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**Appendix 4D Half-year report  
In compliance with ASX Listing Rule 4.2.A.3  
For the period ended 31 December 2008**

**Results for Announcement to the Market**

	<b>Increase / (Decrease)</b>	<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2008 \$</b>	<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2007 \$</b>
Revenue from ordinary activities	down 35%	171,839	265,360
Profit / (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	up 24%	(1,876,970)	(1,513,584)
Net profit / (loss) for the period attributable to members	up 24%	(1,876,970)	(1,513,584)
<b>Dividends / distributions</b>		<b>Amount per security</b>	<b>Franked amount per security</b>
Final dividend		-	-
Interim dividend		-	-
<b>Net tangible assets per security</b>		<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2008 cents/share</b>	<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2007 cents/share</b>
Net tangible assets per ordinary security		7.74	6.22

**Compliance Statement**

The accounts are not subject to audit dispute or qualification. This report is based on accounts that have been subject to an audit review as detailed in the Company's financial report.

For further explanation of the above figures please refer to the Directors' Report. Other financial information required by Appendix 4D is contained in the Financial Statements.

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Brett Mitchell  
Director

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2009



ABN 89 106 523 611

Interim Financial Report  
for the six months ended  
31 December 2008

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## **ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED**

### **Directors' Report**

#### **Interim Financial report - 31 December 2008**

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The Directors of the Company present their report on the Consolidated Entity consisting of Energy Ventures Limited and the entities it controlled at the end, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2008.

### **1. Directors**

The directors of the company at any time during or since the end of the half-year are:

Dr Ian Duncan – Non-Executive Chairperson

Mr Brett Mitchell – Executive Director and Company Secretary

Mr Alasdair Cooke – Executive Director

Mr Michael Curnow – Non-Executive Director

### **Review of Operations - Half-year ended 31 December 2008**

Energy Ventures Limited is an ASX listed investment company, developing an investment portfolio focused on energy sector assets that will complement the existing positions held by the Company. The Company's existing investment portfolio is outlined below:

#### **African Energy Resources (60% equity interest)**

African Energy Resources Limited is developing advanced uranium exploration projects in the Kariba Valley of Zambia. African Energy is conducting a wide ranging uranium exploration program over extensions of the same prospective Karoo Basin stratigraphy that hosts the Kayelekera deposit in the north of Malawi through Zambia and into northern Botswana.

African Energy controls the majority of this emerging uranium province with access to over 41,800 square kilometres of granted title and applications, including the Chirundu, Kariba Valley and Luano Valley joint venture projects. These projects are nominated joint ventures with Albidon Limited, where African Energy can earn an initial 30% interest in the projects by expending AUD \$1 million on each selected project area, and increase to a 70% interest by completing a Prefeasibility Study ("PFS") on a JORC compliant Indicated Resource on each project.

#### **Bankable Feasibility Study on the Chirundu JV**

African Energy satisfied the commitments to earn its 70% equity interest in the Chirundu JV project by completion of a PFS to evaluate the mining and processing options on the Njame and Gwabe uranium deposits in early 2008. African Energy subsequently announced with Albidon Ltd in May 2008 the commitment to a Bankable Feasibility Study ("BFS") on the Njame and Gwabe uranium deposits, based on the positive results of the PFS.

The main activities undertaken on the BFS during the reporting period were as follows:

- Appointment of specialist consultants to undertake technical aspects of the BFS.
- Infill RC percussion drilling was completed at both Njame and Gwabe as part of the resource upgrade program. Assay data from this drilling will be used to prepare an updated resource to Measured and Indicated category (JORC).
- Large diameter diamond drilling (PQ diameter) was also completed at both Njame and Gwabe to provide assays for the resource upgrade, core samples for geotechnical studies and ore samples for the metallurgical test work program.
- Geological logging of all diamond drill holes for the resource infill drilling program was completed.
- Specific gravity measurements were made on diamond drill core comprising mineralised lithologies. This data is required for the resource update, which is currently being finalised.

