



(FORMERLY CEARA METALS 2050 PTY LTD) ACN 654 593 290

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

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# **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

**Non-Executive Chairman** Mr Jerome (Gino) Vitale

**Executive Director** Mr Sebastian Kneer

# Non-Executive Directors Dr Qingtao Zeng Mr Simon Mottram

**Company Secretary** Mr Daniel Smith

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# CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to present the first Annual Report for Oceana Lithium Limited.

Following an oversubscribed initial public offering capped at \$6 million, Oceana Lithium was admitted to the ASX official list and commenced trading on 1 July 2022. The Company's focus is the discovery and delineation of lithium mineral resources in two mining friendly jurisdictions, the state of Ceará, Brazil, and the Northern Territory, Australia.

The Company has brought together a team with expertise and experience in exploration, project development, mining operations and lithium product marketing. Our directors and consultants have held senior executive positions with established lithium concentrate producers and possess extensive exploration and mining experience generally.

The growing number of chemical companies, battery producers and OEM's in the EV supply chain signing upstream contracts with emerging lithium miners and indeed junior explorers to secure long term supply reflects the substantial supply-demand imbalance for lithium units. For our part, the Company has attracted major chemical manufacturer Ya Hua International Investment and Development Co, a major supplier to EV manufacturer Tesla, as an anchor investor, with a 7.8% holding.

Since completion of the IPO, the Company has moved quickly to commence field activity at both the Solonopole project in Brazil and the Napperby project in the NT. At Solonopole, field sampling work and geological mapping is moving apace to build on earlier preliminary work and firm up targets that we expect to drill in the latter part of 2022. At Napperby, we have commissioned a specialised remote sensing and digital imagery survey designed to map mineral composition and surface mineralogy associated with lithium bearing minerals and their surface distribution. Working in parallel with field mapping and reconnaissance sampling, this is expected to significantly accelerate drill target generation.

The Company has made a good start in the field and has received market support in its debut as a listed lithium explorer. With funding now in place, there is much work to be done. Our focus and clear objective for the coming year is to advance activities to the point where we can complete initial drill testing of promising targets and work toward generating a maiden lithium mineral resource.

On behalf of the Board, I thank you for your support during the formative stages of the Company and look forward to reporting on our exploration progress in the time ahead.

Yours Sincerely,

Jerome G (Gino) Vitale Chairman

Your Directors present their report together with the financial statements of the Group consisting of Oceana Lithium Ltd ("**Oceana**" or "**the Company**") and its controlled entities for the period 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation) to 30 June 2022, the notes to the financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

## DIRECTORS

The following persons were Directors of Oceana Lithium Ltd during the financial year and up to the date of this report unless otherwise stated:

Mr Jerome (Gino) Vitale – Non-executive Chairman (appointed 18 October 2021) Mr Sebastian Kneer – Executive Director (appointed 4 April 2022) Dr Qingtao Zeng – Non-executive Director (appointed 4 April 2022) Mr Simon Mottram – Non-executive Director (appointed 4 April 2022) Mr Daniel Smith – Director (appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022) Mr Anthony Augustine Trevisan – Director (appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022)

## **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The Company's business model is focused on achieving exploration success and discovery of a potentially economic mineral deposit capable of being developed in Brazil or Australia, with a focus on minerals and metals that are used in the battery storage and electric vehicle sectors.

#### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The consolidated loss of the Group after tax (including discontinued operations) amounted to \$1,865,787. There were no dividends paid or recommended during the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

#### CORPORATE

The Company was incorporated on 18 October 2021 and commenced trading on the ASX on 1 July 2022, following a \$6 million initial public offering. This included a \$1m cornerstone investment from Yahua International Industrial Group, the third largest lithium hydroxide producer globally.

#### **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

The Solonopole lithium project, located in Ceará State, northeastern Brazil, consists of eight exploration permits covering approximately 114km<sup>2</sup>. The project is approximately three hours by road from the state capital of Fortaleza, and is situated in one of only two lithium producing regions of Brazil (**Figure 1**). The project is well serviced by sealed highways and high voltage electricity.

The Solonopole project has been the subject of historical lithium, "Coltan" (columbite-tantalum) and tin mining in the 1970s and 1980s. A number of historical artisanal mines have been identified across the Solonopole permit area, highlighting the widespread mineralisation potential. **Figure 3** shows a typical artisanal mining site in the project area.

Based on their geochemical signature, the Solonopole pegmatites belong to the LCT (Lithium-Caesium-Tantalum) family of rare element pegmatites enriched in Li, Be, Ta Nb and Sn over the full strike length of the recognised mineralised pegmatite corridor. High grade outcropping rock samples have returned assay values of over 9%  $Li_2O$  and over 1%  $Ta_2O_5$  (Figures 2 & 3).



Figure 1: Solonopole Lithium Project location, Brazil

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2.6% Li <sub>2</sub> O	AM 162 1% U <sub>2</sub> 0	1.58% Li <sub>2</sub> O	9.89% Li <sub>2</sub> O	AM192 0.06% Li <sub>2</sub> 0
162ppm Nb	115ppm Nb	198ppm Nb	<10ppm Nb	>1% Nb
1178ppm Ta	1263ppm Ta	1324ppm Ta	20ppm Ta	> <b>1%</b> Ta
11.0000000	615ppm Sn		zoppm ra	0.36% Sn

Figure 2: Summary of best results from 2018-2019 rock chip sampling

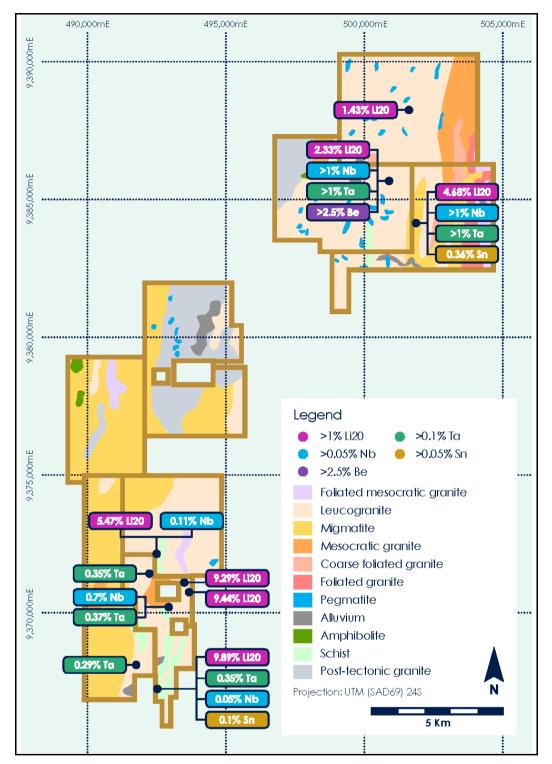


Figure 3: Geological map of the Solonopole lithium project showing significant grab sample results

# **Proposed Exploration**

Oceana is following up on historical exploration undertaken at Solonopole in a systematic approach. This program will include trenching across identified anomalies, further surface sampling and geological mapping at known artisanal mining sites, generation of drill targets and first pass RC drilling across priority targets.

## Positive regulatory update from Brazil

Under a Government Decree issued by the Ministry for Mines and Energy (Ministério de Minas e Energia) on 5 July 2022, the Brazilian government is to allow unrestricted foreign trade of lithium minerals and ores and their derivatives.

The Decree serves to modernise the Brazilian lithium industry, which was previously tightly regulated through requirements for quotas and export authorizations for any company handling lithium material.

While Oceana is not directly impacted by this regulatory change as it is not yet in production, this development makes Brazil more attractive for foreign investment in downstream processing and as a potential player in the global supply chain for lithium products and sends a positive signal of the government's support for the future of lithium exploration and upstream project development in Brazil.

(Source - https://www.gov.br/mme/pt-br/assuntos/noticias/decreto-promove-a-abertura-e-dinamizacao-domercado-brasileiro-de-litio )

# Napperby Lithium Project, Northern Territory

The Napperby Lithium Project consists of a granted exploration licence (EL32836) covering an area of ~650km<sup>2</sup> and an exploration license application (ELA32841) covering an area of more than 512km<sup>2</sup>. The Napperby lithium project is located within the Northern Arunta pegmatite province near the settlement of Ti Tree, approximately 250km northwest of Alice Springs and 250km south of Tennant Creek along the Stuart Highway in the Northern Territory close to Central Australian Railway with access to Darwin Port (**Figure 4**).

Pegmatite occurrences have been identified with historical Sn and Ta production. Work by the Northern Territory Geological Survey (NTGS) reported in 2005 confirmed that the pegmatites in the area were of the LCT (lithium-caesium-tantalum) type. Numerous prospective pegmatite outcrops have been identified where systematic field investigation is warranted.

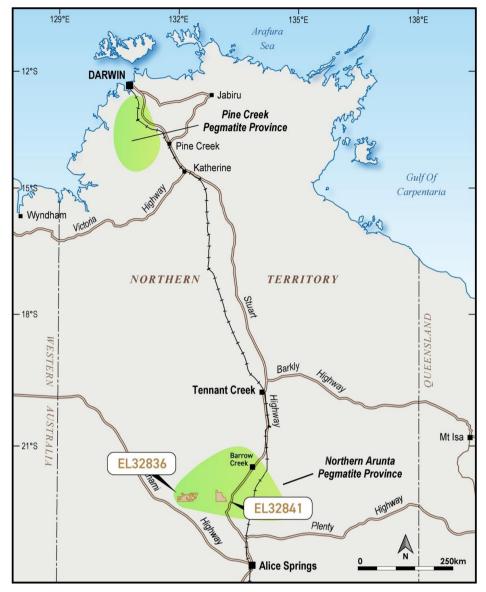


Figure 4: Napperby Lithium Project location (EL32836 and ELA32841), Northern Territory

The Wangala license (EL32836) was granted on 23 March 2022 for an initial term of six years has been historically explored for gold, tin, tungsten, tantalum and uranium. More recent exploration has continued to focus on the Wangala granite, where numerous significant mineral occurrences – such as up to 23.7% Sn- have been reported.

Nine mineral localities (U, Ta, W, Cu and apatite) are recorded by the NTGS, three of which are associated with LCT pegmatites. Rock chip XRF analysis returned 35.4% Ta and 18.5% Sn, however Li was not assayed. **Figure 5** shows significant mineral occurrences within the licence area.

