

HALF YEAR REPORT

31 December 2020

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APPENDIX 4D HALF YEAR REPORT

This Half Year Report is provided to the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) under ASX Listing Rule 4.2A.3.

Current Reporting Period: 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020 Previous Corresponding Period: 1 July 2019 to 31 December 2019

Balance Date: 31 December 2020

Orion Equities Limited (OEQ or the Company) Company:

Consolidated Entity: Orion and controlled entities (Orion)

OVERVIEW OF RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

	Dec 2020	Dec 2019	%	Up/
Consolidated Entity	\$	\$	Change	Down
Total revenues	104,533	24,461	327%	Up
Net gain on financial assets	950,000	-	N/A	N/A
Share of Associate entity's net profit/(loss)	1,269,664	(277,193)	558%	Profits Up
Expenses:				
Personnel expenses	(210,652)	(213,847)	1%	Down
Corporate expenses	(12,731)	(22,508)	43%	Down
Other expenses	(30,567)	(61,362)	50%	Down
Profit/(Loss) before tax	2,070,247	(550,449)	476%	Profits Up
Income tax expense	-	-	N/A	N/A
Profit/(Loss) attributable to members of the Company	2,070,247	(550,449)	476%	Profits Up
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents)	13.23	(3.52)	476%	Earnings Up
	Dec 2020	Jun 2020	%	Up/
Consolidated Entity	\$	\$	Change	Down
Pre-tax NTA backing per share	0.25	0.11	117%	Up
Post-tax NTA backing per share	0.25	0.11	117%	Up

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF RESULTS

Orion's \$2.07 million net profit for the half year is principally attributable to:

- \$0.95 million unrealised gains from its investment in Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK), which appreciated in price from 4.5 to 14 cents per share during the half year; and
- \$1.27 million recognised as a share of an Associate entity's net profit this relates to Orion's investment in Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL); Bentley generated a net profit of \$4.71 million for the half year.

Orion accounts for Bentley as an Associate entity, which means that Orion is required to recognise a share of Bentley's net gain or loss in respect of a financial period based on Orion's (26.95% as at 31 December 2020 and 30 June 2020) shareholding interest in Bentley (this is known as the equity method of accounting for an associate entity).

The share price of Strike has increased significantly since the 31 December 2020 balance date, from 14 cents to a last bid price of 19.5 cents (on 25 February 2021). This translates to an unrealised net gain of \$0.55 million (in respect of the 10,000,000 Strike shares held by Orion) post-balance date, which is equivalent to 3.5 cents (pre and post-tax) per Orion share (based on Orion's issued capital of 15,649,228 shares).

APPENDIX 4D HALF YEAR REPORT

Orion notes that Associate entity, Bentley is also a major shareholder in Strike. The increase in Strike's share price (as above) translates to an unrealised net gain of \$2.89 million (in respect of the 52,553,493 Strike shares held by Bentley) post-balance date, which is equivalent to 3.8 cents (pre and post-tax) per Bentley share (based on Bentley's issued capital of 76,127,918 shares).

The share price of Bentley has also increased since the balance date, from 6.7 cents to a last bid price of 7.4 cents (on 25 February 2021). Based on Orion's 20,513,783 shareholding in Bentley, this represents an appreciation in market value from \$1.37 million to \$1.52 million post-balance date.

Further information is outlined in Bentley's 31 December 2020 Half Year Report.

Please refer to the Directors' Report and Financial Report for further information on a review of Orion's operations and the financial position and performance of Orion for the financial half year ended 31 December 2020.

Notwithstanding the accounting value of Orion's investments as outlined herein, it is noted that the market value of these share investments are as follows:

		ASX Market Value ¹	
Investment	Shareholding	31 December 2020	30 June 2020
Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL)	20,513,783	\$1,374,423	\$717,982
Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK)	10,000,000	\$1,400,000	\$450,000
	Total	\$2,774,423	\$1,167,982

DIVIDEND

The Directors have not declared a dividend in respect of the financial half year ended 31 December 2020.

ASSOCIATE ENTITY

The Company has accounted for the following share investment at the Balance Date as an investment in an Associate entity (on an equity accounting basis):

26.95% interest (20,513,783 shares) in Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL) (30 June 2020: 26.95%; 20,513,783 shares).

