# CASSIUS MINING LIMITED & CONTROLLED ENTITIES

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# **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

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# **CHAIRMAN'S LETTER**

Dear Shareholders,

It has been a year of steady progress on all fronts for the Company.

The Mineral Resource Estimate on our Madagascar limestone project (as announced on 5 September 2023) shows up to 440 Million tonnes of High purity Limestone at 97% weight Calcium Carbonate above a 95.3% cut off. This result exceeded our expectations given that it was achieved with only nine (9) holes drilled. The company will now prudently assess the next stage of development of this project to continue value adding to this asset and determine the best way forward towards commercial exploitation of this large resource.

Similarly, our Chenene Lithium project in Tanzania has progressed with the initial rock sampling programme confirming the presence of Lithium hosting pegmatites along with significant associated Caesium and Tantalum. Based on our initial results further exploration will continue in targeted areas.

In June 2023 the Company raised \$1.5 million to continue its various operations and for working capital.

On 3 February 2023 the Company commenced international arbitration against the Republic of Ghana ("Ghana") seeking damages in excess of **USD 275 million** as a consequence of Ghana's breaches of the Large-Scale Prospecting Licence Agreement entered into with the Company. This long running dispute will now be determined expeditiously by a three (3) member Tribunal. Currently, the Company and Ghana have appointed their respective party Tribunal members and it is anticipated that a Chair will be appointed by 9 October 2023.

I am grateful for the support of new and long term shareholders and look forward to continuing progress on all facets of the activities of the Company in what promises to be an exciting and positively interesting time for the Company.

Yours truly,

James Arkoudis Chairman

#### SOALARA LIMESTONE PROJECT, SW MADAGASCAR - 100% owned

- Company already holds 2 contiguous Mining Licenses covering ~18.75 km² valid to 2055
- Phases 1 & 2 of the project successfully completed with assays confirming "High-Very High" purity Limestone
- Previous JORC Exploration Target of 491-818 Mt of "High to Very High" purity Limestone upgraded to a Mineral Resource<sup>1</sup>:
  - o 340 m Tonnes of "High" purity Limestone<sup>2</sup> (97% Calcium Carbonate, CaCO3) at 95.7% cut off:
    - 100m Tonnes in the Indicated category, and
    - 240m Tonnes in the Inferred category
  - 130m Tonnes of "Very High" purity Limestone<sup>3</sup> (98.6%CaCO3) at 97.5% cut off:
    - 40m Tonnes in the Indicated category, and
    - 90m Tonnes in the Inferred category
- Flat-bedded geology confirmed with lateral continuity between all holes, with easy all-weather access
- "High to Very High" purity Limestone sequences remain open at 100m final depth in all 9 holes
- Selective coring under consideration to further enhance the value of the Resource.

#### **Project Summary**

9 holes were vertically cored for a total 900.79m from 2022-23 on a 500m collar grid of up to 26 vertical holes (Fig 1).



 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  ASX "Soalara MRE – 340 Million Tonnes of High Purity Limestone" – 5 September 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on 5m high benches in a standard bulk quarrying operation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on 1m high benches in a more selective mining operation

#### Fig 1: Soalara Phase 1 (red) and Phase 2 holes (green) with all-weather access in white

The Grade (Purity)-Tonnage curves for the resource (**Fig 2**) show a smooth gradation in both tonnage and grade over the cut-offs examined. A conventional mining model with 5m high benches has slightly lower purity or CaO grades (56% CaO is equivalent to 100% CaCO3), compared to a more selective mining model with 1m high benches (and similar slightly different tonnage distribution) at all cut-off grades.

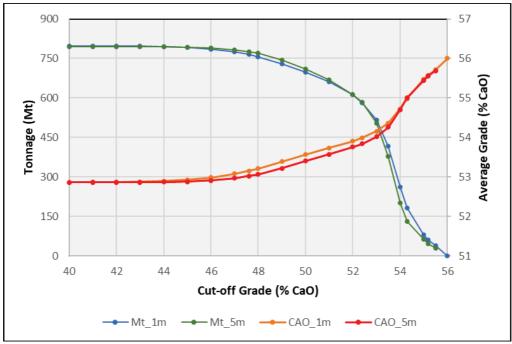


Fig 2: Grade (Purity) - Tonnage Curves

### **Very High Purity Limestone core (>98.5% Calcium Carbonate by weight)**



Fig 3: Very High purity Limestone (CMDD008) from 37.88 to 49.53m with weighted average 99.29% CaCO₃

High Purity Limestone core (97-98.5% Calcium Carbonate by weight)



Fig 4: High purity Limestone (CMDD003) from 8.00 to 21.30m with weighted average 98.04% CaCO<sub>3</sub>

#### **About the SOALARA LIMESTONE PROJECT**

The Soalara deposit is a horizontal sequence of Eocene limestones of ~100m thickness, overburden free. It has a JORC 2012 compliant Mineral Resource of:

- 340m Tonnes of **High 97%** purity Limestone at a 95.7% CaCO3 cut-off, with 100m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 240m Tonnes in the Inferred category, or
- 130m Tonnes of **Very High 98.6%** purity Limestone at a 97.5% CaCO3 cut-off. with 40m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 90m Tonnes in the Inferred category

Up to 26 holes may be cored on a 500m grid pattern in the overall programme, with the JORC Mineral Resource estimated from the first 9 holes cored.

The coring programme has to date quantified consistent flat-bedded geology and excellent lateral continuity of the limestone between all 9 holes, conducive to future open pit mining.

# **CHENENE LITHIUM PROJECT, TANZANIA - 100% owned**

The Company holds 4 contiguous PL's for Lithium exploration covering ~300 km², with 2 PL's valid to Oct 2025 and 2 to May 2026. The assays from its initial surface rock sampling programme at Target 1 in PL 11921 during the year were reported<sup>4</sup> in Feb 2023(*Figs 5-6*). The Dulu area was confirmed as hosting Lithium pegmatites, along with significant associated Caesium and Tantalum.

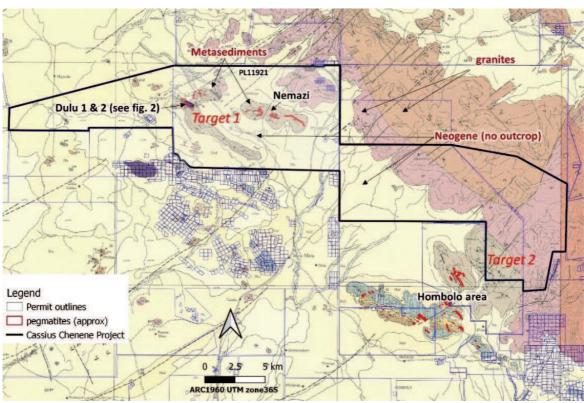


Fig 5: Targets 1 and 2 in the Chenene Lithium Project (300 km<sup>2</sup>), with pegmatites in red



Fig 6: Dulu location in PL 11921, Dulu 1 & 2 pegmatites in red, 3rd party area in pink, rock type in yellow

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 $<sup>^4</sup>$  ASX - "Chenene Lithium Project - Rock Sample Assays To 1.08% Li2O" 16 February 2023

The 950m long "Dulu 1" pegmatite (*Fig 7*) assayed at 1.08% Lithium (as Li<sub>2</sub>O) in PL 11921, where Caesium and Tantalum strongly correlated to Lithium at elevated levels of 2,782 and 181 ppm respectively.

The 370m long "Dulu 2" pegmatite (*Fig 7*) in a  $3^{rd}$  party license (an very small license at only 0.14 km², fully enclosed by Company's PL 11921 of ~115 km²) assayed from ~2m depth to a very high 5.49% Li<sub>2</sub>O, also with highly elevated 7,624 ppm Caesium and 4,970 ppm Tantalum.

Of key significance is proximity and a parallel orientation of Dulu 1 to Dulu 2 separated laterally (north-south) by only ~160m, with a potential ESE extension of Dulu 2 sub-surface into the Company's PL 11921. Dulu 2 is at surface in the very small 3<sup>rd</sup> party area only ~180m distant along strike to the Company's license border.

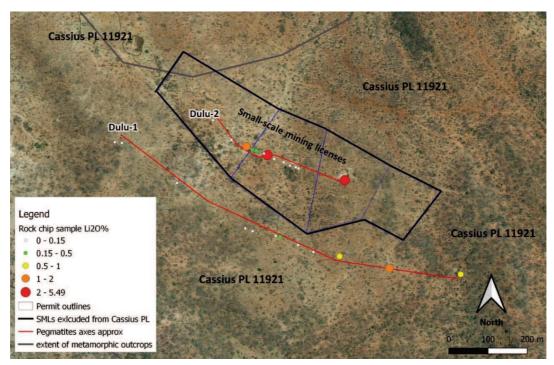


Fig 7: Dulu-1 and Dulu-2 pegmatites with Lithium (Li<sub>2</sub>O%) rock sample results

Lower assays in Dulu 1 pegmatite compared to Dulu 2 may be a function of leaching of minerals due to surface exposure, common in Lithium deposits, whereas the recently exposed Dulu 2 pegmatite was sampled at 2-5m subsurface (more protected from leaching).