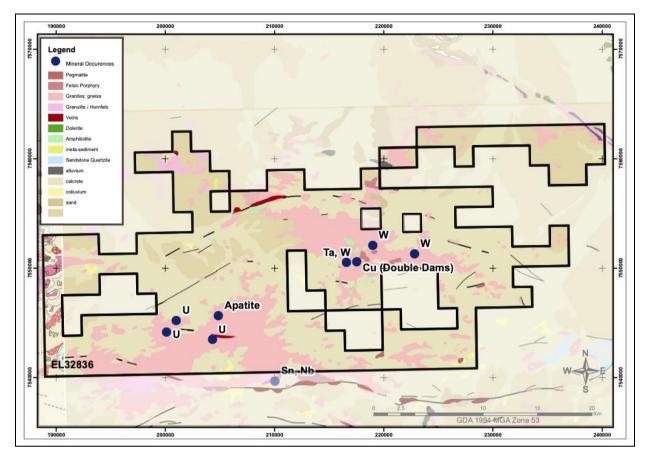


Figure 5: EL32836 overlying Wangala Granite and significant mineral occurrences and excluded areas

On 7 September 2022, the Company announced that it has engaged HyVista Corporation ("HyVista") to conduct a hyperspectral survey at Napperby.

HyVista has over 20 years of operational experience in conducting airborne surveys for the mineral exploration sector and is regarded as the premier global airborne hyperspectral service provider for large area surveys.

The Napperby survey will be the largest airborne hyperspectral lithium survey conducted in the NT to date. It is a part of a major regional program to map over 8,500 km<sup>2</sup> of highly prospective pegmatite tenements within the North Arunta region funded by active lithium explorers in the region.

The survey will provide high quality digitally calibrated surface imagery for the Company's recently granted exploration licence EL32836, which shares its southern boundary with Rio Tinto Exploration's application for EL33135, and for Oceana's ELA32841 under application (**Figure 6**).

Compared to satellite data, airborne HyMap data is designed to provide vastly superior spatial and spectral resolution in a cost-effective manner to accelerate field targeting on the ground. The survey imaging technology uses more than 128 bands across selected reflective solar wavelengths to produce data that is capable of identifying surface mineralogy and alteration mapping and vectoring that can be applied to targeted minerals including lithium-bearing mineralisation such as spodumene and lepidolite. The survey and subsequent interpretation are expected to be completed during the December quarter, 2022.

# **Proposed Exploration**

Oceana plans to undertake a first-pass exploration program at Wangala consisting of:

- detailed geological mapping, following up on previously identified pegmatite occurrences;
- rock-chip sampling and trenching across identified anomalies;
- geophysical (Hyperspectral) surveys; and
- systematic soil sampling.

A similar program is planned for Ennugan (ELA 32841), to be undertaken when the license is granted, subject to the Company's circumstances at the timeand exploration success on its granted permits.

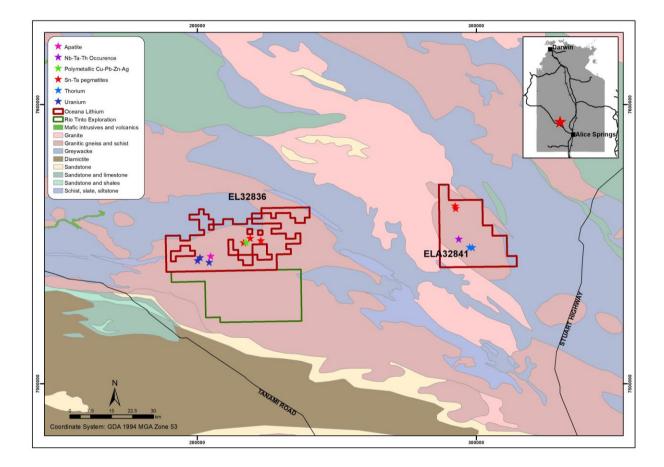


Figure 6: Oceana Lithium tenements in red, Rio Tinto application in green. Mineral occurrences shown as stars

# SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE STATE OF AFFAIRS

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group that occurred during the financial period not otherwise disclosed in this report.

## MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR

On 1 July 2022, Company commenced trading on ASX on 1 July 2022, following a \$6 million initial public offering.

On 8 August 2022, the Company announced the commencement of exploration field work at its flagship Solonopole project in Ceará State, north-eastern Brazil.

On 7 September 2022, the Company announced that it had engaged HyVista Corporation to conduct a hyperspectral survey at its Napperby Lithium Project in the highly prospective North Arunta Pegmatite district in the Northern Territory.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company's Corporate Governance Statement is available on its website www.oceanalithium.com.au.

# LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS AND EXPECTED RESULTS

Likely future developments in the operations of the Group and the expected results of those operations in subsequent financial years are consistent with those reported for the current period.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS**

The Company is required to carry out its activities in accordance with the Mining Laws and regulations in the areas in which it undertakes its exploration activities. The Company is not aware of any matter which requires disclosure with respect to any significant environmental regulation in respect of its operating activities.

# COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENT

Sebastian Kneer, a Director of the Company, is a Member and Registered Professional of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (MAIG RPGeo) and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the JORC 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Sebastian Kneer consents to the inclusion in the report of the information in the form and context in which it appears.

The exploration results contained in this announcement were first reported by the Company in its prospectus dated 4 April 2022 and announced to ASX on 29 June 2022. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Prospectus.

# **INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS**

Director and Experience

Mr Jerome (Gino) Vitale (appointed 18 October 2021) Non-Executive Chairman

Mr Vitale is an experienced corporate and mining operations and project development executive with 25 years of experience in the mineral resources sector. His focus has been gold, base metals, ferrous and non-ferrous metals and on turnaround situations identifying value-driven mergers and acquisitions. Former senior appointments held with Normandy Mining Group (one of Australia's largest gold producers, since acquired by Newmont), Standard Chartered Bank, Burdekin Resources/Redbank Mines Ltd (ASX:RCP) (founder and CEO with operations in Australia and Fiji), Bligh Resources Ltd (ASX:BGH) (since acquired by Saracen Mineral Holdings and recently merged with Northern Star Ltd, to become a tier 1 gold producer in Australia). Mr Vitale is a Non-Executive Director of Denarius Metals Corp (TSXV:DSLV) which acquired the Lomero polymetallic project in Spain, in April 2021 from a company of which he was foundation director.

Mr Vitale graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Western Australia in 1981. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, a Senior Fellow and a former Vice President of Financial Services Institute of Australia (FINSIA), and member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. During the mid 2000's he was invited onto the ASX Corporate Governance Review Committee and brought a practical perspective on compliance guidelines for small to mid-cap companies.

# Particulars of Directors Interest in Securities in the Company:

7,090,000 Fully paid ordinary shares 500,000 Director options exercisable at \$0.30 each on or before 1 April 2026 1,014,000 Performance rights

Sebastian Kneer (appointed 4 April 2022) Executive Director

Mr Kneer is a highly experienced Geologist with over 15 years' experience in mineral exploration, resource development and resource Geology. Mr Kneer was previously Galaxy Resources' Geology Manager where he managed all hard rock Lithium exploration and resource development activities in Australia and Canada. Prior to this position Mr Kneer was the Exploration Manager at Mt Cattlin, Western Australia. During that time, he played a key role in large Exploration and resource definition programs which resulted in a significant increase in the resource base at the Mt Cattlin Spodumene Operation.

Mr Kneer was educated in Germany and Australia and holds an Honours degree in economic Geology and a postgraduate certificate in Geostatistics. He will be responsible for planning and execution of the Company's exploration activities.

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Dr Qingtao Zeng (appointed 4 April 2022) Non-Executive Director

Dr Zeng completed a PhD in geology at the Centre of Exploration Targeting (CET) of University of Western Australia in 2013. He has been engaged as a consulting geologist, principally working with Eldorado Gold Limited CSA Global China and Australia, and has a range of geological and commercial experience. Since 2015, Dr Zeng has been extensively involved in the lithium exploration and corporate transactions through his strong network of contacts throughout Asia. Dr Zeng has published several academic papers on orogenic gold or structure control gold geological studies, and is a member of AUSIMM and Society of Economic Geologist (SEG).

## **INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS**

## Director and Experience

Dr Zeng is currently Managing Director of Australasian Metals Limited (ASX:A8G), a Non-Executive Director of ASX-listed Metalstech Limited (ASX:MTC), ASX-listed Winsome Resources Limited (ASX:WR1) and AIM-listed Kodal Minerals Plc.

# Particulars of Directors Interest in Securities in the Company:

5,000,000 Fully paid ordinary shares 500,000 Director options exercisable at \$0.30 each on or before 1 April 2026 1,014,000 Performance rights

## Mr Simon Mottram (appointed 4 April 2022) Non-Executive Director

Mr Mottram is a geologist with over 25 years' experience predominantly in base and precious metals. Mr Mottram has held both executive and senior management positions with several successful mining companies both in Australia and overseas and has seen a number of discoveries advanced through to commercial mine development and has been central to several significant exploration successes. Mr Mottram brings significant nickel exploration experience to the Company where he previously was the Country Manager for Asian Mineral Resources which ran the Ban Phuc Nickel mine in Vietnam. Mr Mottram also played a key role in the evaluation, identification and testing of targets, leading to the discovery of the Sinclair Ni deposit for Jubilee Mines NL.

Mr Mottram was part of the successful executive team that took Avanco Resources Limited from a small junior through discovery and into production, building a successful mining company with an impressive portfolio, that was subsequently purchased on market by mid-tier Australian copper producer OZ Minerals for circa \$440M in 2018.

Mr Mottram is currently a Non-Executive Director of ASX listed Odin Metals Limited (ASX: ODM) and Medusa Mining Limited (ASX: MML).

## **Particulars of Directors Interest in Securities in the Company:** 500,000 Director options exercisable at \$0.30 each on or before 1 April 2026 440,000 Performance rights

## Mr Anthony Trevisan (resigned 4 April 2022)

Mr Trevisan is a successful businessman who has over a period of over 40 years been involved in numerous international corporate scenarios involving the financing of mergers and acquisitions, the restructuring of industrial, petroleum and mineral resources based public companies and the establishment from start-up of substantial businesses.

# Mr Daniel Smith (resigned 4 April 2022)

Mr Smith has 14 years' experience in financial markets, including 11 years' experience with listing rules compliance and corporate governance. He is a director and co-founder of Minerva Corporate Pty Ltd, a boutique corporate services and advisory firm.

Mr Smith is a fellow member of the Governance Institute of Australia and holds a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations from Curtin University. Mr Smith acts as company secretary for numerous ASX, AIM and NSX listed companies.

# **COMPANY SECRETARY – QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE**

### Mr Daniel Smith - BA, GradDipACG, FGIA, FCG

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#### DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of Directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of Directors) and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year (and the number each Director was entitled to attend):

	Directors	s' Meetings
	Number eligible to	)
	attend	Number attended
Jerome (Gino) Vitale	3	3
Sebastian Kneer	1	1
Qingtao Zeng	1	1
Simon Mottram	1	1
Anthony Trevisan	2	2
Daniel Smith	-	-

## **REMUNERATION REPORT (Audited)**

The information in this remuneration report has been audited as required by s.308 (3C) of the *Corporations Act 2001.* 

## (a) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration

The objective of the Group's executive reward framework is to ensure reward for performance is competitive and appropriate for the results delivered. As there is no remuneration committee the role is assumed by the full Board of Directors. The Board ensures that director and executive reward satisfies the following key criteria for good reward governance practices:

- competitiveness and reasonableness;
- acceptability to shareholders;
- transparency; and
- capital management.

