

ABN 49 151 996 566

## **Interim Financial Report**

for the half-year ended 31 December 2017

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## **Corporate Directory**

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## **Directors**

Dr Garry Lowder (Chairman)
Mr Tadao Tsubata (Non-Executive Director)
Ms Sarah Harvey (Non-Executive Director, Appointed 27 July 2017)

## **Company Secretary**

Mr Marcelo Mora

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## **Directors' Report**

The directors of Dome Gold Mines Ltd present their report together with the financial statements of the consolidated entity, being Dome Gold Mines Ltd ('Dome' or 'the Company') and its controlled entities ('the Group') for the half-year ended 31 December 2017.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The names of the directors in office at any time during or since 1 July 2017 and up to the date of this report are:

Garry G Lowder Chairman

Tadao Tsubata

Non-Executive Director
Sarah E Harvey (appointed 27 July 2017)

Non-Executive Director

## **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

### **Corporate Activities**

- On 15 November 2017 the Company completed a placement of 2,477,625 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$495,525 and granted 1,945,107 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 15 November 2019.
- On 24 November 2017 the Company granted 750,000 unlisted options exerisable at \$0.40 expiring on 27 July 2020, 750,000 unlisted options exerisable at \$0.50 expiring on 27 July 2020, 500,000 unlisted options exerisable at \$0.40 expiring on 31 December 2020, and 500,000 unlisted options exerisable at \$0.50 expiring on 31 December 2020.
- On 28 November 2017 the Company completed a placement of 1,454,165 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$290,833 and granted 2,240,523 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 28 November 2019.
- On 14 December 2017 the Company completed a placement of 5,231,512 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$1,046,302 and granted 4,799,713 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 14 December 2019.

On 27 July 2017, Ms Sarah Harvey was appointed as Non-Executive Director of the Company and the Chair of the Audit Committee.

The loss of the Group for the half-year after providing for income tax amounted to \$904,842 (2016: \$797,578).

The net asset position of the Group has increased from \$28,825,022 at 30 June 2017 to \$29,498,567 at 31 December 2017.

## Fiji Exploration Developments

## **Projects**

Dome, through its wholly owned Fijian subsidiaries, Dome Mines Ltd and Magma Mines Ltd holds 100% of three Special Prospecting Licences (SPL) in Fiji, namely, SPL1495 (Sigatoka Ironsand Project), SPL1451 (Ono Island Project) and SPL1452 (Nadrau Project).

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## Sigatoka Ironsand Project

The drilling of a total of 68 sonic drill holes has been completed on Koroua Island on SPL1495. Fifty-two of the 68 drill holes have been completed on a 100m x 200m grid while on section line 3871200N holes were drilled at 50m intervals (see ASX announcement dated 30 January 2018). Further drilling is planned to continue this year.

Preliminary analytical results have been reported for 8 of 10 batches of the sonic core samples submitted to the laboratory (748 x 2m samples). HM content (in-ground) is high and ranges from 3.1% to 47.3% and averages 13.3%. Laboratory work will continue on the remaining samples and the HM concentrate from all the samples will be further analysed for their magnetite content.

The objective of this drill program is to sample parts of the magnetite bearing sand deposit not drilled in previous programs and based on the data collected will be used to update the initial JORC 2012 resource estimates initially published in an ASX release dated 10 October 2014. The program is being conducted in advance of a definitive feasibility study (DFS) planned to commence this year.

The renewal of SPL1495 for a 3-year period was granted by the Mineral Resources Department on 13 July 2015.

## Ono Island Project

Preparations are advanced to undertake an exploration diamond drilling program on two prospects (Naqara East and Naqara West). Pre-mobilisation construction of accommodation, messing and drill core management infrastructure was completed during the half-year, and logistics such as shipping services for delivery of drilling and support equipment and fuel and other supplies were identified (see ASX release dated 31 October 2017).

As previously announced by Dome, the targeting of drill holes on Ono is based on the combined results of ionic leach soil sampling, geological and alteration mapping and an Induced Polarisation geophysical survey. Diamond drilling will produce HQ size core samples that will be analysed for gold, silver and other metals. The program is planned to continue for a minimum of five holes with selection of the later hole locations selected based on the results from the first drilling phase.

The renewal of SPL1451 for a 3-year period was granted by the Mineral Resources Department from 13 February 2017.

## Nadrau Project

Quotes were obtained to undertake three dimensional Induced Polarisation and magnetometer surveys over the Namoli and Wainivau Prospects. The objective of this work is to provide subsurface data on the intrusive systems whose interpretation will assist with targeting of exploration diamond drill holes.

