

FORM: Preliminary final report

Name of *issuer*

Bendigo Telco Limited

ACN or ARBN

88 089 782 203

Half yearly
(tick)

Preliminary
final (tick)

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Half year/financial year ended
(‘Current period’)

30 June 2020

For announcement to the market

Extracts from this statement for announcement to the market (see note 1).

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|--|------|----------------|----|-------------------------------|
| | | | | \$A,000 |
| Revenue (item 1.1) | down | 9% | to | 33,423 |
| Profit (loss) for the period (item 1.9) | up | 180% | to | 1,065 |
| Profit (loss) for the period attributable to members of the parent (item 1.11) | up | 180% | to | 1,065 |
| Dividends | | Current period | | Previous corresponding period |
| Franking rate applicable: | | 100% | | 100% |
| Final dividend (preliminary final report only)(item 10.13-10.14) | | | | |
| Amount per security | | 9.5 cents | | 7.0 cents |
| Franked amount per security | | 9.5 cents | | 7.0 cents |
| Interim dividend (Half yearly report only) (item 10.11 – 10.12) | | | | |
| Amount per security | | | | |
| Franked amount per security | | | | |
| Short details of any bonus or cash issue or other item(s) of importance not previously released to the market: | | | | |

Consolidated income statement *(The figures are not equity accounted)**(see note 3)**(as per paragraphs 81-85 and 88-94 of AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements)*

| | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| 1.1 Revenues <i>(item 7.1)</i> | 33,423 | 36,649 |
| 1.2 Expenses, excluding finance costs <i>(item 7.2)</i> | 31,222 | 37,157 |
| 1.3 Finance costs | 293 | 393 |
| 1.4 Share of net profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures <i>(item 15.7)</i> | - | - |
| 1.5 Profit (loss) before income tax | 1,907 | (901) |
| 1.6 Income tax expense <i>(see note 4)</i> | 843 | 430 |
| 1.7 Profit (loss) from continuing operations | | |
| 1.8 Profit (loss) from discontinued operations <i>(item 13.3)</i> | | |
| 1.9 Profit (loss) for the period | 1,065 | (1,331) |
| 1.10 Profit (loss) attributable to minority interests | | |
| 1.11 Profit (loss) attributable to members of the parent | 1,065 | (1,331) |
| 1.12 Basic earnings per <i>security</i> <i>(item 9.1)</i> | 13.73 | (17.16) |
| 1.13 Diluted earnings per <i>security</i> <i>(item 9.1)</i> | 13.73 | (17.16) |
| 1.14 Dividends per <i>security</i> <i>(item 9.1)</i> | 12.00 | 12.00 |

Comparison of half-year profits*(Preliminary final statement only)*

| | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|---|-----------------------------|---|
| 2.1 Consolidated profit (loss) after tax attributable to members reported for the 1st half year <i>(item 1.11 in the half yearly statement)</i> | 625 | (1,841) |
| 2.2 Consolidated profit (loss) after tax attributable to members for the 2nd half year | 440 | 510 |

Consolidated balance sheet

(See note 5)

(as per paragraphs 68-69 of AASB 101: Financial Statement Presentation)

| Current assets | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| 3.1 | Cash and cash equivalents | 4,121 | 1,869 |
| 3.2 | Trade and other receivables | 1,089 | 1,738 |
| 3.3 | Inventories | 105 | 190 |
| 3.4 | Prepayments | 1,792 | 1,551 |
| 3.5 | Total current assets | 7,107 | 5,348 |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| 3.6 | Available for sale investments | | |
| 3.7 | Other financial assets | | |
| 3.8 | Investments in associates | | |
| 3.9 | Deferred tax assets | 735 | 883 |
| 3.10 | Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised (see para. 71 of AASB 1022 – new standard not yet finalised) | | |
| 3.11 | Development properties (mining entities) | | |
| 3.12 | Property, plant and equipment (net) | 1,126 | 4,122 |
| 3.13 | Investment properties | | |
| 3.14 | Goodwill | 3,484 | 3,484 |
| 3.15 | Other intangible assets | 1,511 | 2,891 |
| 3.16 | Right-of-use assets | 5,372 | |
| 3.17 | Total non-current assets | 12,229 | 11,380 |
| 3.18 | Total assets | 19,336 | 16,728 |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| 3.19 | Trade and other payables | 1,823 | 2,201 |
| 3.20 | Short term borrowings | - | - |
| 3.21 | Current tax payable | 411 | (418) |
| 3.22 | Short term provisions | 987 | 871 |
| 3.23 | Current portion of long term borrowings | 386 | 1,846 |
| 3.24 | Lease liabilities | 1,720 | |
| | | 5,328 | 4,500 |
| 3.25 | Liabilities directly associated with non-current assets classified as held for sale (para 38 of AASB 5) | | |
| 3.26 | Total current liabilities | 5,328 | 4,500 |

