



## THE COMPANY

Stellar Resources Limited was formed in 2004 when ASX-listed Gravity Capital Limited (now Gravity Diamonds Limited) initiated an in-specie distribution of shares in its non-diamond exploration subsidiary, Stellar Resources Limited.

Many of Stellar's projects have targets selected from the use of innovative FALCON® airborne gravity technology. This technology, created originally by the US military, has been developed for mineral exploration by BHP Billiton Limited. Gravity technology is a proven geophysical tool and the FALCON® airborne gravity system is a major advance in data collection and application of this science. Stellar's involvement with the FALCON® system has given it new and special capabilities in exploration in a range of geological terrains.

Stellar is an exploration and discovery company searching for diversified minerals including base metals (copper, zinc and nickel), uranium, iron ore, gold, and oil and gas.

The Company holds a carefully selected and diverse portfolio of projects, many of which lie within terrains which have produced and are thus prospective for world class orebodies. These include the Broken Hill region in NSW, the Gawler Craton in SA, the Bendigo region in Victoria, and in western Tasmania. This diverse mix of terrains and commodities is further complemented by Stellar's involvement in oil and gas plays in the Gippsland Basin, through its involvement in Gippsland Offshore Petroleum Limited.

In addition to being highly geologically prospective, Stellar's exploration project areas have favourable logistics. Land access is reasonable and exploration, delineation and development of any discovered orebodies should be able to be carried out in a timely and cost effective manner. To capitalise on these attributes, Stellar has an ambitious and exciting drilling program planned for 2005/06.

Stellar management is focused, cost conscious and success driven, with a mix of skills and experience appropriate for achieving its objective:

"grow shareholder wealth, via discovery."

## CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW





It is with pleasure that we present this first Annual Report of Stellar Resources Limited as an ASX listed company. It is pleasing to note that the share price (at the time of writing) is above the float price, which we believe is starting to reflect more properly the intrinsic value of the company. The shareholders in Gravity Diamonds Ltd should feel pleased at the outcome of listing Stellar as a separate company, following the "in specie" distribution of last December.

In my short time with the company I find myself increasingly impressed with the quality and diversity of Stellar's exploration assets, located in a variety of world class mineralised terrains. Our areas in South Australia retain special focus as the search for uranium, base metals and iron ore accelerates. The new Iron Oxide Copper Gold (IOCG) discovery at Carapateena by private interests puts South Australia and the Gawler Craton firmly back into the exploration

spotlight as a a highly favorable state in which to explore, especially as the SA government is providing excellent support to exploration companies, such as ours, through its Plan for Accelerated Exploration (PACE) program.

PACE funding subsidies are greatly assisting us to maximize our exploration effort through the partial funding of some of our drilling programs.

Notwithstanding this encouragement, the company's exploration effort has been hampered over the last 12 months by the ongoing shortage of drilling rigs and suitably qualified drilling contractors and crews. This shortage has led to delays in some of our drilling programs. Needless to say we have found these delays very frustrating as all of our targets have the potential to transform the fortunes and future of the company.

Our outstanding projects include Goldfinger – a large gravity target generated from the 2002 airborne FALCON® survey in the Broken Hill region. In the Tarcoola region we hold iron ore and uranium prospects, plus the emerging Soyuz and Shudda copper-gold prospects. The area under cover north of Bendigo is being

readied for drill testing the FALCON® targets, in a region now attracting some of the world's major gold producers.

Of significance is the identification of a magnetite deposit under cover in the Tarcoola region at Coolybring. Drilling during the year has confirmed a significant body of mineralisation and we are assessing the upgrading characteristics of this potential iron-ore deposit. Importantly, we have also inferred haematite potential adjacent to the magnetite, which will soon be drill tested.

The pace of exploration in Tasmania is accelerating as the nickel targets around Zeehan seem to produce ever improving results – Stellar is well positioned in this important nickel and tin mineralized district, which is now mostly being explored by "juniors".

