

## ASX Interim report – 30 June 2013

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This information should be read in conjunction with the 31 December 2012 financial report.

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## Directors' Report

for the half-year ended 30 June 2013

The Directors of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd ('ERA') present their report together with the financial report of the company, for the half-year ended 30 June 2013.

### Directors

The Directors of the company at any time during the half-year or since the end of the financial period were:

| <b>Name</b>              | <b>Period of Directorship</b>                                       |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mr P McMahon<br>Chairman | Appointed November 2012<br>Appointed Chairman February 2013         |
| Dr D Klingner            | Appointed July 2004<br>Resigned Director and Chairman February 2013 |
| Mr R Atkinson            | Appointed Chief Executive and Director September 2008               |
| Dr H Garnett             | Appointed January 2005                                              |
| Mr P Taylor              | Appointed February 2007                                             |
| Mr J Pegler              | Appointed July 2009                                                 |
| Mrs H Newell             | Appointed November 2012                                             |

### Results for announcement to the market

A summary of consolidated revenues and results for the half-year is set out below:

|                                                                               |             |        |    | <b>June 2013<br/>\$000</b> | <b>June 2012<br/>\$000</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|----|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b> from sales of uranium oxide                                    | <b>Down</b> | 8%     | to | 136,222                    | 147,999                    |
| <b>Revenue</b> from ordinary activities                                       | <b>Down</b> | 12%    | to | 144,285                    | 163,166                    |
| Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation & Amortisation                    | <b>Up</b>   | 3,987% | to | 49,703                     | 1,216                      |
| <b>Loss</b> from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members        | <b>Up</b>   | 11%    | to | (53,546)                   | (59,868)                   |
| <b>Net loss</b> for the period attributable to members                        | <b>Up</b>   | 11%    | to | (53,546)                   | (59,868)                   |
| <b>Underlying Earnings</b> <sup>1</sup>                                       | <b>Down</b> | 4%     | to | (53,546)                   | (51,504)                   |
| <b>Earnings per share</b> (cents)                                             |             |        |    | (10.3)                     | (11.6)                     |
| <b>Note: Reconciliation of net loss for the period to underlying earnings</b> |             |        |    |                            |                            |
| Net loss for the period attributable to members                               |             |        |    | (53,546)                   | (59,868)                   |
| Finished Goods Inventory Adjustment to Net Realisable Value                   |             |        |    | -                          | 8,364                      |
| Underlying Earnings                                                           |             |        |    | (53,546)                   | (51,504)                   |

## **Directors' Report**

*for the half-year ended 30 June 2013*

These financial results have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards. All dollars in this report are Australian dollars, unless otherwise stated.

### **Review of operations**

ERA's net loss for the half-year ended 30 June 2013 was \$53.5 million compared with a net loss of \$59.9 million for the same period in 2012. Underlying earnings in the June 2012 half-year differed from the net loss for that period due to an adjustment to record finished goods inventory at its net realisable value.

Earnings before interest, taxation, depreciation and amortisation were \$49.7 million for the June 2013 half-year, compared with \$1.2 million for the June 2012 half-year period.

Revenues from sales of uranium oxide decreased to \$136.2 million from \$148.0 million in the June 2012 half-year due to a lower average realised sales price, which was partially offset by a lower A\$:US\$ exchange rate. Sales volume was marginally lower for the period at 1,147 tonnes compared with the June 2012 half-year of 1,229 tonnes. As in previous years, forecast sales in 2013 are weighted towards the second half of the year.

The average realised sales price of uranium oxide for the June 2013 half-year was US\$53.63 per pound compared with US\$57.57 per pound for the corresponding period in 2012. This change was attributable to the decrease in the long term uranium price indicator and ERA's sales contract mix. For the 2013 half-year, the average long term uranium price indicator was US\$56.75 per pound and the average spot price was US\$41.45 per pound, compared to US\$60.67 per pound and US\$51.53 per pound respectively for the same period in 2012.

