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VanEck Investments Limited releases the attached financial report for the year ended 30 June 2021 which covers the following exchange traded funds:

| ASX code | Fund  |
|----------|---|
| CLNE     | VanEck Global Clean Energy ETF                        |
| QSML     | VanEck MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF |
| VLUE     | VanEck MSCI International Value ETF                   |

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# VanEck Vectors Global Equity ETFs (3 of) Financial report For the period from 10 March 2021 (commencement of operations) to 30 June 2021

This financial report covers the following:

VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF
ARSN 647 356 992
VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF
ARSN 647 047 658
VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF
ARSN 647 387 737

# VanEck Vectors Global Equity ETFs (3 of) Financial report

# For the period from 10 March 2021 (commencement of operations) to 30 June 2021

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These financial statements cover the VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF, VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF and VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF as individual entities.

The Responsible Entity of the Funds is VanEck Investments Limited (ACN 146 596 116) (AFSL 416755). The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

VanEck Investments Limited Level 47, Suite 2 25 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2000

# Directors' report

The directors of VanEck Investments Limited (ACN 146 596 116), the Responsible Entity of VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF, VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF and VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF (collectively the "Funds" and individually the "Funds"), present their report together with the financial statements of the Funds for the period from 10 March 2021 (commencement of operations) to 30 June 2021.

#### **Funds information**

The Funds are Australian registered managed investment schemes.

The Responsible Entity's registered office is located at Level 47, Suite 2, 25 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2000.

#### **Principal activities**

The Funds are traded on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") as exchange traded funds.

VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF invests in a diversified portfolio of 30 of the largest and most liquid companies involved in clean energy production and associated technology and equipment globally in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution and PDS.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF invests in a diversified portfolio of 150 international developed market small-cap quality growth securities in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution and PDS.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF invests in a diversified portfolio of 250 international developed market largeand mid-cap companies, with high value scores as calculated by MSCI at each rebalance companies in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution and PDS.

The Funds did not have any employees during the period.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Funds' activities during the period.

#### **Directors**

The following persons held office as directors of the Responsible Entity during the period and up to the date of this report:

Jan van Eck

Bruce Smith

Arian Neiron

Michael Brown

Jonathan Simon

#### Review and results of operations

The Funds invested in accordance with the Funds' PDS and the provisions of the Funds' Constitutions.

The continuing COVID-19 pandemic that began during March 2020 has had no significant impact on the operations of the Funds during the year.

VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF generally invests in the securities that are constituents of the S&P Global Clean Energy Select Index and aims to track the performance of the Index (with net dividends reinvested) in Australian dollars, before taking into account fees, expenses and tax.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF generally invests in the securities that are constituents of the MSCI World ex Australia Small Cap Quality 150 Index and aims to track the performance of the Index (with net dividends reinvested) in Australian dollars, before taking into account fees, expenses and tax.

# Directors' report (continued)

### Review and results of operations (continued)

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF generally invests in the securities that are constituents of the MSCI World ex Australia Enhanced Value Top 250 Select Index and aims to track the performance of the Index (with net dividends reinvested) in Australian dollars, before taking into account fees, expenses and tax.

#### Results

The performance of the Funds, as represented by the results of its operations, were as follows:

|  |  | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI                                   |  |
|--|--|--|--|
|  | VanEck   | International  | VanEck   |
|  | Vectors<br>Global Clean                                  | Small<br>Companies                                       | Vectors MSCI<br>International                            |
|  | Energy ETF   | Quality ETF  | Value ETF  |
|  | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 |
| Operating profit/(loss) attributable to unitholders (\$'000) | 3,907  | 699  | 1,128  |
| Distribution to unitholders (\$'000)                         | 58   | 35   | 160  |
| Distribution (cents per unit - CPU)                          | 1.00   | 5.00   | 10.00  |

# Significant changes in the state of affairs

In the opinion of the directors, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Funds that occurred during the financial period.

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

Effective from 26 July 2021, each of the Funds will be renamed by removing the word "Vectors".

New Name

VanEck Global Clean Energy ETF

VanEck MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF

VanEck MSCI International Value ETF

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2021 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

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

# Directors' report (continued)

#### Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Funds will be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the Funds' PDS and in accordance with the provisions of the Funds' Constitutions.

The results of the Funds' operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of the investment markets in which the Funds invest, which will be affected by each market's reaction to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

The future returns are dependent upon the performance of the underlying investments. The Funds' investment objective and strategy remains unchanged which is to track the performance of the underlying investments.

#### Indemnity and insurance of officers

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Funds in regards to insurance cover provided to either the officers of the Responsible Entity or the auditors of the Funds. So long as the officers of the Responsible Entity act in accordance with the Funds' Constitutions and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Funds against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Funds.

During the year ended 30 June 2021, the parent company of the Responsible Entity paid insurance premiums to insure the Directors and Officers of the Responsible Entity. The terms of the contract prohibit the disclosure of the premiums paid.

#### Indemnity of auditors

The auditors of the Funds are in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Funds.

### Proceedings on behalf of the Funds

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Funds or intervene in any proceedings to which the Funds is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Funds for all or any part of those proceedings.

The Funds were not a party to any such proceedings during the period.

#### Fees paid to and units held in the Funds by the Responsible Entity or its associates

No fees were paid out of the Funds property to the directors of the Responsible Entity during the period.

The number of units in the Funds held by the Responsible Entity or its associates as at the end of the financial period are disclosed in note 14 to the financial statements.

#### Units in the Funds

The movement in units on issue in the Funds during the period is disclosed in note 7 to the financial statements.

The value of the Funds' assets and liabilities is disclosed on the Statements of financial position and derived using the basis set out in note 2 to the financial statements.

#### **Environmental regulation**

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

# Directors' report (continued)

### Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

The Funds are entities of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the Directors' report. Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that ASIC Corporations Instrument, 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 6.

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

Michael Brown Director

Sydney 23 September 2021



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# Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of VanEck Investments Limited, as Responsible Entity for VanEck Vectors Global Equity ETFs (3 of)

For the following VanEck Vectors Global Equity ETFs (3 of) (collectively the "Funds"):

- VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF (CLNE)
- VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF (QSML)
- VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF (VLUE)

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of the Funds for the financial period ended 30 June 2021, I declare 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.

