

Directors' report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2023

Screen Queensland

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Directors' report

The Directors of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd ("company") present their report together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Director details

The following persons were Directors of the company during or since the end of the year and up to the date of this report:

The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO

Director since 24/01/2022 Chair since 01/06/2022

The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO is a lawyer, former actor and arts administrator with extensive experience chairing boards, a lifetime commitment to human rights and diversity whose main interest outside her profession is in film. Ms Atkinson was a judge of the Supreme Court of Queensland from 1998 to 2018. During that time she was responsible for many high-profile criminal and civil trials. She was also the Chair of the Queensland Indigenous Justice committee, lead author of the Equal Treatment Bench book and Chair for 12 years of the Queensland Law Reform Commission. She was also a member of the Board of Expressions Dance Company.

In 2015, Ms Atkinson was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia for distinguished service to the judiciary and to law reform in Queensland, through contributions to the legal profession and to promoting awareness of issues of injustice and inequality in Australia and internationally.

From 2019 to 2022, Ms Atkinson was President of LawRight, an organisation which co-ordinates the provision of pro bono legal services by the legal profession in Queensland. She has a life-long commitment to the arts, encouraging diversity and genuine equality particularly for First Nations people and people from diverse cultural backgrounds, women and people with disability.

Patricia Alner

Director 01/09/2018 to 30/11/2021 and since 24/01/2022 Chair, Audit and Risk Committee

Patricia has over 25 years of experience in strategy and finance, asset planning and management, performance management systems, data analytics and digital solutions, change management and business process improvement.

Patricia has a Bachelor of Informatics from Griffith University, a Graduate Diploma in Communication and a Master of Business (Communication studies) from QUT. She has also completed a Graduate Diploma in Professional Accounting from QUT and is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD) and a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA).

Patricia is an Independent member of the Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC), Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee and former Non-Executive Director of the Asset Institute Australia.

Lynne Benzie

Director 01/09/2018 to 30/11/2021 and since 24/01/2022

Lynne Benzie has over 34 years in the film, television and entertainment industry. Her career started in the United Kingdom in Engineering. She then migrated to Australia in 1979 where she developed a very diverse background in the insurance, finance, legal, building and information technology industries, which led her to a position with EMI Records in promotion and marketing. Lynne joined Village Roadshow Studios in 1990 as PA to the General Manager of the Studios.

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After 5 years of being involved in the operations of the Studio Complex, she was promoted to Studio Manager, then to Vice President Studios Operations and in January 2008 was promoted to President of the Studios. In her capacity as President of Studios she is responsible for the day to day running and operations of the Studio Complex including studio financial planning and marketing. She travels to the USA twice a year and works closely with Screen Queensland and City of Gold Coast to attract productions to Queensland and lobby governments to increase incentives.

Lynne was on the Board of the Pacific Film and Television Commission for 7 years and was Chair on Film Gold Coast and a committee member for REDAB (Regional Economic Development & Advisory Board for the film industry). Lynne has also previously been on the Bond University – Film and TV advisory board, QUT – Creative Industries Faculty Advisory Committee, Jobs Queensland Advisory Committee and in 2018 was on the board for Gold Coast Film Festival. Lynne is now currently on the Board of Ausfilm Australia, Gold Coast Film Festival and Brisbane Film Festival.

Cathy Hunt

Director 01/09/2018 to 30/11/2021 and since 24/01/2022

Cathy is a successful cultural sector consultant and business woman with over 30 years experience providing research and advice to governments, architects, planners, arts and cultural organisations in the UK, Australia, New Zealand and Hong Kong, as the co-founding director of Brisbane-based Positive Solutions.

She is the founder of QuickstART, an interest free loan program for artists and creatives and was an advisor to the \$1 million Arts Business Innovation Fund (ABIF), a partnership between the Queensland state government and Tim Fairfax Family Foundations. Formerly a festival producer in the UK, Cathy returned to that role in 2014, bringing the WOW (Women of the World) Festival movement to Australia.

As Executive Director of non-profit company Of One Mind, Cathy has been the Executive Producer of WOW Festivals and events for the last seven years and is a global advisor to the WOW Foundation in London. Cathy is on the Advisory Committee for the Queensland Women's Strategy and in 2023 became a Member of the Order of Australia for her services to the arts, culture and women.

Kylee Ratz

Director 01/09/2018 to 30/11/2021 and since 24/01/2022 Member, Audit and Risk Committee

Kylee is a highly experienced leader in the film and television industry with over 28 years of experience in the field. The last 14 years have seen her take up the position of Group General Manager at Cutting Edge in which she leads a team of over 100 creatives. Kylee is recognised for her focus on building trusted relationships with clients and colleagues and delivering quality productions through a high performing workforce. She has a proven track record for being agile, dedicated and passionate about the industry through her diverse catalogue of work.