As sales of uranium oxide are denominated in US dollars, the weakening of the Australian dollar had a favourable impact on revenue when compared to 2012. The average A\$:US\$ exchange rate for the first half of 2013 was US99.5 cents compared to US105.4 cents in the June 2012 half-year.

Uranium oxide produced for the period was 1,847 tonnes compared with 1,244 tonnes for the June 2012 half-year. Uranium oxide production for the June 2013 half-year benefited from milling higher grade ore which had been stockpiled prior to the completion of Pit 3 in November 2012. The majority of that higher grade ore was processed during the June 2013 half-year. Until the commencement of production from the Ranger 3 Deeps mine (which remains subject to ERA Board and regulatory approvals), the mill will be fed with lower grade stockpiled material. Accordingly, ERA expects that the mill head grade in the second half of 2013 will be similar to the mill head grade achieved in the first half of 2012.

Since completion of mining in Pit 3 during November 2012, fleet operations have been focused on the initial backfill of Pit 3. This work is presently ahead of schedule, with 11.9 million tonnes of waste material moved into the pit during the half-year. By 30 June 2013, a total of 13.9 million tonnes of waste material has been moved into Pit 3 out of a planned total of 30 million tonnes of material. The high level of fleet efficiency has enabled ERA to reduce the fleet from fifteen trucks to eight whilst maintaining the original schedule for completion of the initial backfill. This has resulted in a corresponding reduction of 55 roles.

Cash costs for the June 2013 half-year were lower than the corresponding period in 2012. Consumables, employee benefits and contractor expenses were lower largely due to allocation of the majority of the mining fleet's costs to the rehabilitation provision. The reduction in contractor expenses in the June 2013 half-year was partially offset by an increase in expenditure on the Ranger 3 Deeps Exploration Decline project; with total spend for the June 2013 half year of \$18.5 million.

In January 2013, ERA sold all remaining stock of purchased uranium oxide on hand. Total sales of purchased product for the half-year ended June 2013 amounted to 48 tonnes compared to 447 tonnes for the corresponding period of 2012. No uranium oxide was purchased during the half-year ended June 2013 compared to 387 tonnes in the corresponding period of 2012. During the period ERA repaid all remaining uranium oxide loans.

ERA's non-cash costs have continued to increase significantly in the June 2013 half-year. Depreciation, which is largely calculated on a units of production basis, has significantly increased due to the higher production of uranium oxide during the first half of 2013.

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*for the half-year ended 30 June 2013*

Capital expenditure for the June 2013 half-year was \$64.0 million compared to \$51.8 million in the corresponding period of 2012. Capital expenditure for the 2013 half-year was largely associated with the Brine Concentrator project, with expenditure of \$59.4 million in the period.

### **Exploration**

ERA is set to resume its surface exploration programme on the Ranger Project Area in early Quarter 3. The programme will focus on areas where mineralisation has previously been identified.

#### **Ranger 3 Deeps Exploration Decline**

Construction of the Ranger 3 Deeps Exploration Decline continued with the decline face reaching 1,000 metres from the surface on 26 June 2013.

Underground exploration drilling of the Ranger 3 Deeps resource began in late May 2013 with two holes drilled by 30 June 2013 totalling 1,002 metres. Analysis and interpretation of the core from these holes is underway with the results to be provided in due course.

The project presently remains on schedule and within budget. Completion of the exploration decline is anticipated in late 2014.

ERA will invest an estimated \$120 million in the Ranger 3 Deeps Exploration Decline project to conduct close spaced underground exploration drilling to further define the Ranger 3 Deeps ore body, and to explore areas adjacent to the resource.

#### **Ranger 3 Deeps Mine Prefeasibility Study**

The Ranger 3 Deeps Mine Prefeasibility Study continued, with work well underway on technical analysis of the ore body as well as commencement of the environmental approvals process. The public consultation period for the draft Environmental Impact Statement guidelines for the proposed Ranger 3 Deeps underground mine closed on 19 July 2013. We are presently awaiting the issue of the final guidelines.

