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This annual report covers Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975).

The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

Level 1, 575 Bourke Street Melbourne, VIC 3000.

# Directors' report

The directors of Equity Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity of Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund (the "Fund"), present their report together with the financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2023.

#### Principal activities

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve positive returns in excess of the benchmark over the long term by taking both long and short positions in selected Australian shares, which may be dual listed, in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund did not have any employees during the year.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Fund's activities during the year.

The various service providers for the Fund are detailed below:

Service	Provider
Responsible Entity	Equity Trustees Limited
Investment Manager	Tribeca Investment Partners Pty Ltd
Custodian and Administrator	JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
Statutory Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers

#### **Directors**

The following persons held office as directors of Equity Trustees Limited during or since the end of the year and up to the date of this report:

Philip D Gentry	(Chairman)
Michael J O'Brien	
Russell W Beasley	

Mary A O'Connor

David B Warren (appointed 6 March 2023)

#### Review and results of operations

During the year, the Fund continued to invest its funds in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund's performance is calculated based on the percentage change in the redemption price in the Fund over the period (with any distributions paid during the period reinvested). Returns are disclosed after fees and expenses but before taxes.

The Fund's performance and the Funds' benchmark returns for the year ended 30 June 2023 were as follows:

Class Name	Benchmark	Net return (net of fees)	Benchmark return
Class A	S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index	14.90%	14.78%
Class B	S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index	15.43%	14.78%
Class C	S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index	15.35%	14.78%

# **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Review and results of operations (continued)

The performance of the Fund, as represented by the results of its operations, was as follows:

	Year ended	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
Profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders for the year (\$'000)	144,174	(59,280)
Distributions - Class A Units		
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	11,971	19,662
Distributions (cents per unit)	8.05	13.79
Distributions - Class B Units		
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	52,074	80,047
Distributions (cents per unit)	8.41	14.37
Distributions - Class C Units		
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	233	486
Distributions (cents per unit)	7.85	13.81

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

David B Warren was appointed as a director of Equity Trustees Limited on 6 March 2023.

In the opinion of the directors, there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund that occurred during the financial year.

#### Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2023 that has significantly affected, or may have a significant effect on:

- (i) the operations of the Fund in future financial years; or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years; or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Fund in future financial years.

#### Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Fund will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The results of the Fund's operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Fund invests. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

#### **Indemnification and insurance of officers**

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Fund in regards to insurance cover provided to the officers of Equity Trustees Limited. So long as the officers of Equity Trustees Limited act in accordance with the Fund's Constitution and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Fund against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Fund.

## Indemnification of auditor

The auditor of the Fund is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Fund.

# **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Fees paid to and interests held in the Fund by the Responsible Entity and its associates

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of Funds' property during the year are disclosed in Note 14 to the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of Fund property to the directors of the Responsible Entity during the year.

The number of interests in the Fund held by the Responsible Entity or its associates as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 14 to the financial statements.

#### Interests in the Fund

The movement in units on issue in the Fund during the year is disclosed in Note 7 to the financial statements.

The value of the Fund's assets and liabilities is disclosed in the statement of financial position and derived using the basis set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

#### **Environmental regulation**

The operations of the Fund are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

#### Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, unless otherwise indicated.

#### Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 5.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.

Philip D Gentry

Melbourne 28 September 2023



# Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the audit of Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund for the year ended 30 June 2023, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

CJ Cummins

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney 28 September 2023

# **Statement of comprehensive income**

		Year ended	
		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Investment income			
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		15	-
Dividends and distributions income		47,919	56,046
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		1	5
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		126,650	(86,965)
Other income		110	_
Total investment income/(loss)		174,695	(30,914)
Expenses			
Dividend expense on short position securities		8,802	7,093
Management fees and costs		10,092	9,782
Performance fees	14	605	1,831
Withholding taxes		38	114
Transaction costs		10,919	9,517
Other expenses		65	29
Total expenses		30,521	28,366
Profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders for the year		144,174	(59,280)
Finance costs attributable to unit holders			
Distributions to unit holders	9	(64,278)	(100,195)
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders	7	(79,896)	159,475
Profit/(loss) for the year		-	-
Other comprehensive income			<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year			

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

# Statement of financial position

	As at		t
		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	9	3,891	4,346
Receivables	11	5,477	4,736
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold		1,091	2,047
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	1,348,097	1,181,122
Total assets		1,358,556	1,192,251
Liabilities			
Distributions payable	8	8,243	17,011
Payables	12	1,828	2,322
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased		815	2,753
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	6	259,382	217,505
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unit holders)		270,268	239,591
Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability	7	1,088,288	952,660

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

# Statement of changes in equity

	Year	Year ended	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year	-	-	
Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	
Other comprehensive income	<del>_</del>		
Total comprehensive income	-	-	
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	<u>-</u> _		
Total equity at the end of the financial year*	<del>_</del>		

<sup>\*</sup> Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or end of the financial year.