As Group General Manager Kylee seeks out and provides the context for organisational Information. She helps her colleagues and industry associates make sense of what they read and hear, while ensuring information is relevant so every employee knows how they belong in the bigger picture. Kylee started the Cutting Edge Film and TV Mentoring and Internship Program in 2006. Her ability to transform the landscape of a business and mentoring fellow colleagues is a rewarding part of her career.

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Dean Gibson

Director between 05/11/2019 to 30/11/2021 and since 24/01/2022

Dean Gibson is an Aboriginal filmmaker with over 20 years' experience in creating, writing, directing, editing and producing content. His work screens regularly on ABC, SBS and NITV and includes children's television, documentary and drama. Dean's onscreen highlights in the children's television space include directing a Sesame Street film Five Kangaroos, featuring Jessica Mauboy. His most recent work Tjitji Lullaby and Marringa Lullaby for ABC Kids plays all Australian toddlers to bed nightly. Dean also created and co-directed the series Handball Heroes, which screened on ABC3.

In documentary, Dean recently delivered Incarceration Nation to NITV/SBS in which he is the Writer and Director. Incarceration Nation is a Feature Documentary focusing on the systemic racism of the justice system within Australia. Its successes include: Logie Award winner 2021-22 for Most Outstanding Factual or Documentary Program, finalist for 2022 Walkley Awards and finalist ATOM Best Feature Documentary.

Dean was also the writer and director of Wik vs Queensland that premiered at the 2018 Sydney International Film Festival. Most recently, Dean directed the 6-part science documentary series First Weapons for ABC, Black Fella Films and Inkey Media, due for release in 2023. Outside of the film industry, he currently sits on the Board of Queensland Theatre, Griffith University Film School Advisory Board, Essential Screen Skills Industry Advisory Board and the Brisbane Lions Australian Football Club.

Professor Herman van Eyken

Since 24/01/2022

Professor Herman Van Eyken is currently a Director at the Griffith Film School and is appointed as a member of the Creative Arts Research Institute, Griffith University. Professor Van Eyken has a background in script writing, producing and directing.

He has directed more than 190 films – shortlisted within international competition of leading film festivals such as Cannes, New York, Montreal and Vienna. Many of his films have received top awards in their respective category. Professor Van Eyken's research interests lay in film policies, cross cultural collaboration and film training needs for professionals.

Aaron Fa'Aoso

Since 24/01/2022 Member, Audit and Risk Committee

Aaron Fa'Aoso is a Torres Strait Islander, actor, screenwriter, director and producer. Since 2013 he has been the Managing Director of his own production company, Lone Star. Aaron is the producer and presenter of Strait to the Plate, an NITV SBS Food series featuring the culture and culinary traditions of the Torres Strait. Aaron has also starred in films and TV series including RAN: Remote Area Nurse, East West 101, The Straits, Bikie Wars: Brothers in Arms, Black Comedy and Goldstone.

Aaron actively supports and mentors other film practitioners and is a SBS board member, Indigenous connections committee member of the National Film and Sound Archive and member of the Interim Truth and Treaty body (QLD) and was previously a board member of Media RING - an industry group that developed and enhanced career opportunities for First Nations Australians in the media.

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Dylan Miklashek

Since 24/01/2022

Dylan Miklashek has over 25 years' experience in the video game industry working for Gameloft, EA, Pandemic and THQ. He has lead teams on major franchises including FIFA, WWE, Batman and The Oregon Trail. Dylan worked at Gameloft Brisbane from 2014 to 2023 as Studio Manager and Managing Director. During his tenure the studio delivered My Little Pony, The Oregon Trail, Ballistic Baseball and Zombie Anarchy. In 2022 the studio won an AGDA for Australian Studio of the Year.

Director terms

Each Director of the company has been appointed for a common term. Expiry dates of current appointments are as follows:

Director	Expiry date of current term
The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO	30 June 2025
Patricia Alner	30 June 2024
Lynne Benzie	30 June 2024
Cathy Hunt	30 June 2024
Kylee Ratz	30 June 2024
Dean Gibson	30 June 2024
Professor Herman van Eyken	30 June 2025
Aaron Fa'Aoso	30 June 2025
Dylan Miklashek	30 June 2025

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 year are:

Director	Directors' meetings		Audit and Risk Committee meetings	
	Α	В	Α	В
The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO	6	6	-	-
Patricia Alner	6	6	4	4
Lynne Benzie	6	6	-	-
Cathy Hunt	6	4	-	-
Kylee Ratz	6	6	4	4
Dean Gibson	6	5	-	-
Professor Herman van Eyken	6	5	-	-
Aaron Fa'Aoso	6	4	4	3
Dylan Miklashek	6	5	-	-

Where:

Column A is the number of meetings the Director was entitled to attend;

Column B is the number of meetings the Director attended.

