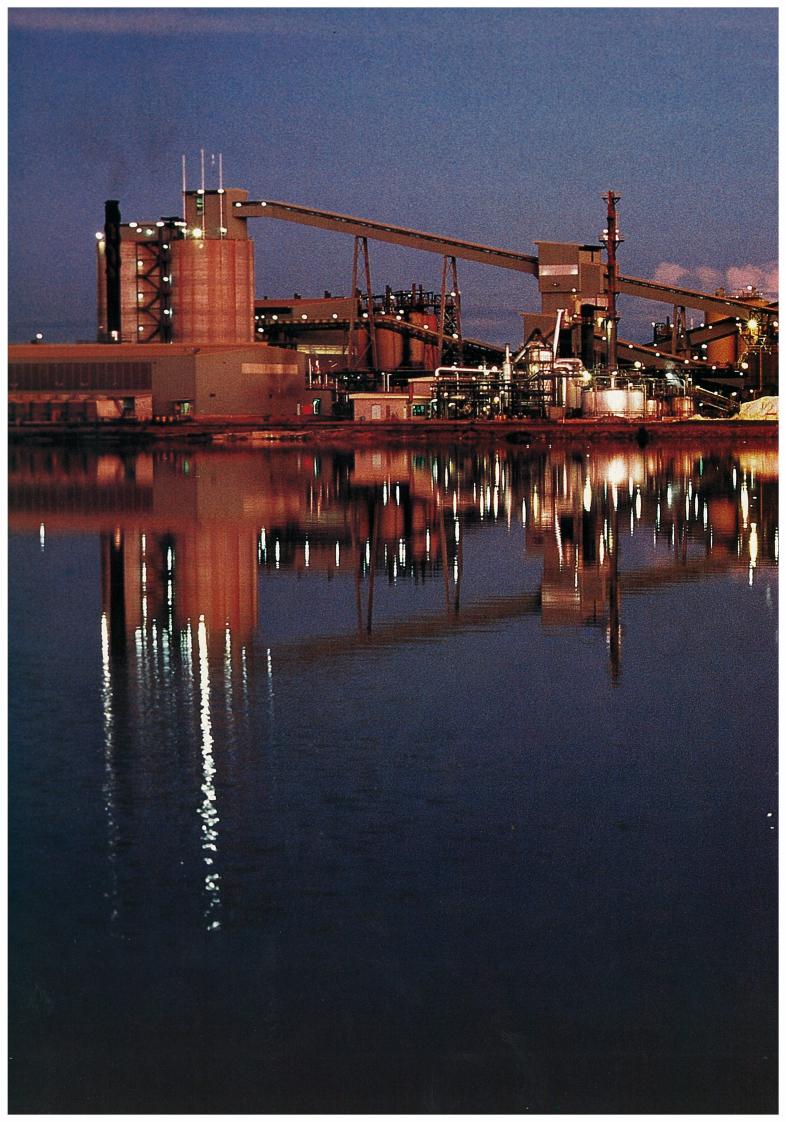
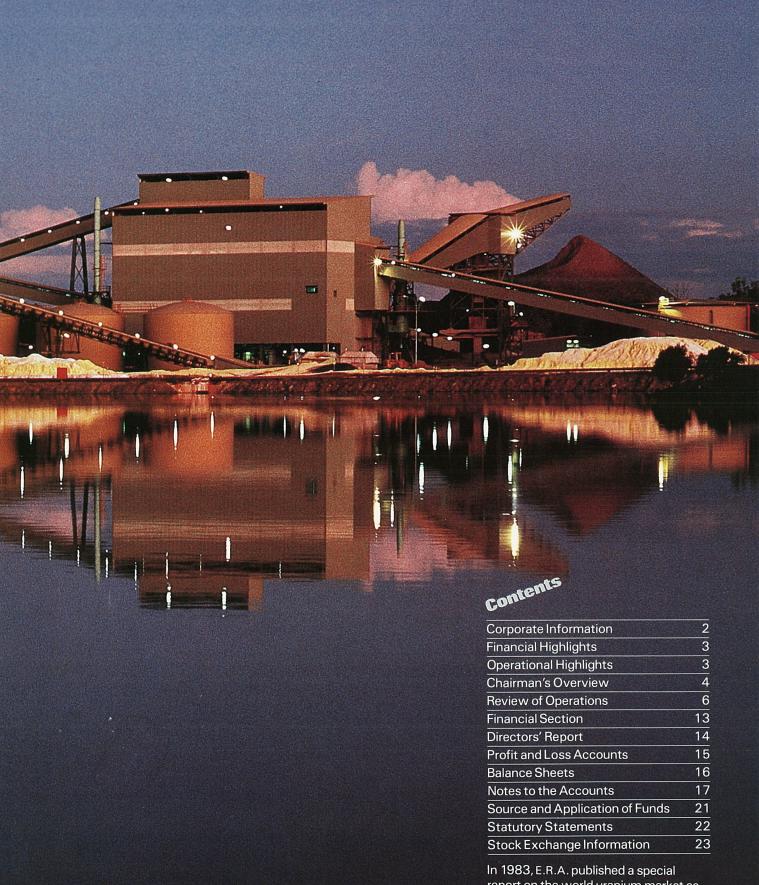


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In 1983, E.R.A. published a special report on the world uranium market as a supplement to its annual report. This year, with the continuing objective of informing shareholders on matters that are relevant to their investment, the company is issuing a supplement on the relationship of its Ranger uranium mine with the environment.

# Corporate Information

Energy Resources of Australia Ltd. (E.R.A.) was incorporated on 8 February, 1980, to acquire all rights to the Ranger Project. The origin of the Ranger Project was the discovery in 1969 of a major uranium orebody 230 km east of Darwin by a joint venture of Peko-Wallsend Operations Ltd. (Peko) and the Electrolytic Zinc Company of Australasia Limited (EZ).

In 1974, under what became known as the Lodge Agreement, the principle of a joint venture between Peko, EZ and the Australian Atomic Energy Commission for the mining and processing of Ranger ore on behalf of the Commonwealth was established. A year later, the Lodge Agreement was elaborated into a Memorandum of Understanding which had two conditions precedent to its affirmation by the Commonwealth. These were consideration of the report of the Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry, which had been established earlier in that year, and of a report by the interim Aboriginal Land Commissioner on any claims by Aborigines in respect of land within the Ranger Project Area.

The first report of the Environmental Inquiry, issued in 1976, concluded that mining, milling and export of uranium should be permitted to go ahead under strict controls. Following presentation of the second and final report in 1977, which included recommendations of

the Chairman of the Inquiry, Mr Justice Fox, acting as an Aboriginal Land Commissioner in respect of claims in the Ranger Project Area, the Government announced its decision to permit uranium mining and export under stringent regulations.

In 1978, agreement was reached between the Commonwealth and the Northern Land Council, acting on behalf of the traditional Aboriginal land owners, on the terms under which mining would take place. Shortly afterwards, the terms of the joint venture agreement between the Australian Atomic Energy Commission, Peko and EZ were finalised and Ranger Uranium Mines Pty. Ltd., which is now a wholly owned subsidiary of E.R.A., was appointed as Manager of the Project. Construction work began immediately and progressed steadily until October 1981 when the mine and mill came into full production. In the meantime, in August 1979, the Commonwealth announced its intention to sell its interest in the Ranger Project and invited tenders. The successful tender was a proposal which included not only the purchase of the Commonwealth's interest, but those of Peko and EZ through the establishment of a public company, Energy Resources of Australia Ltd. This company was

intended to have a 25% equity holding by overseas interests which were to purchase approximately 75% of the planned initial output. Acquisition of the Ranger interests was completed on 12 September, 1980. Sales contracts, a shareholders' agreement between E.R.A., Peko, EZ and the overseas holders of 24% of the equity, and the necessary project financing arrangements were concluded on 30 September. Public flotation occurred on 18 October. Early in 1981, the remaining 1% equity in E.R.A. available to overseas interests was issued to a major Swedish electric power utility.

