

For personal use only

LACHLAN STAR LIMITED

ABN 88 000 759 535

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2022

CORPORATE DIRECTORY

Directors

Gary Steinepreis (Non-Executive Chairman)
Bernard Aylward (Non-Executive Director)
Daniel Smith (Non-Executive Director)

Company Secretary

Daniel Smith

Auditors

Hall Chadwick WA Audit Pty Ltd
283 Rokeby Road
Subiaco WA 6008

Bankers

Westpac Banking Corporation
Level 13 109 St Georges Terrace
Perth, WA, 6000

Registered Office

Level 1, 33 Ord Street
West Perth WA 6005
Telephone: +61 8 9226 1524
Facsimile: +61 8 9486 4799

Share Registries

Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited
Level 11
172 St Georges Terrace
Perth WA 6000

Investor Enquiries: 1300 850 505 (within Australia)
Investor Enquiries: +61 3 9415 4000 (outside Australia)
Facsimile: +61 3 9473 2500

Securities Exchange Listing

Securities of Lachlan Star Limited are listed on ASX Limited.

ASX Code: LSA - ordinary shares

CONTENTS

Directors' Report	4 – 8
Auditor's Independence Declaration	9
Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income	10
Consolidated Statement of Financial Position	11
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity	12
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows	13
Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements	14-16
Directors' Declaration	17
Independent Auditor's Review Report	18

For personal use only

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report consisting of Lachlan Star Limited ("Lachlan" or "Company") and the entities it controlled at the end of or during the half-year ended 31 December 2022 together with the consolidated financial report for the half-year ended 31 December 2022, and the independent review report thereon.

Directors

The directors of the Company in office at any time during or since the end of the half-year and up to the date of this report are as follows. Directors were in office for this entire period unless otherwise stated.

Gary Steinepreis	(Non-Executive Chairman)
Bernard Aylward	(Non-Executive Director)
Daniel Smith	(Non-Executive Director)

CORPORATE

Annual General Meeting

At the Company's Annual General Meeting held on 24 November 2022 all resolutions were passed by way of a poll.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The auditor's independence declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 9 and forms part of the directors' report for the half-financial year ended 31 December 2022.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

The consolidated entity's net loss after tax for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 was \$192,981 (2021: \$234,731) after recognising corporate compliance and management costs of \$147,372 (2021: \$166,210).

KOOJAN Ni-Cu-PGE JV PROJECT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA (50.25%)

Lachlan Star and Minerals 260 Limited (Minerals 260) have a farm-in agreement where Minerals 260 can earn a 51% interest in the Koojan Project held by Coobaloo Minerals (LSA 75%) (Farm-in). Minerals 260 can acquire 51% equity in the Koojan Project by spending a total of \$4 million on exploration within 5 years with a minimum expenditure commitment of \$500,000 before having the right to withdraw. Upon Minerals 260 earning 51% in the Koojan JV Project, the parties respective interests will be Minerals 260 (51%), Lachlan Star (24%), Wavetime Nominees (25%). On 20 December 2022, the Company announced that Minerals 260 had satisfied its Stage 1 Farm-In obligation for the Koojan Joint Venture (KJV) by incurring exploration expenditure of \$1,500,000.

The Koojan Project is located in the New Norcia region of Western Australia (**Figure 1**), approx. 80km north of the recent Julimar Ni-PGE-Cu discovery by Chalice Gold Mines Ltd, and is located in a similar geological setting. The Koojan Project is located within the Western Gneiss Terrain of the Archaean Yilgarn Craton of south-west Western Australia. The prospective mafic/ultramafic bodies are hosted within the Jimperding Metamorphic belt – a belt up to 70km wide and bounded to the west by the Darling Fault, and to the east by Yilgarn craton units. The geology in the project area consists of laterite duricrust overlying weathered bedrock, with localised areas of outcropping dolerite units and granitic/gneissic units observed. The Koojan Project is located within a farming district with extensive seasonal cropping (wheat, barley, canola etc) and grazing that will impact on the geological exploration at times.

