520,540 (42,778)
Balance at 31 December 2022	27,356,030	(27,553,148)	1,802,246	1,605,128

EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED AND CONTROLLED ENTITY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Consolidated	
	31/12/2022 \$	31/12/2021 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts from customers	110,000	100,000
Payments for exploration and evaluation expenditure	(525,893)	(714,545)
Payments to employees and suppliers	(269,121)	(478,569)
Interest received	3,754	364
Interest paid	-	(122,318)
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(681,260)	(1,215,068)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Proceeds from sale of financial assets	-	2,906,112
Proceeds from the release of trust deposit	-	306,738
Proceeds from sale of Tenement	20,000	-
Net cash inflow from investing activities	20,000	3,212,850
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issue of equity securities	520,540	884,022
Equity securities issue costs	(42,778)	(40,188)
Repayments of borrowings	-	(1,500,000)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	477,762	(656,166)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held	(183,498)	1,341,616
Cash at the beginning of the period	1,846,633	1,324,059
Cash at the end of the period	1,663,135	2,665,675

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

These interim consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standards including AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting, Accounting Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

This condensed half-year report does not include full disclosures of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Therefore, it cannot be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the Group as in the full financial report. It is recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2022 and any public announcements made by Empire Resources Limited and its controlled entity during the half-year in accordance with continuous disclosure requirements arising under the Corporations Act 2001 and the ASX Listing Rules.

The accounting policies adopted and methods of computation are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, except for the impact of the new Standards and Interpretations as disclosed below. These accounting policies are consistent with Australian Accounting Standards and with International Financial Reporting Standards.

The interim financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis except for the revaluation of certain financial assets to fair value. Cost is based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The Company is domiciled in Australia and it's a for-profit entity. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars.

For the purpose of preparing the interim report, the half-year has been treated as a discrete reporting period.

Statement of Compliance

The financial report was authorised for issue on 15 March 2023.

The interim financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards, which include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial report, comprising the interim financial statements and notes thereto, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Adoption of New and Revised Standards

In the period ended 31 December 2022, the Directors have reviewed all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are relevant to the Company and effective for the current reporting period. As a result of this review, the Directors have determined that there is no material impact of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations on the Group and, therefore, no material change is necessary to Group accounting policies.

The Directors have also reviewed all new Standards and Interpretation that have been issued but are not yet effective for the half-year ended 31 December 2022. As a result of this review the Directors have determined that there is no material impact of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations on the Company and, therefore, no material change is necessary to Group accounting policies.

Going Concern

As disclosed in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group recorded a net loss of \$727,484 (2021: \$1,378,610) for the half-year and as disclosed in the Statement of Cash Flows, the Group recorded cash outflows from operating activities of \$681,260 (2021: \$1,215,068), cash inflow from investing activities of \$20,000 (2021: \$3,212,850) and a cash inflow from financing activities of \$477,762 (2021: Outflow \$656,166). After consideration of these financial conditions, the Directors have assessed the following matters in relation to the adoption of the going concern basis of accounting by the Group:

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

- The Group has successfully completed a capital raising during the half-year as disclosed in Note 8 and has the ability to continue doing so on a timely basis, pursuant to the Corporation Act 2001,
- The Group expects to receive \$200,000 from Horizon Minerals Ltd upon commencement of mining at the Penny's Find project, and \$200,000 from Horizon Minerals Ltd at the first gold pour;
- The Group has working capital of \$1,598,977 (30 June 2022: \$1,842,285) at balance date, and
- The Company and Group have the ability, if required, to undertake mergers, acquisitions or restructuring activity or to wholly or in part, dispose of interests in mineral exploration assets.

Should this payment from Horizon Minerals Ltd not be received or other working capital not be realised, there is a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt as to whether the Group will be able to continue as a going concern and, therefore, whether it will be able to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities in the normal course of business.

2. Related Parties

Arrangements with related parties continue to be in place. For details on these arrangements, refer to the 30 June 2022 annual financial report.

3. Segment Reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner that is consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision maker. The chief operating decision maker has been identified as the Board of Empire Resources Ltd.

Consistent with prior year, the Group operates only in one business and geographical segment being predominantly in mineral exploration and evaluation of properties in Australia. The Group considers its business operations in mineral investment, exploitation and exploration to be its primary reporting function.

4. Dividends

No dividends were paid or declared payable during or since the half-year.

5. Events Subsequent to Reporting Date

No matter or circumstance has arisen, since the end of the financial half year, which significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent financial periods.