| Non-current liabilities | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
| 3.27 | Long-term borrowings | 2,364 | 4,084 |
| 3.28 | Deferred tax liabilities | | |
| 3.29 | Long term provisions | 82 | 93 |
| 3.30 | Lease Liabilities | 3,406 | |
| 3.31 | Total non-current liabilities | 5,852 | 4,177 |
| 3.32 | Total liabilities | 11,180 | 8,677 |
| 3.33 | Net assets | 8,156 | 8,051 |
| Equity | | | |
| 3.34 | Share capital | 7,041 | 7,069 |
| 3.35 | Other reserves | | |
| 3.36 | Retained earnings | 1,115 | 981 |
| Amounts recognised directly in equity relating to non-current assets classified as held for sale | | | |
| 3.37 | Parent interest | | |
| 3.38 | Minority interest | | |
| 3.39 | Total equity | 8,156 | 8,051 |

Consolidated statement of changes in equity

(as per paragraphs 96-97 of AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements)

| | Current period – A\$'000 | Previous corresponding period – A\$'000 |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| Revenues recognised directly in equity: | | |
| Expenses recognised directly in equity: | | |
| 4.1 Net income recognised directly in equity | | |
| 4.2 Profit for the period | 1,065 | (1,331) |
| 4.3 Total recognised income and expense for the period | | |
| Attributable to: | | |
| 4.4 Members of the parent | | |
| 4.5 Minority interest | | |
| Effect of changes in accounting policy (as per AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors): | | |
| 4.6 Members of the parent entity | | |
| 4.7 Minority interest | | |

Consolidated statement of cash flows

(See note 6)

(as per AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements)

| | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| | Cash flows related to operating activities | | |
| 5.1 | Receipts from customers | 37,226 | 40,828 |
| 5.2 | Payments to suppliers and employees | (31,241) | (36,744) |
| 5.3 | Interest paid | (224) | (166) |
| 5.4 | Income taxes paid | 135 | (445) |
| 5.5 | Interest received | 6 | 12 |
| 5.6 | Net cash used in operating activities | 5,902 | 3,485 |
| | Cash flows related to investing activities | | |
| 5.7 | Payments for purchases of property, plant and equipment | (359) | (511) |
| 5.8 | Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 43 | 30 |
| 5.9 | Payment for purchases of investments | - | - |
| 5.10 | Proceeds from sale of equity investments | | |
| 5.11 | Loans to other entities | | |
| 5.12 | Loans repaid by other entities | | |
| 5.13 | Interest and other items of similar nature received | | |
| 5.14 | Dividends received | | |
| 5.15 | Purchase of intangible assets | (7) | (127) |
| 5.16 | Net cash used in investing activities | (323) | (608) |
| | Cash flows related to financing activities | | |
| 5.17 | Proceeds from issues of securities (shares, options, etc.) | | |
| 5.18 | Repayment of lease liabilities | (1,957) | (825) |
| 5.19 | Repayment of borrowings | (410) | (1,163) |
| 5.20 | Dividends paid | (931) | (931) |
| 5.21 | Other (provide details if material) | (29) | (35) |
| 5.22 | Net cash used in financing activities | (3,327) | (2,953) |
| | Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 2,252 | (77) |
| 5.23 | Cash at beginning of period (see <i>Reconciliations of cash</i>) | 1,868 | 1,945 |
| 5.24 | Exchange rate adjustments to item 5.23 | | |
| 5.25 | Cash at end of period (see <i>Reconciliation of cash</i>) | 4,121 | 1,869 |