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- Submission of 1,800kg of mineralised core samples from Njame and Gwabe to Mintek Laboratories in Johannesburg for the metallurgy test-work program.
- Commencement of the metallurgical test-work program, with a series of rolling bottle tests undertaken to ascertain base case parameters to be used in subsequent column leach test programmes and to evaluate spatial variability within and between the deposits in terms of response to processing treatments.
- Design of the initial column leach test program. This programme will start in the first quarter of 2009.

In October 2008 a review of the BFS at Chirundu was conducted in light of the economic conditions imposed by the global financial crisis. AFR have subsequently deferred aspects of the BFS that were not directly related to updating confidence in the mineral resources, or the studies to determine how to optimise mineral processing of the uranium ores. AFR are continually reviewing plans to recommence all aspects of the BFS.

African Energy will continue the BFS, with an emphasis on metallurgical test work, geotechnical studies and mining options studies. Preparation of updated resource estimate at Njame and Gwabe to Measured and Indicated resource categories as defined under JORC standards is expected to be completed in Q1 2009.

#### **Other Exploration in Africa**

In addition to the nominated joint ventures with Albidon Limited, African Energy is also maintaining active exploration programs for uranium on other projects in southern Africa. Follow-up of targets identified from airborne radiometric surveys have been completed over targets in Zambia, Malawi and Botswana. Encouraging field spectrometer and geochemical soil sampling results from the Sitwe uranium target in the Northern Luangwa project have confirmed the presence of surface uranium anomalism associated with an 8km long airborne radiometric anomaly in Karoo sediments. Further exploration to advance these projects will continue in 2009.

African Energy accounts are consolidated into Energy Ventures with an adjustment for the minority interest posted to equity. This is due to Energy Ventures holding a controlling interest in African Energy.

#### **Norrskan Energy Ltd (51% equity interest)**

Norrskan Energy Limited (formerly EVE Ventures Ltd) is a joint venture company formed in June 2008 between Energy Ventures and Swedish mineral company IGE Nordic AB in order to explore for uranium in Sweden. EVE is the manager of the joint venture and has committed SEK 5 million (approximately AUD \$870,000) to fund the initial exploration programs. The consolidated Norrskan Energy project portfolio comprises 100% ownership of 15 exploration permits that encompass a range of uranium exploration opportunities, from drill-ready targets with known occurrences of bedrock uranium mineralisation, through to greenfield exploration targets.

The exploration permit areas are considered to be prospective for uranium mineralisation systems, based on the interpretation of high quality geological, geophysical and geochemical data sourced from the Swedish Geological Survey (SGU). An exploration program on the permits comprising geological mapping, ground radiometric surveys and radon cup sampling commenced during the reporting period. In a number of project areas radiometric anomalies were confirmed to be sourced from radiogenic but otherwise unprospective granitoid intrusions. These areas were subsequently relinquished in order to recoup application fees from the Swedish Mining Inspectorate.

Exploration staff were demobilised from Sweden for the winter period. Field exploration programs are anticipated to recommence on priority areas in the June quarter of 2009.

#### **Agricola Resources Plc (29.9% equity interest)**

Agricola Resources Plc (Agricola) is a uranium and base metals exploration company listed on the UK's PLUS Exchange with exploration licences in Sweden and Finland. Energy Ventures owns a 29.9% interest in Agricola.

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Agricola's key value driver is an option and earn-in agreement with Beowulf Mining plc on the Ballek 2, 3, 4 and 5 exploration permits that cover 110 square kilometres of Arjeplog County of Northern Sweden, and which are considered prospective for iron-oxide, copper-gold (IOCG) style mineralisation. Under this agreement, Agricola will acquire a 51% interest in the Ballek licences by undertaking magneto telluric, induced polarisation and resistivity ground geophysics surveys, followed by 3,200 metres of diamond drilling to be completed before 31 March 2010. Agricola's interest will be increased to 70% through funding of a further USD \$500,000 of exploration expenditure.