The Koojan Project is interpreted to be located within the same geophysical setting as the Julimar and Yarawindah Ni-Cu-PGE prospects. This setting is characterised as a zone of intrusive mafic to ultramafic rocks proximal to the margin of the Yilgarn craton and hosted within a complex structural setting on the margin of gravity anomalies (**Figure 2**). This structural zone is interpreted to have intruded the granite dominated terrain,

and can be traced from the Julimar prospect through to the Project where filed reconnaissance and Government geological mapping has identified a series of mafic to ultramafic units within the Koojan Project area.

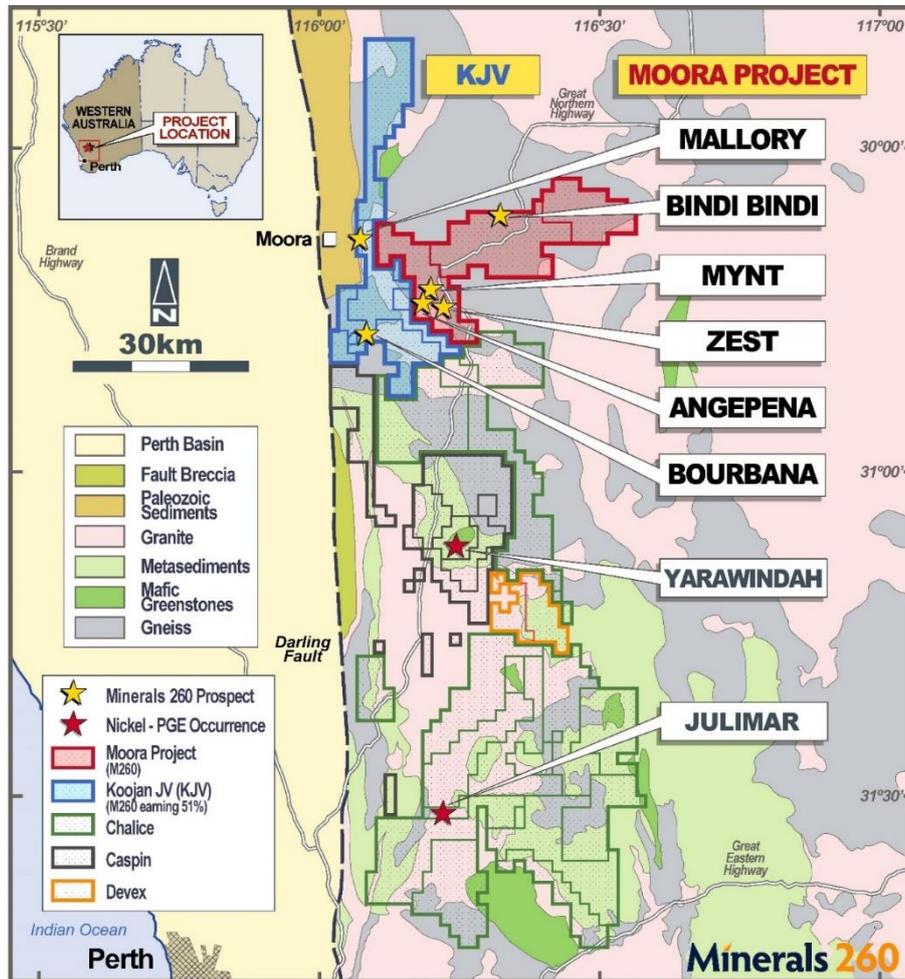


Figure 1: Moora and Koojan JV Projects: Location plan and regional geology (source M16 ASX announcement 11/07/2022)

Koojan JV Exploration Program Details

The reconnaissance aircore drilling will test coincident geochemical and geophysical targets including the previously announced high-priority Mallory and Bourbana prospects (reported by Liontown Resources Limited (ASX:LTR) prior to the demerger and IPO of Minerals 260 – see Liontown ASX release dated 14th July 2021).