Reconciliation of cash provided by operating activities to profit or loss

(as per paragraph Aus20.1 of AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements)

| | Current period \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period \$A'000 |
|--|---------------------------|---|
| 6.1 Profit <i>(item 1.9)</i> | 1,065 | (1,330) |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| 6.2 Depreciation and amortisation | 2,516 | 1,883 |
| 6.3 (Profit)/Loss on sale of assets | 3 | (11) |
| 6.4 Staff Share Issue | - | - |
| 6.5 Impairment loss on goodwill and intangibles | 723 | 2,353 |
| 6.6 (Increase)/decrease in receivables | 649 | 54 |
| 6.7 (Increase)/decrease in prepayments | 156 | 863 |
| 6.8 (Increase)/decrease in inventories | 86 | 7 |
| 6.9 (Increase)/decrease in deferred tax asset | 148 | 182 |
| 6.10 Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable | (378) | (414) |
| 6.11 Increase/(decrease) in provisions | 104 | (35) |
| 6.12 Increase/(decrease) in taxation | 830 | (196) |
| 6.13 Net cash from operating activities <i>(item 5.6)</i> | 5,902 | 3,485 |

Notes to the financial statements

Details of revenues and expenses

(see note 16)

(Where items of income and expense are material, disclose nature and amount below in accordance with paragraphs 86-87 of AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements)

| | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|-----|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| | Revenue | | |
| | Sales revenue | 33,368 | 36,625 |
| | Other income | 56 | 24 |
| 7.1 | Total Revenue | 33,423 | 36,648 |
| | Expenses | | |
| | Cost of products sold | (16,653) | (19,840) |
| | Salaries and employee benefits | (7,661) | (8,432) |
| | Systems costs | (1,773) | (1,652) |
| | General administration costs | (1,300) | (1,762) |
| | Depreciation and amortisation | (2,516) | (2,014) |
| | Occupancy and associated costs | (394) | (860) |
| | Other expenses | (1,216) | (2,991) |
| 7.2 | Total Expenses | (31,516) | (37,549) |
| | Profit (loss) before tax | 1,907 | (901) |

Ratios

| | | Current period | Previous corresponding period |
|-----|--|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Profit before tax / revenue | | |
| 8.1 | Consolidated profit (loss) before tax (item 1.5) as a percentage of revenue (item 1.1) | 5.71% | (2.46%) |
| | Profit after tax / equity interests | | |
| 8.2 | Consolidated profit (loss) after tax attributable to members (item 1.11) as a percentage of equity (similarly attributable) at the end of the period (item 3.37) | 13.06% | (16.53%) |

Earnings per Security

- 9.1 Provide details of basic and fully diluted EPS in accordance with paragraph 70 and Aus 70.1 of AASB 133: Earnings per Share below:

Profit for year 2020 - \$1,064,822 2019 – (\$1,330,993)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares 2020 – 7,757,784 2019 – 7,757,784
Basic and diluted EPS 2020 – 13.73 cents 2019 – (17.16) cents

Dividends

- 10.1 Date the dividend is payable 30 September 2020

- 10.2 Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend (i.e. on the basis of registerable transfers received up to 5.00 pm if paper based, or by 'End of Day' if a proper ASTC/CHESS transfer) 18 September 2020

- 10.3 If it is a final dividend, has it been declared? Yes

(Preliminary final report only)

- 10.4 The *dividend or distribution plans* shown below are in operation.

n/a

The last date(s) for receipt of election notices to the *dividend or distribution plans*

n/a

- 10.5 Any other disclosures in relation to *dividends or distributions*

n/a

Dividends paid or provided for on all securities*(as per paragraph Aus126.4 AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements)*

| | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 | Franking rate applicable |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Dividends paid or provided for during the reporting period | | | |
| 10.6 Current year interim | 388 | 310 | 27.5% |
| 10.7 Franked dividends | | | |
| 10.8 Previous year final | 543 | 621 | 27.5% |
| 10.9 Franked dividends | | | |
| Dividends proposed and not recognised as a liability | | | |
| 10.10 Franked dividends | 737 | 543 | 27.5% |

Dividends per security*(as per paragraph Aus126.4 of AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements)*

| | Current year | Previous year | Franking rate applicable |
|---|--------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Dividends paid or provided for during the reporting period | | | |
| 10.11 Current year interim | 5.0 cents | 4.0 cents | 27.5% |
| 10.12 Franked dividends – cents per share | | | |
| 10.13 Previous year final | 7.0 cents | 8.0 cents | 27.5% |
| 10.14 Franked dividends – cents per share | | | |
| Dividends proposed and not recognised as a liability | | | |
| 10.15 Franked dividends – cents per share | 9.5 cents | 7.0 cents | 27.5% |

Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised

To be completed only by issuers with mining interests if amounts are material. Include all expenditure incurred regardless of whether written off directly against profit

| | Current period \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period \$A'000 |
|--|---------------------------|---|
| 11.1 Opening balance | n/a | |
| 11.2 Expenditure incurred during current period | | |
| 11.3 Expenditure written off during current period | | |
| 11.4 Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc. | | |
| 11.5 Expenditure transferred to Development Properties | | |
| 11.6 Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 3.10) | | |

Development properties

(To be completed only by issuers with mining interests if amounts are material)

| | Current period \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period \$A'000 |
|--|---------------------------|---|
| 12.1 Opening balance | n/a | |
| 12.2 Expenditure incurred during current period | | |
| 12.3 Expenditure transferred from exploration and evaluation | | |
| 12.4 Expenditure written off during current period | | |
| 12.5 Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc. | | |
| 12.6 Expenditure transferred to mine properties | | |
| 12.7 Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 3.11) | | |

Discontinued Operations

(see note 18)

(as per paragraph 33 of AASB 5: Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations)

| | Current period – A\$'000 | Previous corresponding period – A\$'000 |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| 13.1 Revenue | n/a | |
| 13.2 Expense | | |
| 13.3 Profit (loss) from discontinued operations before income tax | | |
| 13.4 Income tax expense <i>(as per para 81 (h) of AASB 112)</i> | | |
| 13.5 Gain (loss) on sale/disposal of discontinued operations | | |
| 13.6 Income tax expense <i>(as per paragraph 81(h) of AASB 112)</i> | | |

Movements in Equity

(as per paragraph 97 of AASB 101: Financial Statement Presentation)

| | | Number issued | Number listed | Paid-up value (cents) | Current period – A\$'000 | Previous corresponding period – A\$'000 |
|-------|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 14.1 | Preference securities <i>(description)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.2 | Balance at start of period | | | | | |
| 14.3 | a) Increases through issues | | | | | |
| 14.4 | a) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks etc. | | | | | |
| 14.5 | Balance at end of period | | | | | |
| 14.6 | Ordinary securities <i>(description)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.7 | Balance at start of period | 7,757,784 | 7,757,784 | 100 | 7,069 | 7,104 |
| 14.8 | a) Increases through issues | - | - | 100 | - | - |
| 14.9 | b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks etc. | | | | (29) | (35) |
| 14.10 | Balance at end of period | 7,757,784 | 7,757,784 | 100 | 7,041 | 7,069 |
| 14.11 | Convertible Debt Securities <i>(description & conversion factor)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.12 | Balance at start of period | | | | | |
| 14.13 | a) Increases through issues | | | | | |
| 14.14 | b) Decreases through maturity, converted. | | | | | |
| 14.15 | Balance at end of period | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

| | | Number issued | Number listed | Paid-up value (cents) | Current period – A\$'000 | Previous corresponding period – A\$'000 |
|-------|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 14.16 | Options <i>(description & conversion factor)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.17 | Balance at start of period | | | | | |
| 14.18 | Issued during period | | | | | |
| 14.19 | Exercised during period | | | | | |
| 14.20 | Expired during period | | | | | |
| 14.21 | Balance at end of period | | | | | |
| 14.22 | Debentures <i>(description)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.23 | Balance at start of period | | | | | |
| 14.24 | a) Increases through issues | | | | | |
| 14.25 | b) Decreases through maturity, converted | | | | | |
| 14.26 | Balance at end of period | | | | | |
| 14.27 | Unsecured Notes <i>(description)</i> | | | | | |
| 14.28 | Balance at start of period | | | | | |
| 14.29 | a) Increases through issues | | | | | |
| 14.30 | b) Decreases through maturity, converted | | | | | |
| 14.31 | Balance at end of period | | | | | |
| 14.32 | Total Securities | | | | | |

| | | Current period – A\$'000 | Previous corresponding period – A\$'000 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Reserves | | | |
| 14.33 | Balance at start of period | | |
| 14.34 | Transfers to/from reserves | | |
| 14.35 | Total for the period | | |
| 14.36 | Balance at end of period | | |
| 14.37 | Total reserves | | |
| Retained earnings | | | |
| 14.38 | Balance at start of period | 981 | 3,050 |
| 14.39 | Changes in accounting policy | - | 193 |
| 14.40 | Restated balance | 981 | 3243 |
| 14.41 | Profit for the balance | 1,065 | (1,331) |
| 14.42 | Recognition of DTA on BSA acquisition | - | - |
| 14.43 | Dividends | (931) | (931) |
| 14.44 | Balance at end of period | 1,115 | 981 |