The Group has structured an executive remuneration framework that is market competitive and complementary to the reward strategy of the organisation.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

Alignment to shareholders' interests:

- has economic profit as a core component of plan design;
- focuses on sustained growth in share price and delivering constant return on assets as well as focusing the executive on key non-financial drivers of value;
- attracts and retains high calibre executives;
- rewards capability and experience;
- reflects competitive reward for contribution to shareholder growth;
- provides a clear structure for earning rewards; and
- provides recognition for contribution.

# (a) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration (continued)

Relationship between remuneration and Group performance

During the past year and since listing on 1 July 2022 the Group has generated losses because it is still involved in mineral exploration, not in production.

Given that the remuneration is commercially reasonable / appropriate / benchmarked, the link between remuneration, Group performance and shareholder wealth generation is tenuous, particularly in the exploration stage of a minerals company. Since listing the Group has recorded losses as it carries out exploration activities on its tenements, and no dividend has been paid. Share prices are subject to the influence of international metal prices and market sentiment toward the sector, and increases or decreases may occur quite independent of executive performance or remuneration. Share prices, largely unrelated to profit and loss, have fluctuated between \$0.285 and \$0.80 since listing.

## Executive Director

Mr Kneer is engaged as executive director of the Company via an executive services agreement on a part-time basis for which he receives annual remuneration of \$120,000 (plus superannuation). The agreement commenced on the date of ASX-listing (1 July 2022). Prior to this Mr Kneer was engaged as a consultant and paid total fees for the year of \$27,200.

## Non-Executive Directors

Messrs' Vitale, Zeng and Mottram have entered into an appointment letter with the Company to act in the capacity of Non-Executive Directors. As Non-executive Chairman, Mr Vitale receives annual remuneration of \$84,000 (plus GST) which commenced from the Company's listing. As Non-executive Directors, Messrs' Zeng and Mottram receive annual remuneration of \$60,000 (plus GST) which commenced from the Company's listing. Dr Zeng received remuneration of \$42,600 prior to the Company's listing for the provision of geological consulting services at market rates.

Non-Executive Directors' fees and payments are reviewed annually by the Board. The Board seeks to ensure Non-Executive Directors' fees and payments are appropriate and in line with the market.

## Directors' fees

The current base remuneration was last reviewed with effect from April 2022.

Non-Executive Directors' fees are determined within the Non-Executive Directors' fee pool limit, which is periodically recommended for approval by shareholders. The pool currently stands at \$400,000 per annum for Non-Executive Directors has approved at the Company's General Meeting on 19 January 2022.

## Retirement allowances for Directors

The Company provides no retirement allowances for Non-Executive Directors.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

#### Executive pay

The executive pay and reward framework has four components:

- base pay and benefits;
- short-term incentives;
- long-term incentives through Directors options (refer Note 19); and
- other remuneration such as superannuation.

The combination of these comprises the executive's total remuneration.

#### Base pay

Structured as a total employment cost package which may be delivered as a mix of cash and prescribed non-financial benefits at the executive's discretion.

Executives are offered a competitive base pay that comprises the fixed component of pay and rewards. Base pay for senior executives is reviewed annually by the Board to ensure the executive's pay is competitive with the market. An executive's pay is also reviewed on promotion.

There are no guaranteed base pay increases fixed in any senior executives' contracts.

#### Benefits

Executives receive no benefits outside of the base pay, options and superannuation disclosed in this report.

## (a) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration (continued)

#### Retirement benefits

Other than statutory superannuation contributions, no retirement benefits are provided for executives except statutory entitlements.

## Short-term incentives

Key management personnel are entitled to short term incentives (STI's) based on performance that is agreed by the board from time to time.

## Performance Conditions

Performance conditions are attached to the performance rights issued to directors as remuneration.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

# (b) Details of remuneration

Details of the nature and amount of each element of the emoluments of each of the key management personnel of the Group are set out in the following tables:

	Short-term	employee b	enefits	Post-employ	ment benefits	Share- based payment		
			Non-				Performance	Total
	Cash salary and fees	Cash bonus	Monetary benefits	Super- annuation	Retirement benefits	Options	Rights	\$
2022	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Non-Executive Directors								
Jerome Vitale <sup>(1)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	43,375	47,637	91,012
Sebastian Kneer <sup>(2)</sup>	27,200	-	-	-	-	43,375	28,524	99,099
Qingtao Zeng <sup>(2)</sup>	42,600	-	-	-	-	43,375	47,637	133,612
Simon Mottram <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	43,375	14,312	57,687
Anthony Trevisan (5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daniel Smith (6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	69.800	-	-	-	-	173,500	138,110	381,410

1. Appointed 18 October 2021

2. Appointed 4 April 2022

3. Appointed 4 April 2022

4. Appointed 4 April 2022

5. Appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022

6. Appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022

Remuneration that is performance based % is that percentage of remuneration that consisted of options.

The relative proportions of remuneration that are linked to performance and those that are fixed are as follows:

	At risk –	At risk – LTI *			
	Fixed Remuneration	At risk - STI	At risk – LTI *		
	2022	2022	2021		
Jerome Vitale (i)	-	100%	-		
Sebastian Kneer (ii)	27%	73%	-		
Qingtao Zeng (iii)	32%	68%	-		
Simon Mottram (iv)	-	100%	-		
Anthony Trevisan (v)	-	-	-		
Daniel Smith (vi)					

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\* Long-term incentives reflect the value of remuneration consisting of options expensed during the year.

(i) Appointed 18 October 2021

(ii) Appointed 4 April 2022

(iii) Appointed 4 April 2022

(iv) Appointed 4 April 2022

(v) Appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022

(vi) Appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022

## (c) Service agreements

There are service agreements in place for each executive and non-executive Director.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

# (d) Share-based Compensation

# Options

On 10 April 2022, the Company issued 2,000,000 options to directors, each exercisable at \$0.30 with a fouryear expiry period. These options were valued using a Black-Scholes valuation model and the expense recognised in full at their issue date is \$173,500. For the options issued during the period, a Black-Scholes valuation model was used with the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Share price at grant date	Exercise price	Expected volatility	Risk free rate	Dividend yield	Number of options	Value per Option	Total Value \$	Vesting terms
10/04/2022	10/04/26	\$0.20	\$0.30	70%	2.88%	0%	2,000,000	\$0.086750	173,500	Immediately

# Performance rights

On 30 March 2022, the Company issued 3,268,000 performance rights to directors. The rights were valued using a binomial valuation model. These performance rights were issued in three tranches, each with different performance milestones. Each performance right will convert into 1 ordinary share of Oceana Lithium Limited upon achievement of the performance milestone.

The company has assessed the probability of achievement of each class being achieved and have recognised an expense accordingly. The details of each class are tabled below:

Tranche	Number of Performance Shares	Grant Date	Exercise Price	Probability of achievement of milestone	Expiry Date of Performance Right	Expected Date of Milestone Achievements	Underlying Share Price	Total Fair Value
А	1,320,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	25%	01/07/27	01/07/27	\$0.20	\$33,000
В	974,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	100%	01/07/27	Immediate	\$0.20	\$70,410
С	974,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	100%	01/07/27	Immediate	\$0.20	\$66,018

Tranche A performance rights were valued at their issue dates and the expense recognised over the life of expected achievement of the milestone, resulting in an expense during the year of \$1,825. Tranche B and C performance rights were valued at their issue dates at \$136,284 which has been recognised immediately. This expense has been expensed as directors benefits expense.

# (e) Equity Instrument disclosures relating to KMP

# (i) Options provided as remuneration and shares issued on exercise of such options

Details of options over ordinary shares in the Company provided as remuneration and shares issued on the exercise of such options, together with terms and conditions of the options, can be found in the Remuneration Report, if applicable.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

# (e) Equity Instrument disclosures relating to KMP (continued)

# (ii) Option holdings

The number of options over ordinary shares held by each KMP of the Group during the financial year is as follows:

2022	Balance at the start of	Granted during the year as	Exercised during the	Other changes during the	Balance at the end of the	Vested and exercisable at the end of the
Name	the year	remuneration	year	year	year	year
Directors -						
Jerome Vitale <sup>(1)</sup>	-	500,000	-	-	500,000	500,000
Sebastian Kneer <sup>(2)</sup>	-	500,000	-	-	500,000	500,000
Qingtao Zeng <sup>(3)</sup>	-	500,000	-	-	500,000	500,000
Simon Mottram <sup>(4)</sup>	-	500,000	-	-	500,000	500,000
Anthony Trevisan <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daniel Smith (6)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total		2,000,000	-	-	2,000,000	2,000,000

1. Appointed 18 October 2021

2. Appointed 4 April 2022

3. Appointed 4 April 2022

4. Appointed 4 April 2022

5. Appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022

6. Appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022

# (iii) Performance rights

The number of performance rights over ordinary shares held by each KMP of the Group during the financial year is as follows:

2022	Balance at the start of	Granted during the	Exercised during the	Other changes	Balance at the end of the	Vested and exercisable at
Name	the year	year as remuneration	year	during the year	year	the end of the year
Directors -						
Jerome Vitale <sup>(1)</sup>	-	1,014,000	-	-	1,014,000	-
Sebastian Kneer <sup>(2)</sup>	-	800,000	-	-	800,000	-
Qingtao Zeng <sup>(3)</sup>	-	1,014,000	-	-	1,014,000	-
Simon Mottram <sup>(4)</sup>	-	440,000	-	-	440,000	-
Anthony Trevisan <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daniel Smith <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	3,268,000	-	-	3,268,000	-

1. Appointed 18 October 2021

2. Appointed 4 April 2022

3. Appointed 4 April 2022

4. Appointed 4 April 2022

Appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022
 Appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022

# (iii) Share holdings

The numbers of shares in the Company held during the financial year by each Director of Oceana Litihium Ltd and other key management personnel of the consolidated group are set out below.

# **REMUNERATION REPORT (continued)**

## (e) Equity Instrument disclosures relating to KMP (continued)

2022	Balance at the start of the year	Received during the year on the exercise of options	Shares subscribed during the year	Balance at the end of the year
Directors				
Jerome Vitale (1)	-	-	7,090,000	7,090,000
Sebastian Kneer <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-	-
Qingtao Zeng <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000
Simon Mottram <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	-	-
Anthony Trevisan (5)	-	-	-	-
Daniel Smith (6)	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	12,090,000	12,090,000

1. Appointed 18 October 2021

2. Appointed 4 April 2022

3. Appointed 4 April 2022

4. Appointed 4 April 2022

5. Appointed 18 October 2021; resigned 4 April 2022

6. Appointed 3 February 2022; resigned 4 April 2022

## (f) Loans to Directors and executives

No loans were made to Directors of Oceana Lithium Ltd or other key management personnel of the consolidated group, including their personally-related entities.

