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Please find attached the Company's half yearly financial report for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2002.

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D N HARLEY MANAGING DIRECTOR

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT
31 DECEMBER 2002

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### CORPORATE DIRECTORY

#### DIRECTORS

William Cunningham (Chairman) David Harley (Managing Director) Peter Harley (Director)

### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

**Darryl Edwards** 

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#### **DIRECTORS REPORT**

Your directors present their report on the accounts for the half-year ended 31 December 2002.

#### DIRECTORS

The following persons held office as directors of Gunson Resources Limited during the half-year and until the date of this report:

W H Cunningham

(Chairman) Appointed 13 March 2000

D N Harley

(Managing Director) Appointed 23 December 1999

P C Harley

(Non Executive Director) Appointed 23 December 1999

All Directors were in office from the beginning of the financial period until the date of this report.

### 2. REVIEW AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The Company incurred an operating loss after income tax of \$98,529 (2001: \$93,334) for the half-year ended 31 December 2002.

The highlights of the Company's activities in the six months to 31 December 2002 were as follows:

#### Cobum Mineral Sand Project – Western Australia.

A pre feasibility study on the metallurgy and economics of the 516 million tonne Amy Zone resource was the main activity during second half of calendar 2002.

This study included processing of seven bulk samples collected along the Amy Zone deposit in September, conceptual mining studies, estimates of capital and operating costs and financial modelling. Results of this work have indicated that Amy Zone could sustain a high volume, low cost and long life mining operation, which will produce premium grade mineral sand products. Development by Gunson would generate a net present value (8%) of \$44 million after tax with a 21% internal rate of return. Much better financial returns could be achieved by utilising regional production facilities, with a net present value (8%) of \$81 million after tax and 44% internal rate of return.

Discussions with potential partners to fund a bankable feasibility study have commenced.

### Shell Lakes Diamond/Nickel Project - Western Australia.

Following the grant of the title to the Company's five original exploration license applications in August, a drilling program to test the diamond potential of the project commenced. This program is being funded b Gunson's diamond joint venture partner, De Beers Australia Exploration Limited, who may earn 51% of the diamond rights to the Project by spending \$2.5 million in 3 years from 9<sup>th</sup> April 2002.

### **DIRECTORS REPORT**

Only one of eight geophysical targets programmed for testing was drilled prior to Christmas due to problems with the drilling contractor but the results of this hole were very encouraging. It intersected a para kimberlitic pipe similar to rocks with close spatial relationships to diamdiferous kimberlites in some districts of Africa, North America and Russia.

Drilling of the remaining holes in the program recommenced in early February 2003.

### Mount Gunson Copper Project – South Australia

At the start of the review period, the Company's joint venture partner, BHP Billiton, decided to suspend its sole funding of the exploration program while Gunson, at its cost, built up the case for future drilling. After the end of the review period BHP Billiton advised of its intention to withdraw from the Mount Gunson Project with no residual equity in it.

Soil geochemical sampling and infill gravity surveys revealed some attractive targets for strata bound copper in the cover sequence and these will be reviewed by several potential new joint venture partners in February 2003.

### 3. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

During the half year ended 31 December 2002 the Company Issued 100,000 options (unlisted) exercisable at 20 cents per share on or before 16 December 2007, to one of the Company's exploration consultants. No other significant changes occurred in the state of affairs of the Company during the period.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

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DN Harley Managing Director

Perth, Western Australia 10 February 2003

## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

Notes	31 December 2002 \$	31 December 2001 \$
2	62,138	77,013
3	(160,667)	(170,347)
•	(98,529)	(93,334)
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## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	31 December 2002 \$	30 June 2002 \$
CURRENT ASSETS Cash Assets Receivables	1,904,645 39,554	2.398.810 27.911
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,944,199	2,426,721
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Exploration Expenditure Property, Plant & Equipment	4,572,516 20,189	4,209,093 4,416
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	4,592,705	4,213,509
TOTAL ASSETS	6,536,904	6,959,552
CURRENT LIABILITIES Payables Provisions	68,378 9,734	73,175 9,734
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	78,112	82,909
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NET ASSETS	6,458,792	6,557,321
EQUITY Contributed Equity Accumulated Losses	7,318,551 (859,759)	7,318,551 (761,230)
TOTAL EQUITY	6,458,792	6,557,321