CONTROLLED ENTITIES

During the half year, the Company voluntarily de-registered the following wholly-owned subsidiaries:

Margaret River Wine Corporation Pty Ltd ACN 094 706 500, with effect on 7 September 2020;

Date: 26 February 2021

- Margaret River Olive Oil Pty Ltd ACN 094 706 519, with effect on 7 September 2020; and (b)
- Koorian Olives Pty Ltd ACN 120 616 891, with effect on 14 September 2020. (C)

For and on behalf of the Directors,

Executive Director and Company Secretary

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¹ Based on closing bid price on ASX

The Directors present their report on Orion Equities Limited ABN 77 000 742 843 (OEQ or the Company) and its controlled entities (Orion or the Consolidated Entity) for the financial half year ended 31 December 2020 (Balance Date).

Orion Equities Limited is a public company limited by shares that was incorporated in New South Wales and has been listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) since November 1970 (ASX Code: OEQ).

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

OEQ is a listed investment company (LIC).

NET TANGIBLE ASSET BACKING (NTA)

Consolidated Entity	Dec 2020 \$	Jun 2020 \$
Net tangible assets (before tax)	3,843,524	1,773,277
Pre-Tax NTA Backing per share	0.246	0.113
Less deferred tax assets and tax liabilities	-	-
Net tangible assets (after tax)	3,843,524	1,773,277
Pre-Tax NTA Backing per share	0.246	0.113
Value of dividend paid in previous 6 months	-	-
Based on total issued share capital	15,649,228	15,649,228

FINANCIAL POSITION

Consolidated Entity	Dec 2020 \$	Jun 2020 \$
Cash and cash equivalents	244,313	294,408
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	1,400,000	450,000
Investment in Associate entity (BEL)	1,439,505	169,841
Property held for development or resale	1,100,000	1,100,000
Receivables	45,223	90,130
Other assets	3,058	3,263
Deferred tax asset	-	-
Total Assets	4,232,099	2,107,642
Other payables and liabilities	(388,575)	(334,365)
Deferred tax liability	-	-
Net Assets	3,843,524	1,773,277
Issued capital	18,808,028	18,808,028
Profits Reserve	4,055,786	2,599,373
Accumulated losses	(19,020,290)	(19,634,124)
Total Equity	3,843,524	1,773,277

OPERATING RESULTS

Consolidated Entity	Dec 2020	Dec 2019
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Total revenues	104,533	24,461
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EARNINGS PER SHARE

23 (3.52)
23 (3.32)
28 15.649.228
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DIVIDENDS

The Directors have not declared a dividend in respect of the financial half year ended 31 December 2020

As at 31 December 2020, the Company had:

- \$4.06 million in its Profits Reserve account, which is available to fund the payment of dividends to shareholders in the future; and
- \$3.09 million Franking Credits, which is sufficient to fund the payment of fully franked (at Orion's applicable 27.5% company tax rate) dividends totalling \$8.15 million (subject to Orion's capacity to declare and pay such dividends).

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

Securities in The Company

At the Balance Date, the Company had 15,649,228 shares on issue (30 June 2020: 15,649,228).

All such shares are listed on ASX. The Company does not have other securities on issue.

Voluntary Winding Up Resolution at 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

At the Company's 2020 AGM² held on 19 November 2020³, shareholders did not approve a special resolution⁴ for the voluntary winding up of the Company.

The resolution was proposed as a consequence of a "triggering" of the Company's voluntary winding up mechanism under Clause 164A of the Company's Constitution.

Further details in relation to the 'Voluntary Winding Up Trigger' is in the Company's Notice of 2013 AGM and Explanatory Statement dated 23 October 2013.

The Company also refers to the Notice of 2020 AGM and Explanatory Statement dated 19 October 2020 for further details in relation to this voluntary winding up special resolution.