In late September 2005, we announced an agreement to acquire the major proportion of the Warrior palaeochannel hosted uranium deposit in central South Australia. Warrior is the largest known palaeochannel uranium occurrence within the Gawler Craton and the uranium mineralisation has been defined in eight discrete zones over a total strike length of approximately 15 kilometres. We believe that there is clear scope to upgrade and/or tonnage grade with additional drilling, improved assaying control and radiometric logging.

#### The result

The company is very well funded with some \$5 million of cash resources at balance date and we are mindful that these funds should be used expeditiously on well prepared exploration plays. The accounting loss of some \$500,000 reflects costs associated with obtaining ASX listing, administration costs and the write down of those exploration projects which have drawn a negative conclusion.

Investors are reminded that companies such as ours must be viewed as "asset plays" and we believe we have added considerably more value than this loss. Our objective is to make mineral discoveries of value and worth far in excess of the cost of exploration and discovery.

#### Review

During the past year Stellar has been very active with drilling at projects including Coolybring, Soyuz, Shudda, Padthaway and north Bendigo. Important pre-drilling work was carried out on an equal number of projects and for many of our projects the results have been highly encouraging.

Our work has downgraded the prospectivity for our option to acquire the Padthaway project, and the option to earn into Cultana was unable to be extended and our ability to earn an interest lapsed. Stellar constantly refines the portfolio of exploration projects so as to focus resources on those assessed to have the best potential for early discovery.

Stellar is very proud to be the first company to sign an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) in South Australia, further demonstrating our commitment to working with the communities in the areas in which we operate. This ILUA should also streamline our exploration and clearance work within the Antakarinja claim area.

Stellar has a strong commitment to the safety and safe working practices of our employees and contractors so we are especially pleased to report that we incurred no lost time injuries or adverse environmental outcomes during the last 12 months. Our intention is to operate an accident free and safe workplace, with high regard for minimising the environmental impact of our exploration activities.

#### Outlook

The outlook remains positive for the resources sector for some time ahead (which of course we are unable to precisely define). This outlook is particularly fuelled by the ongoing demand and growth in the economic engine that is China. As previously stated, a key problem for us - and indeed, all explorers - is the continuing difficulty in obtaining suitable drilling rigs and crew. This is largely a result of the wind down in exploration globally over the last decade or so exacerbated by the migration of a large number of Australian drilling rigs offshore. We do not see this situation rapidly improving in this environment of high demand. We remain determined to ensure that the resources we allocate to drilling are well considered and executed and we will thus wait for the appropriate equipment and personnel to carry out our exploration drilling programs. So we therefore request that shareholders remain patient as the company refuses to compromise safety and quality in our endeavors to discover new orebodies.

During the 2005/06 year, we plan active drilling campaigns at Goldfinger, north Bendigo, further assessment at Shudda and Soyuz and around Coolybring, which represent some of our favoured IOCG targets in our central Tarcoola licence area.

We also are conducting geophysical surveys over our newly acquired ground near Coober Pedy, where a there is a broad geological trend of IOCG prospective ground trending into our Robins Rise tenements. Subject to results of this survey, these could be drilled this coming year.

Warrior and the other uranium opportunities are being further assessed around Tarcoola, where palaeochannels prospective for sediment hosted uranium deposits traverse our licences. Activity on neighboring tenements is increasing as many in the world recognises the benefits of uranium for power generation without "greenhouse gases". We expect to be drilling palaeochannel targets as we define them.

Our iron ore opportunity is being progressed technically, with further drilling required to better define the resource and the metallurgical characteristics. First pass drilling in Tasmania is scheduled, along with a further round of work north of Bendigo.

Our small carried interest in GOP limited provides exposure to the drilling both onshore and offshore Gippsland Basin. We continue to assess areas where new FALCON® surveys will be applicable to fly and add to our treasury of FALCON® inspired targets.

#### Acknowledgements

The hard work, enthusiasm and professionalism of our Board and CFO/Company Secretary, our staff, consultants and advisors is greatly appreciated. We also highly value the technical support we have received from BHP Billiton through our ongoing testing of FALCON® targets in many of our project areas.

Shareholders are promised an active year ahead – a year in which we aim to turn ground into prospects and prospects into discoveries – discoveries which may then ultimately lead to discoveries being turned into viable mines.