No further work has been conducted since the initial rock sampling programme, however the Company continues to review a shallow aircore drilling programme (trenching being impractical in this rock) at Dulu to:

- access sub-surface samples at/near the current elevated Li<sub>2</sub>O assay locations in the Dulu 1 LCT pegmatite to
  eliminate/reduce surface leaching risk, whilst also testing for lateral extensions of Dulu 1 along strike to the
  WNW and ESE, and
- test for extensions of the Dulu 2 pegmatite along strike to the WNW and ESE within PL 11921, to also sample sub-surface to reduce leaching effects

The Company's additional Target 2 (*Fig 8*) lies in the Company's adjacent PL 11720 to the east, within  $\sim$ 2.5 km of the known multiple spodumene-bearing pegmatites in the Hombolo area (within adjacent 3<sup>rd</sup> party licenses).

Multiple Lithium pegmatites have been historically reported by  $3^{rd}$  parties in several locations in Target 2 at up to 5.2% Li<sub>2</sub>O (Lithium Oxide) and 0.12% Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (Tantalum Oxide), including by Liontown (ATR: LTR) in 2015, in the same/similar metasediment rock types. An initial exploration programme in Target 2 is currently, pending further higher priority exploration at the Dulu target in PL 11921.

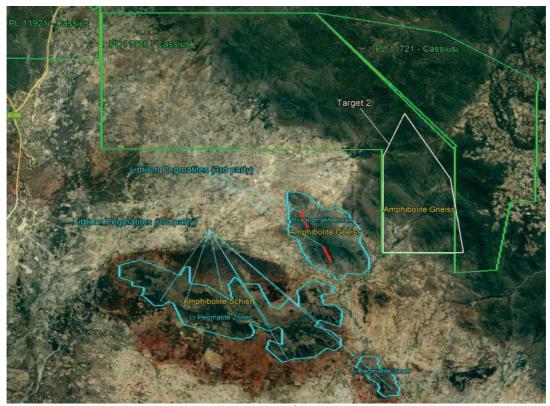


Fig 8: Target 2 exploration area, with neighbouring 3<sup>rd</sup> party historical Lithium pegmatite occurences

#### **About the CHENENE LITHIUM PROJECT**

The Chenene Lithium Project consists of four contiguous Lithium exploration licenses totalling ~300 km² in central Tanzania, ~40 kms N of the capital city Dodoma (*Fig 9*), accessible by major road and unaffected by the annual wet season further south.

The main features are the NW-trending Chenene Hills of sheared granite within rolling plains formed mainly of eroded granitic soils. A belt of metamorphosed amphibolite schists and amphibolite gneiss rocks outcrops along the margins of the sheared granites within the Company's licenses, exposed intermittently above granitic soil plains. Its these metasediments that the Company is targeting in its Lithium exploration.



Fig 9: Chenene Lithium Project in Tanzania

Pegmatites are hosted in these metamorphosed rocks in the "Hombolo-Msangani belt", a NW-SE belt ~35 km long and 13 km wide. Folding was deformed by NW shearing, with the pegmatites emplaced prior to shearing. Lithium-bearing pegmatites (lepidolite and/or spodumene), together with elevated Caesium and Tantalum, have been identified in this belt at Dulu and Hombolo.

#### **GHANA** – International Arbitration

On 3 February 2023 the company commenced international arbitration against the Government of the Republic of Ghana ("Ghana") seeking damages in excess of **USD 275 million** as a consequence of Ghana's breach of the Large Scale Prospecting License Agreement entered into with the Company.

The following steps have been taken by the Company to progress its International Arbitration against Ghana:

- **10 May 2023** Cassius files and serves an amended Notice of Arbitration ("NOA") appointing its nominee as an Arbitration Tribunal member.
- **15 June 2023 -** Ghana fails to appoint its nominee as an Arbitration Tribunal member within the time specified under the UNCITRAL rules (United Nations Commission on International Trade Law).
- 5 July 2023 Cassius makes Application to the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Hague ("PCA") in the Netherlands for the "Appointment of a Designating Authority", which will then appoint an Arbitration Tribunal member on behalf of Ghana.
- 6 July 2023 PCA writes to the parties and invites Ghana to make any comment in respect of Cassius's application by 20 July 2023.
- Ghana files legal process in its domestic court in Ghana for an injunction purporting to prevent Cassius from pursuing its claims in an international forum.
- 12 July 2023 Initial hearing of Ghana injunction adjourned to 20 July 2023.
- 20 July 2023 Hearing on injunction concluded, with the Judge reserving judgment (due by 31 July 2023). As at the time of this ASX release there has been no injunction granted or order made restraining Cassius in any way. If an injunction is granted against Cassius in Ghana, it would have no effect or power to restrain the PCA or any other appointed international authority from proceeding with Cassius' International Arbitration against Ghana.
- **20 July 2023 -** Ghana writes to the PCA attempting to object to its power to designate an Appointing Authority.
- 20 July 2023 PCA writes to Cassius inviting any comment on Ghana's objection by 27 July 2023.
- **25 July 2023 -** Cassius makes submissions answering Ghana's objection and again requesting the PCA to designate an Appointing Authority.
- 26 July 2023 PCA invites Ghana to make any further comment by 28 July 2023. Thereafter it will decide as to whether it will designate an Appointing Authority. In the absence of any appointment by Ghana, Cassius expects that the PCA will designate an Appointing Authority as requested.
- **31 July 2023 -** Ghana was granted an injunction in the High Court of Accra to restrain the Company from pursuing the international arbitration. The injunction did not prevent the Company proceeding with international arbitration.
- 31 July 2023 The Secretary-General of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague ("PCA") designated an appointing authority for the international arbitration under Article 6.2 UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (2021) in response to the Company's request. The Company had requested this due to Ghana's ongoing failure to appoint an arbitrator.
- **31 July 2023 -** Shortly after the Secretary-General of the PCA issued his decision, Ghana proceeded to appoint its party-appointed arbitrator.

- **18 September 2023** Cassius and Ghana were entitled to communicate in writing to the Co-Arbitrators (excluding the other Party), the names and contacts details for as many as three persons for consideration as Chairperson. The Co-Arbitrators and the parties will then participate in an agreed process culminating in the Co-Arbitrators selecting the Chairperson of the tribunal.
- **9 October 2023** If the Chairperson is not selected by this time (or such other period as the Co-Arbitrators shall mutually agree), either Co-Arbitrator is entitled to refer the issue of the selection of the Chairperson to the Secretary-General of the Permanent Court or Arbitration ("PCA").

#### **SCHEDULE OF TENEMENTS AS AT 30 JUNE 2023**

Locatio	n	Tenement / Mining Lease Number / Special Licence Number						
Madagas	scar			R145	42 – 100%, R14	<u> 1960 – 100% </u>		
Permit	C	ompany	Int (%)	Туре	Expiry date	Grant date	Area (km²)	Commodity
14542	Soal	ara Calcaire SARLU	100	Exploitation (Mining)	03 Nov 2055	04 Nov 15	12.50	Limestone
14960	Soal	ara Calcaire SARLU	100	Exploitation (Mining)	03 Nov 2055	04 Nov 15	6.25	Limestone
Tanzan	ia	11720	/2021 – 10	00%, 11721/20	21 – 100%, 119	20/2022 – 100	0%, 11921/20	022 – 100%
Permit	C	ompany	Int (%)	Туре	Expiry date	Grant date	Area (km²)	Commodity
11720		us Mining (T) Limited	100	Prospecting (Exploration)	03 Oct 2025	29 Mar 22	92.63	Lithium
11721		us Mining (T) Limited	100	Prospecting (Exploration)	03 Oct 2025	29 Mar 22	45.55	Lithium
11920		us Mining (T) Limited	100	Prospecting (Exploration)	12 May 2026	13 May 22	47.00	Lithium
11921		us Mining (T) Limited	100	Prospecting (Exploration)	12 May 2026	13 May 22	115.40	Lithium

License Permits held by wholly-owned subsidiary Soalara Calcaire SARLU (Madagascar) and Cassius Mining (T) (Tanzania)

#### Competent Person Statement - Chenene

Information in this "ASX Announcement" relating to Exploration Targets, Exploration Results and Mineral Resources has been reviewed by Mr. Andrew Pedley who is a member in good standing with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP). Mr. Pedley has sufficient experience that is relevant to the types of deposits being explored for and qualifies 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 Code 2012 Edition). Mr. Pedley consents to the inclusion in this document of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears. The market announcement is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by the Competent Person. Mr. Pedley is not an employee of the Company; he is a Senior Associate with the MSA Group of Johannesburg who are providing consulting services to Cassius Mining Ltd.

#### Competent Person Statement - Soalara Exploration Results

The information in this statement that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Jannie Leeuwner – BSc (Hons) Pr.Sci.Nat. MGSSA and is a full-time employee of Vato Consulting LLC. Mr. Leeuwner is a registered Professional Natural Scientist (Pr.Sci.Nat. - 400155/13) with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP). Mr. Leeuwner has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the Note for Mining Oil & Gas Companies, June 2009, of the London Stock Exchange and the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' (JORC Code). Mr. Leeuwner consents to the inclusion of the information in this release in the form and context in which it appears.