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

# Statement of cash flows

	Year ended		ded
		30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		1,802,832	1,737,193
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		(1,802,262)	(1,860,023)
Transaction costs on purchase of financial instruments at fair value		(10,919)	(9,517)
Interest income received from financial assets at amortised cost		15	-
Dividends and distributions received		47,158	55,516
Other income received		128	-
Dividend expense paid on short position securities		(8,263)	(7,093)
Management fees and costs paid		(10,997)	(8,706)
Performance fees paid		(605)	(1,831)
Other expenses paid		(65)	(13)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	10(a)	17,022	(94,474)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from applications by unit holders		36,970	111,723
Payments for redemptions by unit holders		(33,630)	(20,446)
Distributions paid to unit holders		(20,818)	(4,979)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		(17,478)	86,298
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(456)	(8,176)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		4,346	12,517
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		1	5
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	9	3,891	4,346
Non-cash operating and financing activities	10(b)	52,228	80,324

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

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#### 1 General information

These financial statements cover Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund (the "Fund") as an individual entity. The Fund is an Australian registered managed investment scheme which was constituted on 30 June, 2006 and will terminate in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution or by Law.

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975) (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 1, 575 Bourke Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000. The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency unless otherwise noted.

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve positive returns in excess of the benchmark over the long term by taking both long and short positions in selected Australian shares, which may be dual listed, in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on the date the Directors' declaration was signed. The directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

# 2 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated in the following text.

#### (a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the *Corporations Act 2001* in Australia. The Fund is a for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities, except where otherwise stated.

The statement of financial position is presented on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and do not distinguish between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within 12 months, except for investments in financial assets and liabilities and net assets attributable to unit holders.

The Fund manages financial assets at fair value through profit or loss based on the economic circumstances at any given point in time, as well as to meet any liquidity requirements. As such, it is expected that a portion of the portfolio will be realised within 12 months, however, an estimate of that amount cannot be determined as at reporting date.

In the case of net assets attributable to unit holders, the units are redeemable on demand at the unit holder's option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within 12 months cannot be reliably determined.

(i) Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

The financial statements of the Fund also comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Fund

There are no standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2022 that have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the prior periods or will affect the current or future periods.

(iii) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2023 and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements.

None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

#### (b) Financial instruments

#### (i) Classification

#### · Financial assets

The Fund classifies their financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss; and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Fund classifies their financial assets based on their business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

The Fund's portfolio of financial assets are managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Fund's documented investment strategy. The Fund's policy is for the Investment Manager to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

For equity securities, the contractual cash flows of these instruments do not represent solely payments of principal and interest. Consequently, these investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

For cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers, these assets are held in order to collect the contractual cash flows. The contractual terms of these assets give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Consequently, these are measured at amortised cost.

#### • Financial liabilities

The Fund makes short sales in which a borrowed security is sold in anticipation of a decline in the market value of that security, or it may use short sales for various arbitrage transactions. Short sales are held for trading and are consequently classified as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

For financial liabilities that are not classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, these are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost (distributions payable, trust distributions payable, management fees and cost payable and due to brokers - payable for securities purchased).

#### (ii) Recognition and derecognition

The Fund recognises financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognises changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (iii) Measurement

#### • Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

At initial recognition, the Fund measures a financial asset and a financial liability at its fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of 'financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within 'net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss' in the period in which they arise.

For further details on how the fair value of financial instruments is determined please see Note 4 to the financial statements.

#### • Financial instruments at amortised cost

For financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost, they are initially measured at fair value including directly attributable costs and are subsequently measured using the effective interest rate method less any allowance for expected credit losses.

Cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers are carried at amortised cost.

