# MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONTENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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# MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited \$000
Interest income		97	6
Dividend income		219	195
Net changes in fair value of investments	2	(9,683)	6,081
Other losses	3	(36)	(25)
Total (loss)/income		(9,403)	6,257
Operating expenses	4	1,203	2,084
Operating (loss)/profit before tax		(10,606)	4,173
Total tax expense		(961)	(574)
Net operating (loss)/profit after tax attributable to sharehold	lers	(11,567)	3,599
Total comprehensive (loss)/income after tax attributable to	shareholders	(11,567)	3,599
Basic (losses)/earnings per share	6	(5.74c)	1.88c
Diluted (losses)/earnings per share	6	(5.74c)	1.79c

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



# MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		Attributable to shareholders of the Con		
	Notes	Share Capital \$000	Retained Earnings \$000	Total Equity \$000
Balance at 1 July 2021 (audited)		173,015	71,366	244,381
Comprehensive income				
Net operating profit after tax		-	3,599	3,599
Total comprehensive income for the period ended 31 December 2021		-	3,599	3,599
Transactions with shareholders Dividends paid	5 (c)	_	(9,659)	(9,659)
New shares issued under dividend reinvestment plan	5 (d)	3,755	-	3,755
Total transactions with shareholders for the period ended 31 December 2021		3,755	(9,659)	(5,904)
Balance at 31 December 2021 (unaudited)		176,770	65,306	242,076
Balance at 1 July 2022 (audited)		185,857	(7,763)	178,094
Comprehensive income				
Net operating (loss) after tax		-	(11,567)	(11,567)
Total comprehensive (loss) for the period ended 31 December 2022		-	(11,567)	(11,567)
Transactions with shareholders				
Shares issued for warrants exercised (net of exercise costs)	5 (b)	(17)	-	(17)
Warrant issue costs	5 (b)	(11)	<del>.</del>	(11)
Dividends paid  New shares issued under dividend reinvestment plan	5 (c) 5 (d)	- 2,861	(7,448) -	(7,448) 2,861
Total transactions with shareholders for the period ended 31 December 2022		2,833	(7,448)	(4,615)
Balance at 31 December 2022 (unaudited)		188,690	(26,778)	161,912

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



# MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	30-Jun-22 audited \$000
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SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		161,912	178,094
Represented by:			
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		5,503	2,609
Trade and other receivables		791	1,238
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2	155,914	175,620
Current tax receivable		764	-
Total Current Assets		162,972	179,467
Non-current Assets			
Deferred tax asset		-	880
Total Non-current Assets		-	880
TOTAL ASSETS		162,972	180,347
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables		276	276
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	2	784	1,977
Total Current Liabilities		1,060	2,253
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,060	2,253
NET ASSETS		161,912	178,094

These interim financial statements have been authorised for issue for and on behalf of the Board by:

R A Coupe Chair

16 February 2023

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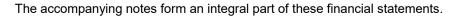
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The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



# MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited \$000
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Operating Activities		40.277	E0 704
Sale of listed equity investments Interest received		49,377	50,704
Dividends received		97 224	5 204
Other losses			
		(31)	(25)
Purchase of listed equity investments Operating expenses		(38,151) (758)	(32,247) (5,020)
Taxes paid		(847)	(2,208)
Net settlement of forward foreign exchange contracts		(2,396)	(6,138)
		(2,390)	(0, 130)
Net cash inflows from operating activities	7	7,515	5,275
Financing Activities			
Shares issued for warrants exercised (net of exercise costs)		(17)	-
Warrants issue costs		(11)	-
Dividends paid (net of dividends reinvested)		(4,587)	(5,904)
Net cash (outflows) from financing activities		(4,615)	(5,904)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		2,900	(629)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		2.609	5,102
Effects of foreign currency translation on cash balance		(6)	(1)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period		5,503	4,472



#### Note 1 Basis of Accounting

#### Reporting Entity

Marlin Global Limited ("Marlin" or "the Company") is listed on the NZX Main Board, is registered in New Zealand under the Companies Act 1993 and is a FMC Reporting Entity under the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013

The Company's registered office is Level 1, 67-73 Hurstmere Road, Takapuna, Auckland.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (NZ GAAP). They comply with the International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* and New Zealand Equivalent to International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full year financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2022.

