# **EQT** Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (registered as Common Fund No 8)

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This annual report covers EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund is Australian Executor Trustees Limited (ABN 84 007 869 794) (AFSL 240 023).

The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

Level 1, 575 Bourke Street Melbourne, VIC 3000.

#### Directors' report

The directors of Australian Executor Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (the "Fund"), present their report together with the financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### **Principal activities**

The Fund invests in cash, Australian and international shares, property and fixed interest via listed and unlisted managed investment schemes in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund did not have any employees during the year.

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

The various service providers for the Fund are detailed below:

Service Provider

Responsible Entity Australian Executor Trustees Limited\*

Investment Manager Equity Trustees Limited

Custodian and Administrator State Street Australia Limited

Statutory Auditor Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

#### **Directors**

The following persons held office as directors of Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024:

Philip D Gentry Chairman (resigned 6 June 2024)
Michael J O'Brien Chairman (appointed 6 June 2024)

lan C Westley Jodi A Kennedy

The following persons held office as directors of Australian Executor Trustees Limited from 1 July 2024 and up to the signing date of this report:

Michael J O'Brien Chairman

Ian C Westley Jodi A Kennedy

#### Review and results of operations

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

The Fund's performance was 14.34% (net of fees) for the year ended 30 June 2024. The Fund's benchmark, the MSCI World Index net dividends reinvested (AUD) returned 19.80% for the same period.

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

<sup>\*</sup> On 1 July 2024, the Responsible Entity for the Fund was changed from Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited to Australian Executor Trustees Limited.

#### Directors' report (continued)

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

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

	Year ended	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders for the year (\$'000)	27,148	21,931
Distributions - Class A		
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	18	-
Distributions (cents per unit)	1.06	-
Distributions - Class B		
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	1,566	7,155
Distributions (cents per unit)	0.64	2.89

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

Philip D Gentry resigned as a director of Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited on 6 June 2024.

During the year, the Fund issued a new class, named Class A on 15 May 2024. Consequently, the units in the Fund have been reclassified from equity to liability, refer to Note 7 for further information.

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

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

On 1 July 2024, the Responsible Entity of the Fund was changed from Equity Wealth Services Limited to Australian Executor Trustees Limited.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may have a significant effect on:

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

#### Likely developments and expected results of operations

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

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

#### Indemnification and insurance of officers

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

## Directors' report (continued)

#### Indemnification of auditor

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

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

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

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

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

#### Interests in the Fund

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

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

#### **Environmental regulation**

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

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

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

#### Auditor's independence declaration

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

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

Michael J O'Brien Chairman

Melbourne 25 September 2024



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25 September 2024

The Board of Directors
Australian Executor Trustees Limited
Level 1, 575 Bourke Street
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Dear Board Members,

Auditor's Independence Declaration – EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (registered as Common Fund No 8)

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the Directors of Australian Executor Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity, regarding the financial report of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (registered as Common Fund No 8) (the "Fund").

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial report of the Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2024, 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 audit; and
- any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours faithfully

**DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU** 

Storte Tache Tolmasu

Jonathon Corbett

Partner

**Chartered Accountants** 

## Statement of comprehensive income

		Year ended	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Income			
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		22	38
Distribution income		9,527	4,576
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		18,445	18,109
Other income		491	270
Total income/(loss)		28,485	22,993
Expenses			
Management fees and costs		1,318	974
Transaction costs		3	46
Other expenses		16	42
Total expenses		1,337	1,062
Total expenses			,
Profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders for the year		27,148	21,931
Finance costs attributable to unit holders			
Distributions to unit holders	8	(1,584)	-
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders*	7	(25,564)	
Profit/(loss) for the year			21,931
Other comprehensive income			
Total comprehensive income for the year			21,931

<sup>\*</sup>During the year, the fund issued a new class of units. As a result net assets attributable to unit holders are reclassified from equity to liability from 1 July 2023. As a result, the Fund's distributions are no longer classified as distributions paid in the statement of changes in equity, but rather as finance costs in the statement of comprehensive income. Refer to Note 2(c), Note 7 and Note 8 for further details.

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

## Statement of financial position

	As at		
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	9	3,959	8,338
Receivables	11	9,542	4,508
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	197,981	181,046
Total assets	-	211,482	193,892
Liabilities			
Distributions payable	8	1,584	7,155
Payables	12	121	407
Total liabilities		1,705	7,562
Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability*	7	209,777	
Net assets attributable to unit holders - equity*	7		186,330

<sup>\*</sup>Net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as liability at 30 June 2024 and as equity at 30 June 2023. Refer to Note 2(c) for further details.

