



Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd

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Interim Report - 31 December 2023

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General information

The financial statements cover Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd as a Consolidated Entity consisting of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd's functional and presentation currency.

Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd is a listed public company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is 79 Careniup Avenue, Gwelup Western Australia 6018.

A description of the nature of the Consolidated Entity's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 13 March 2024.

FITZROY RIVER CORPORATION LTD
DIRECTORS' REPORT
31 December 2023

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the consolidated entity (referred to hereafter as the 'Consolidated Entity') consisting of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd (referred to hereafter as the '**Company**' or '**Parent Entity**') and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2023.

Directors

The following persons were directors of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd during the whole of the financial half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Mr Malcolm McComas	Non-Executive Chair
Ms Susan Thomas	Non-Executive Director
Mr Cameron Manifold	Non-Executive Director

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Consolidated Entity are as an oil and gas and mineral investment holding company with a focus on non-operational assets such as royalties and equity investments. The Group's focus is on a number of areas including but not limited to:

- Bass Strait, through a 1% interest in the Weeks Royalty;
- The Canning Superbasin in Western Australia through interests in the Canning Basin and Lennard Shelf Royalty Deeds ("Buru Royalty") with Buru Energy Limited (ASX: BRU) and Black Mountain Energy Limited (ASX: BME);
- The Gulf of Mexico, through an investment in Byron Energy Limited (ASX: BYE);
- A right to a royalty over several exploration permits known as the Snowy River Gold Mine located near Reefton on the South Island of New Zealand and being developed by Federation Mining Pty Ltd. The royalty is subject to an option to buy back the royalty (in respect of the area which was previously EP 40542) which is exercisable at any time until a decision to mine;
- A right to a royalty over the Bowdens Silver Mine in New South Wales, being developed by Silver Mines Limited (ASX: SVL); and
- The UK North Sea, through an investment in an unlisted entity, Spark New Energies Pty Ltd.

The Consolidated Entity's activities are generally passive in nature and its royalty income is currently dependent on the activities and quantum of oil and gas sales by third parties and the receipt of dividends, if any, from its investments.

Other than as mentioned above, there were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the Consolidated Entity during the year.

Dividends

There were no dividends recommended or declared during the current half-year.

During the previous half-year, the Company declared a fully franked special dividend of 0.5 cents per ordinary share, equating to a total dividend of \$539,771 (**Dec-22 Special Dividend**).

A total of \$507,180 of the Dec-22 Special Dividend has been paid as at 31 December 2023. A balance of \$32,591 remains payable at the end of the half-year, pending shareholders providing the Company's share registry with valid bank account particulars.

Review of operations

The profit for the Consolidated Entity after providing for income tax amounted to \$54,067 (31 December 2022: \$77,628).

Royalty income for the half-year of \$441,317 was \$243,296 (36%) down on the Prior Corresponding Period (**PCP**). This was a result of lower royalty income of \$348,050 from Weeks (PCP: \$525,665) and the suspension of operations at Buru resulting in royalty income of \$93,266 (PCP: \$190,409) for the period. Buru operations remain suspended indefinitely.

Operating expenses for the half-year were \$175,509 representing a marginal increase of \$1,254 (1%) compared to the prior corresponding period. Net cash flow from operations for the half-year was \$339,781 as compared to \$650,843 for the prior corresponding period to 31 December 2022, a reduction of \$311,062 (48%). Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2023 increased to \$2,258,857 compared to 30 June 2023: \$1,757,643.

A gain of \$232,733 was recognised through other comprehensive income during the half-year on fair value adjustments relating to the Company's investments (31 December 2022: loss of \$704,188).

The fair value adjustments (net of tax) related to the Company's investment in Byron Energy Limited being a gain of \$235,412 and unlisted entity Spark New Energies Pty Ltd being a loss of \$2,680 for a total gain of \$232,733.

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There were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Consolidated Entity during the half-year.

