

**DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED**

ABN 33 061 267 061

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**For the year ended 31 December 2003**

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Your directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Diatreme Resources Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 31 December 2003.

### **Directors**

The following persons were directors of the Company during the whole of the financial year and continue in office at the date of this report:

A J Fawdon  
D H Hall  
L J Litzow

Mr K J Harvey was appointed a director on 4 February 2002 and continued in office until his resignation on 11 July 2003.

### **Principal activities**

The principal continuing activities of the consolidated entity have been the exploration for gold, base metals and diamonds in Australia. There were no significant changes in the nature of the consolidated entity's principal activities during the year.

### **Operating results and review of operations**

The operating profit/(loss) after income tax of the consolidated entity for the financial year ended 31 December 2003 was a loss of \$294,235 (2002 : loss of \$489,954).

### **Dividends paid or recommended**

No dividend has been paid since the end of the previous financial year and the directors do not recommend the payment of any dividend for the year ended 31 December 2003.

### **Significant changes in state of affairs**

During the year the company issued a prospectus offering 25,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares at \$0.10 per share with a minimum subscription set at 5,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares. The company successfully raised the minimum subscription and listed with the Stock Exchange of Newcastle Limited on 30 October 2003.

There has been no other significant change to the nature of the consolidated entity's activities or state of affairs during the financial year and no changes are anticipated.

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

No matter or circumstance has arisen since the end of the financial year that has 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 financial years subsequent to 31 December 2003.

**DIRECTORS' REPORT**  
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**Likely developments**

The consolidated entity has raised capital to enable it to conduct certain mineral exploration and drilling programs on selected projects. This exploration will continue in the current period. However, investigations are being conducted into funding arrangements to advance the company's corporate objectives, including a potential listing on the Australian Stock Exchange for the purpose of expanding exploration activities.

**Information on Directors**

| Director   | Qualifications           | Experience                                                                  | Special responsibilities  |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| A J Fawdon | F.A.I.C.D., F.Aus.I.M.M. | 33 years in the metalliferous exploration and mining industry               | Chairman/CEO              |
| D H Hall   | B.Sc.(Geol), G.D.E.Sc.   | 24 years as a geologist and Manager in the mineral exploration industry     | Exploration Administrator |
| L J Litzow | FCA                      | Professional Company Director and Corporate Secretary in various industries | Corporate Secretary       |

**Meetings of Directors**

During the financial year there were 17 meetings of directors held. Attendances were as follows:

| Director   | Meeting attended | Meetings held whilst a director |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| A J Fawdon | 17               | 17                              |
| D H Hall   | 17               | 17                              |
| L J Litzow | 17               | 17                              |
| K J Harvey | 12               | 12                              |

**Share options**

Options over unissued ordinary shares of the consolidated entity at the beginning of the financial year are as follows:

| Date options granted | Expiry date | Exercise price | Number of options |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 3 June 2002          | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 4,000,000         |
| 20 December 2002     | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 512,791           |
|                      |             |                | <u>4,512,791</u>  |

## DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

### Share options (continued)

Options over unissued ordinary shares of the consolidated entity granted during or since the end of the financial year are as follows:

| Date options granted | Expiry date | Exercise price | Number of options |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 13 March 2003        | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 125,000           |
| 30 May 2003          | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 150,000           |
| 24 June 2003         | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 150,000           |
| 8 July 2003          | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 750,000           |
| 17 July 2003         | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | <u>1,000,000</u>  |
|                      |             |                | <u>2,175,000</u>  |

No options were exercised or expired during or since the end of the financial year.

Options over unissued ordinary shares of the consolidated entity at the end of the financial year are as follows:

| Expiry date | Exercise price | Number of options |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | <u>6,687,791</u>  |
|             |                | <u>6,687,791</u>  |

Options over unissued ordinary shares of the consolidated entity granted to any of the directors (or former directors) were as follows:

| Director   | Number of options |
|------------|-------------------|
| A J Fawdon | 1,000,000         |
| D H Hall   | 1,000,000         |
| L J Litzow | 1,009,617         |
| K J Harvey | <u>1,001,587</u>  |
|            | <u>4,011,204</u>  |

### Insurance of officers

During the financial year, the consolidated entity did not pay a premium to insure certain officers of the consolidated entity. However, at an appropriate time, the consolidated entity will be seeking to insure certain officers of the consolidated entity under an appropriate directors and officers insurance policy.

### Environmental regulation

The consolidated entity is not subject to any significant environmental regulation (apart from normal requirements under its mineral tenements) in respect of its operations.

**DIRECTORS' REPORT**  
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**Proceedings on behalf of consolidated entity**

No person has applied to the Court under Section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001 for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the consolidated entity with leave of the Court under Section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

A J Fawdon  
Chairman

D H Hall  
Director

Brisbane, 31 March 2004

**DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The directors declare that the financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 19:

- (a) comply with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the Company's and consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2003 and of their performance, as represented by the results of their operations and their cash flows, for the financial year ended on that date.

