

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023



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Corporate Directory

Managing Director/CEO	Aidan Platel
Non-Executive Chairman	Adrian Griffin
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Directors' Report

Your Directors present their financial report on Charger Metals NL (the 'Company' or 'Charger') for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Directors

The names of Directors in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

- Aidan Platel Managing Director/CEO (appointed 27 March 2023);
- Adrian Griffin Non-Executive Chairman (transitioned from Non-Executive Director on 27 March 2023);
- Terry Gardiner Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Non-Executive Chairman on 27 March 2023); and
- David Crook Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Managing Director/CEO on 27 March 2023).

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Significant Changes in the State of Affairs

There were no significant changes in the Company's state of affairs that occurred during the financial year.

Operating Results

The loss of the Company for the financial year after providing for income tax amounted to \$1,583,661 (2022: \$1,719,743).

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the Company during the financial year was exploration at its various projects, primarily at the Lake Johnston Lithium Project in Western Australia and Bynoe Lithium Project in the Northern Territory, as well as seeking out further exploration, acquisition and joint venture opportunities.

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Review of Operations

Charger Metals NL listed on the ASX on 9 July 2021 to explore for battery metals in three emerging mineral provinces.



Figure 1: Charger Metals NL Project Locations

Bynoe Lithium Project, NT (Charger 70%) (the "Bynoe Project")

The Bynoe Project occurs within the Litchfield Pegmatite Field, Northern Territory, approximately 80km southeast of Darwin and is considered prospective for the preferred lithium mineral, spodumene¹.

The Bynoe Project is surrounded by the extremely large tenement holdings of Core Lithium Limited's Finniss Lithium Project, which has commenced development and mining.

In May 2023 Charger commenced the maiden reverse circulation ('RC') drill programme at the Bynoe Project, designed to test priority target areas that the Company believes have high prospectivity for significant pegmatite-hosted lithium mineralisation. These areas included the *Old Bucks Prospect*, which comprises a strong lithium anomaly at surface that extends over 800m in strike and up to 500m wide, with pegmatites visible in historic artisanal tin workings, the *Megabucks Prospect*, which also exhibits a lithium-in-soils anomaly up to 800m long, with a significant pegmatite up to 70m thick defined by historical deep trenching across the strike, and the *Enterprise Prospect*, which is characterised by a large lithium anomaly at surface, and is located along strike from Core's Blackbeard Prospect.

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¹ Spodumene is the preferred ore mineral for commercial extraction and provision of lithium chemicals into the lithium battery industry.



In early July 2023 the Company announced that assay results had confirmed significant lithium mineralisation in spodumene-bearing pegmatites intersected by RC drilling at the Enterprise Prospect.

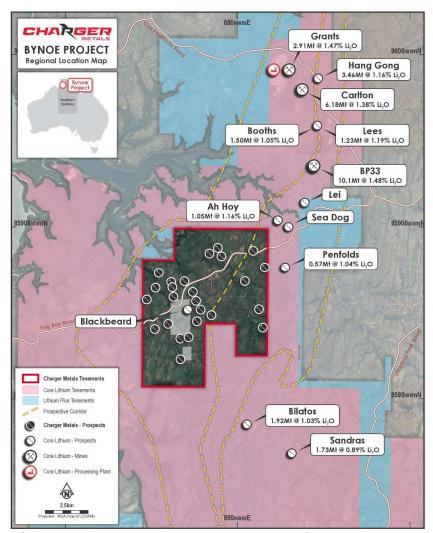


Figure 2: Location of the Bynoe Lithium Project in close proximity to Core Lithium's Finniss Lithium Project within the greater

Bynoe Pegmatite Field.

First-pass reconnaissance drilling was completed at the Enterprise Prospect, with ten RC holes drilled for 1,663m in addition to the fourteen drill-holes for 2,045m that were completed at the Megabucks and Old Bucks Prospects.

Assays for prioritised samples from drill-holes CBYRC023 and CBYRC024 at the Enterprise Prospect returned lithium grades up to $1.91\%~\text{Li}_2\text{O}$ correlating with logged intervals of spodumene-bearing pegmatites, as detailed in the ASX announcement dated 11 July 2023.

A 1,500m diamond drill programme commenced in early July 2023 to test for further lithium mineralisation downplunge and along strike from the RC drill-holes at Enterprise. The first drill-hole, CBYD001, successfully intersected a 19.25m thick zone of pegmatite.

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In addition to the diamond drilling, a further ~5,000m of RC drilling continued with two drill rigs operating concurrently. The RC drilling is testing along strike at Enterprise, Megabucks and Old Bucks, as well as first-pass drilling into other priority targets such as the 7Up Prospect, Kraken and Bunbury Prospects which are defined by multiple pegmatite outcrops and historical tin-tantalum workings.

In September 2023 the Company announced that results had confirmed lithium and tantalum mineralisation in pegmatites at three of the seven prospects drilled, however the presence of spodumene is inconsistent and predominantly low grade to date. Refer to Events After the Reporting Date for further details.

Lake Johnston Lithium Project, WA (Charger 70%-100%) (the "Lake Johnston Project")

Previous government and industry explorers had identified pegmatites at the Lake Johnston Project, located approximately 470km east of Perth, Western Australia. More recent work by Charger has confirmed that a number of these pegmatites have lithium-caesium-tantalum ('LCT') affinities, making them prospective for lithium. LCT pegmatites have formed within a 50km long corridor and include the high priority Medcalf spodumene discovery and much of the Mount Day LCT pegmatite field.

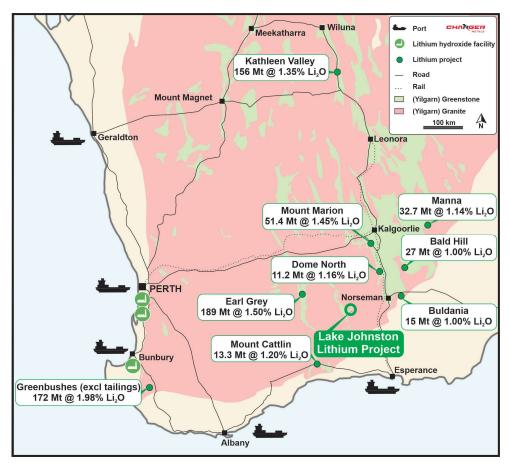


Figure 3. Location of the Lake Johnston Lithium Project relative to other spodumene deposits of southern Western Australia.

A programme of 41 RC drill holes, which commenced in December 2022, was completed in March 2023 with final assays received early in Q2 2023. The programme was designed to test the extent of spodumene-bearing LCT pegmatites at the Medcalf Prospect, part of the Lake Johnston Project near Norseman, Western Australia (Figure 3).

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The programme tested pegmatites over a length of 700 metres at surface and up to 280 metres down dip of mapped spodumene-bearing pegmatite outcrops. The drill programme increased the known extent of the swarm of spodumene-bearing pegmatites, which occur within a 100m zone, and demonstrated that these extend under transported cover and at depth.

Assays were received for all forty-one drill-holes of the maiden programme completed at the Medcalf Prospect. Importantly, high-grade lithium was intersected on nearly every drill section, correlating well with the logged intervals of spodumene-bearing pegmatites. Refer to the ASX announcement dated 18 April 2023 for full table of results.

The lithium mineralisation at the Medcalf Prospect is hosted within a swarm of anastomosing to tabular stacked pegmatites hosted within sheared amphibolite. The pegmatites are members of the LCT pegmatite family (albite-spodumene type) and spodumene has been logged in both the drill chips and in many outcrops. Spodumene is the preferred mineral for the commercial production of lithium, which is one component of modern lithium batteries.

The spodumene-bearing pegmatites are up to 13m in width (allowing up to 2m of contiguous internal waste) and have been delineated on a northwest – southeast strike over 700m long. The pegmatites dip at approximately 40° towards the southwest and currently remain open at depth.

The Company initiated modelling of the spodumene-bearing pegmatites and the high-grade lithium mineralisation in order to plan follow-up drilling to target extensions of the mineralisation. As part of the preparations for the next phase of drilling, an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage survey was completed in April 2023 over the area immediately surrounding the Medcalf Prospect.

A soil sampling programme over E63/1883 was completed in May 2023, and results will be used to define targets for follow-up work programmes.

Exploration tenement E63/1866 expired in April 2023 and was not renewed.

Coates Ni Cu Co Platinum Group Elements (PGE) Project, WA (Charger 70%-85% interest) (the "Coates Project")

The Company recognised that the Coates mafic intrusive complex is prospective for nickel, copper and platinum group elements mineralisation following a review of geochemical results from an earlier exploration company. The Coates Project is located approximately 60km northeast of Perth, Western Australia.

Following a SkyTEM² helicopter-borne geophysical survey the Company completed 4 diamond holes at the T1 Prospect during Q3 2022, where EM conductor targets coincide with a geochemical anomaly. Drilling returned 593m of diamond core, with 4 holes reaching the prescribed target depth. Pyrrhotite and accessory chalcopyrite were intersected in the drill holes and were confirmed by geochemical analysis. Sulphide-associated nickel and PGEs were not significant. The geological context remains unresolved with both hydrothermal and magmatic origins plausible.

The Company awaits the grant of ELA70/5437. This tenement overlies the majority of the T1 conductor to the south of the targets drilled last year and is closer to the core of the Coates mafic intrusive system.

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² EM is an abbreviation for "electromagnetic." FLTEM means "fixed-loop time domain electromagnetic" and SkyTEM is a trade name for a helicopter-platformed time domain electromagnetic system.



Competent Person Statement - Exploration Strategy

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration strategy and geological results is based on information provided to or compiled by David Crook BSc GAICD who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Crook is Non-Executive Director of Charger Metals NL.

Mr Crook has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and exploration processes as reported herein 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'.

JORC Table 1 was included in the following announcements released to the ASX:

Coates Project

• 5 September 2022: "Drilling update for Charger's Coates Nickel-Copper-PGE Project, Western Australia".

