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The interim financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in the annual financial statements. Accordingly, these interim financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2015 and any public announcements made in respect of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

These interim financial statements cover Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of the Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) is Pinnacle Fund Services Limited (ABN 29 082 494 362). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 19, 307 Queen Street, Brisbane, QLD, 4000.

Directors' report

The directors of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited, the responsible entity ("Responsible Entity") of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) ("the Fund"), present their report together with the financial statements of the Fund for the half-year ended 31 December 2015.

Principal activities

The Fund is a registered managed investment fund domiciled in Australia.

The Fund currently maintains its investments, via its underlying investment in the Plato Australian Shares Income Fund ("the Underlying Fund"), in a range of Australian equities by applying a disciplined and active quantitative investment management approach in accordance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and Constitution.

Plato Investment Management Limited is the Investment Manager of the Fund.

The Fund did not have any employees during the half-year.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Fund's activities during the half-year.

Directors

The following persons held office as directors of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited during the half-year or since the end of the half-year and up to the date of this report:

Mr I Macoun
Mr A Ihlenfeldt
Mr A Findlay

The Responsible Entity also has a Compliance Committee consisting of one non-independent person and two independent persons. The committee's role is to oversee the compliance requirements of the Fund operated by the Responsible Entity.

Review and results of operations

There have been no significant changes to the operations of the Fund since the previous financial period. The Fund continued to invest funds in accordance with target asset allocations as set out in the governing documents of the Fund and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The performance of the Fund, as represented by the results of its operations, was as follows:

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2015 \$'000	31 December 2014 \$'000
Net operating profit/(loss) before financing costs attributable to unitholders	<u>(145)</u>	<u>6</u>
<i>Distributions</i>		
Distribution paid and payable	<u>784</u>	<u>139</u>
Distribution (cents per unit)	<u>3.5861</u>	<u>4.6077</u>

Significant changes in state of affairs

In the opinion of the directors, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund that occurred during the financial half-year.

Directors' report (continued)

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2015 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (i) the operations of the Fund in future financial years, or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Fund in future financial years.

Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Fund will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the governing documents of the Fund and in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the Fund's Constitution.

The results of the Fund's operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Fund invests. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

Further information on likely developments in the operations of the Fund and the expected results of those operations have not been included in this report because the Responsible Entity believes it would be likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Fund.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Fund in regards to insurance cover provided to either the officers of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited or the auditors of the Fund. So long as the officers of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited act in accordance with the Fund's Constitution and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Fund against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Fund.

The auditors of the Fund are in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Fund.

Environmental regulation

The operations of the Fund are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

The Fund is an entity of a kind referred to in Class Order 98/0100 (as amended) issued by Australian Securities and Investments Commission relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the directors' report and financial report. Amounts in the directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that Class Order, unless otherwise indicated.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 5.

Directors' report (continued)

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors.



Mr Alex Milenfeldt
Director, Pinnacle Fund Services Limited

Brisbane
2 March 2016



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) for the half-year ended 31 December 2015, 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.

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Craig Thomason
Partner
PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney
2 March 2016

Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk)
Statement of comprehensive income
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015

Statement of comprehensive income

		Half-year ended	
		31 December	31 December
		2015	2014
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Investment income			
Interest income from financial assets not held at fair value through profit or loss		10	1
Dividends/Trust distribuion income		788	140
Net gains/(losses) on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss		(929)	(133)
Other operating income		11	3
Total net investment income/(loss)		(120)	11
Expenses			
Management fees		25	5
Total operating expenses		25	5
Operating profit/(loss) for the half-year		(145)	6
Finance costs attributable to unitholders			
Distributions to unitholders	3	(784)	(139)
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders	2	929	133
Profit/(loss) for the half-year		-	-
Other comprehensive income for the half-year		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the half-year		-	-

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk)
Statement of financial position
As at 31 December 2015

Statement of financial position

	As at	
	31 December	30 June
	2015	2015
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,005	535
Receivables	526	107
Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss	4 24,798	8,909
Total assets	27,329	9,551
Liabilities		
Distributions payable	371	40
Payables	153	104
Financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss	5 671	-
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders)	1,195	144
Net assets attributable to unitholders - liability	2 26,134	9,407

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk)
Statement of changes in equity
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015

Statement of changes in equity

	Half-year ended	
	31 December	31 December
	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the financial half-year	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the half-year	-	-
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the half-year	-	-
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	-	-
Total equity at the end of the financial half-year	-	-

Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result there was no equity at the start or the end of the half-year.