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

A J Fawdon  
Director

D H Hall  
Director

Brisbane, 31 March 2004

**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003**

|                                                                  | <b>Note</b> | <b>Consolidated</b> |                  | <b>Parent</b>      |                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                                                                  |             | <b>2003</b>         | <b>2002</b>      | <b>2003</b>        | <b>2002</b>      |
|                                                                  |             | <b>\$</b>           | <b>\$</b>        | <b>\$</b>          | <b>\$</b>        |
| <b>Revenue</b>                                                   |             |                     |                  |                    |                  |
| Revenue relating to exploration operations                       |             | 87,704              | 299,794          | 87,704             | 279,445          |
|                                                                  | 2           | 87,704              | 299,794          | 87,704             | 279,445          |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                                               |             |                     |                  |                    |                  |
| Employee benefits and on costs                                   |             | 121,969             | 134,057          | 121,969            | 134,057          |
| Professional fees                                                |             | 40,429              | 37,725           | 38,529             | 27,725           |
| Exploration expenditure written off                              |             | 138,875             | 518,718          | 7,585              | 531,673          |
| Depreciation                                                     |             | 1,487               | 5,448            | 1,487              | 2,905            |
| Administration costs                                             |             | 79,179              | 93,800           | 78,882             | 93,345           |
| Provision for diminution in value                                |             | -                   | -                | 1,979,960          | -                |
| Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax expense | 3           | (294,235)           | (489,954)        | (2,140,708)        | (510,260)        |
| Income tax expense                                               | 4           | -                   | -                | -                  | -                |
| <b>Net profit(loss)</b>                                          | 18          | <b>(294,235)</b>    | <b>(489,954)</b> | <b>(2,140,708)</b> | <b>(510,260)</b> |
|                                                                  |             |                     |                  |                    |                  |
|                                                                  |             | <b>Cents</b>        | <b>Cents</b>     |                    |                  |
| Basic earnings per share                                         |             | (1.21)              | (2.41)           |                    |                  |
| Diluted earnings per share                                       |             | (1.21)              | (2.41)           |                    |                  |

The above statements of financial performance should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003**

|                                      | Note | Consolidated<br>2003<br>\$ | 2002<br>\$       | Parent<br>2003<br>\$ | 2002<br>\$       |
|--------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>                |      |                            |                  |                      |                  |
| Cash                                 | 5    | 38,574                     | 90,351           | 37,886               | 90,188           |
| Receivables                          | 6    | 17,069                     | 7,160            | 16,604               | 7,160            |
| Investments                          | 7    | 280,000                    | -                | 280,000              | -                |
| Other                                | 8    | 36,744                     | 22,983           | 17,711               | 21,450           |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>          |      | <b>372,387</b>             | <b>120,494</b>   | <b>352,201</b>       | <b>118,798</b>   |
| <b>Non Current Assets</b>            |      |                            |                  |                      |                  |
| Investments                          | 9    | 47,275                     | 47,275           | 345,315              | 2,325,275        |
| Property, plant and equipment        | 10   | 3,000                      | 6,834            | 3,000                | 6,834            |
| Receivables                          | 11   | 3,155                      | 1,660            | 156,218              | 31,678           |
| Exploration interests                | 12   | 2,737,814                  | 2,581,697        | 589,983              | 469,019          |
| <b>Total Non Current Assets</b>      |      | <b>2,791,244</b>           | <b>2,637,466</b> | <b>1,094,516</b>     | <b>2,832,806</b> |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                  |      | <b>3,163,631</b>           | <b>2,757,960</b> | <b>1,446,717</b>     | <b>2,951,604</b> |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>           |      |                            |                  |                      |                  |
| Payables                             | 13   | 32,136                     | 1,181            | 32,136               | 176              |
| Provisions                           | 14   | 12,423                     | 24,126           | 12,423               | 24,126           |
| <b>Total Current Liabilities</b>     |      | <b>44,559</b>              | <b>25,307</b>    | <b>44,559</b>        | <b>24,302</b>    |
| <b>Non Current Liabilities</b>       |      |                            |                  |                      |                  |
| Borrowings                           | 15   | -                          | -                | 240,360              | 305,450          |
| <b>Total Non Current Liabilities</b> |      | <b>-</b>                   | <b>-</b>         | <b>240,360</b>       | <b>305,450</b>   |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>             |      | <b>44,559</b>              | <b>25,307</b>    | <b>284,919</b>       | <b>329,752</b>   |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                    |      | <b>3,119,072</b>           | <b>2,732,653</b> | <b>1,161,798</b>     | <b>2,621,852</b> |
| <b>Equity</b>                        |      |                            |                  |                      |                  |
| Contributed equity                   | 16   | 3,758,513                  | 3,077,859        | 3,758,513            | 3,077,859        |
| Reserves                             | 17   | -                          | -                | -                    | -                |
| Accumulated profits/(losses)         | 18   | (639,441)                  | (345,206)        | (2,596,715)          | (456,007)        |
| <b>Total Equity</b>                  |      | <b>3,119,072</b>           | <b>2,732,653</b> | <b>1,161,798</b>     | <b>2,621,852</b> |