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Other information

Board responsibilities

The Directors are accountable to the company shareholder for the performance of the company and have overall responsibility for its operations. The company operates a diverse and complex range of businesses and one of the primary duties of the Board is to ensure these activities are operated appropriately.

Key responsibilities of the Board include:

- Approve the strategic direction and related objectives of the company and monitor management performance in the achievement of these objectives;
- Adopt an annual budget and monitor the financial performance of the company;
- Select, appoint, set targets for and review the performance of the Chief Executive Officer;
- Oversee the establishment and maintenance of adequate internal controls and effective monitoring systems;
- Ensure all major risks are identified and effectively managed; and
- Ensure the company meets its legal and statutory obligations.

The Directors have a broad range of skills including knowledge of the industry in which the company operates to allow informed decision making.

Code of conduct

Directors, management and staff are expected to perform their duties in line with the company's code of conduct ensuring professionalism, integrity and objectivity, striving at all times to enhance the reputation and performance of the company.

Corporate governance

The company is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is a company limited by shares, with these shares held beneficially for the State of Queensland. The Directors are responsible for corporate governance, ensuring transparency of operation of the company. Summarised in this report are the primary corporate governance practices established by the Board which were in place throughout the financial year, unless otherwise stated, to ensure the interests of the State of Queensland, clients and staff are protected.

Independent professional advice

The Board collectively and each director individually has the right to seek independent professional advice at the expense of the company.

A Director seeking such advice must obtain the prior approval of the Chair or in his/her absence, the Board. Such approval may not be unreasonably withheld. A copy of advice received by a director is made available to all other directors of the Board except where circumstances deem it inappropriate.

Conflicts of interest

In accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the company's constitution, Directors must keep the Board advised on an ongoing basis of any interest that could potentially conflict with company interests. Where the Board believes a significant conflict exists, the Director concerned will not receive relevant Board papers, will not be present at the meeting whilst the item is considered and will play no part in any decision made concerning the item.

Board committees

To provide adequate time for the Board to consider strategy, planning and performance enhancement, the Board has delegated specific duties to board committees. The Board has established the Audit and Risk Committee with a defined charter.

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The Audit and Risk Committee has been established to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities on a range of matters including financial reporting and performance, internal control framework and risk management.

Insurance and indemnities

The company has paid an insurance premium for General Liability of \$14,683 excluding GST to the Queensland Government Insurance Fund (QGIF), which includes Directors and Officers coverage during the year. This policy was renewed after the year end.

Options

No options for unissued shares or interests in the company were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

Operating result

Screen Queensland's operating result after income tax for the year was a net profit of \$41,507,239 (2022: profit of \$17,840,902). This operating result is predominately due to a timing difference that occurs under Australian Accounting Standards, between the recording of revenue for the Production Attraction Strategy and the recording of the expenditure committed against that revenue. Grant funding for the Production Attraction Strategy is recorded in the year in which projects are approved, however the contractual milestones which trigger expenditure to be recorded often occur several financial years later. This misalignment of timing between revenue and expenditure generates financial results for Screen Queensland that may vary significantly between years.

Dividends

The company has not paid or declared a dividend during the year ended 30 June 2023.

Review of financial operations

The operating profit for the year is due to a timing difference between the year in which revenue is received and the year in which the expenses committed against that revenue occur.

The net assets at year end are sufficient to cover future funding commitments and approvals totaling \$105,356,492 as detailed in Note 12 of the financial statements.

Revenue

Revenue received from government sources increased in 2022-23 as a result of greater demand for funding associated with Production Attraction Strategy program; and increased capital grant funding for the construction of the Far North Queensland Studio facility.

Expenditure

Grants and funding approvals recorded as expenditure also increased in 2023-23 due to the timing of projects acquitted following delivery of contractual milestones.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the company during the year.

Likely developments

The company will continue to work with Governments and other domestic and international organisations to promote the development of the Queensland screen industry.

Events subsequent to the end of the financial year

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect:

- the operations of the company;
- the results of those operations; or
- the state of affairs of the company for the financial years subsequent to 30 June 2023.

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Proceedings on behalf of the 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 responsibility 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*.

Environmental regulation

It is the company's policy to:

- · abide by the concepts and principles of sustainable development;
- carry out operations in an environmentally responsible manner having consideration for individual and community welfare;
- ensure that, at a minimum, business is conducted in compliance with existing environmental legislation and regulations; and
- educate staff and employees in the importance of understanding their environmental responsibilities for the sensitive implementation of all operations.

The company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or state or territory.