Details of aggregate share of profits (losses) of associates and joint venture entities

(equity method)

(as per paragraph Aus 37.1 of AASB 128: Investments in Associates and paragraph Aus 57.3 of AASB 131: Interests in Joint Ventures)

Name of associate or joint venture entity

Reporting entities percentage holding

| | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| 15.1 | Profit (loss) before income tax | | |
| 15.2 | Income tax | | |
| 15.3 | Profit (loss) after tax | | |
| 15.4 | Impairment losses | | |
| 15.5 | Reversals of impairment losses | | |
| 15.6 | Share of non-capital expenditure contracted for (excluding the supply of inventories) | | |
| 15.7 | Share of net profit (loss) of associates and joint venture entities | | |

Control gained over entities having material effect

(See note 8)

16.1 Name of *issuer* (or *group*)

| | | |
|------|--|---------|
| | | \$A'000 |
| 16.2 | Consolidated profit (loss) after tax of the <i>issuer</i> (or <i>group</i>) since the date in the current period on which control was acquired | |
| 16.3 | Date from which profit (loss) in <i>item 16.2</i> has been calculated | |
| 16.4 | Profit (loss) after tax of the <i>issuer</i> (or <i>group</i>) for the whole of the previous corresponding period | |

Loss of control of entities having material effect*(See note 8)*

17.1 Name of issuer (or group)

17.2 Consolidated profit (loss) after tax of the entity (or *group*) for the current period to the date of loss of control17.3 Date from which the profit (loss) in *item 17.2* has been calculated17.4 Consolidated profit (loss) after tax of the entity (or *group*) while controlled during the whole of the previous corresponding period

17.5 Contribution to consolidated profit (loss) from sale of interest leading to loss of control

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|---------|
| \$A'000 |
| |
| |
| |
| |

Material interests in entities which are not controlled entities*The economic entity has an interest (that is material to it) in the following entities.*

| | | Percentage of ownership interest (ordinary securities, units etc) held at end of period or date of disposal | | Contribution to profit (loss) (<i>item 1.9</i>) | |
|------|---|---|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| 18.1 | Equity accounted associated entities | Current period | Previous corresponding period | Current period \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period \$A'000 |
| | | | | <i>Equity accounted</i> | |
| | | | | | |
| 18.2 | Total | | | | |
| 18.3 | Other material interests | | | Non equity accounted (i.e. part of <i>item 1.9</i>) | |
| | | | | | |
| 18.4 | Total | | | | |

Reports for industry and geographical segments

Information on the industry and geographical segments of the entity must be reported for the current period in accordance with AASB 114: Segment Reporting. Because of the different structures employed by entities, a pro forma is not provided. Segment information should be completed separately and attached to this statement. However, the following is the personation adopted in the Appendices to AASB 114 and indicates which amount should agree with items included elsewhere in this statement.

| | | Current period - \$A'000 | Previous corresponding period - \$A'000 |
|-------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| | Segments | | |
| | Revenue: | | |
| 19.1 | External sales | 33,368 | 36,625 |
| 19.2 | Inter-segment sales | | |
| 19.3 | Total (consolidated total equal to <i>item 1.1</i>) | 33,368 | 36,625 |
| 19.4 | Segment result | 4,647 | 1,587 |
| 19.5 | Unallocated expenses | (2,740) | (2,487) |
| 19.6 | Operating profit (equal to <i>item 1.5</i>) | 1,907 | (901) |
| 19.7 | Interest expense | (293) | (393) |
| 19.8 | Interest income | 6 | 13 |
| 19.9 | Share of profits of associates | | |
| 19.10 | Income tax expense | (842) | (431) |
| 19.11 | Net profit (consolidated total equal to <i>item 1.9</i>) | 1,065 | (1,331) |
| | Other information | | |
| 19.12 | Segment assets | | |
| 19.13 | Investments in equity method associates | | |
| 19.14 | Unallocated assets | | |
| 19.15 | Total assets (equal to <i>item 3.18</i>) | | |
| 19.16 | Segment liabilities | | |
| 19.17 | Unallocated liabilities | | |
| 19.18 | Total liabilities (equal to <i>item 3.32</i>) | | |
| 19.19 | Capital expenditure | | |
| 19.20 | Depreciation | | |
| 19.21 | Other non-cash expenses | | |