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

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003**

|                                                           |      | Consolidated                        |                                     | Parent                              |                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                                           | Note | 2003<br>\$<br>Inflows<br>(Outflows) | 2002<br>\$<br>Inflows<br>(Outflows) | 2003<br>\$<br>Inflows<br>(Outflows) | 2002<br>\$<br>Inflows<br>(Outflows) |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>               |      |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| Sundry receipts (GST inclusive)                           |      | 88,646                              | 394,674                             | 92,198                              | 336,420                             |
| Payments to suppliers and employees (GST inclusive)       |      | (265,694)                           | (291,160)                           | (248,079)                           | (279,555)                           |
| Payments for exploration expenditure                      |      | (129,361)                           | (135,358)                           | (128,548)                           | (120,162)                           |
| Interest received                                         |      | 2,208                               | 1,809                               | 2,208                               | 1,460                               |
| <b>Net cash inflow(outflow) from operating activities</b> | 25   | (304,201)                           | (30,035)                            | (282,221)                           | (61,837)                            |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>               |      |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| Payments for property, plant and equipment                |      | (405)                               | (1,000)                             | (405)                               | (1,000)                             |
| Proceeds from sale of investment                          |      | 19,300                              | (47,275)                            | 19,300                              | (47,275)                            |
| <b>Net cash inflow(outflow) from investing activities</b> |      | 18,895                              | (48,275)                            | 18,895                              | (48,275)                            |
| <b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>               |      |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| Loan from related entity                                  |      | -                                   | -                                   | (22,505)                            | 50,433                              |
| Proceeds on issue of shares                               |      | 671,447                             | 109,232                             | 671,447                             | 109,232                             |
| Capital raising costs                                     |      | (156,423)                           | -                                   | (156,423)                           | -                                   |
| Loan to related entity                                    |      | (1,495)                             | (1,660)                             | (1,495)                             | (1,660)                             |
| <b>Net cash inflow(outflow) from financing activities</b> |      | 513,529                             | 107,572                             | 491,024                             | 158,005                             |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash held                      |      | 228,223                             | 29,262                              | 227,698                             | 47,893                              |
| Cash at beginning of financial year                       |      | 90,351                              | 61,089                              | 90,188                              | 42,295                              |
| <b>Cash at the end of financial year</b>                  | 26   | 318,574                             | 90,351                              | 317,886                             | 90,188                              |

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

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003**

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views and the Corporations Act 2001.

Except for certain assets which, as noted, are at valuation, the financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention. Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous year.

**(a) Principles of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets and liabilities of all entities controlled by Diatreme Resources Limited ("parent entity") as at 31 December 2003 and the results of all controlled entities for the year then ended. Diatreme Resources Limited and its controlled entities together are referred to in this financial report as the consolidated entity. The effects of all transactions between entities in the consolidated entity are eliminated in full.

Where control of an entity is obtained during a financial year, its results are included in the consolidated statement of financial performance from the date on which control commences.

**(b) Revenue**

Revenue is recognised when the service is provided, or there is an unconditional contract for the sale of an asset.

**(c) Income Tax**

Tax effect accounting procedures are followed whereby the income tax expense in the statement of financial performance is matched with the accounting profit (after allowing for permanent differences). The future tax benefit relating to losses is not carried forward as an asset unless the benefit can be regarded as being virtually certain of realisation. Income tax on net cumulative timing differences is set aside to the deferred income tax and future income tax benefit accounts at the rates which are expected to apply when those timing differences reverse.

**(d) Non-Current Assets**

The carrying amounts of all non-current assets are reviewed at least annually to determine whether they are in excess of their recoverable amount. If the carrying amount of a non-current asset exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is written-down to the lower value. In assessing recoverable amounts the relevant cash flows have not been discounted to their present value.

**(e) Investments**

Investments consist of term deposits. Interest is recognised as earned and accrued as required in the financial statements.

**(f) Depreciation**

Depreciation on fixed assets has been calculated on diminishing value basis. Estimates of remaining useful lives are made on a regular basis for all assets.

The depreciation rates used for each class of assets are as follows:

|                        |       |                   |
|------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Furniture and fittings | 20%   | Diminishing value |
| Field vehicles         | 22.5% | Diminishing value |
| Plant and equipment    | 40%   | Diminishing value |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### (g) Exploration Expenditure

Expenditure is accumulated separately for each area of interest until such time as the area is abandoned or sold. The realisation of the value of the expenditure carried forward depends on any commercial results that may be obtained through successful development and exploitation of the area of interest or alternatively by its sale. If an area of interest is abandoned or is considered to be of no further commercial interest the accumulated exploration costs relating to the area are written off against income in the year of abandonment. Some exploration expenditure may also be written off where areas of interest are partly relinquished. In cases where uncertainty exists as to the value, provisions for possible diminution in value are established.

#### (h) Trade and Other Creditors

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the economic entity prior to the end of the financial year and which remain unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

#### (i) Employee Entitlements

Amounts expected to be paid to employees for their pro-rata entitlements to annual leave are accrued annually at the current pay rates having regard to years of service and statutory awards. Contributions for superannuation are made in accordance with statutory requirements. Any liability for superannuation unpaid at balance date has been accrued.