Rounding off

The company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and therefore the amounts contained in this report and in the financial report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under s 307C of the *Corporations Act* 2001 can be found on page 9 of this financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

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The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO Chair h Barge

Lynne Benzie Director

Brisbane, 3 August 2023

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Auditor's Independence Declaration

To the Directors of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd

This auditor's independence declaration has been provided pursuant to s. 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Independence declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

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

Melissa Fletcher as delegate of the Auditor-General

2 August 2023

Queensland Audit Office Brisbane

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		\$'000	\$'000
Income			
State grant revenue	2	65,058	37,070
Studio hire and recoveries		422	1,213
Fees and charges (domestic screen revenue)		766	423
Interest revenue (investment and loans)		2,658	343
Other revenue		212	60
		69,116	39,109
Expenses			
Funding programs and incentives	3	17,569	11,342
Employee benefits	4	4,305	3,760
Supplies and services	5	1,877	2,119
Depreciation	9,10	3,545	3,916
Finance costs		313	131
		27,609	21,268
Profit for the year		41,507	17,841
Total Comprehensive Income for the ye	ar	41,507	17,841

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Statement of Financial Position As at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	92,038	65,015
Trade and other receivables	8	34,787	14,526
Prepayments		331	95
Total current assets		127,156	79,636
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	8	-	5,787
Property, plant and equipment	9	6,271	1,912
Right-of-use assets	10	7,703	5,443
Total non-current assets		13,974	13,142
Total Assets		141,130	92,778
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		2,413	245
Lease liabilities	10	2,496	2,511
Borrowings	11	7,706	-
Grants received in advance		400	-
Employee benefits		221	234
Total current liabilities		13,236	2,990
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	10	5,616	3,406
Borrowings	11	-	5,816
Employee benefits Total non-current liabilities		43 5,659	9,222
Total Liabilities		18,895	
Total Liabilities		10,095	12,212
Net Assets		122,235	80,566
Equity			
Retained profits		122,235	80,566
Total Equity		122,235	80,566

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Retained profits	Total
	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2021	62,725	62,725
Profit for the year	17,841	17,841
Balance at 30 June 2022	80,566	80,566
Profit for the year	41,507	41,507
Adjustment for recognition of lease liabilities	162	162
Balance at 30 June 2023	122,235	122,235

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Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Inflows			
Government grants received		53,520	43,656
Cash receipts from customers		1,201	1,519
GST input tax credits from ATO		1,934	2,244
GST collected from customers		119	190
Interest received		2,393	311
Outflows			
Cash payments to suppliers		(20,064)	(13,994)
Cash payments to employees		(3,605)	(3,163)
GST remitted to ATO		(80)	(197)
GST paid to suppliers		(2,128)	(1,514)
Interest and finance charges paid		(188)	(50)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		33,102	29,002
Cash flows from investing activities			
Inflows			
Proceeds from repayment of film assistance loans		-	6,051
Outflows		<i></i>	
Payments made for film assistance loans		(1,702)	(887)
Payments made for property, plant and equipment		(3,635)	(256)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(5,337)	4,908
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		1,890	937
Outflows	4.0		(4.0.40)
Finance lease payments	10	(2,632)	(1,846)
Repayment of borrowings			(6,114)
Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities		(742)	(7,023)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		27,023	26,887
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of financial year		65,015	38,128
Cash and cash equivalents, end of financial year	7	92,038	65,015

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Notes to the financial statements

1. Summary of accounting policies

(a) General information about the reporting entity

This financial report covers Screen Queensland Pty Ltd as an individual not-forprofit entity. Screen Queensland Pty Ltd is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The company invests in production, talent development programs and screen culture festivals to grow a successful screen industry throughout Queensland. The registered office and principal place of business of the company is Level 2, 130 Commercial Road, Teneriffe, Brisbane, QLD 4005.

(b) Basis of accounting

These general purpose financial statements are prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, Australian Accounting Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the *Corporations Act 2001*, to meet the reporting requirements of the shareholder. The company is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Material accounting policies adopted in the presentation of this financial report are presented below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, which is prepared on a cash basis, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on the historical cost convention. Except as stated, figures do not take into account changing money values.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the going concern accounting principle. Where required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(c) First time mandatory application of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations

No new accounting standards applicable for the first time in 2022-23 had a material impact on the company.

(d) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognised at fair value of consideration received or receivable net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST) payable to the Australian Taxation Office.

A number of the company's programs are supported by grants received from the state government. Income from these grants is recognised in accordance with AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities, except when there are enforceable and sufficiently specific performance obligations. In this case, income is accounted for in accordance with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers where revenue is initially deferred as unearned revenue (contract liability) and recognised as or when the performance obligations are satisfied.

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

Returns on equity invested in development or production of screen projects are recognised as revenue when the right to receive the investment return has been advised under the terms of the Production or Development Investment Agreement.