These interim financial statements cover the unaudited results from operations for the six months ended 31 December 2022

#### **Accounting Policies**

The Company has applied consistent accounting policies in the preparation of these interim financial statements as for the 2022 full year financial statements. Accounting policies that are relevant to an understanding of the interim financial statements are designated by a symbol.

#### **Critical Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions**

The preparation of interim financial statements requires the directors to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Judgements are designated by a symbol in the notes to the interim financial statements. There were no material estimates or assumptions required in the preparation of these interim financial statements.

#### **Authorisation of Interim Financial Statements**

The Marlin Board of Directors authorised these interim financial statements for issue on 16 February 2023.

No party may change these interim financial statements after their issue.

#### Note 2 Investments at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss



Given that the investment portfolio is managed, and performance is evaluated, on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented investment strategy, Marlin has classified all of its investments at fair value through profit or loss.

The fair value of investments traded in active markets are based on last sale prices at balance date, except where the last sale price falls outside the bid-ask spread for a particular investment, in which case the bid price will be used to value the investment.

The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is determined through valuation techniques using spot exchange rates and forward points supplied by a third party vendor.

Investments at fair value through profit or loss	31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	30-Jun-22 audited \$000
Financial Assets:		
International listed equity investments	154,614	175,544
Forward foreign exchange contracts	1,300	76
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	155,914	175,620
Financial Liabilities:		
Forward foreign exchange contracts	784	1,977
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	784	1,977

The notional value of forward foreign exchange contracts held at 31 December 2022 was \$74,217,902 (30 June 2022: \$91,940,677).



All equity investments held by Marlin are categorised as Level 1 and all forward foreign exchange contracts are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. There have been no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy during the period (31 December 2021: None).

#### Note 2 Investments at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (continued)

-	Net changes in fair value of Investments	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited \$000
	International listed equity investments	(7,443)	5,057
	Foreign exchange (losses)/gains on equity investments	(2,261)	3,338
	Gains/(losses) on forward foreign exchange contracts	21	(2,314)
	Net changes in fair value of Investments through Profit or Loss	(9,683)	6,081
Note 3	Other Income/(Losses)		
	Foreign exchange (losses) on cash and cash equivalents	(36)	(25)
	Total other income/(losses)	(36)	(25)
Note 4	Operating Expenses		
	Management fees (net of rebate - note 8(a)(i))	680	1,563
	Administration services (note 8(a)(i))	79	79
	Directors' fees (note 8(b))	91	95
	Investor relations and communications	104	92
	Custody, accounting and brokerage	63	123
	NZX fees	46	31
	Professional fees	19	16
	Fees paid to the auditor:		
	Statutory audit and review of financial statements	24	24
	Non assurance services <sup>1</sup>	-	2
	Regulatory expenses	36	11
	Other operating expenses	61	48
	Total operating expenses	1,203	2,084

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-assurance services relate to additional agreed upon procedures which were accrued for but not performed in respect of the performance fee calculation for the year ended 30 June 2022. No other fees were paid to the auditor.

### Note 5 Shareholders' Equity

#### a. Share Capital

Marlin has 203,600,766 fully paid ordinary shares on issue (30 June 2022: 200,605,735). All ordinary shares rank equally and have no par value. All shares carry an entitlement to dividends and one vote is attached to each fully paid ordinary share.

#### b. Warrants

Warrant exercise costs of \$16,838 were incurred in July 2022, relating to the May 2022 warrant exercise.

On 3 November 2022, 50,502,702 new Marlin warrants were allotted, and quoted on the NZX Main Board. One new warrant was issued to all eligible shareholders for every four shares held on record date (2 November 2022). The warrants are exercisable at \$0.99 per warrant, adjusted down for dividends declared during the period up to the exercise date of 10 November 2023. Warrant holders can elect to exercise some or all of their warrants on the exercise date. The net cost of issuing the warrants of \$11,418 is deducted from share capital.

#### c. Dividends

Marlin has a distribution policy where 2% of average NAV is distributed each quarter. Dividends paid during the period comprised:

	2022 \$000	Cents per share		2021 \$000	Cents per share
23 Sep 2022	3,711	1.85	24 Sep 2021	4,795	2.52
16 Dec 2022	3,737	1.85	17 Dec 2021	4,864	2.54
	7,448	3.70		9,659	5.06

#### Note 5 Shareholders' Equity (continued)

#### d. Dividend reinvestment plan

Marlin has a dividend reinvestment plan which provides ordinary shareholders with the option to reinvest all or part of any cash dividends in fully paid ordinary shares at a 3% discount to the five-day volume weighted average share price from the date the shares trade ex-entitlement. During the period ended 31 December 2022, 2,995,031 ordinary shares totalling \$2,860,838 (31 December 2021: 2,534,014 ordinary shares totalling \$3,755,497) were issued in relation to the plan for the quarterly dividends paid. To participate in the dividend reinvestment plan, a completed participation notice must be received by Marlin before the next record date.