#### (j) Cash

For the purpose of the statements of cash flows, cash includes deposits at call, which are readily convertible to cash on hand, and which are used in the cash management function on a day-to-day basis, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

|                                                | Consolidated  |                | Parent        |                |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                                | 2003          | 2002           | 2003          | 2002           |
|                                                | \$            | \$             | \$            | \$             |
| <b>2. Revenue</b>                              |               |                |               |                |
| Management fees                                | 64,784        | 175,681        | 64,784        | 175,681        |
| Insurance claim                                | 19,300        | -              | 19,300        | -              |
| Refund of security deposit previously expensed | -             | 20,000         | -             | -              |
| Interest                                       | 2,208         | 1,809          | 2,208         | 1,460          |
| Other                                          | 1,412         | 2,304          | 1,412         | 2,304          |
| Individually significant items:                |               |                |               |                |
| - Proceeds on sale of tenement                 | -             | 100,000        | -             | 100,000        |
|                                                | <b>87,704</b> | <b>299,794</b> | <b>87,704</b> | <b>279,445</b> |

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|                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Consolidated</b> |             | <b>Parent</b> |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                                                                                                                                  | <b>2003</b>         | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b>   | <b>2002</b> |
|                                                                                                                                                  | <b>\$</b>           | <b>\$</b>   | <b>\$</b>     | <b>\$</b>   |
| <b>3. Profit/(Loss)</b>                                                                                                                          |                     |             |               |             |
| Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before income tax expense has been arrived at after recording the following specific credits and charges: |                     |             |               |             |
| Credits:                                                                                                                                         |                     |             |               |             |
| Interest received                                                                                                                                | 2,208               | 1,809       | 2,208         | 1,460       |
| Proceeds on sale of tenement                                                                                                                     | -                   | 100,000     | -             | 100,000     |
| Profit on disposal of non-current asset                                                                                                          | 16,549              | -           | 16,549        | -           |
| Charges:                                                                                                                                         |                     |             |               |             |
| Exploration expenditure written off                                                                                                              | 138,875             | 518,718     | 7,585         | 531,673     |
| Depreciation                                                                                                                                     | 1,487               | 5,448       | 1,487         | 2,905       |
| Provision for employee entitlements                                                                                                              | (11,703)            | 10,758      | (11,703)      | 10,758      |
| Provision for diminution in value                                                                                                                | -                   | -           | 1,797,960     | -           |

**4. Income Tax Expense and Future Income Tax Benefits**

|                                                                  |           |           |             |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax expense | (294,235) | (489,954) | (2,140,708) | (510,260) |
| Prima facie income tax expense (benefit) calculated at 30%       | (88,270)  | (146,986) | (642,212)   | (153,078) |
| Tax effect of permanent differences                              |           |           |             |           |
| • Other                                                          | -         | 221       | -           | 213       |
| Future income tax benefit not brought to account                 | 88,270    | 146,765   | 642,212     | 152,865   |
| Income tax expense                                               | -         | -         | -           | -         |

The future income tax benefit has not been brought to account. The future income tax benefit of the income tax losses carried forward will only be obtained if:

- (i) the consolidated entity derives assessable income of a nature and an amount sufficient to enable the benefit from the deduction of the losses to be realised;
- (ii) the consolidated entity continues to comply with the conditions for deductibility imposed by legislation; and
- (iii) no changes in tax legislation adversely affect the consolidated entity in realising the benefit of the deduction of the losses.

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|                                                               | Consolidated |          | Parent      |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|-----------|
|                                                               | 2003         | 2002     | 2003        | 2002      |
|                                                               | \$           | \$       | \$          | \$        |
| <b>5. Current Assets - Cash</b>                               |              |          |             |           |
| Cash at bank and on hand                                      | 38,574       | 90,351   | 37,886      | 90,188    |
| <b>6. Current Assets - Receivables</b>                        |              |          |             |           |
| Trade debtors                                                 | 477          | 6,329    | 477         | 6,329     |
| Sundry debtors                                                | 16,592       | 831      | 16,127      | 831       |
|                                                               | 17,069       | 7,160    | 16,604      | 7,160     |
| <b>7. Current Assets - Investments</b>                        |              |          |             |           |
| Term deposits                                                 | 280,000      | -        | 280,000     | -         |
| <b>8. Current Assets – Other</b>                              |              |          |             |           |
| Prepayments                                                   | 5,211        | 3,950    | 5,211       | 3,950     |
| Deposits                                                      | 31,533       | 19,033   | 12,500      | 17,500    |
|                                                               | 36,744       | 22,983   | 17,711      | 21,450    |
| <b>9. Non Current Assets - Investments</b>                    |              |          |             |           |
| Investment in unlisted entities                               | 47,275       | 47,275   | 47,275      | 47,275    |
| Investment in controlled entities (Note 24)                   | -            | -        | 2,278,000   | 2,278,000 |
| Provision for diminution in value                             | -            | -        | (1,979,960) | -         |
|                                                               | 47,275       | 47,275   | 345,315     | 2,325,275 |
| <b>10. Non Current Assets – Property, Plant and Equipment</b> |              |          |             |           |
| Office equipment – at cost                                    | 5,578        | 5,578    | -           | -         |
| Accumulated depreciation                                      | (5,578)      | (5,578)  | -           | -         |
|                                                               | -            | -        | -           | -         |
| Furniture and fittings - at cost                              | 6,191        | 6,191    | 1,000       | 1,000     |
| Accumulated depreciation                                      | (6,191)      | (5,691)  | (1,000)     | (500)     |
|                                                               | -            | 500      | -           | 500       |
| Field vehicles - at cost                                      | 22,647       | 63,906   | 22,647      | 63,906    |
| Accumulated depreciation                                      | (20,026)     | (57,572) | (20,026)    | (57,572)  |
|                                                               | 2,621        | 6,334    | 2,621       | 6,334     |
| Plant and equipment – at cost                                 | 78,479       | 78,074   | 77,820      | 77,415    |
| Accumulated depreciation                                      | (78,100)     | (78,074) | (77,441)    | (77,415)  |
|                                                               | 379          | -        | 379         | -         |
|                                                               | 3,000        | 6,834    | 3,000       | 6,834     |