#### (b) Financial instruments (continued)

#### (iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Fund shall estimate a loss allowance on each of the financial assets carried at amortised cost (cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers) at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the counter party, probability that the counter party will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that the asset is credit impaired. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the net carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

The expected credit loss (ECL) approach is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Fund expects to receive. The shortfall is then discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate.

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectible in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (v) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position when the Fund has a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

As at the end of the reporting period, there are no financial assets or liabilities offset or with the right to offset in the statement of financial position.

#### (c) Net assets attributable to unit holders

Units are redeemable at the unit holders' option; however, applications and redemptions may be suspended by the Responsible Entity if it is in the best interests of the unit holders.

Units are classified as equity when they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 Financial instruments: Presentation:

- the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro-rata share of net assets in the event of the Funds' liquidation;
- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical;
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange
  financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Funds, and it is not a contract settled in the
  Funds' own equity instruments; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss.

The units in the Fund are classified as financial liabilities as they do not meet the requirements of equity in accordance with AASB 132 *Financial instruments: Presentation.* 

The units can be put back to the Fund at any time for cash based on the redemption price which is equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value attributable to the unit holders.

The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the reporting date if the holder exercises the right to put the units back to the Fund.

#### (d) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as trading of these securities represents the Fund's main income generating activity.

#### (e) Investment income and expenses

#### (i) Interest income

Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost is recognised using the effective interest method and includes interest from cash and cash equivalents.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts throughout the expected life of the financial instrument, or a shorter period where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Fund estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees paid or received between the parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, including transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

Interest income on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is also recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (ii) Dividends and distributions

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date with any related foreign withholding tax recorded as an expense. The Fund currently incurs withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income is recorded gross of withholding tax in the statement of comprehensive income.

Trust distributions are recognised on an entitlement basis.

#### (f) Expenses

All expenses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on an accruals basis.

Dividend expenses on short positions in equity securities equal to the dividends due on these securities. Such dividend expense is recognised in profit or loss when the shareholders' right to receive payment is established.

Management fees and costs covers certain ordinary expenses such as investment management fees, Responsible entity fees, custodian and administration fees and audit fees.

#### (g) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Fund is not subject to income tax provided it attributes the entirety of its taxable income to its unit holders.

The Fund currently incurs withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income or gains are recorded gross of withholding taxes in the statement of comprehensive income. Withholding taxes are included in the statement of comprehensive income as an expense.

#### (h) Distributions

The Fund may distribute its distributable income, in accordance with the Fund's Constitution, to unit holders by cash or reinvestment. The distributions are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as finance costs attributable to unit holders.

#### (i) Increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unit holders. As the Fund's units are classified as financial liabilities, movements in net assets attributable to unit holders are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as finance costs.

#### (j) Foreign currency translation

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency

Balances included in the Fund's financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the "functional currency"). This is the Australian dollar which reflects the currency of the economy in which the Fund competes for funds and is regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Fund's presentation currency.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translations at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (j) Foreign currency translation (continued)

#### (ii) Transactions and balances (continued)

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of unrealised gains or losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss which is due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Such fluctuations are included in the net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

#### (k) Due from/to brokers

Amounts due from/to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the year. The due from brokers balance is held for collection and is recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (l) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for interest, dividends and trust distributions. Dividends and trust distributions are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Where applicable, interest is accrued on a daily basis. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

#### (m) Payables

Payables include liabilities and accrued expenses owed by the Fund which are unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

A separate distribution payable is recognised in the statement of financial position.

Distributions declared effective 30 June in relation to unit holders who have previously elected to reinvest distributions are recognised as reinvested effective at 30 June of the same financial year.

#### (n) Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Fund are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Fund. Redemptions from the Fund are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed.

#### (o) Goods and services tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the costs of various services provided to the Fund by third parties such as management, administration and custodian services where applicable, have been passed on to the Fund. The Fund qualifies for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC) at a rate of at least 55%. Hence, fees for these services and any other expenses have been recognised in the statement of comprehensive income net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Amounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the statement of financial position. Cash flows relating to GST are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis.

#### (p) Use of estimates and judgements

The Fund makes estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the current and next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

For the majority of the Fund's financial instruments, quoted market prices are readily available. However, certain financial instruments, for example over-the-counter derivatives or unquoted securities, are fair valued using valuation techniques. Where valuation techniques (for example, pricing models) are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Investment Manager.