# (g) Other transactions with Directors and other key management personnel

During the year the Company issued 1,000,000 shares to Woodsouth Asset Management Pty Ltd in order to settle the acquisition of Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd (see note 13(b)). Dr Zeng is s director and shareholder of Woodsouth Asset Management Pty Ltd.

## (h) Additional information

The Company has a share trading policy which imposes basic trading restrictions on all employees of the Company with 'insider information', and additional trading restrictions on the Directors of the Company.

Full details of the Share Trading Policy can be found on the Company's website.

No options provided as remuneration were exercised during the year.

## Relationship between remuneration and the Group's performance

The following table shows key performance indicators for the Group over the last five years:

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Loss for the year	\$1,865,787	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Closing Share Price</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>KMP</b> Incentives	\$311,610	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total KMP Remuneration	\$381,411	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

## **Remuneration Consultants**

The Group did not engage the services of any remuneration consultants during the year.

# END OF AUDITED REMUNERATION REPORT

## SHARES UNDER OPTION

The following unissued ordinary shares of Oceana Lithium Ltd under option are on issue as at the date of this report:

- 1. 3,500,000 options exercisable at \$0.30 expiring 24 June 2025
- 2. 7,250,000 options exercisable at \$0.30 expiring 1 April 2026
- 3. 2,000,000 options exercisable at \$0.30 expiring 10 April 2026
- 4. 3,500,000 options exercisable at \$0.30 expiring 10 June 2026

## SHARES ISSUED ON THE EXERCISE OF OPTIONS

During the financial year ended 30 June 2022, there were nil shares of Oceana Lithium Ltd issued upon the exercise of options. None have been issued since the end of the financial year.

## **INSURANCE OF OFFICERS**

Since the end of the previous financial year the consolidated group has paid insurance premiums in respect of directors' and officers' legal expenses and liability insurance. The policies prohibit disclosure of details of the policies or the premiums paid. The Company has not otherwise, during or since the end of the year, except at the extent permitted by law, indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the company or any of its controlled entities against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

#### **NON-AUDIT SERVICES**

The Company may decide to employ the auditor on assignments additional to their statutory audit duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the Company and/or the Consolidated Group are important.

Details of the amounts paid or payable to the auditor (Moore Australia Audit (WA)) for audit and non-audit services provided during the year are set out below.

The Board of Directors has considered the position and is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The Directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services by the auditor, as set out below, did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* for the following reasons:

- All non-audit services have been reviewed by the Board in its capacity as the Audit Committee to ensure they do not impact the impartiality and objectivity of the auditor; and
- None of the services undermine the general principles relating to the auditor independence as set out in APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or a decision-making capacity for the Company, acting as advocate for the Company or jointly sharing economic risk and rewards.

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 23.

During the period the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the parent entity, its related practices and non-related audit firms.

	2021 \$
Assurance services	<u> </u>
Audit Services	
Moore Australia Audit (WA)	33,604
Total remuneration for audit and assurance services	33,604
Taxation and Accounting Services	
Moore Australia Corporate Finance (WA) Pty Ltd	19,200
Total remuneration for taxation services	19,200

## **PROCEEDINGS ON BEHALF OF COMPANY**

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsible on behalf of the company for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the company with leave of the Court under Section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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

Jerome (Gino) Vitale Non-Executive Chairman

30 September 2022



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## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF OCEANA LITHIUM LIMITED & CONTROLLED ENTITIES

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the period ended 30 June 2022, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit, and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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Signed at Perth this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

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# FINANCIAL REPORT – 30 JUNE 2022

This financial report includes the consolidated financial statements and notes of Oceana Lithium Ltd and its controlled entities ('Consolidated Group' or 'Group'). The financial report is presented in the Australian currency.

Oceana Lithium Ltd is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its principal place of business is:

Oceana Lithium Ltd Level 1, 33 Richardson Street West Perth WA 6005

Its registered office is:

Oceana Lithium Ltd Level 8, 99 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000

A description of the nature of the Group's operations and principal activities is included in the Review of Operations in the Directors' report.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 30 September 2022. The Company has the power to amend and reissue the financial report.

Through the use of the internet, we have ensured that our corporate reporting is timely, complete, and available globally at minimum cost to the Company. All press releases, financial reports and other information are available on our website: <u>www.oceanalithium.com.au</u>.

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# OCEANA LITHIUM LTD CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 \$
Revenue from Continuing Operations		Ş
Revenue	4	-
Other income	4	107
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Administration		(99 <i>,</i> 036)
Audit fees		(52,804)
Compliance fees		(105,103)
Directors Fees	5	(381,410)
Legal fees		(109,798)
Consultants Fees	5	(1,006,546)
Other expense		(28,435)
Investor and public relations		(58,130)
Foreign exchange losses		(692)
Travelling expenses		(23,940)
Loss before income tax		(1,865,787)
Income tax expense/(benefit)	6	-
Loss after tax from continuing operations		(1,865,787)
Loss for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of Oceana Lithium Ltd		(1,865,787)
Other comprehensive income		
Items that may be subsequently reclassified	to profit or loss:	
Movement in foreign currency translation		-
Other comprehensive income for the year		-
Total comprehensive loss for the year attrib ordinary equity holders of Oceana Lithium L	(1,865,787)	
Loss per share for the year attributable to members of Oceana Lithium Ltd		Cents
Continuing operations		(8.32)
Total basic and diluted (loss) per share	15	(8.32)

The above Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# OCEANA LITHIUM LTD CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	2022
		\$
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	7	6,021,660
Trade and other receivables	8	121,026
Total Current Assets		6,142,686
Non-Current Assets		
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	9	1,407,480
Total Non-Current Assets		1,407,480
Total Assets		7,550,166
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	10	642,286
Total Current Liabilities		642,286
Total Liabilities		642,286
Net Assets		6,907,880
EQUITY		
Contributed equity	13	7,271,682
Reserves	14	1,501,985
Accumulated losses	14	(1,865,787)
Total Fauity		6 007 990
Total Equity		6,907,880

The above Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# OCEANA LITHIUM LTD CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Contributed Equity	Accumulated Losses	Performance Rights Premium Reserve	Options Premium Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at Incorporation (18 October 2021)	-	-	-	-	-
Loss attributable to ordinary equity holders of Oceana Lithium Ltd	-	(1,865,787)	-	-	(1,865,787)
Other comprehensive income -					
Foreign currency translation	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(1,865,787)	-	-	(1,865,787)
Transaction with owners, in their capacity as owners -					
Performance rights issued during the year	-	-	138,110	-	138,639
Options issued during the year	-	-	-	1,363,875	1,363,875
Shares issued during the year, net of costs	7,271,682	-	-	-	7,271,153
Balance at 30 June 2022	7,271,682	(1,865,787)	138,110	1,363,875	6,907,880

The above Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity Should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# OCEANA LITHIUM LTD CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022
		\$
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Payments to suppliers and employees		(502,777)
Interest received		107
Net cash outflow from operating activities	21	(502,670)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities		
Payments for exploration and evaluation expenditure		-
Payments to acquire subsidiaries		(96,699)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		(96,699)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities		
Proceeds from the issue of shares		6,765,780
Payments for capital raising costs		(144,751)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		6,621,029
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		6,021,660
Cash at 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)		-
Cash at 30 June	7	6,021,660

The above Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. The financial report includes the consolidated financial statements and notes of Oceana Lithium and controlled entities ('Consolidated Group' or 'Group).

## **Basis of preparation**

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations Act 2001.* Oceana Lithium Ltd is a for profit entity for the purposes of preparing the financial statements.

#### Compliance with IFRS

These consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

#### Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Comparatives

There are no comparatives as the Company was only incorporated on 18 October 2021 and this financial report represents the Company's first set of financial statements. The financial statements cover the period from 18 October 2021 to 30 June 2022.

#### Critical accounting estimates

The directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statements 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. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 3.

# (a) Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate all of the assets, liabilities and results of the parent (Oceana Lithium Ltd) and all of the subsidiaries (including any structured entities). Subsidiaries are entities the parent controls. The parent controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. A list of the subsidiaries is provided in Note 22.

The assets, liabilities and results of all subsidiaries are fully consolidated into the financial statements of the Group from the date on which control is obtained by the Group. The consolidation of a subsidiary is discontinued from the date that control ceases. Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealized gains or losses on transactions between group entities are fully eliminated on consolidation. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed and adjustments made where necessary to ensure uniformity of the accounting policies adopted by the Group.

# Cash and cash equivalents

For statement of cash flows presentation purposes, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

# (b) Exploration and evaluation expenditure

Evaluation and development expenditures incurred are capitalised in respect of each identifiable area of interest. These costs are only capitalised to the extent that they are expected to be recovered through the successful development of the area or where activities in the area have not yet reached a stage that permits reasonable assessment of the existence of economically recoverable reserves.

Accumulated costs in relation to an abandoned area are written off in full against profit or loss in the year in which the decision to abandon the area is made. When production commences, the accumulated costs for the relevant area of interest are amortised over the life of the area according to the rate of depletion of the economically recoverable reserves.

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

Costs of site restoration are provided for 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 for 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.

# (c) Impairment of assets

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

# (d) Employee benefits

# Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the Group's obligation for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Group's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the statement of financial position. The Group's obligations for employees' annual leave and long service leave entitlements are recognised as provisions in the statement of financial position.

# Other long-term employee benefits

Provision is made for employees' long service leave and annual leave entitlements not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur.

The Group's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Group does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

# Defined contribution superannuation benefits

All employees of the Group receive defined contribution superannuation entitlements, for which the Group pays the fixed superannuation guarantee contribution (currently 9.50% of the employee's average ordinary salary) to the employee's superannuation fund of choice. All contributions in respect of employees' defined contribution entitlements are recognised as an expense when they become payable. The Group's obligation with respect to employees' defined contribution entitlements is limited to its obligation for any unpaid superannuation guarantee contributions at the end of the reporting period. All obligations for unpaid superannuation guarantee contributions are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled and are presented as current liabilities in the Group's statement of financial position.

# (e) Employee benefits (continued)

# **Termination benefits**

When applicable, the Group recognises a liability and expense for termination benefits at the earlier of: (a) the date when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer for termination benefits; and (b) when the Group recognises costs for restructuring pursuant to AASB 137: *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* and the costs include termination benefits. In either case, unless the number of employees affected is known, the obligation for termination benefits is measured on the basis of the number of employees expected to be affected. Termination benefits that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the annual reporting period in which the benefits are recognised are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid. All other termination benefits are accounted for on the same basis as other long-term employee benefits.