Commissioning of the plant started in July 1981 and full production commenced on 1 October of that year. The plant was officially opened on 20 November, 1981. In its first year of production, despite the settling-in problems associated with a new plant, 3,007 tonnes U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> were produced, against a design figure of 3,000 tonnes per annum. The plant has continued to operate at annual rates slightly in excess of design and has demonstrated its ability to operate at rates consistently above design for extended periods of time.

The township of Jabiru which services the needs of the Ranger community and the public servants associated with the project was officially opened on 26 July, 1982.

#### **Board of Directors**

A L Morokoff, Chairman A C Copeman

AW Hamer

K Ito

(Nominated by holders of 'C' Class shares)

G B Lean

G A Mackay

LW Mueller

(Nominated by holders of 'B' Class shares)

Sir Rupert Myers, KBE

#### **Secretaries**

B T Ross J D Button

#### **Chief Executive**

B G Fisk

#### **General Managers**

PJ Bradfield, Marketing KB Lewington, Finance T Gardner, Operations

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#### **Auditors**

Coopers & Lybrand

#### Rankors

Commonwealth Bank of Australia Westpac Banking Corporation

#### **Notice of Meeting**

This report is to be presented at the Annual General Meeting of members of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd. in the lonic Room, The Masonic Centre, cnr Castlereagh & Goulburn Sts., Sydney at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday 18 October, 1984.

A formal Notice of Meeting and Proxy Form is enclosed with this report.



| RESULT (\$'000)      | 1984       | 1983       | 1982*     |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Sales                | 246,136    | 261,178    | 145,992   |
| Profit before tax    | 113,021    | 113,362    | 45,579    |
| Income Tax Expense   | 55,534     | 55,969     | 7,721     |
| Profit after tax     | 57,487     | 57,393     | 37,858    |
| Earnings per share   | 14.0 cents | 14.0 cents | 9.2 cents |
| Dividend             | 12.5 cents | 10.0 cents | 4.0 cents |
| Total Assets         | 941,128    | 943,226    | 953,880   |
| Issued Capital       | 410,000    | 410,000    | 410,000   |
| Capital and Reserves | 464,588    | 458,351    | 434,458   |

<sup>\*1982</sup> results are for the 9 months to 30 June, 1982

# Operational Highlights

Production targets met despite loss of several weeks through industrial dispute Mill capacity proven at rates significantly in excess of the design figure

High metallurgical recovery rate maintained

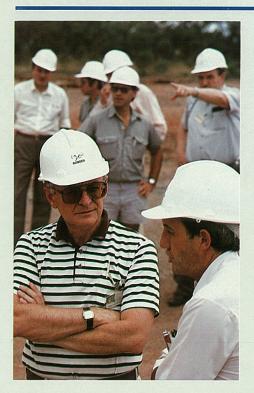
Major new contracts signed with United States utilities

Stage 2 of tailings dam completed on schedule

### Cover Design

Water lilies grow in profusion on billabongs and waterways a short distance from E.R.A.'s mining operations, witness to the co-existence of Ranger with the environment. The pale blue blooms of the species (Nymphaea Gigantea), depicted on the cover, open by day and are approximately 23 cm in diameter. The flowers are borne on stems as long as 45 cm which is also about the diameter of the leaves.

## Chairmans Overview



In 1983/84, our second full year of trading, the performance of your company continued to be in line with expectation. Profit was \$57,487,000, permitting the Board to declare a final dividend of 7.5 cents per share in addition to the interim dividend of 5 cents declared in February. Production at Ranger was interrupted for eight weeks at the end of 1983 by an industrial dispute to which reference is made in the Directors' report. Despite this, the budgeted target was exceeded with over 3,098 tonnes of uranium oxide being produced. That the target was achieved, with average costs comparable with budget, was largely due to the inherent capacity of the plant, emphasising again the wisdom of the decisions which led to its conservative design and equipping. Its performance is also a credit to the personnel at Ranger who, once the dispute had been put aside for resolution by the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, worked most effectively as a team over the first six months of 1984 to achieve an output equivalent to an annual rate in excess of 4,200 tonnes.

The year, and the month immediately following it, will however be remembered mostly for the political decisions which were made. In November 1983, the Government decided to approve two new contracts which E.R.A. had negotiated with major American utilities. These contracts were the first to be signed by your company since early 1981 and represented a significant development in the policies of the Labor Government. In July 1984 the biennial conference of the Australian Labor Party endorsed the decisions of the Government, opening the way for E.R.A. to secure further contracts.

The heavy debt burden on the company has meant that despite its good operating costs, profitability has been limited.

Optimisation of the operation of the plant and of exploitation of the Ranger orebodies is the key to the future success and prosperity of our company. We are in a virtually unique position with only approximately 30% of our known resources committed, with a proven ability to produce at rates considerably in excess of the design capacity of the plant and with a good reputation as a reliable supplier. Though opportunities for increased deliveries over the next two years are very limited

indeed and the price can best be described as 'soft,' opportunities for the long term are there. Australia is regarded as a secure and stable trading partner. Demand for uranium to fuel power plants is increasing steadily as more reactors come on line. Recent oversupply and liquidation of inventories caused by high interest rates have depressed the market, but the underlying strength and growth remain. We are confident that E.R.A. will be able to capitalise on its position and over the next two years write substantial further contracts which will guarantee the continuing prosperity of your company.

We are particularly heartened by the support given E.R.A. by its existing customers, both shareholders and non-shareholders alike. Prospective new customers have also expressed support and this attitude has undoubtedly influenced recent political decisions.

It is essential if E.R.A. is to be permitted to continue to operate efficiently in the best interests of Australia, and of its shareholders, that the company is seen as a responsible corporate citizen. A major aspect of the manner in which our operations are viewed is the interaction between the company and its physical environment at Ranger. There is included with this annual report a supplement entitled 'Ranger Uranium Mine and the Environment'. In it, we seek to set out clearly the particular environmental constraints within which the company has to operate and the manner in which we are successfully meeting the challenge of those constraints.

It is with increased confidence that your company now faces the future: confidence in its continuing ability to operate in a manner acceptable to the vast majority of the public, confidence in its ability to write new contracts and in the Government support which it has received. This confidence would be of little use, however, without the determination of the Board, management and employees of your company to meet the challenges of the future and to succeed.

A L Morokoff Chairman

# Review of Operations

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annual rate in excess of 4,200 tonnes.

#### **Trading Results**

Net profit after tax for the year of \$57,487,000 compares with \$57,393,000 in 1983. The amount provided for income tax was \$55,534,000 (1983: \$55,969,000).

The quantity of uranium concentrates shipped was lower than the previous year due mainly to completion of the return of the Commonwealth stockpile material in accordance with the

arrangements with the Australian Government. No shipments were made to Indiana & Michigan Electric Company of the USA during the year but deliveries commenced under the contract with Korea Electric Power Corporation.

The average sales price per tonne during the year rose in accordance with the terms of the sales contracts. Benefit also came from the reduction in the rate of exchange between the Australian and United States currencies.

As in earlier periods, the dates of deliveries in a number of cases varied from those scheduled in contracts. Deliveries to some customers were in advance although sales proceeds are not receivable until the dates intended under the contracts.

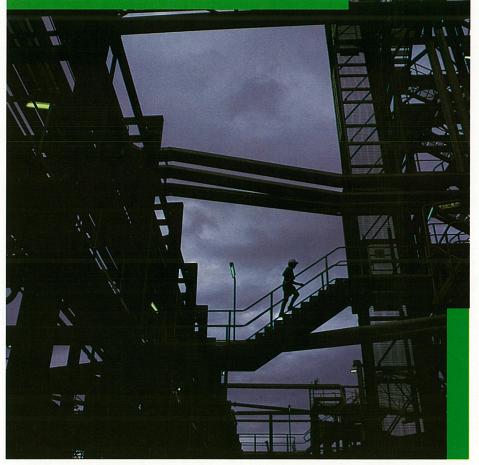
Interest expense reduced substantially from \$56,645,000 to \$48,347,000 reflecting the continuing repayment of principal and lower average rates of interest.