Bynoe Project

- 13 December 2021: "Lithium Pegmatite Trends Highlighted at Bynoe".
- 17 January 2022: "Charger's targeting suggests large lithium system at its Bynoe Lithium Project".
- 8 June 2023: "Drilling Update for the Bynoe Lithium Project".
- 3 July 2023: "Spodumene Pegmatites Intersected at Bynoe Lithium Project".
- 11 July 2023: "Assays up to 1.9% Li2O Confirm Spodumene Discovery at Bynoe".
- 27 July 2023: "New Spodumene Pegmatite Intersections at Bynoe".
- 22 September 2023 "Drilling Results for the Bynoe Lithium Project".

Lake Johnston Project

- 7 April 2022: "Charger confirms massive sulphide targets at Coates Project".
- 9 June 2022: "Charger confirms large lithium system at Lake Johnston".
- 20 December 2022: "Medcalf drilling reveals spodumene-bearing pegmatite swarm".
- 6 February 2023: "Drilling Update for Chargers Medcalf Spodumene Discovery".
- 22 February 2023: "Charger Confirms High Grade Lithium at Medcalf".
- 3 April 2023: "High-Grade Lithium Drill Results at Lake Johnston".
- 18 April 2023 "Lake Johnston Project Update".

Charger confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the exploration results continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

Corporate Activities

In September 2022 the Company successfully completed a placement to institutional, sophisticated, and professional investors ('Placement'). The Placement comprised the issue of 11 million new shares at an issue price of A\$0.50 per New Share to raise A\$5,500,000 (before costs). Funds from the Placement are being used on exploration activities including drilling to advance the Company's Bynoe and Lake Johnston Lithium Projects.

In March 2023 the Company announced the appointment of Mr Aidan Platel as Managing Director and CEO. Mr Platel replaced Mr David Crook who remains on the Board as a Non-Executive Director. At the same as these changes the Company also appointed existing Non-Executive Director Mr Adrian Griffin as Non-Executive Chairman, replacing Mr Terry Gardiner who remains on the Board as a Non-Executive Director.

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Financial Position

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company has reported a net loss for the year of \$1,583,661 (2022: \$1,719,743) and a cash outflow from operating activities of \$1,185,511 (2022: \$1,012,200).

As at 30 June 2023 the Company had \$4,257,506 in cash and cash equivalents (2022: \$3,467,990) and a working capital surplus of \$3,655,237 (2022: \$3,294,685). In September 2022, the Company completed a share placement raising \$5,500,000 (before costs). The Directors manage discretionary expenditure in line with the Company's cash flow and are confident that there are sufficient funds to meet the Company's working capital requirements for a minimum of 12 months from the date of this report, subject to the ability to obtain additional funding as and when required. Accordingly the Directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Dividends Paid or Recommended

There have been no dividends paid or declared since the start of the financial year.

Events After the Reporting Date

In July 2023, the Company announced that further significant spodumene-bearing pegmatites (up to 24m wide) had been intersected by RC and diamond drilling at the Enterprise Prospect. The drilling has now defined the spodumene-bearing pegmatite at the Enterprise Prospect over a strike length of ca. 200m. Refer to the ASX announcement dated 27 July 2023 for further details.

In September 2023 the Company announced that results from the Bynoe drilling had confirmed lithium and tantalum mineralisation in pegmatites at three of the seven prospects drilled, however the presence of spodumene is inconsistent and predominantly low grade to date. The Company advised that is has completed an ANT geophysical survey in the northeastern portion of the Bynoe tenure. ANT is a form of passive seismic surveying that uses ambient sound waves to detect contrasting rock units and has been used to successfully detect "blind" pegmatite systems that cannot be seen at surface. This is a particularly useful exploration tool at Bynoe to "see" below the strong weathering profile at surface to potentially detect large pegmatite systems that do not outcrop. The Company has also completed a ground gravity survey over the northeastern portion of the Bynoe Project. Petrophysical testwork completed on drill core from the Company's diamond drilling has shown a significant density contrast between the pegmatites and the metasedimentary country rock. As such, ground gravity has the potential to detect significant pegmatite systems at Bynoe, particularly when modelled in conjunction with the ANT survey results.

No further matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

Likely Developments and Expected Results of the Operations

The Company will continue its mineral exploration activities at and around its exploration projects with the object of identifying commercial resources.

The material business risks faced by the Company that are likely to impact the financial prospects of the Company, and how the Company manages these risks are:

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Exploration Risk

Mineral exploration and development are high-risk undertakings, and there is no assurance that exploration of the tenements will result in the discovery of an economic deposit. Even if an apparently viable deposit is identified there is no guarantee that it can be economically exploited.

The Company's future exploration activities may be affected by a range of factors including geological conditions, limitations on activities due to permitting requirements, availability of appropriate exploration equipment, exploration costs, seasonal weather patterns, unanticipated operational and technical difficulties, industrial and environmental accidents, and many other factors beyond the control of the Company.

Future capital needs

Further funding will be required by the Company to support its ongoing activities and operations. There can be no assurance that such funding will be available on satisfactory terms or at all.

General market risks

The Company is exposed to general market and economic condition risks including adverse changes in levels of economic activity, exchange rates, interest rates, commodity prices, government policies, employment rates and industrial disruption.

Environmental Regulations

The Company has a policy of complying with or exceeding its environmental performance obligations. The Board believes that the Company has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements. The Company aims to ensure the appropriate standard of environmental care is achieved, and in doing so, that it is aware of, and complies with, all environmental legislation. The Directors are not aware of any breach of environmental legislation for the financial year under review.

Information on Directors

The names and details of the Directors of the Company in office as at the date of this report and anytime during the financial year are:

Mr Aidan Platel (BSC (Honours), MBA) Managing Director/CEO | Appointed 27 March 2023

Mr Platel is an experienced geologist and mining executive with over 25 years' experience in the minerals industry. Mr Platel has a broad skill set covering exploration, study execution, project development, mining, mineral processing and corporate financing experience within the resource and mining service sectors. Mr Platel has worked in both mining and exploration roles across a wide range of commodities. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree (Honours in Geology) from University of Western Australia and has a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from the Curtin Graduate School of Business. He is currently Non-Executive Director of ASX-listed Olympio Metals Limited and was previously a director at ASX-listed Wildcat Resources Limited (Non-Executive Director 2017-2022) and Auroch Minerals Limited (Managing Director 2019-2023). Mr Platel has the following interest in shares, options and rights in the Company as at the date of this report – 2,500,000 performance rights.

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Mr David Crook (BSC, GAICD, MAIG, MAUSIMM)

Non-Executive Director | Appointed 27 November 2020 (Mr Crook transitioned from Managing Director/CEO to Non-Executive Director on 27 March 2023)

Mr Crook is an experienced Managing Director with a strong technical and commercial background. Mr Crook has 40 years' experience as a geologist with a demonstrated discovery and production record including in nickel, gold, caesium and lithium, which included 16 years as Managing Director of ASX-listed Pioneer Resources Limited. Mr Crook was part of the geological teams that made discoveries at Mt Jewell (gold), Sinclair (caesium), Dome North (lithium), Kalpini and Goongarrie (nickel laterite), Radio Hill (nickel sulphide) and Gidgee Gold Mine (gold). He is currently a Non-Executive Director of ASX-listed Burley Minerals Limited. Mr Crook has the following interest in shares, options and rights in the Company as at the date of this report – 833,334 ordinary shares, 500,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.30 on or before 9 July 2024 and 466,667 performance rights.

Mr Adrian Griffin (BSC (Honours), GSA, MAUSIMM)

Non-Executive Chairman | Appointed 26 November 2021 (Mr Griffin transitioned from Non-Executive Director to Non-Executive Chairman on 27 March 2023)

Mr Griffin has more than 40 years of experience in the mining industry – ranging from project identification, through exploration, development and financing, and oversight of integrated mining and processing facilities. Mr Griffin was a founding director of Northern Minerals Limited until retiring in November 2020 (the first heavy-rare-earths producer outside China) and Managing Director of Lithium Australia Limited (retired May 2022) and brings particular expertise in a wide range of mineral exploration and mineral processing techniques, particularly in the lithium and nickel sectors. Mr Griffin has the following interest in shares, options and rights in the Company as at the date of this report – 2,792,117 ordinary shares, 1,000,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.30 on or before 9 July 2024 and 133,333 performance rights.

Mr Terry Gardiner (BBUS)

Non-Executive Director | Appointed 27 November 2020 (Mr Gardiner transitioned from Non-Executive Chairman to Non-Executive Director on 27 March 2023)

Mr Gardiner was appointed to the Board of Directors upon incorporation. He has strong experience in capital raising, support, promotion and corporate advisory services to listed companies in Australia and overseas. He has 30 years' experience investing in capital markets and extensive experience in funds management for sophisticated and private investors. He is currently a Non-Executive Director of ASX-listed Cazaly Resources Limited and Galan Lithium Limited. He is also an Executive Director of Barclay Wells Ltd, a boutique stock broking firm with offices in Perth and Melbourne. Mr Gardiner has the following interest in shares, options and rights in the Company as at the date of this report – 366,667 ordinary shares, 650,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.30 on or before 9 July 2024 and 133,333 performance rights.

Company Secretary

Mr Jonathan Whyte (BCOM, CA)

Appointed 27 November 2020

Mr Whyte is a Chartered Accountant with extensive corporate, company secretarial and financial accounting experience, predominantly for listed resource sector companies. Mr Whyte is currently Company Secretary of AIM-listed Empyrean Energy Plc as well as ASX-listed companies Ironbark Zinc Ltd, Infinity Lithium Corporation Ltd and Peninsula Energy Ltd. Mr Whyte has the following interest in shares, options and rights in the Company as at the date of this report – 183,333 ordinary shares, 200,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.30 on or before 9 July 2024 and 66,667 performance rights.

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Shares, Options and Performance Rights

In September 2022, the Company completed a strongly supported \$5,500,000 (before costs) share placement through the issue of 11,000,000 new shares in the Company at an issue price of \$0.50 per share.

On 14 June 2023, 2,500,000 Performance Rights were granted to the Managing Director, Aidan Platel following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 13 June 2023. The rights were issued in four tranches and expire on 13 June 2028.