Ernst & Young

Ernst & Young

Rohit Khanna Partner Sydney

23 September 2021

# Statements of comprehensive income

|   |       | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF          | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF     |
|---|-------|--|---|--|
|   |       | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021      | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 |
|   | Notes | \$'000   | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Investment income   |       |  |   |  |
| Dividend and distribution income  |       | 192  | 57  | 253  |
| Net gains on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss | 5     | 3,842  | 660   | 980  |
| Other operating income/(loss)   |       | (1)  | 21  | (19)   |
| Total investment income   |       | 4,033  | 738   | 1,214  |
| Expenses  |       |  |   |  |
| Management fees   | 14    | 75   | 18  | 25   |
| Transaction costs   |       | 36   | 14  | 32   |
| Withholding Tax   |       | 14   | 7   | 28   |
| Other expenses  |       | 1  |   | 1  |
| Total operating expenses  |       | 126  | 39  | 86   |
| Profit for the period   |       | 3,907  | 699   | 1,128  |
| Other comprehensive income for the period                               |       |  |   |  |
| Total comprehensive income for the period                               |       | 3,907  | 699   | 1,128  |

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

# Statements of financial position

|   |       | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF |
|---|-------|---|---|--|
|   |       | As at   | As at   | As at  |
|   |       | 30 June<br>2021                                 | 30 June<br>2021   | 30 June<br>2021                                      |
|   | Notes | \$'000  | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Assets  |       |   |   |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents                             | 9     | 87  | 23  | 117  |
| Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold     |       | -   | 27  | 109  |
| Receivables   | 12    | 88  | 13  | 51   |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 6     | 61,784  | 15,448  | 34,289   |
| Total assets  |       | 61,959  | <u> </u>  | 34,566   |
| Liabilities   |       |   |   |  |
| Bank overdraft  | 9     | 93  | 16  | 107  |
| Payables  | 13    | 34  | 10  | 16   |
| Distributions payable                                 | 8     | 58  | 35  | 160  |
| Total liabilities                                     |       | 18 <u>5</u>                                     | 61  | 283  |
| Net assets attributable to unitholders - Equity       |       | 61,774  | <u>15,450</u>   | 34,283   |

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

# Statements of changes in equity

|   |   | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF                    | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF      | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF               |
|---|---|--|--|--|
|   |   | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 |
| Total equity at the beginning of the period |   | -  | -  |  |
| Issue of redeemable participating units     |   | 57,925   | 14,786   | 33,315   |
| Comprehensive income for the period         |   | 3,907  | 699  | 1,128  |
| Distributions                               | 8 | (58)   | (35)   | (160)  |
| Total equity at the end of the period       |   | 61,774   | <b>15,450</b>  | 34,283   |

Movement in units in issue are disclosed in note 7 to the financial statements.

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

# Statements of cash flows

|   |       | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF          | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF     |
|---|-------|--|---|--|
|   |       | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021      | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 |
|   | Notes | \$'000   | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Cash flows from operating activities  |       |  |   |  |
| Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss  Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or |       | 9,294  | 1,983   | 2,392  |
| loss  |       | (67,236)   | (16,798)  | (35,810)   |
| Dividends and distributions received  |       | 95   | 39  | 178  |
| Other income (paid)/received  |       | (5)  | 20  | (17)   |
| Management fees paid  |       | (46)   | (11)  | (15)   |
| Payment of other expenses   |       | (33)   | (12)  | (30)   |
| Net cash outflow from operating activities  | 10(a) | (57,931)   | (14,779)  | (33,302)   |
| Cash flows from financing activities  |       |  |   |  |
| Proceeds from applications by unitholders   |       | 57,925   | 14,786  | 33,315   |
| Net cash inflow from financing activities   |       | 57,925   | 14,786  | 33,315   |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents  |       | (6)  | 7   | 13   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period  |       | -  | -   | -  |
| Effects of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents   |       |  |   | <u>(3</u> )  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period  | 9     | (6)  | 7   | 10   |

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

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#### 1 General information

These financial statements for the period from 10 March 2021 (commencement of operations) to 30 June 2021 cover the VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF, VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF and VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF (the "Funds") as individual entities.

VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF was constituted on 22 January 2021 and started trading on ASX on 10 March 2021.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF was constituted on 25 January 2021 and started trading on ASX on 10 March 2021.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF was constituted on 11 January 2021 and started trading on ASX on 10 March 2021.

The Funds will terminate in accordance with the provisions of the Funds' Constitutions.

The Responsible Entity of the Funds is VanEck Investments Limited (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 47, Suite 2, 25 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2000.

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Funds' functional and presentation currency.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 23 September 2021. The directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

The custodian and administrator of the Funds is State Street Australia Limited (the "Custodian"). The ultimate holding company of the Custodian is State Street Corporation (incorporated in the United States of America).

# 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 throughout the period 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 Funds are for-profit funds 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 Statements of financial position are presented on a liquidity basis.

Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and are not distinguished between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within twelve months, except for investments in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and net assets attributable to unitholders.

The Funds manage 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 twelve months, however, an estimate of that amount cannot be determined as at reporting date.

In the case of net assets attributable to unitholders, the units are redeemable on demand at the unitholders' 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 cannot be reliably determined.

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

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

#### (b) Financial instruments

#### (i) Recognition/derecognition

The Funds recognise financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognise changes in fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date. Financial assets are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or the Funds has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

# (ii) Classification

The Funds classify its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition into the categories of financial assets and financial liabilities discussed below.

#### Financial assets

The Funds classify its financial assets as subsequently measured at amortised cost or measured at fair value through profit or loss on the basis of both:

- The entity's business model for managing the financial assets
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset

Financial assets measured at amortised cost

A debt instrument is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. The Funds include in this category cash and cash equivalents, due from brokers - receivable for securities sold, and receivables.

Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)

A financial asset is measured at fair value through profit or loss if:

- Its contractual terms do not give rise to cash flows on specified dates that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding;
- It is not held within a business model whose objective is either to collect contractual cash flows, or to both collect contractual cash flows and sell; or
- At initial recognition, it is irrevocably designated as measured at FVPL when doing so eliminates or significantly
  reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise from measuring assets or liabilities
  or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

The equity securities are mandatorily classified as fair value through profit or loss.

In applying that classification, a financial asset or financial liability is considered to be held for trading if it is:

- acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term;
- on initial recognition, it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which, there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

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

(ii) Classification (continued)

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

This category includes all financial liabilities, other than those measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Funds include in this category bank overdraft, payables and distributions payable.

Financial liabilities measured at FVPL

A financial liability is measured at FVPL if it meets the definition of held for trading. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated upon initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss. Financial liabilities are classified as held for trading if they are incurred for the purpose of repurchasing in the near term. This category also includes derivative financial instruments entered into by the Funds that are not designated as hedging instruments in hedge relationships as defined.

The derivatives are mandatorily classified as fair value through profit or loss.

#### (iii) Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in the Statement of financial position initially at fair value. All transaction costs for such instruments are recognised directly in the Statement of comprehensive income. Financial assets and liabilities, other than those classified as FVPL, are initially measured at fair value adjusted by transaction costs and subsequently measured using the effective interest rate method less impairment losses for financial assets, if any.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the Statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is subsequently based on their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs. The quoted market price used for financial assets and liabilities held by the Funds is the last traded price.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using valuation techniques. The Funds uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date. Valuation techniques used include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants making the maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on entity-specific inputs. Further details on how the fair values of financial instruments are determined are disclosed in note 5.

#### (iv) Impairment of Financial assets

The Funds holds only cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers with no financing component and which have maturities of less than 12 months at amortised cost and, as such, has chosen to apply the simplified approach for expected credit losses (ECL) under AASB 9. Therefore, the Funds does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

#### (c) Changes in accounting standards

(i) New and amended standards adopted by the Funds

There are no standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial period beginning 10 March 2021 that have a material impact on the Funds.

(ii) New standards, amendments and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2020, and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the future financial statements of the Funds.

# (d) Redeemable participating units

Units are classified as equity. Notwithstanding the obligation of the Funds to redeem the units at the unitholder's option, the Responsible Entity considers the Units to meet the requirements for equity classification within AASB 132.16A and B. The Constitution states that the distributions are at the discretion of directors. The units can be put back to the Funds at any time for cash based on the redemption price. The fair value of redeemable units is measured at the redemption amount that is payable (based on the redemption unit price) at the end of the reporting period if unitholders exercised their right to redeem the units in the Funds.

#### (e) Capital management

The Responsible Entity manages its net assets attributable to unitholders as equity. The amount of the net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a basis as the Funds are subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders.

The Responsible Entity monitors the level of daily applications and redemptions relative to the liquid assets in the Funds.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Responsible Entity may return capital to unitholders. The Funds are not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

#### (f) Cash and cash equivalents

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

Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, reduced by impairment losses.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as movements in the fair value of these securities represent the Funds' main income generating activity.

#### (g) Investment income

Interest income is recognised in the Statements of comprehensive income using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and of allocating the interest income or interest expense 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 or liability. When calculating the effective interest

#### (g) Investment income (continued)

rate, the Funds estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (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.

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

Net changes in fair value of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised as income and are determined as the difference between the fair value at the balance date or consideration received (if sold during the financial period) and the fair value as at the prior balance date or initial fair value (if acquired during the financial period). This includes both realised and unrealised gains and losses, but does not include interest or dividend income.

# (h) Expenses

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

#### (i) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Funds are not subject to income tax as the income tax liability is attributed to unitholders under the AMIT regime.

The benefits of tax credits paid are passed on to unitholders.

The Funds currently incurs withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income is recorded gross of withholding tax in the Statements of comprehensive income.

#### (j) Distributions

In accordance with the Funds' Constitutions, the Funds usually pay a distribution on an annual basis. The distributions to unitholders are recognised in the Statements of changes in equity.

#### (k) Foreign currency translation

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Funds' 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 Funds compete for funds and are regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Funds' 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 Statements of comprehensive income.

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. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported in the Statements of comprehensive income on a net basis within net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

#### (I) 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 as at period end. Trades are recorded on trade date, and for equities, normally settled within three business days.

#### (m) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for dividends, trust distributions, interest and applications received for units in the Funds. Dividends and trust distributions are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Interest is accrued at the end of the reporting period from the time of last payment. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

#### (n) Payables

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

The distribution amount payable to unitholders as at the end of the reporting period is recognised separately on the Statements of financial position as unitholders are presently entitled to the distributable income under the Funds' Constitution.

#### (o) Applications and redemptions

Application amounts can be paid by cash or in the form of a parcel of prescribed securities transferred to the Responsible Entity's custodian. The parcel of securities related to in-specie applications generally reflect the characteristics of the Funds. Investors may purchase units by trading on ASX.

Unitholders can only redeem units if they are "Authorised Participants", as defined in the Funds' product disclosure statement. Units can be sold by trading on ASX.

Unit prices are determined by reference to the net assets of the Funds divided by the number of units on issue. For unit pricing purposes, net assets are determined using the last reported trade price for securities. These prices may differ from the market.

#### (p) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the costs of various services provided to the Funds by third parties such as management, administration and custodian services where applicable have been passed onto the Funds. The Funds qualify 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 Statements of comprehensive income net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Accounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the Statements of financial position. Cash flows relating to GST are included in the Statements of cash flows on a gross basis.

#### (q) Use of estimates

The Funds may make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates are continually evaluated and 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 Funds' financial instruments, quoted market prices are readily available.

For certain other financial instruments, including amounts due from/to brokers, accounts payable and accrued expenses, the carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the immediate or short-term nature of these financial instruments.

#### (r) New accounting standards and interpretations not yet adopted

There are no standards that are not yet effective and that are expected to have a material impact on the Funds in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

#### (s) Rounding of amounts

The Funds are entities of the kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial statements. Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that ASIC Corporations Instrument, unless otherwise indicated.