Models use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations, require management to make estimates and judgements. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

#### (p) Use of estimates and judgements (continued)

The Fund estimates that the resultant expected credit loss (ECL) derived from using impairment model, has not materially impacted the Fund. Please see Note 3 for more information on credit risk.

For more information on how fair value is calculated refer to Note 4 to the financial statements.

#### (q) Rounding of amounts

The Fund is an entity of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial statements. Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

#### (r) Comparative revisions

Comparative information has been revised where appropriate to enhance comparability. Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation in the current year.

# 3 Financial risk management

The Fund's activities expose them to a variety of financial risks including market risk (which incorporates price risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Fund's overall risk management programme focuses on ensuring compliance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the investment guidelines of the Fund. It also seeks to maximise the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Fund is exposed and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance. The Fund's policy allows it to use derivative financial instruments in managing its financial risks.

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital on long equity securities is limited to the fair value of those positions. On equities sold short, the maximum loss of capital can be unlimited.

The investments of the Fund, and associated risks, are managed by a specialist Investment Manager, Tribeca Investment Partners Pty Ltd under an Investment Management Agreement (IMA) approved by the Responsible Entity, and containing the investment strategy and guidelines of the Fund, consistent with those stated in the Product Disclosure Statement.

The Fund uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods include sensitivity analysis in the case of market risk, and ratings analysis for credit risk.

#### (a) Market risk

#### (i) Price risk

The Fund is exposed to price risk on equity securities or unit trusts listed or quoted on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Price risk arises from investments held by the Fund for which prices in the future are uncertain. Where non-monetary financial instruments are denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar, the price in the future will also fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates which are considered a component of price risk. The financial instruments of the Fund are denominated in Australian dollars. Accordingly, the Fund is not exposed to foreign exchange risk.

The table in Note 3(b) summarises the sensitivities of the Fund's assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the reasonably possible shift that the investment portfolio in which the Fund invests moves by +/-10% (2022: +/-10%).

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

The Fund is exposed to cash flow interest rate risk on financial instruments with variable interest rates. Financial instruments with fixed rates expose the Fund to fair value interest rate risk.

The Fund's interest bearing financial instruments expose it to risks associated with the effects of fluctuation in the prevailing market interest rates on its financial position and cash flows. The impact of interest rate risk on profit and net assets attributable to unit holders is considered immaterial to the Fund.

Interest rate risk management is undertaken by maintaining as close to a fully invested position as possible thus limiting the exposure of the Fund to interest rate risk.

# 3 Financial risk management (continued)

#### (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's operating profit and net assets attributable to unit holders to market risks. The reasonably possible movements in the risk variables have been determined based on management's best estimate, having regard to a number of factors, including historical levels of changes in foreign exchange rates, interest rates and the historical correlation of the Fund's investments with the relevant benchmark and market volatility. However, actual movements in the risk variables may be greater or less than anticipated due to a number of factors, including unusually large market movements resulting from changes in the performance of and/or correlation between the performances of the economies, markets and securities in which the Fund invests. As a result, historic variations in risk variables should not be used to predict future variances in the risk variables.

#### Impact on operating profit/net assets attributable to unit holders

	Price	risk
	+10%	-10%
	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2023	108,871	(108,871)
As at 30 June 2022	96,362	(96,362)

#### (c) Credit risk

The Fund is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay its obligations in full when they fall due, causing a financial loss to the Fund.

The Fund's credit risk primarily arises from cash and cash equivalents, receivables, investments and due from broker balances. The Fund's strategy includes holding short positions. Short equity positions are facilitated through a prime brokerage agreement with JP Morgan Securities PLC under the terms of a Global Master Securities Lending Agreement (2022: JPMorgan Securities Australia Limited ("JPMorgan") under an Australian Securities Lending Agreement). Under the terms of the securities lending agreements, the Fund delivers the required collateral in the form of security title to certain investments, cash and other assets to JPMorgan. At 30 June 2023, the net exposure to balances held with the prime brokers was \$1,088,714,526 (2022: \$14,589,757). JPMorgan Chase & Co, the ultimate parent of JPMorgan, has a Standard & Poor's credit rating of A-2 (2022: A-2) and the Investment Manager monitors JPMorgan's credit ratings on an annual basis.