Earnings per Share  Basic Earnings per share	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited
Net operating (loss)/profit attributable to shareholders of the Company (\$'000)	(11,567)	3,599
Weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue net of treasury stock ('000)	201,489	191,022
Basic (losses)/earnings per share	(5.74c)	1.88c
Diluted Earnings per share		
Net operating (loss)/profit attributable to shareholders of the Company (\$'000)	(11,567)	3,599
Weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue net of treasury stock ('000)	201,489	191,022
Diluted effect of warrants on issue (\$'000)	201,489	10,022 201,044
Diluted (losses)/earnings per share	(5.74c)	1.79c

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Warrants on issue at the end of the period were not assumed to be exercised because they were antidilutive in the period as the warrant exercise price (less dividends paid) of \$0.97 was greater than the average share price of \$0.92 between the date of issue and 31 December 2022.

Reconciliation of Net Operating Profit after Tax to Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited \$000
Net operating (loss)/profit after tax	(11,567)	3,599
Items not involving cash flows		
Unrealised losses on cash and cash equivalents	6	-
Unrealised losses on revaluation of listed equity investments*	10,862	13,579
Unrealised (gains) on forward foreign exchange contracts	(2,417)	(3,824)
	8,451	9,755
Impact of changes in working capital items		
(Decrease) in trade and other payables	-	(2,870)
Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables	447	(55)
Change in current and deferred tax	116	(1,637)
	563	(4,562)
Items relating to investments		
Amount paid for purchases of listed equity investments	(38,151)	(32,247)
Amount received from sales of listed equity investments net of realised gains/losses	48,219	28,730
	10,068	(3,517)
Net cash inflows from operating activities	7,515	5,275

<sup>\*</sup> This includes foreign exchange gains and losses on these investments

#### Note 8 Related Party Information



Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions.

#### a. Fisher Funds Management Limited

Fisher Funds Management Limited ("Fisher Funds" or "the Manager") is an entity that provides key management personnel services to Marlin by virtue of its management agreement.

In return for the performance of its duties as Manager, Fisher Funds is paid the following fees:

Management fee: 1.25% (plus GST) per annum of the gross asset value, calculated weekly and payable monthly in arrears. The fee reduces if the Manager underperforms, thereby aligning the Manager's interests with those of the Marlin shareholders. For every 1% underperformance (relative to the change in the NZ 90 Day Bank Bill Index) the management fee percentage is reduced by 0.1%, subject to a minimum 0.75% per annum management fee.

Performance fee: Fisher Funds may earn an annual performance fee of 10% plus GST of excess returns over and above the performance fee hurdle return (being the change in the NZ 90 Day Bank Bill Index plus 5%) subject to achieving the High Water Mark ("HWM"). The total performance fee amount is subject to a cap of 1.25% of the adjusted net asset value (prior to performance fees) and is settled fully in cash.

The HWM is the dollar amount by which the net asset value per share exceeds the highest net asset value per share (after adjustment for capital changes and distributions) at the end of any previous calculation period in which a performance fee was payable, multiplied by the number of shares on issue at the end of the period.

In accordance with the terms of the Management Agreement, when a performance fee is earned, it is paid within 60 days of the balance date.

Administration fee: Fisher Funds provides corporate administration services and a fee is payable monthly in arrears.

(i) Fees earned, accrued and payable  Fees earned by and accrued to the Manager for the period ended 31 December	6 months ended 31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	6 months ended 31-Dec-21 unaudited \$000
Management fees	680	1,563
Administration services	79	79
Operating expenses	759	1,642

For the six months ended 31 December 2022, the Manager did not achieve a return in excess of the performance fee hurdle and the HWM (31 December 2021: Nil). Accordingly, the Company has not expensed a performance fee for the six months ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: Nil).