A program of ground geophysics was completed over the Ballek licences in October 2008 and a number of prospective targets were subsequently identified. A diamond drilling program to test these targets was completed in May 2008. A total of 1,617m drilling has been completed to-date.

#### **Initial JORC Resource at the Lulepotten Deposit**

Agricola advised in September 2008 that an Inferred Resource estimate has been completed to JORC code reporting standard for the Lulepotten copper-gold deposit on the Ballek Joint Venture project. The estimate for the Lulepotten deposit has outlined a total Inferred Resource of 5.4 million tonnes grading 0.8% Cu and 0.3g/t Au, at a 0.3% Cu cut-off grade. This resource represents a total of 43,000 tonnes of contained copper metal and 52,000 ounces of contained gold.

The Lulepotten mineralisation is open along strike and at depth, and the prospective strike length of the mineralised structure is approximately 5,000 metres. Geological and geophysical targets with similar characteristics to the known mineralisation have been identified to both the north and southwest of the deposit, along the same geological structure that hosts the mineralisation. Further diamond drilling has been planned to test these targets.

Energy Ventures investment in Agricola is equity accounted for due to Energy Ventures holding a 29.9% interest. The share of the loss in Agricola is posted to the Energy Ventures profit and loss with the investment in Agricola offset accordingly.

#### **Cool Energy Ltd (8.5% equity interest)**

The Company holds an 8.5% investment in Cool Energy Limited, an unlisted Australian public company incorporated to commercialise a new gas sweetening technology for deployment in high CO<sub>2</sub> gas fields worldwide called CryoCell®. CryoCell® aims to improve the economics of gas field development by extracting CO<sub>2</sub> contaminants from gas feedstocks (known as gas sweetening) at lower capital and operating costs and in liquid form suitable for geo-sequestration or other industrial applications. The successful commercial application of this technology could turn previously uneconomic gas fields due to their high CO<sub>2</sub> content, into profitable operations.

#### **Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration**

The lead auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on page 7 and forms part of the Directors' report for the half year ended 31 December 2008.



Brett Mitchell  
Director  
Perth, 27 February 2009

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**Directors' Declaration**

**Interim Financial report - 31 December 2008**

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- 1 In the opinion of the directors of Energy Ventures Limited :
  - a. The financial statements and notes set out on pages 10 to 17, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
    - i. Giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2008 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
    - ii. Complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - b. there are reasonable grounds to believe that Energy Ventures Limited will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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



Brett Mitchell  
Director  
Perth, 27 February 2009



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The Directors  
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Dear Sirs

**DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY PETER TOLL TO THE DIRECTORS OF ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED**

As lead auditor of Energy Ventures Limited for the half year ended 31 December 2008, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Energy Ventures Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

**Peter Toll**  
Director

*BDO Kendalls*

**BDO Kendalls Audit & Assurance (WA) Pty Ltd**  
Perth, Western Australia



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

ABN 79 112 284 787

To the members of Energy Ventures Limited

### Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Energy Ventures Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 December 2008, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the half-year ended on that date, a statement of accounting policies, other selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the disclosing entities it controlled at the half-year end or from time to time during the year.

#### *Directors' Responsibility for the Half-Year Financial Report*

The directors of the disclosing entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the half-year financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001*. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of Interim and Other Financial Reports Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including: giving a true and fair view of the disclosing entity's financial position as at 31 December 2008 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*. As the auditor of Energy Ventures Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

*Independence*


In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

*Conclusion*

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Energy Ventures Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2008 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and Corporations Regulations 2001.