#### (i) Settlement of securities transactions

All transactions in listed securities are settled/paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered low, as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made once the securities purchased have been received by the broker. The trade will fail if either party fails to meet its obligations.

#### (ii) Cash and cash equivalents

The exposure to credit risk for cash and cash equivalents is low as all counterparties have a rating of A-1 (as determined by the S&P) or higher.

#### (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may not be able to generate sufficient cash resources to settle their obligations in full as they fall due or can only do so on terms that are materially disadvantageous.

Exposure to liquidity risk for the Fund may arise from the requirement to meet daily unit holder redemption requests or to fund foreign exchange related cash flow requirements.

The Investment Manager therefore aims to invest majority of its assets in listed securities which are traded in an active market, and can be readily disposed of, though the liquidity of investments is not guaranteed.

In order to manage the Fund's overall liquidity, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders. The Fund did not reject or withhold any redemptions during 2023 and 2022.

# 3 Financial risk management (continued)

#### (d) Liquidity risk (continued)

(i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

All non-derivative financial liabilities of the Fund in the current and prior period have maturities of less than 1 month.

#### 4 Fair value measurement

The Fund measures and recognises financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss on a recurring basis.

Financial assets/ liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (see Note 5 and Note 6)

The Fund has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2);
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The Fund values its investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to the financial statements. For the majority of its investments, the Fund relies on information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of its investments.

#### (a) Fair value in an active market (level 1)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as listed equity securities and listed unit trusts) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs. For the majority of its investments, the Fund relies on the information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of its investments.

The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Fund is the current bid price; the quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current asking price.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

#### (b) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (level 2)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of a substantially similar other instrument, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the end of the reporting period applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions.

For other pricing models, inputs are based on market data at the end of the reporting period. Fair values for unquoted equity investments are estimated, if possible, using applicable price/earnings ratios for similar listed companies adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer.

The fair value of derivatives that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Fund would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the end of the reporting period taking into account current market conditions (volatility and appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds. Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

## 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

#### (c) Recognised fair value measurements

The table below presents the Fund's financial assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value as at 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022.

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 30 June 2023				
Financial assets				
Listed equity securities	1,261,428	-	-	1,261,428
Listed unit trusts	86,669			86,669
Total financial assets	1,348,097			1,348,097
Financial liabilities				
Listed equity securities	229,125	-	-	229,125
Listed unit trusts	30,257		=	30,257
Total financial liabilities	259,382	=	=	259,382
As at 30 June 2022				
Financial assets				
Listed equity securities	1,118,031	-	-	1,118,031
Listed unit trusts	63,015	-	-	63,015
Warrants		76		76
Total financial assets	1,181,046	76	<u> </u>	1,181,122
Financial liabilities				
Listed equity securities	195,989	-	-	195,989
Listed unit trusts	21,440	-	-	21,440
Warrants		76	<u>-</u>	76
Total financial liabilities	217,429	<u>76</u>		217,505

#### (d) Financial instruments not carried at fair value

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

Net assets attributable to unit holders' carrying value differs from its fair value (deemed to be redemption price for individual units) due to differences in valuation inputs. This difference is not material in the current or prior year.

# 5 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Warrants	-	76
Listed equity securities	1,261,428	1,118,031
Listed unit trusts	86,669	63,015
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,348,097	1,181,122

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 3 and Note 4 to the financial statements.

# 6 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Warrants	-	76
Listed equity securities	229,125	195,989
Listed unit trusts	30,257	21,440
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	259,382	217,505

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 3 and Note 4 to the financial statements.

# 7 Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability

The Fund's units are classified as a liability as they do not meet the definition of a financial instrument to be classified as equity.