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year

Snowy River Project

During January 2024, Federation Mining Pty Ltd (Federation) advised that it had agreed to exercise its option to purchase the Snowy River Gold Mine from Oceana Gold Limited. Settlement remains subject to certain conditions and regulatory approvals. Federation further advised that it is currently pursuing a wide variety of additional funding options to assist in the purchase of the asset and construction of the processing plant, including private equity, debt and streaming, along with merger and acquisition.

The Consolidated Entity has a variable 1-3% royalty over the Project (**Royalty**). Oceana Gold Limited's interest in the Project includes an option to buy-out the Royalty. The option is exercisable at any time until a decision to mine for the sum of A\$5million indexed from 14 May 1991 and is currently valued at approximately A\$11.4 million.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Consolidated Entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the Consolidated Entity's state of affairs in future financial periods.

Rounding of Amounts

The Company is of a kind referred to in Corporations Instrument 2016/191, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to 'rounding-off'. Amounts in this report have been rounded off in accordance with that Corporations Instrument to the nearest dollar.

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 immediately after this directors' report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors



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13 March 2024
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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

As lead auditor for the review of the financial report of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd for the half year ended 31 December 2023, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

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

**RSM AUSTRALIA PARTNERS****R J MORILLO MALDONADO**
Partner

Melbourne, Victoria
Dated: 13 March 2024

FITZROY RIVER CORPORATION LTD
STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Consolidated 31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Revenue			
Royalty income		441,317	684,613
Interest revenue		39,933	16,744
Expenses			
Professional and consultancy fees		(32,505)	(21,582)
Director and company secretarial fees		(90,000)	(90,000)
Corporate expenses		(45,158)	(54,392)
Amortisation of royalty rights		(209,281)	(147,678)
Other expenses		(7,846)	(8,281)
Profit before income tax expense		96,460	379,424
Income tax benefit/(expense)	3	57,350	(301,796)
Profit after income tax benefit/(expense) for the half-year attributable to the owners of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd		153,810	77,628
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>			
Gain/(Loss) on the revaluation of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax		232,733	(704,188)
Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax		232,733	(704,188)
Total comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to the owners of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd		<u>386,542</u>	<u>(626,560)</u>
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	9	0.14	0.07
Diluted earnings per share	9	0.14	0.07

The above Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

FITZROY RIVER CORPORATION LTD
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 31 December 2023

	Note	Consolidated 31-Dec-23 \$	30-Jun-23 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		2,258,857	1,757,643
Trade and other receivables		197,619	250,672
Prepayments		27,768	27,729
Total current assets		<u>2,484,244</u>	<u>2,036,044</u>
Non-current assets			
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	4	1,121,009	983,044
Intangibles		2,720,652	2,929,933
Deferred tax	5	-	42,393
Total non-current assets		<u>3,841,661</u>	<u>3,955,370</u>
Total assets		<u>6,325,905</u>	<u>5,991,414</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		60,067	112,118
Total current liabilities		<u>60,067</u>	<u>112,118</u>
Total liabilities		<u>60,067</u>	<u>112,118</u>
Net assets		<u>6,265,838</u>	<u>5,879,296</u>
Equity			
Issued capital		43,785,284	43,785,284
Reserves		(390,454)	(623,186)
Accumulated losses		<u>(37,128,992)</u>	<u>(37,282,802)</u>
Total equity		<u>6,265,838</u>	<u>5,879,296</u>

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

FITZROY RIVER CORPORATION LTD
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

Consolidated	Issued capital \$	Reserves \$	Accumulated losses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2022	43,785,284	775,918	(36,881,848)	7,679,354
Profit after income tax expense for the half-year	-	-	77,628	77,628
Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax	-	(704,188)	-	(704,188)
Total comprehensive loss for the half-year	-	(704,188)	77,628	(626,560)
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>				
Dividends paid (note 7)	-	-	(539,771)	(539,771)
Balance at 31 December 2022	<u>43,785,284</u>	<u>71,730</u>	<u>(37,343,991)</u>	<u>6,513,023</u>
Consolidated	Issued capital \$	Reserves \$	Accumulated losses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	43,785,284	(623,186)	(37,282,802)	5,879,296
Profit after income tax expense for the half-year	-	-	153,810	153,810
Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax	-	232,733	-	232,733
Total comprehensive income for the half-year	-	232,773	153,810	386,542
Balance at 31 December 2023	<u>43,785,284</u>	<u>(390,454)</u>	<u>(37,128,992)</u>	<u>6,265,838</u>

