

# **FLAGSHIP INVESTMENTS LIMITED**

ABN 99 080 135 913

# **APPENDIX 4D STATEMENT**

FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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## **APPENDIX 4D STATEMENT**

## **Results for Announcement to the Market**

The reporting period is the Half-year ended 31 December 2022, with the corresponding period being 1 July 2021 to 31 December 2021.

#### **SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

Investment Portfolio performance was positive 8.4% in the six months ended 31 December 2022. Over the period, Net Assets increased by \$1,972,278 after paying the 2022 final dividend of \$1,228,221.

	Dec 2022 \$	Dec 2021 \$	Movement %
Revenue from ordinary activities	918,590	802,443	14.5%
Comprehensive Income/(loss) (after tax) attributable to members	3,200,499	1,598,184	100.3%
Comprehensive Income/(loss) per share (Cents)	12.38	6.20	99.6%
Net Tangible Asset backing per share (before tax on unrealised gains) (Cents)	204.29	277.31	(26.3)%

## **DIVIDEND**

#### **Interim Dividend per share**

Fully Franked Interim Dividend - payable on 23 February 2023: 4.75 cents
The record date to determine entitlements to the interim dividend 9 February 2023

## **Dividend Reinvestment Plan**

The Dividend Reinvestment Plan will apply to this interim dividend with the price determined by the Directors. The last date for the receipt of an election notice for participation in the dividend reinvestment plan will be at close of business on 10 February 2023. There is no foreign conduit income attributable to the dividend.

### **Previous corresponding period**

Fully Franked Interim Dividend paid on 24 February 2022:

4.5 cents

#### **LIC Capital Gains Components**

The capacity of the Company to facilitate access to the capital gain benefit of the dividend will depend on the Company's capacity to generate capital profits. The interim dividend will include a capital gain component.

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#### **MARKET COMMENT**

Over the last 12 months the financial markets have been impacted by global events and macro-economic factors that no-one expected in December 2021. The shock of the Reserve Bank of Australia's interest rate policy shift in response to persistent inflation set off a significant decline in equity values. Ongoing speculation regarding inflation readings and interest rate moves impacted sentiment throughout the year. In the 6 months from 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022 the ASX All Ordinaries Index has gained 7.0% but the move has not been a straight linear path. Ongoing uncertainty and volatility impacts the market and factors that have been dominating headlines in 2022 are most likely to continue into 2023.

The Flagship Investments' portfolio is comprised of companies that have a sustainable competitive advantage and dynamic capabilities to responded to new competition or other business challenges. These businesses should be well equipped to handle the challenges of today and to out-perform over the long term.

#### **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

Investment performance for the six months to December 2022 was positive 8.4%, compared to the ASX All Ordinaries Index increase of 7.0%. The result is an improvement on the prior year 6 month portfolio performance of positive 3.8% but is under the 10 year average of 12.7%.

Due to the global macro-economic environment equity valuations have been under pressure, however, pleasingly the investee businesses have generally performed in line with expectations with resultant dividend income increasing year on year by \$84,437. Net profit decreased compared to last year by \$308,910, this is primarily due to the interest costs associated with the convertible notes issued in November 2021 (ASX: FSIGA).

During the six months to December 2022 the company paid the FY2022 Final Dividend of 4.75 cents per share, a total of \$1,228,220.66. At 31 December 2022 the Company maintains sufficient reserves to maintain the annual fully franked dividend of 9.25 cents per share for a further 3.2 years.

### **Portfolio Performance:**

	6 mths	1 year	5 years	10 years	Since Inception (1 May 1998) p.a.
FSI Portfolio	8.4%	-17.6%	10.4%	12.7%	11.9%
ASX All Ordinaries	7.0%	-7.2%	3.2%	4.5%	4.0%
ASX Accumulation Index	9.6%	-3.0%	7.2%	8.8%	9.6%

### **OTHER DISCLOSURES**

This report is based on financial statements which have been subject to independent review by the auditor, Connect National Audit Pty Ltd.

All the documents comprise the information required by ASX listing Rule 4.2A.3.

This information should be read in conjunction with the Company's most recent Annual Financial Report.

Authorised for release by the Board.

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