Fees accrued and payable to the Manager	31-Dec-22 unaudited \$000	30-Jun-22 audited \$000
Management fees	174	188
Administration services	13	13
Related party payables	187	201

### (ii) Related party receivables

	31-Dec-22	30-Jun-22
	unaudited	audited
Management fee credit note	\$000	\$000
Management fee credit note receivable	170	1,130
Management fee credit note accrued	454	-
Related party receivable	624	1,130

Fisher Fund's management fee was calculated and invoiced at 1.25% of gross asset value, with a balance date adjustment to reduce the management fee to 0.75% of gross asset value as the gross return underperformed the NZ 90 Day Bank Bill Index by 8.35 percentage points (30 June 2022: 24.7 percentage points). The Company has an outstanding management fee credit of \$170,093 and have accrued a credit of \$453,492 as at 31 December 2022 which will be offset against future management fee expenses (31 December 2021: Nil).

## MARLIN GLOBAL LIMITED NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### Note 8 Related Party Information (continued)

#### (iii) Investment transactions with related parties

Off-market transactions between Marlin and other funds managed by Fisher Funds take place for the purposes of rebalancing portfolios without incurring brokerage costs. These transactions are conducted after the market has closed at last sale price (on an arm's length basis). There were no sales for the period ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: \$7,322,160) and no purchases (31 December 2021: Nil).

#### b. Directors

Marlin considers its Board of Directors ("Directors") key management personnel. Marlin does not have any employees.

During the period the Directors earned fees for their services of \$90,563 (December 2021: \$94,696). The Directors' fee pool is \$157,500 (plus GST, if any) for the year ended 30 June 2023 (30 June 2022: \$157,500 plus GST, if any). There were no Director fees payable at the end of the period (30 June 2022: nil).

The Directors held shares in the Company as at 31 December 2022 which total 0.12% of total shares on issue (30 June 2022: 0.11%). The Directors also held warrants in the Company as at 31 December 2022 which total 0.12% of total warrants on issue (30 June 2022: Nil).

Dividends of \$9,112 (31 December 2021: \$15,975) were also received by the Directors as a result of their shareholding during the period.

#### Note 9 Net Asset Value

The unaudited net asset value of Marlin as at 31 December 2022 was \$0.80 per share (30 June 2022: \$0.89) calculated as the net assets of \$161,912,422 divided by the number of shares on issue of 203,600,766 (30 June 2022: net assets of \$178,094,948 and shares on issue of 200,605,735).

#### Note 10 Subsequent Events

**Dividend:** On 16 February 2023, the Board declared a dividend of 1.66 cents per share. The record date for this dividend is 9 March 2023 with a payment date of 24 March 2023.

**Subsequent Performance**: As at 14 February 2023 the Marlin unaudited net asset value (NAV) had increased to \$185.7 million, up 14.7% from 31 December 2022, due to market movements. Marlin reports its unaudited NAV to the NZX on a weekly and monthly basis.

There were no other events which require adjustment to or disclosure in these interim financial statements.





### Independent auditor's review report

To the shareholders of Marlin Global Limited

### Report on the interim financial statements

#### Our conclusion

We have reviewed the interim financial statements of Marlin Global Limited (the Company), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the six months ended on that date, and significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that these accompanying interim financial statements of the Company do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2022, and its financial performance and cash flows for the six months then ended, in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting (IAS 34) and New Zealand Equivalent to International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting (NZ IAS 34).

#### **Basis for conclusion**

We conducted our review in accordance with the New Zealand Standard on Review Engagements 2410 (Revised) Review of Financial Statements Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity (NZ SRE 2410 (Revised)). Our responsibility is further described in the Auditor's responsibility for the review of the interim financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements in New Zealand relating to the audit of the annual financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these ethical requirements. Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in, the Company.

#### Directors' responsibility for the interim financial statements

The Directors of the Company are responsible, on behalf of the Company, for the preparation and fair presentation of these interim financial statements in accordance with IAS 34 and NZ IAS 34 and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of interim financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's responsibility for the review of the interim financial statements

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the interim financial statements based on our review. NZ SRE 2410 (Revised) requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 and NZ IAS 34.

A review of interim financial statements in accordance with NZ SRE 2410 (Revised) is a limited assurance engagement. We perform procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) and International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we might identify in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these interim financial statements.



### Who we report to

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders, as a body. Our review work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's shareholders those matters which we are required to state to them in our review report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the shareholders, as a body, for our review procedures, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

The engagement partner on the review resulting in this independent auditor's review report is Philip Taylor.

For and on behalf of:

Chartered Accountants 16 February 2023

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