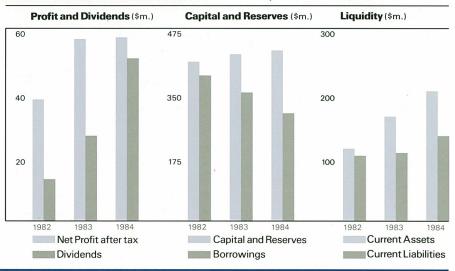
Production of  $U_3O_8$  for the year totalled 3,098.74 tonnes. Costs of production were affected by industrial action during the first half of the year but, with higher than scheduled throughput since January, the cost per tonne for the full year was on budget.

#### Dividend

A dividend of 5 cents a share was declared on 16 February, 1984 and directors have declared a further dividend of 7.5 cents a share which will be paid on 30 November, 1984 to shareholders on the register at 5.00 pm on 19 October, 1984, making a total of 12.5 cents for the year.

Peko-Wallsend Operations Ltd and Electrolytic Zinc Company of





Australasia Limited were the joint venturers in the Ranger project and the founders of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd. Peko and EZ were each issued with 125,000,000 'A' Class Shares in E.R.A. of which 37,500,000 do not rank for dividend until E.R.A. resolves, for the first time, to pay out of profits of a financial year dividends of not less than 12.5 cents per share on the whole of the issued capital including the two parcels of 37,500,000 shares.

The effect of these dividend declarations is to allow the 75,000,000 'A' Class Shares with restricted dividend rights to commence participating in dividends. They will be entitled to the dividends, totalling 12.5 cents, declared for the year ended 30 June, 1984.

#### Mining

As in the previous year, a considerable proportion of the mill feed in 1983-84 was obtained from existing stockpiles of ore. Of the total 3,097,340 tonnes extracted from the pit this year, 779,880 tonnes were ore, 711,280 tonnes were low grade mineralised material between 0.023% and 0.10%  $U_3O_8$  in grade. A further 1,606,180 tonnes were unmineralised material much of which was employed in the construction of Stage 2 of the tailings dam. Stockpile reclaim was 490,000 tonnes.

In common with all other operations at Ranger, mining was disrupted by an industrial dispute lasting eight weeks between 18 November, 1983 and 12 January, 1984, but as will be noted from the figures given above, this had little overall effect on production for the year.

With the increasing depth of the pit, which is now down to No. 3 Bench, 21 metres below sea level, and the requirements for tailings dam material over the coming years, a review has

been made of mining equipment and a decision taken to replace some of it with larger equipment. This plan will be implemented in the coming year.

#### **Ore Resource**

Changes in the ore resource during the year were caused by depletion through treatment in the plant and minor reassessments of both in-situ ore and the mixed-ore stockpiles.

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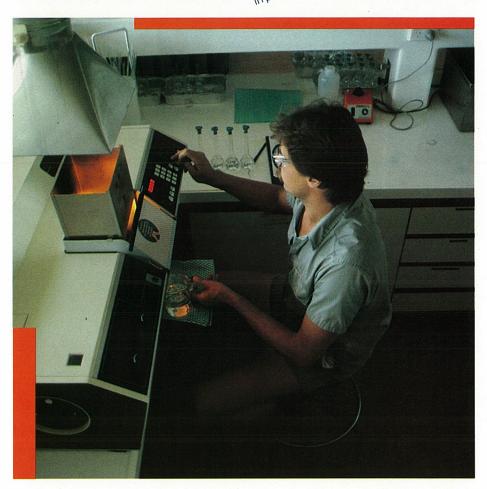
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| Geological Ore Reserves & Stockpiles |            | 1 July, 1984                    | 1 July, 1983                                      |   |
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| No. 1 Orebody at 0.10% cut           | -off       |                                 |   |   |
| Ore Stockpiles                       | 1,780,800  | 0.354                           | 6,289   | 7,388   |
| Proven ore                           | 11,797,100 | 0.327                           | 38,620  | 41,212  |
| Probable ore                         | 224,100    | 0.147                           | 329   | 329   |
| Total in-situ ore                    | 12,021,200 | 0.324                           | 38,949  | 41,541  |
| Total ore                            | 13,802,000 | 0.327                           | 45,238  | 48,929  |
| No. 3 Orebody at 0.05% cut           | -off       |                                 |   |   |
| Probable ore                         | 35,210,100 | 0.207                           | 72,838  | 72,838  |
| Possible ore                         | 7,498,000  | 0.163                           | 12,213  | 12,213  |
| Total                                |            |                                 | 130,289   | 133,980   |

Maintenance of mine equipment including trucks and loaders is carried out in Ranger's trucks and workshops.

#### Milling

Production for the year, at 3,098.74 tonnes  $U_3O_8$ , was slightly above budget. Once operations resumed on 14 January, 1984 after the eight week strike, the plant ran for the remainder of the financial year at an annualised rate in excess of 4,200 tonnes, substantially in excess of the design figure of 3,000 tonnes a year. After allowing for the slightly higher than average grade of ore

No technical problems of any magnitude arose during the year. A centrifuge for the treatment of crud occurring in the solvent extraction section was installed and commissioned at the end of the year.

Considerable emphasis has been given to lowering still further the levels of dust to which employees could be exposed in the product drying and packing area, with modifications being progressively made.

#### **Tailings disposal**

Stage 2 of the tailings dam was completed on schedule on 4 November, 1983. The work, which extended over seven months, involved the placement of 632,000 tonnes of material to raise the height of the wall of the dam by 3 m and increase its capacity from 6.1 million cu.m. to 9.2 million cu.m.

The project was supervised by a quality control committee consisting of representatives of the Office of the Supervising Scientist and of the Northern Territory Departments of Mines and Energy and Transport and Works. The committee later commented on the very high standard of engineering that had been achieved.

Further stages of the tailings dam will be built as necessary and detailed planning for future lifts in the height of the wall has already commenced.

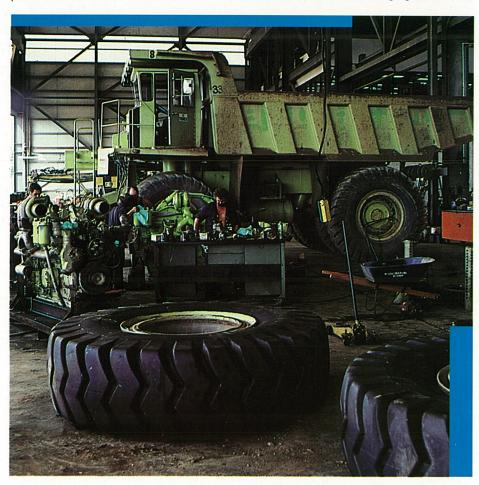
#### Water management

Rainfall for the year was 280 mm above average and fell in a rather unusual pattern, resulting in a higher than normal proportion running into the retention ponds. The additional strains imposed by this volume of water were easily met by the water management system.

In conjunction with the Supervising Authorities, detailed proposals are being formulated for future management of the system to avoid the unnecessary accumulation of large volumes of water.

#### Marketing

The last year was highlighted by successful negotiation of two new contracts and their subsequent ratification, in November 1983, by the



and the absence of any major planned shut-downs, production was equivalent to an annual rate of more than 3,600 tonnes.

Mill metallurgical recovery continued to be good at 89.92% for the mix of ore types treated although soluble losses had been adversely affected in the second half of the year by the high volume throughput.

Australian Government. The sales were to utilities in the United States, the Wisconsin Electric Power Company and the Virginia Electric Power Company, with deliveries due to begin in the second half of the decade.

These contracts followed a sustained effort in the last two years during which the company maintained a continuous presence in the United States, Europe, Japan and other countries with which Australia has bilateral safeguards agreements. Close communications with the world's principal electricity utilities were maintained so that the company would be well placed to move strongly into the market, should there be a liberalisation of Australia's policy on the production and export of uranium, as has now occurred.

