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PPK Group Limited – ASX Code: PPK

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Results for the six months ended 31 December 2024

PPK Group today released its financial results for the 6 months ended 31 December 2024. This announcement should be read in conjunction with the Appendix 4D and Interim Financial Report.

Key matters during the period:

- Li-S Energy
 - Simplification in investment holding PPK reduced its investment in Li-S Energy Limited (ASX:LIS) to circa 39%, resulting in the deconsolidation of Li-S Energy from the PPK consolidated group and simplification of the PPK balance sheet and results. PPK remains the largest shareholder in Li-S Energy and currently retains one Board seat.
 - A fully franked in-specie distribution of 25.9 million shares in Li-S Energy was made to PPK shareholders with an implied valuation of \$5.189 million.
 - Li-S Energy achieved significant technical achievements in battery cell performance, strengthened strategic partnerships, made advancements in production capabilities, and completed initial integration of their cells into battery packs.
- Craig International Ballistics
 - Delivered an exceptional first half FY25 with a fivefold increase in turnover compared to the prior corresponding period.
 - The successful commissioning of their new hydraulic press, which is one of the largest in the southern hemisphere, and the autoclave will support increased output and new stronger and lighter composite armour products in the future.
- PowerPlus Energy
 - Launched a new Eco4847P battery in August that provides more power (4.7kwH) in the same physical footprint.
- Continued market engagement across the Nanomaterials scope with multiple validations underway, but these are taking longer than anticipated.
- Disposed of its 30% shareholding in AMAG to Transoft Solutions Inc as part of the broader acquisition by Transoft of all the shares in AMAG.
- In December Mr Rick Francis was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director to the PPK Board and brings significant experience in the energy and infrastructure sectors.

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Financial Results for the Half Year

	31 December	31 December	Change	Change
	2024 \$'000	2023* \$'000	\$'000	%
Total revenues from continuing operations	12,240	16,618	(4,378)	(26)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations before tax	(7,980)	(8,065)	85	1
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations after tax	(11,282)	(7,986)	(3,296)	(41)
Profit/(loss) from discontinued operations before tax $^{\rm 1}$	10,459	(2,133)	12,592	590
Profit/(loss) from discontinued operations after tax ¹	7,291	(2,133)	9,424	442
Profit/(loss) after tax attributable to owners of PPK Group Limited	(3,273)	(7,391)	4,118	56
Net tangible assets per share – cents ²	48.2	49.4	(1.2)	(2)

*The comparative information has been re-presented due to a discontinued operation.

¹ The profit from discontinued operations relates to the deconsolidation of Li-S Energy Limited as a controlled entity on 31 October 2024 and reclassification as an Investment in Associate at the same date, and the related non-cash tax expense.

² Net tangible assets backing excludes the right-of-use assets and excludes intangible assets and deferred tax assets.

This information should be read in conjunction with the interim financial report for the six months ended 31 December 2024.

On 31 October 2024, the investment in Li-S Energy Limited (LIS) was deconsolidated from the PPK Group. This was achieved through several transactions including the distribution of a fully franked inspecie special dividend to PPK shareholders with an implied valuation of \$5.19 million and the sale of a number of LIS shares. The share sales contributed additional working capital to the PPK Group which currently has sufficient cash and receivables to fund its current operations for the next 2 to 3 years.

As a result of the deconsolidation, PPK derecognised all of the assets, liabilities and goodwill associated with LIS and the non-controlled interest (minority interest) recorded in equity and re-measured its remaining interest of circa 39% to fair value on the date of deconsolidation, being a net tax effected value of \$37.7 million.

PPK Group Chair, Anne-Marie Birkill said: "The deconsolidation of Li-S Energy will simplify the PPK financial statements making them easier to interpret for shareholders and potential investors, and the fully franked in-specie special distribution of Li-S Energy shares at the time was a well-deserved reward for shareholders. We remain confident in the long-term value of LIS and retain one Board seat."

PPK Group's Managing Director, Marc Fenton said: "During the period Li-S Energy finalised the commissioning of their state-of-the-art Phase 3 Production Facility which features the largest dry room in Australia, they had a breakthrough on the first discharge and formation cycling of their semi-solid-state lithium sulfur pouch cells produced from the Phase 3 line, and then completed their first uncrewed aerial vehicle test flights powered by a twelve-cell lithium sulfur battery pack produced on the Phase 3 production line."

"Craig International Ballistics had a very strong performance during the half and the new technology capabilities introduced, including the hydraulic press, will support future product and revenue opportunities" he added.

Authorised by the PPK Group Board.

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