#### Competent Person Statement – Soalara Mineral Resource Estimate

The information in this statement that relates to Mineral Resource Estimates is based on information compiled by Arnold van der Heyden, a Member and Chartered Professional (Geology) of the AusIMM. Mr van der Heyden is a full-time employee of H&S Consultants Pty Ltd. Mr van der Heyden has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr van der Heyden consents to the inclusion in this Announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

In recognising the need for the highest standards of corporate behaviour and accountability, the directors of Cassius Mining Limited ("the Company") have adhered to the principles of corporate governance and this statement outlines the main corporate practices in place throughout the financial year. The ASX Corporate Governance Council has released revised Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations – 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. Having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its enterprise, it is considered that the Company complies as far as possible with the spirit and intentions of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations as set out below. Unless otherwise stated, the practices were in place for the entire year.

#### 1. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Company is responsible for the corporate governance of the Company. The Board guides and monitors the business and affairs of the Company on behalf of the shareholders by whom they are elected and to whom they are accountable.

As the Board acts on behalf of shareholders, it seeks to identify the expectations of shareholders, as well as other ethical expectations and obligations. In addition, the Board is responsible for identifying areas of significant business risk and ensuring arrangements are in place to adequately manage those risks.

The primary responsibilities of the Board include:

- formulation and approval of the strategic direction, objectives and goals of the Company;
- monitoring the financial performance of the Company, including approval of the Company's financial statements;
- ensuring that adequate internal control systems and procedures exist and that compliance with these systems and procedures is maintained;
- the identification of significant business risks and ensuring that such risks are adequately managed;
- the review of performance and remuneration of executive directors; and
- the establishment and maintenance of appropriate ethical standards.

The responsibility for the operation and administration of the Company is carried out by the directors, who operate in an executive capacity, supported by senior professional staff. The Board ensures that this team is suitably qualified and experienced to discharge its responsibilities, and assesses on an ongoing basis the performance of the management team, to ensure that management's objectives and activities are aligned with the expectations and risks identified by the board.

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

Director	Appointed	Resigned
W Kernaghan	30 June 2005	-
J Arkoudis	31 October 2014	-
D Chidlow	8 June 2017	-

For information in respect to each director refer to the directors' report.

#### 2. Independent Directors

ASX guidelines recommend that the majority of the board should be independent directors. The Company has been in compliance with this recommendation for the full year.

#### 3. Board Composition

When the need for a new director is identified, selection is based on the skills and experience of prospective directors, having regard to the present and future needs of the Company. Any director so appointed must then stand for election at the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

#### 4. Terms of Appointment as a Director

The constitution of the Company provides that a director other than the Managing Director may not retain office for more than three calendar years or beyond the third Annual General Meeting following his or her election, whichever is longer, without submitting for re-election. One third of the directors must retire each year and are eligible for re-election. The directors who retire by rotation at each Annual General Meeting are those with the longest length of time in office since their appointment or last election.

#### 5. Board Committees

#### (a) The Remuneration Committee

The Company did not have a Remuneration Committee for the year ended 30 June 2023. This was because the Company had decided in prior years that the functions of the remuneration committee would be conducted by the full board.

#### (b) The Audit Committee

The Company did not have an Audit Committee for the year ended 30 June 2023. This was because the Company had decided in prior years that the functions of the audit committee would be conducted by the full board.

#### 6. Remuneration

Remuneration and other terms of employment of executives, including executive directors, are reviewed periodically by the Board having regard to performance, relevant comparative information and, where necessary, independent expert advice. Remuneration packages are set at levels that are intended to attract and retain executives capable of managing the Company's operations.

The terms of engagement and remuneration of executive directors is reviewed periodically by the Board. Where the remuneration of a particular executive director is to be considered, the director concerned does not participate in the discussion or decision-making.

#### 7. Conflict of Interest

The directors must keep the Company informed, on an ongoing basis, of any interest that could potentially conflict with those of the Company. Where the Board believes a significant conflict exists, the director concerned does not receive the relevant board papers and is not present at the meeting whilst the item is considered.

#### 8. Independent Professional Advice

Directors have the right, in connection with their duties and responsibilities as directors, to seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense. Prior approval of the Chairman is required, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

#### 9. Code of Conduct

In view of the size of the Company and the nature of its activities, the Board has considered and adopted a code of conduct which is appropriate to guide executives, management and employees in carrying out their duties and responsibilities.

#### 10. Diversity Policy

The Company has not established a diversity policy. There are currently no women on the board of the Company or in senior management roles. This will be reviewed in accordance with the next review of the Board's skills and requirements.

#### 11. Make Timely and Balanced Disclosures

The Board has in place written policies and procedures to ensure the Company complies with its obligations under the continuous disclosure rule 3.1 and other ASX Listing Rule disclosure requirements.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

#### 12. Communication to Market & Shareholders

The Board of Directors aims to ensure that the shareholders, on behalf of whom they act, are informed of all information necessary to assess the performance of the directors and the Company. Information is communicated to shareholders and the market through:

- the Annual Report which is available to all shareholders;
- other periodic reports which are lodged with ASX and available for shareholder scrutiny;
- other announcements made in accordance with ASX Listing Rules;
- special purpose information memoranda issued to shareholders as appropriate;
- the Annual General Meeting and other meetings called to obtain approval for board action as appropriate; and
- the Company's website.

#### 13. Share Trading

Dealings are not permitted at any time whilst in the possession of price sensitive information not already available to the market. In addition, the Corporations Act 2001 prohibits the purchase or sale of securities whilst a person is in possession of inside information.

#### 14. External Auditors

The external auditor is A D Danieli Audit Pty Ltd. The external auditor is invited to attend the Annual General Meeting and is available to answer shareholder questions about the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the auditor's report.

Details of the Company's corporate governance practices can be viewed at <a href="www.cassiusmining.com">www.cassiusmining.com</a>.

Your Directors submit their report together with the financial statements of the Group, being the Company and its controlled entities, for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

#### **Directors**

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

Director	Appointed	Resigned
W Kernaghan	30 June 2005	-
J Arkoudis	31 October 2014	-
D Chidlow	8 June 2017	-

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

#### Information on Current Directors

#### James Arkoudis Independent Executive Director, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Arkoudis boasts over twenty years commercial experience as a solicitor until 2013. Most recently he has developed an expertise in the mining Law and administrative practice of the mining sector in the Republic of Ghana. Mr Arkoudis also has wide experience in litigation matters including matters involving mining companies. Mr Arkoudis has also previously been a director of an ASX Listed mining Company.

During the past three years Mr Arkoudis was a director of Gladiator Resources Limited from 19 July 2022 to 7 August 2023.

#### David Chidlow Independent, Non-Executive Director, Technical Director

Mr Chidlow has an Honours degree in Geology from Southampton University, England, and over 35 years' experience in resource exploration and development. The focus of David's career has been providing specialised professional services for developing major resources projects globally. David has worked in some of the harshest conditions in the industry including the Southern Highlands of Papua New Guinea, the Libyan Desert, Kuwait, and North Sea oil rigs.

David's expertise in project management and ability to deliver major projects are extremely well regarded in the resources industry, having been head hunted on several occasions for significant projects. Most recently, David was engaged as an expert consult by ExxonMobil to oversee and deliver key components of ExxonMobil's LNG Hides Project in PNG.

During the past three years Mr Chidlow was a director of Gladiator Resources Limited from 19 July 2022 to 7 August 2023.

#### Wayne John Kernaghan B.Bus, ACA, FAICD, FCIS Non-Executive Director and Company Secretary

Wayne Kernaghan is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia with over 30 years' experience in various areas of the mining industry. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a Chartered Secretary. During the past three years Mr Kernaghan has held and is currently a director of Cullen Resources Limited from 11 November 1997.

#### **Directors' Interests**

Directors' interests in the shares and options of the company were:

	C	Direct	Indi	rect
Director	Shares	Various Options	Shares	<b>Various Options</b>
W Kernaghan	-	-	18,450,834	=
J Arkoudis	-	-	18,128,708	-
D Chidlow	6,905,843	-	15,703,652	-

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the Group during the financial year were mining and mineral exploration and seeking mining exploration opportunities. There was no significant change in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the financial year.

#### **Review & Results of Operations**

Cassius Mining Limited ("Cassius") is involved in mining and mineral exploration. The net loss after providing for income tax amounted to \$783,660 (2022: \$361,884).

During the year exploration work was carried out on its Soalara Limestone Project in Madagascar.

#### **Dividends Paid or Recommended**

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for this financial year. No dividend has been declared or paid by the Company since the end of the previous financial year.

#### **Financial Position**

The net assets of the Group have increased by \$2,129,175 to \$3,056,633 at 30 June 2023.

#### **Future Developments, Prospects & Business Strategies**

Cassius is committed to exploring and developing its existing exploration properties and looking for other opportunities.

#### **Environmental Issues**

The exploration and mining activities of the Group in Madagascar are subject to environmental regulation under the laws of Madagascar. The environmental laws and regulations in Madagascar address the impact of the consolidated entity's activities in the areas of water and air quality, noise, surface disturbance and impact on flora and fauna. The directors are not aware of any environmental matter which would have a materially adverse impact on the overall business of the Group.