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk)
Statement of cash flows
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015

Statement of cash flows

	Half-year ended	
	31 December	31 December
	2015	2014
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss	2,033	74
Purchase of financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss	(18,242)	(443)
Dividends/Distributions received	459	87
Interest received	9	1
Management fees paid	(11)	(2)
Payment of other expenses	(1)	-
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(15,753)	(283)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from applications by unitholders	18,718	375
Payments for redemptions by unitholders	(1,183)	-
Distributions paid	(312)	-
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	17,223	375
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,470	92
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year	535	134
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year	2,005	226

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Notes to the financial statements

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1 Basis of preparation of interim financial statements

This general purpose financial report for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

This interim report 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 report for the year 30 June 2015 and any public announcements made in respect of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) ("the Fund") during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The interim report was authorised for issue by the directors on 2 March 2016. The directors of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited ("the Responsible Entity") have the power to amend and reissue the interim report.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period.

2 Net assets attributable to unitholders

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unitholders during the half-year were as follows:

	As at			
	31 December 2015 No. '000	30 June 2015 No. '000	31 December 2015 No. '000	30 June 2015 No. '000
Opening balance	9,400	2,678	9,407	2,812
Applications	19,129	6,534	18,749	6,718
Redemptions	(1,281)	(21)	(1,233)	(22)
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	147	209	140	214
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	(929)	(315)
Closing balance	27,395	9,400	26,134	9,407

As stipulated within the Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the Fund. There are no separate classes of units and each unit has the same rights attaching to it as all other units of the Fund.

3 Distributions to unitholders

The distributions for the half-year were as follows:

	Half-year ended			
	31 December 2015 \$'000	31 December 2015 CPU	31 December 2014 \$'000	31 December 2014 CPU
Distributions				
Distributions paid - September	413	2.2313	75	2.5911
Distributions payable - December	371	1.3548	64	2.0166
	<u>784</u>	<u>3.5861</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>4.6077</u>

4 Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	31 December 2015 \$'000	30 June 2015 \$'000
Held for trading		
Futures	-	48
Total financial assets held for trading	<u>-</u>	<u>48</u>
Designated at fair value through profit or loss		
Unlisted unit trusts (note 7)	24,798	8,861
Total financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss	<u>24,798</u>	<u>8,861</u>
Total financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss	<u>24,798</u>	<u>8,909</u>

5 Financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	31 December 2015 \$'000	30 June 2015 \$'000
Held for trading		
Futures	671	-
Total financial liabilities held for trading	<u>671</u>	<u>-</u>
Total financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss	<u>671</u>	<u>-</u>

6 Fair value measurements

The Fund measures and recognises financial assets and liabilities held at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Financial assets / liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Financial assets / liabilities held for trading

The Fund has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

Fair value hierarchy

(i) Classification of financial assets and financial liabilities

The Fund classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the subjectivity of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1)
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2)
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Responsible Entity. The Responsible Entity considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The tables below set out the Fund's financial assets and liabilities (by class) measured at fair value according to the fair value hierarchy at 31 December 2015 and 30 June 2015.

As at 31 December 2015

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets				
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:				
Unlisted unit trusts	-	24,798	-	24,798
Total assets	-	24,798	-	24,798
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities held for trading:				
Futures	671	-	-	671
Total liabilities	671	-	-	671

6 Fair value measurements (continued)

Fair value hierarchy (continued)

As at 30 June 2015

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets				
Financial assets held for trading:				
Futures	48	-	-	48
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:				
Unlisted unit trusts	-	8,861	-	8,861
Total assets	48	8,861	-	8,909

Investments, whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and therefore classified within level 1, include futures.

Financial instruments that trade in markets that are not considered to be active but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within Level 2. These include unlisted unit trusts. As level 2 investments include positions that are not traded in active markets and/or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuations may be adjusted to reflect liquidity and/or non-transferability, which are generally based on available market information.

(ii) Transfers between levels

There were no transfers between levels for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 or the year ended 30 June 2015.

7 Investments in unlisted unit trusts

Name of entity	Country of domicile	Fair value		Ownership interest	
		31 December 2015 \$'000	30 June 2015 \$'000	31 December 2015 %	30 June 2015 %
Plato Australian Shares Income Fund	Australia	24,798	8,861	3.91	1.91

8 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would impact on the financial position of the Fund disclosed in the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the half-year ended on that date.

9 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

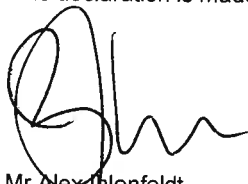
There are no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 31 December 2015 and 30 June 2015.

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 15 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the financial half-year ended on that date, and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Mr Alex Ihlenfeldt
Director, Pinnacle Fund Services Limited

Brisbane
2 March 2016



Independent auditor's review report to the members of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk)

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) (the registered scheme), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

Directors' responsibility for the half-year financial report

The directors of Pinnacle Fund Services Limited (the responsible entity) 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 is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Australian Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, 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 entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 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*. As the auditor of Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk), ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

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*.

Conclusion

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 Plato Australian Shares Income Fund (Managed Risk) is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date;

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b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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Craig Thomason
Partner

Sydney
2 March 2016