The Mallory prospect is defined over a strike length of 2km with highly anomalous surface gold (up to 18ppb), PGE's (up to 160ppb) and copper (up 380ppm) that is coincident with a conductive zone defined by the GAIP survey (Figure 2).

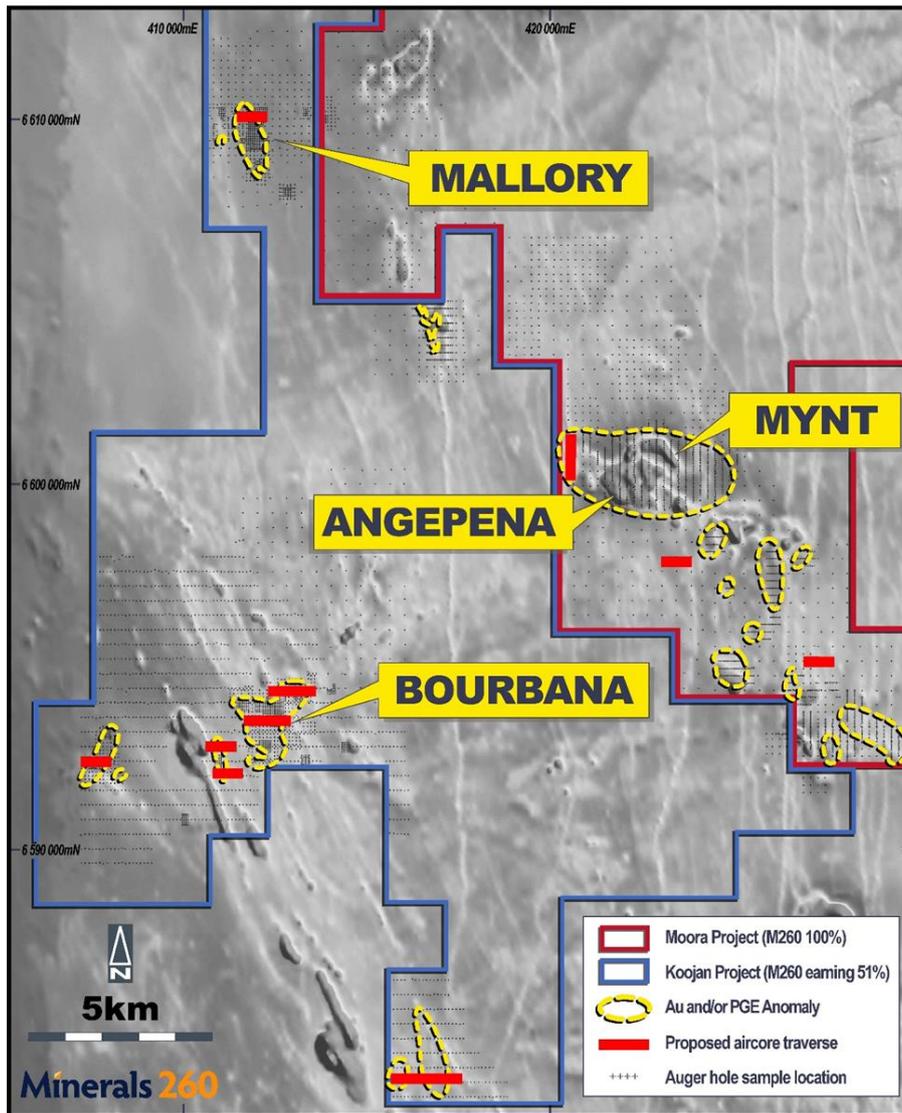


Figure 2: Moora/Koojan Projects – Regional greyscale magnetic image showing proposed aircore drill traverses

The Bourbana prospect is a broad, multi-peaked gold anomaly (up to 135ppb) that has been defined over a 1km x 2.7km surface area and the completed GAIP survey has identified coincident conductive zones to be targeted by reconnaissance drilling.