As at the date of this report, the Company has the following options and performance rights on issue:

Details	Grant Date	Number	Exercise Price (\$)	Date of Expiry
Unlisted Options	Various	6,000,000	\$0.30	9 July 2024
Unlisted Options	13 Oct 2021	1,000,000	\$0.60	13 Oct 2024
Unlisted Options	20 Apr 2022	200,000	\$0.90	28 Feb 2024
Performance Rights	Various	3,666,667	\$0.00	Various

Shares Issued on Vesting of Rights

During or since the end of the year, the Company issued 33,333 ordinary shares as a result of the vesting and conversion of the following Performance Rights:

	Number of	
	Rights Vested/	Total Value
Details	Shares Issued	(\$)
Performance Rights – Class B	33,333	18,073

No options or performance rights were cancelled, lapsed or forfeited during the year.

Meetings of Directors

At this time the Board does not consider it appropriate to establish any Committees. The Board considers that due to the relative small size of the Company that the interests of the Company are best served by the full Board completing the functions normally delegated to Committees. This will be reviewed as the Company grows in size.

During the financial year, 7 meetings of Directors were held. Attendances by each Director during the year were as follows:

	Directors' N	Directors' Meetings			
Directors	Number Eligible to Attend	Number Attended			
Aidan Platel	3	3			
David Crook	7	7			
Terry Gardiner	7	7			
Adrian Griffin	7	7			

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Indemnification of Officers

During or since the end of the financial year the Company has given an indemnity or entered into an agreement to indemnify, or paid or agreed to pay insurance premiums as follows:

The Company has paid premiums to insure Directors and key personnel against liabilities for costs and expenses incurred by them in defending any legal proceedings arising out of their conduct while acting in the capacity of Director and Officer of the Company, other than conduct involving a wilful breach of duty in relation to the Company. The amount of the premium was \$36,300 to insure Directors and Officers of the Company.

Indemnification of Auditors

To the extent permitted by law, the Company has agreed to indemnify its auditors, Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd, as part of the terms of its audit engagement agreement against claims by third parties arising from the audit (for an unspecified amount). No payment has been made to indemnify Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd during and/or since the year ended 30 June 2023.

Corporate Governance Statement

The Company's 2023 Corporate Governance Statement has been released as a separate document and is located on the Company's website at: https://chargermetals.com.au/corporate/.

Proceedings on Behalf of the Company

No person has applied for leave of court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company or intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or any part of those proceedings.

The Company was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

Rounding of Amounts

The Company is an entity to which ASIC Corporations Instrument 2016/191 applies and, accordingly, amounts in the financial statements and Directors' Report have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2023 has been received and can be found on page 22 of the financial report.

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Remuneration Report - Audited

This report details the nature and amount of remuneration for each key management person of the Company, and for the executives receiving the highest remuneration.

Names and positions held of the Company's key management personnel in office at any time during the financial year are:

Position
Managing Director/CEO (appointed 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Chairman (transitioned from Non-Executive Director
on 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Non-Executive Chairman
on 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Managing Director/CEO on
27 March 2023)
Company Secretary

Remuneration policy

The Company's remuneration policy has been designed to align executive key management personnel objectives with shareholder and business objectives by providing a fixed remuneration component and offering specific long-term incentives based on key performance areas affecting the Company's financial results. The Company's Board believes the remuneration policy to be appropriate and effective in its ability to attract and retain the best executive key management personnel to run and manage the Company, as well as create goal congruence between Directors, Executives and Shareholders.

The Board's policy for determining the nature and amount of remuneration for executive key management personnel of the Company is as follows:

- The remuneration policy, setting the terms and conditions for the executive key management personnel, was developed by the remuneration committee and approved by the Board.
- All executive key management personnel receive a base salary (which is based on factors such as length of service and experience), plus superannuation where applicable.
- The remuneration committee reviews executive key management personnel packages annually by reference to the Company's performance, executive performance and comparable information from industry sectors.

The Company is an exploration entity, and therefore speculative in terms of performance. Consistent with attracting and retaining talented executives, executive key management personnel are paid market rates associated with individuals in similar positions, within the same industry. Remuneration consultants were not used for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Options have previously been issued to executive key management personnel to provide a mechanism to participate in the future development of the Company and an incentive for their future involvement with and commitment to the Company.

Further options and performance incentives may be issued as the Company moves from an exploration entity to a producing entity, and key performance indicators such as profits and growth can be used as measurements for assessing executive key management personnel performance.

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Executive key management personnel receive a superannuation guarantee contribution where required by the government, which was 10.5% for the year ended 30 June 2023, and do not receive any other retirement benefits.

All remuneration paid to executive key management personnel is valued at the cost to the Company and expensed. Shares given to executive key management personnel are valued as the difference between the market price of those shares and the amount paid by the executive key management personnel. Options are valued using the Black-Scholes valuation methodology. Performance Rights are valued using the Hoadley valuation model.

The Board policy is to remunerate Non-Executive Directors at market rates for time, commitments and responsibilities. The remuneration committee determines payments to the Non-Executive Directors and reviews their remuneration annually, based on market practice, duties and accountability. Independent external advice is sought when required. The maximum aggregate amount of fees that can be paid to Non-Executive Directors is subject to approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting. To align Non-Executive Directors' interests with shareholder interests, the Non-Executive Directors are encouraged to hold shares in the Company and are able to participate in the employee option plan.

Relationship Between Remuneration and Company Performance

The Directors assess performance of the Company with regards to the achievement of both operational and financial targets with a current focus on subscriber numbers, exploration targets and share price. Executive key management personnel are issued options and, in some cases, performance rights, to encourage the alignment of personal and shareholder interests.

Options and performance rights issued to executive key management personnel may be subject to market-based price hurdles and vesting conditions and the exercise price of options is set at a level that encourages executive key management personnel to focus on share price appreciation. The Board believes this policy will be effective in increasing shareholder wealth. On the resignation of executive key management personnel, any vested options issued as remuneration are retained by the relevant party.

The following table shows the Company's net profit/(loss) since the Company was admitted to the official list of the ASX on 7 July 2021, as well as the Company's share prices at the end of the respective financial years.

	2023 \$	2022 \$
Net loss	(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
Share price at year-end	0.50	0.35

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Employment Details of Directors and Members of Key Management Personnel

The employment terms and conditions of Key Management Personnel are formalised in contracts of employment.

Mr Aidan Platel

Managing Director/CEO (appointed 27 March 2023)

- Terms of agreement no fixed term;
- Base salary of \$270,000 per annum, exclusive of superannuation;
- Notice period 3 months; and
- 2-month termination payment under certain circumstances.

Mr Adrian Griffin

Non-Executive Chairman (transitioned from Non-Executive Director on 27 March 2023)

- Terms of agreement no fixed term;
- Director's fee of \$50,000 per annum, exclusive of GST; and
- No notice period or termination benefit is specified in the agreement.

Mr Terry Gardiner

Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Non-Executive Chairman on 27 March 2023)

- Terms of agreement no fixed term;
- Director's fee of \$50,000 per annum, inclusive of superannuation; and
- No notice period or termination benefit is specified in the agreement.

Mr David Crook

Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Managing Director/CEO on 27 March 2023)

- Terms of agreement no fixed term;
- Effective 27 March 2023, director's fee of \$5,000 per month, exclusive of GST;
- From 1 July 2021 to 27 March 2023, base minimum consultancy fee of \$10,240 per month, exclusive of GST;
- No notice period or termination benefit is specified in the agreement.

Mr Jonathan Whyte

Company Secretary

- Consultancy services agreement no fixed term;
- Consultancy fee of \$5,000 per month;
- Notice period 1 month; and
- No termination benefit is specified in the agreement.

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Table of Benefits and Payments for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

Key Management	Year	Short-Term	Post- Employment Benefits	Share-Based Payments			Proportion of Remuneration Related to Performance	
Personnel		Salary & Fees	Superannuation	Shares	Options	Rights ⁶	Total	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Aidan Platel ¹	2023	71,855	7,545	-	-	13,554	92,954	14.58%
	2022	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adrian Griffin ²	2023	50,000	-	-	-	25,664	75,664	33.92%
	2022	29,861	-	-	-	68,690	98,551	69.70%
Terry Gardiner	2023	45,455	4,773	-	-	25,664	75,892	33.82%
	2022	44,966	4,497	-	-	68,690	118,153	58.14%
David Crook ³	2023	112,840	-	-	-	89,823	202,663	44.32%
	2022	132,560	-	-	-	239,579	372,139	64.38%
Alan Armstrong ⁴	2023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2022	24,462	-	-	-	-	24,462	-
Jonathan Whyte ⁵	2023	51,100	-	-	-	8,552	59,652	14.34%
	2022	28,870	-	-	-	21,916	50,786	43.15%
Total	2023	331,250	12,318	-	-	163,257	506,825	
	2022	260,719	4,497	-	-	398,875	664,091	

Notes:

- 1. Mr Platel was appointed as Managing Director/CEO effective 27 March 2023.
- 2. Mr Griffin was appointed as Non-Executive Director effective 26 November 2021 and transitioned to Non-Executive Chairman on 27 March 2023. Services provided by Future Technology Trust, of which Mr Griffin is a Trustee.
- 3. Services provided by OreSource Pty Ltd as trustee for the OreSource Trust of which Mr Crook is the Trustee. Mr Crook transitioned from Managing Director to Non-Executive Director on 27 March 2023.
- 4. Mr Armstrong resigned as Non-Executive Director effective 31 December 2021. Services provided by Mining Corporate Pty Ltd, of which Mr Armstrong is an employee.
- 5. Services provided by Keyport Investments Pty Ltd, of which Mr Whyte is a Director.
- 6. On 18 January 2022, 100,000 Performance Rights were granted to Mr Whyte in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026. On 14 February 2022, 1,100,000 Performance Rights were granted to key management personnel of the Company in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026, following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 10 February 2022. On 14 June 2023, 2,500,000 Performance Rights were granted to the Managing Director, Aidan Platel following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 13 June 2023. The rights were issued in four tranches and expire on 13 June 2028. The rights have been independently valued using the Hoadley model and are being expensed over their respective vesting periods.