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unit holders during the year were as follows:

	Year ended		Year ended		
	30 June 30 June 2023 2023		30 June 2022	30 June 2022	
	Units '000	\$'000	Units '000	\$'000	
Class A Units					
Opening balance	147,223	178,217	84,618	121,573	
Applications	26,930	36,434	76,023	110,871	
Redemptions	(24,141)	(32,227)	(13,629)	(19,596)	
Reinvestment of distributions	116	154	211	264	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		14,056	<u> </u>	(34,895)	
Closing balance	150,128	196,634	147,223	178,217	
Class B Units					
Opening balance	611,628	770,309	550,033	813,968	
Applications	118	164	105	160	
Reinvestment of distributions	37,661	52,074	61,490	80,048	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		65,458	<u>-</u> _	(123,867)	
Closing balance	649,407	888,005	611,628	770,309	
Class C Units					
Opening balance	3,475	4,134	3,689	5,148	
Applications	320	408	493	710	
Redemptions	(973)	(1,275)	(707)	(1,011)	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	<u>-</u>	382	<u> </u>	(713)	
Closing balance	2,822	3,649	3,475	4,134	
Closing balance	-	1,088,288	-	952,660	

As stipulated within the Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right in the underlying assets of the Fund.

# 7 Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability (continued)

There are 3 separate classes of units. Each unit within the same class has the same rights as all other units within that class. Each unit class has a different management fee rate and investment restrictions.

Units are redeemed on demand at the unit holders' option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within twelve months after the end of the reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

#### Capital risk management

The Fund considers their net assets attributable to unit holders as capital, notwithstanding that net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability. The amount of net assets attributable to unit holders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders.

Daily applications and redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Fund's underlying assets on a daily basis by the Responsible Entity. Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders.

#### 8 Distributions to unit holders

The distributions declared during the year were as follows:

	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	30 June 2022	30 June 2022
Distributions - Class A Units	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU
December	3,775	2.59	2,823	2.34
June (paid)	103	5.46	221	11.45
June (payable)	8,093	5.46	16,618	11.45
<b>Total Distributions</b>	11,971	8.05	19,662	13.79
Distributions - Class B Units				
December	16,557	2.71	13,076	2.38
June (paid)	35,517	5.70	66,971	11.99
Total Distributions	52,074	8.41	80,047	14.37
Distributions - Class C Units				
December	83	2.54	93	2.50
June (payable)	150	5.31	393	11.31
Total Distributions	233	7.85	486	13.81
Total Distributions	64,278		100,195	

# 9 Cash and cash equivalents

	As at	
	30 June	30 June
	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank	3,891	4,346
Total cash and cash equivalents	3,891	4,346

# 10 Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	Year ended	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
(a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities		
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	79,896	(159,475)
Distributions to unit holders	64,278	100,195
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	1,802,832	1,737,193
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(1,802,262)	(1,860,023)
Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(126,650)	86,965
Net foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(1)	(5)
Dividend and distribution income reinvested	-	(12)
Net change in receivables	(705)	(424)
Net change in payables	(366)	1,112
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	17,022	(94,474)
(b) Non-cash operating and financing activities		
The following purchases of investments were satisfied by participating in dividend and distribution reinvestment plan	-	12
The following distribution payments to unit holders were satisfied by the issue of units under the distribution reinvestment plans	52,228	80,312
Total non-cash operating and financing activities	52,228	80,324

As described in Note 2(i), income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unit holders. The change in this amount for the year (as reported in (a) above) represents a non-cash financing cost as it is not settled in cash until such time as it becomes distributable.

## 11 Receivables

	As at		
	30 June 2023		
	\$'000	\$'000	
Applications receivable	54	18	
Dividends and distributions receivable	5,330	4,607	
GST receivable	93	111	
Total receivables	5,477	4,736	

# 12 Payables

	As at		
	<b>30 June</b> 30 Ju <b>2023</b> 2022		
	\$'000	\$'000	
Redemptions payable	33	161	
Management fees and costs payable	1,015	1,920	
Short dividends and distributions payable	780	241	
Total payables	1,828	2,322	

# 13 Remuneration of auditor

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the Fund:

	Year ended		
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022	
	\$	\$	
PricewaterhouseCoopers			
Audit and other assurance services			
Audit and review of financial statements	34,500	33,200	
Audit of compliance plan	2,346	2,346	
Total remuneration for audit and other assurance services	36,846	35,546	
Taxation services			
Tax compliance services	15,714	14,824	
Total remuneration for taxation services	<u> 15,714</u>	14,824	
Total remuneration of PricewaterhouseCoopers	52,560	50,370	

The auditor's remuneration is borne by the Fund. Fees are stated exclusive of GST.

# 14 Related party transactions

The Responsible Entity of the Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975). Accordingly, transactions with entities related to Equity Trustees Limited are disclosed below.

