

ASX Announcement 30 April 2024

# QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES REPORT Quarter Ended 31 March 2024

**Lotus Resources Limited (ASX: LOT, OTCQB: LTSRF) (Lotus** or the **Company)** is pleased to provide its activities report for the quarter ended 31 March 2024.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Uranium Market fundamentals remain strong

- Spot price peaked at over US\$100/lb during the quarter, and term price, which informs long-term contracts with utilities, reached US\$80/lb.

#### Closing cash balance of \$38.4M (unaudited), exclusive of \$15.3M restricted cash.

- \$28.2m cash received (after costs) from placement of 100m shares to strategic investors, including new substantial shareholder Paradice Investment Management.

#### • Letlhakane Study work program in Botswana initiated.

- Mineral resource estimate updates, beneficiation test work, mining studies and process design all initiated to deliver a comprehensive Study during Q4 24.
- Experienced study manager appointed.

#### Kayelekera Front End Engineering Design (FEED) program initiated.

- Lotus is working to validate and update costs and timelines determined in the Restart Feasibility Study<sup>1</sup>, identify critical long lead items and early works, and complete detailed design to prepare Kayelekera for restart.
- Experienced project director appointed to deliver FEED program.

#### Lotus appointed debt advisor Orimco to facilitate debt for the Kayelekera Mine.

- Orimco was selected based on its demonstrated track record, knowledge and experience arranging debt for resource projects in Africa and globally.
- Lotus participated in its first S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA).
  - Lotus achieved an S&P Global ESG Score which placed the Company in the 64th percentile in the MNX Metals & Mining industry (February 2024).
- Kayelekera site visit by Malawi's Mining Minister and His Excellency the Paramount Chief

#### LETLHAKANE SCOPING STUDY PROGRAM INITIATED

Lotus has completed an initial technical assessment of the Letlhakane Project in Botswana that considered the historical test work completed, including the 2015 Feasibility Study, along with additional work programs subsequently undertaken by the previous owners.

The key cost and value drivers that will drive project economics include:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ASX Announcement 11 August 2022



- 1. Head grade of the mill feed material
- 2. Acid consumption and acid management
- 3. Uranium process plant recoveries
- 4. Mining techniques that minimise unit costs
- 5. Final product quality

Lotus aims to determine a more effective processing route to improve upon the 2015 Feasibility Study project economics, which envisaged a two-stage heap leach process. As Letlhakane is located within a wider regional geology known as the Karoo Sandstones that Kayelekera also sits in, Lotus intends to leverage its work at Kayelekera including beneficiation and acid management to further refine the Letlhakane processing.

Lotus is implementing the following work program:

- Preliminary Work (Q2 2024) comprising remodelling of the existing resource incorporating tighter
  modelling constraints and shorter search parameters, preparation of a preliminary
  geometallurgical model to help optimise the mine plan based on acid consumption and
  uranium mineralogy/extraction, and a preliminary mining study focused on pit optimisation
  using the updated resource model.
- Process Optimisation Work (Q2 Q3 2024) comprising ore beneficiation test work program to determine the potential for upgrading the ore prior to feeding to the main processing plant, preliminary metallurgical test work including leaching and downstream processing, and definition of the preferred processing flowsheet based on results from these.
- Infill Drilling (Q2 Q4 2024) to convert the most economic parts of the resource to M&l status.
- Scoping Study (Q3 to Q4 2024) based on the mine planning and beneficiation / metallurgical
  test results and a selected processing route, identifying a suitable production rate and a defined
  development pathway.

Lotus appointed experienced uranium metallurgist John Baines, who has worked on a range of uranium projects since starting his uranium career at Olympic Dam (BHP), including Wiluna, Honeymoon, Mulga Rocks and Etango.

#### LOTUS INITIATES THE KAYELEKERA FEED PROGRAM

Following its successful \$30m share placement, Lotus commenced the Front-End Engineering Design (FEED) program for Kayelekera's restart.

FEED studies encompass all aspects of detailed design to prepare the Kayelekera for execution and are anticipated to take 6 – 8 months to complete.

Objectives of the FEED studies include:

- Confirming the upfront capital cost estimate for the plant refurbishment and new equipment installations to prepare restart control budget. In addition, the program will identify key long-lead items and place orders where necessary.
- Validating the 15-month timeline initially determined for the refurbishment program and will consider undertaking any early site work programs to de-risk the restart timeline.
- Operating costs (C1 and AISC) from the Restart Feasibility Study will be validated / updated, including incorporating new quotes from suppliers.