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Number of Shares Held by Key Management Personnel for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

The number of shares in the Company held during the year by each Director and other members of key management personnel of the Company including their personally related parties is set out below:

		Performance			
Key Management	Held at	Rights	On Market	Net Change	Held at
Personnel	1 July 2022	Converted	Trades	Other	30 June 2023
Aidan Platel ¹	N/A	-	-	-	-
Adrian Griffin	2,792,117	-	-	-	2,792,117
Terry Gardiner	366,667	-	-	-	366,667
David Crook	833,334	-	-	-	833,334
Jonathan Whyte	183,333	-	-	-	183,333
Total	4,175,451	-	-	-	4,175,451

Notes:

1. Mr Platel was appointed as Managing Director/CEO effective 27 March 2023.

Number of Options Held by Key Management Personnel for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

The number of options over ordinary shares in the Company held during the year by each Director and other members of key management personnel of the Company including their personally related parties is set out below:

Key Management	Held at	Options	Option	Net Change	Held at
Personnel	1 July 2022	Exercised	Lapsed	Other	30 June 2023
Aidan Platel ¹	N/A	-	-	-	-
Adrian Griffin	1,000,000	-	-	-	1,000,000
Terry Gardiner	650,000	-	-	-	650,000
David Crook	500,000	-	-	-	500,000
Jonathan Whyte	200,000	-	-	-	200,000
Total	2,350,000	-	-	-	2,350,000

Notes:

1. Mr Platel was appointed as Managing Director/CEO effective 27 March 2023.

Number of Rights Held by Key Management Personnel for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

The number of performance rights over ordinary shares in the Company held during the year by each Director and other members of key management personnel of the Company including their personally related parties is set out below:

Key Management	Held at	Rights	Rights	Net Change	Held at
Personnel	1 July 2022 ¹	Granted ²	Exercised	Other	30 June 23
Aidan Platel	N/A	2,500,000	-	-	2,500,000
David Crook	466,667	-	-	-	466,667
Terry Gardiner	133,333	-	-	-	133,333
Adrian Griffin	133,333	-	-	-	133,333
Jonathan Whyte	66,667	-	-	-	66,667
Total	800,000	2,500,000	-	-	3,300,000

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Notes:

1. On 18 January 2022, 100,000 Performance Rights were granted to Mr Whyte in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026. On 14 February 2022, 1,100,000 Performance Rights were granted to Directors of the Company in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026, following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 10 February 2022. The Performance Rights have been independently valued using the Hoadley model and are being expensed over their respective vesting periods.

On 20 January 2022, the Company announced that the price milestone hurdle for Performance Rights Class B had been met, being the Company's share price trading on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.75. 400,000 Class B Performance Rights held by key management personnel were subsequently converted into ordinary shares on 14 and 15 February 2022.

The Performance Rights will vest subject to satisfaction of the following performance milestones:

Performance Rights Class A

By 1 December 2026, the Company delineates on the tenements on which it holds an interest an inferred resource under the JORC Code of:

- (i) 10,000 tonnes of contained nickel;
- (ii) 10,000,000 tonnes equal to or greater than 1.2% lithium oxide; or
- (iii) 100,000 ounces of gold equivalent.

Performance Rights Class B

By 1 December 2024, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.75, being an 80.72% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.415 as at the nominated date of 3 December 2021. On 20 January 2022, the Company announced that the price milestone hurdle for Performance Rights Class B had been met.

Performance Rights Class C

By 1 December 2025, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$1.00, being a 140.96% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.415 as at the nominated date of 3 December 2021.

Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C
Performance Rights (Mr Whyte):			
Grant date	17 Jan 2022	17 Jan 2022	17 Jan 2022
Number	33,333	33,333	33,334
Share price	\$0.58	\$0.58	\$0.58
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.75	\$1.00
Expiry date	1 Dec 2026	1 Dec 2024	1 Dec 2025
Volatility	-	100%	100%
Risk-free interest rate	-	1.14%	1.55%
Value per right	\$0.58	\$0.54	\$0.53
Total fair value	\$19,333	\$18,073	\$17,764
Expense vested during the year	\$3,967	-	\$4,585

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Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C
Performance Rights (Directors):			
Grant date	10 Feb 2022	10 Feb 2022	10 Feb 2022
Number	366,665	366,667	366,668
Share price	\$0.85	\$0.85	\$0.85
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.75	\$1.00
Expiry date	1 Dec 2026	1 Dec 2024	1 Dec 2025
Volatility	-	100%	100%
Risk-free interest rate	-	1.46%	1.79%
Value per right	\$0.85	\$0.85	\$0.82
Total fair value	\$311,665	\$311,667	\$301,548
Expense vested during the year	\$63,694	-	\$77,456

2. On 14 June 2023, 2,500,000 Performance Rights were granted to the Managing Director, Aidan Platel following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 13 June 2023. The rights were issued in four tranches and expire on 13 June 2028.

The Performance Rights will vest subject to satisfaction of the following performance milestones:

Performance Rights Class A

By 1 December 2026, the Company delineates on the tenements on which it holds an interest an inferred resource under the JORC Code of:

- (i) 10,000 tonnes of contained nickel;
- (ii) 10,000,000 tonnes equal to or greater than 1.2% lithium oxide; or
- (iii) 100,000 ounces of gold equivalent.

Performance Rights Class B

By 13 June 2025, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.50, being a 100% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.25 as at the nominated date of 27 March 2023.

Performance Rights Class C

By 13 June 2026, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.85, being a 240% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.25 as at the nominated date of 27 March 2023.

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Performance Rights Class D

By 13 June 2027, the Company delivers a positive definitive feasibility study based on a JORC Reserve of no less than 10,000,000 tonnes at a grade of 1.2% lithium oxide (calculated on the Company's attributable share of its project interest).

Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D
Performance Rights (MD):				
Grant date	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023
Number	500,000	500,000	500,000	1,000,000
Share price	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.50	\$0.85	-
Expiry date	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028
Volatility	-	100%	100%	-
Risk-free interest rate	-	3.79%	3.79%	-
Value per right	\$0.39	\$0.34	\$0.32	\$0.39
Total fair value	\$195,000	\$169,900	\$157,850	\$390,000
Expense vested during the year	\$2,616	\$3,951	\$2,448	\$4,538

Key Management Personnel Loans

No loans were provided to, made, guaranteed or secured directly or indirectly to any key management personnel or their related entities during the financial year (2022: Nil). No outstanding amounts were owing to any key management personnel at year end (2022: Nil). No other related party transactions occurred during the financial year or existed at year end (2022: Nil).

End of Audited Remuneration Report

This Report of the Directors, incorporating the Remuneration Report, is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

On behalf of the Board

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Aidan Platel

Managing Director/CEO 27 September 2023

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To the directors of Charger Metals NL

Auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial statements of Charger Metals NL for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd

Michael Fam

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Director

Perth

27 September 2023



Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
	Notes	Ş	Ş
Interest income		82,120	760
Corporate & compliance expenses		(660,969)	(350,150)
Employee expense		(296,705)	(240,606)
Consulting fees		(414,057)	(253,678)
Share-based payments expense	6	(210,292)	(871,194)
Impairment expense	9	(62,753)	(2,925)
Depreciation expense		(21,005)	(1,950)
Loss before income tax		(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
Income tax expense	3	-	-
Net loss for the year		(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive loss attributable to owners of the			
Company		(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
Loss per share			
- Basic and diluted (cents per share)	4	(2.66)	(3.44)

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
Current Assets	Notes	,	Ţ
Cash and cash equivalents	7	4,257,506	3,467,990
Trade and other receivables	8	196,915	82,367
Total Current Assets		4,454,421	3,550,357
Non-Current Assets			
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	9	7,476,368	4,099,094
Property, plant & equipment	10	113,397	9,592
Total Non-Current Assets		7,589,765	4,108,686
Total Assets		12,044,186	7,659,043
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	795,393	255,672
Provisions		3,791	-
Total Current Liabilities		799,184	255,672
Total Liabilities		799,184	255,672
Net Assets	_	11,245,002	7,403,371
Equity			
Issued capital	13	13,953,119	8,720,046
Reserves	14	975,146	782,927
Accumulated losses		(3,683,263)	(2,099,602)
Total Equity		11,245,002	7,403,371

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

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Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	Issued Capital	Reserves	Accumulated losses	Total
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2021	_	412,501	44,460	(379,859)	77,102
Loss for the year		-	-	(1,719,743)	(1,719,743)
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year	_	-	-	(1,719,743)	(1,719,743)
Transactions with owners,					
recorded directly in equity	12	0.050.070	(411.070)		0.440.000
Issue of share capital Share-based payments	13 6	8,859,070	(411,070) 978,249	-	8,448,000 978,249
Capital raising costs	13, 6	- (551,525)	171,288	_	(380,237)
Total transactions with owners		8,307,545	738,467		9,046,012
Balance as at 30 June 2022		8,720,046	782,927	(2,099,602)	7,403,371
	Notes	Issued Capital	Reserves	Accumulated losses	Total
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2022	_	8,720,046	782,927	(2,099,602)	7,403,371
Loss for the year		-	-	(1,583,661)	(1,583,661)
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	
Total comprehensive loss for the year		-	-	(1,583,661)	(1,583,661)
Transactions with owners,					
recorded directly in equity					
Issue of share capital	13	5,563,073	(18,073)	-	5,545,000
Share-based payments	6	-	210,292	-	210,292
Capital raising costs	13	(330,000)	-	-	(330,000)
Total transactions with owners	_	5,233,073	192,219	-	5,425,292
Balance as at 30 June 2023		13,953,119	975,146	(3,683,263)	11,245,002

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

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	Notes	\$	\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,267,631)	(1,012,960)
Interest received		82,120	760
Net cash flows used in operating activities	17	(1,185,511)	(1,012,200)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Payments for exploration and evaluation		(3,068,523)	(1,297,316)
Payments for property, plant & equipment		(126,450)	(11,542)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(3,194,973)	(1,308,858)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Proceeds from issue of shares		5,500,000	6,000,000
Capital raising costs		(330,000)	(290,943)
Net cash flows generated from financing activities		5,170,000	5,709,057
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		789,516	3,387,999
Cash and cash equivalents the beginning of the year		3,467,990	79,991
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	7	4,257,506	3,467,990

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

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

Note 1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial report of Charger Metals NL (the 'Company' or 'Charger') for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 was approved for issue in accordance with a resolution of Directors on 27 September 2023. The Directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

This financial report includes the financial statements and notes of Charger Metals NL.