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	31 December 2002	31 December 2001
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Payments for exploration and evaluation Payments to suppliers and employees interest received Project Management fees & other revenues Withholding Tax Paid GST (paid)/received Other	(383,193) (171,880) 50,370 11,293 31,791 (12,500)	(189,837) (192,288) 49,404 27,609 - 17,594
NET CASHFLOWS FROM/(USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(474,119)	(287,518)
CASHFLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Payments for plant and equipment	(20,046)	(1,224)
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CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from issues of shares Payment of share issue costs	-	1,392,000 (85,236)
NET CAHSFLOWS FROM. (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-	1,306,764
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD Cash at beginning of period	(494,165) 2,398,810	1,018,022 1,736,427
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	1,904,645	2,754,449

## NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF HALF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The half year condensed financial statements are a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act, Accounting Standard 1029 "Interim Financial Reporting", and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

It is recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the 30 June 2002 Annual Financial Statements and any public announcements by Gunson Resources Limited during the half year in accordance with continuous disclosure obligations arising under the Corporations Act.

They have been prepared on the basis of historical costs and except where stated do not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non current assets.

The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the entity and except where there is a change in accounting policy, are consistent with those of the previous financial year (30 June 2002) and corresponding half year.

The carrying amounts of non current assets are reviewed to determine whether they are in excess of their recoverable amount at the end of the half year. If the carrying amount of a non current asset exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is written down to the lower amount. In assessing recoverable amounts the relevant cash flows have not been discounted to their present value.

For the purpose of preparing the half year financial statements, the half year has been treated as a discrete reporting period.

The half year report does not include full disclosure of the type usually included in an annual financial report.

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## NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Cont') FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	·	2002 \$	2001 \$
2.	REVENUE FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
	Management fees - Joint Venture	2, <del>9</del> 07	27,609
	Interest received - other persons	50,370	49,404
	Other revenue	8,861	
		62,138	77,013

LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

The loss from ordinary activities before income tax has been determined after:

Depreciation

1,939

1,588

4. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

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### 5. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities as at 31st December 2002.

There has been no change in liabilities since the last annual reporting date.

### 6. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company operates wholly within the Minerals Exploration Industry within Australia

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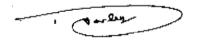
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### DIRECTORS DECLARATION

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Gunson Resources Limited we declare that in the opinion of the directors:

- a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 4-8:
  - (i) Give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2002 and the performance of the Company for the half-year ended on that date, and
  - (ii) Comply with Accounting Standards AASB 1029 "Interim Financial Reporting" and the Corporations Regulations.
- b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company wlll be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



D N Harley Managing Director

Perth, Western Australia 10 February 2003



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### INDEPENDENT REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GUNSON RESOURCES LIMITED

To the members of Gunson Resources Limited

### Scope

We have reviewed the financial report being the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Cash Flows and Directors' Declaration of Gunson Resources Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2002. The company's directors are responsible for the financial report. We have performed an independent review of the financial statements in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to our attention that would indicate that the financial report is not presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting, other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and statutory requirements, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows, and in order for the disclosing entity to lodge the financial statements with the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

Our review has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards applicable to review engagements. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of the company personnel and analytical procedures applied to the financial data. These procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, thus the level of assurance provided is less than given in an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion.

### Statement

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Gunson Resources Limited is not in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:
- (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2002 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations; and
- (b) other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

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Chartered Accountants

Partner

Date 10 February 2002