### (t) Basis of accounting period

Corporations Act 2001 (Corporations Act) requires the first financial year for a company, registered scheme or disclosing entity (an entity) to start on the day of its registration. The first financial year may last for 12 months or a period, no longer than 18 months, determined by the directors.

# 3 Financial risk management

The Funds' activities expose them to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including price risk, foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Funds' overall risk management programme focuses on ensuring compliance with the Funds' PDS and Constitutions and seeks to maximise the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Funds are exposed. Financial risk management is carried out by the Responsible Entity.

The Funds use different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods are explained below.

The table on page 22-23 shows the impact on net asset value of the Funds of a reasonably possible shift in the S&P Global Clean Energy Select Index, MSCI World ex Australia Small Cap Quality 150 Index and MSCI World ex Australia Enhanced Value Top 250 Select Index, assessed as an increase of 10% and decrease of 10% in the S&P Global Clean Energy Select Index, MSCI World ex Australia Small Cap Quality 150 Index and MSCI World ex Australia Enhanced Value Top 250 Select Index (with all other variables held constant).

#### (a) Market risk

### (i) Price risk

The Funds are exposed to price risk on equity securities and unit trusts listed or quoted on recognised securities exchanges. Price risk arises from investments held by the Funds 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 investments includes restrictions on the exposure to various sectors and subsectors. The Funds are diversified across range of different securities. The Responsible Entity reviews portfolio composition daily to ensure this requirement is adhered to.

The table at Note 3(b) summarises the sensitivities of the Funds' assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the assumption that the markets in which the Funds invest move by +/-10%.

#### (ii) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises as the value of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

# (a) Market risk (continued)

# (ii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

The Funds' foreign exchange exposure on international equity securities is embedded in the price risk as presented on page 22-23.

The table below summarises the Funds' assets and liabilities that are denominated in a currency other than the Australian dollar.

# VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF

| As at 30 June 2021                                    | US Dollars<br>\$'000 | Euro<br>\$'000 | Canadian<br>Dollars<br>\$'000 | Other currencies \$'000 |
|---|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                             | 74                   | -              | 13                            | -                       |
| Receivables   | 43                   | 4              | -                             | 32                      |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 29,341               | 9,648          | 5,964                         | 16,831                  |
| Bank overdraft  | (93)                 | <u> </u>       |                               |                         |
|   | 29,365               | 9,652          | 5,977                         | 16,863                  |

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF

| As at 30 June 2021                                    | US Dollars<br>\$'000 | British<br>Pounds<br>\$'000 | Euro<br>\$'000 | Other currencies \$'000 |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                             | 22                   | 1                           | -              | -                       |
| Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold     | 19                   | 3                           | 2              | 3                       |
| Receivables   | 5                    | 5                           | 1              | 1                       |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 10,710               | 1,832                       | 854            | 2,052                   |
| Bank overdraft  | (16)                 | -                           | -              | -                       |
| Payables  | (1)                  |                             | <u>-</u>       |                         |
|   | 10,739               | 1,841                       | 857            | 2,056                   |

# (a) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF

|   | US Dollars | Japanese<br>Yen | Euro   | Other currencies |
|---|------------|-----------------|--------|------------------|
| As at 30 June 2021                                    | \$'000     | \$'000          | \$'000 | \$'000           |
| Cash and cash equivalents                             | 111        | 5               | 1      | -                |
| Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold     | 47         | 28              | 20     | 14               |
| Receivables   | 5          | 9               | 26     | 6                |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 14,937     | 8,822           | 6,123  | 4,407            |
| Bank overdraft  | (107)      | -               | -      | -                |
| Payables  | (1)        | (1)             | (1)    |                  |
|   | 14,992     | 8,863           | 6,169  | 4,427            |

### (iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that interest rate movements will have a negative impact on investment value or returns. Interest rate risk is managed in accordance with the underlying investment strategy of the Funds.

The table below summarises the Funds' direct exposure to interest rate risks.

# VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF

|  | Floating<br>interest rate<br>\$'000 | Fixed interest rate \$'000 | Non-interest<br>bearing<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 30 June 2021   |                                     |                            |                                   |                 |
| Assets   |                                     |                            |                                   |                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents                              | 87                                  | -                          | -                                 | 87              |
| Receivables  | -                                   | -                          | 88                                | 88              |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss |                                     |                            | 61,784                            | 61,784          |
| Total assets   | 87                                  |                            | 61,872                            | 61,959          |
| Liabilities  |                                     |                            |                                   |                 |
| Bank overdraft   | (93)                                | -                          | -                                 | (93)            |
| Distributions payable                                  | -                                   | -                          | (58)                              | (58)            |
| Payables   |                                     |                            | (34)                              | (34)            |
| Total liabilities                                      | (93)                                |                            | (92)                              | (185)           |
| Net exposure   | (6)                                 |                            | 61,780                            | 61,774          |

# (a) Market risk (continued)

(iii) Interest rate risk (continued)

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF

|  | Floating<br>interest rate<br>\$'000 | Fixed interest<br>rate<br>\$'000 | Non-interest<br>bearing<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 30 June 2021   |                                     |                                  |                                   |                 |
| Assets   |                                     |                                  |                                   |                 |
| Cash and cash equivalents                              | 23                                  | -                                | -                                 | 23              |
| Receivables  | -                                   | -                                | 13                                | 13              |
| Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold      | -                                   | -                                | 27                                | 27              |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss |                                     |                                  | 15,448                            | 15,448          |
| Total assets   | 23                                  |                                  | 15,488                            | 15,511          |
| Liabilities  |                                     |                                  |                                   |                 |
| Bank overdraft   | (16)                                | -                                | -                                 | (16)            |
| Distributions payable                                  | -                                   | -                                | (35)                              | (35)            |
| Payables   |                                     |                                  | (10)                              | (10)            |
| Total liabilities                                      | <u>(16)</u>                         |                                  | (45)                              | (61)            |
| Net exposure   | 7                                   |                                  | 15,443                            | 15,450          |
|  |                                     |                                  |                                   |                 |