² Refer Orion's Notice of AGM and Explanatory Statement dated and released on ASX on 19 October 2020

Refer Orion's ASX Announcement dated 19 November 2020: Results of 2020 Annual General Meeting

A special resolution must be passed by at least 75% of the votes cast by shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution and present in person, by proxy, by attorney or by authorised representatives at the general meeting.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Portfolio Details as at 31 December 2020

Asset Weighting

	% of Net	
Consolidated Entity	Dec 2020	Jun 2020
Australian equities	74%	35%
Property held for development and resale	29%	62%
Net tax liabilities (current year and deferred tax assets/liabilities)	-	-
Net cash/other assets and provisions	(3)%	3%
TOTAL	100%	100%

Major Holdings in Securities Portfolio

Security	Carrying Value	% of Net Assets	ASX Code	Industry Sector Exposures
Bentley Capital Limited	\$1,439,505	38%	BEL	Diversified Financials
Strike Resources Limited	\$1,400,000	36%	SRK	Materials
TOTAL	\$2,839,505	74%		

(b) Bentley Capital Limited (ASX: BEL)

As at 31 December 2020 and currently, Orion holds 20,513,783 Bentley shares (26.95%) (30 June 2020: 20,513,783 shares (26.95%)).

Bentley Capital Limited (Bentley) is a listed investment company with a current exposure to Australian equities.

Shareholders are advised to refer to Bentley's 31 December 2020 Half Year Report, 30 June 2020 Annual Report and monthly NTA disclosures for further information about the status and affairs of the company.

Information concerning Bentley may be viewed from its website: www.bel.com.au

Bentley's market announcements may also be viewed from the ASX website (www.asx.com.au) under ASX code "BEL".

Strike Resources Limited (ASX: SRK)

As at 31 December 2020 and currently, Orion holds 10,000,000 Strike shares (4.05%) (30 June 2020: 10,000,000 shares; 4.83%) while Associate entity, Bentley, holds 52,553,493 Strike shares (21.27%⁵) (30 June 2020: 52,553,493 shares; 25.37%). Therefore, Orion has a deemed relevant interest in 62,553,493 Strike shares (25.31%6).

On 1 December 2020, Strike raised \$4 million through a placement of 40,000,000 shares. Accordingly, Orion's interest in Strike has diluted to 4.05% and Bentley's interest in Strike has diluted to 21.27% during the half year.

Refer Bentley's ASX Announcement dated 1 December 2020: Change in Substantial Holding in SRK

Refer Orion's ASX Announcement dated 1 December 2020: Change of Substantial Shareholder Notice in SRK

Strike Resources Limited is an ASX listed resource company which is developing the Paulsens East Iron Ore Project (Strike 100%) located in the Pilbara, Western Australia. Strike is also developing the Apurimac Magnetite Iron Ore Project (Strike 100%) in Peru and a number of battery minerals related projects around the world - the Solaroz Lithium Brine Project (Strike 90%) in Argentina and the Burke Graphite Project (Strike ~76%) in Queensland.

Orion is also entitled to receive a royalty of 2% of gross revenues (exclusive of GST) from any commercial exploitation of any minerals from the Paulsens East Iron Ore Project tenement (Mining Lease M47/1583) owned by Strike. This royalty entitlement stems from Orion's sale of a portfolio of tenements (including the Paulsens East tenement) to Strike in September 2005.7

Further information about Strike's current projects and activities are contained in their ASX releases, including as follows:

- 1 February 2021: December 2020 Quarterly Reports; and
- 2 November 2020 Annual Report.

Information concerning Strike may be viewed from its website: www.strikeresources.com.au.

Strike's market announcements may also be viewed from the ASX website (www.asx.com.au) under ASX: "SRK".

(d) Other Assets

Orion also owns a property held for redevelopment or sale (currently rented out) located in Mandurah, Western Australia.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Information concerning Directors in office during or since the half year is as follows:

Farooq Khan	Executive Chairman
Appointed	23 October 2006
Qualifications	BJuris, LLB (Western Australia)
Experience	Mr Khan is a qualified lawyer having previously practised principally in the field of corporate law. Mr Khan has extensive experience in the securities industry, capital markets and the executive management of ASX-listed companies. In particular, Mr Khan has guided the establishment and growth of a number of public listed companies in the investment, mining and financial services sectors. He has considerable experience in the fields of capital raisings, mergers and acquisitions and investments.
Relevant interest in shares	2,000 shares – directly ⁸
Special Responsibilities	Chairman of the Board and the Investment Committee

⁷ For further information, please refer to the following ASX Announcements: Orion's announcement dated 23 September 2005: CXL Retains a 25% Free Carried Interest in NT Uranium Tenements and Strike's announcement dated 11 August 2008: Acquisition of Outstanding Interests in Berau Coal and Paulsens East Iron Ore Projects

⁸ Refer to Orion's ASX announcement dated 20 November 2014: Change in Directors Interest Notice