The Company is a no liability company, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The Company is a for-profit entity. The Company's financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is also the Company's functional currency.

Basis of Preparation

The accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied to all periods presented.

Statement of Compliance

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Interpretations) issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the *Corporations Act 2001* as appropriate for profit oriented entities. The financial report of the Company complies with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS') and Interpretations as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB').

Basis of Measurement

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and going concern basis, and is based on historical costs.

New, Revised or Amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations Adopted

The Company has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board that are mandatory for the current reporting year. The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any impact on the financial performance or position of the Company.

Any new, revised or amending Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted. No significant impact is expected from the adoption of the new, revised or amended Accounting Standards.

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Going Concern

The Company has reported a net loss for the year of \$1,583,661 (2022: \$1,719,743) and a cash outflow from operating activities of \$1,185,511 (2022: \$1,012,200). As at 30 June 2023 the Company had \$4,257,506 in cash and cash equivalents (2022: \$3,467,990) and a working capital surplus of \$3,655,237 (2022: \$3,294,685). In September 2022, the Company completed a share placement raising \$5,500,000 (before costs).

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In arriving at this position the directors have had regard to the fact that based on the matters noted below the Company has, or in the directors opinion, will have access to, sufficient cash to fund administrative and other committed expenditure for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing this report.

In forming this view the directors have taken into consideration the following:

- The ability to manage discretionary expenditure in line with the Company's cashflow; and
- The ability to obtain additional funding as and when required.

Should the Company not achieve the matters set out above there is significant uncertainty whether the Company will continue as a going concern and therefore whether it will realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities in the normal course of business and at the amounts stated in the financial statements. The financial statements do not include any adjustment relating to the recoverability or classification of recorded asset amounts or to the amounts or classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company not be able to continue as a going concern and meet its debts as and when they fall due.

Rounding of Amounts

The Company is an entity to which ASIC Corporations Instrument 2016/191 applies and, accordingly, amounts in the financial statements and Directors' Report have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Current and Non-Current Classification

Assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position based on current and non-current classification.

An asset is classified as current when: it is either expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the Company's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting year; or the asset is cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting year. All other assets are classified as non-current.

Goods and Services Tax ('GST') and Other Similar Taxes

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the tax authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

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Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority.

Key Estimates, Judgments and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgments and estimates relating to the carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from the estimates made. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. The key estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities within the next annual reporting year are disclosed in the relevant notes.

Operating Segments

The Company has identified its operating segments based on internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Board of Directors (chief operating decision makers) in assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources. Segments are identified on the basis of area of interest. Financial information about each segment is provided to the chief operating decision makers on at least a monthly basis.

The Company has one reportable operating segment as follows:

Australia

Note 2. Auditor's Remuneration

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd, the auditor of the Company:

	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Auditor's Remuneration		
Audit of financial statements	15,200	11,000
Review of interim financial statements	8,800	8,000
Total Auditor's Remuneration	24,000	19,000

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Note 3. Income Tax Expense

	·	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
a)	The components of tax (benefit)/expense comprise:		
	Current tax	-	-
	Deferred tax	-	-
		-	
b)	Reconciliation of income tax to prima facie tax payable		
-	Accounting loss before tax	(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
	Income tax (benefit)/expense @ 25% (2022: 25%)	(395,915)	(429,936)
	Add/(deduct) tax effect of:		
	Non-deductible expenses	62,928	219,817
	Impact of change in future corporate tax rate	-	16,145
	 Movement in deferred tax positions not recognised 	(967,583)	(452,582)
	Revenue losses not recognised	1,300,570	646,556
	Income tax (benefit)/expense attributable to entity	-	-
c)	The following deferred tax balances have not been recognised:		
	Deferred Tax Assets @ 25% (2022: 25%)		
	Carried forward revenue losses	2,020,440	711,943
	Business Related Costs	129,378	87,794
	Provisions and accruals	3,526	2,284
		2,153,344	802,021
	Deferred Tax Liabilities @ 25% (2022: 25%)		
	Exploration and evaluation expenditure	331,452	410,009
	Other	20,062	7,950
		351,514	417,959

As at 30 June 2023, the Company had carried forward revenue losses of \$8,081,761 (2022: \$2,847,771). These losses remain available indefinitely for offset against future taxable profits of the Company provided certain test criteria for their deductibility are met.

Potential deferred tax assets attributable to tax losses and exploration expenditure carried forward have not been brought to account at 30 June 2023 because the Directors do not believe it is appropriate to regard realisation of the deferred tax assets as probable at this point in time.

These benefits will only be obtained if:

- the Company derives future assessable income of a nature and of an amount sufficient to enable the benefit from the deductions for the loss and exploration expenditure to be realised; and
- no changes in tax legislation adversely affect the Company in realising the benefit from the deductions for the loss and exploration expenditure.

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Accounting Policy

The charge for current income tax expense is based on the profit for the year adjusted for any non-assessable or disallowed items. It is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or are substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred tax is accounted for using the liability method in respect of temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on either accounting profit or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the year when the asset is realised or liability is settled. Deferred tax is credited in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income except where it relates to items that may be credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is adjusted directly against equity.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future tax profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The amount of benefits brought to account or which may be realised in the future is based on the assumption that no adverse change will occur in income taxation legislation and the anticipation that the Company will derive sufficient future assessable income to enable the benefit to be realised and comply with the conditions of deductibility imposed by the law.

Key Estimates, Judgments and Assumptions

Judgement is required in assessing whether deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised on the statement of financial position. Deferred tax assets, including those arising from temporary differences, are recognised only when it is considered more likely than not that they will be recovered, which is dependent on the generation of future assessable income of a nature and of an amount sufficient to enable the benefits to be utilised.

Note 4. Loss Per Share

The following reflects the income and share data used in the calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share ('EPS'):

		30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
a)	Reconciliation of earnings to loss		
	Loss used to calculate basic and diluted EPS	(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
		30 June	30 June
		2023	2022
		No.	No.
b)	Weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year		
	Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year used in calculating basic and dilutive EPS	59,435,738	49,935,847

As the Company is in a loss position, the options and performance rights outstanding at 30 June 2023 have no dilutive effects on the earnings per share calculation.

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Accounting Policy

Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is determined by dividing the net profit after income tax attributable to members of the Company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential ordinary shares and the weighted average number of shares assumed to have been issued for no consideration in relation to dilutive potential ordinary shares.

Note 5. **Key Management Personnel**

Names and positions held of the Company's key management personnel in office at any time during the financial year are:

Position
Managing Director/CEO (appointed 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Chairman (transitioned from Non-Executive Director
on 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Non-Executive Chairman
on 27 March 2023)
Non-Executive Director (transitioned from Managing Director/CEO on
27 March 2023)
Company Secretary

- 1. Services provided by Future Technology Trust, of which Mr Griffin is a Trustee. Total remuneration paid to entity during the financial year of \$50,000 (2022: \$29,861).
- 2. Services provided by OreSource Pty Ltd ATF OreSource Trust of which Mr Crook is the Trustee. Total remuneration paid to entity during the financial year of \$112,840 (2022: \$132,560).
- 3. Services provided by Keyport Investments Pty Ltd, of which Mr Whyte is a Director. Total remuneration paid to entity during the financial year of \$51,100 (2022: \$28,870).

The totals of remuneration paid to key management personnel of the Company during the year are as follows:

2023 \$	2022 \$
*	•
331,250	260,719
12,318	4,497
163,257	398,875
506,825	664,091
	2023 \$ 331,250 12,318 163,257

Key management personnel remuneration has been included in the Remuneration Report section of the Directors' Report.

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated:

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- No amounts in addition to those disclosed in the Remuneration Report in the Directors' Report were
 paid or payable to key management personnel of the Company no amounts were paid or payable to
 any related parties of the Company at the end of the year; and
- There were no loans to key management personnel at the end of the year.

Note 6. Share-Based Payments

	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
Reserves (Note 14)		
Performance rights - (share-based payments expense) ^{1,2}	210,292	520,247
Options issued to Lead Manager - (capital raising costs)	-	171,288
Options issued to a nominee of Mercator - (exploration and evaluation)	-	107,055
Options issued to consultants - (share-based payments expense)	-	350,947
Total Share-Based Payments - Reserves	210,292	1,149,537

Notes:

1. On 18 January 2022, 650,000 Performance Rights (Tranche 1) were granted to employees and consultants of the Company in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026.

On 14 February 2022, a further 1,100,000 Performance Rights (Tranche 2) were granted to Directors of the Company in three equal tranches with expiry dates from 1 December 2024 to 1 December 2026, following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 10 February 2022.

The Performance Rights will vest subject to satisfaction of the following performance milestones:

Performance Rights Class A

By 1 December 2026, the Company delineates on the tenements on which it holds an interest an inferred resource under the JORC Code of:

- (i) 10,000 tonnes of contained nickel;
- (ii) 10,000,000 tonnes equal to or greater than 1.2% lithium oxide; or
- (iii) 100,000 ounces of gold equivalent.

Performance Rights Class B

By 1 December 2024, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.75, being a 80.72% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.415 as at the nominated date of 3 December 2021. On 20 January 2022, the Company announced that the price milestone hurdle for Performance Rights Class B had been met.

Performance Rights Class C

By 1 December 2025, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$1.00, being a 140.96% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.415 as at the nominated date of 3 December 2021.