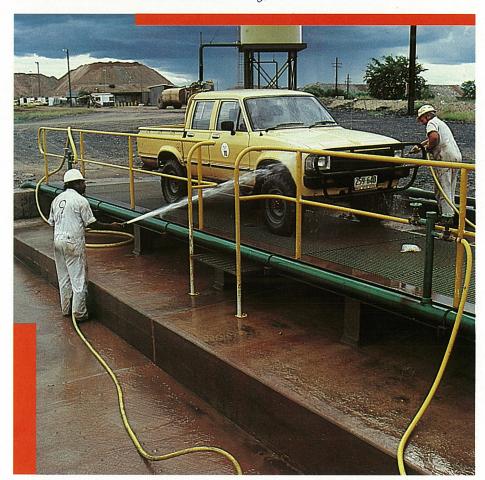
Shipments of concentrates were made on or ahead of schedule during the year. Administrative arrangements under the bilateral safeguards agreement between Australia and the Republic of Korea were completed, permitting E.R.A. to make its inaugural delivery to the Korea Electric Power Corporation in November 1983.

The world market in 1983-84 was marked by falling prices and increased competition. The 'spot' market price fell from US\$23.50 a pound at the beginning of the financial year to US\$17.75, having reached a low at one time of US\$17.00 a pound, the lowest point since 1978. Long term contract prices came under some pressure but were maintained considerably above those prices.

According to the International Atomic Energy Agency, 23 new nuclear plants were connected to the world's electricity power grids in 1983, bringing the total number of plants to 317 in 25 countries and representing a combined installed nuclear power capacity of 191 GWe.\* The Agency predicts that world installed capacity will reach 275 GWe in 1985, rising to between 370 and 400 GWe by 1990 and between 580 and 850 GWe by the turn of the century. In 1983, nuclear energy produced about 12% of the world's electricity, an absolute increase of 2% on 1982.

The company's competitors, notably Canada and South Africa, increased their level of activity in the past year. Canadian suppliers were extremely aggressive in anticipation of substantial new tonnage due to become available in the next two years as second generation uranium mines come on stream. South Africa, which is producing at about 30% of capacity at present and whose non-proliferation

Before leaving the mine area vehicles are thoroughly washed down to remove dust and thoroughly matter. adhering matter.



safeguards are less stringent than those applied by Australia, also has large tonnages on offer at favourable prices. Long term competition was offset to some extent by a fall in United States uranium production resulting from the recent closure of a number of uneconomic mines.

E.R.A. believes it is well placed to take advantage of an expected increase in demand now that the Australian Government has removed some

<sup>\*1</sup> Gigawatt Electric = 1 million Kilowatts

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constraints on the mining and export of its product. The company has received considerable support from its shareholder-customers and from a number of other existing and potential new customers.

#### **Industrial relations**

Although the dispute over a log of claims presented by the unions following the October 1983 national wage case decision disrupted



production at Ranger for several weeks during the year, industrial relations in the company were generally good and are improving. The dispute arose over certain claims which the company believed to be outside the principles laid down in that decision and was finally resolved by arbitration.

Improved communication between employees and management is recognised by both to be of paramount importance. Initiatives in this area have been taken and improvement has been achieved. The identification of potential problems and their resolution before disputes arise is receiving special attention.

#### Training

Increased safety training was given during the year with special courses and on-the-job training being conducted. The Plant Emergency Organisation with trained fire-fighting crews is fully operational.

Several Ranger employees participated in a variety of courses covering computer systems, management, supervision, safety, first-aid training and fire protection. In addition a number of on-site workshops dealing with such activities as forklift training, maintenance of pumps and fitting of bearings were conducted for tradesmen.

At year end there were 18 apprentices in training at Ranger, five of whom were in their first year, five in their second year and eight in their third year.

In the year E.R.A. became a benefactor of Work Skills Australia, the aim of which is to encourage the pursuit of excellence among trades apprentices in Australia. Work Skills Australia will send a team of apprentices to the Skills Olympics in Japan in 1985 and plans to host the 1988 Olympics to coincide with Australia's Bicentenary.

#### Occupational health and safety

The emphasis on health and safety of all E.R.A. employees which has always been a feature of the company's operation was increased even further during the year with the formalisation of a series of safety committees.

Each of the seven departments at Ranger has a committee which monitors health and safety conditions and procedures. Overseeing the entire operation is the Site Safety Committee which meets monthly under the chairmanship of the Manager of Operations. This committee comprises a member from each of the two principal unions, the company's fire and safety officer and the radiation safety officer.

The two union members of the committee have both attended special courses on occupational health and safety conducted by the Trade Union Training Authority.

The Safety Committee's role is to monitor all aspects of employee health and safety, including the use of protective equipment, to consider matters referred to it from the departmental safety committees and to formulate recommendations on safety policy and procedures.

As a result of this activity and continuing efforts to educate and train all employees in the health and safety aspects of their work, there is now a much greater awareness of the importance of occupational health and safety and this will be reflected in an improving safety record at Ranger.

#### **Environment**

On 28 February, 1984 the Australian Government proclaimed Stage 2 of the Kakadu National Park. The Ranger project area is now completely surrounded by the park.

While the company's relationship with the environment has always received special attention, this new development has re-emphasised that relationship and the responsibility which all employees have to the environment. A supplement to this report covers this subject in detail.

Throughout the year, the company continued its programme of revegetation of disturbed areas, particularly following completion of Stage 2 of the tailings dam. More than 75 hectares have now been rehabilitated.

#### **Community relations**

Relationships with the local Aboriginal community are particularly important to E.R.A. which seeks to ensure that employees understand and respect Aboriginal customs and culture.

The company currently has 17 Aborigines in its workforce, two of whom are apprentices; one apprentice is in her second year of training as a horticulturalist and the other is in his first year as a metal fabricator. One trainee completed his welding certificate during the year and is now a trades assistant.

Up to 20 Aboriginal women attend the women's resource centre,

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a co- operative venture involving the company, the Education Department and the Gagudju Association, where they receive instruction in home care, health and hygiene, cooking and sewing. Driving lessons were introduced during the year and some of the women were taught silk screen printing. The company funded a teacher's aide for the kindergarten and assisted with extensive renovations to the resource centre.

Enrolment of Aboriginal children in the school at Jabiru reached a new high level of 40 in the year.

#### **Tourism**

Heightened interest in the Kakadu National Park has resulted in a significant increase in tourism in the area. In the last year it is estimated that about 80,000 people visited the National Park, some 20,000 of whom took the opportunity to visit the mine.

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E.R.A. has responded to this public interest by appointing a number of tour guides. Tours of the mine and mill areas are conducted three times a day, seven days a week during the dry season. Guides are also provided for larger groups of tourists by arrangement with tour operators.

The tours also take in the township of Jabiru which, now the fifth largest town in the Northern Territory, is regarded as a model of town planning. With its

modern housing and its excellent amenities including the lake, the town is rapidly becoming a tourist attraction in its own right.

#### Jabiru township

From 1 July, 1984, day-to-day operation of the town has been delegated by the Jabiru Town Development Authority to a town council. This council, the successor of the Jabiru Town Advisory Council, consists of five elected members and three nominated members, one of whom is an E.R.A. representative, another is the Jabiru Town Development Authority's Chairman and the third of whom represents the Northern Territory Government.

The Chairman of the Jabiru Town Council has also been appointed a member of the Authority in place of one of the Government members.

Because the rates levied by the Council are met almost entirely by E.R.A. and the N.T. Government, the power to set the rate, on the basis of a budget proposed by the Council, is retained by the Authority.

During the year, the growing importance of the town was recognised by the holding of a Northern Territory Cabinet meeting in the Council chambers.

No new buildings were added but work continued on landscaping and various recreational facilities. These facilities were funded by the company, but it is heartening to see the townspeople developing further facilities at their own initiative and expense. The townspeople continued with the construction of a golf course. The remaining six fairways of the nine-hole course were cleared and irrigated and tees and greens were seeded. A temporary clubhouse has been built and plans have been drawn for a permanent building. It is probable that the full course will be in play by the end of 1984.

With the addition in the coming months of bowling greens which have now been approved, the people of Jabiru will have a wide range of recreational opportunities, including an Olympic swimming pool, tennis and netball courts, and boating on the man-made lake.