The renewal of SPL1452 for a 2-year period was granted by the Mineral Resources Department from 13 February 2017.

#### NO MATERIAL CHANGES STATEMENT

Dome Gold Mines Ltd confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that would materially affect the information included in the market announcements and that all material assumptions and technical parameters in the market announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcements.

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#### **COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENT**

The information in this Half-Yearly Report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by John V McCarthy, who is the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr McCarthy is a geologist who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activities which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr McCarthy, through his family Superfund, holds shares in the Company. He consents to the inclusion in this Annual Report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

## **SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

- On 3 January 2018 the Company completed a placement of 3,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$600,000 and granted 3,300,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 3 January 2020.
- On 22 January 2018 the Company completed a placement of 4,377,489 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$875,498 and granted 4,465,566 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 22 January 2020.
- On 20 February 2018 the Company completed a placement of 561,990 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$112,398 and granted 162,398 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 20 February 2020.
- Preparations of an exploration diamond drilling program are advanced with pre-mobilisation of the
  advance team taking place in mid-February 2018 and the drilling equipment and team to Ono
  Island in early March 2018. Dome has engaged senior geologist Matthew White to manage the
  drilling program (see ASX release dated 30 January 2018).

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARTION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

The auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 4 as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 and forms part of this Directors' Report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

G. G. Lowder Chairman

Sydney, 8 March 2018



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# Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Dome Gold Mines Ltd

In accordance with the requirements of section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, as lead auditor for the audit of Dome Gold Mines Ltd for the half-year ended 31 December 2017, 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; and
- b no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd Chartered Accountants

M D Dewhurst
Partner - Audit & Assurance

Sydney, 8 March 2018

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# **Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income**

## For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

		31 December 2017	31 December 2016
	Notes	\$	\$
Other income		1,784	9,824
Employee benefits expenses (including directors fees)		(245,965)	(254,495)
Share based payments		(103,439)	-
Other expenses		(534,797)	(518,668)
Depreciation		(2,492)	(5,993)
Finance costs		(19,304)	(28,159)
Loss on foreign exchange		(629)	(87)
Loss before income tax expense		(904,842)	(797,578)
Income tax expense			
Loss for the period		(904,842)	(797,578)
Other comprehensive income for the period  Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign controlled entities		(84,938)	53,006
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(989,780)	(744,572)
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents per share)	4	(0.36)	(0.34)

The above consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

## As at 31 December 2017

	Notes	31 December 2017 \$	30 June 2017 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		1,621,937	1,182,258
Trade and other receivables		39,139	40,609
Other assets		34,658_	76,191
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,695,734	1,299,058
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment		274,151	282,739
Capitalised exploration and evaluation expenditure	5	28,884,273	28,395,904
Other assets		209,453	211,718
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		29,367,877	28,890,361
TOTAL ASSETS		31,063,611	30,189,419
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings		90,352	-
Trade and other payables		767,782	146,438
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		858,134	146,438
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings		706,910	1,217,959
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		706,910	1,217,959
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,565,044	1,364,397
NET ASSETS		29,498,567	28,825,022
EQUITY			
Issued capital	6	39,680,307	38,120,421
Share option reserve		103,439	-
Foreign currency translation reserve		89,466	174,404
Accumulated losses		(10,374,645)	(9,469,803)
TOTAL EQUITY		29,498,567	28,825,022

The above consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

	Issued Capital \$	Foreign Currency Translation Reserves \$	Share Option Reserve \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total Equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2016	34,752,434	237,095	-	(7,872,911)	27,116,618
Transaction with owners					
Ordinary shares issued	1,875,202	-	-	-	1,875,202
Transaction costs on issue of shares	(199,858)	-		-	(199,858)
Total transactions with owners	1,675,344	-	-	-	1,675,344
Other comprehensive income	-	53,006	-	-	53,006
Loss for the period		-	-	(797,578)	(797,578)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		53,006	-	(797,578)	(744,572)
Balance at 31 December 2016	36,427,778	290,101		(8,670,489)	28,047,390
Balance at 1 July 2017	38,120,421	174,404	-	(9,469,803)	28,825,022
Transaction with owners					
Ordinary shares issued	1,832,660	-	-	-	1,832,660
Transaction costs on issue of shares	(272,774)	-	-	-	(272,774)
Share based payments		-	103,439	-	103,439
Total transactions with owners	1,559,886	-	103,439	-	1,663,325
Other comprehensive income	-	(84,938)	-	-	(84,938)
Loss for the period		-		(904,842)	(904,842)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(84,938)		(904,842)	(989,780)
Balance at 31 December 2017	39,680,307	89,466	103,439	(10,374,645)	29,498,567

