## **Rubicon Water Limited**

ACN 651 852 470

# Appendix 4D and Half Year Financial Report

For the half year ended 31 December 2024

#### **APPENDIX 4D**

Under ASX Listing Rule 4.2A.3.

#### PRELIMINARY FINAL REPORT

Current reporting period ('HY25')

1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024

Previous corresponding period ('HY24')

1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023

This information should be read in conjunction with the Rubicon Water Limited 30 June 2024 Annual Report.

#### **RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET**

	Half-year to 31 Dec 2024 \$'000			Half-year to 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	\$32,018	down 3.9%	from	\$33,327
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (Underlying EBITDA¹)	(\$1,694)	down 154.7%	from	(\$665)
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	\$103	up 104.0%	from	(\$2,529)
Loss after tax for the half year	(\$1,438)	up 74.4%	from	(\$5,615)
Loss after tax attributable to members of Rubicon Water Limited	(\$1,362)	up 75.0%	from	(\$5,457)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Underlying EBITDA is before unrealised foreign exchange gains/losses.

Total Revenue was down 3.9% across all operating segments. The Rest of World segment increased its revenue by 39.8% to \$20.5m. The ANZ segment also recorded an increase in revenue of 13.6% to \$11.1m whilst the Asian segment materially decreased by 95.7% to \$0.4m when compared to HY24.

Underlying EBITDA was down by \$1m to a loss of \$1.7m which is a result of revenue having decreased compared to prior reporting period.

Loss after tax for the period improved by 74.4% to a loss of \$1.4m. Decline in revenue was offset by income tax benefit recognized in HY25 as well as higher unrealised foreign exchange gains driven by depreciation of Australian dollar during the period.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

NAME	CENTS PER SECURITY	FRANKED AMOUNT PER SECURITY
Current period		
None	-	-
Total dividend	-	-
Previous corresponding period		
None	-	-

#### **NET TANGIBLE ASSETS PER SHARE**

	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
Net tangible assets per ordinary security (\$)¹	0.27	0.32

1 Net tangible assets are calculated by deducting intangible assets from the net assets of the Group. Net assets include right-of-use assets and corresponding lease liabilities recognised under AASB 16.

#### **APPENDIX 4D (CONTINUED)**

#### **DETAILS OF EQUITY ACCOUNTED INVESTMENTS**

NAME	ТҮРЕ	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
Medha Rubicon Water Technologies Pvt Ltd	Joint Venture	50%	50%

#### INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Additional Appendix 4D disclosure requirements can be found in the accompanying Half Year Financial Report.

This report is based on the interim consolidated financial statements which have been reviewed by BDO.



## **Rubicon Water Limited**

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**Half-year Financial Report** 

For the half-year ended 31 December 2024



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## **Directors' Report**

The Directors present their report, together with the condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Rubicon Water Limited (the Company) and its controlled entities (collectively 'Rubicon' or 'the Group'), for the six months ended 31 December 2024 and the auditor's review report thereon.

In order to comply with the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the Directors Report is as follows.

#### **Directors**

The names and particulars of the Directors of the Group at any time during or since the end of the interim period are:

Director / Particulars	
Gordon Dickinson	Full period
Chairman and Non-executive Director	
Bruce Rodgerson	Full period
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	
David Aughton	Full period
Executive Director	
Tony Morganti	Full period
Independent Director	
Lynda O'Grady	Full period
Independent Director	ruii periou
Iven Mareels	Full paried
Independent Director	Full period

### **Principal Activity**

The principal activity of the Group during the year was a provider of specialist operational technology to the water and broader utility market.

Rubicon is a water technology solutions business that designs, manufactures, installs and maintains irrigation automation software and hardware. Rubicon aims to address the issue of global water scarcity by maximising water availability and agricultural productivity through improved irrigation water use efficiency.

### **Review of Operations**

Financial information in the review of operations is based on the reviewed condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 31 December 2024.

Rubicon Water Limited reported a net loss after tax, including non-controlling interests, of \$1,438,261 for the six months ended 31 December 2024 (\$5,615,541 net loss after tax for the six months ended 31 December 2023).