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Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C
Performance Rights (Tranche 1):			
Grant date	17 Jan 2022	17 Jan 2022	17 Jan 2022
Number	216,665	216,666	216,669
Share price	\$0.58	\$0.58	\$0.58
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.75	\$1.00
Expiry date	1 Dec 2026	1 Dec 2024	1 Dec 2025
Volatility	-	100%	100%
Risk-free interest rate	-	1.14%	1.55%
Value per right	\$0.58	\$0.54	\$0.53
Total fair value	\$125,666	\$117,476	\$115,463
Expense vested during the year	\$25,783	-	\$29,805

Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C
Performance Rights (Tranche 2):			
Grant date	10 Feb 2022	10 Feb 2022	10 Feb 2022
Number	366,665	366,667	366,668
Share price	\$0.85	\$0.85	\$0.85
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.75	\$1.00
Expiry date	1 Dec 2026	1 Dec 2024	1 Dec 2025
Volatility	-	100%	100%
Risk-free interest rate	-	1.46%	1.79%
Value per right	\$0.85	\$0.85	\$0.82
Total fair value	\$311,665	\$311,667	\$301,548
Expense vested during the year	\$63,694	-	\$77,456

2. On 14 June 2023, 2,500,000 Performance Rights were granted to the Managing Director, Aidan Platel following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 13 June 2023. The rights were issued in four tranches and expire on 13 June 2028.

The Performance Rights will vest subject to satisfaction of the following performance milestones:

Performance Rights Class A

By 1 December 2026, the Company delineates on the tenements on which it holds an interest an inferred resource under the JORC Code of:

- (i) 10,000 tonnes of contained nickel;
- (ii) 10,000,000 tonnes equal to or greater than 1.2% lithium oxide; or
- (iii) 100,000 ounces of gold equivalent.

Performance Rights Class B

By 13 June 2025, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.50, being a 100% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.25 as at the nominated date of 27 March 2023.

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Performance Rights Class C

By 13 June 2026, the Company's share price trades on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.85, being a 240% increase from the closing price of the Company's shares of \$0.25 as at the nominated date of 27 March 2023.

Performance Rights Class D

By 13 June 2027, the Company delivers a positive definitive feasibility study based on a JORC Reserve of no less than 10,000,000 tonnes at a grade of 1.2% lithium oxide (calculated on the Company's attributable share of its project interest).

Valuation and Assumptions of	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D
Performance Rights (MD):				
Grant date	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023	13 Jun 2023
Number	500,000	500,000	500,000	1,000,000
Share price	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39
Exercise price	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil	\$Nil
Barrier price	-	\$0.50	\$0.85	-
Expiry date	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028	13 Jun 2028
Volatility	-	100%	100%	-
Risk-free interest rate	-	3.79%	3.79%	-
Value per right	\$0.39	\$0.34	\$0.32	\$0.39
Total fair value	\$195,000	\$169,900	\$157,850	\$390,000
Expense vested during the year	\$2,616	\$3,951	\$2,448	\$4,538

Note 7. Cash and Cash Equivalents

11000 /.	cash and cash Equivalents		
		30 June	30 June
		2023	2022
		\$	\$
Cash at bank a	and in hand	4,257,506	3,467,990
Total Cash and	d Cash Equivalents	4,257,506	3,467,990

Accounting Policy

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of 3 months or less, and bank overdrafts that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Note 8. Trade and Other Receivables

30 June	30 June
2023	2022
\$	\$
116,665	50,567
80,250	31,800
196,915	82,367
	2023 \$ 116,665 80,250

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Accounting Policy

Trade and other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any provision for impairment.

Collectability of receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. A provision for expected credit losses is raised when some doubt as to collection exists.

Provision for Impairment of Receivables

Current trade and term receivables are non-interest bearing loans and generally on 30-day terms. Non-current trade and term receivables are assessed for recoverability based on the underlying terms of the contract. A provision for expected credit losses is recognised when there is objective evidence that an individual trade or term receivable is impaired.

There are no balances within trade and other receivables that contain balances that are past due. It is expected these balances will be received when due.

Note 9. **Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure**

	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Movement in Carrying Value:		
Balance at the beginning of the year	4,099,095	297,382
Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised	3,440,026	3,804,638
Impairment expense	(62,753)	(2,925)
Carrying Amount at the End of the Year	7,476,368	4,099,095

Accounting Policy

Exploration and evaluation expenditure, including the costs of acquiring licences, are capitalised as exploration and evaluation assets on an area of interest basis. Costs incurred before the Company has obtained the legal rights to explore an area are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Exploration and evaluation assets are only recognised if the rights of interest are current and either:

- The expenditures are expected to be recouped through successful development and exploitation of the area of interest; or
- Activities in the area of interest have not, at the reporting date, reached a stage which permits a
 reasonable assessment of the existence or otherwise of economically recoverable reserves and active
 and significant operations in, or in relation to, the area of interest are continuing.

A regular review is undertaken of each area of interest to determine the appropriateness of continuing to carry forward costs in relation to that area of interest.

An impairment exists when the carrying amount of capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure relating to an area of interest exceeds its recoverable amount. The asset is then written down to its recoverable amount. Any impairment losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Once the technical feasibility and commercial viability of the extraction of mineral resources in an area of interest are demonstrable, exploration and evaluation assets attributable to that area of interest are first tested for impairment and then reclassified from exploration and evaluation expenditure to mining property and development assets within property, plant and equipment and depreciated over the life of the mine.

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Costs of site restoration are provided over the life of the facility from when exploration commences and are included in the costs of that stage. Site restoration costs include the dismantling and removal of mining plant, equipment and building structures, waste removal, and rehabilitation of the site in accordance with clauses of the mining permits. Where applicable, such costs are determined using estimates of future costs, current legal requirements and technology on an undiscounted basis.

Key Estimates, Judgments and Assumptions

Impairment of exploration and evaluation expenditure

The ultimate recoupment of the value of exploration and evaluation assets is dependent on the successful development and commercial exploitation, or alternatively, sale, of the exploration and evaluation asset.

Impairment tests are carried out on a regular basis to identify whether the asset carrying values exceed their recoverable amounts. There is significant estimation and judgement in determining the inputs and assumptions used in determining the recoverable amounts.

The key areas of judgement and estimation include:

- Recent exploration and evaluation results and resource estimates;
- Environmental issues that may impact on the underlying tenements; and
- Fundamental economic factors that have an impact on the planned operations and carrying values of assets and liabilities.

Carrying value of exploration and evaluation expenditure

The Company assessed the carrying value of its capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure for indicators of impairment as at 30 June 2023 and concluded that impairment testing of the project was not triggered.

An impairment expense of \$62,753 (2022: \$2,925) was recognised in relation to non-core tenements relinquished during the year.

Note 10. Property, Plant and Equipment

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	\$	\$
Property, Plant and Equipment		
At cost	135,138	11,542
Accumulated depreciation	(21,741)	(1,950)
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	113,397	9,592

Accounting Policy

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on a cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

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The cost of fixed assets constructed within the Company includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Depreciation

The carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment are depreciated to their estimated residual value over the estimated economic life of the specific assets to which they relate, or using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives indicated below.

Estimates of residual values and useful lives are reassessed annually and any change in estimate is taken into account in the determination of remaining depreciation charges. Depreciation commences on the date when the asset is available for use.

Property, plant and equipment – 4 years straight-line

Note 11. Trade and Other Payables

30 June	30 June
2023	2022
\$	\$
456,983	82,447
338,410	173,225
795,393	255,672
	2023 \$ 456,983 338,410

Accounting Policy

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting year for goods and services received by the Company during the reporting year which remains unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amount being normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Note 12. Financial Risk Management

The Company's financial instruments consists mainly of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable.

Financial Risk Management Policies

a) Treasury Risk Management

The Board meets on a regular basis to analyse financial risk exposure and to evaluate treasury management strategies in the context of the most recent economic conditions and forecasts. The Board's overall risk

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management strategy seeks to assist the Company in meeting its financial targets, whilst minimising potential adverse effects on financial performance.

Risk management policies are approved and reviewed by the Board on a regular basis. These include the use of credit risk policies and future cash flow requirements.

b) Financial Risk Exposures and Management

The main risks the Company is exposed to through its financial instruments are liquidity risk, credit risk and price risk.

i. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation. Typically the Company ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses; this excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

	Financial Asset & Financial Liability Maturity Analysis							
	Within 1	Within 1	1-5	1-5	Over 5	Over 5	Total	Total
	Year	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years		
	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	4,257,506	3,467,990	-	-	-	-	4,257,506	3,467,990
Total Financial Assets	4,257,506	3,467,990	-	_	-	-	4,257,506	3,467,990
Financial Liabilities								
Trade payables	456,983	82,447	-	-	-	-	456,983	82,447
Total Financial Liabilities	456,983	82,447	-	-	-	-	456,983	82,447
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ii. Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from the Company's receivables from customers and investment securities. The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at reporting date to recognised financial assets, is the carrying amount, net of any provisions for impairment of those assets, as disclosed in the statement of financial position and notes to the financial statements. The Company does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single receivable or Company of receivables under financial instruments entered into by the Company.

Credit risk related to balances with banks and other financial institutions are managed in accordance with approved Board policy. The Company's current investment policy is aimed at maximising the return on surplus cash, with the aim of outperforming the benchmark within acceptable levels of risk return exposure and to mitigate the credit and liquidity risks that the Company is exposed to through investment activities.

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The following table provides information regarding the credit risk relating to cash and money market securities based on Standard and Poor's counterparty credit ratings.

	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents		
A-Rated	4,257,506	3,467,990

iii. Price risk

Commodity price risk

The Company is not directly exposed to commodity price risk. However, there is a risk that the changes in prevailing market conditions and commodity prices could affect the viability of the project.

iv. Interest rate risk exposure analysis

Exposure to interest rate risk arises on financial assets and financial liabilities recognised at the end of the reporting year whereby a future change in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of fixed rate financial instruments. The Company does not use derivatives to mitigate these exposures.