Farooq Khan	Executive Chairman
Other current directorships in listed entities	(1) Executive Chairman and Managing Director of Queste Communications Ltd (ASX:QUE) (since 10 March 1998)
	(2) Executive Chairman of Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL) (director since 2 December 2003)
	(3) Chairman (appointed 18 December 2015) of Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK) (Director since 1 October 2015)
Former directorships in other listed entities in past 3 years	Alternate Director of Keybridge Capital Limited (ASX:KBC) (26 June to 18 July 2019)

Victor P. H. Ho	Executive Director and Company Secretary	
Appointed	Executive Director since 4 July 2003; Company Secretary since 2 August 2000	
Qualifications	BCom, LLB (Western Australia), CTA	
Experience	Mr Ho Ho has been in Executive roles with a number of ASX-listed companies across the investments, resources and technology sectors over the past 21 years. Mr Ho is a Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) and previously had 9 years' experience in the taxation profession with the Australian Tax Office (ATO) and in a specialist tax law firm. Mr Ho has been actively involved in the investment management of listed investment companies (as an Executive Director and/or a member of the Investment Committee), the structuring and execution of a number of corporate, M&A and international joint venture (in South America (Peru, Chile and Argentina), Indonesia and the Middle East (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Oman) transactions, capital raisings and capital management initiatives and has extensive experience in public company administration, corporations' law and ASX compliance and investor/shareholder relations.	
Relevant interest in shares	None	
Special Responsibilities	Member of Investment Committee	
Other positions held in listed entities	(1) Executive Director and Company Secretary of Queste Communications Ltd (ASX:QUE) (Director since 3 April 2013; Company Secretary since 30 August 2000)	
	(2) Company Secretary of Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL) (since 5 February 2004)	
	(3) Director and Company Secretary of Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK) (Director since 24 January 2014 and Company Secretary since 1 October 2015)	
Former directorships in other listed entities in past 3 years	Company Secretary of Keybridge Capital Limited (ASX:KBC) (13 October 2016 to 13 October 2019)	

Yaqoob Khan	Non-Executive Director
Appointed	5 November 1999
Qualifications	BCom (Western Australia), Master of Science in Industrial Administration (Carnegie Mellon)
Experience	Mr Khan holds a Masters degree in Business and has worked as a senior executive responsible for product marketing, costing systems and production management. Mr Khan has been involved in the structuring and ASX listing of a number of public companies and in subsequent executive management. Mr Khan brings considerable international experience in corporate finance and the strategic analysis of listed investments.
Relevant interest in shares	None
Special Responsibilities	None
Other current directorships in listed entities	Non-Executive Director of Queste Communications Ltd (ASX:QUE) (since 10 March 1998)
Former directorships in other listed entities in past 3 years	None

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 forms part of this Directors Report and is set out on page 11. This relates to the Auditor's Independent Review Report, where the Auditor states that they have issued an independence declaration.

Signed for and on behalf of the Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Board,

Farooq Khan Chairman

26 February 2021

Executive Director and Company Secretary



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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

As lead auditor of the review of Orion Equities Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2020, 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
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Orion Equities Limited and the entities it controlled during the half-year.

Rothsay Auditing

Daniel Dalla Partner

26 February 2021



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the half year ended 31 December 2020

	N. I.	31 Dec 20	31 Dec 19
Revenue	Note 2	\$	24.4/1
Revenue Other	2	25,467	24,461
		1,269,664	
Share of Associate entity's net profit		950,000	-
Net gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Other		79,066	-
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TOTAL REVENUE AND INCOME		2,324,197	24,461
EXPENSES	3		
Share of Associate entity's net loss		-	(277,193)
Land operation expenses		(6,469)	(11,929)
Personnel expenses		(210,652)	(213,847)
Occupancy expenses		(7,937)	(13,526)
Corporate expenses		(12,731)	(22,508)
Communication expenses		(1,677)	(1,161)
Finance expenses		(81)	(186)
Administration expenses		(14,403)	(34,560)
PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX		2,070,247	(550,449)
Income tax benefit		-	-
PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER INCOME TAX		2,070,247	(550,449)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Other comprehensive income, after tax		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE HALF YEAR		2,070,247	(550,449)
EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE FOR THE PROFIT/(LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY			
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents)	5	13.23	(3.52)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 December 2020