(e) Assistance to domestic screen industry and grant commitments

Each year the company commits funds to a variety of screen and cultural projects. A liability for funds committed is recognised when an agreement has been signed and the company has a present obligation to settle the debt. A present obligation to settle the debt is assessed by the company with reference to contract payment dates and completion of predetermined milestones and deliverables.

If the company does not have a present obligation to settle the debt at year end, the amount is considered as a commitment and not included as a liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

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(f) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs include interest, amortisation of discounts or premiums relating to borrowings and amortisation of ancillary costs incurred in connection with arrangement of borrowings. All borrowing costs have been expensed in the current year.

(g) Current/Non-current classification

Assets are classified as current where their carrying amount is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date. Liabilities are classified as current when they are due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting date, or the company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement to beyond 12 months after the reporting date. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

(h) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the company that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period.

The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

Unearned interest revenue is also included in trade and other payables and is split between current and non-current portions.

(i) Employee benefits

Wages, salaries and personal leave Wages and salaries due but unpaid at the reporting date are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position at the current salary rates.

The company expects such liabilities to be wholly settled within 12 months of reporting date, the liabilities are recognised at undiscounted amounts.

Prior history indicates that on average, personal leave taken each reporting period is less than the entitlement accrued. This is expected to continue in future periods.

Accordingly, it is unlikely that existing accumulated entitlements will be used by employees and no liability for unused personal leave entitlements is recognised. As personal leave is non-vesting, an expense is recognised for this leave as it is taken.

Annual and Long Service Leave

Annual leave and long service leave liabilities are accounted for as short term employee benefits if the company expects to wholly settle all such liabilities within the 12 months following reporting date. Otherwise, annual leave and long service leave liabilities are accounted for as 'other long-term employee benefits' in accordance with AASB 119 Employee Benefits, and split between current and non-current components.

All directly associated on-costs (e.g. employer superannuation contributions, payroll tax and workers' compensation insurance) are also recognised as liabilities, where these on-costs are material.

Superannuation

The superannuation expense for the financial year reflects payments incurred in relation to employees' terms and conditions of employment for the period up to the reporting date. The company contributes to several superannuation funds. Contributions are charged against profit or loss as they are incurred.

Termination benefits

Termination benefits include amounts paid in lieu of notice, ex gratia payments and other lump sum payments made as a result of the company's decision to terminate an employee's employment before the normal retirement date; or an employee's decision to accept an offer of benefits in exchange for the termination of employment.

(j) Taxation

The company is exempt from income tax under Section 24AO of *the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* and is exempted from other forms of Commonwealth taxation with the exception of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

GST is payable by the company. Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis, with the GST components classified as operating cash flows including GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities.

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Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of the GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

(k) Currency and rounding

All amounts in the financial report and accompanying notes are in Australian dollars and rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

(I) Significant management judgement in applying accounting policies

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Estimation uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below. Actual results may be substantially different.

Impairment

In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset on expected future cash flows and uses an interest rate to discount them. Estimation uncertainty relates to assumptions about future operating results and the determination of a suitable discount rate.

Useful lives of depreciable assets

Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Uncertainties in these estimates relate to: technical obsolescence that may change the utility of certain software and IT equipment; or the exercise of lease options which can effect the period premises are occupied, refer note 9.

(m) Economic Dependence

The company's purpose is the provision of services on behalf of the Queensland State Government in relation to promotion and development of the screen production industry and screen culture in Queensland. Any significant change in Government funding support would have a material effect on the ability of the company to provide these services. As at the signing date of this report management has no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.

(n) Comparatives

There has been no material restatement of comparative information.

(o) Authorisation of financial statements for issue.

The financial statements are authorised for issue by the board of directors at the date of signing of the Directors' Declaration.

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	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
2. State grant revenue		
Base funding	15,305	14,349
Grant programs	44,758	22,465
Capital grants	4,995	256
	65,058	37,070
3. Funding programs and incentives		
Production funding programs	5,052	5,210
Development funding programs	2,613	1,828
Incentives (including scouts)	8,564	3,155
Screen Culture funding programs	1,004	894
Industry support programs	174	215
Marketing program	162	40
	17,569	11,342
4. Employee benefits		
Salaries	3,441	3,148
Superannuation and payroll tax	505	435
Termination benefits	133	-
Recruitment and professional development	118	144
Other employee benefits	108	33
	4,305	3,760
5. Supplies and services		
Property outgoings	485	741
IT & internet	293	314
Communications and marketing	134	196
Professional services	220	214
Repairs and maintenance	131	130
Bank fees	112	77
Telephone	16	35
Hire fees	263	258
Travel	182	101
Other supplies and services	41	53
	1,877	2,119
6. Auditors' remuneration		
Amounts received or due and receivable by the Queensland Audit Office for the audit of the financial		
report for the current year:	41	40
There are no non-audit services included in this amount.		