The Directors have pleasure in presenting their Report together with the Accounts of Energy Resources of Australia Ltd ('the Company') and the consolidated accounts of the Group for the year ended 30 June, 1984, and the Auditors' Report thereon.

The net profit after tax for the year amounted to \$57,487,000.

Dividends have been declared, out of the profits of the year ended 30 June, 1984, of 12.5 cents per share on the whole of the issued capital of the Company, \$410,000,000. Accordingly, pursuant to clause 5 of the Articles of Association, the 37,500,000 A Class Shares registered in the names of each of Peko-Wallsend Ltd. and E Z Industries Ltd are entitled to participate in dividends for this and future years. Out of the total of 12.5 cents per share, 5 cents on 335,000,000 shares, amounting to \$16,750,000 was paid on 31 May, 1984.

Other than the above and the dividend of \$16,750,000, which was provided in the accounts of the previous year and which was paid on 30 November, 1983, no other amounts have been paid or declared by way of dividend since the end of the previous financial year.

The names of the Directors in office at the date of this report are:

A L Morokoff G B Lean
A C Copeman G A Mackay
A W Hamer L W Mueller
K Ito Sir Rupert Myers

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries in the course of the financial year were the mining, processing and sale of uranium concentrate.

There was no significant change in the nature of those activities during the financial year.

### Transfers to or from Reserves or Provisions

Transfer to provision for

stock obsolescence

| taxation                  | \$21,758,000 |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Transfer to provision for |              |
| depreciation              | \$16,580,000 |
| Transfer to provision for |              |
| deferred income tax       | \$12,062,000 |
| Transfer to provision for |              |

444,000

There was no other material transfer to or from reserves or provisions.

#### **Issue of Shares or Debentures**

No corporation in the Group has issued any shares or debentures during the financial year.

#### **Dividends in favour of the Company**

No subsidiary in the Group has paid or declared a dividend in favour of the Company since the end of the previous financial year and up to the date of this report.

#### **Bad and Doubtful Debts**

Before the profit and loss account and balance sheet were made out, the Directors took reasonable steps to ascertain so far as debts owing to the Company are concerned, what action had been taken in relation to the writing off of bad debts and the making of provisions for doubtful debts. The Directors were not aware of any circumstances which would require debts to be written off as bad, and have caused adequate provision to be made for doubtful debts.

At the date of this report, the Directors of the Company are not aware of any circumstances which would require debts to be written off as bad, or for the provision for doubtful debts in the Group to be inadequate to any substantial extent.

#### **Current Assets**

Before the profit and loss account and balance sheet were made out, the Directors took reasonable steps to ascertain whether any current assets of the Company were unlikely to realise, in the ordinary course of business, their values as shown in the accounting records of the Company.

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances that would render the values attributed to current assets in the Group Accounts misleading.

### Charge on Assets Contingent and Other Liabilities

At the date of this report:

- (i) no charge on the assets of any corporation in the Group has arisen since the end of the financial year; and
- (ii) no contingent liability of any corporation in the Group has arisen since the end of the financial year.

No contingent or other liability of any corporation in the Group has become enforceable, or is likely to become enforceable within the period of 12 months after the end of the financial year being a liability that, in the opinion of the Directors,

will or may substantially affect the ability of the corporation to meet its obligations as and when they fall due.

#### Items of an unusual nature

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances, not otherwise dealt with in this Report or Group Accounts, that would render any amount stated in the Group Accounts misleading.

Neither the results of the operations of the Group nor of any corporation in the Group during the financial year were, in the opinion of the Directors, substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature.

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors, to affect substantially the results of the operations of any corporation in the Group for the next succeeding financial year.

#### **Directors' Benefits**

No Director of the Company, since the end of the previous financial year has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with a director, or with a firm of which he is a member or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest, save and except that Mr. A L Morokoff is a director of a company which provides professional services for the Company in the ordinary course of business.

#### General

As the Company is of the kind referred to in sub-regulation 58(6) of the Companies Regulations, the Directors have chosen to round off the amounts in this Report and in the accompanying Accounts to the nearest one thousand dollars in accordance with section 271 of the Companies Act 1981 and Regulation 58 of the Companies Regulations.

Signed at Sydney this 16th day of August, 1984 in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

AL Morokoff Director
AW Hamer Director





|   | Note | Cons            | solidated       | P               | arent           |
|---|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|   |      | 1984            | 1983            | 1984            | 1983            |
|   |      | \$'000          | \$'000          | \$'000          | \$'000          |
| Sales   |      | 246,136         | 261,178         | 246,136         | 261,178         |
| Operating Profit Before Income Tax  |      | 113,021         | 113,362         | 113,021         | 113,362         |
| Income Tax Expense Applicable thereto   | 10   | 55,534          | 55,969          | 55,534          | 55,969          |
| Net Profit  |      | 57,487          | 57,393          | 57,487          | 57,393          |
| Dividends   | 11   |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Dividend paid   |      | 16,750          | 16,750          | 16,750          | 16,750          |
| Dividend payable  |      | 34,500          | 16,750          | 34,500          | 16,750          |
|   |      | 51,250          | 33,500          | 51,250          | 33,500          |
| Retained Surplus at 1 July, 1983  |      | 48,351          | 24,458          | 48,351          | 24,458          |
| Retained Surplus at 30 June, 1984   |      | 54,588          | 48,351          | 54,588          | 48,351          |
| Profit before income tax includes the following item:  Credited  Interest received/receivable | S:   |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| subsidiary companies  |      |                 | _               | -               | _               |
| other corporations  |      | 5,673           | 3,192           | 5,673           | 3,192           |
| Charged   |      | 7 204           | 6.260           | 7 204           | 6 260           |
| Amortization of Ranger project rights  Depreciation of mine plant, equipment & facilities     |      | 7,394<br>16,580 | 6,360<br>14,841 | 7,394<br>16,580 | 6,360<br>14,841 |
| Directors' emoluments   | 12   | 10,580          | 99              | 10,380          | 99              |
| Royalty type expense  | 13   | 3,286           | 3,636           | 3,286           | 3,636           |
| Payments for Aboriginal interests   | 13   | 11,374          | 12,464          | 11,374          | 12,464          |
| Rehabilitation fund payments and guarantee costs  | 13   | 5,769           | 6,298           | 5,769           | 6,298           |
| Interest paid/payable   |      |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| subsidiary companies  |      | -               | -               | 48,237          | 56,427          |
| other corporations Auditors' remuneration   |      | 48,347          | 56,645          | 110             | 218             |
| audit services  |      | 121             | 144             | 121             | 144             |
| other services  |      | 46              | 88              | 46              | 88              |
| Other benefits received by the auditors   |      |                 | _               | -               | _               |
| Amortization of deferred expense  | 7    | 944             | 943             | 944             | 943             |