#### **Significant Changes in State of Affairs**

In the opinion of the directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity that occurred during the financial year, not otherwise disclosed in this report or the consolidated accounts.

#### **After Balance Sheet Date Events**

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of Cassius Mining Limited, to affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity in the subsequent financial years other than:

- litigation funding options to prosecute the Ghana Government which remain under discussion.
- On 5 September 2023 the company announced It has a JORC 2012 compliant Mineral Resource at the Soalara Limestone Project of:

340m Tonnes of **High 97%** purity Limestone at a 95.7% CaCO3 cut-off, with 100m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 240m Tonnes in the Inferred category, or

130m Tonnes of **Very High 98.6%** purity Limestone at a 97.5% CaCO3 cut-off. with 40m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 90m Tonnes in the Inferred category.

#### **Directors' Meetings**

The number of Directors' Meetings of Cassius Mining Limited held during the financial year ended 30 June 2023 and the number of meetings attended by each director are as follows:

#### **Directors Meetings**

Name	Eligible to Attend	Attended
W Kernaghan	7	7
J Arkoudis	7	7
D Chidlow	7	7

<sup>\*</sup> There are no audit or remuneration committees as the full Board carried out the duties of these committees.

As well as formal directors' meetings, executive and non-executive directors are in frequent communication.

#### **Options**

At the date of this report the Company had 10,000,000 and at 30 June 2023 the Company had 10,000,000 (2022: nil) unlisted options on issue over unissued ordinary shares.

During the year nil (2022: nil) fully paid ordinary shares were issued by virtue of the exercise of options. Since the end of the financial year nil (2022: nil) shares have been issued by virtue of the exercise of options.

During the year 10,000,000 (2022: nil) unlisted options exercisable at \$0.06 expiring 16 June 2026 were issued.

#### Remuneration Report (Audited)

This report details the nature and amount of remuneration for each director of Cassius Mining Limited.

#### **Remuneration Policy**

The remuneration policy of Cassius Mining Limited has been designed to align director 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 consolidated group's financial results. The board of Cassius Mining Limited believes the remuneration policy to be appropriate and effective in its ability to attract and retain the best executives and directors to run and manage the consolidated group as well as create goal congruence between directors and shareholders.

#### Company Performance, Shareholders' Wealth & Director Remuneration

The remuneration policy, setting the terms and conditions for the executive directors was developed by the board. All executives receive a base salary (which is based on factors such as length of service and experience), options and incentives. The board reviews executive packages annually by reference to comparable information from industry sectors and other listed companies in similar industries. The board policy is to remunerate non-executive directors at market rates for comparable companies for time, commitment and responsibilities. The board 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 directors' fees that can be paid to non-executive directors is subject to approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting. Non-Executive Directors' fees are not linked to the performance of the Company.

During the year no remuneration was based on any performance conditions, including Company or personal performance.

To align directors' interests with shareholder interests, the directors are encouraged to hold shares in the Company.

#### **Compensation Practices**

The board's policy for determining the nature and amount of compensation of key management for the Company is:

The remuneration for executive officers, including executive directors is based on a number of factors, including length of service, particular experience of the individual concerned, and overall performance of the Company. There are no formal written contracts in place, and normal employment arrangements are adhered to. Upon retirement, specified directors and executives are paid employee benefit entitlements accrued to the date of retirement. Any options not exercised before or on the date of termination lapse.

#### **Key Management Personnel Remuneration**

The remuneration for each director received during the year was as follows:

Director 2023	Short Term Directors Fees	Short Term Consulting Fees/Salary	Termination Payment	Post Employment Superannuation	Share Based Payments	Total	Performance Related
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
W Kernaghan	36,000	-	-	3,780	-	39,780	-
J Arkoudis	36,000	-	-	3,780	-	39,780	-
D Chidlow	36,000	-	-	3,780	-	39,780	-
	108,000	-	-	11,340	-	119,340	-

Director 2022	Short Term Directors Fees	Short Term Consulting Fees/Salary	Termination Payment	Post- Employment Superannuation	Share Based Payments	Total	Performance Related
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
W Kernaghan	36,000	-	-	3,600	-	39,600	-
J Arkoudis	36,000	-	-	3,600	-	39,600	-
D Chidlow	36,000	-	-	3,600	-	39,600	-
	108,000	-	-	10,800	-	118,800	-

#### Options Granted as Part of Remuneration for the Year Ended 30 June 2023

There were no options granted as part of remuneration for the year ended 30 June 2023 (2022: nil).

#### **Corporate Governance**

In recognising the need for the highest standard of corporate behaviour and accountability, the directors of Cassius Mining Limited support and adhere to the principles of good corporate governance. The Company's corporate governance statement can be found on pages 12 to 14.

#### **Indemnification and Insurance of Directors and Officers**

The Company has entered into deeds of indemnity with the Directors indemnifying them against certain liabilities and costs to the extent permitted by law. The Company has paid premiums totaling \$20,428 (2022: \$23,332) in respect of Directors and Officers Liability Insurance and Company reimbursement policies, which covers all Directors and Officers of the Company. The policy conditions preclude the Company from any detailed disclosures.

#### **Proceedings on Behalf of 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.

#### **Non-Audit Services**

The Board of Directors is satisfied that the provision of non-audit services during the year is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The directors are satisfied that the services disclosed did not compromise the external auditors' independence for the following reasons:

- all non-audit services are reviewed and approved by the board prior to commencement to ensure they do not adversely affect the integrity and objectivity of the auditor; and
- the nature of the services provided does not compromise the general principles relating to auditor independence in accordance with APES 110: Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants set by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board. Fees payable to A D Danieli Pty Ltd an associated entity of A D Danieli Audit Pty Ltd are disclosed in Note 12.

#### **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 20.

The Directors' Report, incorporating the Remuneration Report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

W Kernaghan Director

Sydney, 27 September 2023



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Auditor's Independence Declaration
Under Section 307c of The Corporations Act 2001
To the Directors of Cassius Mining Limited
ABN 13 115 027 033
And Controlled Entities

I declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2023, there have been no contraventions of:

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

A D DANIELI AUDIT PTY LTD

Sam Danieli

Sydney, 27 September 2023

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Continuing operations	•		
Revenue	2	2,615	11
Exploration expenditure		(11,057)	(83,408)
Impairment of investment		(497,021)	-
Operating expenses		(278,197)	(278,487)
Profit/(Loss) before income tax	•	(783,660)	(361,884)
Income tax expense	3	-	-
Net Profit/(Loss) from continuing operations	•	(783,660)	(361,884)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	•	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to members of parent entity	•	(783,660)	(361,884)
Earnings per share			
From continuing operations:			
Basic loss per share (cents per share)	16	(0.19)	(0.12)
Diluted loss per share (cents per share)	16	(0.19)	(0.12)

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	1,453,725	94,811
Trade and other receivables	5	38,819	6,722
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,492,544	101,533
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Exploration expenditure	6	1,982,674	1,422,545
Investments accounted for using the equity method	7	-	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		1,982,674	1,422,545
TOTAL ASSETS		3,475,218	1,524,078
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	418,585	69,820
Borrowings	9		408,000
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		418,585	477,820
NON CURRENT HARMITIES			
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES  Trade and other payables	8		118,800
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	0		
TOTAL NON-CORRENT LIABILITIES			118,800
TOTAL LIABILITIES		418,585	596,620
NET ASSETS		3,056,633	927,458
NET ASSETS			327,133
EQUITY			
Issued capital	10	48,765,676	45,973,141
Reserves	11	120,300	-
Accumulated losses		(45,829,343)	(45,045,683)
TOTAL EQUITY		3,056,633	927,458

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

# for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Issued Capital \$	Reserves (Note 11) \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total Equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2021	45,711,946	-	(44,683,799)	1,028,147
Comprehensive income for the period  Loss for the period	_	_	(361,884)	(361,884)
Issue of share capital	261,195	-	-	261,195
Balance at 30 June 2022	45,973,141	-	(45,045,683)	927,458
Balance at 1 July 2022	45,973,141		(45,045,683)	927,458
Comprehensive income for the period				
Loss for the period	-	-	(783,660)	(783,660)
Issue of options - Broker	(120,300)	120,300	-	-
Issue of share capital	2,912,835	-	-	2,912,835
Balance at 30 June 2023	48,765,676	120,300	(45,829,343)	3,056,633

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

# for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		\$	\$
Cash flows from Operating Activities			
Interest received		2,615	11
Payments to suppliers and employees		(91,386)	(303,994)
Net Cash (used in) provided by Operating Activities	22	(88,771)	(303,983)
Cash flows from Investing Activities			
Exploration expenditure		(1,057,150)	(505,089)
Net Cash (used in) provided by Investing Activities		(1,057,150)	(505,089)
Cash flows from Financing Activities			
Proceeds from share and option issues (Net of expenses)		2,912,835	261,195
Borrowings		(408,000)	408,000
Net Cash provided by (used in) Financing Activities		2,504,835	669,195
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		1,358,914	(139,877)
Cash at beginning of the year		94,811	234,688
Cash at end of the year	4	1,453,725	94,811

# for the year ended 30 June 2023

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards including Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The financial statements include the consolidated entity consisting of Cassius Mining Limited and its subsidiaries. The parent entity Cassius Mining Limited is a public listed Company incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The financial statements of the consolidated entity consisting of Cassius Mining Limited and its controlled entities comply with all International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in their entirety.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the consolidated group in the preparation of the financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

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

Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and are based on historical cost modified where applicable by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

#### **New and Revised Accounting Standards and Interpretations**

Cassius Mining Limited and its subsidiaries have adopted all new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations which were applicable as of 1 July 2022.