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**10. Non Current Assets – Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)**

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of each class of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

|                                     | Office<br>equipment | Furniture<br>and fittings | Field<br>vehicles | Plant and<br>equipment | Total   |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|---------|
| <b>Consolidated</b>                 |                     |                           |                   |                        |         |
| Carrying amount at 1 January 2003   | -                   | 500                       | 6,334             | -                      | 6,834   |
| Additions                           | -                   | -                         | -                 | 405                    | 405     |
| Disposals                           | -                   | -                         | (2,752)           | -                      | (2,752) |
| Depreciation                        | -                   | (500)                     | (961)             | (26)                   | (1,487) |
| Carrying amount at 31 December 2003 | -                   | -                         | 2,621             | 379                    | 3,000   |
| <b>Parent</b>                       |                     |                           |                   |                        |         |
| Carrying amount at 1 January 2003   | -                   | 500                       | 6,334             | -                      | 6,834   |
| Additions                           | -                   | -                         | -                 | 405                    | 405     |
| Disposals                           | -                   | -                         | (2,752)           | -                      | (2,752) |
| Depreciation                        | -                   | (500)                     | (961)             | (26)                   | (1,487) |
| Carrying amount at 31 December 2003 | -                   | -                         | 2,621             | 379                    | 3,000   |

|                                             | <b>Consolidated</b> |              | <b>Parent</b>  |               |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
|                                             | <b>2003</b>         | <b>2002</b>  | <b>2003</b>    | <b>2002</b>   |
|                                             | <b>\$</b>           | <b>\$</b>    | <b>\$</b>      | <b>\$</b>     |
| <b>11. Non Current Assets – Receivables</b> |                     |              |                |               |
| Loan to controlled entity                   | -                   | -            | 153,063        | 30,018        |
| Loan to a director related entity           | 3,155               | 1,660        | 3,155          | 1,660         |
|                                             | <u>3,155</u>        | <u>1,660</u> | <u>156,218</u> | <u>31,678</u> |

The loan to a director related entity is interest free, unsecured with no fixed term of repayment.

**12. Non Current Assets – Exploration Interests**

|                                                                 |                  |                  |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Geological, geophysical, drilling and other expenditure at cost | <u>2,737,814</u> | <u>2,581,697</u> | <u>589,983</u> | <u>469,019</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|

**13 Current Liabilities – Payables**

|                    |               |              |               |            |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|
| Sundry creditors * | <u>32,136</u> | <u>1,181</u> | <u>32,136</u> | <u>176</u> |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|

\* Capital raising costs of \$26,200 have been satisfied subsequent to year end.

**14. Current Liabilities – Provisions**

|                                 |               |               |               |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Employee entitlements           | <u>12,423</u> | <u>24,126</u> | <u>12,423</u> | <u>24,126</u> |
|                                 | <b>Number</b> | <b>Number</b> | <b>Number</b> | <b>Number</b> |
| Number of employees at year end | <u>4</u>      | <u>4</u>      | <u>4</u>      | <u>4</u>      |

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|                                                | Consolidated |      | Parent  |      |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|---------|------|
|                                                | 2003         | 2002 | 2003    | 2002 |
|                                                | \$           | \$   | \$      | \$   |
| <b>15 Non Current Liabilities – Borrowings</b> |              |      |         |      |
| Loan from controlled entity                    | -            | -    | 240,360 | 176  |

**16. Contributed Equity**

|                |           |           |           |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Issued capital | 3,758,513 | 3,077,859 | 3,758,513 | 3,077,859 |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

**a) Ordinary shares**

|                                      | Number     | Number     |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Number of ordinary fully paid shares | 30,409,127 | 21,683,394 |
| Weighted average number of shares    | 24,361,476 | 20,288,319 |