First half revenue was \$32,017,612 (31 December 2023: \$33,326,565). At a segment level, compared to the half-year ended 31 December 2023, revenue increased in ANZ and Rest of World segments. The largest increase in revenue was reported in the Rest of World segment where revenue was \$20,540,348, up 40%, driven by new projects in USA, LATAM and Europe. Revenue increased in the ANZ segment by 14% primarily driven by spare part sales. The Asia segment reported a material decline of revenue which can be attributed to delays in project delivery in both the India and China markets. Rubicon expects a



turnaround in the Asia segment in the second half of the year with more activity in the the India market in particular.

The Group reported Underlying EBITDA loss of \$1,694,000 (half-year to 31 December 2023: loss of \$666,454). Net cash inflow from operations was \$2,191,129 (half-year to 31 December 2023: net cash outflow from operations of \$8,471,101).

Key performance measures are provided in the following table:

	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	\$'000	\$'000
REVENUE	32,018	33,327
UNDERLYING EBITDA (LOSS)	(1,694)	(665)
UNREALISED FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAINS / (LOSSES)	1,797	(1,864)
EBITDA (LOSS) <sup>2</sup>	103	(2,529)
EBIT (LOSS) <sup>1</sup>	(1,217)	(3,739)
LOSS AFTER TAX	(1,438)	(5,615)
NET OPERATING CASH INFLOW/ (OUTFLOW)	2,191	(8,471)
	31 DEC 2024	30 JUN 2024
	\$'000	\$'000
NET ASSETS	69,467	54,855
NET DEBT	14,898	31,287

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EBIT is earnings before finance costs and income tax expense.

Note — EBIT, Underlying EBITDA and EBITDA are non-IFRS financial measures, which have not been subject to review by the Group's external auditors. These measures are presented to assist understanding of the underlying performance of the Group and are consistent with the measures reported to management for the purpose of resource allocation and managing performance of the Group.

### **Auditor's independence declaration**

The auditor's independence declaration is included on page 5 of the half-year report.

### **Rounding Off**

The Group is of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 dated 24 March 2016 and in accordance with that Instrument, amounts in the condensed consolidated financial statements and Directors' Report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Dividends**

There were no dividends paid by the Company during the half-year (2024 half-year: no dividends paid).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EBITDA is EBIT before depreciation and amortisation.



Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to s.306(3) of the *Corporations Act* 2001.

On behalf of the Directors:

**Gordon Dickinson** 

Chairman

Dated on 24 February 2025



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## DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY TONY BATSAKIS TO THE DIRECTORS OF RUBICON WATER LIMITED

As lead auditor for the review of Rubicon Water Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2024, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- 1. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- 2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Rubicon Water Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

Tony Batsakis Director

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

Melbourne, 24 February 2025



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of Rubicon Water Limited

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

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Rubicon Water Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of the Group does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- i. Giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- *ii.* Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

#### Basis for conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to the audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

Responsibility of the directors for the 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.



Auditor's responsibility for the review of the financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether 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 Group's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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.

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

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Tony Batsakis

Director

Melbourne, 24 February 2025



## **Directors' Declaration**

The Directors declare that in their opinion:

- a. the condensed consolidated interim financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 9 to 23 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - i. Giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the six-month period ended on that date; and
  - ii. Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- b. 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 made pursuant to s.303(5) of the *Corporations Act* 2001.

On behalf of the Directors:

**Gordon Dickinson** 

Chairman

Dated on 24 February 2025



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

for the six months ended 31 December 2024

	NOTE	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	31 DEC 2023 \$'000
REVENUE	2	32,018	33,327
COST OF SALES		(18,506)	(18,993)
GROSS PROFIT		13,512	14,334
OTHER INCOME	2	4	44
OTHER GAINS AND (LOSSES)	2	1,822	(1,864)
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION EXPENSE		(1,320)	(1,210)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE		(10,032)	(9,334)
PROFESSIONAL FEES		(1,152)	(1,311)
TRAVEL COSTS		(562)	(575)
OCCUPANCY EXPENSES		(193)	(169)
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		(3,076)	(3,462)
NET FINANCE COSTS		(1,209)	(1,211)
SHARE OF LOSS OF A JOINT VENTURE		(220)	(192)
NET LOSS BEFORE TAX FOR THE HALF-YEAR		(2,426)	(4,950)
INCOME TAX BENEFIT / (EXPENSE)	4	988	(665)
NET LOSS AFTER TAX FOR THE HALF-YEAR		(1,438)	(5,615)
LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
OWNERS OF RUBICON WATER LIMITED		(1,362)	(5,457)
NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST		(76)	(158)
		(1,438)	(5,615)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE RESULT			
ITEMS THAT MAY BE RECLASSIFIED SUBSEQUENTLY TO PROFIT OR LO	ss:		
EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES ON TRANSLATION OF OVERSEAS SUBSIDIARIE	S	(54)	(249)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE RESULT FOR THE HALF-YEAR, NET OF TAX		(54)	(249)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE RESULT FOR THE HALF-YEAR		(1,492)	(5,864)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE RESULT ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
OWNERS OF THE COMPANY		(1,476)	(5,693)
NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST		(16)	(171)
		(1,492)	(5,864)

		31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
LOSS PER SHARE		CENTS	CENTS
BASIC (CENTS PER SHARE)	5	(0.63)	(3.18)
DILUTED (CENTS PER SHARE)	5	(0.63)	(3.18)

The condensed notes on pages 13 to 23 are an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.



## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

#### as at 31 December 2024

NOT	ΓE	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	30 JUN 2024 \$'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		6,691	1,690
TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		26,880	29,919
CONTRACT ASSETS		24,866	22,311
INVENTORIES		19,334	17,838
CURRENT TAX ASSETS		43	39
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		2,122	1,653
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		79,936	73,450
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
INVESTMENTS – ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD		1,745	1,902
CONTRACT ASSETS		7,581	9,949
INTANGIBLES 6		5,419	5,114
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		5,862	5,994
RIGHT OF USE ASSETS		3,135	3,552
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS		7,557	6,387
OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS		50	50
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		31,349	32,948
TOTAL ASSETS		111,285	106,398
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		9,204	7,485
DEFERRED INCOME		2,568	2,025
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES 7		19,447	30,831
LEASE LIABILITIES 7		710	822
PROVISIONS		4,579	4,538
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		36,508	45,701
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES 7		2,142	2,467
LEASE LIABILITIES 7		2,796	3,007
PROVISIONS		372	368
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		5,310	5,842
TOTAL LIABILITIES		41,818	51,543
NET ASSETS		69,467	54,855
EQUITY			
ISSUED CAPITAL 8		184,026	168,194
RESERVES 10		(128,756)	(128,914)
RETAINED EARNINGS		14,492	15,854
TOTAL EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF RUBICON WATER LIMITED		69,762	55,134
NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST		(295)	(279)
TOTAL EQUITY		69,467	54,855

The condensed notes on pages 13 to 23 are an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.



# **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**

for the six months ended 31 December 2024

	SHARE CAPITAL \$'000	RETAINED EARNINGS \$'000	FCTR \$'000	SHARE- BASED PAYMENT RESERVE \$'000	RE-ORG RESERVE \$'000	SUB- TOTAL \$'000	NCI \$'000	TOTAL EQUITY \$'000
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2023	168,194	26,564	(204)	811	(129,615)	65,750	53	65,803
COMPREHENSIVE RESULT								
PROFIT/(LOSS)	-	(5,457)	-	-	-	(5,457)	(158)	(5,615)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX	-	-	(236)	-	-	(236)	(13)	(249)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS	-	(5,457)	(236)	0	0	(5,693)	(171)	(5,864)
TRANSACTIONS WITH OWNERS OF RUBICON WATER LIMITED CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS:								
SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS	-	-	-	124	-	124	-	124
DIVIDENDS PAID	-	-	-	-	-	-	(69)	(69)
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS	-	-	-	124	-	124	(69)	55
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2023	168,194	21,107	(440)	935	(129,615)	60,181	(187)	59,994
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2024	168,194	15,854	(258)	959	(129,615)	55,134	(279)	54,855
COMPREHENSIVE RESULT								
PROFIT/(LOSS)	-	(1,362)	-	-	-	(1,362)	(76)	(1,438)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME, NET OF TAX	-	-	(114)	-	-	(114)	60	(54)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS	-	(1,362)	(114)	-	-	(1,476)	(16)	(1,492)
TRANSACTIONS WITH OWNERS OF RUBICON WATER LIMITED CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS:								
ISSUE OF SHARES	15,832	-	-	-	-	15,832	-	15,832
SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS	-	-	-	272	-	272	-	272
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS	15,832	-	-	272	-	16,104	-	16,104
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2024	184,026	14,492	(372)	1,231	(129,615)	69,762	(295)	69,467

The condensed notes on pages 13 to 23 are an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.