Adoption of these new Standards and Interpretations did not have any effect on the financial position or performance of the consolidated entity.

Cassius Mining Limited and its controlled entities have not early adopted any other standards or amendments that are issued but not yet effective.

#### **Going Concern**

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and liabilities in the normal course of business.

The Consolidated Entity had cash and cash equivalents of \$1,453,725 at 30 June 2023. The directors acknowledge that continued exploration and development of the consolidated group's mineral exploration projects will necessitate further capital raisings.

The Consolidated Entity remains dependent on its ability to raise funding in volatile capital markets. However, the directors continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting by the Consolidated Entity is appropriate as the Consolidated Entity has previously successfully completed a capital raising, notwithstanding the challenging conditions in equity markets.

In consideration of the above matters, the directors have determined that it is reasonably foreseeable that the Consolidated Entity will continue as a going concern and that it is appropriate that the going concern method of accounting be adopted in the preparation of the financial statements. In the event that the Consolidated Entity is unable to continue as a going concern (due to inability to raise future funding requirements), it may be required to realise its assets at amounts different to those currently recognised, settle liabilities other than in the ordinary course of business and make provisions for other costs which may arise as a result of cessation or curtailment of normal business operations.

Accordingly, the financial statements do not include adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of assets amount or to the amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary if the Consolidated Entity does not continue as a going concern.

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#### a. Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities and results of entities controlled by Cassius Mining Limited at the end of the reporting period.

A controlled entity is any entity controlled by the Company. Control exists where the Company has the capacity to dominate the decision-making in relation to the financial and operating policies of another entity so that the other entity operates with the Company to achieve the objectives of the Company.

A list of controlled entities is contained in Note 15 to the Financial Statements. All controlled entities have a June financial year end. All inter-company balances and transactions between entities in the consolidated group, including any unrealised profits or losses, have been eliminated on consolidation.

Where controlled entities have entered or left the consolidated group during the year, their financial performance has been included from the date control was obtained or until the date control ceased.

#### b. Mining Tenements & Deferred Exploration, Evaluation & Development Expenditure

Mining tenements are carried at cost, less accumulated impairment losses.

Mineral exploration, evaluation and development expenditure incurred is accumulated in respect of each identifiable area of interest. These costs are only carried forward to the extent that they are expected to be recouped through the successful development of the area of interest or sale of that area of interest, or exploration and evaluation activities have not reached a stage which permits a reasonable assessment of the existence or otherwise of economically recoverable reserves and active or significant operations in or in relation to, the area of interest are continuing.

Accumulated costs in relation to an abandoned area are written off in full against profit in the year in which the decision to abandon the area is made.

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

#### c. Goods & Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

#### d. Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the consolidated group reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Consolidated Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

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#### e. Income Tax

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 the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or are subsequently enacted by the reporting date.

Current tax losses for current and prior periods are not recognised as an asset as the future income tax benefit can be carried forward only as an asset where realisation of the benefit can be regarded as being probable.

#### f. Cash & Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash includes:

- cash on hand and at call deposits with banks or financial institutions, net of bank overdrafts; and
- investments in money market instruments with less than 14 days to maturity.

#### g. Revenue Recognition

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method which for floating rate financial assets, is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

#### h. Business Combinations

Business combinations occur where control over another business is obtained and results in the consolidation of its assets and liabilities. All business combinations, including those involving entities under common control, are accounted for by applying the purchase method.

The purchase method requires an acquirer of the business to be identified and for the cost of the acquisition and fair values of identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities to be determined as at acquisition date, being the date that control is obtained

Cost is determined as the aggregate of fair values of assets given, equity issued and liabilities assumed in exchange for control together with costs directly attributable to the business combination. Any deferred consideration payable is discounted to present value using the entity's incremental borrowing rate.

Goodwill is recognised initially at the excess of cost over the acquirer's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised. If the fair value of the acquirer's interest is greater than cost, the surplus is immediately recognised in profit or loss.

#### i. Joint Venture Interests

An interest in a joint venture operation is brought to account by including in the respective financial statement categories:

- the consolidated entity's share in each of the individual assets employed in the joint venture;
- liabilities incurred by the consolidated entity in relation to the joint venture including the economic entity's share of any liabilities for which the consolidated entity is jointly and/or severally liable; and
- The consolidated entity's share of expenses of the joint venture.

#### j. Financial Instruments

#### **Recognition & Initial Measurement**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Company commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (ie trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case transaction costs are expensed to the statement of comprehensive income.

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#### **Classification & Subsequent Measurement**

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at either of fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, or cost. *Fair value* represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

#### Amortised cost is calculated as:

- a. the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- b. less principal repayments;
- c. plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the *effective interest method*; and
- d. less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in the statement of other comprehensive income.

The Group does not designate any interests in subsidiaries, associates or joint venture entities as being subject to the requirements of accounting standards specifically applicable to financial instruments.

#### i. Financial assets at fair value through the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are either held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income.

#### ii. Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### iii. Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the Group's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### iv. Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not suitable to be classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

#### v. Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### Fair Value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

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#### Impairment

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income.

#### Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income.

#### k. Foreign Currency Transactions and Balances

#### **Functional & Presentation Currency**

The functional currency of each of the Group's entities is measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which that entity operates. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is the parent entity's functional and presentation currency.

#### **Transaction & Balances**

Foreign currency transactions are translated into functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary items are translated at the year-end exchange rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost continue to be carried at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary items measured at fair value are reported at the exchange rate at the date when fair values were determined.

Exchange differences arising on the translation of monetary items are recognised in the statement of other comprehensive income, except where deferred in equity as a qualifying cash flow or net investment hedge.

Exchange differences arising on the translation of non-monetary items are recognised directly in equity to the extent that the gain or loss is directly recognised in equity, otherwise the exchange difference is recognised in the statement of other comprehensive income.

#### **Group Companies**

The financial results and position of foreign operations whose functional currency is different from the Group's presentation currency are translated as follows:

- assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates prevailing at that reporting date;
- income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates for the period; and
- retained earnings are translated at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transaction.

Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations are transferred directly to the Group's foreign currency translation reserve in the statement of other comprehensive income. These differences are recognised in the statement of other comprehensive income in the period in which the operation is disposed.

#### I. Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within the year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. Those cashflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows.

Superannuation commitments: Each employee nominates their own superannuation fund to which Cassius Mining Limited contributes the compulsory superannuation amount.

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#### m. Critical Accounting Estimates & Judgments

The directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Group.

#### **Key estimates**

#### (i) Impairment

The Group assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions and events specific to the Group that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

#### **Key judgements**

(i) Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure
 All exploration expenditure is reviewed by Directors to determine whether it is appropriate to capitalise any of these costs. All expenditure to date has been fully expensed.

#### n. Property, Plant & Equipment

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

#### **Property & Leasehold Improvement**

Freehold land and buildings and leasehold improvements are shown at their cost.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the statement of other comprehensive income. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the statement of other comprehensive income and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

#### Plant & Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors 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.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the consolidated group 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 Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

#### Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the consolidated group commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

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The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Buildings	5% - 10%
Leasehold improvements	10% - 33.33%
Plant and equipment	20% - 33.33%
Motor vehicles	33.33%

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

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

#### o. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Costs of site restoration are provided over the life of the project 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 local laws and regulations and clauses of the permits. Such costs have been determined using estimates of future costs, current legal requirements and technology on an undiscounted basis.

Any changes in the estimates for the costs are accounted on a prospective basis. In determining the costs of site restoration, there is uncertainty regarding the nature and extent of the restoration due to community expectations and future legislation. Accordingly the costs have been determined on the basis that the restoration will be completed within one year of abandoning the site.

#### p. Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. Refer to Note 1(d) for further discussion on the determination of impairment losses.

#### q. Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the entity that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

#### r. Comparative Figures

When required by accounting standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

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#### s. New Accounting Standards and Interpretations

International Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet effective have not been adopted by the Group for the annual reporting period ended 30 June 2023.

The adoption of these new and revised Standards and Interpretations will not have an impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.

		Consolidate	ed Group
		2023 \$	2022 \$
2.	Revenue for the year		
	Interest – other persons	2,615	11
		2,615	11
3.	Income Tax		
	Operating (loss) before income tax	(783,660)	(361,884)
	Prima facie income tax (benefit) calculated at 25.0% (2022:25.0%)	(195,915)	(90,471)
	Non-deductible items		
	Non-deductible expenses	-	-
	Less income tax benefits not brought to account at balance date	195,915	90,471
	Total income tax expense	-	

Potential future income tax benefits estimated at \$14,540,700 (2022: \$14,344,785) attributable to Australian tax losses carried forward by the Company and future benefits to exploration expenditure and other timing differences allowable for deduction have not been brought to account in the consolidated accounts at 30 June 2023 because the Directors do not believe it is appropriate to regard full realisation of the future income tax benefits as probable. These benefits will only be obtained if:

- (a) the consolidated entity derives future assessable income of a nature and of sufficient amount to enable the benefit from the deductions to be realised; and
- (b) the consolidated entity continues to comply with the conditions for deductibility imposed by tax legislation; and
- (c) no changes in tax legislation adversely affect the Company in realising the benefit from the deduction in losses.