**BDO Kendalls Audit & Assurance (WA) Pty Ltd**

BDO Kendalls  


**Peter Toll**

Director

Perth, Western Australia

Dated this 27th day of February 2009

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED**  
**Consolidated Income Statement**  
**As at 31 December 2008**

		<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>31-Dec-07</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
Revenue from continuing operations		171,839	265,360
Professional fees		(299,309)	(196,950)
Employee benefit expense	3a	(1,179,964)	(899,867)
Impairment of Investment	4	(423,844)	-
Other expenses	3b	(640,875)	(779,853)
<b>Loss from operating activities</b>		<b>(2,372,153)</b>	<b>(1,611,310)</b>
Net financial expense	3c	(17,768)	(52,902)
Share of losses in associates		(86,039)	(112,254)
<b>Loss before income tax</b>		<b>(2,475,960)</b>	<b>(1,776,466)</b>
Income tax benefit		-	-
<b>Loss for the period</b>		<b>(2,475,960)</b>	<b>(1,776,466)</b>
<b>Attributable to:</b>			
Equity holders of the Company		(1,876,970)	(1,513,584)
Minority interest		(598,990)	(262,882)
<b>Loss for the period</b>		<b>(2,475,960)</b>	<b>(1,776,466)</b>
<b>Loss per share for loss attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:</b>			
Basic loss per share (cents per share)		(1.10)	(0.79)
Diluted loss per share (cents per share)		(1.10)	(0.79)

*The consolidated interim income statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying note.*

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**As at 31 December 2008**

	Note	31-Dec-08 AUD	30-Jun-08 AUD
<b>Assets</b>			
<i>Current Assets</i>			
Cash and cash equivalents		3,429,976	8,618,915
Trade and other receivables		1,138,937	904,528
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>4,568,913</b>	<b>9,523,443</b>
<i>Non-current Assets</i>			
Other financial assets		518,000	925,000
Investments in associates	5	877,052	963,093
Property, plant and equipment		1,096,783	672,524
Exploration and evaluation expenditure	6	22,714,538	14,746,766
Deferred tax asset		-	330
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>25,206,373</b>	<b>17,307,713</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>29,775,286</b>	<b>26,831,156</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<i>Current Liabilities</i>			
Trade and other payables		689,615	1,192,231
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>689,615</b>	<b>1,192,231</b>
<i>Non-current Liabilities</i>			
Deferred tax liabilities		-	330
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>330</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>689,615</b>	<b>1,192,561</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>29,085,671</b>	<b>25,638,595</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Issued capital	7	10,053,507	10,053,507
Reserves	8	18,599,754	12,692,742
Accumulated losses		(8,175,951)	(6,298,981)
<b>Total equity attributable to shareholders of the Company</b>		<b>20,477,310</b>	<b>16,447,268</b>
<b>Minority Interest</b>		<b>8,608,360</b>	<b>9,191,327</b>
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>29,085,670</b>	<b>25,638,595</b>

*The consolidated interim balance sheet is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED**
**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity  
For the half-year ended 31 December 2008**