## **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

#### for the six months ended 31 December 2024

NOTE	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	31 DEC 2023 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
RECEIPTS FROM CUSTOMERS	36,493	23,534
PAYMENTS TO SUPPLIERS AND EMPLOYEES	(32,924)	(31,161)
NET FINANCE COSTS	(1,350)	(773)
INCOME TAX PAID	(28)	(71)
NET CASH FROM/ (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2,191	(8,471)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS	40	-
PURCHASE OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS	(372)	(167)
DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE	(535)	(739)
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(867)	(906)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
PROCEEDS FROM ISSUE OF SHARES	17,027	-
SHARE ISSUE TRANSACTION COSTS	(1,195)	-
DIVIDEND PAID	-	(69)
PROCEEDS FROM BORROWINGS	2,142	2,450
REPAYMENT OF BORROWINGS	(12,924)	(62)
REPAYMENT OF LEASE LIABILITIES	(323)	(576)
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	4,727	1,743
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	6,051	(7,634)
CASH (NET OF BANK OVERDRAFTS) AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	265	8,495
EFFECTS OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES	(123)	(329)
CASH (NET OF BANK OVERDRAFTS) AT END OF SIX MONTHS	6,193	532

The condensed notes on pages 13 to 23 are an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

#### **Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash at the end of the financial period as shown in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to items in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	NOTE	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	31 DEC 2023 \$'000
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		6,691	1,006
BANK OVERDRAFTS (DISCLOSED IN CURRENT 'FINANCIAL LIABILITIES')	7	(498)	(474)
		6,193	532



## Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

for the six months ended 31 December 2024

#### Note 1 – Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Reporting Entity**

Rubicon Water Limited is incorporated and domiciled in Australia and listed on the Australian Securities Exchange ('ASX'). The Company's registered office is at 1 Cato Street, Hawthorn East, Victoria, 3123. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements comprise Rubicon Water Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively 'the Group' and individually 'Group companies'). The Group is a for-profit entity and is involved in the delivery of a diverse range of engineering services and products.

#### **Statement of Compliance**

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting. The half-year report does not include notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements as at 30 June 2024.

The half-year financial report was authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 24 February 2025.

#### **Functional and Presentation Currency**

These condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss. Cost is based on fair values of the consideration given in exchange for an asset. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the preparation of the half-year financial report are consistent with those adopted and disclosed in the financial statements of Rubicon Water Limited and its controlled entities for the year ended 30 June 2024. The accounting policies are consistent with Australian Accounting Standards and with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### **Rounding Off of Amounts**

The amounts contained in these condensed consolidated financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (unless specifically stated to be otherwise) under the option available to the Company under ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191. The Company is an entity to which this legislative instrument applies.



#### **Use of Judgements and Estimates**

In preparing these interim financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those applied to the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### **Going Concern**

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, which contemplates the continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business.

The Group incurred a net loss after tax of \$1,438,261 (half-year to 31 December 2023: net loss after tax of \$5,615,541) and net operating cash inflow of \$2,191,129 (half-year to 31 December 2023: net operating cash outflow of \$8,471,101) for the half-year ended 31 December 2024.

As at 31 December 2024 the Group's reported net assets were \$69,467,219 (30 June 2024: \$54,855,242) and net current assets were \$43,428,652 (30 June 2024: \$27,749,668). At the reporting date, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of \$6,690,533 (30 June 2024: \$1,690,116). In addition to the cash and cash equivalents, the Group had funding available through undrawn debt limits of \$16,477,349 (30 June 2024: \$5,051,661).

The Directors believe there are reasonable grounds to support that the Group will continue as a going concern based on the Group's operational and cash flow forecasts. These forecasts reflect the anticipated timing of completion and receipt of cash flows from projects, which can be impacted by factors outside of the Group's control. In particular, the Group's cash flow forecasts include substantial progress anticipated in the Asia segment including the achievement of project billing milestones, and the recovery of the aged receivable balances disclosed in Note 12 Liquidity Risk. The directors are confident that the Group will be able to achieve these cash flow forecasts.