#### 4. Cash & Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	Cash on hand and at bank	1,453,725 1,453,725	94,811
5.	Trade & Other Receivables Current		
	Other debtors	38,819	6,722
		38,819	6,722

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#### 6. Exploration Expenditure

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Costs carried forward in respect of areas of interest in		
the exploration and evaluation phase		
Opening balance	1,422,545	917,456
Expenditure incurred during the year	560,129	505,089
Closing balance	1,982,674	1,422,545

Refer to Note 17 for further details.

#### 7. Investments accounted for using the equity method

#### a. Information about Principal Associates and Joint Ventures

Set out below are the material associates and joint ventures of the Group.

Name	Classification	Place of Business/ Incorporation	Proportion of Ordinary Share Interests/ Participating Share		Measurement Method	Carrying Amount	
			2023	2022		2023	2022
			%	%		\$	\$
Gbane Project	Joint venture	Ghana	-	-	Equity method	-	-

Gbane Project is a joint venture between Cassius Mining Limited (Ghana) and Cassius Mining Limited. The primary purpose of the joint venture is to conduct gold exploration project in Bolgatanga, Ghana. Gbane project is classified by the Group as a joint venture. As at 30 June 2023, the Group has a nil% (2022: nil%) economic interest in Gbane Project with additional earn in rights to acquire up to 100% of the joint venture. The Company announced on 23 November 2017 to acquire the balance of the Gbane Joint Venture and the remainder of the licence subject to shareholder approval.

#### b. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities in Respect of Joint Ventures

The Group has no capital commitments relating to its interest in Gbane Project.

#### c. Summarised Financial Information for Joint Ventures

Set out below is the summarised financial information for Gbane Project. Unless otherwise stated, the disclosed information reflects the amounts presented in the Australian-Accounting-Standards financial statements of Gbane Project. The following summarised financial information, however, reflects the adjustments made by the Group when applying the equity method, including adjustments for any differences in accounting policies between the Group and the joint venture.

	Gbane Pro	Gbane Project	
	2023	2022	
	\$	\$	
Summarised Financial Position			
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	
Total current assets	-	-	
Total non-current assets	-	-	
Current financial liabilities (excluding trade	-	-	
and other payables, and provisions)			
Total current liabilities	-	-	
Non-current financial liabilities (excluding	-	-	
trade and other payables, and provisions)			
Total non-current liabilities			
NET ASSETS			
Group's share (%)	Nil%	Nil%	
Group's share of joint venture's net assets	Nil%	Nil%	

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7.	Investments accounted for using the equity me	thod (continued)		Gbane Project	
				2023	2022
	Reconciliation to Carrying Amounts			\$	\$
	Group's share of joint venture's opening net			-	-
	assets				
	Investments during the period Group's share of joint venture's total			-	-
	comprehensive income				
	Group's share of dividends paid by joint venture			-	-
	Provision for impairment of investment			-	-
	Disposals during the period  Group's share of joint venture's closing net				
	assets				
				2022	2022
				2023 \$	2022 \$
8.	Trade & Other Payables Current				
	Trade Creditors			418,585	69,820
				418,585	69,820
	Non Current				
	Trade Creditors				118,800
				-	118,800
9.	Borrowings				
	Current – unsecured				408,000
	The beautiful and interest				408,000
	The borrowings are unsecured and interest free. Since the end of the financial year the				
	borrowings have been repaid.				
10.	Issued Capital				
	496,728,203 (2022:322,992,723) fully paid ordinary shares			48,765,676	45,973,141
		2023	2022	2023	2022
	Movements during the year	Number of	Number of	\$	\$
	5	Shares	Shares	45.070.444	
	Beginning of the financial year 21/12/21 issued at 1.5 cents placement	322,992,723	305,579,723 10,000,000	45,973,141	45,711,946 150,000
	21/12/21 issued at 1.5 cents in lieu of directors fees	-	7,413,000	- -	111,195
	3/8/22 issued at 1.7 cents placement	80,748,180	-	1,372,719	-
	30/11/22 issued at 2.5 cents in lieu of director	4,752,000	-	118,800	-
	fees 16/6/23 issued at 1.7 cents placement	88,235,300	-	1,500,000	-
	Issue of options - Broker		-	(120,300)	-
	Share issue expenses			(78,684)	-

322,992,723

48,765,676

45,973,141

496,728,203

End of the financial year

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#### 10.Issued Capital (continued)

Ordinary shares have the right to receive dividends as declared and, in the event of winding up the Company, to participate in the proceeds from the sale of all surplus assets in proportion to the number of and amounts paid upon shares held.

Ordinary shares entitle their holder to one vote, either in person or by proxy, at a meeting of the Company.

#### **Capital Management**

Management controls the capital of the group in order to maintain a good debt to equity ratio, provide the shareholders with adequate returns and ensure that the group can fund its operations and continue as a going concern.

The group's debt and capital includes ordinary share capital and financial liabilities, supported by financial assets. There are no externally imposed capital requirements.

Management effectively manages the group's capital by assessing the group's financial risks and adjusting its capital structure to include the management of debt levels, distributions to shareholders and share issues.

There have been no changes in the strategy adopted by management to control the capital of the group since the prior year.

#### **Options**

At 30 June 2022 there were 10,000,000 (2022: nil) unissued shares in respect of which options were outstanding.

During the year, nil (2022: nil) fully paid ordinary shares were issued by virtue of the exercise of options. Since the end of the financial year nil (2022: nil) shares have been issued by virtue of the exercise of options.

During the year 10,000,000 options exercisable at \$0.06 (2022: Nil) expiring 16 June 2026 were issued.

	Consolidated Group	
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
11. Reserves		
Share Option Reserve	120,300	
	120,300	_
(i) Share Option Reserve		
This relates to the recognition on the issue of options.		
Beginning of the financial year	-	-
Options issued	120,300	-
Options expired	-	-
End of the financial year	120,300	-

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	Consolidated Group	
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
12. Auditor's Remuneration		
Remuneration of the auditor (and associated entities) of the parent entity for:		
a. Audit of the financial statements	19,925	17,960
b. Half year review	5,950	5,950
c. Other services	<u></u> _	
	25,875	23,910

### 13. Key Management Personnel Compensation

(a) Names and positions held of economic and parent entity key management personnel in office at any time during the financial year are:

Name	Appointed	Resigned	Position
W Kernaghan	30 June 2005	-	Non-Executive Director and Company Secretary
J Arkoudis	31 October 2014	-	Chief Executive Officer
D Chidlow	8 June 2017	-	Technical Director

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

(b) Number of options over ordinary shares of the parent held by key management personnel and their related parties:

Company Director	Balance 1/7/2022	Options Issued	Options Exercised	Net Change Other	Option Lapsed	Balance 30/6/2023
W Kernaghan	-	-	-	-	-	-
J Arkoudis	-	-	-	-	-	-
D Chidlow	_	-	_	-	-	-

Company Director	Balance 1/7/2021	Options Issued	Options Exercised	Net Change Other	Option Lapsed	Balance 30/6/2022
W Kernaghan	-	-	-	-	-	-
J Arkoudis	-	-	-	-	-	-
D Chidlow	-	-	-	-	-	-

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### 13. Key Management Personnel Compensation (continued)

#### (c) Number of shares held by key management personnel and their related parties

Company Director	Balance 1/7/2022	Options Exercised	Net Change Other	Balance 30/6/2023
W Kernaghan	16,866,834	-	1,584,000	18,450,834
J Arkoudis	16,544,708	-	1,584,000	18,128,708
D Chidlow	21,025,495	-	1,584,000	22,609,495
Company	Balance	Options	Net Change	Balance
Director	1/7/2021	Exercised	Other	30/6/2022
W Kernaghan	11,562,500	-	5,304,334	16,866,834
J Arkoudis	11,240,375	-	5,304,333	16,544,708
D Chidlow	15,721,162	-	5,304,333	21,025,495

### 14. Related Party Transactions

### a Payments to director related companies

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

### b Transactions with partially and wholly owned controlled entities

During the financial year there have been transactions between Cassius Mining Limited, and its partially and wholly owned controlled entities which have been eliminated for consolidation purposes.

#### c Gbane Project

During year ended 30 June 2020 the licence was not renewed by the Government of Ghana so the investment has been written off in a previous financial year.

As a consequence the Board sought legal advice and subsequently served notice on the Ghanaian President and the Government of Ghana in April 2021 of the Company's intention to commence International Arbitration, claiming full compensation (including damages and costs). The Company commenced International Arbitration during the year.