# **Equity-settled compensation**

Share-based payments to employees are measured at the fair value of the instruments issued and amortised over the vesting periods. Share-based payments to non-employees are measured at the fair value of goods or services received or the fair value of the equity instruments issued, if it is determined the fair value of the goods or services cannot be reliably measured, and are recorded at the date the goods or services are received. The corresponding amount is recorded to the option reserve. The fair value of options and performance rights are determined using the Black-Scholes and/or binomial pricing models respectively. The number of performance rights and options expected to vest is reviewed and adjusted at the end of each reporting period such that the amount recognised for services received as consideration for the equity instruments granted is based on the number of equity instruments that eventually vest.

# (f) Revenue recognition

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

## (g) Equity compensation to non-employees

## **Equity-settled compensation**

Share-based payments to non-employees are measured at the fair value of goods or services received or the fair value of the equity instruments issued, if it is determined the fair value of the goods or services cannot be reliably measured, and are recorded at the date the goods or services are received. The corresponding amount is recorded to the option reserve. The fair value of options and performance rights are determined using the Black-Scholes and/or binomial pricing models respectively. The number of performance rights and options expected to vest is reviewed and adjusted at the end of each reporting period such that the amount recognised for services received as consideration for the equity instruments granted is based on the number of equity instruments that eventually vest.

# (h) Interest income

Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method. When a receivable is impaired, the Group reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original effective interest rate of the instrument, and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. Interest income on impaired loans is recognised using the original effective interest rate.

# (i) Income tax

The income tax expense (benefit) for the year comprises current income tax expense (income) and deferred tax expense (income).

Current income tax expense charged to the profit or loss is the tax payable on taxable income calculated using applicable income tax rates enacted, or substantially enacted, as at the end of the reporting period. Current tax liabilities (assets) are therefore measured at the amounts expected to be paid to (recovered from) the relevant taxation authority.

Deferred income tax expense reflects movements in deferred tax asset and deferred tax liability balances during the year as well as unused tax losses.

Current and deferred income tax expense (income) is charged or credited directly to equity instead of the profit or loss when the tax relates to items that are credited or charged directly to equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are ascertained based on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets also result where amounts have been fully expensed but future tax deductions are available. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, excluding a business combination, where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period. Their measurement also reflects the manner in which management expects to recover or settle the carrying amount of the related asset or liability.

Deferred tax assets relating to temporary differences and unused tax losses are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the benefits of the deferred tax asset can be utilised.

Where temporary differences exist in relation to investments in subsidiaries, branches, associates, and joint ventures, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is not probable that the reversal will occur in the foreseeable future.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists and it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset where a legally enforceable right of set-off exists, the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities where it is intended that net settlement or simultaneous realisation and settlement of the respective asset and liability will occur in future periods in which significant amounts of deferred tax assets or liabilities are expected to be recovered or settled.

# (j) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

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

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

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

## (k) Provisions

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

# (I) Earnings per share

#### Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit after tax attributable to equity holders of the company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

#### Diluted earnings per share

Potential shares as a result of options outstanding at the end of the year are not dilutive and therefore have not been included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share.

## (m) Foreign currency transactions and balances

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 and 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 profit or loss and 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 profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

#### (m) Foreign currency transactions and balances (continued)

#### **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:

- a. Assets and liabilities are translated at year-end exchange rates prevailing at that reporting date;
- b. Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates for the period; and
- c. Share capital 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 financial position. These differences are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in the period in which the operation is disposed.

## (n) Segment Reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision maker. The chief operating decision maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Board of Directors.

## (o) New, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The Group has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period. The Directors have determined that these new standards do not materially impact the Group.

## (p) New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by the consolidated entity for the annual reporting period ended 30 June 2022. The consolidated entity has not yet assessed the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations.

## (q) Financial Instruments

## Initial recognition and measurement

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

Financial instruments (except for trade receivables) 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 profit or loss immediately. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Trade receivables are initially measured at the transaction price if the trade receivables do not contain a significant financing component or if the practical expedient was applied as specified in AASB 15.63.

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

# (q) Financial Instruments (continued)

#### **Classification and subsequent measurement**

Financial liabilities

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at:

amortised cost; or

- fair value through profit or loss. A financial liability is measured at fair value through profit and loss if the financial liability is:

 a contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination to which AASB 3: Business Combinations applies;

held for trading; or

- initially designated as at fair value through profit or loss.

All other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Financial assets**

Financial assets are subsequently measured at:

- amortised cost;
- fair value through other comprehensive income; or
- fair value through profit or loss.

Measurement is on the basis of two primary criteria:

- the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset; and
- the business model for managing the financial assets.

A financial asset that meets the following conditions is subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is managed solely to collect contractual cash flows; and

- the contractual terms within the financial asset give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding on specified dates.

A financial asset that meets the following conditions is subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income:

- the contractual terms within the financial asset give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding on specified dates;

- the business model for managing the financial assets comprises both contractual cash flows collection and the selling of the financial asset.

# Equity instruments

At initial recognition, as long as the equity instrument is not held for trading and not a contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which AASB 3:Business Combinations applies, the Company made an irrevocable election to measure any subsequent changes in fair value of the equity instruments in other comprehensive income, while the dividend revenue received on underlying equity instruments investment will still be recognised in profit or loss.

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised at settlement date in accordance with the Company's accounting policy.

# NOTE 2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks; market risk (including foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Group. The Group is engaged in mineral exploration and evaluation, and does not currently sell product and derives only limited revenue from interest earned.

Risk management is carried out by the board as a whole and no formal risk management policy has been adopted but is in the process of development.

#### (a) Market risk

#### (i) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises when future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency.

The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from currency exposures to the Brazilian Real. Since the Group has not yet commenced mining operations or to sell products the exposure is limited to the movement in loan accounts between the Parent and the Subsidiary located in Brazil.

The Group limits its foreign currency risk by limiting funds held in overseas bank accounts and paying its creditors promptly. The Group's exposure to foreign currency risk on Brazilian Real, translated into Australian Dollars at 30 June, was as follows:

	2022
	AUD
Foreign currency assets and liabilities	
Cash and cash equivalents	3,332-

# NOTE 2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

From time to time the Group has significant interest bearing assets, but they are as a result of the timing of equity raising and capital expenditure rather than a reliance on interest income. Exposure to interest rates is limited to the cash and cash equivalents balances.

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates, and the effective weighted average interest rate for each class of financial assets and financial liabilities comprises:

2022	Floating Interest Rate	Non-interest bearing	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6,021,660	-	6,021,660
Trade and other receivables		121,026	121,026
	6,021,660	121,026	6,142,686
Weighted average interest rate			
Financial liabilities			
Trade and other payables	-	642,284	642,284
	-	642,284	642,284
Net financial assets	6,021,660	(521,258)	5,504,402

# NOTE 2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

#### Sensitivity analysis

The following table illustrates sensitivities of the Group's exposure to changes in interest rates. The table indicates the impact on how profit reported at balance date would have been affected by changes in the interest rate risk variable that management considers to be reasonably possible.

	2022 \$
Net financial assets subject to variable interest rates Increase in profits resulting from a 1% pa increase in	6,021,660
variable interest rates	60,216
Decrease in profits resulting from a 1% pa decrease	
in variable interest rates	(60,216)

The following table illustrates sensitivities of the Group's exposure to changes in foreign exchange rates. The table indicates the impact on how other comprehensive income reported at balance date would have been affected by changes in the foreign exchange rate variable that management considers to be reasonably possible.

	2022
	\$
Decrease in other comprehensive income resulting	8 <i>,</i> 835
from a 10% increase in Australian Dollar against the	
Real	
Increase in other comprehensive income resulting	(8,835)
from a 10% decrease in Australian Dollar against the	
Real	

The entity is not exposed to material price risk.

#### Net Fair Value

Cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables, and trade and other payables are short-term investments in nature whose carrying value is equivalent to fair value.

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk exposure represents the extent of credit related losses that the Group may be subject to on amounts to be received from financial assets. Credit risk arises principally from trade and other receivables including intercompany loans and cash. The objective of the Group is to minimise the risk of loss from credit risk. Although revenue from operations is minimal, the Group trades only with creditworthy third parties. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Group's exposure to bad debts is insignificant. Credit terms are generally 30 days from the invoice date. The Group has no concentrations of credit risk, other than holding all its cash with St George Bank. The Group's maximum credit risk exposure is limited to the carrying value of its financial assets as indicated on the statement of financial position, which has not changed materially from the prior year.

#### Credit risk exposures

Credit risks related to balances with bank and other financial institutions is managed by the Board in accordance with Board policy. Such policy requires that surplus funds are only invested with counterparties with a Standard and Poor's rating of at least AA-. Cash is held with St George Bank, which is AA Rated.

# NOTE 2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

# (b) Credit risk (continued)

The maximum exposure to credit risk is as follows:

	2022 \$
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	6,021,660
Trade and other receivables	121,026
Non-Current Assets:	
Trade and other receivables	-
	6,142,686

#### © Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Group might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations related to financial liabilities.

The Group manages liquidity risk by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and ensuring sufficient cash and marketable securities are available to meet the current and future commitments of the Group. Due to the nature of the Group's activities, being mineral exploration, the Group does not have ready access to credit facilities, with the primary source of funding being equity raisings. The Board of Directors constantly monitor the state of equity markets in conjunction with the Group's current and future funding requirements, with a view to initiating appropriate capital raisings as required. Any surplus funds are invested with major financial institutions.

The Group's current financial assets and liabilities are summarised as follows:

	2022 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	6,021,660
Trade and other receivables	121,026
Trade and other payables	(642,284)
	5,504,402

The financial liabilities of the Group are confined to trade and other payables as disclosed in the statement of financial position. All trade and other payables are non-interest bearing and due within 30 days from the reporting date.

The contractual amounts payable are equal to the carrying amounts in the accounts.

#### NOTE 3 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

(529) Judgements, estimates and assumptions are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes assumptions concerning the future. All judgments, estimates and assumptions made are believed to be reasonable based on the most current set of circumstances available to management. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The judgments, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts and assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed belowa)Impairment of assets

The Group assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Group that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

# (b) Share based payments

The Group measures the cost of equity settled transactions with employees by reference to the fair value of equity instruments at the date at which they are granted. The fair value is determined by an external valuer using a Black-Scholes or Binomial option pricing model, using the assumptions detailed in Note 19.