Lotus appointed experienced project director Stewart Watkins to lead the FEED study program. Stewart brings more than 30 years' experience in mining and processing projects across Australia, Africa and other international locations.



#### KAYELEKERA OFFTAKE DISCUSSIONS

The Company continues its discussions with multiple electricity utilities regarding potential offtake agreements, including participating in formal Request for Proposals (RFPs) and offmarket discussions with a number of these utilities and other off-takers.

Lotus is also finding utilities are increasingly receptive to its proposed offtake terms, with the market effectively rising to the pricing level Lotus has been prescribing in its submissions for the last 12 months.

#### KAYELEKERA POWER SUPPLY AGREEMENT

A Power Implementation Agreement along with the Power Supply Agreement with the Malawi electricity authority ESCOM will facilitate the connection of the Kayelekera site to the Malawi national grid and allow the Company access to lower cost power, a critical component of the reduced operating costs reported in the Restart Feasibility Study.

The Malawian grid power is sourced predominantly (~85%) from hydro and therefore is considered a very green source of energy.

During the quarter, Lotus worked with ESCOM on the proposed new transmission line routes that will connect Kayelekera to the substation in Karonga which is circa 50km away. As part of this process the Company, ESCOM and our selected consultants commenced the community engagement process. The Company also submitted the Environmental Project Brief to the Malawian Environmental Protection Agency (MEPA) and have received the Terms of Reference required to complete the permitting process which consists of developing environmental and social management plans for the affected areas along the new route.

The Company's consulting engineers have also continued on the design work for the substation upgrades and transmission lines which will then generate a more accurate cost estimate for this portion of the project.

#### APPOINTMENT OF HIGHLY EXPERIENCED DEBT ADVISOR

Lotus selected Orimco as its debt advisor for Kayelekera following a competitive process, given Orimco's global reach and very broad experience across a range of projects, commodities, and transactions. The Orimco team has extensive experience arranging and managing debt, hedging and offtake transactions for both resource companies and financiers. Importantly, Orimco has a demonstrated track record, knowledge and experience within the African mining sector and uranium projects. The team is led by highly experienced mining executives Nick Harch, Brett Gossage and John Fitzgerald.

Lotus's objective in appointing a debt advisor is to consider cost effective debt as a portion of the re-start capital and working capital requirements. The Re-start Feasibility Study showed US\$88m restart capex requirement and ~US\$40m for pre-production and working capital, to enable 2.4Mlbpa production for ten years.

#### MALAWI MINISTERIAL SITE VISIT AND MINE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (MDA)

Malawi Mining Minister, the Honourable Monica Chang'anamuno, and members of her team, along with members of local government, and His Royal Highness Paramount Chief Dr Kyungu, visited Kayelekera on 26 February 2024. This was the Minister's first visit to Kayelekera. The



Minister and her team received an update on ongoing activities on site before undertaking a tour of the plant and project.

The Minister noted that her visit to Kayelekera provided an opportunity to see existing infrastructure and how this may accelerate the restart of operations. She indicated her Ministry is working hard to facilitate for the MDA to be finalised as soon as possible, but patience was needed due to the numerous stakeholders involved. She pointed out that it is her wish that the MDA should reflect the interests of Malawians, the Malawian Government, the Company and its investors.

She commented positively on the Environmental, Social and Water Resources Management programs at Kayelekera. She expressed her wish that other stakeholders should learn from Kayelekera's work programs and that she will encourage educational tours to Kayelekera for other players in the Malawian mining sector.



Figure 1: Minister of Mines and delegation visiting various locations at Kayelekera

Lotus also welcomed back to site the Paramount Chief, His Royal Highness Dr Kyungu. Paramount Chief Kyungu has been a strong advocate for Kayelekera's re-start and provided positive feedback to the Malawian Government delegation.

#### **KAYELEKERA SITE ACTIVITIES**

General site activities associated with care and maintenance during the quarter remain focused on four main areas:

- Compliance with all regulatory requirements;
- Maintain the equipment on site so as to minimise restart costs;



- Ensure security of the assets on site; and
- Management of water onsite to control the discharge of water to the environment, during the wet season in accordance with licence conditions.

This quarter the Kayelekera site team also initiated the annual water treatment program whereby all the water that has been collected and stored in the onsite dams from disturbed areas is treated to remove impurities, mainly sulphates, prior to discharging the treated water to the environment. Treatment started at the end of February and lasted ~4 weeks during which time it treated over 300,000m<sup>3</sup> of water.

#### SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

Lotus participated in its first S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA). The S&P Global ESG Score measures a company's performance and management of material ESG risks, opportunities, and impacts informed by company disclosures, media and stakeholder analysis, modelling approaches, and in-depth company engagement. It is a relative score which compares companies to their peers within the same industry. Lotus achieved an S&P Global ESG Score of 37 out of 100, which placed the Company in the 64th percentile in the MNX Metals & Mining industry (February 2024).

During the quarter, the Company commenced a materiality assessment process to determine the sustainability focus for the business. Internal and external feedback is an important part of the materiality assessment process. The materiality assessment commenced with workshops involving representatives from the Corporate Team and the Board, followed by workshops with the Kayelekera and Letlhakane teams. To enable external stakeholders to be involved, the Company prepared an ESG stakeholder survey which was sent out to key stakeholders in April. The responses from the workshops and the survey will feed into the materiality assessment and the Company's sustainability strategy.

For more information about Lotus's sustainability initiatives, see: https://lotusresources.com.au/environmental-social-governance/

#### **URANIUM MARKET UPDATE**

The uranium spot price was volatile during the March quarter, increasing from US\$91.00/lb at the beginning of January to peak at US\$107/lb, before finishing the quarter at US\$87.00/lb. The UxC Long-Term price increased by US\$12.00/lb to US\$80.00/lb over the quarter, following a US\$5.00/lb increase in the previous quarter.

- Sprott continued purchasing from the spot market, with more than 400,000lb U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> purchased in the quarter (Dec Q: 1,200,000lbs U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>).
- Term markets started the year slowly, with only one transaction reported in January, but accelerated with 13 term contracts signed during the quarter. Supply of U₃O<sub>8</sub> in the 2024-28 period continues to appear limited.

Kazatomprom, the world's largest uranium producer, announced production guidance for 2024 of 54.6-58.5mlb U $_3$ O $_8$  (no material increase on 2023), citing continued scarcity of sulphuric acid and warned that its 2025 production plans could be harmed by construction delays and continued difficulties in obtaining sulphuric acid.

The US Department of Energy (DOE) issued a request for proposals (RFP) for uranium enrichment services to help establish a reliable domestic supply of fuels using high-assay low-



enriched uranium (HALEU)—a crucial material needed to deploy advanced nuclear reactors. Currently, HALEU is not commercially available from US-based suppliers, and boosting domestic supply could spur the development and deployment of advanced reactors in the USA. In total, the US Inflation Reduction Act will provide up to US\$500 million for HALEU enrichment contracts.

#### **CORPORATE**

#### **Cash position**

As at 31 March 2024, Lotus had cash of \$38.4M (unaudited), exclusive of restricted cash of \$15.3M (US\$10.0M) which forms cash collateral for the Kayelekera environmental bond.

The cash balance increased by \$26.0M from the 31 December 2023 quarter, with approximately \$28.2M received from the strategic placement after costs during the quarter and quarterly expenditure of \$2.1M.

Lotus issued  $\sim$ 100m new Lotus shares at A\$0.30 per share to strategic investors. Paradice Investment Management participated in the Placement to the extent of \$20m, to become a substantial shareholder with a  $\sim$ 5.5% interest.

New Shares were issued pursuant to the Company's placement capacity under ASX Listing Rules 7.1 and rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares in Lotus.

The majority of outflows related to Kayelekera site care and maintenance with the annual water treatment program largely completed in by quarter end.

#### **Payments to Related Parties**

Mr Grant Davey, who is a Non-Executive Director of the Company, is a Director and shareholder of Matador Capital Pty Ltd (Matador Capital).

The Company makes payments to Matador Capital under a Shared Services Agreement in which Matador Capital provides office space, general office services, bookkeeping services, company secretarial services, ESG consulting services and technical exploration and geological staff to the Company. The services provided by Matador Capital are recovered from the Company on a cost-plus basis (Mar quarter \$244,000).

The Company's Non-Executive Chairman, Mr Michael Bowen, is a partner of law firm, Thomson Geer. During the quarter, the Company paid legal fees of \$21,000 to Thomson Geer for legal services.

Payments to all directors for executive and non-executive directors' fees in the quarter were \$178,000.



#### **TENEMENT INTERESTS**

The Company's tenement interests as at 31 March 2024 are shown in Tables 1 and 2.