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# 15. Economic entity accounts include a consolidation of the following companies:

Cor	mpany	Contribution to cooperating 2023	loss 2022	in Cost of p investment 2023		ty's Jaries 2022
		\$	\$	\$		\$
Cas	ssius Mining Limited	(783,660)	(361,884)		-	-
Aus	stral Malagasy Resources Pty Ltd	-	-		-	-
Soa	alara Calcaire SARL	-	-	763,	.990	763,990
Cas	ssius Mining (T) Limited					-
		(783,660)	(361,884)	763,	.990	763,990
Cor	mpany	Place of Incorporation	Date of Acquisition	Class of Shares	2023	2022
Aus	stral Malagasy Resources Pty Ltd	Australia	18.12.09	Ordinary	100%	100%
Soa	alara Calcaire SARL	Madagascar	18.08.10	Ordinary	100%	100%
Cas	ssius Mining (T) Limited	Tanzania	26.10.21	Ordinary	100%	100%
L <b>6. Ear</b> n (a)	nings per share  Net profit/(loss) used in continuing and disco	ontinued operations	_	<b>2023</b> (783,660)		<b>2022</b> (361,884)
	Net profit/(loss) used in continuing operation	ns		(783,660)		(361,884)
(b)	calculation of basic earnings per share Weighted average number of options outsta	nding		402,363,588		14,548,611
	Weighted average number of ordinary share during the year used in calculation of dilutive	<u> </u>		402,363,588	3	14,548,611
	There are no options considered dilutive as t	he Company has record	ed a loss in the yea	ar.		
	Basic loss per share (cents per share)		_	(0.19)		(0.12)
	Diluted loss per share (cents per share)			(0.19)		(0.12)

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#### 17. Business Combination

#### (a) Acquisition of Soalara Calcaire SARL

On 18 August 2010, the Company acquired 100% of Soalara Calcaire SARL, a Company holding the limestone deposit in Madagascar.

Consideration for the acquisition was \$1,187,455 (USD \$1,070,000) of which \$420,000 was still outstanding at 30 June 2023. The \$420,000 is payable on the first commercial shipment of limestone together with a royalty averaging US\$0.28 per tonne.

	Acquiree's Carrying Amount \$	Fair Value \$
Purchase consideration:		
Cash		1,187,455
Less:		
Exploration expenditure	1,187,455	1,187,455
Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed	1,187,455	1,187,455
Purchase consideration settled in cash		1,187,455
Cash outflow on acquisition		1,187,455

#### 18. Capital Commitments

The consolidated entity has certain obligations to perform mining exploration work and expend minimum amounts of money on mineral exploration tenements. The consolidated entity has committed to expend a minimum of \$Nil (2022: \$Nil) over the next year to keep its current tenements in good standing.

### 19. Financial Risk Management

The group's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, accounts receivable and payable and loans to and from subsidiaries. The main risks the group is exposed to through its financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk and liquidity risk. The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the establishment, implementation and ongoing monitoring and review of an effective risk management framework for the group. The group's risk management policies and objectives are designed to minimise the potential impacts of these risks on the results of the group where such impacts may be material.

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### 19. Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### i) Interest Rate Risk

The economic exposure to interest rate risk and the effective weighted interest for classes of financial assets and financial liabilities are set out below:

#### **FIXED MATURITY DATES**

	WEIGHTED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE	VARIABLE INTEREST RATE	LESS THAN 1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-3 YEARS	NON INTEREST BEARING	TOTAL
2023	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets							
Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other	1.0%	1,453,725	-	-	-	-	1,453,725
receivables			-	-	-	38,819	38,819
		1,453,725	-	-	-	38,819	1,492,544
Financial liabilities							
Trade and other payables		-	-	-	-	418,585	418,585
Borrowings			-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	418,585	418,585

## **FIXED MATURITY DATES**

	WEIGHTED AVERAGE EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE	VARIABLE INTEREST RATE	LESS THAN 1 YEAR	1-2 YEARS	2-3 YEARS	NON INTEREST BEARING	TOTAL
2022	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets							
Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other	0.1%	94,811	-	-	-	-	94,811
receivables			-	-	-	6,722	6,722
		94,811	_	-	-	6,722	101,533
Financial liabilities							
Trade and other payables		-	-	-	-	188,620	188,620
Borrowings			_	-	-	408,000	408,000
			-	-	-	596,620	596,620

## ii) Net fair values

Monetary financial assets and financial liabilities not readily traded in an organised financial market have been valued at cost, which approximate fair value. The carrying amounts of bank deposits, accounts receivable and, accounts payable approximate net fair value.

## iii) Foreign Currency Risk

The consolidated group is exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies arising from the sale and purchase of goods and services in currencies other than the consolidated group's measurement currency.

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### 19. Financial Risk Management (continued) iii) Foreign Currency Risk (continued)

	Consolida	ited Group
	2023	2022
Currency Risk	\$	\$
10% Weakening of Australian dollar		
- Profit/(Loss) impact	-	-
10% Strengthening of Australian Dollar		
- Profit/(Loss) impact	-	-

Currency risk exposure during the year was limited to inter-company transactions which eliminate on consolidation.

#### 20. Fair Value Measurement

All financial instruments for which fair value is recognised or disclosed are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, and based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurements as a whole:

Level 1 – Quoted market prices in an active market (that are unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Valuation techniques (for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly observable).

Level 3 – Valuation techniques (for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable).

The following table represents a comparison between the carrying amounts and fair values of assets and liabilities:

		As at 30 June 2	023	As at 30 June 2022		
	Level	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	
Assets						
Cash & cash equivalents	1	1,453,725	1,453,725	94,811	94,811	
Trade & other receivables	1	38,819	38,819	6,722	6,722	
Exploration expenditure	3	1,982,674	1,982,674	1,422,545	1,422,545	
Liabilities						
Trade & other payables	1	418,585	418,585	188,620	188,620	
Borrowings	1	-	-	408,000	408,000	

The assets and liabilities of the Company are recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1 of the Annual Report.

The Company considers that the carrying amount of assets and liabilities recognised in the consolidated financial statements are approximate to their fair value.

### 21. After Balance Sheet Date Events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the parent entity, to affect the operations of the consolidated entity, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity in the subsequent financial years other than:

- litigation funding options to prosecute the Ghana Government which remain under discussion.
- On 5 September 2023 the company announced It has a JORC 2012 compliant Mineral Resource at the Soalara Limestone Project of:

340m Tonnes of **High 97%** purity Limestone at a 95.7% CaCO3 cut-off, with 100m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 240m Tonnes in the Inferred category, or

130m Tonnes of **Very High 98.6%** purity Limestone at a 97.5% CaCO3 cut-off. with 40m Tonnes in the Indicated category and 90m Tonnes in the Inferred category.

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### 22. Cash Flow Information

		Consolidate	ed Group
	Note	2023	2022
		\$	\$
Loss from ordinary activities after income tax		(783,660)	(361,884)
Impairment of investment		497,021	-
Non cash flows in loss:			
(Increase)/Decrease in Trade receivables	5	(32,097)	3,525
Increase/(Decrease) in Operating Trade and other payable	8	229,965	54,376
Operating cash flow		(88,771)	(303,983)

### 23. Segment Information

The consolidated entity operates in two business segments being industrial minerals development and mining exploration, in two geographical locations, being Australia and Africa.

The operating segment analysis presented in these financial statements reflects operations analysis by business. It best describes the way the Company is managed and provides a meaningful insight into the business activities of the Company.

The following tables present details of revenue and operating profit by business segment. The information disclosed in the tables below is derived directly from the internal financial reporting system used by corporate management to monitor and evaluate the performance of our operating segments separately.

(a)	Mineral Exploration	Unallocated	TOTAL Consolidated Group
2023	\$	\$	\$
For the year ended 30 June 2023			
Revenue from external customers	-	-	-
Interest & other	-	2,615	2,615
Reportable segment profit/(loss) before			
income tax	<u> </u>	(783,660)	(783,660)
Reportable segment assets as at 30 June 2023	1,982,674	1,492,544	3,475,218
2022			
For the year ended 30 June 2022			
Revenue from external customers	-	-	-
Interest & other		11	11
Reportable segment profit/(loss) before		(254.004)	(264.004)
income tax		(361,884)	(361,884)
Reportable segment assets as at 30 June 2022	1,422,545	101,533	1,524,078
(b) Reconciliation of reportable segment profit and loss.		2023	2022
As at 30 June:		\$	\$
Total profit or loss for reportable segment Eliminating of inter-segment profit		(783,660)	(361,884)
Loss before tax from continuing operations		(783,660)	(361,884)

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		2023 \$	2022 \$
(c)	Reconciliation of reportable segment assets.  As at 30 June:		
	Reportable segment assets	3,475,218	1,524,078
	Total assets	3,475,218	1,524,078
(d)	Assets by geographical region.		
	As at 30 June:		
	Australia	1,492,544	101,533
	Africa	1,982,674	1,422,545
	Total Assets	3,475,218	1,524,078
24.	Parent Entity Information		
	Information relating to Cassius Mining Limited:		
	STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		
	Current assets	1,492,544	101,533
	Total assets	3,475,218	1,524,078
	Current liabilities	418,585	477,820
	Total liabilities	418,585	596,620
	Issued capital	48,885,976	45,973,141
	Accumulated losses	(45,829,343)	(45,045,683)
	Total shareholders' equity	3,056,633	927,458
	STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
	Profit/(Loss) of the parent entity	(783,660)	(361,884)
	Total comprehensive income of the parent entity	(783,660)	(361,884)

### **Contingent Liabilities**

There is \$420,000 outstanding in respect of the purchase of the Company that holds the limestone deposit in Madagascar. This amount is payable when the first commercial shipment of limestone from the project has occurred.