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF

|  | Floating Fixed interest interest rate rate \$'000 \$'000 |              | Non-interest<br>bearing<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |  |
|--|--|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 30 June 2021   |  |              |                                   |                 |  |
| Assets   |  |              |                                   |                 |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents                              | 117  | -            | -                                 | 117             |  |
| Receivables  | -  | -            | 51                                | 51              |  |
| Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold      | -  | -            | 109                               | 109             |  |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss |  |              | 34,289                            | 34,289          |  |
| Total assets   | 117  | <del>-</del> | 34,449                            | 34,566          |  |
| Liabilities  |  |              |                                   |                 |  |
| Bank overdraft   | (107)  | -            | -                                 | (107)           |  |
| Distributions payable                                  | -  | -            | (160)                             | (160)           |  |
| Payables   |  |              | (16)                              | (16)            |  |
| Total liabilities                                      | (107)  | <del>-</del> | (176)                             | (283)           |  |
| Net exposure   | 10   |              | 34,273                            | 34,283          |  |

### (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Funds' operating profit and net assets attributable to unitholders to the various 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 correlation of the Funds' 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 shocks resulting from changes in the performance of the economies, markets and securities in which the Funds invests. As a result, historic variations in risk variables are not a definitive indicator of future variations in the risk variables.

| VanEck Vectors | Global Clean E   | nergy ETF       |                            |                          | Impact on oper | e risk<br>rating profit/Net<br>ibutable to<br>olders |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--|
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | -10%           | +10%   |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | \$'000         | \$'000   |
| 30 June 2021   |                  |                 |                            |                          | (6,178)        | 6,178  |
|                |                  |                 | Foreign cu                 | rrency risk              |                |  |
|                |                  | Impact          | on operating profit/Net as | ssets attributable to ur | nitholders     |  |
|                | -10%             | +10%            | -10%                       | +10%                     | -10%           | +10%   |
|                | USD              | USD             | EUR                        | EUR                      | CAD            | CAD  |
|                | \$'000           | \$'000          | \$'000                     | \$'000                   | \$'000         | \$'000   |
| 30 June 2021   | (2,937)          | 2,937           | (965)                      | 965                      | (598)          | 598  |
| VanEck Vectors | MSCI Internation | onal Small Comp | anies Quality ETI          | =                        | Price          | e risk   |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | assets attr    | ating profit/Net<br>ibutable to<br>olders            |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | -10%           | +10%   |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | \$'000         | \$'000   |
| 30 June 2021   |                  |                 |                            |                          | (1,545)        | 1,545  |
|                |                  |                 | Foreign cu                 |                          |                |  |
| _              |                  |                 | on operating profit/Net as |                          |                |  |
|                | -10%             | +10%            | -10%                       | +10%                     | -10%           | +10%   |
|                | USD              | USD             | GBP                        | GBP                      | EUR            | EUR  |
|                | \$'000           | \$'000          | \$'000                     | \$'000                   | \$'000         | \$'000   |
| 30 June 2021   | (1,074)          | 1,074           | (184)                      | 184                      | (86)           | 86   |
| VanEck Vectors | MSCI Internation | onal Value ETF  |                            |                          | Price          | e risk   |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | assets attr    | ating profit/Net<br>ibutable to<br>olders            |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | -10%           | +10%   |
|                |                  |                 |                            |                          | \$'000         | \$'000   |
| 30 June 2021   |                  |                 |                            |                          | (3,429)        | 3,429  |

# (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis (continued)

# Foreign currency risk

| _            | Impact on operating profit/Net assets attributable to unitholders |        |        |        |        |        |
|--------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|              | -10%  | +10%   | -10%   | +10%   | -10%   | +10%   |
|              | USD   | USD    | JPY    | JPY    | EUR    | EUR    |
|              | \$'000  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 | \$'000 |
| 30 June 2021 | (1,499)   | 1,499  | (886)  | 886    | (617)  | 617    |

In determining the impact of an increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders arising from market risk, the Responsible Entity has considered the current financial period and expected future movements of the portfolio based on market information in order to determine a reasonably possible shift in assumptions.

#### (c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will fail to perform contractual obligations, either in whole or part. Credit risk primarily arises from investments in derivative financial instruments. Other credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents, deposits with banks and other financial institutions and amounts due from brokers. None of these assets are impaired nor past due but not impaired.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of each reporting period is the carrying amount of the financial assets.

The clearing and depositary operations of the Funds' security transactions are mainly concentrated with one counterparty namely State Street Australia Limited. The Standard and Poor's credit rating of the Funds' counterparties as at 30 June 2021 are:

- AA- for State Street Australia Limited;
- AA- for State Street Bank & Trust Company; and
- AA- for Westpac Banking Corporation

### (d) Liquidity risk

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

The Funds' listed securities are considered readily realisable, as they are listed on ASX.

The Funds may, from time to time, invest in derivative contracts traded over the counter, which are not traded in an organised market and may be illiquid. As a result, the Funds may not be able to quickly liquidate its investments in these instruments at an amount close to their fair value to meet its liquidity requirements or to respond to specific events such as deterioration in the creditworthiness of any particular issuer or counterparty. No such investments were held at the end of the reporting period.

#### (i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

The table below analyses the Funds' non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period to the earliest possible contractual maturity date at period end. The amounts in the table are contractual undiscounted cash flows.