The study remains on budget, with an estimated cost of \$57 million. It aims to evaluate and confirm the scope for a possible Ranger 3 Deeps underground mine. It will also include 16,000 metres of drilling for resource definition (in addition to the 35,000 metres of drilling approved as part of the Ranger 3 Deeps Exploration Decline project), an extension of the decline and the installation of a ventilation shaft.

### **Brine Concentrator**

The June 2013 half-year saw significant progress on the Brine Concentrator, with construction nearing completion and final commissioning anticipated to occur in Quarter 3 2013. The project remains on schedule and within budget.

On full commissioning, the Brine Concentrator will have a nominal capacity to produce 1.83 gegalitres per annum of clean water through the treatment of process water. This is a critical component of ERA's operating and rehabilitation strategy.

### **Dividends**

In light of the financial results and the forecast cashflow requirements for the implementation of ERA's strategic initiatives, the ERA directors have decided not to declare an interim dividend in respect of the 2013 half-year (2012:Nil).

No final dividend was paid in respect to the 2012 financial year.

## **Directors' Report**

*for the half-year ended 30 June 2013*

### **Outlook**

In the short term, the uranium market remains challenging with utilities well supplied and post Fukushima uncertainty remaining in the Japanese market. In 2012, two Japanese reactors were authorised to restart with 10 reactors currently under review by the Japanese Nuclear Regulatory Authority. The spot price for uranium oxide fell slightly below the \$US40 per pound mark at the end of June, the lowest end of month price since February 2006. Long term prices remain in the mid US\$50s per pound of uranium oxide with minimal activity. An oversupply of material in the short term is expected to maintain this trend.

The longer term outlook remains encouraging for established producers. The continued period of low prices is expected to impact new producers causing a supply shortage in the medium to long term. ERA is well positioned for a stronger market in the mid-term, should the Ranger 3 Deeps mine be developed.

As previously communicated, production of uranium oxide for 2013 is expected to remain in the range of 2,700 tonnes to 3,300 tonnes, with sales expected to be aligned with production and weighted towards the second half of the year.

### **Rounding of Amounts**

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/100 dated 10 July 1998 and in accordance with that Class Order, amounts in this Directors' Report and the financial report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

### **Auditors' independence declaration**

A copy of the auditors' independence declaration as required under Section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 6.

Signed at Darwin this 31st day of July 2013 in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Mr P McMahon  
**Chairman**



## Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd for the half-year ended 30 June 2013, 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 review; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd and the entity it controlled during the period.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John O'Donoghue", written over a horizontal line.

John O'Donoghue  
Partner  
PricewaterhouseCoopers

Melbourne  
31 July 2013

**Energy Resources of Australia Ltd**  
**Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
**For the half-year ended 30 June 2013**