The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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# **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**For the half-year ended 31 December 2017

	31 December 2017 \$	31 December 2016 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	1,784	9,824
Cash received from other income	-	37,111
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(722,397)	(780,137)
Other tax received/(paid)	4,572	(541)
Net cash used in operating activities	(716,041)	(733,743)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Cash paid on deposit	-	(21,036)
Exploration cost payments capitalised	(469,646)	(397,687)
Purchase of property, plant & equipment	(41,674)	(2,483)
Net cash used in investing activities	(511,320)	(421,206)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from issue of share capital	1,832,660	1,875,202
Funds received for unissued shares	600,000	-
Repayment of borrowings	(440,000)	(6,240)
Cash paid on share issue costs	(324,372)	(199,858)
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,668,288	1,669,104
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	440,927	514,155
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial period	1,182,258	319,028
Exchange differences on cash and cash equivalents	(1,248)	350
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	1,621,937	833,533

The above consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Group are for the six months ended 31 December 2017 and are presented in Australian dollar (\$), which is the functional currency of the parent company. These general purpose interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting. They do not include all of the information required in annual financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 30 June 2017 and any public announcements made by the Group during the half-year in accordance with continuous disclosure requirements arising under the Australian Stock Exchange Listing Rules and the Corporations Act 2001.

The interim financial statements have been approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 8 March 2018.

## Going concern

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business.

For the 6 months to 31 December 2017, the Group has incurred a trading loss of \$904,842 (2016: \$797,578), used \$1,185,687 (2016: \$1,131,430) of net cash in operations including payments for exploration for the half year ended 31 December 2017, and had a cash balance of \$1,621,937 as at 31 December 2017. These conditions give rise to a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. The ongoing operation of the Group is dependent upon:

- the Group raising additional funding from shareholders or other parties; and/or
- the Group reducing expenditure in-line with available funding.

The Directors have prepared cash flow projections that support the ability of the Group to continue as a going concern. These cash flow projections assume the Group obtains sufficient additional funding from shareholders or other parties. If such funding is not achieved, the Group plans to reduce expenditures significantly.

In the event that the Group does not obtain additional funding and/or reduce expenditure in-line with available funding, it may not be able to continue its operations as a going concern and therefore may not be able to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities in the ordinary course of operations and at the amounts stated in the financial report.

## 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in the Group's last annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2017, except for the share-based employee remuneration policy stated below which was not applicable in the Group's last annual financial statements.

The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the Group for the purposes of preparation of these interim financial statements.

## 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## 2.1 Share-based employee remuneration

The Group operates equity-settled share-based remuneration plans for its employees. None of the Group's plans feature any options for a cash settlement.

All goods and services received in exchange for the grant of any share-based payment are measured at their fair values. Where employees are rewarded using share-based payments, the fair values of employees' services are determined indirectly by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments granted. This fair value is appraised at the grant date and excludes the impact of non-market vesting conditions (for example profitability and sales growth targets and performance conditions).

All share-based remuneration is ultimately recognised as an expense in profit or loss with a corresponding credit to share option reserve. If vesting periods or other vesting conditions apply, the expense is allocated over the vesting period, based on the best available estimate of the number of share options expected to vest.

Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. Estimates are subsequently revised if there is any indication that the number of share options expected to vest differs from previous estimates. Any cumulative adjustment prior to vesting is recognised in the current period. No adjustment is made to any expense recognised in prior periods if share options ultimately exercised are different to that estimated on vesting.

Upon exercise of share options, the proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are allocated to share capital.

#### 3 SEGMENT REPORTING

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's management and internal reporting structure.

Transactions with business segments are determined on an arm's length basis.

Segment results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Unallocated items comprise mainly income earning assets and revenue, interest bearing loans, borrowings and expenses, and corporate assets and expenses.

## **Business segments**

For the half-year year ended 31 December 2017 the Group principally operated in Fiji in the mineral exploration sector.

During the period to 31 December 2017 management has re-assessed how financial information is presented to the chief operating decision makers. This re-assessment is reflective of the progress being made in exploration activity and the need to distinguish between the Group's ironsand and gold projects. The Group now has two reportable segments, as described below. Comparative financial information has been restated to reflect this change.