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	2023	2022	
	\$'000	\$'000	
7. Cash at bank			
Cash on hand	3	4	
Cash at bank	4,688	9,297	
Cash fund (Queensland Treasury Corporation)	87,347	55,714	
	92,038	65,015	

Accounting policy

For the purposes of these statements, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with banks or financial institutions which have no more than 90-day maturity.

8. Trade and other receivables

Non-current Loans receivable – film assistance loans		5,787
	34,787	14,526
Loans receivable – film assistance loans	7,489	-
Grants receivable	10,518	2,990
GST receivable (net)	451	101
Trade debtors and sundry receivables	16,329	11,435
Current		

Credit risk

Trade and other receivables (excluding film assistance loans) are non-interest bearing and are generally on 30-day terms.

Film assistance loans are secured, interest bearing and are for a fixed term (refer note 11). The security is a fixed and floating charge held by the company over the assets of the borrower.

Accounting policy

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade and other receivables also include film assistance loans issued to production companies. These loans have fixed periods and are subject to an interest rate of 50% of the 90 day Bank Bill Swap Rate.

Grant revenue receivable from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet is also included in trade and other receivables. This represents grant funding due but not yet paid at year end.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment, refer note 16.

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2023	2022
\$'000	\$'000
50	50
(50)	(39)
-	11
5,586	5,207
(4,493)	(3,562)
1,093	1,645
5,178	256
6,271	1,912
	\$'000 50 (50) - 5,586 (4,493) 1,093 5,178

¹Work in progress includes capital costs associated with construction of the Far North Queensland Studio facility.

Reconciliation - carrying amount at the beginning and end of year:

	Plant & equipment '000	Leasehold improvements '000	Work in progress '000	Total '000
Carrying amount at 1 July	11	1,645	256	1,912
Additions	-	379	4,922	5,301
Depreciation	(11)	(931)	-	(942)
Carrying amount at 30 June	-	1,093	5,178	6,271

Accounting policy

Asset acquisition

Property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value in excess of \$5,000 is capitalised in the year of acquisition. All other such assets with a cost or other value less than \$5,000 are expensed.

Assets are measured after initial recognition at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Assets acquired at zero cost or for nominal consideration are initially recognised as assets and revenues at their fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets under construction are included as work in progress and are subsequently reclassified to the relevant class within property, plant and equipment when construction is complete.

Impairment

The carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment are reviewed annually to determine whether they are in excess of their recoverable amount at balance date.

If the carrying amount of plant and equipment exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is written down to the lower amount to reflect any impairment. Any impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

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Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated using the straight line method, so as to write off the cost (or other value) of each depreciable asset over their estimated useful life.

The depreciation rates used for each class of asset are as follows: Plant and equipment: 25% Leasehold improvements: life of lease, refer note 10 for lease terms

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate at the end of each reporting period.

Assets included as work in progress are not depreciated until construction is complete and the asset is ready for use.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
10. Leases		
Right-of-use assets - Buildings		
Opening balance	5,443	4,409
Additions	4,863	3,335
Depreciation	(2,603)	(2,301)
Closing balance	7,703	5,443
Lease liabilities		
Current	2,496	2,511
Non-current	5,616	3,406
	8,112	5,917
Lease liability maturity Undiscounted future lease payments included in the liability are as follows:		
Not later than one year	2,706	2,632
Later than one year and no later than five years	5,790	3,581
Later than five years	-	-
Less: effect of discounting	(384)	(296)
Lease liabilities as at 30 June	8,112	5,917
Amounts recognised in profit or loss		
Interest expense on lease liabilities	125	81
Total cash outflow for leases	2,632	1,846

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Leased premises	Lease term	Rent escalated per year
Office	6 Years	3.5%
Brisbane Studios	8 Years (including 3 year lease option exercised)	3.0%
Far North Queensland Studios	5 Years	2.0%

The company leases office premises and two studio facilities for use in its operations:

Accounting policy

Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are initially measured at cost comprising the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability; any lease payments made at or before the commencement date (less any lease incentives received); initial direct costs incurred; and the initial estimate of restoration costs (where applicable). Subsequent to initial recognition, the cost is depreciated over the term of the lease.

Lease liabilities

Lease liabilities are initially recognised at the present value of future lease payments over the lease term. The lease term includes any extension or renewal options that the company is reasonably certain to exercise. The future lease payments included in the calculation of the lease liability comprise:

- fixed payments (less any lease incentives receivable);
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate (initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date);
- the amount of residual value guarantees;
- the exercise price of a purchase option (where the Company is reasonably certain to exercise the option); and
- payments for termination penalties (if the lease term reflects the early termination).