|                                                                                                         |              | <b>Half-year ended</b> |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|                                                                                                         |              | <b>30 June</b>         | <b>30 June</b>  |
|                                                                                                         |              | <b>2013</b>            | <b>2012</b>     |
|                                                                                                         | <b>Notes</b> | <b>\$'000</b>          | <b>\$'000</b>   |
| <b>Revenue from continuing operations</b>                                                               | <b>3</b>     | <b>144,285</b>         | <b>163,166</b>  |
| Changes in inventories                                                                                  |              | <b>70,943</b>          | 81,814          |
| Purchased materials (uranium oxide)                                                                     |              | -                      | (43,295)        |
| Materials and consumables used                                                                          |              | <b>(48,060)</b>        | (57,508)        |
| Employee benefits and contractor expense                                                                |              | <b>(78,492)</b>        | (99,428)        |
| Government and other royalties                                                                          |              | <b>(8,749)</b>         | (6,160)         |
| Commission and shipping expenses                                                                        |              | <b>(1,986)</b>         | (2,956)         |
| Depreciation and amortisation expenses                                                                  |              | <b>(129,034)</b>       | (89,765)        |
| Financing costs                                                                                         |              | <b>(13,572)</b>        | (14,072)        |
| Statutory and corporate expenses                                                                        |              | <b>(4,885)</b>         | (6,341)         |
| Other expenses                                                                                          |              | <b>(2,461)</b>         | (1,591)         |
| <b>Profit/(loss) before income tax</b>                                                                  |              | <b>(72,011)</b>        | <b>(76,136)</b> |
| Income tax benefit/(expense)                                                                            |              | <b>18,465</b>          | 16,268          |
| <b>Profit/(loss) for the half-year</b>                                                                  |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | <b>(59,868)</b> |
| <b>Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax</b>                                         |              | -                      | -               |
| <b>Total comprehensive income for the half-year</b>                                                     |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | <b>(59,868)</b> |
| Profit/(loss) is attributable to:                                                                       |              |                        |                 |
| Owners of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd                                                             |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | (59,868)        |
|                                                                                                         |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | <b>(59,868)</b> |
| Total comprehensive income for the half-year is attributable to:                                        |              |                        |                 |
| Owners of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd                                                             |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | (59,868)        |
|                                                                                                         |              | <b>(53,546)</b>        | <b>(59,868)</b> |
|                                                                                                         |              | <b>Cents</b>           | <b>Cents</b>    |
| <b>Earnings per share for profit/(loss) attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the company:</b> |              |                        |                 |
| Basic earnings per share                                                                                | <b>7</b>     | <b>(10.3)</b>          | (11.6)          |
| Diluted earnings per share                                                                              | <b>7</b>     | <b>(10.3)</b>          | (11.6)          |

*The above consolidated statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**Energy Resources of Australia Ltd**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**As at 30 June 2013**

|                                |       | 30 June          | 31 Dec           |
|--------------------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|
|                                |       | 2013             | 2012             |
|                                | Notes | \$'000           | \$'000           |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                  |       |                  |                  |
| <b>Current assets</b>          |       |                  |                  |
| Cash and cash equivalents      |       | 314,358          | 467,345          |
| Trade and other receivables    |       | 57,121           | 42,154           |
| Inventories                    | 4     | 299,485          | 208,374          |
| Other                          |       | 3,244            | 516              |
| Total current assets           |       | <u>674,208</u>   | <u>718,389</u>   |
| <b>Non-current assets</b>      |       |                  |                  |
| Inventories                    | 4     | 119,874          | 137,884          |
| Undeveloped properties         |       | 203,632          | 203,632          |
| Property, plant and equipment  |       | 604,021          | 666,167          |
| Deferred tax assets            |       | 56,620           | 38,155           |
| Investment in trust fund       |       | 63,925           | 62,048           |
| Total non-current assets       |       | <u>1,048,072</u> | <u>1,107,886</u> |
| <b>Total assets</b>            |       | <u>1,722,280</u> | <u>1,826,275</u> |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>             |       |                  |                  |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>     |       |                  |                  |
| Payables                       |       | 68,394           | 100,242          |
| Provisions                     | 5     | 150,290          | 78,005           |
| Total current liabilities      |       | <u>218,684</u>   | <u>178,247</u>   |
| <b>Non-current liabilities</b> |       |                  |                  |
| Provisions                     | 5     | 487,523          | 578,409          |
| Total non-current liabilities  |       | <u>487,523</u>   | <u>578,409</u>   |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>       |       | <u>706,207</u>   | <u>756,656</u>   |
| <b>Net Assets</b>              |       | <u>1,016,073</u> | <u>1,069,619</u> |
| <b>EQUITY</b>                  |       |                  |                  |
| Contributed equity             |       | 706,485          | 706,485          |
| Reserves                       |       | 390,301          | 390,301          |
| Retained profits               |       | (80,713)         | (27,167)         |
| <b>Total equity</b>            |       | <u>1,016,073</u> | <u>1,069,619</u> |