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

FITZROY RIVER CORPORATION LTD
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Consolidated 31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Royalties received		493,105	812,527
Payments to suppliers and employees		(193,257)	(178,430)
		299,848	634,097
Interest received		39,933	16,746
		339,781	650,843
Net cash from operating activities			
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from return of capital on investments		194,510	-
		194,510	-
Net cash from investing activities			
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends paid	7	(33,077)	(460,184)
		(33,077)	(460,184)
Net cash used in financing activities			
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		501,214	190,659
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial half-year		1,757,643	1,273,367
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial half-year		<u>2,258,857</u>	<u>1,464,026</u>

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 December 2023

Note 1. Material accounting policy information

These general purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2023 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting' and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

These general purpose financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 and any public announcements made by the company during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

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

New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The Consolidated Entity has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

Note 2. Operating segments

Identification of reportable operating segments

The Consolidated Entity is organised into one operating segment: management of resources-based royalties and investments. This operating segment is based on the internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Board of Directors (who are identified as the Chief Operating Decision Makers ('CODM')) in assessing performance and in determining the allocation of resources. As the results are the same as the Consolidated Entity they have not been repeated.

Note 3. Income tax

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	\$	\$
<i>Numerical reconciliation of income tax expense and tax at the statutory rate</i>		
Profit before income tax expense	96,460	379,424
Tax at the statutory tax rate of 30%	28,938	113,827
De-recognition of deferred tax assets related to temporary differences	42,393	212,800
Recognition of deferred tax assets relating to carry forward losses	(128,681)	-
Deferred tax expense/(revenue) relating to the origination and reversal of temporary differences	-	(24,831)
Income tax expense/(benefit)	<u>(57,350)</u>	<u>301,796</u>

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
	\$	\$
<i>Tax losses not recognised</i>		
Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax asset has been recognised	6,608,488	6,976,809
Potential tax benefit @ 30%	<u>1,982,546</u>	<u>2,093,043</u>

The above potential tax benefit for tax losses has not been recognised in the Statement of financial position. These tax losses can only be utilised in the future if the continuity of ownership test is passed, or failing that, the same business test is passed.

Note 3. Income tax (continued)

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
	\$	\$
<i>Deferred tax asset</i>		
Deferred tax asset comprises temporary differences attributable to:		
Amounts recognised in profit or loss:		
Tax losses	1,982,546	2,093,043
Borrowing costs	5,348	8,368
Royalty rights	854,759	884,624
Accrual and other payables	18,490	21,448
Blackhole expenditure	16,485	21,980
Prepayments	14,518	6,900
Accrued royalty income	(49,500)	(65,036)
Deferred tax asset not recognised as realisation not probable	(2,943,534)	(3,129,565)
	<u>(100,888)</u>	<u>(158,238)</u>
Amounts recognised in equity:		
Equity securities at fair value	100,888	200,631
Deferred tax asset	<u>-</u>	<u>42,393</u>

Note 4. Non-current assets - financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
	\$	\$
Listed equity securities - at fair value	1,121,009	784,706
Unlisted equity securities - at fair value	-	198,338
	<u>1,121,009</u>	<u>983,044</u>

Reconciliation

Reconciliation of the fair values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial half-year are set out below:

Opening fair value	983,044	2,695,145
Return of capital on investments	(194,510)	-
Revaluation gain/(loss) recognised through other comprehensive income	332,475	(1,712,101)
Closing fair value	<u>1,121,009</u>	<u>983,044</u>

Refer to note 8 for further information on fair value measurement.