In addition to the Mallory and Bourbana prospect, the reconnaissance drilling will also target surface gold and PGE anomalies defined by surface geochemical sampling and geophysical interpretation. The aim of the drilling is to provide geological information to fully evaluate and prioritise the anomalies for continued exploration (**Figure 2**).

On 21 November 2022, MI6 announced a ~15,000m Reverse Circulation (RC) and Diamond Core (DD) drilling program across the KJV and adjacent, Moora Project held by MI6, which together form a contiguous, 1,000km² land package located ~150km NE of Perth in the Julimar Mineral Province of south-west Western Australia (Figure 1).

On 20 December 2022, MI6 advised that 32 holes for a total 5,146m have been drilled in the current program (across the KJV and MI6’s Moora Project), with drilling recommencing in March 2023.

Killaloe Gold Project

The Killaloe Project, located in southeast Western Australia approximately 600km east of Perth and 35km northeast of the historic gold mining town of Norseman, comprises two, largely contiguous exploration licences (E63/1018 and E63/1017) and the separate Buldania mining licence (M63/177) covering a total combined area of 94km² (refer Figure 3). There are no other land users and access is generally good although sometimes limited by thick bush and weather events.

There has been extensive previous exploration by multiple companies since the early 1960s targeting gold and nickel mineralisation. The project is located in the Eastern Goldfields of Western Australia with the interpreted extensions of major structures within the project area. The basement geology of the project consists of a northwest/southeast trending sequence of Archaean greenstones including mafics, ultramafics, volcanoclastic metasediments and granodiorite. Regionally significant, layer parallel structures are interpreted from regional magnetic data and movement along these may have caused structural thickening. Bedrock exposure varies with fresh outcrops separated by large areas of relatively shallow soil cover. During the reporting period quarter, the Company carried out further database review and target identification ahead of future work programs.

PRINCHESTER MAGNESITE PROJECT, QUEENSLAND (100%)

The Princhester Magnesite Project is located 85km northwest of Rockhampton, Queensland and comprises two granted Mining Leases (ML), ML5831 and ML5832. The ML's are close to the Bruce Highway and are within 2 kilometres of the main north coast railway line. The project sits within the northern New England Orogen, and within the Marlborough Province. The New England Orogen is a significant mineral province in eastern Australia, extending from Port Macquarie, New South Wales, in the south to north of Mackay, Queensland.

During the reporting period, the Company submitted license renewal application for ML5831 and ML5832. It is anticipated that the licences will be renewed in the H1 calendar 2023. No on ground work was undertaken at the Princhester project during the half-year.

Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to exploration results, including the exploration target, is based on information compiled by Mr Bernard Aylward. Mr Aylward is a Non-Executive Director of the Company. Mr Aylward is a member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Aylward consents to the inclusion in the announcement of matters based on his information in the form and context it appears.

Forward Looking Statements and Important Notice

This report contains forecasts, projections and forward-looking information. Although the Company believes that its expectations, estimates and forecast outcomes are based on reasonable assumptions it can give no assurance that these will be achieved. Expectations and estimates and projections and information provided by the Company are not a guarantee of future performance and involve unknown risks and uncertainties, many of which are out of Lachlan Stars' control.

Actual results and developments will almost certainly differ materially from those expressed or implied. Lachlan Star has not audited or investigated the accuracy or completeness of the information, statements and opinions contained in this announcement. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable laws, Lachlan Star makes no representation and can give no assurance, guarantee or warranty, express or implied, as to, and takes no responsibility and assumes no liability for the authenticity, validity, accuracy, suitability or completeness of, or any errors in or omission from, any information, statement or opinion contained in this report and without prejudice, to the generality of the foregoing, the achievement or accuracy of any forecasts, projections or other forward looking information contained or referred to in this report.