	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate 30 June 2023 %	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate 30 June 2022 %	Floating Interest Rate 30 June 2023 \$	Floating Interest Rate 30 June 2022 \$	Non-Interest Bearing 30 June 2023 \$	Bearing
Financial Assets Cash at bank & on hand	2.64%	0.20%	4,257,506	3,467,990	-	-
Total Financial Assets		-	4,257,506	3,467,990	-	
Financial Liabilities Trade payables	_	_	_		456,983	82,447
Total Financial Liabilities	_	-	<u> </u>	-	456,983	82,447

A 1% change in interest rates would have resulted in a \$42,575 (2022: \$34,680) increase/(decrease) in losses and equity.

Fair Value

Fair values are those amounts at which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Fair values may be based on information that is estimated or subject to judgement, where changes in assumptions may have a material impact on the amounts estimated. Areas of judgement and the assumptions have been detailed below. Where possible, valuation information used to calculate fair value is extracted from the market, with more reliable information available from markets that are actively traded. In this regard, fair values for listed securities are obtained from quoted market prices.

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The following methods and assumptions are used to determine the net fair values of financial assets and liabilities:

- a) Cash and short-term investments the carrying amount approximates fair value because of their short term to maturity;
- b) Trade receivables and trade payables the carrying amount approximates fair value; and
- c) Other assets and liabilities approximate their carrying value.

No financial assets and financial liabilities are readily traded on organised markets in standardised form.

Note 13.	harrest	Capital
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·	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
62,114,368 fully paid ordinary shares (30 June 2022: 50,981,035 fully paid ordinary shares)	13,953,119	8,720,046
	30 June 2023 No.	30 June 2022 No.
a) Ordinary Shares – Number of Shares Balance at beginning of the year Shares issued during the year:	50,981,035	8,250,001
Placement ¹	11,000,000	-
 Shares issued - acquisition of exploration projects^{2,5} 	100,000	12,150,000
 Conversion of performance rights³ 	33,333	550,000
 Shares issued – Initial Public Offering⁴ 	-	30,000,000
 Shares issued to consultants⁶ 	-	31,034
Total at the end of the year	62,114,368	50,981,035
	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
b) Ordinary Shares – Value of Shares	Ţ	Ţ
Balance at beginning of the year Shares issued during the year:	8,720,046	412,501
 Placement¹ 	5,500,000	-
 Shares issued - acquisition of exploration projects^{2,5} 	45,000	2,430,000
 Conversion of performance rights³ 	18,073	411,070
 Shares issued - Initial Public Offering⁴ 	-	6,000,000
 Shares issued to consultants⁶ Less: 	-	18,000
Capital raising costs	(330,000)	(551,525)
Total at the end of the year	13,953,119	8,720,046

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Notes:

- In September 2022, the Company completed a strongly supported \$5,500,000 (before costs) share
 placement through the issue of 11,000,000 new shares in the Company at an issue price of \$0.50 per
 share.
- 2. On 22 December 2022, the Company issued 100,000 ordinary shares as consideration for 100% of E63/1883, increasing land tenure at the Lake Johnston Project by 33km².
- 3. On 20 January 2022, the Company announced that the price milestone hurdle for Performance Rights Class B had been met, being the Company's share price trading on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.75. 550,000 Class B Performance Rights were subsequently converted into ordinary shares during the financial year ended 30 June 2022, with a further 33,333 rights converted within the financial year to 30 June 2023.
- 4. On 5 July 2021, the Company issued 30,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at an issue price of \$0.20 per share under its Prospectus dated 27 May 2021.
- 5. On 5 July 2021, the Company issued 12,150,000 ordinary shares as part consideration for the purchase of interests in the Coates, Coates North, Lake Johnston and Bynoe Projects completing both the Lithium Australia Acquisition and Mercator Acquisition.
- 6. On 8 September 2021, the Company issued 31,034 ordinary shares as part consideration for the provision of marketing and investor relations services in lieu of cash.

Ordinary shares participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of shares held. The fully paid ordinary shares have no par value.

At the shareholders' meetings each ordinary share is entitled to one vote when a poll is called, otherwise each shareholder has one vote on a show of hands.

c) Options

The unissued ordinary shares of the Company under option at 30 June 2023 are as follows:

Date of Expiry	Exercise Price (\$)	Number under Option
9 July 2024	\$0.30	6,000,000
13 October 2024	\$0.60	1,000,000
28 February 2024	\$0.90	200,000
Total		7,200,000

A reconciliation of the total options on issue is as follows:

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	No.	No.
Balance at the beginning of the year Issued during the year	7,200,000	3,400,000 3,800,000
Exercised during the year Expired during the year	- -	-
Total at the end of the year	7,200,000	7,200,000

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d) Performance Rights

A reconciliation of the total performance rights on issue is as follows:

	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	No.	No.
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,200,000	-
Issued during the year ¹	2,500,000	1,750,000
Exercised during the year ²	(33,333)	(550,000)
Expired during the year	<u> </u>	-
Total at the end of the year	3,666,667	1,200,000

Notes:

- On 14 June 2023, 2,500,000 Performance Rights were granted to the Managing Director, Aidan Platel
 following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 13 June 2023. The rights were issued in
 four tranches and expire on 13 June 2028. Refer to Note 6 for details of the performance milestones
 and valuation assumptions.
- 2. On 20 January 2022, the Company announced that the price milestone hurdle for Performance Rights Class B had been met, being the Company's share price trading on or above a 15-day VWAP of \$0.75. 550,000 Class B Performance Rights were subsequently converted into ordinary shares during the financial year ended 30 June 2022, with a further 33,333 rights converted within the financial year to 30 June 2023.

e) Capital Management

The Directors' primary objective is to maintain a capital structure that ensures the lowest cost of capital to the Company. At reporting date, the Company has no external borrowings. The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

Accounting Policy

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options, or for the acquisition of a business, are included in the cost of the acquisition as part of the purchase consideration.

Key Estimates, Judgments and Assumptions

The Company measures the cost of equity settled transactions by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments at the date at which they are granted. The fair value of share options is determined by an external valuer using an appropriate valuation model.

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Note 14. Reserves

a) Share-Based Payments Reserve

The share-based payments reserve records items recognised as expenses on valuation of employee share and consultants' options.

A reconciliation of the movement in the share-based payments reserve is as follows:

	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
At the beginning of the year	782,927	44,460
Share-based payments (Note 6)	210,292	1,149,537
Conversion of performance rights (Note 13)	(18,073)	(411,070)
Total at the end of the year	975,146	782,927

Accounting Policy - Share-Based Payments

Equity-settled and cash-settled share-based compensation benefits are provided to employees.

Equity-settled transactions are awards of shares, or options over shares, that are provided to employees in exchange for the rendering of services. Cash-settled transactions are awards of cash for the exchange of services, where the amount of cash is determined by reference to the share price.

The cost of equity-settled transactions are measured at fair value on the grant date. Fair value is determined using the Black-Scholes option valuation model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the option, the impact of dilution, the share price at grant date and expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk free interest rate for the term of the option, together with non-vesting conditions that do not determine whether the Company received the services that entitle the employees to receive payment. No account is taken of any other vesting conditions.

The cost of equity-settled transactions are recognised as an expense with a corresponding increase in equity over the vesting period. The cumulative charge to profit or loss is calculated based on the grant date fair value of the award, the best estimate of the number of awards that are likely to vest and the expired portion of the vesting period. The amount recognised in profit or loss for the period is the cumulative amount calculated at each reporting date less amounts already recognised in previous periods.

The cost of cash-settled transactions is initially, and at each reporting date until vested, determined by applying either the Binomial or Hoadley option valuation model, taking into consideration the terms and conditions on which the award was granted. The cumulative charge to profit or loss until settlement of the liability is calculated as follows:

- During the vesting period, the liability at each reporting date is the fair value of the award at that date multiplied by the expired portion of the vesting period;
- From the end of the vesting period until settlement of the award, the liability is the full fair value of the liability at the reporting date.

All changes in the liability are recognised in profit or loss. The ultimate cost of cash-settled transaction is the cash paid to settle the liability.

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Market conditions are taken into consideration in determining fair value. Therefore, any awards subject to market conditions are considered to vest irrespective of whether or not that market condition has been met, provided all other conditions are satisfied.

If equity-settled awards are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the modification has not been made. An additional expense is recognised, over the remaining vesting period, for any modification that increases the total fair value of the share-based compensation benefit as at the date of modification.

If the non-vesting condition is within the control of the Company or employee, the failure to satisfy the condition is treated as a cancellation. If the condition is not within the control of the Company or employee and is not satisfied during the vesting period, any remaining expense for the award is recognised over the remaining vesting period, unless the award is forfeited.

Note 15. Events After the Reporting Date

In July 2023, the Company announced that further significant pegmatites (up to 24m wide) had been intersected by RC and diamond drilling at the Enterprise Prospect. The drilling has now defined the spodumene-bearing pegmatite at the Enterprise Prospect over a strike length of ca. 200m. Refer to the ASX announcement dated 27 July 2023 for further details.

In September 2023 the Company announced that results from the Bynoe drilling had confirmed lithium and tantalum mineralisation in pegmatites at three of the seven prospects drilled, however the presence of spodumene is inconsistent and predominantly low grade to date. The Company advised that is has completed an ANT geophysical survey in the northeastern portion of the Bynoe tenure. ANT is a form of passive seismic surveying that uses ambient sound waves to detect contrasting rock units and has been used to successfully detect "blind" pegmatite systems that cannot be seen at surface. This is a particularly useful exploration tool at Bynoe to "see" below the strong weathering profile at surface to potentially detect large pegmatite systems that do not outcrop. The Company has also completed a ground gravity survey over the northeastern portion of the Bynoe Project. Petrophysical testwork completed on drill core from the Company's diamond drilling has shown a significant density contrast between the pegmatites and the metasedimentary country rock. As such, ground gravity has the potential to detect significant pegmatite systems at Bynoe, particularly when modelled in conjunction with the ANT survey results.

No further matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

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Note 16. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

Lithium Australia Acquisition Agreement - Coates, Lake Johnston and Bynoe Projects

The Company acquired a 70% interest in the Coates, Lake Johnston and Bynoe Projects in early July 2021 by reimbursing Lithium Australia \$100,000 of exploration expenditure and issuing 9,600,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company to Lithium Australia. In addition, the Company must pay Lithium Australia or its nominee the deferred consideration (consisting of either \$200,000 or 2,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company) if Charger, by 4 December 2026, delineates a JORC Code compliant inferred resource.