	Issued capital	Accumulated losses	Other reserves	Share-based payments	Attributable to members of parent company	Minority interest	Total
	AUD	AUD	AUD	AUD	AUD	AUD	AUD
<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2008</b>							
<b>Total equity at 1 July 2008</b>	<b>10,053,507</b>	<b>(6,298,981)</b>	<b>9,417,834</b>	<b>3,274,908</b>	<b>16,447,268</b>	<b>9,191,327</b>	<b>25,638,595</b>
Loss for the period	-	(1,876,970)	-	-	(1,876,970)	(598,990)	(2,475,960)
Total recognised income and expense for the period	-	(1,876,970)	-	-	(1,876,970)	(598,990)	(2,475,960)
Gain/(Loss) on dilution of interest in subsidiary	-	-	20,831	-	20,831	16,023	36,854
Foreign currency translation reserve	-	-	5,638,700	-	5,638,700	-	5,638,700
Share-based payments	-	-	-	247,481	247,481	-	247,481
Transactions with equity holders in their capacity as equity holders	-	-	5,659,531	247,481	5,907,012	16,023	5,923,035
<b>Total equity at 31 December 2008</b>	<b>10,053,507</b>	<b>(8,175,951)</b>	<b>15,077,365</b>	<b>3,522,389</b>	<b>20,477,310</b>	<b>8,608,360</b>	<b>29,085,670</b>
<b>Half-year ended 31 December 2007</b>							
<b>Total equity at 1 July 2007</b>	<b>10,053,507</b>	<b>(3,297,899)</b>	<b>6,448,717</b>	<b>2,080,733</b>	<b>15,285,058</b>	<b>3,497,074</b>	<b>18,782,132</b>
Loss for the period	-	(1,513,584)	-	-	(1,513,584)	(262,882)	(1,776,466)
Total recognised income and expense for the period	-	(1,513,584)	-	-	(1,513,584)	(262,882)	(1,776,466)
Loss on increase of interest in subsidiary	-	-	(217,465)	-	(217,465)	-	(217,465)
Foreign currency translation reserve	-	-	(408,015)	-	(408,015)	-	(408,015)
Recognition of Minority Interest in Reserves	-	-	(317,985)	-	(317,985)	317,985	-
Share-based payments	-	-	-	441,269	441,269	-	441,269
Transactions with equity holders in their capacity as equity holders	-	-	(943,465)	441,269	(502,196)	317,985	(184,211)
<b>Total equity at 31 December 2007</b>	<b>10,053,507</b>	<b>(4,811,483)</b>	<b>5,505,252</b>	<b>2,522,002</b>	<b>13,269,277</b>	<b>3,552,177</b>	<b>16,821,455</b>

The consolidated interim statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED****Cash Flow Statement****For the half-year ended 31 December 2008**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>31-Dec-07</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(1,943,292)	(1,722,540)
Interest received	122,743	242,141
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(1,820,549)</b>	<b>(1,480,399)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(302,894)	(337,012)
Payment for exploration and evaluation expenditure	(3,246,549)	(3,537,357)
Acquisition of investment	-	(105,210)
Repayments of interest earning loans	192,135	265,988
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>	<b>(3,357,308)</b>	<b>(3,713,591)</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(5,177,857)</b>	<b>(5,193,989)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July</b>	<b>8,618,915</b>	<b>11,307,457</b>
Effect of exchange rates on cash holdings in foreign currencies	(11,081)	(70,018)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>3,429,977</b>	<b>6,043,450</b>

*The consolidated cash flow statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.*

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED****Notes to the consolidated financial statements****31 December 2008****1. Basis of preparation of half-year report**

This general purpose financial report for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2008 has been prepared in accordance with *Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2008 and any public announcements made by Energy Ventures Limited during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period.

**2. Segment reporting**

Segment information is presented in the consolidated interim financial statements in respect of the consolidated entity's business segments, which are the primary basis of segment reporting. The business segment reporting format reflects the consolidated entity's management and internal reporting structure.

Inter-segment pricing is determined on an arm's length basis.

Segment results include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

**Business segments**

The consolidated entity operates predominantly in two business segments, being investment activities within Australia and mineral exploration in Africa and Europe.

**Primary reporting format - business segment**

<i>Half- year ended 31 December 2008</i>	Investment	Mineral exploration	Consolidated
Segment revenue	122,769	49,070	171,839
Segment result from continuing operations	(908,083)	(1,567,878)	(2,475,961)
<b>Balance sheet:</b>			
Segment assets	7,465,624	22,309,662	29,775,286
Segment liabilities	235,765	453,851	689,616
<i>Half- year ended 31 December 2007</i>			
Segment revenue	70,196	195,164	265,360
Segment result from continuing operations	(717,926)	(1,058,540)	(1,776,466)
<b>Balance sheet:</b>			
Segment assets	8,705,332	9,224,524	17,929,856
Segment liabilities	193,170	915,231	1,108,401