# (d) Liquidity risk (continued)

# VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF

|                        | Less than 1<br>month<br>\$'000 | 1-6<br>months<br>\$'000 | 6-12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Over 12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| As at 30 June 2021     |                                |                         |                          |                             |                 |
| Bank overdraft         | 93                             | -                       | -                        | -                           | 93              |
| Payables               | 34                             | -                       | -                        | -                           | 34              |
| Distributions payable  | 58                             |                         |                          |                             | 58              |
| Contractual cash flows | 185                            | <u>-</u>                |                          |                             | 185             |

### VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF

| As at 30 June 2021     | Less than 1<br>month<br>\$'000 | 1-6<br>months<br>\$'000 | 6-12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Over 12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Bank overdraft         | 16                             | -                       | -                        | -                           | 16              |
| Payables               | 10                             | -                       | -                        | -                           | 10              |
| Distributions payable  | 35                             |                         |                          |                             | 35              |
| Contractual cash flows | 61                             |                         |                          |                             | 61              |

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF

| As at 30 June 2021     | Less than 1<br>month<br>\$'000 | 1-6<br>months<br>\$'000 | 6-12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Over 12<br>months<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Bank overdraft         | 107                            | -                       | -                        | -                           | 107             |
| Payables               | 16                             | -                       | -                        | -                           | 16              |
| Distributions payable  | 160                            |                         |                          |                             | 160             |
| Contractual cash flows | 283                            |                         |                          |                             | 283             |

### 4 Fair value measurement

The Funds measure and recognise the following assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis:

• Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (see note 6)

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

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value hierarchy:

# 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

- (a) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- (b) inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2); and
- (c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3)
- (i) Fair value in an active market (level 1)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is based on their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

The Funds value their investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the financial statements.

The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Funds are the last traded price; the appropriate quoted market price for financial liabilities is the last traded price. When the Funds hold derivatives with offsetting market risks, they use mid-market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and apply this last traded price to the net open position, as appropriate.

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.

(ii) Valuation techniques used to derive level 2 and level 3 fair value

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 Funds 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. The fair value of a forward contract is determined as a net present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at appropriate market rates as at the valuation date.

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 Funds hold. Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

# 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

# Recognised fair value measurements

The table below presents the Funds' financial assets measured at fair value according to the fair value hierarchy as at 30 June 2021.

| VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF                              | Level 1<br>\$'000                   | Level 2<br>\$'000 | Level 3<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| As at 30 June 2021  |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss               |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Listed equities   | 61,784                              |                   |                   | 61,784          |
| Total   | 61,784                              | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | 61,784          |
| VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companie As at 30 June 2021 | es Quality ETF<br>Level 1<br>\$'000 | Level 2<br>\$'000 | Level 3<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
| AS at 30 Julie 2021   |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss               |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Listed equities   | 15,448                              |                   | <u>-</u>          | 15,448          |
| Total   | 15,448                              | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u>          | 15,448          |
| VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF                         | Level 1<br>\$'000                   | Level 2<br>\$'000 | Level 3<br>\$'000 | Total<br>\$'000 |
| As at 30 June 2021  |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss               |                                     |                   |                   |                 |
| Listed equities   | 34,226                              | -                 | -                 | 34,226          |
| Unit trusts   | 63                                  | <u>-</u>          | <u>-</u> .        | 63              |
| Total   | 34,289                              | <u>-</u>          | <u> </u>          | 34,289          |

The Funds' policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

# (i) Transfers between levels

There were no transfers between the levels in the fair value hierarchy for the period ended 30 June 2021. There were also no changes made to any of the valuation techniques applied as at 30 June 2021.

(ii) Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

The Funds did not hold any financial instruments with fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs during the period ended 30 June 2021.

# 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

# Recognised fair value measurements (continued)

(iii) Fair values of other financial instruments

Due to their short-term nature, the carrying amounts of receivables and payables are assumed to approximate fair value.

# 5 Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Net gains/(losses) recognised in relation to financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss:

|   | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF                      | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF               |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|
|   | Period from 10 March 2021 2021 to 10 30 June 2021 2021 \$'000 \$'000 |   | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 |  |
| Financial assets Net gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss            | 3,863  | 682   | 1,017  |  |
| Financial liabilities  Net gains/(losses) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss | (21)   | (22)  | (37)   |  |
| Total net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss                  | 3,842  | 660   | 980  |  |

# 6 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

|   | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF |
|---|---|---|--|
|   | As at   | As at   | As at  |
|   | 30 June<br>2021                                 | 30 June<br>2021   | 30 June<br>2021                                      |
|   | \$'000  | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss       |   |   |  |
| Listed equities   | 61,784  | 15,448  | 34,226   |
| Unit trusts   |   |   | 63   |
| Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 61,784  | 15,448  | 34,289   |

#### 7 Units in issue

Movements in the number of units during the period were as follows:

|                 |  | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI                                   |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|
|                 | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF          | International Small Companies Quality ETF                | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF     |
|                 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 |
|                 | No.'000  | No.'000  | No.'000  |
| Opening balance | -  | -  | -  |
| Applications    | 5,800  | 700  | 1,600  |
| Closing balance | 5,800  | 700  | 1,600  |

As stipulated within the Funds' Constitutions, a unit confers an equal undivided, vested, and indefeasible interest in the assets as a whole, subject to the liabilities. There are no separate classes of units and each unit has the same rights attaching to it as all other units of the Funds.

# Capital risk management

The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Funds are subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders.

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

# 8 Distributions to unitholders

The distributions during the period were as follows:

|                       | VanEck Vectors Global<br>Clean Energy ETF |                                 | VanEck Vectors MSCI<br>International Small<br>Companies Quality ETF |                                 | VanEck Vectors MSCI<br>International Value ETF |                                 |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
|                       | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021           | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021                                     | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021                | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021 |
|                       | to<br>30 June<br>2021                     | to<br>30 June<br>2021           | to<br>30 June<br>2021   | to<br>30 June<br>2021           | to<br>30 June<br>2021                          | to<br>30 June<br>2021           |
|                       | \$'000                                    | CPU                             | \$'000  | CPU                             | \$'000   | CPU                             |
| Distributions payable | 58  | 1.00                            | 35  | 5.00                            | 160  | 10.00                           |
| Total distributions   | 58  | 1.00                            | 35  | 5.00                            | 160  | 10.00                           |

# 9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank

VanEck
Vectors
Global Clean
Energy ETF
As at
30 June
2021
\$'000

# Reconciliation to cash at the end of the period

Total cash and cash equivalents

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial period as shown in the Statement of cash flow as follows:

VanEck
Vectors
Global Clean
Energy ETF

As at
30 June
2021
\$'000

Balances as above

Bank overdrafts\*

Balance per Statement of cash flows

VanEck
Vectors
Global Clean
Energy ETF

As at
30 June
2021

\$'000

67

69

69

<sup>\*</sup>The bank overdrafts are Westpac overdraft accounts used for dividend equitisation. In 2021, interest was charged at -0.75% and 3.10% p.a..