Movements in ordinary share capital:

| Date             | Details                  | Number of shares | Issue price | \$        |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 January 2002   | Balance                  | 55,974,425       |             | 2,678,627 |
| 14 March 2002    | Private placement        | 5,800,000        | \$0.050     | 290,000   |
| 17 April 2002    | Private placement        | 200,000          | \$0.050     | 10,000    |
| 17 April 2002    | 1 : 3 consolidation      | (41,316,616)     |             |           |
| 20 December 2002 | Private placement        | 1,025,585        | \$0.100     | 102,559   |
| 20 December 2002 | Capital raising costs    | -                |             | (3,327)   |
| 31 December 2002 | Balance                  | 21,683,394       |             | 3,077,859 |
| 13 March 2003    | Private placement        | 250,000          | \$0.080     | 20,000    |
| 30 May 2003      | Private placement        | 300,000          | \$0.070     | 21,000    |
| 24 June 2003     | Private placement        | 300,000          | \$0.070     | 21,000    |
| 8 July 2003      | Private placement        | 1,500,000        | \$0.070     | 105,000   |
| 17 July 2003     | Private placement        | 1,000,000        | \$0.001     | 1,000     |
| 24 October 2003  | Share issue – prospectus | 5,044,473        | \$0.100     | 504,447   |
| 24 October 2003  | Prospectus costs         | -                |             | (157,423) |
|                  | Shares to be issued      | 331,260          | \$0.500     | 165,630   |
| 31 December 2003 | Balance                  | 30,409,127       |             | 3,758,513 |

**b) Options**

| Grant date       | Expiry date | Exercise price | Options granted | Options exercised and shares issued | Unissued shares |
|------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 3 June 2002      | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 4,000,000       | -                                   | 4,000,000       |
| 20 December 2002 | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 512,791         | -                                   | 512,791         |
|                  |             |                | 4,512,791       | -                                   | 4,512,791       |
| 13 March 2003    | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 125,000         | -                                   | 125,000         |
| 30 May 2003      | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 150,000         | -                                   | 150,000         |
| 24 June 2003     | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 150,000         | -                                   | 150,000         |
| 8 July 2003      | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 750,000         | -                                   | 750,000         |
| 17 July 2003     | 30 May 2007 | \$0.20         | 1,000,000       | -                                   | 1,000,000       |
| Balance          |             |                | 6,687,791       | -                                   | 6,687,791       |

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|                                                        | Consolidated |           | Parent |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
|                                                        | 2003         | 2002      | 2003   | 2002      |
|                                                        | \$           | \$        | \$     | \$        |
| <b>17. Reserves</b>                                    |              |           |        |           |
| Asset revaluation reserve                              | -            | -         | -      | -         |
| <u>Movement in reserves</u>                            |              |           |        |           |
| Balance at beginning of the financial year             | -            | 230,683   | -      | 230,683   |
| Revaluation of exploration interests to cost (Note 12) | -            | (230,683) | -      | (230,683) |
|                                                        | -            | -         | -      | -         |

**18. Accumulated profits/(losses)**

|                                                                  |           |           |             |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Accumulated profit/(loss) at the beginning of the financial year | (345,206) | 144,748   | (456,007)   | 54,253    |
| Net profit/(loss)                                                | (294,235) | (489,954) | (2,140,708) | (510,260) |
| Accumulated profit/(loss) at the end of the financial year       | (639,441) | (345,206) | (2,596,715) | (456,007) |

**19. Segment Information**

The consolidated entity operates in one business segment as an explorer for gold, base metals and diamonds in Australia.

|  | Directors of entities in the consolidated entity |      | Directors of parent entity |      |
|--|--------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|------|
|  | 2003                                             | 2002 | 2003                       | 2002 |
|  | \$                                               | \$   | \$                         | \$   |

**20. Remuneration of Directors**

Income (including superannuation benefits) received or due and receivable, by directors from entities in the consolidated entity and related bodies.

|         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 157,124 | 191,729 | 157,124 | 181,729 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|

The number of parent entity directors whose income from the parent entity or related bodies was within the specified bands are as follows:

| \$     | \$       | 2003 | 2002 |
|--------|----------|------|------|
| 10,001 | - 20,000 | 1    | -    |
| 20,001 | - 30,000 | 1    | 1    |
| 40,001 | - 50,000 | -    | 1    |
| 50,001 | - 60,000 | 2    | 1    |
| 60,001 | - 70,000 | -    | 1    |

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|  | Executive Officers of entities in<br>the consolidated entity |      | Executive Officers<br>of parent entity |      |
|--|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------------|------|
|  | 2003                                                         | 2002 | 2003                                   | 2002 |
|  | \$                                                           | \$   | \$                                     | \$   |

**21. Remuneration of Executives**

Income and superannuation benefits received or  
Due and receivable from entities in the  
consolidated entity and related bodies by  
executive officers whose income was at least  
\$100,000.

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| - | - | - | - |
|---|---|---|---|

**21. Related Party Transactions**

**(a) Directors**

The names of persons who were directors of the Company at any time during the year are as follows:  
A J Fawdon, D H Hall, L J Litzow and K J Harvey.

**(b) Remuneration, Retirement Benefits and Service Agreements**

Information regarding the remuneration of directors and amounts paid as superannuation on behalf of the directors is disclosed in Note 20.