*The above consolidated balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

Energy Resources of Australia Ltd  
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity  
For the half-year ended 30 June 2013

|                                                              | Contributed<br>equity<br>\$'000 | Reserves<br>\$'000 | Retained<br>earnings<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Balance at 1 January 2013</b>                             | <b>706,485</b>                  | <b>390,301</b>     | <b>(27,167)</b>                | <b>1,069,619</b>     |
| Loss for the half-year                                       | -                               | -                  | (53,546)                       | (53,546)             |
| Other comprehensive income                                   | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
| <b>Total comprehensive income for the half-year</b>          | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>           | <b>(53,546)</b>                | <b>(53,546)</b>      |
| <b>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</b> |                                 |                    |                                |                      |
| Dividends provided for or paid                               | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
|                                                              | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2013</b>                               | <b>706,485</b>                  | <b>390,301</b>     | <b>(80,713)</b>                | <b>1,016,073</b>     |
| <br><b>Balance at 1 January 2012</b>                         | <br><b>706,485</b>              | <br><b>390,459</b> | <br><b>191,592</b>             | <br><b>1,288,536</b> |
| Loss for the half-year                                       | -                               | -                  | (59,868)                       | (59,868)             |
| Other comprehensive income                                   | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
| <b>Total comprehensive income for the half-year</b>          | <b>-</b>                        | <b>-</b>           | <b>(59,868)</b>                | <b>(59,868)</b>      |
| <b>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</b> |                                 |                    |                                |                      |
| Dividends provided for or paid                               | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
|                                                              | -                               | -                  | -                              | -                    |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2012</b>                               | <b>706,485</b>                  | <b>390,459</b>     | <b>131,724</b>                 | <b>1,228,668</b>     |

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

**Energy Resources of Australia Ltd**  
**Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the half-year ended 30 June 2013**

|                                                                           | <b>Half-year ended</b>             |                                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|                                                                           | <b>30 June<br/>2013<br/>\$'000</b> | <b>30 June<br/>2012<br/>\$'000</b> |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>                               |                                    |                                    |
| Receipts from customers (inclusive of goods and services tax)             | 138,520                            | 215,170                            |
| Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of goods and services tax) | (179,562)                          | (228,618)                          |
| Payments for exploration                                                  | (19,126)                           | (14,490)                           |
| Payments for rehabilitation                                               | (34,012)                           | (3,544)                            |
|                                                                           | <u>(94,180)</u>                    | <u>(31,482)</u>                    |
| Interest received                                                         | 5,625                              | 11,883                             |
| Financing costs paid                                                      | (479)                              | (2,118)                            |
| Income taxes refunded                                                     | -                                  | 3,688                              |
| <b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities</b>                | <u>(89,034)</u>                    | <u>(18,029)</u>                    |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>                               |                                    |                                    |
| Payments for property, plant and equipment                                | (63,962)                           | (51,785)                           |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment                       | 19                                 | 16                                 |
| <b>Net cash outflow from investing activities</b>                         | <u>(63,943)</u>                    | <u>(51,769)</u>                    |
| <b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>                               |                                    |                                    |
| Dividend payments                                                         | -                                  | -                                  |
| <b>Net cash outflow from financing activities</b>                         | <u>-</u>                           | <u>-</u>                           |
| <b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>                          | <b>(152,977)</b>                   | <b>(69,798)</b>                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year               | 467,345                            | 632,584                            |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents             | (10)                               | (1)                                |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the half-year</b>                  | <u><b>314,358</b></u>              | <u><b>562,785</b></u>              |

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

## 1 Summary of significant accounting policies

This general purpose financial report for the interim half-year reporting period ended 30 June 2013 has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This interim financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2012 and any public announcements made by Energy Resources of Australia Ltd during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period.

## 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgments

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

### Rehabilitation provision

The calculation of the rehabilitation provision relies on estimates of cost and their timing required to rehabilitate and restore disturbed land to original condition.