# 9 Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

|   | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF As at 30 June 2021 \$'000 |
|---|---|
| Cash at bank  Total cash and cash equivalents | 23<br>23  |

### Reconciliation to cash at the end of the period

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial period as shown in the Statement of cash flow as follows:

|                                     | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Small<br>Companies<br>Quality ETF |
|-------------------------------------|--|
|                                     | As at  |
|                                     | 30 June<br>2021  |
|                                     | \$'000   |
| Balances as above                   | 23   |
| Bank overdrafts*                    | (16)   |
| Balance per Statement of cash flows | 7  |

<sup>\*</sup>The bank overdrafts are Westpac overdraft accounts used for dividend equitisation. In 2021, interest was charged at -0.75% and 3.10% p.a..

|   | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF |
|---|--|
|   | As at<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000                   |
| Cash at bank  Total cash and cash equivalents | <u>117</u><br>117                                    |

# 9 Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

### Reconciliation to cash at the end of the period

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial period as shown in the Statement of cash flow as follows:

VanEck
Vectors MSCI
International
Value ETF
As at
30 June
2021
\$'000

Balances as above 117
Bank overdrafts\* (107)
Balance per Statement of cash flows 10

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

|  | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF                    | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF      | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF               |
|--|--|--|--|
|  | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$'000 |
| (a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities |  |  |  |
| Profit/(loss) for the period   | 3,907  | 699  | 1,128  |
| Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through                          |  |  |  |
| profit or loss   | 9,294  | 1,983  | 2,392  |
| Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss                     | (67,236)   | (16,798)   | (35,810)   |
| Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss           | (3,842)  | (660)  | (980)  |
| Net change in receivables  | (88)   | (13)   | (51)   |
| Net change in payables   | 34   | 10   | 16   |
| Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents             |  |  | 3  |
| Net cash outflow from operating activities   | (57,931)   | (14,779)   | (33,302)   |

<sup>\*</sup>The bank overdrafts are Westpac overdraft accounts used for dividend equitisation. In 2021, interest was charged at -0.75% and 3.10% p.a..

# 11 Remuneration of auditors

During the period, the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the Funds:

|  | VanEck<br>Vectors  | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI                                   |  |
|--|--|--|--|
|  | Global Clean   | Small<br>Companies                                       | International  |
|  | Energy ETF   | Quality ETF  | Value ETF  |
|  | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021<br>\$ | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 | Period from<br>10 March<br>2021<br>to<br>30 June<br>2021 |
| Ernst & Young                            |  |  |  |
| Audit services                           |  |  |  |
| Audit and review of financial statements | 7,047  | 7,047  | 7,047  |
| Audit of compliance plan                 | 1,279  | 1,279  | 1,279  |
| Total remuneration of Ernst & Young      | 8,326  | 8,326  | 8,326  |

During the period, auditor's remuneration was paid by VanEck Australia Pty Ltd., the direct parent of the Responsible Entity.

# 12 Receivables

|                                       | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
|                                       | As at   | As at   | As at  |
|                                       | 30 June<br>2021                                 | 30 June<br>2021   | 30 June<br>2021                                      |
|                                       | \$'000  | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Dividend and distributions receivable | 84  | 12  | 50   |
| GST receivables                       | 4   | 1   | 1  |
| Total Receivables                     | 88  | 13  | 51   |

# 13 Payables

|                         | VanEck<br>Vectors<br>Global Clean<br>Energy ETF | VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International<br>Value ETF |
|-------------------------|---|---|--|
|                         | As at   | As at   | As at  |
|                         | 30 June<br>2021                                 | 30 June<br>2021   | 30 June<br>2021                                      |
|                         | \$'000  | \$'000  | \$'000   |
| Management fees payable | 29  | 7   | 10   |
| Withholding tax payable | 1   | 1   | 3  |
| Other payables          | 4   | 2   | 3  |
| Total Payables          | 34  | 10  | 16   |

# 14 Related party transactions

#### **Responsible Entity**

The Responsible Entity of the Funds is a wholly owned subsidiary of VanEck Australia Pty Ltd. The direct parent of the Responsible Entity is a wholly owned subsidiary of Van Eck Associates Corporation, incorporated in the United States of America. The registered office of the Responsible Entity and the Funds is Level 47, Suite 2, 25 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2000.

### Key management personnel

Key management personnel include the directors of the Responsible Entity and the Responsible Entity itself.

VanEck Investments Limited

Jan van Eck Bruce Smith Arian Neiron Michael Brown

Jonathan Simon

# (a) Other key management personnel

There were no other key management personnel who had authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling activities of the Funds, directly or indirectly during the financial period.

# (b) Key management personnel unitholdings

There were no key management personnel who held units in the VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF and VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF as at 30 June 2021.

# 14 Related party transactions (continued)

# (b) Key management personnel unitholdings (continued)

The key management personnel of the Responsible Entity held units in the Fund as follows:

# VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF 30 June 2021

| Unitholder   | Number of<br>units held<br>opening | Number of<br>units held<br>closing | Fair value<br>of<br>investment | Interest<br>held | Number of<br>units<br>acquired | Number of<br>units<br>disposed | Distributions paid/payable by the Fund |
|--------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
|              | (Units)                            | (Units)                            | (\$)                           | (%)              | (Units)                        | (Units)                        | (\$)                                   |
| Arian Neiron | -                                  | 1,000                              | 21,427                         | 0.06             | 1,000                          | -                              | 100                                    |

#### Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel are paid by VanEck Australia Pty Ltd, the parent company of the Responsible Entity. Payments made from the Funds to the Responsible Entity do not include any amounts attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

#### Key management personnel loan disclosures

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

# Other transactions within the Funds

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

### Related party transactions

The Responsible Entity received all management fees that have been paid by the Funds during the period.

VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF charges management costs of 0.65% per annum. The Responsible Entity is entitled to receive an annual management fee of the total assets of the Fund under the terms of the Fund's Constitution. The management fee represents 100% of management costs. The management fees are paid on a quarterly basis.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF charges management costs of 0.59% per annum. The Responsible Entity is entitled to receive an annual management fee of the total assets of the Fund under the terms of the Fund's Constitution. The management fee represents 100% of management costs. The management fees are paid on a quarterly basis.

VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF charges management costs of 0.40% per annum. The Responsible Entity is entitled to receive an annual management fee of the total assets of the Fund under the terms of the Fund's Constitution. The management fee represents 100% of management costs. The management fees are paid on a quarterly basis.

All expenses in connection with the preparation of accounting records and maintenance of the unit register are fully borne by the Responsible Entity.

# 14 Related party transactions (continued)

# Related party transactions (continued)

All related party transactions are conducted on normal commercial terms and conditions. The transactions during the period and amounts payable/receivable at period end between the Funds and the Responsible Entity were as follows:

|   | VanEck          | VanEck<br>Vectors MSCI<br>International | VanEck          |
|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|
|   | Valleck         | Small                                   | Vectors MSCI    |
|   | Global Clean    | Companies                               | International   |
|   | Energy ETF      | Quality ETF                             | Value ETF       |
|   | Period from     | Period from                             | Period from     |
|   | 10 March        | 10 March                                | 10 March        |
|   | 2021            | 2021                                    | 2021            |
|   | to              | to                                      | to              |
|   | 30 June<br>2021 | 30 June<br>2021                         | 30 June<br>2021 |
|   | \$              | \$                                      | \$              |
| Responsible Entity's fees paid and payable for the period             | 75,137          | 17,662                                  | 25,449          |
| Aggregate amounts payable to the Responsible Entity at the end of the |                 |   |                 |
| period  | 28,753          | 6,946                                   | 9,862           |

#### (c) Related party unit holdings

Parties related to the Funds held no units in the Funds as at 30 June 2021.

#### Investments

The Funds did not hold any investments in the Responsible Entity or its related parties during the period.

# 15 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would impact on the financial position of the Funds disclosed in the Statements of financial position as at 30 June 2021 or on the results and cash flows of the Funds for the period ended on that date.

# 16 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There are no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2021.

### Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 7 to 35 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 Funds' financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the reporting period ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (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.

Michael Brown Director

Sydney 23 September 2021



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Unitholders of the following VanEck Vectors Global Equity ETFs (3 of) (the "Funds")

- VanEck Vectors Global Clean Energy ETF (CLNE)
- VanEck Vectors MSCI International Small Companies Quality ETF (QSML)
- VanEck Vectors MSCI International Value ETF (VLUE)

# Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of the above Funds, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the period then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the Directors' Declaration of VanEck Investments Limited, the Responsible Entity of the Funds.

#### In our opinion:

the accompanying financial report of the Funds is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Funds' financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of their financial performance for the period ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

### **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 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 and 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.

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

# **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial report of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial report as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, but we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.



We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying financial report.

#### 1. Investment Existence and Valuation

# Why significant

As exchange traded funds, the Funds have significant investment portfolios consisting primarily of listed equity securities and listed unit trusts. As at 30 June 2021, the value of these financial assets were as follows:

| Fund | Value of<br>investments | Investments and cash<br>as a % of Total Assets<br>held by the Funds |
|------|-------------------------|---|
| CLNE | \$ 61,784,000           | 99.7%   |
| QSML | \$ 15,448,000           | 99.6%   |
| VLUE | \$ 34,289,000           | 99.2%   |

As detailed in the Funds' accounting policies, described in Note 2 to the financial report, these financial assets are recognised at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

Pricing, exchange rates and other market drivers can have a significant impact on the value of these financial assets and the financial report. Accordingly, valuation of the investment portfolio was considered a key audit matter.

# How our audit addressed the key audit matter

We obtained and considered the assurance report on the controls of the Funds' administrator and custodian, in relation to the Fund Administration Services and Custody Services it provided for the period ended 30 June 2021 and considered the auditor's qualifications, competence, objectivity and the results of their procedures.

We agreed all investment holdings to third party confirmations at 30 June 2021.

We assessed the fair value of all investments in the portfolio held at 30 June 2021. For listed securities, the values were verified against independently sourced market prices.

We assessed the adequacy of the disclosures in Note 4 and 6 to the financial report.

# 2. Management Fees

# Why significant

Management fees paid to the Responsible Entity, VanEck Investments Limited are usually the most significant expense of the Funds.

#### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

We performed a recalculation of management fees in accordance with contractual arrangements and Product Disclosure Statements (PDS) including agreeing the contract rate to the calculation.

We assessed the adequacy of the disclosures in Notes 2 and 14 to the financial report.



# Why significant

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

The Funds' accounting policy for Management fees is described in Note 2 to the financial report. All expenses are recognised on an accruals basis.

As at 30 June 2021, management fees totalled:

| Fund | Management Fees | Management Fees as<br>a % of Total Expenses<br>incurred |
|------|-----------------|---|
| CLNE | \$ 75,137       | 59.5%   |
| QSML | \$ 17,662       | 46.2%   |
| VLUE | \$ 25,449       | 29.1%   |

Accordingly, this was considered a key audit matter. The disclosure of these amounts are included in Note 14 of the financial report.

### Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors of VanEck Investments Limited as Responsible Entity of the Funds are responsible for the other information. The other information is the directors' report accompanying the financial report, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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, 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.

### Directors' Responsibilities 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 determine 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 are responsible for assessing each Fund's ability 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 either intend to liquidate the Fund or 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 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 this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to
  fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
  evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
  detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error,
  as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override
  of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial report. We also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events and conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the disclosures in the financial report about the material uncertainty or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion on the financial report. However, future events or conditions may cause an entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.



From the matters communicated to the Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

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Rohit Khanna

**Engagement Partner** 

Sydney

23 September 2021