# (c) Capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditures

Determining the recoverability of exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised in accordance with the Company's accounting policy (refer Note 1(b)), requires estimates and assumptions as to future events and circumstances, in particular, whether successful development and commercial exploitation, or alternatively sale, of the respective areas of interest will be achieved. The Company applies the principles of AASB 6 and recognises exploration and evaluation assets when the rights of tenure of the area of interest are current, and the exploration and evaluation expenditures incurred are expected to be recouped through successful development and exploitation of the area. If, after having capitalised the expenditure under the Company's accounting policy in Note 1(b), a judgment is made that recovery of the carrying amount is unlikely, an impairment loss is recorded in profit or loss in accordance with the Company's accounting policy in Note 1(c). The carrying amounts of exploration and evaluation assets are set out in Note 9.

NOTE 4	REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME	2022 \$
From contil	nuing operations	
Interest – u	inrelated parties	107
Total Revenue		107
NOTE 5	EXPENSES AND SIGNIFICANT ITEMS	
Significant	Items	
Consultants fees (incl. share-based payments) 1,006,54		1,006,546
Directors fees (incl. share-based payments)		381,410

#### NOTE 6: INCOME TAX EXPENSE

		2022 \$
a.	The components of tax expense comprise:	
	Current income tax	-
	Deferred tax	-
b.	The prima facie tax benefit on loss from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax as follows:	
	Prima facie tax benefit on loss from ordinary activities before income tax at 30% from ordinary operations:	(559,733)
	Add/(less) tax effect of:	
	- Other non-allowable items	401,654
	- Revenue losses not recognised	174,721
	- Other deferred tax balances not recognised	(16,642)
	Income tax expense/(benefit) reported in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from ordinary operations	-
c.	Deferred tax recognised	
	Deferred Tax Liabilities	
	- Trade creditors	(10)
	Deferred Tax Assets	
	- Carry forward revenue losses	10
	Net deferred tax	-
d.	Unrecognised deferred tax assets at 30% (Note 1):	
	Carry forward revenue losses	174,732
	Capital raising costs	89,411
	Provisions and accruals	4,800
	Other	911
		269,854

The tax benefits of the above Deferred Tax Assets will only be obtained if:

- (a) the company derives future assessable income of a nature and of an amount sufficient to enable the benefits to be utilised;
- (b) the company continues to comply with the conditions for deductibility imposed by law; and
- (c) no changes in income tax legislation adversely affect the company in utilising the benefits.

**Note 1** - the corporate tax rate for eligible companies will reduce from 30% to 25% by 30 June 2022 providing certain turnover thresholds and other criteria are met. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are required to be measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply in the future income year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled. The Directors have determined that the deferred tax balances be measured at the tax rates stated.

NOTE 7	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2022 \$
Reconciliation Cash at the flows is reco	ish equivalents on of Cash end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash onciled to items in the statement of financial position as	6,021,660
follows: Cash at ban	k	6,021,660
Bank depos Cash on har		-
	sh equivalents k earns an interest rate of 0.5%. Refer to note 2 for the Group's exposure	6,021,660 to interest rate risk.

NOTE 8	TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

CURRENT	
Other receivables (a)	121,026
	121,026
No receivables were past due but not impaired.	
NOTE 9 EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURE	2022 \$
Exploration and evaluation assets	1,407,480
Reconciliation: Balance at 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation) Issue of ordinary shares – project acquisitions Cash payments – project acquisitions Exploration expenditure	- 1,180,000 96,699 130,781 1,407,480

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

#### NOTE 10 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

CURRENT	
Trade and sundry creditors (a)	626,284
Accrued expenses	16,000
	642,284

(a) All creditors are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on 30 day terms, includes \$624,097 for capital raising and corporate advisory costs associated with public offer under IPO.

Refer to note 2 for the Group's exposure to liquidity risk.

#### NOTE 11 COMMITMENTS

#### **Exploration Expenditure Commitments**

In order to maintain rights of tenure to exploration tenements the Group is required to perform exploration work to meet the minimum expenditure requirements as specified by various governments.

Outstanding obligations are not provided for in the accounts and are payable:

Not later than 1 year	74,900
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	117,750
Any greater than 5 years	-
	186,650

#### NOTE 12 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 June 2022, the Group has a 2.5% royalty payable over future concentrate product sold from the Napperby Lithium project.

NOTE 13	CONTRIBUTED EQUITY	2022 Shares	2022 \$			
(a) Paid Up Capital						
Ordinary s	shares – fully paid of no-par value	64,400,00	0 7,271,682			

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of shares held.

On a show of hands every holder of ordinary shares present at a meeting in person or by proxy, is entitled to one vote, and in a poll each share is entitled to one vote.

2022 \$

# NOTE 13 CONTRIBUTED EQUITY (continued)

# (b) Movements in ordinary share capital of the Company:

		Number of	Issue Price	
Date	Details	Shares	\$	\$
18 Oct 2021	Opening balance (at incorporation)	-		-
30 Jun 2022	Closing Balance	64,400,000		7,271,682
4 Nov 2021	Seed capital raising	3,500,000		51,000
5 Nov 2021	Seed capital raising	2,500,000	0.02	50,000
4 Oct 2021	Seed capital raising	1,000,000	0.001	1,000
8 Oct 2021	Seed capital raising	1,000,000	0.02	20,000
20 Nov 2021	Seed capital raising	1,000,000	0.02	20,000
23 Dec 2021	Seed capital raising	4,680,000		74,600
24 Dec 2021	Seed capital raising	1,000,000	0.001	1,000
29 Dec 2021	Seed capital raising	4,500,000		14,000
31 Dec 2021	Seed capital raising	500,000	0.02	10,000
14 Feb 2022	Seed capital raising	2,250,000	0.001	2,250
5 Mar 2022	Seed capital raising	20,000	0.02	400
14 Mar 2022	Seed capital raising	6,250,000		465,529
31 Mar 2022	Seed capital raising	300,000	0.02	6,000
24 Jun 2022	Consideration shares – acquisition of Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd	1,000,000	0.20	200,000
24 Jun 2022	Consideration shares – acquisition of Ceara Litio Mineracao Eireli	4,900,000	0.20	980,000
24 Jun 2022	Initial public offer shares	30,000,000	0.20	6,000,000
	Share capital raising costs			(624,097)
30 June 2022	Closing Balance	64,400,000	_	7,271,682
(c) Performa	-			Jun 2022 Rights
	3 October 2021 (date of incorporation)			-
Issue of direc	ctors performance rights			3,268,000

Balance at 30 June

# (d) Option Issues

Options to purchase ordinary shares	Jun 2022 Options
Balance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)	-
Issue of directors and consultant's options	5,500,000
Issue of brokers options	3,500,000
Issue of advisor options	7,250,000
Balance at 30 June	16,250,000

# (e) Option Exercise

During the financial year nil options were exercised.

3,268,000

# NOTE 13 CONTRIBUTED EQUITY (continued)

# (f) Option Expiry

During the financial year the no options expired unexercised.

#### (g) Option Cancellation and Lapse

During the financial year nil options lapsed.

#### (h) Capital Management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard their ability to continue as a going concern, so that they may continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders.

The capital structure of the Group consists of equity attributable to equity holders of the parent comprising issued capital, reserves and accumulative losses.

Due to the nature of the Group's activities, being mineral exploration, the Group does not have ready access to credit facilities, with the primary source of funding being equity raisings. Therefore, the focus of the Group's capital risk management is the current working capital position against the requirements of the Group to meet exploration programmes and corporate overheads. The Group's strategy is to ensure appropriate liquidity is maintained to meet anticipated operating requirements, with a view to initiating appropriate capital raisings as required.

The working capital position of the Group at 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021 was as follows:

	2022 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	6,021,660
Other receivables	121,026
Trade and other payables	(642,284)
Working capital position	5,500,402

The Group is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

Refer to note 2 for Financial Risk Management.

(a) ReservesPerformance rights premium reserve138,110Options premium reserve1,363,875I.501,985MovementsPerformance rights premium reserveBalance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)-Performance rights expense138,110Balance 30 June138,110Options premium reserve1,363,875Balance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)-Options premium reserve1,363,875Balance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)-Options issued1,363,875Balance 30 June1,363,875Balance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)-Verments in accumulated losses were as follows:-Balance 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)-Net loss for the year(1,865,787)Balance 30 June(1,865,787)Balance 30 June-	NOTE 14	RESERVES AND ACCUMULATED LOSSES	2022 \$
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	Balance 1	18 October 2021 (date of incorporation)	-
Balance 30 June (1,865,787)	Net loss f	for the year	(1,865,787)
	Balance 3	30 June	(1,865,787)

# (c) Nature and purpose of reserves

# Performance rights premium reserve

This reserve is used to recognise the fair value of performance rights issued.

#### Options premium reserve

This reserve is used to recognise the fair value of options issued.

#### Foreign currency translation reserve

Exchange differences arising on translation of the foreign controlled entity are taken to the foreign currency translation reserve, as described in Note 1(n). The reserve is recognised in profit or loss when the net investment is disposed of.

	2022 \$				
NOTE 15 LOSS PER SHARE ("EPS")					
Earnings per share from continuing operations Loss after income tax	(1,865,787)				
Weighted average number of shares used in the calculation of the basic EPS.					
The number of potential ordinary shares relating to options not exercised at the end of the year. These potential ordinary shares are anti-dilutive and have not been included in the EPS calculations.	-				
Basic and diluted loss per share	(8.32) cents				

# NOTE 16 DIVIDENDS

There were no dividends paid or recommended during the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

#### NOTE 17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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

#### **Directors and specified executives**

Disclosures relating to Directors and specified executives are set out in Directors' Remuneration Report.

#### Wholly-owned group

The consolidated group consists of Oceana Lithium Ltd and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd , and Ceara Litio Mineracao Eireli. Ownership interests in these subsidiaries are set out in Note 22.

#### **Other related parties**

There were no transactions or balances with other related parties including director related entities during the year.

#### NOTE 18 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES

#### Key Management Personnel (KMP) Compensation

Refer to the Remuneration Report contained in the Director's Report for details of the remuneration paid to each member of the Group's KMP for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The totals of remuneration paid to KMP during the year are as follows:

	2022
	\$
Short term employee benefits	69,800
Post-employment benefits	-
Share based payments	311,610
	381,410

#### Other transactions with related parties

During the year the Company issued 1,000,000 shares to Woodsouth Asset Management Pty Ltd in order to settle the acquisition of Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd (see note 13(b)). Dr Zeng is s director and shareholder of Woodsouth Asset Management Pty Ltd.

# NOTE 19 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

The total expense arising from share based payment transactions recognised during the period in relation to the performance rights was \$138,110, options issued to directors, advisors, consultants and brokers was \$1,363,875, totalling \$1,501,985 in share based payment expenses for the year.