#### **Comparative Figures**

As required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current half-year.

#### New and Revised Accounting Standards that are effective for the current year

The AASB has issued a number of standards and amendments to standards that are mandatory for the first time in the reporting period commenced 1 July 2024. The following new or amended standards did not have a significant impact on the Group's condensed consolidated interim financial statements:

- AASB 2022-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Non-current Liabilities with Covenants
- AASB 2022-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
- AASB 2023-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Supplier Finance Arrangements



#### New and Revised Accounting Standards that are not yet adopted

The AASB has issued a number of new or amended accounting standards and interpretations that are not mandatory for the first time in the reporting period commenced 1 July 2024. The Group has assessed and determined that the following new or amended standards that are not yet effective are not expected to have a material impact on the Group in the current or future reporting period:

Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025

- AASB 2014-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture
- AASB 2023-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Lack of Exchangeability

Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026

 AASB 2024-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments

Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027

AASB 18 – Presentation and Disclosure in the Financial Statements



#### Note 2 - Revenue

	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	31 DEC 2023 \$'000
SALES REVENUE		
SALES OF GOODS AND ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACTS	32,018	33,327
OTHER INCOME		-
OTHER	4	44
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	4	44
OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES		
UNREALISED FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAINS/ (LOSSES)	1,797	(1,864)
GAINS ON DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	25	-
TOTAL OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES	1,822	(1,864)

#### **Revenue Recognition from Contracts with Customers**

The Group derives its revenue from the transfer of goods and services over time and at a point in time in the following major revenue streams.

	REVENUE	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	RECOGNITION	\$'000	\$'000
HARDWARE	Over time	22,194	24,820
SOFTWARE	Point in time	449	253
SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT	Over time	3,457	3,300
OTHER COMPONENTS AND SUPPORT	Point in time	5,918	4,954
TOTAL SALES REVENUE		32,018	33,327

The length of contract duration varies depending on the scale and complexity of each project.

### Note 3 – Operating Segments

The Group has identified its operating segments based on the internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Chief Operating Decision Maker in assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources.

The Chief Operation Decision Maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Chief Executive Officer.

The Chief Operating Decision Maker determined that its operating segments comprise the geographic regions of:

- ANZ which includes Australia and New Zealand;
- Asia which includes China and India;
- ROW (Rest of World) which includes USA, Latin America, Europe and any other geographies not
  included in ANZ or Asia.

These geographic segments are based on the Group's management reports and the way management views the business.

The principal activities of each segment are to provide specialist operational technology to the water and broader utility markets.



#### **Basis of Reporting**

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies described in Note 1. Segment Underlying EBITDA represents the earnings before depreciation, amortisation, interest, taxes, unrealised foreign exchange gains/losses and certain other significant items incurred by each segment. Underlying EBITDA presented below is consistent with the measure reported to the Chief Executive Officer for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

Information related to Segment assets and liabilities is not provided to the Chief Executive Officer and accordingly has not been disclosed.

#### Revenues from major products and services

The Group's revenue from its major products and services are disclosed in Note 2.

#### Geographic segment revenue and results

#### 31 December 2024

	ANZ	ASIA	ROW	TOTAL
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
REVENUE	11,094	384	20,540	32,018
UNDERLYING EBITDA	841	(2,229)	(306)	(1,694)
UNREALISED FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN				1,797
EBITDA				103
RECONCILIATION OF SEGMENT EBITDA TO GROUP NET				_
PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX:				
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION				(1,320)
NET FINANCE COSTS				(1,209)
NET LOSS BEFORE TAX				(2,426)

#### **31 December 2023**

	ANZ	ASIA	ROW	TOTAL
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
REVENUE	9,766	8,870	14,691	33,327
UNDERLYING EBITDA	671	174	(1,510)	(665)
UNREALISED FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSS				(1,864)
EBITDA (LOSS)				(2,529)
RECONCILIATION OF SEGMENT EBITDA TO GROUP NET				
PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX:				
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION				(1,210)
NET FINANCE COSTS				(1,211)
NET LOSS BEFORE TAX				(4,950)



#### Note 4 – Income Tax Expense

Income tax expense is recognised based on management's best estimate of the weighted average annual income tax rate expected for the full financial year applied to the pre-tax income of the interim reporting period.