The costs are estimated on the basis of a closure model, taking into account considerations of the technical closure options available to meet ERA's obligations. The cost estimates are reviewed annually during the life of the operation to reflect known developments.

The ultimate cost of rehabilitation is uncertain and can vary in response to many factors such as legal requirements, technological change and experience at other operations. To the extent that ERA's future estimates of the rehabilitation costs are different to those currently estimated, ERA will adjust the provision for rehabilitation costs to reflect additional knowledge obtained.

### Taxation

ERA has recognised certain deferred tax assets for deductible temporary differences and recoverable losses carried forward. In recognising these deferred tax assets, assumptions have been made regarding ERA's ability to generate future taxable profits from the development of Ranger 3 Deeps.

Judgment is required in regard to the application of income tax legislation. There is an inherent risk and uncertainty in applying these judgments and a possibility that changes in legislation will impact the carrying amount of deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities recognised on the balance sheet.

### Asset carrying values

At the end of each reporting period, ERA assesses whether there are any indications that the company's cash generating units ('CGU') may be impaired. This requires judgment in analysing possible impacts caused by factors such as weather, traditional owner relationships, operating and capital estimates, price of uranium oxide and foreign exchange movements and forecasts. At 30 June 2013, ERA assessed possible causes of impairment and concluded that there were no factors that indicated that the company's CGUs may be impaired.

In assessing recoverable amounts, ERA makes estimates and assumptions which are subject to risk and uncertainty. Changes in circumstances may affect these estimates and the recoverable amount. ERA assesses the recoverable amount based on the greater of fair value less costs to sell or value in use. The fair value less costs to sell has been determined based on discounted cash flow modelling of a set of probability weighted strategic outcomes.

The recoverable amount is sensitive to key assumptions including: uranium price, Australian/US dollar exchange rate, discount rate and exploration and development potential. A high probability has been assigned to the development of a Ranger 3 Deeps mine following the successful completion of the exploration decline. Should this not occur, it is likely that the Ranger CGU would face impairment.

If the carrying values of the assets are assessed to be impaired, the impairment would be charged against the income statement.

#### **Inventory net realisable value**

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost or net realisable value in accordance with AASB102 *Inventories*.

The calculation of net realisable value is sensitive to key assumptions including: uranium price, Australian/US dollar exchange rate and where applicable costs to complete. The sales price of uranium oxide is denominated in US dollars, so fluctuations in the Australian/US dollar exchange rate will affect the proceeds received from sales and consequently the recoverable amount.

### **3 Segment information**

#### **Description of Segment**

Management has determined the operating segment based on the reports reviewed by the Chief Executive that are used to make strategic decisions.

The Chief Executive considers the business from a product perspective and has identified only one reportable segment in the half-year ended 30 June 2013, being the mining, processing and selling of uranium. There are no other unallocated operations.

#### **Segment Revenue**

The revenue from external parties reported to the Chief Executive is measured in a manner consistent with that in the income statement.

Revenues from external customers are derived from the sale of uranium oxide. Segment revenue reconciles to total revenue from continuing operations with the addition of other income, which includes interest revenue and rent received.

The Company is domiciled in Australia. The result of its revenue from external customers is outlined in the table below:

|                                          | <b>Half-year ended</b> |               |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
|                                          | <b>2013</b>            | <b>2012</b>   |
|                                          | <b>\$'000</b>          | <b>\$'000</b> |
| <b>Sales to external customers</b>       |                        |               |
| Asia                                     | 23,037                 | 19,212        |
| United States                            | 103,558                | 107,904       |
| Europe                                   | 9,627                  | 20,883        |
| Total Sale of Goods                      | 136,222                | 147,999       |
| Other revenue                            | 8,063                  | 15,167        |
| Total revenue from continuing operations | 144,285                | 163,166       |