There are no other known contingent liabilities. There have been no changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual reporting date.

## **Contractual Commitments**

At 30 June 2023 Cassius Mining Limited had not entered into any contractual commitments for the acquisition of property, plant or equipment.

# **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The directors of the Company declare that:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the Consolidated Entity are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, and:
  - (i) give a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in note 1.
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Consolidated Entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (d) this declaration has been made after receiving the declaration required to be made to the directors in accordance with section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 for the financial year ending 30 June 2023.

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

For and on behalf of the Board

W Kernaghan Director

Sydney, 27 September 2023



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Independent Auditor's Report
To the Members of
Cassius Mining Limited
ABN 13 115 027 033
And Controlled Entities

### Report on the audit of the Financial Report

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial report of Cassius Mining Limited and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated 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 Group is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group'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 Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (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 confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

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### **Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern**

Without qualifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 in the financial report, which indicates that the Group had cash and cash equivalents of \$1,453,725, current assets of \$1,492,544 and current liabilities of \$418,585. The group incurred a loss of \$783,660. This with the conditions noted by the directors as to how they expect the Group to continue as a going concern indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern should they be unable to raise additional capital.

### **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.

### **Key Audit Matter**

### **How our Audit Addressed the Key Audit Matter**

### Impairment of Assets

The Group has investments accounted for using the equity method at cost of \$0 (2022: \$0) in relation to the Gbane joint venture and capitalised exploration expenditure of \$1,982,674 (2022: \$1,422,545) in relation to limestone exploration.

Determining impairment involves judgement on facts and circumstances that indicates if an entity needs to test for impairment.

Management has assessed both projects individually determining that there were indicators of impairment in respect to the Gbane project and have fully impaired any costs related to this project. There are no factors or circumstances that suggest the carrying amount of the limestone tenement exceeds its recoverable amount.

We have evaluated the appropriateness of management's assessment that there is no suggestion that the carrying amount of exploration expenditure may exceed its recoverable amount and therefore, determined there is no requirement to test for impairment in respect to the exploration expenditure.

Out procedures included challenging management on the suitability and reasonableness of these assumptions, through performing the following:

- Review of independent evaluation of geological data;
- Review of geological data in respect to independent reports and ASX announcements;
- Assessing the budgeted expenditure on further exploration and evaluation of the tenement; and
- Assessing the various agreements entered on future production and sales.



Exploration, evaluation and development expenditure

The group capitalised \$560,129 in exploration expenditure during the year.

We have evaluated the appropriateness of capitalisation policies, performed tests of details on costs capitalised and assessed the timeliness of the transfer of assets in the course of development. There were no exceptions noted from our testing.

In performing these procedures, we challenged the judgements made by management including:

- The nature of underlying costs capitalised as part of the costs of the exploration, evaluation and development asset; and
- The allocation of costs to each tenement.

Based on our work, we noted no significant issues on the capitalisation of costs incurred.

### Subsequent Events

The Group has served notice of intent to take the Government of the Republic of Ghana to international arbitration over the Gbane gold project.

Management has assessed the impact and probability of the international arbitration and due to the uncertainty, no further disclosures were included in the financial report.

We have evaluated the appropriateness of management's assessment regarding the arbitration over the Gbane gold project and due to the future uncertainty of the outcome of this arbitration we believe that at this stage no further disclosures are required in the financial report.



### Going Concern

Following operating losses and historical cash flow deficits, there is a heightened degree of judgement as to the group's ability to continue as a going concern through the assessment period.

Accordingly, we considered the appropriateness of the going concern assumption, the question as to whether there is a material uncertainty and the adequacy of management's disclosure to be a key risk.

We have challenged the key assumptions in management's forecast cash flows for the next 12 months (base case and downside possibilities) by:

- Assessing the planned levels of operating and capital expenditure for consistency with out knowledge of the Group's future commitments and results, particularly in light of loss making operations, and our understanding of business, industry and economic conditions of the Group;
- Reading Directors' minutes to understand the Group's ability to raise additional funds;
- Challenging management's plans for mitigating any identified exposures, obtain additional sources of financing; and
- Considering whether the disclosures relating to going concern referred to in the basis of preparation of the accounting policies are balances, proportionate and clear.

We have determined that there are material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt on the group's ability to continue as a going concern. Our concerns and reference to managements responses are proposed actions in regard to Going Concern are included in the above 'Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern'.

## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents totaling \$1,453,725 is a significant balance to the Group.

We do not consider cash and cash equivalents to be at a high risk of significant misstatement, or to be subject to significant level of judgement, however, due to the materiality in the context of the financial statements as a whole, they are considered to be an area of risk in our overall audit strategy.

We have evaluated disclosure and challenged management during our procedures to confirm existence of the asset including:

- Documenting and assessing the processes and controls in place to record cash transactions;
- Testing and sampling payments to determine they were bona fide payments, were properly authorised and recorded in the general ledger; and
- Agreeing 100% of cash holdings to independent third-party confirmations.



#### Other Information

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

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly 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 this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Responsibilities of the Directors 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 ability of the Group 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 Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's Responsibilities 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud
  or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence
  that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a
  material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
  involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal
  control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.



- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion.
- Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.



### **Report on the Remuneration Report**

Opinion on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included on pages 17 to 18 of the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2023.

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of Cassius Mining Limited, 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.

A D Danieli Audit Pty Ltd

Sam Danieli Director

Sydney, 27 September 2023



# **AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE INFORMATION**

# Shareholdings

(a)

Analysis of holdings as at 14 September 2023	Ordinary Shares
1-1,000	211
1,001-5,000	192
5,001-10,000	114
10,001-100,000	421
100,001 and over	<u>399</u>
	<u>1,337</u>

The total number of shares on issue at 14 September 2023 was 496,728,203.

(b) There are no Substantial shareholders as at 14 September 2023

Less than marketable parcels

(c) Voting rights

No restrictions. On a show of hands every member present or by proxy shall have one vote and upon a poll each share shall have one vote.

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(d) The names of the twenty largest shareholders of ordinary shares as at 14 September 2023.

Holder Name	Number of Shares	Percentage
1.BNP PARIBAS NOMINEES PTY LTD <ib au="" drp="" noms="" retailclient=""></ib>	40,141,228	8.08%
2.WJK INVESTMENTS PTY LTD <wjk a="" c="" fund="" superannuation=""></wjk>	18,450,834	3.71%
3.AXIS GROUP INVESTMENTS PTY LTD <axis a="" c="" smsf=""></axis>	15,597,221	3.14%
4.MR JOHN PATRICK HILLS	15,517,770	3.12%
5.DR DENNIS RICHARD LOWE & MRS YVONNE LOWE <dennis a="" c="" fund="" l="" lowe="" p="" r="" s=""></dennis>	14,158,524	2.85%
6.MR JAMES NORMAN LENEHAN & MISS KERRY ELIZA PARKER <lrb a="" c=""></lrb>	13,506,250	2.72%
7.S P Q R ONE P/L <s a="" c="" one="" p="" q="" r=""></s>	12,605,676	2.54%
8.ROBOT SYSTEMS PTY LTD <robot a="" c="" f="" s="" staff="" systms=""></robot>	9,772,500	1.97%
9.CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	9,761,891	1.97%
10.JSA AND ASSOSCIATES PTY LTD	9,584,958	1.93%
11.MR MATTHEW JOHN BOYSEN	8,894,875	1.79%
12.MRS ELIZABETH BLANCHE LENEHAN & MR JAMES NORMAN LENEHAN < LRB A/C>	7,343,750	1.48%
13.MR DAVID CHIDLOW	6,905,843	1.39%
14.JSA AND ASSOSCIATES PTY LTD	6,668,750	1.34%
15.FOKAS CORPORATION PTY LTD	6,250,000	1.26%
16.MR DAVID MILNE	6,195,387	1.25%
17.MR BILL SAVELLIS	5,815,624	1.17%
18.MAZZDEL PTY LTD	5,708,352	1.15%
19.MR PAUL PANAGIOTIS ZINZOPOULOS & MRS NATASHA ZINZOPOULOS	5,500,000	1.11%
20.DR PETER THEODORE BAKARIC	5,500,000	1.11%
TOTAL	228,918,731	46.09%

# **AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE INFORMATION**

- (e) The interests of each director and/or associate are listed in the Directors' Report.
- (f) Other Information
  - The business and registered office address is 189A St John's Road
     Forrest Lodge
     NSW 2037
  - ii) Cassius Mining Limited is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.ASX Code: CMD Fully Paid Shares
  - iii) Share registry is located at
    Automic Pty Ltd
    Level 5
    126 Philip Street
    Sydney NSW 2000
    Telephone (02) 9698 5414
  - iv) Schedule of Tenements (as at 30 June 2023) is as per page 10.