The company's incremental borrowing rate is used when measuring the lease liability for the lease of office premises and a studio facility as the interest rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined. The incremental borrowing rate used is the fixed rate loan rate published by Queensland Treasury Corporation that corresponds to the lease's commencement date and lease term.

11. Borrowings

Borrowings by their nature are unsecured.

Credit standby arrangements and loan facilities

The company has a loan facility from DPC amounting to \$30,000,000 (2022: \$30,000,000). This facility may be drawn upon at any time to fund film assistance loans (note 8). At 30 June 2023, \$7,706,365 of this facility was drawn down (2022: \$5,816,165).

Loans are denominated in Australian dollars and are payable over various periods of time in line with the maturity dates of film assistance loans receivable.

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	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Loans payable		
Not later than one year	7,706	-
Later than one year and no later than five years	-	5,816
Later than five years	-	-
Loans payable as at 30 June	7,706	5,816

At 30 June 2023 interest rates on borrowings ranged from 2.19% to 3.87% (2022: 0.79% to 2.19%).

12. Commitments for expenditure

Future screen commitments – the commitment remaining at year end is payable in:		
Not longer than one year	31,873	17,406
Longer than one year but not longer than five years	28,809	33,930
	60,682	51,336

The company enters into contracts with practitioners from the screen industry for the provision of grant funding. A commitment has been recognised when a contract has been entered into by the company. Amounts are transferred from a commitment to a liability when the terms, conditions and deliverables as per the contract have been fulfilled by the industry practitioner. Funds equal to the amounts committed are held in the company's equity until such time as the funds are expended.

Other grant approvals

In addition to the \$60,682,237 of commitments listed above, the company's Directors have approved grants for the amount of \$44,674,255 (2022: \$22,345,114) payable to practitioners in the screen industry, however the contracts had not been executed at 30 June 2023. These approvals will become a commitment when a contract has been executed by the company.

13. Contributed equity

The company is a company limited by shares. The sole share is held by the State of Queensland and is fully paid to the value of \$10 (2022: 1 share, fully paid, \$10).

14. Remuneration of key management personnel

Key management personnel (KMP) include the directors and executive officers of the company. KMP compensation includes short-term employee benefits, post-employment benefits, long-term benefits and termination benefits. No KMP packages provide for performance or bonus payment. Amounts disclosed reflect expenses recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Total key management personnel compensation	889	795

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15. Transactions and balances with related parties

Unless otherwise stated, all the transactions detailed below are in accordance with the Company's standard terms and conditions.

Controlling entities

Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC)	During the year the company recognised \$65,057,672 (2022: \$37,070,146) in grant funding from DPC.
	At year end, Trade debtors include \$15,779,191 (2022: \$11,369,012) of amounts invoiced to DPC but not yet paid. In addition, \$10,517,677 (2022: \$2,989,611) has been accrued for grants receivable.
	The company's borrowings are also from DPC.

Directors, key management personnel (KMP) and related parties

Lynne Benzie

Lynne is the President of Village Roadshow Studios. In October 2015 (prior to Ms Benzie's appointment to the Screen Queensland (SQ) Board) SQ entered into a contract with Village Roadshow Theme Parks Pty Ltd for a Revolving Film Finance Fund Ioan. In January 2021 the Ioan repayment date was extended to 23 October 2023. As at 30 June 2023 the Ioan balance is \$4,900,000 (excluding \$32,379 of interest for the months of April and June also due).

Lynne Benzie is a Director of the Gold Coast Film Festival. In June 2021 the Gold Coast Film Festival was approved funding of \$300,000 from SQ's Screen Culture program for the 2022 and 2023 festivals. A contract was subsequently entered into in December 2021. During 2022-23 payments of \$180,000 were made under this contract, with nil remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

Dylan Miklashek

Dylan was a Director of Gameloft Australia Pty Ltd during the year between 1 July 2022 and 14 April 2023. In June 2021 (prior to Mr Miklashek's appointment to the SQ Board) Gameloft Australia Pty Ltd was approved funding of \$100,000 for two professional placements. A contract was subsequently entered into in July 2021 with \$100,000 remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

In June 2022 Gameloft Australia Pty Ltd was approved \$755,507 in funding for the 'My Little Pony' digital games incentive project. A contract in this amount was subsequently entered into in November 2022. Following this, a variation to the original contract was entered into in May 2023 revising funding to \$720,615. During 2022-23 payments of \$377,753 were made under this contract, with \$342,862 remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

In March 2023 Gameloft Australia Pty Ltd was approved \$55,818 in funding for 'The Oregan Trail' digital games incentive project. A contract in the amount of \$51,505 amount was subsequently entered into in May 2023 with the full amount remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