**(c) Other Related Party Transactions**

Aggregate amounts included in the determination of the profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before income tax expense that resulted from transactions with each class of other related parties were as follows:

|                                                              | Consolidated |        | Parent |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                                              | 2003         | 2002   | 2003   | 2002   |
|                                                              | \$           | \$     | \$     | \$     |
| Management fees charged to a director related entity         | 24,107       | 27,274 | 24,107 | 27,274 |
| Loans to a director related entity are disclosed in Note 11. |              |        |        |        |
| Loans advanced                                               | 1,495        | 1,660  | 1,495  | 1,660  |
| Loan repayments                                              | -            | -      | -      | -      |

**(d) Wholly owned group**

The wholly owned group consists of Diatreme Resources Limited and its wholly owned controlled entities, Regional Exploration Management Pty Ltd and Chalcophile Resources Pty Ltd. Ownership interests are set out in Note 24.

**(e) Parent Entity**

The ultimate parent entity in the wholly owned group is Diatreme Resources Limited.

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**23. Commitments for Expenditure and Contingent Liabilities**

No provision has been made for the following in the financial report of the consolidated entity:

- (i) The possibility of native title claim applications at some future time, under the provisions of the Native Title Act (1993), may impact on exploration tenements under application. Any substantiated claim may have an effect on the value of the tenement application affected by the claim.
- (ii) So as to maintain current rights to tenure of various exploration tenements, the consolidated entity will be required to outlay amounts in respect of tenement rent to the relevant governing authorities and to meet certain annual exploration expenditure commitments. These outlays, which arise in relation to granted tenements, are as follows:

|                                                                | <b>Consolidated</b> |             | <b>Parent</b> |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                                                | <b>2003</b>         | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b>   | <b>2002</b> |
|                                                                | <b>\$</b>           | <b>\$</b>   | <b>\$</b>     | <b>\$</b>   |
| Payable within 1 year                                          | 606,620             | 284,911     | 375,716       | 146,785     |
| Payable between one and two years                              | 281,528             | 138,191     | 4,624         | 38,626      |
|                                                                | 888,148             | 423,102     | 380,340       | 185,411     |
| Rental on tenements payable within 1 year                      | 7,528               | 9,911       | 4,624         | 4,159       |
| Other tenement expenditure obligations payable within one year | -                   | -           | -             | -           |

The outlays may be varied from time to time, subject to approval of the relevant government departments, and may be relieved if a tenement is relinquished. Cash security bonds totalling \$30,000 (2002: \$30,000) are currently held by the relevant governing authorities to ensure compliance with granted tenement conditions.

**24. Investments in Controlled Entities**

| <b>Name of entity</b>                   | <b>Country of incorporation</b> | <b>Class of shares</b> | <b>Equity holding</b> |             | <b>Cost of parent entity's investment</b> |             |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                         |                                 |                        | <b>2003</b>           | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b>                               | <b>2002</b> |
|                                         |                                 |                        | <b>%</b>              | <b>%</b>    | <b>\$</b>                                 | <b>\$</b>   |
| Regional Exploration Management Pty Ltd | Australia                       | Ordinary               | 100                   | 100         | 2,278,000                                 | 2,278,000   |
| Chalcophile Resources Pty Ltd *         | Australia                       | Ordinary               | 100                   | 100         | -                                         | -           |

\* This entity is 100% owned by Regional Exploration Management Pty Ltd.

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|                                                                                                                                  | <b>Consolidated</b> |                 | <b>Parent</b>    |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                                                                                                                                  | <b>2003</b>         | <b>2002</b>     | <b>2003</b>      | <b>2002</b>     |
|                                                                                                                                  | <b>\$</b>           | <b>\$</b>       | <b>\$</b>        | <b>\$</b>       |
| <b>25. Reconciliation of Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities after income tax to Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b> |                     |                 |                  |                 |
| Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities after income tax                                                                          | (294,235)           | (489,954)       | (2,140,708)      | (510,360)       |
| Depreciation                                                                                                                     | 1,487               | 5,448           | 1,487            | 2,905           |
| (Profit)/loss on disposal of non-current asset                                                                                   | (16,549)            | -               | (16,549)         | -               |
| Provision for diminution in value                                                                                                | -                   | -               | 1,979,960        | -               |
| Decrease / (increase) in other assets                                                                                            | (13,761)            | 48,239          | 3,739            | 14,772          |
| Decrease / (increase) in receivables                                                                                             | (9,909)             | 16,933          | (9,444)          | 14,400          |
| Decrease / (increase) in exploration expenditure                                                                                 | 9,514               | 383,360         | (120,963)        | 411,512         |
| Increase / (decrease) in provisions                                                                                              | (11,703)            | 10,758          | (11,703)         | 10,758          |
| Increase / (decrease) in creditors                                                                                               | 30,955              | (4,819)         | 31,960           | (5,824)         |
| Net cash flows from operating activities                                                                                         | <u>(304,201)</u>    | <u>(30,035)</u> | <u>(282,221)</u> | <u>(61,837)</u> |