Subsequent Events

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2022 that in the opinion of the directors has significantly affected, or may significantly affect in future financial years (i) the consolidated entity's operations, or (ii) the results of those operations, or (iii) the consolidated entity's state of affairs.



Daniel Smith
Director

Perth 15 March 2023

For personal use only

To the Board of Directors

Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

As lead audit Director for the review of the financial statements of Lachlan Star Limited for the half year ended 31 December 2022, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

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

Yours Faithfully,



HALL CHADWICK WA AUDIT PTY LTD



D M BELL CA
Director

Dated 15th day of March 2023
Perth, Western Australia

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	31-Dec-22 \$	31-Dec-21 \$
Revenue from continuing operations			
Finance income		14,495	229
Expenses			
Corporate compliance and management		(147,372)	(166,210)
Other expenses	7	(60,020)	(68,658)
Finance expense		(21)	(92)
Loss from continuing operations before income tax		(192,918)	(234,731)
Income tax expense		-	-
Loss from continuing operations after income tax		(192,918)	(234,731)
Other comprehensive loss for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year		(192,918)	(234,731)
Loss per share from continuing operations attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:		<u>Cents</u>	<u>Cents</u>
Basic and diluted loss per share		(0.01)	(0.02)

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated interim financial report.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2022

		31-Dec-22	30-Jun-22
	Note	\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash & cash equivalents		4,035,437	4,327,708
Trade & other receivables		64,352	39,783
Total Current Assets		4,099,790	4,367,491
Non-Current Assets			
Exploration & Evaluation	4	3,039,540	2,634,875
Total Non-Current Assets		3,039,540	2,634,875
TOTAL ASSETS		7,139,330	7,002,366
Current Liabilities			
Trade & other payables		432,261	102,379
Total Current Liabilities		432,261	102,379
TOTAL LIABILITIES		432,261	102,379
NET ASSETS		6,707,069	6,899,987
Equity			
Contributed equity	8	9,822,599	9,822,599
Reserves		886,202	886,202
Accumulated losses		(4,001,732)	(3,808,814)
TOTAL EQUITY		6,707,069	6,899,987

The consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated interim financial report.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Issued Capital \$	Share- based Payment Reserve \$	Options Premium Reserve \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total \$
At 1 July 2021	9,585,099	487,202	399,000	(3,390,782)	7,080,519
Loss for the year	-	-	-	(234,731)	(234,731)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(234,731)	(234,731)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Exercise of options	237,500	-	-	-	237,500
At 31 December 2021	9,822,599	487,202	399,000	(3,625,513)	7,083,288
At 1 July 2022	9,822,599	487,202	399,000	(3,808,814)	6,899,987
Loss for the year	-	-	-	(192,918)	(192,918)
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(192,918)	(192,918)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Exercise of options	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2022	9,822,599	487,202	399,000	(4,001,732)	6,707,069

The consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated interim financial report.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	31-Dec-22	31-Dec-21
	\$	\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Payments to Suppliers and Employees	(224,118)	(197,944)
Interest Received	14,495	229
Net Cash Outflow from Operating Activities	(209,623)	(197,715)
Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
Exploration and Evaluation expenditure	(82,648)	(265,749)
Net Cash Outflow from Operating Activities	(82,648)	(265,749)
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issue of shares	-	237,500
Net Cash Outflow from Financing Activities	-	237,500
Net Decrease In Cash and Cash Equivalents	(292,271)	(225,964)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at beginning of the period	4,327,708	4,681,035
Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of the period	4,035,437	4,455,071

The consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated interim financial report.

1. Reporting entity

Lachlan Star Limited (“Lachlan” or “Company”) is a company domiciled in Australia. The consolidated interim financial report of the Company as at and for the six months ended 31 December 2022 comprises the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the “consolidated entity” or “group”).

2. Basis of preparation

Statement of compliance

The consolidated interim financial report is a general-purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and Accounting Standard AASB 134: “*Interim Financial Reporting*”.