The Responsible Entity has contracted services to Tribeca Investment Partners Pty Ltd, to act as Investment Manager for the Fund, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. to act as Custodian and Administrator for the Fund. The contracts are on normal commercial terms and conditions.

#### (a) Key management personnel

# (i) Directors

Key management personnel include persons who were directors of Equity Trustees Limited at any time during or since the end of the financial year and up to the date of this report.

Philip D Gentry (Chairman)

Michael J O'Brien Russell W Beasley Mary A O'Connor

David B Warren (appointed 6 March 2023)

(ii) Responsible Entity

Other than fees paid to the Responsible Entity, there were no other transactions.

#### (iii) Other key management personnel

There were no other key management personnel with responsibility for planning, directing and controlling activities of the Fund, directly or indirectly during the financial year.

#### (b) Transactions with key management personnel

There were no transactions with key management personnel during the reporting period.

# 14 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (c) Key management personnel unit holdings

Key management personnel did not hold units in the Fund as at 30 June 2023 (30 June 2022: nil).

#### (d) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel are paid by EQT Services Pty Ltd. Payments made from the Fund to Equity Trustees Limited do not include any amounts directly attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

#### (e) Key management personnel loans

The Fund has not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to key management personnel or their personally related entities at any time during the reporting period.

#### (f) Other transactions within the Fund

Apart from those details disclosed in this note, no key management personnel have entered into a material contract with the Fund during the financial year and there were no material contracts involving management personnel's interests existing at year end.

#### (g) Responsible Entity fees, Investment Manager's fees and other transactions

The transactions during the year and amounts payable at year end between the Fund, the Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager were as follows:

	Year en	Year ended	
	30 June 2023	30 June 2022	
	\$	\$	
Management fees for the year	9,221,141	8,914,310	
Performance fees for the year	604,684	1,830,861	
Responsible Entity fees for the year	604,861	594,673	
Management fees payable at year end	728,535	1,503,928	
Responsible Entity fees payable at year end	137,063	283,671	

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement, management fees and costs includes responsible entity fees paid to the Responsible Entity, management fees paid to the Investment Manager and other costs (such as custody fees, administration fees and audit fees) paid to other unrelated parties. Please refer to the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement for information on how management fees and costs are calculated.

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement, the Investment Manager is also entitled to receive a performance fee in relation to the performance of the fund.

# 14 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (h) Related party unit holdings

Parties related to the Fund (including Equity Trustees Limited, its related parties and other schemes managed by the Equity Trustees Limited and the Investment Manager) hold units in the Fund, as follows:

	Number of units held opening	Number of units held closing	Fair value of investment	Interest held	Number of units acquired	Number of units disposed	Distributions paid/payable by the fund
			\$	%			\$
Unit holder							
As at 30 June 2023							
Freedom of Choice (Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund Class A)	964,024	952,487	1,247,561	0.63	16,182	(27,719)	76,672
Freedom of Choice Portfolio Service (Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund Class A)	12,186	-	-	-	-	(12,186)	315
As at 30 June 2022							
Freedom of Choice (Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund Class A)	1,186,290	964,024	1,166,951	0.65	111,264	(333,529)	132,398
Freedom of Choice Portfolio Service (Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund Class A)	12,186	12,186	14,751	0.01	-	-	1,681

#### (i) Investments

The Fund did not hold any investments in Equity Trustees Limited or its related parties during the year (2022: Nil).

# 15 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the year which would impact on the financial position of the Fund as disclosed in the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the year ended on that date.

# 16 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There were no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022.

# **Directors' declaration**

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 25 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) Note 2(a) confirms that the financial statements also comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.

Philip D Gentry

Chairman

Melbourne

28 September 2023



# Independent auditor's report

To the unit holders of Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund

#### Our opinion

In our opinion:

The accompanying financial report of Tribeca Alpha Plus Fund (the Fund) is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

#### What we have audited

The financial report comprises:

- the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023
- the statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- the notes to the financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information
- the directors' declaration.

# **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

#### Other information

The directors of Equity Trustees Limited (the Responsible Entity) are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

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Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon through our opinion on the financial report.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Responsibilities of the directors of the Responsible Entity for the financial report

The directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors of the Responsible Entity determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for assessing the ability of the Fund to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors of the Responsible Entity either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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CJ Cummins Partner Sydney 28 September 2023