#### **Performance Rights – Directors**

On 30 March 2022, the Company issued 3,268,000 performance rights to directors. The rights were valued using a binomial valuation model. These performance rights were issued in three tranches, each with different performance milestones. Each performance right will convert into 1 ordinary share of Oceana Lithium Limited upon achievement of the performance milestone.

The company has assessed the probability of achievement of each class being achieved and have recognised an expense accordingly. The details of each class are tabled below:

Tranche	Number of Performance Shares	Grant Date	Exercise Price	Probability of achievement of milestone	Expiry Date of Performance Right	Expected Date of Milestone Achievements	Underlying Share Price	Total Fair Value
А	1,320,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	25%	01/07/27	01/07/27	\$0.20	\$33,000
В	974,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	100%	01/07/27	Immediate	\$0.20	\$70,410
С	974,000	30/03/22	\$0.0001	100%	01/07/27	Immediate	\$0.20	\$66,018

Tranche A performance rights were valued at their issue dates and the expense recognised over the life of expected achievement of the milestone, resulting in an expense during the year of \$1,825. Tranche B and C performance rights were valued at their issue dates at \$136,284 which has been recognised immediately. This expense has been expensed as directors benefits expense.

#### Advisor Options- 1 April 2022

On 1 April 2022, the Company issued 7,250,000 options to advisors, each exercisable at \$0.30 with a four-year expiry period. These options were valued using a Black-Scholes valuation model and the expense recognised in full at their issue date is \$627,325. For the options issued during the period, a Black-Scholes valuation model was used with the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Share price at grant date	Exercise price	Expected volatility	Risk free rate	Dividend yield	Number of options	Value per Option	Total Value \$	Vesting terms
01/04/2022	01/04/26	\$0.10	\$0.30	70%	2.88%	0%	7,250,000	\$0.086528	627,325	Immediately

# NOTE 19 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (continued)

#### **Directors Options- 10 April 2022**

On 10 April 2022, the Company issued 2,000,000 options to directors, each exercisable at \$0.30 with a four-year expiry period. These options were valued using a Black-Scholes valuation model and the expense recognised in full at their issue date is \$173,500. For the options issued during the period, a Black-Scholes valuation model was used with the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Share price at grant date	Exercise price	Expected volatility	Risk free rate	Dividend yield	Number of options	Value per Option	Total Value \$	Vesting terms
10/04/2022	10/04/26	\$0.20	\$0.30	70%	2.88%	0%	2,000,000	\$0.086750	173,500	Immediately

#### Advisor and Consultant Options- 10 June 2022

On 10 June 2022, the Company issued 3,500,000 options to advisors and consultants, each exercisable at \$0.30 with a four-year expiry period. These options were valued using a Black-Scholes valuation model and the expense recognised in full at their issue date is \$311,500. For the options issued during the period, a Black-Scholes valuation model was used with the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Share price at grant date	Exercise price	Expected volatility	Risk free rate	Dividend yield	Number of options	Value per Option	Total Value \$	Vesting terms
10/06/2022	10/06/26	\$0.20	\$0.30	70%	2.88%	0%	3,500,000	\$0.089000	311,500	Immediately

#### Broker Options-24 June 2022

On 24 June 2022, the Company issued 3,500,000 options to brokers, each exercisable at \$0.30 with a three-year expiry period. These options were valued using a Black-Scholes valuation model and the capital-raise cost recognised in full at their issue date is \$251,550. For the options issued during the period, a Black-Scholes valuation model was used with the valuation model inputs used to determine the fair value at the grant date as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Share price at grant date	Exercise price	Expected volatility	Risk free rate	Dividend yield	Number of options	Value per Option	Total Value \$	Vesting terms
24/06/2022	24/06/25	\$0.20	\$0.30	70%	2.88%	0%	3,500,000	\$0.071871	251,550	Immediately

Fair values of options issued at grant date are determined using a Black-Scholes option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the option, the impact of dilution, the share price at grant date and expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk-free interest rate for the term of the option.

# NOTE 19 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (continued)

#### (d) Expenses arising from share-based payment transactions

Total expenses arising from share-based payment transactions recognised during the year as part of director benefits or share based payment expense were as follows:

	2022 \$
Options issued to directors	173,500
Performance rights issued to directors	138,110
	311,610

#### NOTE 20 OPERATING SEGMENTS

#### Identification of reportable segments

The Group operates predominantly in the mining industry. This comprises exploration and evaluation of minerals and metals that are used in the battery storage and electric vehicle sectors. Inter-segment transactions are priced at cost to the Consolidated Group.

The Group has identified its operating segments based on the internal reports that are provided to the Board of Directors on a monthly basis. Management has identified the operating segments based on the two principal locations of its projects – Australia and Brazil.

Corporate expenses include administration and regulatory expenses arising from operating an ASX listed entity.

Segment assets include the costs to acquire tenements and the capitalised exploration costs of those tenements. Cash and cash equivalents are reported in the Treasury segment.

For the Year to 30 June 2022	Brazil Exploration \$	Australia Exploration \$	Treasury \$	Total \$
Segment Revenue		-	107	107
Segment Results Amounts not included in segment results but		-	-	107
reviewed by Board: - Corporate charges - Share-based payments Loss before Income Tax			-	(615,459) (1,250,435) (1,865,787)
As at 30 June 2022 Segment Assets	1,199,116	208,364	- 6,142,686	7.550.166
Segment Liabilities	(96)	-	(642,190)	(642,286)

# NOTE 21 RECONCILIATION OF LOSS AFTER INCOME TAX TO NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

(a) Reconciliation of operating loss after income tax to the net cash flow from operations:	2021
Operating loss after income tax	(1,865,787)
Adjustment for non-cash items:	
- Share-based payments expense	1,250,435
Change in operating assets and liabilities:	
- Trade and other receivables	(121,026)
- Trade and other payables and provisions	233,708
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(502,670)

#### NOTE 22 SUBSIDIARIES

Name of Entity	Country of Incorporation	Class of Shares	Equity Holding 2022 %
Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd	Australia	Ordinary	100
Ceara Litio Mineracao Eireli	Brazil	Ordinary	100

#### Ceara Litio Mineracao Eireli acquisition

On 26 June 2022, the Company issued 4,900,000 ordinary shares valued at \$980,000 and paid net cash of \$96,669 to vendors in respect to the acquisition of Ceara Litio Mineracao Eireli. Refer to Note 13(b) for further details of the ordinary shares issued.

#### **Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd acquisition**

On 26 June 2022, the Company issued 1,000,000 ordinary shares valued at \$200,000 to vendors in respect to the acquisition of Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd. Refer to Note 13(b) for further details of the ordinary shares issued.

None of the above entities had any material assets or liabilities at acquisition date.

	2022 \$
NOTE 23 PARENT ENTITY DISCLOSURES	
(a) Financial Position of Oceana Lithium Ltd	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	6,018,358
Trade and other receivables	43,483
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	6,061,841
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	1,403,080
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	1,403,080
TOTAL ASSETS	7,464,921
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Trade and other payables	557,032
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	557,032
TOTAL LIABILITIES	557,032
NET ASSETS	6,907,889
EQUITY	
Contributed equity	7,271,682
Reserves	1,501,985
Accumulated losses	(1,865,778)
TOTAL EQUITY	6,907,889
(b) Financial Performance of Oceana Lithium Ltd	2022
	\$
Loss for the year	(1,865,778)
Total comprehensive loss	(1,865,778)

# (c) Guarantees entered into by Oceana Lithium Ltd to the debts of its subsidiaries

There are no guarantees entered into by Oceana Lithium Ltd for the debts of its subsidiaries as at 30 June 2022.

#### (d) Contingent liabilities of Oceana Lithium Ltd

There are no contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2022 other than those disclosed in note 12.

# (e) Commitments Oceana Lithium Ltd

There are no commitments as at 30 June 2022.

# NOTE 24 REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS

During the period the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditors of the Group, their related practices and non-related audit firms.

	2022 \$
Assurance services	
Audit Services	
Moore Australia Audit (WA)	33,604
Total remuneration for audit services	33,604
Non-Assurance services	
Taxation and Accounting Services	
Moore Australia Corporate Finance (WA) Pty Ltd	19,200
Total remuneration for taxation services	19,200

# NOTE 25 EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER THE BALANCE DATE

On 1 July 2022, Company commenced trading on ASX on 1 July 2022, following a \$6 million initial public offering.

On 8 August 2022, the Company announced the commencement of exploration field work at its flagship Solonopole project in Ceará State, north-eastern Brazil.

On 7 September 2022, the Company announced that it had engaged HyVista Corporation to conduct a hyperspectral survey at its Napperby Lithium Project in the highly prospective North Arunta Pegmatite district in the Northern Territory.

Other than the above no matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2022 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (i) the Group's operations in future financial years; or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years; or
- (iii) the Group's state of affairs in future financial years.

The directors of the company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements, comprising the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of changes in equity and accompanying notes, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and:
  - a. comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001, and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of the performance of the year ended on that date of the consolidated group.
- 2. In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- 3. In the directors' opinion, the financial statements and notes are prepared in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board.
- 4. The remuneration disclosures included in pages 14 to 20 within the directors' report (as part of the audited Remuneration Report), for the year ended 30 June 2022, comply with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.
- 5. The directors have been given the declarations by the chief executive officer and chief financial officer required by section 295A.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors and is signed for and on behalf of the directors by:

Jerome Vitale Non-Executive Chairman

30 September 2022



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF OCEANA LITHIUM LIMITED

# **Report on the Audit of the Financial Report**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Oceana Lithium Limited (the Company) and its controlled entities ("the Group"), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022, 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 financial period then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration. The Group consists of the Company and the entities it controlled at the year-end or from time to time during the financial period.

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

giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of its financial performance for the period then ended; and

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.

#### Key Audit Matters

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

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF OCEANA LITHIUM LIMITED (CONTINUED)

#### Key Audit Matters (continued)

Cash at bank	
Refer to Note 7 Cash & Cash Equivalents	
The Group's total cash at bank holdings of \$6 million at balance date makes up 80% of its total assets by value and is considered a critical driver to the Group's ongoing and future exploration operations. We do not generally consider cash to be at a high risk of significant misstatement, or to be subject to a significant level of judgment because it is normally a liquid asset. However, we determined this area to be key audit matter due to the materiality in the context of the financial statements.	<ul> <li>Our procedures included, amongst others:</li> <li>Agree the cash/bank holdings to bank confirmations.</li> <li>Agreeing cash/bank holdings to year-end bank reconciliations and bank statements.</li> <li>Assessed the appropriateness of the disclosures included in the primary financial statements and notes to the financial report.</li> </ul>

#### Capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure

Refer to Note 3(c) Critical Accounting Estimates & Judgements – Capitalised Exploration & Evaluation Expenditures & Note 9 Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure

The Company has capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure with a carrying value of \$1.4 million as at 30 June 2022.