## 3 SEGMENT REPORTING (CONTINUED)

Operating Segment	Ironsand Project	Gold Projects	Unallocated	Consolidated Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
6 months to 31 December 2017				
Segment revenue Finance income		-	1,784	1,784
Total revenue		-	1,784	1,784
Depreciation Share based payments	<u> </u>	-	(2,492) (103,439)	(2,492) (103,439)
Segment loss	(7,876)	(7,070)	(889,896)	(904,842)
Segment assets	27,672,647	1,622,539	1,768,425	31,063,611
Segment liabilities	2,333,418	1,434,475	(2,202,849)	1,565,044
6 months to 31 December 2016				
Segment revenue Finance income	_	-	9,824	9,824
Total revenue			9,824	9,824
Depreciation		-	(5,993)	(5,993)
Segment loss	(8,680)	(7,156)	(781,742)	(797,578)
Segment assets	27,201,164	1,434,467	976,427	29,612,058
Segment liabilities	2,078,317	1,383,247	(1,896,896)	1,564,668

Reconciliation of reportable segment profit & loss, assets and liabilities

	6 months to 31 December 2017 \$	6 months to 31 December 2016 \$
Loss before tax		
Loss before tax for reportable segment	(14,946)	(15,836)
Other loss before tax unallocated	(889,896)	(781,742)
Consolidated loss before tax	(904,842)	(797,578)
Assets		
Total assets for reportable segments	29,295,186	28,635,631
Intercompany eliminations	(4,049,990)	(3,780,566)
Other assets unallocated	5,818,415	4,756,993
Consolidated assets	31,063,611	29,612,058
Liabilities		
Total liabilities for reportable segments	3,767,893	3,461,564
Intercompany eliminations	(4,049,990)	(3,780,566)
Other liabilities unallocated	1,847,141	1,883,670
Consolidated liabilities	1,565,044	1,564,668

#### 4 LOSS PER SHARE

Basic and diluted loss per share have been calculated using:	6 months to 31 December 2017	6 months to 31 December 2016	
Loss for the period attributable to equity holders of the Company	(904,842)	(797,578)	
	No of Shares		
Weighted average number of shares at the end of the period used in basic and diluted loss per share	248,240,783	235,452,586	
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents per share)	(0.36)	(0.34)	

As the Group is loss making, none of the potentially dilutive securities are currently dilutive.

## 5 CAPITALISED EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION EXPENDITURE

	6 months to 31 December 2017 \$	Year to 30 June 2017 \$
Opening balance Exploration expenditure capitalised during the	28,395,904	27,689,854
period	488,369	706,050
Closing balance	28,884,273	28,395,904

The ultimate recoupment of these costs is dependent on the successful development and exploitation, or alternatively sale, of the respective areas of interest.

## **6 ISSUED CAPITAL**

The Group issued 9,163,302 shares during the six months to 31 December 2017 for cash. Each share has the same right to receive dividends and the repayment of capital and represents one vote at the shareholders' meeting of Dome Gold Mines Ltd. Shares issued and authorised are summarised as follows:

Shares	6 months to 31 Dec 2017 Shares	Year to 30 Jun 2017 Shares	6 months to 31 Dec 2017 \$	Year to 30 Jun 2017 \$
Balance at the beginning of the reporting period	246,827,429	228,274,086	38,120,421	34,752,434
Shares issued during the period	9,163,302	18,553,343	1,832,660	3,771,204
Shares issue costs		-	(272,774)	(403,217)
Balance at reporting date	255,990,731	246,827,429	39,680,307	38,120,421

#### 7 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

- On 3 January 2018 the Company completed a placement of 3,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.20 per share to raise \$600,000 and granted 3,300,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.20 expiring on 3 January 2020.
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No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

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## **Directors' Declaration**

In the opinion of the directors of Dome Gold Mines Ltd:

- 1. the consolidated financial statements and notes of Dome Gold Mines Ltd are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including
- i. giving a true and fair view of its financial position as at 31 December 2017 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting; and
- 2. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

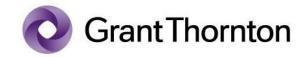
Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

On behalf of the Board

**G. G. Lowder** Chairman

Dated this 8 March 2018

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# Independent Auditor's Review Report to the Members of Dome Gold Mines Ltd

## **Report on the Half-Year Financial Report**

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Dome Gold Mines Ltd (the Company) and it's controlled entities (the Group) which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year then ended, a description of accounting policies, other selected explanatory notes, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the half-year financial report of International Base Metals Limited does not give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2017, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial reporting.

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

We draw attention to Note 1 in the financial statements, which indicates that the Group incurred a net loss of \$904,842 during the half-year ended 31 December 2017, and had net cash outflows from operating activities of \$1,185,687 and had a cash balance of \$1,621,937. As stated in Note 1, these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 1, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter.

## Directors' Responsibility for the Half-Year Financial Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year 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 half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2017 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001. As the auditor of International Base Metals Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

#### Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd

**Chartered Accountants** 

M D Dewhurst

Partner - Audit & Assurance

Sydney, 8 March 2018