Table 1. Tenement interests as at 31 March 2024 - Uranium

Tenement	Ownership	Area km²	Registered Holder	Location
ML0152 - Kayelekera	85%	55.5	Lotus Africa Limited	Malawi
EL489 - Nthalire	85%	67.5	Lotus Africa Limited	Malawi
EL502 - Juma-Miwanga	85%	24.95	Lotus Africa Limited	Malawi
EL595 - Livingstonia	85%	5.64	Lotus Africa Limited	Malawi
EL583 - Livingstonia	85%	17.42	Lotus Africa Limited	Malawi
PL 2482/2023	100%	119.66	A-Cap Botswana Pty Ltd	Botswana
ML 2016/16L	100%	131.18	A-Cap Botswana Pty Ltd	Botswana

Table 2. Tenement interests as at 31 March 2024 – Wilconi Nickel / Cobalt project

Tenement	Ownership	Area km²	Registered Holder	Location
M53/00034	55%	5.95	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/00041	55%	8.78	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/00052	55%	9.55	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/00131	55%	8.36	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/00188	55%	8.61	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/0024	55%	9.55	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
Granted:				
M53/0026	55%	8.18	Matilda Operations Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/0049	55%	5.40	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/0071	55%	0.18	Matilda Operations Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/0092	55%	7.61	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/0139	55%	2.90	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
M53/1098	55%	6.00	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
R53/0001	55%	1.32	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2076	55%	16.92	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2077	55%	52.94	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2078	55%	69.31	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2079	55%	90.06	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2080	55%	12.26	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2081	55%	14.35	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2082	55%	89.26	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2083	55%	6.13	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
Under applic	ation:			
E53/2053	55%	12.27	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2054	55%	9.92	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/1803	55%	91.63	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/1864	55%	163.70	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2048	55%	70.56	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia
E53/2050	55%	22.48	Kimba Resources Pty Ltd	Western Australia



This Quarterly Report has been authorised for release by the Lotus board of directors.

For more information, visit <u>www.lotusresources.com.au</u>

#### REFERENCE TO PREVIOUS ASX ANNOUNCEMENTS

In relation to information in this announcement that relates to previously reported exploration results, the dates of which are referenced, Lotus confirms that that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in that announcement.

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#### **ABOUT LOTUS**

Lotus is a leading Africa-focused advanced uranium player with significant scale and resources. Lotus is focused on creating value for its shareholders, its customers and the communities in which it operates, working with local communities to provide meaningful, lasting impact. Lotus is **focused on our future**. Lotus owns an 85% interest in the Kayelekera Uranium Project in Malawi, and 100% of the Letlhakane Uranium Project in Botswana.

The Kayelekera Project hosts a current resource of 51.1Mlbs  $U_3O_8$ , and historically produced ~11Mlb of uranium between 2009 and 2014. The Company completed a positive Restart Study<sup>2</sup> which has determined an Ore Reserve of 23Mlbs  $U_3O_8$  and demonstrated that Kayelekera can support a viable operation. The Letlhakane Project hosts a current resource of 190.4Mlbs  $U_3O_8$ .

#### Lotus Mineral Resource Inventory – June 2022<sup>3,4,5,6</sup>

Project	Category	Mt	Grade (U₃O8 ppm)	U₃O <sub>8</sub> (M kg)	U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> (M lbs)
Kayelekera	Measured	0.9	830	0.7	1.6
Kayelekera	Measured – RoM Stockpile <sup>7</sup>	1.6	760	1.2	2.6
Kayelekera	Indicated	29.3	510	15.1	33.2
Kayelekera	Inferred	8.3	410	3.4	7.4
Kayelekera	Total	40.1	510	20.4	44.8
Kayelekera	Inferred – LG Stockpiles <sup>8</sup>	2.24	290	0.7	1.5
Kayelekera	Total – Kayelekera	42.5	500	21.1	46.3
Letlhakane	Indicated	59.2	323	19.1	42.2
Letlhakane	Inferred	209.7	321	67.2	148.1
Letlhakane	Total – Letlhakane	268.9	321	86.3	190.4
Livingstonia	Inferred	6.9	320	2.2	4.8
Livingstonia	Total – Livingstonia	6.9	320	2.2	4.8
Total	All Uranium Resources	318.3	344	109.6	241.5

#### Lotus Ore Reserve Inventory - July 20229

Project	Category	Mt	Grade (U3O8 ppm)	U₃O <sub>8</sub> (M kg)	U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> (M lbs)
Kayelekera	Open Pit - Proved	0.6	902	0.5	1.2
Kayelekera	Open Pit - Probable	13.7	637	8.7	19.2
Kayelekera	RoM Stockpile – Proved	1.6	760	1.2	2.6
Kayelekera	Total	15.9	660	10.4	23.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See ASX announcement dated 11 August 2022 for information on the Definitive Feasibility Study.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See ASX announcement dated 15 February 2022 for information on the Kayelekera mineral resource estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Letlhakane Mineral Resources reported at 200ppm cut-off grade; See ASX announcement dated 13 July 2023 for information on the Letlhakane mineral resource estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See ASX announcement dated 6 June 2022 for information on the Livingstonia mineral resource estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Lotus confirms that it is not aware of any new information that materially affects the information included in the respective resource announcements of 15 February 2022, 6 June 2022, and 13 July 2023 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resource Estimates in those announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed.