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

## Statement of changes in equity

		Year ended		
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year		186,330	100,850	
Reclassification from equity to liability*		(186,330)		
Total beginning balance		<u>-</u> .	100,850	
Comprehensive income for the financial year				
Profit/(loss) for the year		-	21,931	
Other comprehensive income				
Total comprehensive income		<u> </u>	21,931	
Transactions with unit holders				
Applications	7	-	84,208	
Redemptions	7	-	(30,327)	
Reinvestment of distributions	7	-	16,823	
Distributions paid and payable	7	<u> </u>	(7,155)	
Total transactions with unit holders		<del>-</del> -	63,549	
Total equity at the end of the financial year*		<u> </u>	186,330	

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

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes with reference to Notes 1, 2(c) and 7.

## Statement of cash flows

		Year ended	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or los	s	6,000	53,309
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or	loss	(120)	(104,269)
Net movement in margin accounts		-	36
Interest income received from financial assets at amortised cost		23	35
Distributions received		135	3,192
Other income received		491	270
Management fees and costs paid		(1,460)	(814)
Other expenses paid		(35)	(79)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	10(a)	5,034	(48,320)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from applications by unit holders		45,396	84,208
Payments for redemptions by unit holders		(53,925)	(30,260)
Distributions paid to unit holders		(884)	(1,054)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		(9,413)	52,894
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(4,379)	4,574
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		8,338	3,764
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	9	3,959	8,338
Non-cash operating and financing activities	10(b)	10,641	24,289

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

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#### 1 General information

These financial statements cover EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (the "Fund") as an individual entity. The Fund is an Australian registered managed investment scheme which was constituted on 30 November 2000 and will terminate in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution or by Law.

On 1 July 2024, the Responsible Entity for the Fund was changed from Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited to Australian Executor Trustees Limited.

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is Australian Executor Trustees Limited (ABN 84 007 869 794) (AFSL 240 023) (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 1, 575 Bourke Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000. The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency unless otherwise noted.

The Fund invests in cash, Australian and international shares, property and fixed interest via listed and unlisted managed investment schemes in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

During the year, the Fund issued a new class, named Class A on 15 May 2024. Consequently, the units in the Fund have been reclassified from equity to liability, refer to Note 2(c) and 7 for further information.

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

#### 2 Summary of material accounting policies

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

#### (a) Basis of preparation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Fund

The Fund has applied the following standards and amendments for the first time for its financial year beginning 1 July 2023:

 AASB 2021-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosure of Accounting Policies and Definition of Accounting Estimates [AASB 7, AASB 101, AASB 108, AASB 134 & AASB Practice Statement 2].

#### (a) Basis of preparation (continued)

#### (ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Fund (continued)

The amendments have had an impact on the Fund's disclosures of accounting policies, including the requirement to disclose 'material' rather than 'significant' accounting policies, but not on the measurement, recognition or presentation of any items in the Fund's financial statements.

None of the other standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2023 have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the prior periods or will affect the current or future periods.

#### (iii) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2024 and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements.

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

#### (b) Financial instruments

#### (i) Classification

#### Financial assets

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

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

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

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

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

#### Financial liabilities

For financial liabilities that are not classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, these are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost (distribution payable and payables).

#### (ii) Recognition and derecognition

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

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

#### (iii) Measurement

Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

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

#### (iii) Measurement (continued)

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

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

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

#### Financial instruments at amortised cost

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

Cash and cash equivalents and receivables are carried at amortised cost.

#### (iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Fund shall estimate a loss allowance on each of the financial assets carried at amortised cost (cash and cash equivalents and receivables) at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the counterparty, probability that the counterparty will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that the asset is credit impaired. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the net carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due. Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

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

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

#### (v) Offsetting financial instruments

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

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

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

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

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

The Fund's units are classified as equity when they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation:* 

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

As this is a multi-class Fund, units are classified as financial liabilities as they do not meet the requirements of equity in accordance with AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation.* 

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

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

As at 30 June 2023, net assets attributable to unit holders were classified as equity. Effective from 1 July 2023, the Fund's net assets attributable to unit holders have been reclassified from equity to liability as there was second class of units issued.

#### (d) Cash and cash equivalents

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

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

#### (e) Income

#### (i) Interest income

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

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

Changes in fair value of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in accordance with the policies described in Note 2(b) to the financial statements.

#### (ii) Distributions

Trust distributions are recognised on an entitlement basis.

#### (f) Expenses

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

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

#### (g) Income tax

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

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

#### (h) Distributions

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

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

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

#### (j) Functional and presentation currency

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

#### (k) Receivables

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

#### (I) Payables

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

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

Distributions declared effective 30 June in relation to unit holders who have previously elected to reinvest distributions are recognised as reinvested effective 1 July of the following financial year.