NTA Backing

(see note 7)

| 20.1 | Current period | Previous corresponding period |
|--|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security | \$0.31 | \$0.10 |

Non-cash financing and investing activities

Details of financing and investing transactions which have had a material effect on consolidated assets and liabilities but did not involve cash flows are as follows. If an amount is quantified, show the comparative amount.

| | |
|------|-----|
| 21.1 | n/a |
|------|-----|

International Financial Reporting Standards

Under paragraph 39 of AASB 1: First –time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, an entity's first Australian-equivalents-to-IFRS's financial report shall include reconciliations of its equity and profit or loss under previous GAAP to its equity and profit or loss under Australian equivalents to IFRS's. See IG63 in the appendix to AASB 1 for guidance.

| | |
|------|-----|
| 22.1 | n/a |
|------|-----|

Under paragraph 4.2 of AASB 1047: Disclosing the Impacts of Adopting Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, an entity must disclose any known or reliably estimable information about the impacts on the financial report had it been prepared using the Australian equivalents to IFRSs or if the aforementioned impacts are not known or reliably estimable, a statement to that effect.

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|------|-----|
| 22.2 | n/a |
|------|-----|

Comments by directors

Comments on the following matters are required by the Exchange or, in relation to the half yearly statement, by AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting. The comments do not take the place of the directors' report and statement (as required by the Corporations Act) but may be incorporated into the directors' report and statement. For both half yearly and preliminary final statements, if there are no comments in a section, state NIL. If there is insufficient space in comment, attach notes to this statement.

Basis of accounts preparation

If this statement is a half yearly statement, it is a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the listing rules and AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting. It should be read in conjunction with the last annual report and any announcements to the market made by the issuer during the period. This report does not include all notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report [Delete if inapplicable.]

A description of each event since the end of the current period which has had a material effect and is not related to matters already reported, with financial effect quantified (if possible). In a half yearly report, provide explanatory comments about any seasonal or irregular factors affecting operations (as per paragraphs 16(b), 16(b) and Aus 16.1 of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting)

A dividend of 9.5 cents per share was declared on 26 August 2020 which will be 100% franked. This will be distributed on 30 September 2020.

Any other factors which have affected the results in the period, or which are likely to affect results in the future, including those where the effect could not be quantified.

n/a

Franking credits available and prospects for paying fully or partly franked dividends for at least the next year

It is expected, based on the history of dividends payments, that dividends will be 100% franked over the next year.

Changes in accounting policies, estimation methods and measurement bases since the last annual report are disclosed as follows.

(Disclose changes in the half yearly statement in accordance with paragraph 16(a) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting.

Disclose changes in the preliminary final statement in accordance with paragraphs 28-29 of 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors.)

Initial Application of AASB 16: Leases

The Group has applied AASB 16: Leases retrospectively without restatement of comparatives. The Group has elected to measure the right-of-use asset at an amount equal to the lease liability adjusted for any prepaid or accrued lease payments that existed at the date of transition as allowed under the transition provisions. As a result, there was no impact on retained earnings. The comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under AASB 117: Leases.

An *issuer* shall explain how the transition from previous GAAP to Australian equivalents to IFRS' affected its reported financial position, financial performance and cash flows. *(as per paragraph 38 of AASB 1: First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards)*

n/a

Revisions in estimates of amounts reported in previous periods. For half yearly reports the nature and amount of revisions in estimates of amounts reported in previous annual reports if those revisions have a material effect in this half year *(as per paragraph 16(d) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting)*

n/a

Changes in contingent liabilities or assets. For half yearly reports, changes in contingent liabilities and contingent assets since the last annual report *(as per paragraph 16(j) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting)*

n/a

The nature and amount of items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, profit or loss, or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size or incidence (as per paragraph 16(c) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting)

Impairment losses

Impairment of Intangible – VicWest Community Telco Customer List

Vicwest Community Telco was purchased September 2016. As at 30 June 2020, the carrying value of our assets in the Vicwest Community Telco CGUs was assessed for impairment. The recoverable amount of these CGUs were determined using a 'value in use' calculation and it was lower than their carrying value. As a result a \$305,500 impairment loss was recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, writing down the intangible to \$1,127,426. The impairment was recorded in "Impairment losses" within the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The impairment relates to the consumer and small business market segment portion of the customer list. Diminished revenues, lower margins, and higher cost-to-serve has led to a change in strategy for this market segment from growth to protect. It is projected that the revenues and margins from this market segment will continue to decrease into the future.