**26. Reconciliation of Cash**

**Note**

Cash as per the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to cash in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

|                                         |   |                |               |                |               |
|-----------------------------------------|---|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Cash at bank and on hand                | 5 | 38,574         | 90,351        | 37,886         | 90,188        |
| Term deposit                            | 7 | 280,000        | -             | 280,000        | -             |
| Cash as per the Statement of Cash Flows |   | <u>318,574</u> | <u>90,351</u> | <u>317,886</u> | <u>90,188</u> |

**27. Remuneration of Auditors**

Amounts received, or due and receivable by the auditors for audit of the parent entity or any entity in the consolidated entity:

|                                 |               |              |               |              |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| - audit of the financial report | 9,500         | 9,000        | 9,500         | 9,000        |
| - taxation compliance services  | 5,440         | -            | 3,540         | -            |
| - capital raising reports       | 13,000        | -            | 13,000        | -            |
| - share registry services       | 4,655         | -            | 4,655         | -            |
|                                 | <u>32,595</u> | <u>9,000</u> | <u>30,695</u> | <u>9,000</u> |

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**28. Financial Instruments**

**(a) Interest Rate Risk Exposures**

The consolidated entity's exposures to interest rate risk and the effective weighted average interest rate for classes of financial assets and financial liabilities are set out below:

| <b>2003</b>                     | <b>Note</b> | <b>Floating<br/>Interest</b> | <b>Fixed<br/>Interest<br/>Maturing 1<br/>year</b> | <b>Non-<br/>interest<br/>bearing</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Financial Asset</b>          |             |                              |                                                   |                                      |              |
| Cash                            | 5           | 38,574                       | -                                                 | -                                    | 38,574       |
| Receivables                     | 6           | -                            | -                                                 | 17,069                               | 17,069       |
| Investments                     | 7           | -                            | 280,000                                           | -                                    | 280,000      |
| Other                           | 8/11        | -                            | -                                                 | 39,899                               | 39,899       |
| Total                           |             | 38,574                       | 280,000                                           | 56,968                               | 375,542      |
| Weighted average interest rate  |             |                              | 4.81%                                             | -                                    | -            |
| <b>Financial Liability</b>      |             |                              |                                                   |                                      |              |
| Payables                        | 13          | -                            | -                                                 | 32,136                               | 32,136       |
| Total                           |             | -                            | -                                                 | 32,136                               | 32,136       |
| Weighted average interest rate  |             | -                            | -                                                 | -                                    | -            |
| Net financial asset/(liability) |             | 38,574                       | 280,000                                           | 24,832                               | 343,406      |
| <b>2002</b>                     |             |                              |                                                   |                                      |              |
|                                 | <b>Note</b> | <b>Floating<br/>Interest</b> | <b>Fixed<br/>Interest<br/>Maturing 1<br/>year</b> | <b>Non-<br/>interest<br/>bearing</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| <b>Financial Asset</b>          |             |                              |                                                   |                                      |              |
| Cash                            | 5           | 90,351                       | -                                                 | -                                    | 90,351       |
| Receivables                     | 6           | -                            | -                                                 | 7,160                                | 7,160        |
| Investments                     | 7           | -                            | -                                                 | -                                    | -            |
| Other                           | 8/11        | -                            | -                                                 | 24,643                               | 24,643       |
| Total                           |             | 90,351                       | -                                                 | 31,803                               | 122,154      |
| Weighted average interest rate  |             | 1.58%                        | -                                                 | -                                    | 1.17%        |
| <b>Financial Liability</b>      |             |                              |                                                   |                                      |              |
| Payables                        | 13          | -                            | -                                                 | 1,181                                | 1,181        |
| Total                           |             | -                            | -                                                 | 1,181                                | 1,181        |
| Weighted average interest rate  |             | -                            | -                                                 | -                                    | -            |
| Net financial asset/(liability) |             | 90,351                       | -                                                 | 30,622                               | 120,973      |

**(b) Fair Net Values**

The consolidated entity's financial assets and liabilities included in current assets and liabilities in the statements of financial position are carried out at amounts approximate net fair value.

**(c) Credit Risk Exposures**

The consolidated entity's maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date in relation to each class of recognised financial asset is the carrying amount of those assets as indicated in the statements of financial position.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF DIATREME RESOURCES LIMITED**

### **Scope**

#### *The financial report and directors' responsibility*

The financial report comprises the statements of financial performance, statements of financial positions, statements of cash flows, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the Directors' declaration for both Diatreme Resources Limited (the company) and Diatreme group (the consolidated entity) for the year ended 31 December 2003. The consolidated entity comprises both the company and the entities it controlled during that year.

The Directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

#### *Audit approach*

We conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the company. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's and the consolidated entity's financial position, and of their performance as represented by the results of their operations and cash flows.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report, and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

### **Independence**

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Corporations Act 2001.

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(continued)**

**Audit opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of Diatreme Resources Limited is in accordance with:

(a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's and consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2003 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and

(b) other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia.

Pitcher Partners

R C Brown  
Partner

Brisbane, 31 March 2004