The Group's consolidated effective tax rate for the six months ended 31 December 2024 was 41% (for the six months ended 31 December 2023: -13.5%).

	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	\$'000	\$'000
(A) THE COMPONENTS OF TAX EXPENSE COMPRISE:		
CURRENT INCOME TAX EXPENSE / (BENEFIT)	181	207
DEFERRED INCOME TAX EXPENSE / (BENEFIT)	(1,169)	458
INCOME TAX EXPENSE / (BENEFIT) REPORTED IN THE STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OCI	(988)	665
(B) A RECONCILIATION BETWEEN TAX EXPENSE / (BENEFIT) AND THE PRODUCT OF ACCOUNTING PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX MULTIPLIED BY THE GROUP'S APPLICABLE INCOME TAX RATE IS AS FOLLOWS:		
ACCOUNTING PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX	(2,426)	(4,950)
AT THE COMPANY'S STATUTORY DOMESTIC INCOME TAX RATE OF 30% (2022:	(728)	(1,485)
30%)	(720)	(1) 103)
ADD / (LESS) TAX EFFECT OF:		
- RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE	-	(64)
- FOREIGN TAX RATE ADJUSTMENT	28	413
- NON-ALLOWABLE ITEMS	110	66
- UTLISATION OF LOSSES NOT PREVIOUSLY RECOGNISED	(755)	-
- CURRENT PERIOD TAX LOSSES NOT RECOGNISED	487	1,053
- SHARE OF JOINT VENTURE PROFIT / (LOSS) AFTER TAX	55	39
- ADJUSTMENTS FOR PRIOR YEARS	-	206
<ul> <li>RECOGNITION OF PREVIOUSLY UNRECOGNISED DEDUCTIBLE TEMPORARY DIFFERENCES</li> </ul>	-	71
- OTHER	(185)	366
INCOME TAX EXPENSE / (BENEFIT)	(988)	665

#### Note 5 – Loss Per Share

	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
LOSS PER SHARE	CENTS	CENTS
BASIC (CENTS PER SHARE)	(0.63)	(3.18)
DILUTED (CENTS PER SHARE)	(0.63)	(3.18)

#### (a) Reconciliation of earnings used in calculating earnings per share

	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	\$'000	\$'000
PROFIT / (LOSS) USED IN THE CALCULATION OF BASIC AND DILUTED LOSS PER SHARE	(1,362)	(5,457)



#### (b) Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator

	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	Number	Number
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF ORDINARY SHARES USED IN CALCULATING BASIC	215.998.285	171,580,655
LOSS PER SHARE		171,000,000
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF DILUTIVE OPTIONS	-	-
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF ORDINARY SHARES USED IN CALCULATING	215,998,285	171,580,655
DILUTED LOSS PER SHARE	213,330,203	171,500,055

Details of movements in ordinary shares during the half-year reporting period are set out in Note 8.

#### Note 6 – Intangibles

All intangible assets recognised by the Group relate to product development, comprising software and hardware concepts. The carrying amounts of both Hardware and Software at reporting date are shown below:

	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	30 JUN 2024 \$'000
HARDWARE CONCEPTS	1,575	1,436
SOFTWARE CONCEPTS	3,844	3,678
	5.419	5.114



#### Note 7 - Financial Liabilities

	31 DEC 2024 \$'000	30 JUN 2024 \$'000
CURRENT	·	·
SECURED LIABILITIES:		
BANK OVERDRAFTS	498	1,425
DIRECTORS' LOANS	-	2,500
BANK LOANS	18,760	26,760
CHATTEL MORTGAGE LIABILITY	189	146
	19,447	30,831
LEASE LIABILITIES	710	822
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	20,157	31,653
NON-CURRENT		
SECURED LIABILITIES:		
BANK LOANS	1,880	2,240
CHATTEL MORTGAGE LIABILITY	262	227
	2,142	2,467
LEASE LIABILITIES	2,796	3,007
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	4,938	5,474
TOTAL FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	25,095	37,127

On 16 August 2023, the Group extended its financing facility with HSBC. The Term Facility expires on 16 August 2026. All other facilities are perpetual and evergreen in nature, are at HSBC's discretion and subject to Rubicon satisfying the financial covenants in place.