Impairment of Intangible – Bendigo Bank Telco Customer List

Bendigo Bank Telco was purchased March 2018. As at 30 June 2020, the carrying value of our assets in the Bendigo Bank Telco CGUs was assessed for impairment. The recoverable amount of these CGUs were determined using a 'value in use' calculation and it was lower than their carrying value. As a result a \$417,620 impairment loss was recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, writing down the intangible to \$70,083. The impairment was recorded in "Impairment losses" within the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The impairment relates to the consumer and small business market segment portion of the customer list. Diminished revenues, lower margins, and higher cost-to-serve has led to a change in strategy for this market segment from growth to protect. It is projected that the revenues and margins from this market segment will continue to decrease into the future.

Effect of changes in the composition of the entity during the interim period, including business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and long-term investments, restructurings and discontinued operations (as per paragraph 16(i) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting)

n/a

Annual meeting*(Preliminary final statement only)*

The annual meeting will be held as follows:

Place

Bendigo Telco
23 McLaren Street
Bendigo, VIC 3550

Date

Wednesday, 21 October 2020

Time

6.00 pm

Approximate date the annual report will be available

27/08/2020

Compliance statement

1. This statement has been prepared under accounting policies which comply with accounting standards as defined in the *Corporations Act* or other standards acceptable to the Exchange (see note 13).

Identify other standards used

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2. This statement, and the financial statements under the *Corporations Act* (if separate), use the same accounting policies.

3. This statement does give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed (see note 2).

4. This statement is based on financial statements to which one of the following applies:

☒ The financial statements have been audited. ☐ The financial statements have been subject to review by a registered auditor (or overseas equivalent).

☐ The financial statements are in the process of being audited or subject to review. ☐ The financial statements have *not* yet been audited or reviewed.

5. If the accounts have been or are being audited or subject to review and the audit report is not attached, details of any qualifications are attached/will follow immediately they are available* (*delete one*). (*Half yearly statement only - the audit report must be attached to this statement if the statement is to satisfy the requirements of the Corporations Act.*)

6. The *issuer* has a formally constituted audit committee.

Sign here:



Company Secretary

Date: 26/08/2020

Print name: Ken Belfrage

Notes

1. **For announcement to the market** The percentage changes referred to in this section are the percentage changes calculated by comparing the current period's figures with those for the previous corresponding period. Do not show percentage changes if the change is from profit to loss or loss to profit, but still show the amount of the change up or down. If changes in accounting policies or procedures have had a material effect on reported figures, do not show either directional or percentage changes in profits. Explain the reason for the omissions in the note at the end of the announcement section. *Issuers* are encouraged to attach notes or fuller explanations of any significant changes to any of the items in page 1. The area at the end of the announcement section can be used to provide a cross reference to any such attachment.
2. **True and fair view** If this statement does not give a true and fair view of a matter (for example, because compliance with an Accounting Standard is required) the *issuer* must attach a note providing additional information and explanations to give a true and fair view.
3. **Consolidated statement of financial performance**
 - Item 1.1 The definition of "revenue" is set out in *AASB 118: Revenue*
 - Item 1.6 This item refers to the total tax attributable to the amount shown in *item 1.5*. Tax includes income tax and capital gains tax (if any) but excludes taxes treated as expenses from ordinary activities (eg. fringe benefits tax).
4. **Income tax** If the amount provided for income tax in this statement differs (or would differ but for compensatory items) by more than 15% from the amount of income tax *prima facie* payable on the profit before tax, the issuer must explain in a note the major items responsible for the difference and their amounts. The rate of tax applicable to the franking amount per dividend should be inserted in the heading for the column "Franking rate applicable" for items in *section 9*.
5. **Consolidated statement of financial position**

Format The format of the consolidated statement of financial position should be followed as closely as possible. However, additional items may be added if greater clarity of exposition will be achieved, provided the disclosure still meets the requirements of *AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting*, and *AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements*. Banking institutions, trusts and financial institutions may substitute a clear liquidity ranking for the Current/Non-Current classification.