Aaron Fa'Aoso

Aaron is a Director of Lone Star Company Pty Ltd. In October 2021 (prior to Mr Fa'Aoso's appointment to the SQ Board) Lone Star Company Pty Ltd was approved funding of \$350,000 for the production of 'Strait to the Plate Season 2'. A contract was subsequently entered into in November 2021. During 2022-23 payments of \$70,000 were made under this contract, with nil remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

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In June 2022 Lone Star Company Pty Ltd was approved funding of \$75,000 for the 2022 North Queensland Enterprise Program. A contract was subsequently entered into in September 2022. During 2022-23 payments of \$30,000 were made under this contract, with \$45,000 remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

In April 2023, Lone Star Company Pty Ltd was also approved funding of \$50,000 in development funding for 'Bulletproof'.

Other Directors

Kylee Ratz is a Director of Cutting Edge Pty Ltd. During 2022-23 the Company made payments of \$38,609.45 to Cutting Edge Technical Services for security camera upgrade work undertaken at Brisbane Screen Queensland Studios.

Cathy Hunt is a Director of Of One Mind which facilitates the delivery of the Women of the World Festival (WOW) in Australia. In November 2019 the WOW Festival was approved \$8,000 in funding from SQ's Screen Culture program, with a contract entered into in December 2019. During 2022-23 payments of \$1,600 were made under this contract, with nil remaining to be paid at 30 June 2023.

Dean Gibson is a Director of Bacon Factory Films Pty Ltd. In April 2023 Bacon Factory Films Pty Ltd was approved \$1,000 towards a travel and marketing grant.

Unless otherwise noted all transactions with related parties occur on normal terms and conditions for transactions of their nature. No other Director or key management personnel has entered into transactions with the company since the end of the previous financial year and there were no other transactions involving Directors' or key management personnel's interests during the year.

16. Financial risk management

The company's financial instruments mainly consist of deposits with banks, accounts receivable and payables, film assistance loans to producers and borrowings from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet (DPC).

The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9 Financial Instruments as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

		2023	2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	92,038	65,015
Financial assets at amortised cost:			,
Trade receivables	8	26,847	14,425
Loans receivable – film assistance loans	8	7,489	5,787
Closing balance		126,374	85,227
Financial liabilities Financial liabilities at amortised cost:			
Trade and other payables		2,393	244
Borrowings from DPC	11	7,706	5,816
		10,099	6,060

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Accounting policy

Initial recognition and measurement

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

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified "at fair value through profit or loss", in which case transaction costs are recognised as expenses in profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Amortised cost is calculated as the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition less principal repayments and any reduction for impairment, and adjusted for any cumulative amortisation of the difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying amount with a consequential recognition of an income or expense item in profit or loss.

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

Financial liabilities are non-derivative financial liabilities other than financial guarantees are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial liability is derecognised.

Impairment

At the end of each reporting period, the company assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset has been impaired. A financial asset (or a group of financial assets) is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events (a "loss event") having occurred, which has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset(s).

When the terms of financial assets that would otherwise have been past due or impaired have been renegotiated, the company recognises the impairment for such financial assets by taking into account the original terms as if the terms have not been renegotiated so that the loss events that have occurred are duly considered.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expire or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the company no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset.

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Financial liabilities are derecognised when the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

17. Events subsequent to reporting date

There were no material events subsequent to the reporting date but prior to the signing date of these accounts that the management or board of the company were aware of that require disclosure in the financial report.

18. Trust transactions and balances

The company acts as a trustee for the Screen Queensland Fund (Fund). As the company performs only a custodian role in respect of the trust, the transactions and balances are not recognised in the financial statements but are disclosed in these notes for the information of users. As at 30 June 2023 the Fund had no assets or liabilities.

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Directors' Declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd, the directors of the company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 10 to 26, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:

- comply with Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of the financial performance for the year ended on that date.

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.

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

Koshyn Alkinson

Brisbane, 3 August 2023

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The Honourable Roslyn Atkinson AO Chair

Lynne Benzie Director



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Screen Queensland Pty Ltd (the company).

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2023, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures.

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including material accounting policy information, and the directors' declaration.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report.

I am independent of the company in accordance with 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 my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*. I am also independent of the company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*, and 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.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Other information

Other information comprises financial and non-financial information (other than the audited financial report). At the date of this auditor's report, the available other information in the company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 was the directors' report.

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information.

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



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

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

Responsibilities of the company for the financial report

The company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as the company's directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The company's directors are also responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends 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

My 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 my 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the company.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the company's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the



financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. I base my conclusions on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.

• Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the company's directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

4 August 2023

Melissa Fletcher as delegate of the Auditor-General

Queensland Audit Office Brisbane