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|--|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  |                           | 1984             | 1983            | 1984              | 1983              |
| Balake and an analysis of the same   |                           | \$'000           | \$'000          | \$'000            | \$'000            |
| Current Assets   |                           |                  |                 |                   |                   |
| Cash at bank and on hand   |                           | 11               | 1               | 11                | 1                 |
| Short term deposits Trade debtors  |                           | 40,319           | 45,146          | 40,319            | 45,146            |
| Other debtors  | 2                         | 119,389<br>3,470 | 82,959<br>3,317 | 119,389<br>3,470  | 82,959<br>3,317   |
| Stock on hand  | 3                         | 39,277           | 31,431          | 39,277            | 31,431            |
|  |                           | 202,466          | 162,854         | 202,466           | 162,854           |
| Interests in Subsidiaries  | 4                         |                  |                 | 10                | 102,004           |
| Fixed Assets   |                           |                  |                 |                   |                   |
| Ranger project rights  | 5                         | 387,891          | 395,285         | 387,891           | 395,285           |
| Mine plant, equipment & facilities   | 6                         | 346,706          | 358,364         | 346,706           | 358,364           |
|  |                           | 734,597          | 753,649         | 734,597           | 753,649           |
| Deferred Expense   | 7                         | 4,065            | 5,009           | 4,065             | 5,009             |
| Future Income Tax Benefit  | 10                        | -                | 21,714          | -                 | 21,714            |
| Total Assets   |                           | 941,128          | 943,226         | 941,138           | 943,236           |
| Current Liabilities  |                           |                  |                 |                   |                   |
| Bank overdraft   |                           | 1,860            | 2,680           | 1,860             | 2,680             |
| Trade creditors and bills payable  |                           | 20,275           | 26,288          | 20,275            | 26,288            |
| Secured loans  | 8                         | 57,313           | 57,179          |                   |                   |
| Owing to subsidiary, secured   |                           |                  |                 | 57,313            | 57,179            |
| Other creditors  |                           | 1,020            | 3,224           | 1,020             | 3,224             |
| Dividends payable  |                           | 34,500           | 16,750          | 34,500            | 16,750            |
| Provision for taxation   |                           | 21,758           |                 | 21,758            |                   |
|  |                           | 136,726          | 106,121         | 136,726           | 106,121           |
| Non-Current Liabilities  |                           |                  |                 |                   |                   |
| Secured loans  | 8                         | 242,264          | 293,267         | -                 |                   |
| Creditors and accrued expenses   |                           | 84               | 83              | 84                | 83                |
| Owing to subsidiary  |                           |                  |                 | 242.204           | 200 007           |
| Secured Unsecured  |                           |                  |                 | 242,264<br>10     | 293,267           |
| Provision for deferred income tax  | 10                        | 97,466           | 85,404          | 97,466            | 10<br>85,404      |
| Total Liabilities  |                           | 476,540          | 484,875         | 476,550           | 484,885           |
| Issued and Paid Up Capital   | 11                        | 410,000          | 410,000         | 410,000           | 410,000           |
| Retained Surplus   |                           | 54,588           | 48,351          | 54,588            | 48,351            |
| Total Share Capital and Reserves   |                           | 464,588          | 458,351         | 464,588           | 458,351           |
|  |                           | 941,128          | 943,226         | 941,138           | 943,236           |
|  | SEES SEED SEED SEED SEEDS |                  |                 | MORRE PRESIDENTED | Sales Sales Sales |

### 1 Summary of significant accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical costs. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous year.

#### (a) Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated accounts give a view of the group as a whole. A list of subsidiaries appears in Note 4. All inter-company transactions are eliminated.

#### (b) Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation of plant equipment and facilities is provided for on a straight line basis as follows:

(i) individual assets that have a life equal to or longer than the estimated remaining life of the mine are depreciated over a period not longer than the estimated mine life,

(ii) each other asset is depreciated over its estimated operating life.

Ranger Project Rights are amortized over the estimated mine life and in relation to projected revenue from production.

#### (c) Foreign Currency

Amounts payable to and by the group in foreign currency have been converted to Australian currency at rates of exchange ruling at year end. Where, however, forward exchange cover has been obtained the settlement rate is used.

#### (d) Stock on Hand

Stock is at the lower of cost and net realisable value using the average cost method. Cost includes both fixed and variable production costs. No accounting value is attributed to ore in situ or to broken ore within the mine.

#### (e) Deferred Expense

Deferred expenses were incurred prior to the commencement of operations and are amortized over periods to which they relate.

The balance of share issue expenses is being written off over the first five financial years of full operation, 1984-8.

Marketing expenses are being amortized over the calendar years 1982-6, inclusive of both. Borrowing costs are being amortized over  $8\,\%$  years from 15 November, 1981 to the scheduled final repayment of the project loans.

#### (f) Income Tax

Tax effect accounting procedures are followed whereby the income tax expense in the Profit and Loss Account is matched with the accounting profit (after allowing for permanent differences). Income tax on net cumulative timing differences is set aside to deferred income tax account.

#### (g) Sales

Sales are accounted for when product has been delivered in accordance with a sales contract.

|                 | Contract.                                      |                       |               |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------|---------------|
| 2 Other Debtors |  | Consolidate           | ed and Parent |
|                 |  | 1984                  | 1983          |
|                 |  | \$'000                | \$'000        |
|                 | Other debtors                                  | 3,482                 | 3,317         |
|                 | Less provision for doubtful debts              | 12                    | _             |
|                 |  | 3,470                 | 3,317         |
| 3 Stock on Hand |  | Consolidated and Pare |               |
|                 |  | 1984                  | 1983          |
|                 |  | \$'000                | \$'000        |
|                 | Stores   | 14,706                | 11,741        |
|                 | Less provision for obsolescence                | 674                   | 230           |
|                 |  | 14,032                | 11,511        |
|                 | Ore stockpile                                  | 5,256                 | 6,569         |
|                 | Work in progress                               | 748                   | 1,367         |
|                 | Finished product U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> | 19,241                | 11,984        |
|                 |  | 39,277                | 31,431        |

| 4 Subsidiaries          | (a) Chausa in Cubaidian, Companies 1094 and 1093  | Place of<br>Incorporation                                   | Energy Resources<br>of Australia Ltd<br>Investment at Cost |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|
|                         | (a) Shares in Subsidiary Companies – 1984 and 1983<br>E.R.A. (Canberra) Limited<br>Ranger Export Development Company Pty Ltd<br>Ranger Uranium Mines Pty Ltd  | Australian Capital To<br>New South Wales<br>New South Wales | 20<br>20   |
|                         | The above subsidiaries are wholly owned. The operation profit or a loss and no dividends were paid to the pare  |   | \$45<br>es did not result in a                             |
|                         | (b) Loan to Subsidiary Company Unsecured subordinated loan to E.R.A. (Canberra) Lin   | nited \$10,000 (1983 s                                      | \$10,000).   |
| 5 Ranger Project Rights |   | Consolidate   | ed and Parent  |
|                         |   | 1984<br>\$'000  | 1983<br>\$'000   |
|                         | Ranger Rights at cost<br>Less amortization  | 407,000<br>19,109   | 407,000<br>11,715  |
|                         | Net balance   | 387,891   | 395,285  |
|                         | This represents Ranger interests acquired from the for rights to receive and sell the concentrates produced for benefits of long term sales contracts previously arrangements.  | from the Ranger Projec                                      | et Area and the  |
| 6 Mine plant, equipment |   | Consolidate   | ed and Parent  |
| and facilities          |   | \$'000  | 1983<br>\$'000   |
|                         | Plant, equipment and facilities at cost<br>Less provision for depreciation  | 389,354<br>42,648   | 384,432<br>26,068  |
|                         | Written down value  | 346,706   | 358,364  |
| 7 Deferred Expense      |   |   | ed and Parent  |
|                         |   | 1984<br>\$'000  | 1983<br>\$'000   |
|                         | Deferred expense capitalized at cost, comprises:  |   |  |
|                         | Share issue expenses  Marketing expense incurred in securing  | 3,158   | 3,158  |
|                         | contracts Borrowing costs   | 808<br>4,066  | 808<br>4,066   |
|                         |   | 8,032   | 8,032  |
|                         | Less amounts written off, Note 1(e) Total   | 3,967<br>4,065  | 3,023<br>5,009   |
|                         | iotal   |   |  |
| 8 Secured Loans         |   | 1984<br>\$'000  | ed and Parent<br>1983<br>\$'000                            |
|                         | Due within 12 months  |   |  |
|                         | Project loans<br>Vendor loans   | 47,518<br>9,795   | 47,261<br>9,918  |
|                         |   | 57,313  | 57,179   |
|                         | Due after 12 months   | 400.074   | 044 744  |
|                         | Project loans<br>Vendor loans   | 199,674<br>42,590   | 241,711<br>51,556  |
|                         |   | 242,264   | 293,267  |
|                         | Project Loans These loans are covered by first ranking debenture st charges over the whole of the assets and undertaking (Canberra) Limited including the sales contracts. Rep (1983 \$283,747,952) is by equal quarterly instalment. | g of the company and<br>ayment of principal \$2             | of E.R.A.<br>241,711,219                                   |
|                         | Vendor Loans  |   |  |
|                         | These loans are covered by second ranking debentur charges over the whole of the assets and undertakin (Canberra) Limited including the sales contracts. Rep (1983 \$60,522,518) is by equal quarterly instalment                     | g of the company and<br>ayment of principal \$!             | of E.R.A.<br>51,556,220                                    |

#### 9 Foreign Currency

The group has sales contracts in US dollars which exceed repayments of borrowings in US dollars.