|                                                        | 30 Jun<br>2013<br>\$'000 | 31 Dec<br>2012<br>\$'000 |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>4 Inventories</b>                                   |                          |                          |
| <b>(a) Inventories – current</b>                       |                          |                          |
| Stores & spares                                        | 25,180                   | 23,021                   |
| Ore stockpiles at cost                                 | 35,844                   | 35,852                   |
| Work in progress at cost                               | 3,860                    | 4,531                    |
| Finished product U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> at cost | 234,601                  | 144,970                  |
| Total current Inventory                                | 299,485                  | 208,374                  |
| <b>(b) Inventories – non-current</b>                   |                          |                          |
| Ore stockpiles at cost                                 | 119,874                  | 137,884                  |
| <b>5 Provisions</b>                                    |                          |                          |
| <b>(a) Provisions - current</b>                        |                          |                          |
| Employee benefits                                      | 11,219                   | 11,778                   |
| Rehabilitation                                         | 139,071                  | 66,227                   |
| Total current provisions                               | 150,290                  | 78,005                   |
| <b>Movement in rehabilitation provisions</b>           |                          |                          |
| Carrying value at the start of the year                | 66,227                   |                          |
| Payments                                               | (34,012)                 |                          |
| Transfers from non-current provisions                  | 106,856                  |                          |
| Carrying amount at the end of the half-year            | 139,071                  |                          |
| <b>(b) Provisions – non-current</b>                    |                          |                          |
| Employee benefits                                      | 4,762                    | 4,780                    |
| Rehabilitation                                         | 482,761                  | 573,629                  |
| Total non-current provisions                           | 487,523                  | 578,409                  |
| <b>Movement in rehabilitation provision</b>            |                          |                          |
| Carrying value at the start of the year                | 573,629                  |                          |
| Change in estimate                                     | -                        |                          |
| Unwind of discount                                     | 13,093                   |                          |
| Additional provision recognised                        | 2,895                    |                          |
| Transfers to current provision                         | (106,856)                |                          |
| Carrying amount at the end of the half-year            | 482,761                  |                          |

## 6. Contingencies

### Legal actions against ERA

Unresolved legal action commenced (in 1999) by the Mirarr Traditional Owners in the Federal Court against the former Federal Minister for Resources and ERA, claiming that due process was not followed in granting approvals for the Jabiluka Mill Alternative, is dormant. Should ERA proceed with the Jabiluka Mill Alternative, notice will be given to the applicant who may or may not wish to pursue the argument further.

No material losses are anticipated in respect of this legal dispute.

## 7. Earnings per share

|                            | Half-year ended |        |
|----------------------------|-----------------|--------|
|                            | 2013            | 2012   |
|                            | Cents           | Cents  |
| Basic earnings per share   | (10.3)          | (11.6) |
| Diluted earnings per share | (10.3)          | (11.6) |

Weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue used in the calculation basic earnings per share. 2013: 517,725,062; (2012: 517,725,062).

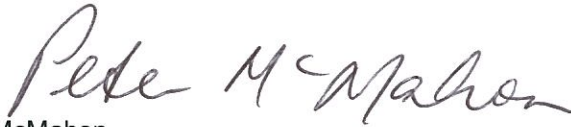
## 8. Events occurring after the reporting period

No events or circumstances have arisen since the end of the half-year that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect the operations or state of affairs of the consolidated entity in subsequent financial years.

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 7 to 14 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that Energy Resources of Australia Ltd will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Mr P McMahon  
**Chairman**  
Darwin  
31 July 2013



## **Independent auditor's review report to the members of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd**

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

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2013, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for the Energy Resources of Australia Ltd Group (the consolidated entity). The consolidated entity comprises both Energy Resources of Australia Ltd (the company) and the entity it controlled during the half-year.

#### *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 (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) 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 is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

#### *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 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 30 June 2013 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 Energy Resources of Australia Ltd, 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*.



*Conclusion*

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John O'Donoghue".

John O'Donoghue  
Partner

Melbourne  
31 July 2013