The facility is subject to two financial covenants:

- Minimum Shareholder Funds
- Borrower Base Assets / Drawn Facilities (ratio)\*

At the reporting date the facility limit was \$31,640,000 (excluding the corporate credit card facility) and as of that date, it was drawn to \$21,137,569 (30 June 2024: \$30,424,798). The Group held cash balances of \$6,690,533 (30 June 2024: \$1,690,116). The Term Facility balance of \$2,240,000 was fully drawn at the reporting date of which \$1,880,000 was classified as a non-current liability. All other drawn facility balances remain classified as current liabilities.

Facility	Facility limit \$m	Termination date	Purpose
Multiple Advance Facility*	26.4	Perpetual	General corporate and working capital purposes
Multi Option Facility*	3.0	Perpetual	Overdraft and bank guarantees
Corporate Credit Card Facility*	0.4	Perpetual	Corporate credit card
Term Facility	2.2	3 years from execution	General corporate purposes
Total HSBC banking facilities	32.0		

<sup>\*</sup>Borrower Base Assets include cash, inventory (net of provision) and invoiced receivables (less than 60 days overdue).

During the half-year period, the Company successfully raised \$17,026,500 in new capital (before share issue costs). Of the total capital raised, \$8,000,000 was used to reduce the existing bank debt, and \$2,500,000 was used to repay the remaining balance of the directors' working capital facility. The directors' working capital facility of \$6,000,000 expired on 21 February 2025.



#### Note 8 – Issued Capital

#### **Share Capital**

	31 DEC 2024	30 JUN 2024
	\$'000	\$'000
240,433,434 (30 JUN 2024: 171,631,767) FULLY PAID ORDINARY SHARES	184,026	168,194

#### **Movement in Ordinary Share Capital**

	31 DEC	30 JUN	31 DEC	30 JUN
	2024	2024	2024	2024
	NO.	NO.	\$	\$
AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD	171,631,767	171,478,430	168,194,187	168,194,187
ORDINARY SHARES ISSUED <sup>1</sup>	64,000,000	-	14,805,385	-
SHARES ISSUED IN RELATION TO SECURITY	4,106,000	_	1,026,500	-
PURCHASE PLAN <sup>2</sup>	1,100,000		2,020,000	
CEO SHARE GRANT <sup>3</sup>	581,667	153,337	-	-
EMPLOYEE GIFT OFFER	114,000	-	-	-
SHARES ISSUED IN RELATION TO	249,376	_	_	_
EMPLOYEE SHARE SCHEME <sup>4</sup>	243,370			
LESS: TREASURY SHARES <sup>5</sup>	(249,376)	-	-	-
AT REPORTING DATE	240,433,434	171,631,767	184,026,072	168,194,187

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> During the period, 64,000,000 shares at a price of \$0.25 per share were issued which raised \$16,000,000 (before share issue costs) via two tranches:

- Tranche 1 placement raised \$6,472,091 via issue of 25,888,364 shares. These shares were issued at \$0.25 per share on 13 August 2024.
- Tranche 2 placement raised \$9,527,909 via issue of 38,111,636 shares. These shares were issued at \$0.25 per share on 16 September 2024.

Ordinary shares are eligible to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the parent entity in proportion to the number of shares on issue.

#### Note 9 – Dividends

During the half year, the Company did not make a dividend payment (2024 half-year: no dividends paid).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> During the period, the Group raised \$1,026,500 via issue of 4,106,000 shares by way of a security purchase plan. These shares were issued at \$0.25 per share on 30 September 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> CEO Share Grants: 296,667 fully paid ordinary shares vested on 30 August 2024 and 285,000 fully paid ordinary shares vested on 1 October 2024 in connection with the CEO Share Grant scheme. The value of those shares is reflected in the Share-based payment reserve.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Shares issued during the period to Rubicon Water Limited Employee Share Trust (the Trust) in connection with the Group's employee equity incentive plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Shares held by the Trust and not yet issued to employees at the end of the reporting period.