6. Trade and other receivables

	Consolidated	
	31/12/2022	30/06/2022
	\$	\$
Current		
Trade receivables	-	110,000
GST receivables	18,054	37,902
Other receivables	34,149	19,384
	52,203	167,286

Provision for impairment of receivables

Current trade receivables are non-interest bearing and generally on 30 day terms. A provision for impairment is recognised when there is objective evidence that an individual trade receivable is impaired.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

7. Trade and other payables

	Conso	Consolidated	
	31/12/2022 \$	30/06/2022 \$	
Trade payables and accruals ¹	61,277	124,496	
Employee benefits	65,084	57,138	
	126,361	181,634	

¹ Included in these balances are amounts owing to key management personnel and associated entities at balance date of \$23,100 (30 June 2022: \$21,300) for Director fees.

8. Issued capital

(a) Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares. On a show of hands every holder of ordinary shares present at a meeting, in person or by proxy, is entitled to one vote, and upon a poll each share is entitled to one vote.

	Consolidated		
	6 months	12 months	
	ended	ended	
	31/12/2022	30/06/2022	
	\$	\$	
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	27,356,030	26,878,268	
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1,112,934,917 (30 June 2022:1,038,572,094) fully paid ordinary shares

Consolidated		
6 months	12 months	
ended	ended	
2022	2021	
No.	No.	

(i) Ordinary shares - number

Balance at the beginning of the period	1,038,572,094	908,750,022
Issue of 73,668,414 shares at \$0.012 on 7		
December 2021	-	73,668,414
Issue of 56,153,658 shares at \$0.012 on 22		
February 2022	-	56,153,658
Issue of 74,362,823 shares at \$0.007 on 9		
December 2022	74,362,823	-
Balance at the end of the period	1,112,934,917	1,038,572,094

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

8. Issued capital (continued)

	Consolidated	
	6 months ended 31/12/2022 \$	12 months ended 30/06/2022 \$
(ii) Ordinary shares – value		
Balance at the beginning of the period Issue of 73,668,414 shares at \$0.012 on 7	26,878,268	25,414,463
December 2021	-	884,022
Issue of 56,153,658 shares at \$0.012 on 22 February 2022 Issue of 74,362,823 shares at \$0.007 on 9	-	673,844
December 2022	520,540	-
Less share issue costs	(42,778)	(94,061)
Balance at the end of the period	27,356,030	26,878,268
(b) Options		
	6 months ended 31/12/2022 2022	12 months ended 30/06/2022 2022
	No.	No.
Outstanding at the beginning of the period Issued 7 December 2021 Issued 22 February 2022	64,911,070 - -	- 36,834,239 28,076,831
Outstanding at the end of the period	64,911,070	64,911,070
Outstanding at the end of the period	04,911,070	04,811,070

9. Financial Instruments

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities approximate their carrying amounts at balance date. The methods and valuation techniques used for the purpose of measuring fair value are unchanged compared to the previous reporting period.

10. Revenue

	Conso	Consolidated	
	6 months ended 31/12/2022 \$	6 months ended 31/12/2021 \$	
Other income Net gain on sale of tenement	20,000	-	
Royalty income Other income	- -	100,000 7,466	
	20,000	107,466	

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

11. Earnings Per Share

	Consolidated	
	6 months ended 31/12/2022 Cents	6 months ended 31/12/2021 Cents
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents per share)	(0.07)	(0.15)
Loss used in the calculation of basic EPS (\$)	(727,484)	(1,378,610)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period used in calculations of basic earnings per share	1,047,511,887	918,411,453

12. Contingencies

There has been no change in contingent assets since the last annual reporting date.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In the opinion of the Directors of Empire Resources Limited ("Company"):

- 1. The attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
- a) complying with Accounting Standards, Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year then ended; and
- 2. 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 signed made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to s303(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

Michael Ruane Director

Perth, Western Australia 15th March 2023



AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

As lead auditor for the review of the consolidated financial report of Empire Resources Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2022, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- a) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review;
 and
- b) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Perth, Western Australia 15 March 2023 N G Neill Partner

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of Empire Resources Limited

Report on the Condensed Half-Year Financial Report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Empire Resources Limited ("the company") which comprises the condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration, for the Group comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the half-year end or from time to time during the half-year.

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

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) 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 our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Emphasis of matter - going concern

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the uncertainty related to going concern. Our opinion 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 gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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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 2022 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.

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

HLB Mann Judd Chartered Accountants

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Perth, Western Australia 15 March 2023 N G Neill Partner