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Market Announcements Office
ASX Ltd
20 Bridge Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

Plato Income Maximiser Limited (ASX: PL8) - Monthly Investment Update

Please find attached a copy of the investment update for the month ending 30 September 2024.

For further information, please contact 1300 010 311.

Authorised by:

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Company Secretary

PERFORMANCE AND COMPANY UPDATE

As at 30 September 2024, the Company's investments delivered a total return of 10.3% p.a.¹ (after fees) and distributed a yield of 7.6% p.a. (incl. franking) since inception² compared to the S&P/ASX 200 Franking Credit Adjusted Daily Total Return Index (Tax-Exempt) ('Benchmark') return of 10.4% p.a.¹ and a yield of 5.4% p.a.¹.

¹ Including franking credits. ² Inception date 28 April 2017.

MONTHLY DIVIDENDS

During the month of October, the Board of Plato Income Maximiser Limited (ASX: PL8) resolved to pay three fully-franked dividends of \$0.0055 per share payable in October, November and December 2024, which is a continuation of the level of dividends paid during the September 2024 quarter.

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE¹

Total return² since inception³: 10.3% p.a.

1 Month - September 2024: 3.3%

Income² since inception³: 7.6% p.a.

1 Month - September 2024: 0.6%

¹Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is quoted in AUD net of portfolio related fees, costs and taxes. All p.a returns are annualised.

²Total return including franking credits. Distributed income including franking credits.

³Inception date 28 April 2017.

COMPANY SNAPSHOT

Share Price (PL8): \$1.24

Market Capitalisation: \$928m

Inception date: 28-Apr-17

Listing date: 05-May-17

Management fee: 0.80% p.a.¹

Pre-tax NTA²: \$1.136

¹0.80% p.a. inclusive of the net impact of GST and RITC.

²Pre-tax NTA includes tax on realised gains or losses and other earnings, but excludes any provision for tax on unrealised gains or losses.

MARKET OVERVIEW

After an initially weak start, the Australian market rose 3.25% (including franking credits) in September. The US Fed's first move to cut interest rates this cycle gave equity markets broad support, followed by a significant economic stimulus package announcement by China. This resulted in an increased risk appetite and strong performances in the Materials, IT and Real Estate sectors. During the month the Australian 10-year bond yield was unchanged, whilst the AUD/USD appreciated by 2.2%. Headline inflation for August fell to 2.7% p.a. largely due to electricity subsidies, its lowest level since August 2021. However, the annual trimmed-mean inflation rate which is the main focus for the RBA, is significantly higher at 3.4%. There was a softening in the RBA's stance from a mild tightening bias to a more neutral position, as the Board muted discussion of a rate hike. The Materials sector was the greatest beneficiary of the Chinese stimulus, rallying 13.1%. Defensive sectors like Healthcare (-3.2%) and Consumer Staples (-2.3%) fared the worst as the market preferred high beta exposure over lower risk defensive characteristics.

The largest positive contributors to the Company's performance during the month were an overweight position in BHP as well as underweight positions in Computershare, Woolworths, Transurban and Santos. However, an overweight position in Woodside as well as underweight positions in Fortescue, Rio Tinto, South32 and Wisetech detracted from relative performance.

The Company remains actively positioned to seek superior income than the benchmark.

Companies mentioned are illustrative only and not a recommendation to buy or sell any particular security.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS ¹	TOP 10 YIELDING ²	YIELD% P.A. ³
Aristocrat Leisure	Woodside Energy	10.9
BHP Group	Origin Energy	7.8
Commonwealth Bank	ANZ	7.3
CSL	BHP Group	6.8
Goodman Group	Telstra Corporation	6.6
Macquarie Group	Westpac	6.6
NAB	Medibank Private	6.5
Origin Energy	NAB	6.4
Westpac	Suncorp Group	6.2
Woodside Energy	Ventia Services	5.5

¹In alphabetical order.

²Stock listed are the largest 10 yielding stocks in our portfolio with a greater than 0.5% portfolio weight.

³Yield is calculated as the dividends (including specials and franking credits) paid over the last 12 mths divided by the price as at the report date.

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE ¹	1 MTH %	3 MTH %	1 YR % P.A.	3 YRS % P.A.	5 YRS % P.A.	INCEPTION % P.A.
Total return ²	3.3	7.5	21.5	10.7	9.9	10.3
Income ³	0.6	1.9	7.9	7.9	7.4	7.6
Bench. total return ²	3.3	8.3	23.3	10.0	9.8	10.4
Excess total return ²	0.0	-0.8	-1.8	0.7	0.1	-0.1
Excess Income ³	-0.4	0.3	2.9	2.4	2.3	2.2
Excess franking ³	-0.1	0.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9

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Inception date 28 April 2017.