Mercator Acquisition Agreement - Coates North Project

In July 2021, the Company acquired the 85% interest in the Coates North Project by issuing 2,550,000 fully paid ordinary shares and 1,000,000 unlisted options in the Company. The Company may also have to meet deferred consideration consisting of either \$200,000 or 2,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company which is contingent on certain milestones being met in relation to the development of the tenement.

Mr Peter Gianni Agreement - Lake Johnston Project

On 22 December 2022, the Company issued 100,000 ordinary shares as consideration for 100% of E63/1883, increasing land tenure at the Lake Johnston Project by 33km². The Company may also have to meet deferred consideration consisting of 100,000 fully paid ordinary shares in the Company and a 0.5% NSR Royalty which is contingent on certain milestones being met in relation to the development of the tenement.

The Company is unaware of any other contingent assets or liabilities that may have a material impact on the Company's financial position.

Note 17. Cash Flow Reconciliation

Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with loss after income tax:

	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
Operating loss after tax	(1,583,661)	(1,719,743)
Non-cash flows in loss:		
Share-based payments expense	210,292	871,194
Loss on sale of PPE	1,640	-
Consulting fees – share based	-	18,000
Depreciation expense	21,005	1,950
Impairment expense	62,753	2,925
Movements in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) in trade and other receivables relating to operating activities	(55,060)	(33,211)
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables relating to operating activities	153,729	(153,315)
Increase in provision for employee entitlements	3,791	<u> </u>
Net cash outflows from operating activities	(1,185,511)	(1,012,200)

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Note 18. Capital Commitments

In order to maintain current rights of tenure to exploration tenements the Company is required to perform minimum exploration work to meet the minimum expenditure requirements specified by various State Governments.

	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Minimum Tenement Expenditure Commitments		
Within one year	558,233	491,396
Later than one year but no later than five years	2,232,932	1,965,585
Total	2,791,165	2,456,981

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Directors' Declaration For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

The Directors of the Company declare that:

The financial statements, notes and additional disclosures included in the Directors' report are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:

- a) comply with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Company;
- c) the financial statements are in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as stated in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the Directors' opinion 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 made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Aidan Platel

Managing Director/CEO

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27 September 2023

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Independent Audit Report to the Members of Charger Metals NL

Report on audit of the financial report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Charger Metals NL (the "Company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Company is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the "Code") that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which indicates that the Company will be required to generate further funding to meet its planned exploration and administration expenditure for a period of at least twelve months from the date of this report. This condition, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1, indicate the existence of a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and therefore the Company may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial report of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial report as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

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Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Share Based Payments

Refer to Note 6 (Share-Based Payments)

Share based payments represent \$210,292 of the Company's expenditure.

Share based payments must be recorded at fair value of the service provided, or in the absence of such, at the fair value of the underlying equity instrument granted.

Under Australian Accounting Standards, equity settled awards are measured at fair value on the measurement date taking into consideration the probability of the vesting conditions (if any) attached. This amount is recognised as an expense either immediately if there are no vesting conditions, or over the vesting period if there are vesting conditions.

In calculating the fair value there are a number of judgements management must make, including but not limited to:

- Estimating the likelihood that the equity instruments will vest;
- Estimating expected future share price volatility;
- Expected dividend yield; and
- Risk-free rate of interest.

Due to the significance to the Company's financial report and the level of judgment involved in determining the valuation of the share based payments, we consider the Company's calculation of the share based payment expense to be a key audit matter.

Our procedures included, amongst others:

Obtaining an understanding of and evaluating the design and implementation of the process and controls associated with the preparation of the valuation model used to assess the fair value of share based payments.

Critically evaluating and challenging the methodology and assumptions of Management in its preparation of the valuation model, including but not limited to:

- Estimating the likelihood that the equity instruments will vest;
- Estimating expected future share price volatility;
- Expected dividend yield; and
- Risk-free rate of interest.

Assessing the Company's accounting policy as set out within Note 14 for compliance with the requirements of *AASB 2 Share-based Payment*.

Assessing the adequacy of the disclosures included in the financial report.

Capitalisation of Exploration and Evaluation Assets

Refer to Note 9 (Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure)

Included in the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023 is an amount for \$7,476,368 relating to the Company's capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure in relation to the Bynoe Lithium Project, the Coates Project and the Lake Johnston Project. This amount represents 62.07% of total assets.

Our procedures included, amongst others:

Obtaining an understanding of and evaluating the processes and controls associated with the assessment of impairment indicators.

Assessing the Company's right to explore in the relevant area of interest, which included obtaining and assessing supporting documentation. Also considering the status of the exploration licences as they relate to tenure.

Assessing the Company's intention to carry out significant exploration and evaluation activity in the relevant exploration area, including an assessment of the Company's cash-flow forecast models, discussing



The carrying value of exploration and evaluation expenditure is assessed for impairment by the Company when facts and circumstances indicate that the capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure may exceed its recoverable amount.

The determination as to whether there are any indicators to require the capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure to be assessed for impairment involves a number of judgments including but not limited to:

- Whether the Company has tenure of the area of interest;
- Whether the Company has sufficient funds to meet the area of interest minimum expenditure requirements; and
- Whether there is sufficient information for a decision to be made that the area of interest is not commercially viable.

Due to the significance to the Company's financial report and the level of judgment involved in assessing whether there are impairment indicators present, we consider this to be a key audit matter.

with senior management and directors as to the intentions and strategy of the Company.

Assessing whether the exploration activities within each area of interest have reached a stage where the commercial viability of extracting the resource could be determined.

Assessing the adequacy of the disclosures in the financial report.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and the auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the 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 financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at The Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: https://www.auasb.gov.au/admin/file/content102/c3/ar2 2020.pdf.

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Report on the Remuneration Report

Opinion on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included within the Directors' Report on pages from 14 to 21 for the year ended 30 June 2023.

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023, complies with Section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Responsibilities

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Remuneration Report in accordance with Section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

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Nexia Perth Audit Services Pty Ltd

Michael Fay

Director

Perth

27 September 2023

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ASX Additional Information

a) Distribution of Shareholders as at 26 September 2023

Spread of Holdings	Number of Ordinary	Number of Shares
	Shareholders	
1 – 1,000	175	112,578
1,001 – 5,000	596	1,550,466
5,001 – 10,000	285	2,372,666
10,001 – 100,000	520	17,790,072
100,001 – and over	80	40,288,586
Total	1,656	62,114,368

b) Top 20 Shareholders as at 26 September 2023

Position	Holder Name	Holding	%
1	LITHIUM AUSTRALIA NL	9,600,000	15.46
2	MR ADRIAN CHRISTOPHER GRIFFIN	2,792,117	4.50
3	GUNSYND PLC	2,537,060	4.08
4	HSBC CUSTODY NOMINEES (AUSTRALIA) LIMITED	2,231,119	3.59
5	LIND GLOBAL MACRO FUND LP	2,100,391	3.38
6	WARRIOR STRATEGIC PTY LTD	1,808,701	2.91
7	BNP PARIBAS NOMINEES PTY LTD	1,247,792	2.01
8	MR ADRIANO ROCCO LIGORIO	914,327	1.47
9	CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	862,743	1.39
10	MR DAVID CROOK	833,334	1.34
11	PALM BEACH NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	726,734	1.17
12	CADENCE MINERALS PLC	615,000	0.99
13	CICCHINO PTY LTD <cicchino a="" c="" share=""></cicchino>	560,000	0.90
14	MR RAYMOND CLARENCE GARDENER + MISS HINEAKA		
	BLACK <tumeke a="" c="" fund="" super=""></tumeke>	550,000	0.89
15	GALAN LITHIUM LIMITED	500,000	0.80
16	MS DANIELLE SHARON TUDEHOPE	456,672	0.74
17	MR CHEE NAM LIEW + MRS LEE CHIN LIEW <liew family<="" td=""><td></td><td></td></liew>		
	SUPER FUND A/C>	438,000	0.71
18	HSBC CUSTODY NOMINEES (AUSTRALIA) LIMITED	400,330	0.64
19	MR ADRIAN BRUCE WATT + MRS TRACEY JANINE WATT		
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20	BOND STREET CUSTODIANS LIMITED <rht9 -="" d92392<="" td=""><td></td><td></td></rht9>		
	A/C>	400,000	0.64
	Total	29,974,320	48.26
	Total issued capital - selected security class(es)	62,114,368	100.00

c) Ordinary share capital

- The number of shareholders holding less than a marketable parcel of shares is 644, totalling 1,082,999 ordinary shares.
- Each ordinary share is entitled to one vote when a poll is called, otherwise each member present at a meeting or by proxy has one vote on a show of hands.

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d) Tenement Schedule as at 30 June 2023

Tenement	Project	% interest	
E70/5198	Coates Project, Western Australia	70%	
EL70/5437	Coates Project, Western Australia	70%	
P70/1752	Coates Project, Western Australia	70%	
P70/1753	Coates Project, Western Australia	70%	
R70/59	Coates Project, Western Australia	85% - subject to Yankuang Bauxite Interest	
EL30897	Bynoe Lithium and Gold Project, Northern Territory	70%	
E63/1809	Lake Johnston Lithium and Gold Project, Western Australia	70%	
E63/1903	Lake Johnston Lithium and Gold Project, Western Australia	100%	
E63/1883	Lake Johnston Lithium and Gold Project, Western Australia	100%	
E63/1722	Lake Johnston Lithium Project, Western Australia	70% interest in lithium rights under the Lithium Rights Agreement with Lefroy Exploration Limited	
E63/1723	Lake Johnston Lithium Project, Western Australia	70% interest in lithium rights under the Lithium Rights Agreement with Lefroy Exploration Limited	
E63/1777	Lake Johnston Lithium Project, Western Australia	70% interest in lithium rights under the Lithium Rights Agreement with Lefroy Exploration Limited	

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