Forward purchase contracts for US dollars have been entered into coinciding in timing and amounts with the repayment of principal in US dollars due under the Project Loan Agreements. The weighted average exchange rate experienced in drawing down the loans applies in all such contracts and consequently the future repayments will not result in any exchange gain or loss.

The purchase hedging contracts will result in A\$241,711,219 (1983 A\$283,747,952) being required to repay the principal of the loans in US dollars whereas the conversion of the principal at the rate of exchange at year end was A\$323,238,585 (1983 A\$376,286,449). The group has also entered into forward currency contracts in US dollars in respect of some future sales proceeds to 1990.

#### 10 Income Tax

|                                       | Consolidated and Parent |         |  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|--|
|                                       | 1984                    | 1983    |  |
|                                       | \$'000                  | \$'000  |  |
| Income Tax is calculated as follows:  |                         |         |  |
| Operating profit before income tax    | 113,021                 | 113,362 |  |
| Tax calculated at 46%                 | 51,990                  | 52,147  |  |
| Tax effect of permanent differences:  |                         |         |  |
| decreased income tax expense due to   |                         |         |  |
| investment allowance                  | (92)                    | (118)   |  |
| increased income tax expense due to   |                         |         |  |
| amortization of Ranger project rights |                         |         |  |
| and other non-allowable items         | 3,541                   | 2,977   |  |
| other items not allowable             | 95                      | 963     |  |
| Income tax expense                    | 55,534                  | 55,969  |  |
|                                       |                         |         |  |

#### Future income tax benefits

At 30 June, 1983 the company had income tax losses amounting to \$47,205,000 which were available against income of future years. The income tax losses were fully utilized at 30 June, 1984. The taxation losses arose as a result of investment allowance and of timing differences which give deductions for income tax earlier than the time when the related charges are made against book profits.

#### Provision for deferred income tax

The provision for deferred income tax arises from certain costs being allowable for income tax purposes earlier than the time when the corresponding charge is made against book profits. Deductions under Division 10 and Section 51 of the Income Tax Assessment Act are the main factors.

#### 11 Capital

|  | 1984    | 1983    |
|--|---------|---------|
|  | \$'000  | \$'000  |
| Authorized Capital                               |         |         |
| 500,000,000 shares of \$1.00 each \$500,000,000. |         |         |
| Issued and Paid up Capital                       |         |         |
| A Class shares of \$1.00 each                    | 307,500 | 307,500 |
| B Class shares of \$1.00 each                    | 61,500  | 61,500  |
| C Class shares of \$1.00 each                    | 41,000  | 41,000  |
|  | 410,000 | 410,000 |
|  |         |         |

The B and C class shares rank pari passu with the A class shares except that the B and C class shares have limitations, restrictions and special rights as to conversion, quotation and disposal of shares and voting in specified matters.

The Directors of E.R.A. have resolved to pay, out of profits of the financial year, dividends of 12.5 cents per share on the whole of the issued capital of the company, including the 75,000,000 A class shares registered in the names of Peko-Wallsend Ltd and EZ Industries Ltd. Accordingly the shares are entitled to participate in dividends for 1984 and future years.

#### **12 Directors Emoluments**

|   | Cons   | solidated        |        | Parent          |
|---|--------|------------------|--------|-----------------|
|   | 1984   | 1983             | 1984   | 1983            |
|   | \$'000 | \$'000           | \$'000 | \$'000          |
| There were no Executive Directors of the company. |        |                  |        |                 |
| Total emoluments received and                     |        |                  |        |                 |
| receivable by Other Directors                     | 100    | 99               | 100    | 99              |
| No emoluments (excluding salaries) were           |        |                  |        |                 |
| received by Directors of subsidiaries             |        |                  |        |                 |
| who are not also Directors of the company.        |        |                  |        |                 |
|   |        | NUMBER OF STREET |        | and the same of |

| 13 Commitments |   | Cons   | solidated |        | Parent |
|----------------|---|--------|-----------|--------|--------|
|                |   | 1984   | 1983      | 1984   | 1983   |
|                |   | \$'000 | \$'000    | \$'000 | \$'000 |
|                | (a) Commitments for capital expenditure | 659    | 2,173     | 659    | 2,173  |
|                | (b) Lease commitments                   | 1,375  | 1,891     | 1,375  | 1,891  |

Of the lease commitments, \$560,000 is due in the next 12 months. (1983 \$548,000)

- (c) E.R.A. is liable to make payments to the Commonwealth as listed below:
- (i) amounts equal to the sums payable by the Commonwealth to the Northern Lands Council pursuant to the Section 44 Agreement (Aboriginal Land Rights (NT) Act). These amount to \$200,000 per annum during the currency of the Agreement.
- (ii) amounts equal to the sums payable by the Commonwealth to the Aboriginals Benefit Trust Account pursuant to Section 63(5) of the Aboriginal Land Rights (NT) Act. These amounts are calculated as though they were royalties payable pursuant to the Northern Territory Mining Act and represent 4¼% of net sales revenue. (1984 \$11,174,000, 1983 \$12,264,000)
- (iii) amounts equivalent to sums payable by the Commonwealth to the Northern Territory pursuant to an understanding in respect of financial arrangements between the Commonwealth and the Government of the Northern Territory. These amounts are also calculated as though they were royalties and the relevant rate is 1¼ %. (1984 \$3,286,000, 1983 \$3,636,000)
- (iv) amounts equal to 2% (or such other rate as the Minister of State for the time being administering Section 41 of the Atomic Energy Act may determine) of the payments received by E.R.A. in respect of sales of uranium concentrates. These amounts are credited to the Ranger Rehabilitation Trust Fund to provide for rehabilitation of the mine site at the time of cessation of mining operations. (1984 \$5,288,000, 1983 \$5,842,000)

#### 14 Contingent Liabilities

- (a) E.R.A. has given to the Commonwealth Government an undertaking to rehabilitate the Ranger Project Area after cessation of mining operations. To the extent from time to time that the amount standing to the credit of the Ranger Rehabilitation Trust Fund is insufficient to meet the then estimated cost of rehabilitation, this undertaking has been secured by a bank guarantee given by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. That bank has in turn been indemnified by the Eurolenders and E.R.A. has given the latter a counter-indemnity which is secured by the issue of debenture stock.
- The estimated cost of rehabilitation, should E.R.A. have been required to cease mining at 30 June, 1984, would have been \$31,724,660 (1983 \$24,537,975) whilst the balance of the Trust Fund was \$13,426,385 (1983 \$6,821,357). See Note 13(c)(iv).
- (b) Claims have been lodged against the company and others by contractors in connection with the construction of the Mine Plant, Equipment and Facilities. To the extent that it is expected that the company may eventually be required to meet these claims, they have been included in these accounts. The maximum additional contingent liability at 30 June, 1984 was \$1,000,000 (1983 \$2,800,000). Any difference between the amount in the accounts and the amount eventually paid will be reflected in fixed assets.



