

## Results for announcement to the market for the year to 31 March 2017

### Financial results

Your directors submit the audited financial statements of Aorere Resources Limited for the year to 31 March 2017. The trading result for the period was a loss of \$902,000 (2016 - \$911,000 loss). A significant proportion of this year's loss arose after writing off the costs relating to the scoping, financing and attempted acquisition of the Nevada gold project.

### Operations Report

As at 26 May 2017, our portfolio comprised the following investments.

<b>Portfolio Analysis</b>		cents/share
Asian Minerals	163,344	0.01
Chatham Rock	401,975	0.03
Minor investments	16,842	0.00
Akura	9,855	0.00
Cash	179,463	0.01
Accruals	(108,524)	(0.01)
	<b>662,955</b>	<b>0.05</b>

### Chatham Rock Phosphate

Chatham Rock Phosphate (“**CRP**”) continues to remain the investment that we are most involved with operationally and it presently represents 61% of our assets. We are also the third largest shareholder in CRP with 4.5% and in conjunction with AOR and CRP directors hold 8.4%.

CRP was granted a mining permit in 2013 to develop New Zealand's only significant source of environmentally friendly pastoral phosphate fertiliser and is now preparing for a revised environmental consent application.

CRP's role is focused on delivering a secure and sustainable local supply of low-cadmium phosphate that will reduce fertiliser run-off into waterways, produce healthier soils and shrink fertiliser needs over time.

The resource has an estimated gross value of \$5 to \$7 billion, representing one of New Zealand's most valuable mineral assets and is of huge strategic significance because phosphate is essential to maintain New Zealand's high agricultural productivity. Local and international investors have contributed more than \$37 million to develop the project's financial viability, environmental benefits and impacts, technical and logistical requirements, local and international product uses.

CRP proposes to extract up to 1.5 million tonnes of phosphate nodules from the top half metre of sand on identified parts of an 820km<sup>2</sup> area on the Chatham Rise, 450km off the west coast of New Zealand, in waters of 400m. The earlier environmental consenting process has established extraction would have no material impact on fishing yields or profitability, marine mammals or seabirds.

In progressing plans to submit a new application, CRP notes that the recently enacted Resource Legislation Amendment Bill has achieved helpful changes in the permitting process. CRP continues to interact with iwi, academic, industry and central government in order to get the message across that our success will ensure that New Zealand can benefit from an environmentally superior phosphate source. The recent impounding of two Moroccan shipments, one destined for New Zealand and the other for Canada, underline the security of supply message CRP has been communicating for some years.

In March 2017 CRP listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange to provide a more useful share-trading platform for overseas shareholders and facilitate the capital raising needed for the consenting process and beyond. Subsequently at the request of their European shareholder base CRP listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

As earlier announced CRP is also seeking to own other sustainable rock phosphate sources, to move from being a single project company.

## **Asian Mineral Resources**

Our investment in Asian Mineral Resources (AMR) dates back to 2000.

AMR is TSX.V listed, was profitable in cash flow terms, employed until recently over 500 people and was said to be the largest tax payer in Hanoi. It came a long way from being effectively a privately owned exploration company with little cash and few prospects of finding any. Aorere was the catalyst that made the difference, funding the company for several years, introducing substantial investors, and arranging the TSX.V listing.

AMR mined the Ban Phuc nickel deposit for the last three years at an accelerated production rate and has now exhausted the high grade massive sulphide deposit. The surrounding disseminated sulphide deposit remains uneconomic to mine so a decision was made last year to transition the operation into care and maintenance. Management has secured the operational assets and established on-site detailed care and maintenance compliance and reporting protocols and processes.

AMR has an active exploration programme which includes field mapping, trenching and soil sampling aimed at ranking and prioritising its 26 initial exploration prospects.

Further design planning and analysis of the Ban Phuc disseminated resource will continue with AMR looking to conclude a preliminary economic assessment level report by end of this quarter.

Recently AMR has appointed a new chief executive, Duncan Blount, and announced the negotiation of a cobalt royalty for \$US 300,000.

The AMR board has been significantly restructured and Chris Castle remains a director along with representatives of two major shareholders. It's gratifying that we will still be represented as AMR moves into a new era.

## **Akura**

Akura holds certain oil and gas leases in Fiji that are presently in the process of being renegotiated. Aorere holds 7.5% of Akura and has board representation.

## The Future

We hold stakes in two companies that still have significant forward momentum and are very focused on widening the portfolio if appropriate investment opportunities are identified.

**Chris Castle**  
Managing director

**Peter Liddle**  
Chairman

**30 May 2016**

Aorere Resources Limited	
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Reporting Period	Year ended 31 March 2017
Previous Reporting Period	Year ended 31 March 2016

	Amount NZ(000s)	Percentage change
Revenue from ordinary activities	2017 \$130; 2016 \$12	-
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to security holder	2017 \$(918); 2016 \$(911)	-
Net profit (loss) attributable to security holders	2017 \$(918); 2016 \$(911)	-

Interim/Final Dividend	Amount per security	Imputed amount per security
	It is not proposed to pay a dividend for the reporting period.	

Record Date	Not Applicable
Dividend Payment Date	Not Applicable

Comments:

Aorere Resources Limited receives revenue mainly through Management and Director fees.

The Group recognised exploration expenses of \$492 (2016: \$37) on the Nevada Project, which the Group was unsuccessful in securing.

There have been no major changes or trends in the Group's business subsequent to 31 March 2017.

Aorere Resources does not operate any dividend or distribution reinvestment plan.

Aorere Resources Ltd has not gained or lost control over any entities during the year.

Net Tangible Assets per security

NZ cents per share	Current year	Corresponding previous year
Ordinary shares	0.001	0.001

Earnings per security

NZ cents per share	Current year	Corresponding previous year
Basic Earnings per shares	(0.097)	(0.139)
Diluted Earnings per share	(0.097)	(0.139)