#### Note 10 - Reserves

	31 DEC 2024	30 JUN 2024
	\$'000	\$'000
SHARE-BASED PAYMENT RESERVE*	1,231	959
FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION RESERVE	(372)	(258)
RE-ORGANISATION RESERVE	(129,615)	(129,615)
TOTAL RESERVES	(128,756)	(128,914)

<sup>\*</sup>This reserve is used to recognise share-based payments made in accordance with AASB 2 'Share-Based Payments' to employees under the CEO Share Grant and the Performance Rights granted to the executive team

#### **CEO Share Grant**

The total expense for share-based payment relating to the CEO Share Grant recognised through Profit and Loss for the half-year ending 31 December 2024 was \$228,870 (Half-year to 31 December 2023: \$23,284). The expense was calculated taking into account the probability of vesting conditions being met. 296,667 fully paid ordinary shares vested on 30 August 2024 and 285,000 fully paid ordinary shares vested on 1 October 2024 in connection with the CEO Share Grant scheme and is reflected in the Reserves balance.

#### **Performance Rights**

The total expense for share-based payment relating to the Performance Rights recognised through Profit and Loss for the half-year ending 31 December 2024 was \$43,329 (half-year to 31 December 2023: \$100,907). The share-based payment expense relating to Performance Rights is recognised to the extent that it is deemed probable that the vesting conditions will be met.

On 28 November 2024, 2,606,436 Performance Rights were issued to the executive team which entitle members of the executive team to receive ordinary shares in the Company subject to a number of vesting conditions. The Performance Rights are subject to a 3-year vesting period ending on the date of the release of the Group's FY 2027 financial results.

At the reporting date the executive team held a total of 4,413,167 Performance Rights.

#### Note 11 – Transactions and Outstanding Balances with Joint Venture

Medha Rubicon Water Technologies Pvt Ltd ("MRWTPL") is a joint venture and a related party of the Group. The Group's investment in MRWTPL is not consolidated and is accounted for using the equity method. Sales of goods to MRWTPL were made at the Group's usual list prices.

The amounts outstanding are unsecured and will be settled in cash. No guarantees have been given or received. No material allowance for expected credit losses has been recognised.

Transactions between the Group and MRWTPL are disclosed below.

#### **Trading transactions**

During the half-year, Group entities entered into the following transactions with the joint venture who is not a member of the Group:

	Sale of goods		Purchase of goods	
	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
	\$	\$	\$	\$
JOINT VENTURE	71,208	50,089	-	784,151



The following amounts relating to trading transactions were outstanding at the reporting date:

	31 DEC 2024	30 JUN 2024
	\$	\$
Amounts owed by related parties for the sale of goods	3,861,017	4,807,844
Amounts owed to related parties for the purchase of goods	-	-
TOTAL	3,861,017	4,807,844

#### Note 12 – Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting its obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Group manages this risk through the following mechanisms:

- Preparing forecast cash flow analysis in relation to its operational, investing and financing activities;
- Monitoring undrawn credit facilities;
- Obtaining funding from a variety of sources;
- · Managing credit risk related to financial assets; and
- Monitoring the maturity profile of financial liabilities.

The Group's customers comprise governments and water authorities. Contracts with these customers are often structured to be paid in instalments. There is a risk that these payments may be delayed as a result of bureaucratic processes within government agencies delaying the release of funds, funds being paid to third-party joint venture partners and their release delayed to Rubicon or disagreements with customers over the completion of contract milestones that release payment. Within the accounts receivable balance as at 31 December 2024 \$13,957,531 is aged greater than one year (30 June 2024: \$16,029,109). This aged balance includes amounts that are not yet contractually due of \$10,461,031 (2024: \$12,169,719). Management have received aged amounts in the current half year owing from joint venture parties in China of \$781,820. Management have also received aged amounts in the current half year owing from its India customer of \$3,592,461. Further collection of these aged amounts is anticipated by 30 June 2025 as these projects reach completion and receipts are received from governments and water authorities and in turn from the joint venture partners.

#### Note 13 – Events Subsequent to Reporting Date

There have been no matters or circumstances, other than those referred to in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements or notes thereto that have arisen since the end of the six months, that have affected or may affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent years.



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