#### (m) Applications and redemptions

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### (p) Rounding of amounts

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

#### (q) Comparative revisions

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

## 3 Financial risk management

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

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

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital on unit trusts is limited to the fair value of those positions.

#### 3 Financial risk management (continued)

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

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

#### (a) Market risk

#### (i) Price risk

The Fund is exposed to price risk on investments in unlisted unit trust securities. Price risk arises from investments held by the Fund for which prices in the future are uncertain.

The Fund seeks to mitigate price risk by regular review of the Fund's investments. The Fund invests in managed investment schemes in line with its strategic asset allocation which is determined by Equity Trustees Limited's Management Investment Committee (MIC) with the view to meeting the Fund 's investment objectives. The actual asset allocation of the Fund is reviewed in comparison to its strategic benchmark on a regular basis by MIC. MIC meeting minutes are reviewed regularly by the Board on a monthly basis.

The table at Note 3(b) summarises the sensitivities of the Fund's assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the reasonably possible shift that the investment portfolio in which the Fund invests moves by +/-10% (2023: +/-10%).

#### (ii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

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

The Fund's interest bearing financial instruments expose them to risks associated with the effects of fluctuation in the prevailing market interest rate on its financial positions and cash flows. The impact of interest rate risk on the profit and the profit and net assets attributable to unit holders is considered immaterial to the Fund and thus is not included in the sensitivity analysis below.

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

#### (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

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

ass	Impact on net assets attributable to unit holders Price risk		
	+10%	-10%	
	\$'000	\$'000	
	19,798	(19,798)	
	18,105	(18,105)	

#### 3 Financial risk management (continued)

#### (c) Credit risk

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

The Fund does not have a significant concentration of credit risk that arises from an exposure to a single counterparty or group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The main concentration of credit risk, to which the Fund is exposed, arises from cash and cash equivalents. None of these assets are impaired nor past their due date. The maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying of these balances at the reporting date.

#### (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.

Exposure to liquidity risk for the Fund may arise from the requirement to meet daily unit holder redemption requests.

Liquidity risk is managed by investing the majority of its assets in investments that can be readily disposed of.

In order to manage the Fund's overall liquidity, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders. The Fund did not reject or withhold any redemptions during 2024 and 2023.

(i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

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

#### 4 Fair value measurement

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

• Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (see Note 5)

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

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

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

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

#### (a) Valuation using level 2 inputs

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable market data and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all material inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

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

#### 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

#### (a) Valuation using level 2 inputs (continued)

Specific valuation techniques using observable inputs used to value financial instruments include:

 Investments in unit trusts are valued at the redemption price per unit as reported by the underlying fund's investment manager.

#### (b) Recognised fair value measurements

The table below presents the Fund's financial assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

As at 30 June 2024	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets				
Unit trusts	<del>_</del>	197,981		197,981
Total financial assets	<u>-</u>	197,981	<del>-</del>	197,981
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
As at 30 June 2023	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets				
Unit trusts	<del>_</del>	181,046		181,046
Total financial assets	<u>-</u>	181,046		181,046

#### (c) Transfer between levels

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

There were no transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period (30 June 2023: Nil).

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

The financial instruments not measured at fair value through profit or loss include:

- i. Cash and cash equivalents, balances due from/to brokers and receivables/payables under sale and repurchase agreements. These are short-term financial assets and financial liabilities whose carrying values approximate fair value, because of their short-term nature and the high credit quality of counterparties; and
- ii. Net assets attributable to unit holders, as the Fund routinely redeems and issues units at an amount equal to the proportionate share of the Fund's net assets at the time of redemption, calculated on a basis consistent with that used in these financial statements. Accordingly, the carrying value of net assets attributable to unit holders approximates their fair value. Any difference is not material in the current year or prior year.

#### 5 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	As at		
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Unit trusts	197,981	181,046	
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	197,981	181,046	

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

#### 6 Structured entities

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangement.

The Fund considers all investments in managed investment schemes (the "Schemes") to be structured entities. The Fund invests in Schemes for the purpose of capital appreciation and/or earning investment income.

The exposure to investments in related party Schemes at fair value, and any related party amounts recognised in the statement of comprehensive income is disclosed at Note 14(i) to the financial statements.

The fair value of the Schemes is included in financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss in the statement of financial position.

The Fund's maximum exposure to loss from its interest in the Schemes is equal to the fair value of its investments in the Schemes as there are no off-balance sheet exposures relating to any of the Schemes. Once the Fund has disposed of its units in a Scheme it ceases to be exposed to any risk from that Scheme.