**ENERGY VENTURES LIMITED****Notes to the consolidated financial statements****31 December 2008****3. Revenues and Expenses**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>31-Dec-07</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
<b>(a) Employee benefit expense</b>		
Salaries & superannuation	517,049	240,613
Share based payments	247,481	441,270
Directors Fees	415,434	217,984
	<b>1,179,964</b>	<b>899,867</b>
<b>(b) Other expenses from ordinary activities</b>		
Administration costs	262,076	292,696
Premises costs	232,766	63,013
Recruitment costs	-	40,908
Share registry expense	64,033	62,540
Travelling costs	73,154	304,687
Other costs	8,846	16,009
	<b>640,875</b>	<b>779,853</b>
<b>(c) Financial expense</b>		
Unrealised FX Gain	-	49,325
Realised FX Gain	17,768	3,452
Interest Paid	-	125
	<b>17,768</b>	<b>52,902</b>

**4. Impairment**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>31-Dec-07</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
Write-down of Investment in Cool Energy (i)	407,000	-
Write-off of Exploration Expenditure in Sweden (ii)	16,844	-
	<b>423,844</b>	<b>-</b>

(i) carrying value is representative of fair value

(ii) following directors assessment and relinquishment of tenements

**5. Investments in Associate**

During the half year, the Group retained its 29.9% interest in Agricola Resources Plc. This investment is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting and is carried at cost by the parent entity.

Movement in carrying amount

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>30-Jun-08</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
Carrying amount at beginning of year	963,093	1,103,743
Share of profit / (loss) after tax	(86,041)	(140,650)
Carrying amount at the end of financial period	<b>877,052</b>	<b>963,093</b>

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**31 December 2008**

**6. Exploration & Evaluation Expenditure**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>30-Jun-08</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
<b>Balance at the beginning of the period</b>	14,746,766	5,056,376
Additions	3,246,549	7,047,048
Effect of translation of foreign currency operation to group presentation currency	4,721,223	2,643,342
<b>Balance at the end of the period</b>	<b>22,714,538</b>	<b>14,746,766</b>

The ultimate recoverability of Exploration and Evaluation Expenditure is dependent upon its successful development or sale which will require the Company to source additional capital.

**7. Contributed Equity**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>30-Jun-08</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
Issued capital	10,351,164	10,351,164
Cost of share issue	(297,657)	(297,657)
	<b>10,053,507</b>	<b>10,053,507</b>

**8. Reserves**

	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>30-Jun-08</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
Share based payments reserve	3,522,387	3,274,907
Foreign currency translation reserve	3,787,299	(1,851,297)
Asset reserves	11,290,068	11,269,132
	<b>18,599,754</b>	<b>12,692,742</b>
<b>Reconciliation of movement in reserves</b>	<b>31-Dec-08</b>	<b>31-Dec-07</b>
	<b>AUD</b>	<b>AUD</b>
<b>Share-based payments reserve</b>		
Balance at the beginning of the year	3,274,907	2,080,733
Equity settled share-based payment transactions	247,480	441,269
Balance at 31 December	<b>3,522,387</b>	<b>2,522,002</b>
<b>Foreign currency translation reserve</b>		
Balance at the beginning of the year	(1,851,401)	(540,309)
Effect of translation of foreign currency operations to group presentation currency	5,638,700	(408,015)
Balance at 31 December	<b>3,787,299</b>	<b>(948,324)</b>
<b>Asset Reserves</b>		
Balance at the beginning of the year	11,269,236	6,989,026
Movement in Asset reserves for the Period	20,832	(535,450)
Balance at 31 December	<b>11,290,068</b>	<b>6,453,576</b>

**9. Capital and other commitments**

Commitments relating to minimum tenement expenditure on African Energy's tenement portfolio in Malawi are indeterminable as they are currently in the process of being renewed.

All other tenement commitments have been met.

**10. Dividends**

No dividends were paid by the consolidated entity.

**11. Related Parties**

Transactions with the related parties are consistent with those disclosed in the 30 June 2008 financial report.

**12. Contingent Assets and Liabilities**

There are no identified contingent assets or liabilities as at balance date or up to the date of this report.

**13. Subsequent Events**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations, results or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity or the parent company in future financial years other than disclosed in the Directors' report.