	Note	31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20
CURRENT ASSETS		\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents		244,313	294,408
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	1,400,000	450,000
Loan to controlling entity		45,223	90,130
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,689,536	834,538
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property held for development or resale	8	1,100,000	1,100,000
Investment in Associate entity	9	1,439,505	169,841
Property, plant and equipment		3,058	3,263
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		2,542,563	1,273,104
TOTAL ASSETS		4,232,099	2,107,642
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables		295,458	255,609
Provisions		93,117	78,756
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		388,575	334,365
TOTAL LIABILITIES		388,575	334,365
NET ASSETS		3,843,524	1,773,277
EQUITY			
Issued capital		18,808,028	18,808,028
Profits reserve		4,055,786	2,599,373
Accumulated losses		(19,020,290)	(19,634,124)
TOTAL EQUITY		3,843,524	1,773,277

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

for the half year ended 31 December 2020

	Issued Capital \$	Reserves \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total \$
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2019	18,808,028	2,624,527	(18,869,139)	2,563,416
Loss for the half year Other comprehensive income	-	-	(550,449) -	(550,449) -
Total comprehensive loss for the half year	-	-	(550,449)	(550,449)
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2019	18,808,028	2,624,527	(19,419,588)	2,012,967
BALANCE AT 1 JULY 2020	18,808,028	2,599,373	(19,634,124)	1,773,277
Profit for the half year	-	-	2,070,247	2,070,247
Profits reserve transfer	-	1,456,413	(1,456,413)	-
Other comprehensive income	_	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half year	-	1,456,413	613,834	2,070,247
BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2020	18,808,028	4,055,786	(19,020,290)	3,843,524

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the half year ended 31 December 2020

	31 Dec 20	31 Dec 19
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	21,992	21,992
Dividends received	70.077	1,087
Other receipts Interest received	79,066 78	1,990 (431,677)
Payments to suppliers and employees	(199,186)	(431,677)
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(98,050)	(406,608)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of plant and equipment	(349)	-
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(349)	-
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Loan to controlling entity	-	(50,000)
Loan repayment from controlling entity	48,304	-
NET CASH PROVIDED BY/(USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	48,304	(50,000)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	(50,095)	(456,608)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial half year	294,408	814,067
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF FINANCIAL HALF YEAR	244,313	357,459

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the half year ended 31 December 2020

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of Compliance

The half year financial statements are a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting'. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'. These half year financial statements do not include notes of the type normally included in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the most recent annual financial statements and the Company's ASX announcements released from 1 July 2020 to the date of this report.

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for the revaluation of certain non-current assets and financial instruments. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. All amounts are presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise noted.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the preparation of the half year financial statements are consistent with those adopted and disclosed in the Consolidated Entity's financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

New, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The Consolidated Entity has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new, revised or amending Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not mandatory have not been early adopted. These are not expected to have a material impact on the Consolidated Entity's financial statements.

REVENUE

31 Dec 20	31 Dec 19
\$	\$
21,992	21,992
3,475	2,469
25,467	24,461
1,269,664	-
950,000	-
79,066	-
2,324,197	24,461
	\$ 21,992 3,475 25,467 1,269,664 950,000 79,066

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3. EXPENSES

	31 Dec 20	31 Dec 19
The consolidated profit/(loss) before income tax includes the following items of expenses:	\$	\$
Share of Associate entity's net loss	-	277,193
Land operations	6,469	11,929
Salaries, fees and employee benefits	210,652	213,847
Occupancy expenses	7,937	13,526
Finance expenses	81	186
Communication expenses	1,677	1,161
Corporate expenses		
ASX and CHESS fees	9,515	17,732
ASIC fees	757	1,335
Share registry	1,817	872
Other corporate expenses	642	2,569
Administration expenses		
Professional and legal fees	2,255	1,279
Depreciation	554	990
Other administration expenses	11,594	32,291
_	253,950	574,910