Basis of revaluation If there has been a material revaluation of non-current assets (including investments) since the last annual report, the *issuer* must describe the basis of revaluation adopted. The description must meet the requirements of *AASB 116: Property, Plant and Equipment*. If the *issuer* has adopted a procedure of regular revaluation, the basis for which has been disclosed and has not changed, no additional disclosure is required.
6. **Consolidated statement of cash flows** For definitions of "cash" and other terms used in this statement see *AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements*. *Issuers* should follow the form as closely as possible, but variations are permitted if the *directors* (in the case of a trust, the management company) believe that this presentation is inappropriate. However, the presentation adopted must meet the requirements of *AASB 107*.
7. **Net tangible asset backing** Net tangible assets are determined by deducting from total tangible assets all claims on those assets ranking ahead of the ordinary *securities* (i.e. all liabilities, preference shares, outside equity interests, etc). Mining *issuers* are *not* required to state a net tangible asset backing per ordinary *security*.
8. **Gain and loss of control over entities** The gain or loss must be disclosed if it has a material effect on the consolidated financial statements. Details must include the contribution

for each gain or loss that increased or decreased the *issuer's* consolidated operating profit (loss) after tax by more than 5% compared to the previous corresponding period.

9. **Equity accounting** If an *issuer* adopts equity accounting, no comparative equity accounting figures are required in the first period following its adoption.
10. **Rounding of figures** This statement anticipates that the information required is given to the nearest \$1,000. However, an *issuer* may report exact figures, if the \$A'000 headings are amended. If an *issuer* qualifies under ASIC Class Order 98/0100 dated 15 July 2004, it may report to the nearest million dollars, or to the nearest \$100,000, if the \$A'000 headings are amended.
11. **Comparative figures** Comparative figures are to be presented in accordance with AASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements* or AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting* as appropriate and are the unadjusted figures from the last annual or half year report as appropriate. However, if the previously reported figures are adjusted to achieve greater comparability, in accordance with an accounting standard or other reason, a note explaining the adjustment must be included with this statement. If no adjustment is made despite a lack of comparability, a note explaining the position should be attached.
12. **Additional information** An *issuer* may disclose additional information about any matter, and must do so if the information is material to an understanding of the financial statements. The information may be an expansion of the material contained in this statement, or contained in a note attached to the statement. The requirement under the listing rules for an *issuer* to complete this statement does not prevent the *issuer* issuing statements more frequently. Additional material lodged with the ASIC under the *Corporations Act* must also be given to the *Exchange*. For example, a *directors'* report and declaration, if lodged with the ASIC, must be given to the *Exchange*.
13. **Accounting Standards** the *Exchange* will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting Standards for *foreign issuers*. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if one exists) must be complied with.
14. **Borrowing corporations** This statement may be able to be used by an *issuer* required to comply with the *Corporations Act* as part of its half yearly financial statements if prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.
15. **Details of expenses** AASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements* requires disclosure of expenses according to either their nature or function. For foreign entities, there are similar requirements in other accounting standards accepted by the *Exchange*. *Issuers* must disclose details of expenses using the layout (by nature or function) employed in their accounts.

The information in *items 7.1 - 7.2* may be provided in an attachment to Appendix 3

Relevant items AASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements* requires the separate disclosure of specific revenues and expenses which are of a size, nature or incidence that disclosure is *relevant*, as defined in AASB 101, in explaining the financial performance of the *issuer*. There is an equivalent requirement in AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting*. For foreign entities, there are similar requirements in other accounting standards accepted by the *Exchange*.

16. **Dollars** If reporting is not in A\$, all references to \$A must be changed to the reporting currency. If reporting is not in thousands of dollars, all references to "000" must be changed to the reporting value.
17. **Discontinuing operations** Entities must either provide a description of any significant activities or events relating to discontinuing operations equivalent to that required by *paragraph 7.5 (g) of AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting*, or, the details of discontinuing operations they are required to disclose in their accounts in accordance with AASB 5: *Non-current Assets for Sale and Discontinued*

Operations. In any case, the information may be provided as an attachment to this Appendix 3.