RoM stockpile has been mined and is located near mill facility
 Low-grade stockpiles have been mined and placed on the medium-grade stockpile and are considered potentially feasible for blending or beneficiation, with initial studies to assess this optionality already completed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Ore Reserves are reported based on a dry basis. Proved Ore Reserves are inclusive of RoM stockpiles and are based on a 200ppm cut-off grade for arkose and a 390ppm cut-off grade for mudstone. Ore Reserves are based on a 100% ownership basis of which Lotus has an 85% interest. Lotus confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the announcement of 11 August 2022 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Ore Reserve Estimate in that announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.



In addition to its uranium assets, Lotus through its acquisition of A-Cap Energy has also acquired a 55% ownership in the Wilconi Nickel-Cobalt Project located near Wiluna in Western Australia. The Wilconi Project has a Mineral Resource Estimate of 73 million tonnes at 0.79% Nickel for 570,000 tonnes contained nickel metal (also 0.04% cobalt for 29,500 tonnes contained cobalt metal).

### Wilconi Nickel Cobalt Mineral Resource Estimate – May 2023 (cut-off grade 0.5% Ni and 0.04% Co within RPEEE pit)<sup>10</sup>

Category	Tonnes (M)	Ni %	Co %	Nickel metal (tonnes)	Cobalt metal (tonnes)
Measured	19	0.88	0.06	160,000	11,200
Indicated	21	0.82	0.03	170,000	8,300
Inferred	33	0.73	0.04	240,000	10,000
Total <sup>11</sup>	73	0.79	0.04	570,000	29,500

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Wilconi Mineral Resources are extracted from the report entitled "Wilconi Nickel-Cobalt Project Mineral Resource upgraded" dated 5 June 2023, which is available to view on www.asx.com.au under A-Cap Energy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resources estimates in the original market announcement continue to apply and have not been materially changed.

### Appendix 5B

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

#### Name of entity

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Lotus Resources Limited			
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Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers		
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation	(339)	(778)
	(b) care & maintenance	(696)	(1,717)
	(c) development	-	-
	(d) production	-	-
	(e) staff costs	(348)	(923)
	(f) administration and corporate costs	(776)	(1,945)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	312	978
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes refunded/(paid)	(14)	(41)
1.7	Government grants and incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (provide details if material)	-	9
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(1,861)	(4,417)

2.	Ca	sh flows from investing activities		
2.1	Pay	yments to acquire:		
	(a)	entities	-	(361)
	(b)	tenements	-	-
	(c)	property, plant and equipment	(69)	(1,435)
	(d)	exploration & evaluation (if capitalised)	(192)	(783)
	(e)	investments	-	-
	(f)	other non-current assets	-	-

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Con	solidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
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 (cash acquired from acquisition of A-Cap Energy Limited)	-	1,238
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	(261)	(1,341)

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of shares	30,000	30,000
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	-
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	550
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	(1,778)	(1,778)
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	-
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	28,222	28,772

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	12,367	15,519
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(1,861)	(4,417)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(261)	(1,341)
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	28,222	28,772

ASX Listing Rules Appendix 5B (01/12/19) + See chapter 19 of the ASX Listing Rules for defined terms.

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	(85)	(151)
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	38,382	38,382

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	134	479
5.2	Call deposits	2,248	1,388
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (Term Deposits < 3 Months)	36,000	10,500
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	38,382	12,367

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	454
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-

Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must include a description of, and an explanation for, such payments

Payments to all Directors for Directors' fees (March quarter: \$178,000).

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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	-	-
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	-	-
		<b>-</b>	
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.

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (Item 1.9)	(1,861)
8.2	Capitalised exploration & evaluation (Item 2.1(d))	(192)
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (Item 8.1 + Item 8.2)	(2,053)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (Item 4.6)	38,382
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (Item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (Item 8.4 + Item 8.5)	38,382
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (Item 8.6 divided by Item 8.3)	18.7

8.8 If Item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:

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?

N/A

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?

N/A

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

N/A

#### **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:	29 April 2024
Authorised by:	By the Board(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.