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

SEGMENT INFORMATION	Investments	Corporate	Total
31 Dec 20	\$	\$	\$
Segment revenues			
Revenue	21,992	-	21,992
Other	2,219,664	82,541	2,302,205
Total segment revenues	2,241,656	82,541	2,324,197
Personnel expenses	-	210,652	210,652
Finance expenses	-	81	81
Administration expenses	-	13,849	13,849
Depreciation expense	-	554	554
Other expenses	6,469	22,345	28,814
Total segment profit/(loss)	2,235,187	(164,940)	2,070,247
Segment assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	-	244,313	244,313
Financial assets	1,400,000	-	1,400,000
Property held for development or resale	1,100,000	-	1,100,000
Investment in Associate entity	1,439,505	-	1,439,505
Property, plant and equipment	-	3,058	3,058
Other assets	-	45,223	45,223
Total segment assets	3,939,505	292,594	4,232,099

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4.	SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)	Investments	Corporate	Total
		\$	\$	\$
	31 Dec 19			
	Segment revenues			
	Revenue	21,992	-	21,992
	Other		2,469	2,469
	Total segment revenues	21,992	2,469	24,461
	Personnel expenses	-	213,847	213,847
	Finance expenses	-	186	186
	Administration expenses	-	34,561	34,561
	Depreciation expense	-	990	990
	Other expenses	287,755	37,571	325,326
	Total segment profit/(loss)	(265,763)	(284,686)	(550,449)
	30 Jun 20			
	Segment assets			
	Cash and cash equivalents	-	294,408	294,408
	Financial assets	450,000	-	450,000
	Property held for development or resale	1,100,000	-	1,100,000
	Investment in Associate entity	169,841	-	169,841
	Property, plant and equipment	-	3,263	3,263
	Other assets	_	90,130	90,130
	Total segment assets	1,719,841	387,801	2,107,642
_	FARMINGS ((LOSS) RED SHARE		21 Day 20	01 D = - 10
5.	EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE		31 Dec 20	31 Dec 19
	Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (cents)	=	13.23	(3.52)
	The following represents the profit/(loss) and weighted aver shares used in the earnings/(loss) per share calculations:	age number of		
	Net loss after income tax (\$)		2,070,247	(550,449)
	()		2,070,247	(000,117)
			Number of	Shares
	Weighted average number of ordinary shares		15,649,228	15,649,228
	The Consolidated Entity has no securities outstanding whether shares and dilute the basic loss per share.	nich have the pote	ential to conver	t to ordinary
6.	FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20
			\$	\$
	Listed securities at fair value		1,400,000	450,000

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair Value Hierarchy

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

- (i) Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- (ii) Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); and
- (iii) Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets at fair value through profit or lo	ss:			
Listed securities at fair value				
31 Dec 20	1,400,000	-	-	1,400,000
30 Jun 20	450,000	-	-	450,000

There have been no transfers between the levels of the fair value hierarchy during the financial half year.

(a) Valuation techniques

The fair value of the listed securities traded in active markets is based on closing bid prices at the end of the reporting period. These investments are included in Level 1.

The fair value of any assets that are not traded in an active market are determined using certain valuation techniques. The valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available, or independent valuation and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2. If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in Level 3.

(b) Fair values of other financial assets and liabilities	31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20
	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	244,313	294,408
Payables	(295,458)	(255,609)
	(51,145)	38,799

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

8.	PROPERTY HELD FOR RESALE	31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20
		\$	\$
	Property held for resale	3,797,339	3,797,339
	Impairment of property	(2,697,339)	(2,697,339)
		1,100,000	1,100,000

Critical accounting judgement and estimate

The carrying value of Property held for resale is based on the Directors' judgement, having regard to the most recent independent valuation report dated 29 July 2019 and an assessment of current pertinent real estate market conditions. The Directors are of the view that the property is not impaired as at balance date.

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INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATE ENTITY	Ownership Interest		31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20
	31 Dec 20	30 Jun 20	\$	\$
Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL)	26.95%	26.95%	1,439,505	169,841
Movements in carrying amounts				
Opening balance			169,841	477,719
Share of net profit/(loss) after tax			1,269,664	(307,878)
Dividend received			-	-
Closing balance		=	1,439,505	169,841
Fair value (at market price on ASX) of investn	nent in Associate ei	ntity	1,374,423	717,982
Net asset value of investment		· =	2,673,130	1,403,467
Summarised statement of profit or loss and ot	her comprehensive	income		
Revenue			5,167,603	296,380
Expenses			(455,803)	(2,754,789)
Profit/(Loss) before income tax		_	4,711,800	(2,458,409)
Income tax expense			-	-
Profit/(Loss) after income tax			4,711,800	(2,458,409)
Other comprehensive income			-	-
Total comprehensive income		=	4,711,800	(2,458,409)
Summarised statement of financial position				
Current assets			10,428,310	6,694,371
Non-current assets			4,420	22,364
Total assets		_	10,432,730	6,716,735
Current liabilities			512,578	363,900
Total liabilities		_	512,578	363,900
Net assets		_	9,920,152	6,352,835