During the year ended 30 June 2024, total gains/(losses) incurred on investments in the Schemes were \$18,444,815 (2023: \$18,108,975). The Fund also earned distribution income of \$9,527,188 (2023: \$4,576,115) as a result of its interests in the Schemes.

#### 7 Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability

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

During the year, management reviewed the classification of net assets attributable to unit holders and concluded that units in the Fund no longer meets the classification of equity for the year ended 30 Jun 2024. As such, units in the fund have been reclassified as a financial liability.

During the year, the Fund issued a second class of units, named Class A. Consequently, as there is now a second class of unit the Fund no longer satisfies the criteria under AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation that would allow it to classify net assets attributable to unit holders as equity. As at 30 June 2023, net assets attributable to unit holders were classified as equity. Effective from 15 May 2024, the Fund's unit have been reclassified from equity to liability.

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

As a result, the Fund's distributions to unit holders and (increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders have been classified as finance costs in the statement of comprehensive income.

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

	Year ended			
	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023
	Units '000	\$'000	Units '000	\$'000
Class A				
Opening balance	-	-	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	-	(14)	-	-
Transfers in*	1,706	1706		
Closing balance	1,706	1,692	<u> </u>	
Class B				
Opening balance	247,439	186,330	147,825	100,850
Applications	58,043	45,396	116,792	84,208
Redemptions	(68,304)	(53,784)	(41,760)	(30,327)
Reinvestment of distributions	8,328	6,271	24,582	16,823
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		25 570		14 776
	(4.000)	25,578	-	14,776
Transfers out*	(1,986)	(1,706)	0.47, 400	400.000
Closing balance	243,520	208,085	247,439	186,330
Closing balance	-	209,777	-	186,330

<sup>\*</sup>During the year, the total \$1,705,681 (units: 1,985,659) was transfer from Class B to Class A with \$1,705,681 (units: 1,705,681). The new class A were created on 15 May 2024 and the classes were seeded by existing money being switched from existing classes.

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

There are two separate classes of units as at 30 June 2024 and 2023. Each unit within the same class has the same rights as all other units within that class.

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

## Capital risk management

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

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

## 8 Distributions to unit holders

The distributions declared during the year were as follows:

	Year ended			
	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023
	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU
Distributions - Class A				
June (payable)	18	1.06	<u> </u>	
Total distributions	18	1.06		
Distributions - Class B				
June (payable)	1,566	0.64	7,155	2.89
Total distributions	1, <u>566</u>	0.64	7,155	2.89
Total distributions	1,584		7,155	

## 9 Cash and cash equivalents

	As a	As at		
	30 June 2024 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000		
Cash at bank	3,959	8,338		
Total cash and cash equivalents	3,959	8,338		

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

10 Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from o	perating activi	ties	
	Year ended		
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$'000	\$'000	
(a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities			
Profit/(loss) for the year	_	21,931	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	25,564	21,001	
Distributions to unit holders	1,584	_	
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	6,000	53,309	
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(120)	(104,269)	
Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(18,445)	(18,109)	
Distribution income reinvested	(4,370)	(7,466)	
Net movement in margin accounts	(4,570)	36	
Net change in receivables	(5,034)	6,081	
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Net change in payables	<u>(145</u> )	167	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	5,034	(48,320)	
(b) Non-cash operating and financing activities			
The following distribution payments to unit holders were satisfied by the issue			
of units under the distribution reinvestment plan	6,271	16,823	
The following purchases of investments were satisfied by the participation in dividend			
and distribution reinvestment plans	4,370	7,466	
Total non-cash operating and financing activities	10,641	24,289	
11 Receivables			
	As a		
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Interest receivable	2	3	
Distributions receivable	9,527	4,505	
GST receivable	13	<u>-</u>	
Total receivables	9,542	4,508	
12 Payables			
12 Payables			
	As a 30 June	i <b>t</b> 30 June	
	2024	2023	
	\$'000	\$'000	
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Management fees and costs payable	78	220	
Redemptions payable	39	180	
Other payables	4	7	
Total payables	121	407	

#### 13 Remuneration of auditors

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

	Year ended		
	30 June 2024		
	\$	\$	
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu			
Audit and other assurance services			
Audit and review of financial statements	21,636	19,378	
Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services	21,636	19,378	
Taxation services			
Tax compliance services	7,423	7,069	
Total remuneration for taxation services	7,423	7,069	
Total remuneration of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	29,059	26,447	
PricewaterhouseCoopers			
Audit and other assurance services			
Audit of compliance plan	2,400	2,346	
Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services	2,400	2,346	
Total remuneration of PricewaterhouseCoopers	2,400	2,346	

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

#### 14 Related party transactions

The Responsible Entity of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund is Australian Executor Trustees Limited (ABN 84 007 869 794) (AFSL 240 023). Accordingly, transactions with entities related to Australian Executor Trustees Limited are disclosed below.