The consolidated interim financial report does not include all of the information required in an annual financial report. Therefore, it cannot be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the consolidated entity as in the annual financial report. It is recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the annual financial report as at and for the year ended 30 June 2022 and any public announcements made by the Company during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The functional and presentation currency of the Company is Australian dollars. The financial report was authorised for issue on 15 March 2023. Lachlan Star Limited is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial report requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected. In the current period there are no estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year or judgements, which have significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

3. Accounting policies

In the period ended 31 December 2022 the group reviewed all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are relevant to its operations and are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2022.

The accounting policies applied by the consolidated entity in this consolidated interim financial report are the same as those applied by the consolidated entity in its consolidated financial report as at and for the year ended 30 June 2022 and the corresponding interim reporting period.

4. Exploration and evaluation

	Six months ended 31 December 2022	Twelve months ended 30 June 2022
	\$	\$
Opening balance	2,634,875	2,312,640
Capitalised exploration	404,665	322,235
Closing balance	3,039,540	2,634,875

4. Exploration and evaluation (continued)

During the reporting period, the Company submitted license renewal application for ML5831 and ML5832 at its Princhester project. It is anticipated that the licences will be renewed in the H1 calendar 2023. No on ground work was undertaken at the Princhester project during the half-year.

The recoverability of deferred project acquisition costs is dependent upon the successful development and commercial exploitation, or alternately the sale of the areas of interest.

5. Contingent assets and liabilities

There have been no changes of a material nature in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual reporting date.

6. Subsequent events

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2022 that in the opinion of the directors has significantly affected, or may significantly affect in future financial years (i) the consolidated entity's operations, or (ii) the results of those operations, or (iii) the consolidated entity's state of affairs.

	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
	\$	\$
7. Expenses		
Other expenses		
Accounting and audit fees	29,597	39,853
Insurance	9,488	9,104
Office rental, communications and consumables	19,862	18,608
Other expenses	1,073	1,093
	<u>60,020</u>	<u>68,658</u>

8. Contributed equity

(a) Ordinary shares

	Number	\$
1 July 2022	1,319,012,709	9,822,599
31 December 2022	<u>1,319,012,709</u>	<u>9,822,509</u>
1 July 2021	1,271,512,709	9,585,009
Exercise of options	47,500,000	237,500
31 December 2021	<u>1,319,012,709</u>	<u>9,822,509</u>

(b) Options

Movements in the options premium reserve are set out in the statement of changes in equity on page 12. This reserve represents the fair value at grant of share options issued. The fair value is recognised as an expense over the vesting period. The reserve is reversed to contribute equity when shares are issued on exercise of the options or when the options are cancelled or expire.

(c) Performance Rights

As at the reporting date the company had the 10,000,000 performance rights on issue (30/06/22: 10,000,000).

9. Segment information

(a) Description of segments

The consolidated entity reports one segment, being mineral exploration, in assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources. In determining operating segments, the consolidated entity has had regard to the information and reports the chief operating decision maker uses to make strategic decisions regarding resources.

10. Commitments

In the opinion of the directors, there were no significant changes in commitments during the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

For personal use only

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In the opinion of the directors of Lachlan Star Limited (the "Company"):

- (a) the financial statements and notes as set out on pages 10 to 16 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the consolidated entity as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory reporting requirements; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors made pursuant to s.303(5) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.



Daniel Smith
Director

Perth, 15 March 2023

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LACHLAN STAR LIMITED

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Lachlan Star Limited ("the Company") and Controlled Entities ("the Consolidated Entity") which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other selected explanatory notes, and the directors' declaration.

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 Lachlan Star Limited and Controlled Entities does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- a. Giving a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- b. Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting* and *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*. Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

For personal use only

Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Review of the Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.



HALL CHADWICK WA AUDIT PTY LTD



D M BELL CA
Director

Dated Perth, Western Australia this 15th day of March 2023

For personal use only