²Total return including franking credits. Benchmark refers to S&P/ASX 200 Franking Credit Adjusted Daily Total Return Index (Tax-Exempt).

³Distributed income including franking credits.

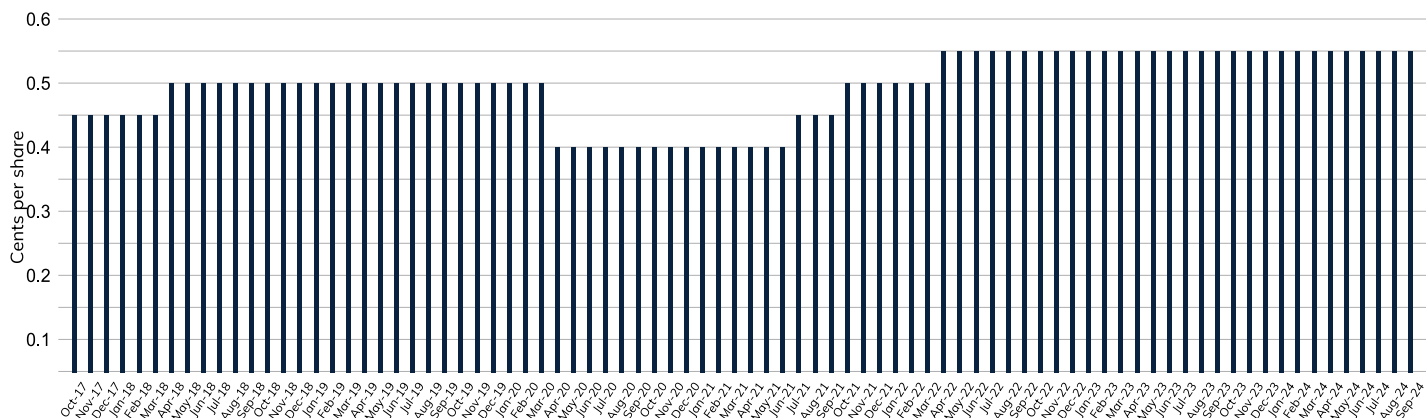
NET TANGIBLE ASSETS ¹	
Pre-tax NTA ²	\$1.136
Post-tax NTA ³	\$1.134
Distributed Dividends since inception	\$0.451
Distributed Dividends (incl. franking)	\$0.644

¹NTA calculations exclude Deferred Tax Assets relating to capitalised cost deductions and carried forward tax losses of \$0.004. The Franking Account Balance (not reflected in NTA) is \$0.020 per share.

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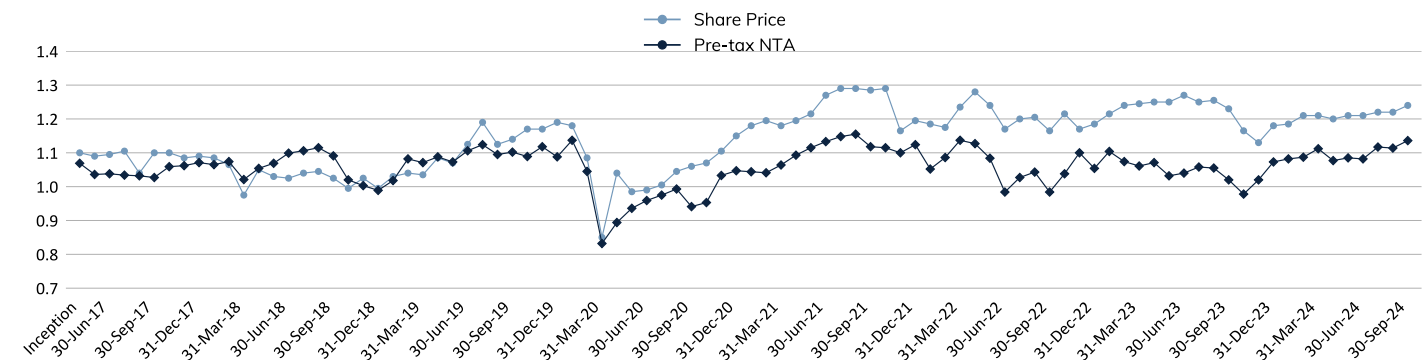
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PL8 MONTHLY DIVIDENDS



Source: Plato. While monthly income has been consistent since October 2017, this may change in the future. The declaration of dividends by the company is at the full discretion of the board (unlike trusts where income must be fully distributed each financial year).

PL8 SHARE PRICE V NTA^{1 2}



Source: Iress, Plato Investment Management

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