We considered this to be a key audit matter due to the balance making up 19% of total assets as well as the management judgment involved in assessing the carrying value of the assets including:

- Determination of whether the expenditure can be associated with finding specific mineral resources;
- Determination of whether the capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure have met the recognition criteria as set out in paragraph Aus7.2 of AASB 6
- Assessing whether any indicators of impairment are present, and if so, judgments applied to determine and quantify any impairment loss.

Our audit procedures included:

- Agreeing additions to supporting documentation such as acquisition agreements, reviewing tenement due diligence reports contained in the Company's Prospectus and ensuring the amounts are permitted to be capitalised under AASB 6.
- Assessing and evaluating management's assessment on capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure recognition and that no indicators of impairment existed at the reporting date.
- Enquiring with management and reviewing budgets and other supporting documentation such as subsequent ASX announcements as evidence that active and significant operations in, or relation to, the area of interest will be continued in the future.
- Compared the Group's net asset position against its market capitalization at balance date for any further indicators of impairment – there were none as the market capitalization was significantly higher at balance date and to-date.



# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

# TO THE MEMBERS OF OCEANA LITHIUM LIMITED (CONTINUED)

# **Key Audit Matters (continued)**

#### **Share-Based Payments**

Refer to Remuneration Report, Note 3(b) Critical Accounting Estimates & Judgements, Note **19 Share Based Payments** 

Our audit procedures included: During the financial period, the Group transacted with Key Management Personnel, employees and other parties including: Awarded share-based payments amounting to the period \$1,363,875 (including \$251,550 in capital raising costs) in the form of share options to directors, employees and other parties. · Awarded share-based payments amounting to during the period \$138,110 in the form of performance rights to Directors. journals throughout the period, • Issued \$1,180,000 in ordinary shares as consideration for the purchase of interests in controlled entities during the period unusual for the Group Transactions with related parties carry additional inherent risks including the potential for them to be made on terms and conditions more favorable than if they had been with an provided, independent third party. information assessing

The value of share-based payments is a key audit matter due to it being key material transactions, the valuation of which involves significant judgement and accounting estimation.

- Enquiring and obtaining confirmation from Key Management Personnel regarding related party transactions occurring during
- Reviewing minutes of meetings, ASX announcements and agreements, and considered other transactions undertaken
- Reviewing payments, receipts and general and examining transactions with known related parties, or those that appear large or
- Assessing the valuation methodology used by management to estimate fair value of share options and performance rights issued, including testing the integrity of the the competency/accreditation of an independent expert engaged by management to value the performance rights and assessing the appropriateness of key assumptions built into the valuation model
- Assessing whether share-based payments have been appropriately classified and accounted for in the financial statements
- Assessing the appropriateness of the relevant disclosures in the financial statements

#### **Other Information**

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the period ended 30 June 2022 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.

#### **Directors' Responsibilities 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 Company to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <u>https://www.auasb.gov.au/admin/file/content102/c3/ar1\_2020.pdf</u>. This description forms part of our audit report.

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

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

We have audited the Remuneration Report as included in the directors' report for the period ended 30 June 2022.

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of Oceana Lithium Limited, for the period ended 30 June 2022 complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

#### **Responsibilities**

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

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MOORE AUSTRALIA AUDIT (WA) CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Signed at Perth this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Information required by Australian Securities Exchange Limited and not shown elsewhere in this report is as follows:-

# STATEMENT OF QUOTED SECURITIES AS AT 21 SEPTEMBER 2022

a)	Distribution of Shareholders	No. of Shareholders	No. of Units
	Size of Holding		
	1-1,000	75	57,660
	1,001 - 5,000	255	654,849
	5,001 - 10,000	184	1,612,445
	10,001 - 100,000	287	10,893,016
	100,001 and over	68	51,182,030
	Total	869	64,400,000
b)	Number of holders of less than marketable parcels at \$0.57 per unit:	46	29,122

c) The following shareholders hold 5% or more of the issued capital of the Company as per substantial shareholder notices lodged with ASX:

Name	Units	% of Units
CONTINENTAL MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD <continental a="" c=""></continental>	8,055,000	12.51
MR JEROME GINO VITALE + MRS MOLLY CLARA VITALE <vitale fund<br="" super="">A/C&gt;, HARAMONT PTY LTD <d&v a="" c="" investment=""></d&v></vitale>	7,090,000	11.01
WOODSOUTH ASSET MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	5,000,000	7.76
YA HUA INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT&DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	5,000,000	7.76

d) Twenty largest shareholders as at 21 September 2022:

Rank	Name	Units	% of Units
1.	CONTINENTAL MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD <continental a="" c=""></continental>	7,414,500	11.51
2.	WOODSOUTH ASSET MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	5,000,000	7.76
3.	YA HUA INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT&DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	5,000,000	7.76
4.	MR JEROME GINO VITALE + MRS MOLLY CLARA VITALE <vitale a="" c="" fund="" super=""></vitale>	4,190,000	6.51
5.	MMH CAPITAL LIMITED	3,675,000	5.71
6.	HARAMONT PTD LTD <d&v a="" c="" investment=""></d&v>	2,900,000	4.50
7.	JET CAPITAL PTY LTD THE OSCROW FAMILY A/C>	2,699,172	4.19
8.	MR XIANGENG ZENG	1,690,000	2.62
9.	SAVVY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	1,225,000	1.90
10.	MR JASON BONTEMPO + MRS TIZIANA BATTISTA <morriston fund<br="" super="">A/C&gt;</morriston>	1,100,000	1.71
11.	LEEUWIN EQUITY PTY LTD <leeuwin a="" c="" equity=""></leeuwin>	1,000,000	1.55
12.	SOL SAL INVESTMENTS PTY LTD <sol a="" c="" investments="" sal=""></sol>	1,000,000	1.55
13.	RATDOG PTY LTD	850,000	1.32
14.	BT LITHIUM PTY LTD	750,000	1.16
15.	CONTINENTAL MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD <continental a="" c=""></continental>	595,500	0.92
16.	CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	548,562	0.85

17.	RATDOG PTY LTD	500,000	0.78
18.	LEEUWIN EQUITY PTY LTD	455,000	0.71
19.	J & J BANDY NOMINEES PTY LTD <bandy a="" c="" f="" p=""></bandy>	450,000	0.70
20.	LAS OLAS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	450,000	0.70
	Totals: Top 20 holders of ORDINARY FULLY PAID SHARES (TOTAL)	41,492,734	64.43
	Total Remaining Holders Balance	22,907,266	35.57
	Total Shares On issue	64,400,000	100.00%

# e) <u>Voting Rights</u>

Registered holders of ordinary shares in the capital of the Company may attend and vote at general meetings of the Company in person or by proxy and may exercise one vote for each share held. Every person present at a general meeting as an ordinary shareholder shall have one vote on a show of hands.

- f) There are currently no on-market buybacks in process.
- g) There following securities are currently subject to escrow.

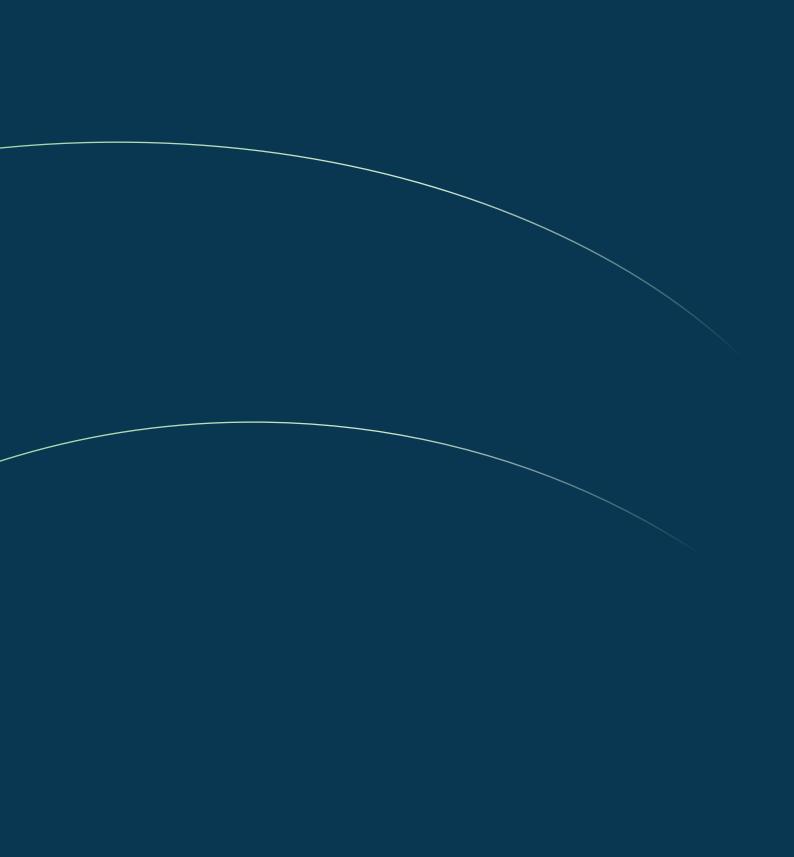
Security	Number	Restriction Period		
Shares	26,823,500	Expiring 24 months from the date of quotation.		
Shares	900,000	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (20/11/2022).		
Shares	900,000	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (2/12/2022).		
Shares	189,000	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (23/12/2022).		
Shares	450,000	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (29/12/2022).		
Shares	450,000	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (31/12/2022).		
Shares	1,162,500	Expiring 12 months from the date of issue of the Shares (14/03/2023).		
Options	15,750,000	Expiring 24 months from the date of quotation.		
Performance Rights	3,268,000	Expiring 24 months from the date of quotation.		

h) As at 21 September 2022 the following class of unquoted securities had a holder with greater than 20% of the class on issue:

Class/Name	Number of Securities Held	% Held					
Options exercisable at \$0.30 each on or before 1 April 2026							
Jet Capital Pty Ltd	3,000,000	32.43%					
R-Tek Group Pty Ltd	3,000,000	34.43%					
Options exercisable at \$0.30 each on or before 10 June 2026							
Jet Capital Pty Ltd	1,500,000	50%					
Continental Mining Pty Ltd	1,500,000	50%					

# i) Interest in mining and exploration permits

Project	Tenement Details	Acquired during quarter	Disposed of during quarter	Held at end of quarter	State/ Country
Solonopole	800.238/2016,800.240/2016,800.241/2016,800.247/2016,800.474/2016,800.475/2016,800.476/2016,800.477/2016	100%	-	100%	Ceara, Brazil
Napperby	EL32836 (Wangala), ELA32841 (Ennugan)	100%	-	100%	Northern Territory





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