| Sources of Funds                   |        | 1984<br>\$'000 |        | 1983<br>\$'000 |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|
| Operating profit before income tax |        | 113,021        |        | 113,362        |
| Add non cash items:                |        | 110,021        |        | 110,002        |
| Amortization and depreciation      |        | 24,919         |        | 22,144         |
|                                    |        | 137,940        |        | 135,506        |
| Reduction in Assets                |        | 137,340        |        | 135,500        |
| Short term deposits                |        | 4,827          |        |                |
| Increase in Liabilities            |        | 1,021          |        |                |
| Current liabilities                |        |                |        |                |
| Trade creditors & bills payable    |        |                | 6,351  |                |
| Secured loans                      | 134    | 134            |        | 6,351          |
| Non Current Liabilities            |        |                |        |                |
| Creditors & accrued expenses       |        |                |        | 7              |
| oroantoro a acoraca experiese      |        |                |        |                |
|                                    |        | 142,901        |        | 141,864        |
| Application of Funds               |        |                |        |                |
| Increase in Assets                 |        |                |        |                |
| Current assets                     |        |                |        |                |
| Cash on hand                       | 10     |                |        |                |
| Short term deposits                |        |                | 19,091 |                |
| Trade debtors                      | 36,430 |                | 26,181 |                |
| Other debtors                      | 153    |                | 919    |                |
| Stock on hand                      | 7,846  | 44,439         | 3,861  | 50,052         |
| Non current assets                 |        |                |        |                |
| Mine plant, equipment & facilities |        | 4,922          |        | 6,872          |
| Reduction in Liabilities           |        |                |        |                |
| Current liabilities                |        |                |        |                |
| Bank overdraft                     | 820    |                | 463    |                |
| Trade creditors and bills payable  | 6,013  |                | -      |                |
| Secured loans                      | -      |                | 1,829  |                |
| Other creditors                    | 2,204  | 9,037          | 1,495  | 3,787          |
| Non current liabilities            |        |                |        |                |
| Secured loans                      |        | 51,003         |        | 51,003         |
| Dividends paid                     |        | 33,500         |        | 30,150         |
|                                    |        | 142,901        |        | 141,864        |
|                                    |        |                |        |                |



#### **Statement by Directors**

Energy Resources of Australia Ltd (Incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory)

In the opinion of the Directors:

- (a) The Accounts of the Company and of the Group are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs as at 30 June, 1984, and the results for the year ended on that date of the Company and of the Group as far as they concern members of the Company.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed at Sydney this 16th day of August, 1984 in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

AL Morokoff Director AC Copeman Director

#### **Auditors' Report to the Members**

We have audited the accounts and group accounts set out on pages 15 to 21 in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

In our opinion:

- (a) the accounts and group accounts are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1981 and so as to give a true and fair view of:
  - (i) the state of affairs of the company and of the group as at 30 June, 1984 and of the profit of the company and of the group for the year ended on that date so far as they concern members of the holding company;
  - (ii) the other matters required by Section 269 of that Act to be dealt with in the accounts and in the group accounts;
  - and are in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.
- (b) the accounting records and other records, and the registers required by that Act to be kept by the company and by its subsidiaries have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of that Act or, in the case of the subsidiaries incorporated in New South Wales, in accordance with the provisions of the corresponding law of that State.

We are satisfied that the accounts of the subsidiaries that have been consolidated with other accounts are in form and content appropriate and proper for the purposes of the preparation of the consolidated accounts and we have received satisfactory information and explanations required by us for that purpose.

No auditors' report on the accounts of any of the subsidiaries was made subject to any qualification, or included any comment made under Subsection (4) of Section 285 of that Act.

**Coopers & Lybrand,** Chartered Accountants **by MJ Sharpe** Sydney, 16 August, 1984



Information pursuant to Australian Associated Stock Exchanges Listing Requirement 3c.

#### Entitlement to Votes (Article 85)

Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any shares on a show of hands every Member present in person or by proxy or by attorney or by Representative and entitled to vote shall have one vote, and on a poll every Member present in person or by proxy or by attorney or by Representative shall have one vote for each share held by him.

#### Stock Exchange Listing

E.R.A. shares are listed on the exchanges of the Australian Associated Stock Exchanges. The home exchange is the Sydney Stock Exchange Ltd.

#### Distribution of Shareholders as at 24 August, 1984.

| (a) A Class ordinary sha                             | reholders           | Equal to 75.0% of t | he issued capita |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| NUMBER (   | OF SHAREHOLDERS %   | NUMBER OF SHARES    | 9                |
| 1-1000   | 24,606 85.2         | 9,999,752           | 3.3              |
| 1001-5000  | 3,647 12.6          | 8,652,784           | 2.8              |
| 5001-10000   | 373 1.3             | 2,838,871           | .9               |
| over 10000   | 255 .9              | 286,008,593         | 93.0             |
|  | 28,881 100.0        | 307,500,000         | 100.0            |
| (b) B Class ordinary share                           | Equal to 15.0% of t | he issued capita    |                  |
|  |                     | NUMBER OF SHARES    | 9/               |
| Rheinbraun Australia Pty                             | 25,625,000          | 41.6                |                  |
| UG Australia Developme                               | 16,400,000          | 26.7                |                  |
| Interuranium Australia P                             | 15,375,000          | 25.0                |                  |
| OKG  |                     | 4,100,000           | 6.7              |
|  |                     | 61,500,000          | 100.0            |
| (c) C Class ordinary shareholder                     |                     | Equal to 10.0% of t | he issued capita |
|  |                     | NUMBER OF SHARES    | %                |
| Japan Australia Uranium                              | Resources           |                     |                  |
| Development Co. Ltd.                                 |                     | 41,000,000          | 100.0            |
| Total Issued Capital                                 |                     | 410,000,000         |                  |
| Register of Substantia                               | Shares held at 24   | August, 1984        |                  |
| A Class Ordinary Shareh                              | olders:             |                     |                  |
| Peko-Wallsend Ltd.                                   |                     | 130,440,800         |                  |
| EZ Industries Limited                                | 126,945,000         |                     |                  |
| B Class Ordinary Shareho                             |                     |                     |                  |
| Rheinbraun Australia Pty                             | 25,625,000          |                     |                  |
| UG Australia Developme                               | 16,400,000          |                     |                  |
| Interuranium Australia Pt<br>C Class Ordinary Shareh | 15,375,000          |                     |                  |
| Japan Australia Uranium                              | Ltd. 41,000,000     |                     |                  |
|  |                     |                     |                  |

| Twenty largest shareholde         | ors Of A Class Ordinary S      |   |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|
| SHAREHOLDER                       |                                | SHARES HELD   |  |
| Peko-Wallsend Ltd                 | 130,440,800                    |   |  |
| EZ Industries Limited             | 126,945,000                    |   |  |
| ANZ Nominees Ltd (Melbourne       | 3,402,530                      |   |  |
| CTB Nominees Ltd                  | 2,786,900                      |   |  |
| The Mutual Life & Citizens Ass    | 2,300,500                      |   |  |
| Australian Mutual Provident Sc    | 2,220,860                      |   |  |
| National Nominees Limited         | 1,208,174                      |   |  |
| Bank of New South Wales Non       | 1,125,810                      |   |  |
| Darling Nominees Pty Ltd          | 799,699                        |   |  |
| Eagle Star Nominees Ltd           | 756,600                        |   |  |
| Scottish Amicable Life Assura     | 650,000                        |   |  |
| Provident & Pensions Holdings     | 600,000                        |   |  |
| The City Mutual Life Nominee:     | 600,000                        |   |  |
| Pendal Nominees Pty Ltd           | 579,002                        |   |  |
| The City Mutual Life Assurance    | 524,000                        |   |  |
| OPF Nominees Pty Ltd              | 500,000                        |   |  |
| Australian Foundation Investm     | 450,000                        |   |  |
| Perpetual Trustee Co Ltd          | 361,900                        |   |  |
| Mogul Mining N.L.                 | 300,000                        |   |  |
| Anfrank Nominees Pty Ltd          | 293,600                        |   |  |
| Total                             |                                | 276,845,375   |  |
| The proportion of A Class Ordi    | nary Shares held by the twenty | largest shareholders is 90%.                        |  |
| Interest of Directors in the sh   | nare capital of the Company as | at 21 July, 1984 SHARES HELD                        |  |
| A L Morokoff                      | 5,000                          |   |  |
| A W Hamer                         |                                | 5,000   |  |
| G B Lean                          | 10,000                         |   |  |
| G A Mackay                        |                                | 5,000<br>2,000                                      |  |
| Sir Rupert Myers Share Registries |                                | 2,000   |  |
| New South Wales                   | Victoria                       | Australian Capital Tarritons                        |  |
| c/- Professional Share            | c/- Professional Share         | Australian Capital Territory c/- Professional Share |  |
| Registries (NSW) Pty. Ltd.        | Registries (NSW) Pty. Ltd.     | Registries (NSW) Pty. Ltd.                          |  |
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