Note 5. Non-current assets - deferred tax

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
	\$	\$
<i>Deferred tax asset comprises temporary differences attributable to:</i>		
Amounts recognised in profit or loss:		
Tax losses	1,982,546	2,093,043
Borrowing costs	5,348	8,368
Royalty rights	854,759	884,624
Accruals and other payables	18,490	21,448
Blackhole expenditure	16,485	21,980
Prepayments	14,518	6,900
Deferred tax not recognised as realisation not probable	(2,943,534)	(3,129,565)
Deferred tax liability offset	(49,500)	(65,036)
Equity securities at fair value	100,888	200,631
Deferred tax asset	-	42,393
Movements:		
Opening balance	42,393	-
Credited/(charged) to profit or loss	57,350	(270,606)
Credited/(charged) to equity	(99,743)	312,999
Closing balance	-	42,393

Note 6. Non-current liabilities - deferred tax

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
	\$	\$
<i>Deferred tax liability comprises temporary differences attributable to:</i>		
Amounts recognised in profit or loss:		
Accrued royalty receivable	49,500	65,036
Offset against deferred tax asset	(49,500)	(65,036)
Deferred tax liability	-	-

Note 7. Equity - dividends

Dividends

There were no dividends paid, recommended or declared during the current financial half-year.

During the previous financial half-year, the Company declared a fully franked special dividend of 0.5 cents per ordinary share, equating to a total dividend of \$539,771 (**Dec-22 Special Dividend**).

A total of \$507,180 of the Dec-22 Special Dividend has been paid as at 31 December 2023. A balance of \$32,591 remains payable at the end of the half-year, pending shareholders providing the Company's share registry with valid bank account particulars.

Note 8. Fair value measurement

Fair value hierarchy

The following tables detail the Consolidated Entity's assets and liabilities, measured or disclosed at fair value, using a three-level hierarchy, based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the entire fair value measurement, being:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Consolidated - 31-Dec-23				
<i>Assets</i>				
Listed equity securities - at fair value	1,121,009	-	-	1,121,009
Total assets	1,121,009	-	-	1,121,009
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Consolidated - 30-Jun-23				
<i>Assets</i>				
Listed equity securities - at fair value	784,706	-	-	784,706
Unlisted equity securities - at fair value	-	-	198,338	198,338
Total assets	784,706	-	198,338	983,044

There were no transfers between levels during the financial half-year.

The carrying amounts of trade and other receivables and trade and other payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

Note 9. Earnings per share

	Consolidated	
	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	\$	\$
Profit after income tax attributable to the owners of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd	153,810	77,628
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic earnings per share	107,954,251	107,954,251
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted earnings per share	107,954,251	107,954,251
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	0.14	0.07
Diluted earnings per share	0.14	0.07

Note 10. Events after the reporting period

Snowy River Project

During January 2024, Federation Mining Pty Ltd (Federation) advised that it had agreed to exercise its option to purchase the Snowy River Gold Mine from Oceana Gold Limited. Settlement remains subject to certain conditions and regulatory approvals. Federation further advised that it is currently pursuing a wide variety of additional funding options to assist in the purchase of the asset and construction of the processing plant, including private equity, debt and streaming, along with merger and acquisition.

Note 10. Events after the reporting period (continued)

The Consolidated Entity has a variable 1-3% royalty over the Project (**Royalty**). Oceana Gold Limited's interest in the Project includes an option to buy-out the Royalty. The option is exercisable at any time until a decision to mine for the sum of A\$5million indexed from 14 May 1991 and is currently valued at approximately A\$11.4 million.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Consolidated Entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the Consolidated Entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION
31 December 2023

In the directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting', the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the Consolidated Entity's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the financial half-year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors



Malcolm McComas
Director

13 March 2024
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT To the Members of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd ('the Company') and the entities it controlled (together referred to as 'the Consolidated entity'), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year then ended, notes comprising 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 half-year financial report of Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis of Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity* ('ASRE 2410'). 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 Consolidated entity 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 Fitzroy River Corporation Ltd, 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 Half-Year 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 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 is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Review of the 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 Consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2023 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.



RSM AUSTRALIA PARTNERS



R J MORILLO MALDONADO
Partner

Melbourne, Victoria
Dated: 13 March 2024

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