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Loan to Controlling Entity

Queste Communications Ltd (ASX: QUE) is deemed to have control of the Consolidated Entity as it holds 59.86% (9,367,653 shares) (30 Jun 2020: 59.86% and 9,367,653 shares) of the Company's total issued share capital.

The Company and QUE have entered into a Loan Agreement for the Company to advance up to \$200,000 to QUE. The loan is unsecured and matures on 31 December 2021 (unless extended by agreement of the parties) and accrues interest at 10% pa in respect of the first \$150,000 advanced, and 7.5% pa in respect of \$50,000 advanced thereafter. During the half year, the Company received \$48,304 repayments from QUE and earned interest income of \$3,397. The outstanding loan balance as at Balance Date is \$45,223 (principal and accrued interest).

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10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(b) Transactions with key management personnel

At Balance Date, the Company owes the Directors an aggregate \$187,813 in unpaid salaries (net of PAYG withholding tax remitted to the ATO) (30 Jun 2020: \$115,431).

During the half year, the Consolidated Entity generated \$21,992 rental income from a family member of Director, Faroog Khan, pursuant to a standard form residential tenancy agreement in respect of the Property Held for Resale (31 Dec 2019: \$21,992).

11. CONTINGENCIES

(a) Directors' Deeds

The Company has entered into Deeds of Indemnity with each of its Directors indemnifying them against liability incurred in discharging their duties as Directors/Officers of the Consolidated Entity. At the end of the financial period, no claims have been made under any such indemnities and accordingly, it is not possible to quantify the potential financial obligation of the Consolidated Entity under these indemnities.

(b) Tenement Royalty

The Consolidated Entity is entitled to receive a royalty of 2% of gross revenues (exclusive of GST) from any commercial exploitation of any minerals from the Paulsens East Iron Ore Project tenement (Mining Lease M47/1583) in Western Australia currently owned by Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK). This royalty entitlement stems from the Consolidated Entity's sale of a portfolio of tenements (including the Paulsens East tenement) to Strike in September 2005.

12. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

(a) The share price of Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK) has increased significantly since the balance date, from 14 cents to a last bid price of 19.5 cents (on 25 February 2021). This translates to an unrealised net gain of \$0.55 million (in respect of the 10,000,000 Strike shares held by the Company) post-balance date, which is equivalent to 3.5 cents (pre and post tax) per Orion share (based on Orion's issued capital of 15,649,228 shares).

The Consolidated Entity notes that Associate entity, Bentley Capital Limited (ASX:BEL) is a major shareholder in Strike. The increase in Strike's share price translates to an unrealised net gain of \$2.89 million (in respect of the 52,553,493 Strike shares held by Bentley) post-balance date, which is equivalent to 3.8 cents (pre and post tax) per Bentley share (based on Bentley's issued capital of 76,127,918 shares).

The share price of Bentley has also increased since the balance date, from 6.7 cents to a last bid price of 7.4 cents (on 25 February 2021). Based on Orion's 20,513,783 shareholding in Bentley, this represents an appreciation in market value from \$1.37 million to \$1.52 million post-balance date.

No other matters or circumstance has arisen since the end of the financial half year that significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Consolidated Entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Consolidated Entity in future financial years.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Orion Equities Limited made pursuant to sub-section 303(5) of the Corporations Act 2001, we state that:

In the opinion of the Directors:

- The financial statements and notes of the Consolidated Entity are in accordance with the (1) Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2020 and of its performance for the financial half year ended on that date; and
 - (b) complying with Accounting Standards AASB 134 "Interim Financial Reporting", Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Consolidated Entity will be able to pay its debts (2) as and when they become due and payable.

On behalf of the Board,

Faroog Khan Chairman

26 February 2021

Executive Director and Company Secretary



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ORION EQUITIES LIMITED

Report on the Review of the Half-Year Financial Report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Orion Equities Limited ("the Company"), and its controlled entities ("the Group"), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, the consolidated statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of the Group does not comply with the *Corporations Act* 2001 including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2020 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) ("the Code") that are relevant to our audit of the annual 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 Company would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.





Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

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

Auditor's Responsibility for the Review of the Half-Year Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2020 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*.

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.

Rothsay Auditing

Rothsay

Dated 26 February 2021

Daniel Dalla Partner

SECURITIES INFORMATION

as at 31 December 2020

DISTRIBUTION OF FULLY PAID ORDINARY SHARES

Spread	of	Holdings	Number of Holders	Number of Shares	% of Total Issue Capital
1	-	1,000	27	10,092	0.064%
1,001	-	5,000	60	211,898	1.354%
5,001	-	10,000	41	312,301	1.996%
10,001	-	100,000	54	1,618,022	10.339%
100,001	-	and over	14	13,496,915	86.247%
		Total	196	15,649,228	100.00%

UNMARKETABLE PARCELS

Spread	of	Holdings	Number of Holders	Number of Shares	% of Total Issued Capital
1	-	3,999	53	71,284	0.456%
3,999	-	over	143	15,577,944	99.544%
		Total	196	15,649,228	100.00%

An unmarketable parcel is considered, for the purposes of the above table, to be a shareholding of 3,999 shares or less, being a value of \$500 or less in total, based upon the Company's last sale price on ASX as at 31 December 2020 of \$0.125 per share.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Substantial Shareholders	Registered Shareholder	Total Number of Shares Held	% Voting Power
Queste Communications Ltd (ASX:QUE)	QUE	9,367,653	59.86% ⁽¹⁾
Mr Azhar Chaudhri,	QUE	9,367,653	
Renmuir Holdings Limited and	Chi Tung Investments Ltd	50,475	60.21% ⁽²⁾
Chi Tung Investments Ltd	Renmuir Holdings Limited	4,754	
Geoff Wilson,	Dynasty Peak Pty Limited	923,038	5.90%(3)
Dynasty Peak Pty Limited and GW Holdings Pty Limited			

Notes:

- (1) Based on the change of substantial shareholding notice filed by QUE dated 28 September 2015 (updated to reflect current percentage voting power)
- (2) Based on the change of substantial shareholding notice filed by Azhar Chaudhri, Renmuir Holdings Limited and Chi Tung Investments Ltd dated 28 September 2015 (updated to reflect current percentage voting power)
- (3) Based on the initial substantial shareholding notice filed by Geoff Wilson dated 28 February 2018

SECURITIES INFORMATION

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TOP TWENTY ORDINARY FULLY PAID SHAREHOLDERS

RANK	SHAREHOLDER	TOTAL SHARES	% ISSUED CAPITAL
1	QUESTE COMMUNICATIONS LTD	9,367,653	59.86%
2	DYNASTY PEAK PTY LIMITED	923,038	5.90%
3	MR COLIN JOHN VAUGHAN & MRS ROBIN VAUGHAN	777,566	4.97%
4	DR STEVEN G RODWELL	525,129	3.36%
5	ACN 139 886 025 PTY LTD	288,464	1.84%
6	MR JOHN STEPHEN CALVERT	260,732	1.67%
7	REDSUMMER PTY LTD	225,000	1.44%
8	MS HOON CHOO TAN	197,538	1.26%
9	MR BRUCE SIEMON	192,351	1.23%
10	MRS PENELOPE MARGARET SIEMON	191,355	1.22%
11	MRS JANET BACKHOUSE	188,000	1.20%
12	BNP PARIBAS NOMINEES PTY LTD	136,363	0.87%
13	MR ANTHONY NEALE KILLER & MRS SANDRA MARIE KILLER	120,000	0.77%
14	MR JOHN CHENG-HSIANG YANG & MS PEGA PING PING MOK	103,726	0.66%
15	MRS CAROLINE ANN PICKERING	100,000	0.64%
16	MS MORAG HELEN BARRETT	94,013	0.60%
17	GIBSON KILLER PTY LTD	83,300	0.53%
18	MR LUKE FREDERICK ATKINS	74,696	0.48%
19	MR CALOGERO JOSEPH BARBAGIOVANNI + MR RAFFAELE GUADAGNINO	70,000	0.45%
20	MR JIA YING ISAAC TAY	58,650	0.37%
	TOTAL	13,977,574	89.32%