On 1 July 2024, the Responsible Entity for the Fund was changed from Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited to Australian Executor Trustees Limited.

Equity Trustees Limited acts as Investment Manager for the Fund, and has contracted services to State Street Australia Limited to act as Custodian and Administrator for the Fund. The contracts are on normal commercial terms and conditions.

## 14 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (a) Key management personnel

#### (i) Directors

Key management personnel include persons who were directors of Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.

Philip D Gentry Chairman (resigned 6 June 2024)
Michael J O'Brien Chairman (appointed 6 June 2024)

Ian C Westley Jodi A Kennedy

Key management personnel include persons who were directors of Australian Executor Trustees Limited from 1 July 2024 and up to the signing date of this report.

Michael J O'Brien Chairman

Ian C Westley Jodi A Kennedy

#### (ii) Responsible Entity

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

#### (iii) Other key management personnel

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

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

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

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

Key management personnel did not hold units in the Fund as at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: nil).

#### (d) Key management personnel compensation

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

#### (e) Key management personnel loans

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

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

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

#### 14 Related party transactions (continued)

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

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

	Year ended		
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$	\$	
Management fees and costs for the year	1,136,707	835,065	
Responsible Entity fees for the year	60,494	46,393	
Management fees and costs payable at year end	71,039	199,280	
Responsible Entity fees payable at year end	5,164	18,227	

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

Management fees reimbursed represent monies put into the Fund to ensure that the Fund's overall management costs remain within that disclosed in the Product Disclosure Statement.

#### (h) Related party unit holdings

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

Unit holder	Number of	Number of	Fair value of investment	Interest	Number of	Number of	paid/payable
As at 30 June	units held	units held		held	units	units	by the Fund
2024	opening	closing		%	acquired	disposed	\$
EQT Tax Aware Diversified Fund	83,875,207	99,733,475	84,923,054	40.48	34,263,241	(18,404,973)	641,216

A substantial percentage of the units of the fund are held be clients, for which Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited or its affiliates act as trustee.

## 14 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (h) Related party unit holdings (continued)

Unit holder As at 30 June 2023	Number of units held opening	Number of units held closing	Fair value of investment	Interest held %	Number of units acquired	Number of units disposed	Distributions paid/payable by the Fund \$
EQT Tax Aware Diversified Fund EQT Trustees Ltd ACF Freedom of Choices -	50,977,197	83,875,207	62,931,568	33.90%	32,898,010	-	2,425,259
Division of AMG Super	3,073,447	3,277,644	2,543,780	1.32%	550,996	(346,799)	371,695

#### (i) Investments

The Fund held investments in the following schemes which are also managed by Equity Trustees Wealth Services Limited or its related parties:

30 June 2024	Fair value of investment	Interest held %	Distributions received	Distributions receivable	Units acquired during the year	Units disposed during the year
Vontobel Global Equity Fund Orbis Global Equity LE Fund	56,400,336	100.00	-	1,214,436	442,387	495,835
(Australian Registered)	43,431,939	0.97	-	7,107,633	25,239	-
	Fair value of investment	Interest held	Distributions received	Distributions receivable	Units acquired during the year	Units disposed during the year
30 June 2023	\$	%	\$	\$		-
MFS Global Equity Trust	-	-	-	-	-	13,851,190
Vontobel Global Equity Fund Orbis Global Equity	52,127,864	100.00	-	798,819	11,288,808	-
Fund (Australian Registered)	-	-	-	-	46,147	274,146

## 15 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the year which would impact on the financial position of the Fund as disclosed in the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the year ended on that date.

## 16 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There were no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

#### Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 28 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) Note 2(a) confirms that the financial statements also comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

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

Michael J O'Brien Chairman

Melbourne 25 September 2024



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## Independent Auditor's Report to the Unit Holders of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (registered as Common Fund No 8)

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of EQT Responsible Investment Global Share Fund (registered as Common Fund No 8) (the "Fund") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of cash flows and the statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the the Fund is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- 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 & 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 confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the Directors of the Responsible Entity of the Fund (the "Directors"), would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

#### Other Information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2024, 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 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.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors 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

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• 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 the ability of the Fund to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement 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
  Fund'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 and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund 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 report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair
  presentation.

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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.

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**Chartered Accountants** 

Sydney, 25 September 2024