In closing, sincere thanks is expressed to shareholders for their continuing loyalty and support – and especially to those shareholders who subscribed to further shares during the public issue earlier this year, which enabled ASX listing to be achieved.

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Executive Chairman

# REVIEW OF EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

During the year, both as a separate company and while Stellar was still within Gravity Capital Limited, a sustained level of exploration activity – including drilling – was carried out.

Drilling activity was recorded at: Goldfinger, Ella, Shudda, Harris, Yanco Glen, North Bendigo, Coolybring, Goldfinger and Padthaway. Project areas are described below in more detail.

## **Broken Hill Region – New South Wales** (Stellar earning 60 percent)

#### Goldfinger - Zinc-Lead-Silver

In late 2003, Gravity Capital Limited negotiated a series of Joint Venture agreements with tenement holders surrounding the Broken Hill, NSW, zinc-silver-lead ore-bodies and, in conjunction with the NSW Department of Mineral Resources and the Co-operative Research Centre for Predictive Mineral Discovery (CRC\*PMD), flew a FALCON® gravity survey over a target area surrounding the ore-bodies. During early 2004, a reconnaissance RC drilling program to test the sources for a number of first order gravity highs defined within this survey was carried out.

At the Goldfinger prospect, situated 20 kilometres south of Broken Hill, this first-pass RC program defined a previously unknown sequence of Broken Hill style "lode" host rocks over at least one kilometre of strike, with multiple intervals of anomalous lead and zinc geochemistry. Subsequent RAB drilling (65 holes on 200 metre spaced lines at 50 metre intervals) defined a zone of anomalous geochemistry in end-of-hole samples along the three kilometre strike of the gravity target zone, including two adjacent 50 metre spaced holes which returned 0.2% combined lead/zinc over four metres to the end of hole (EOH).

Following a 3D inversion interpretation of the gravity data in mid 2004 a deep diamond drill hole was drilled to test the core of the density target near its eastern end, beneath the existing RC drilling. The drill-hole intersected a wide zone of garnet bearing metasediments showing the presence of alteration and sulphide mineralisation. An interval of anomalous zinc of 59m @ 0.25% Zn was recorded from 230 metres downhole, including a narrow intercept of 0.7m @ 5.6% Zn, from 280.7m.

The long intercepts of anomalous base metals support the interpretation that the Goldfinger gravity anomaly reflects a significant zone of Broken Hill style host stratigraphy and alteration as part of a very large mineralised system.

Following this drilling result the 3D inversion modelling of the gravity source was reviewed and re-optimised, outlining a deeper target 600 metres west of the existing drilling.

Deep penetrating Induced Polarisation (IP) geophysical surveys were subsequently run across the extent of the gravity zone and defined a possible zone of sulphide development, adjacent to the southern margin of the gravity source.

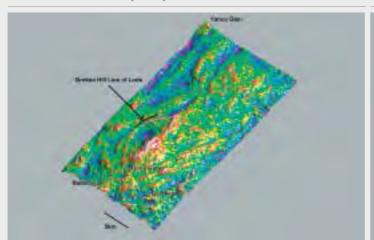
The delay in obtaining a suitable drill rig to further test these initial, encouraging results has been frustrating, but has allowed further geophysical assessments to be carried out. Drilling is planned on the interpreted centre of the gravity anomaly, with a possible second hole to test the target IP zone. Drilling of the next hole commenced in October 2005.

#### Other prospects

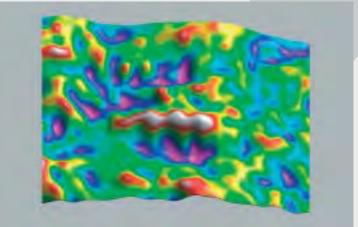
Considerable drill-testing work was completed on other target areas generated from the Broken Hill FALCON® survey but none has returned significant encouragement to date.

A review of work carried out at Yanco Glen (Stellar 100 percent) is progressing after a short round of drilling during the year.

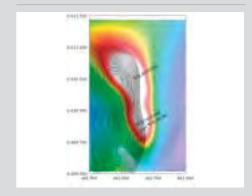
Broken Hill FALCON® Gravity Survey



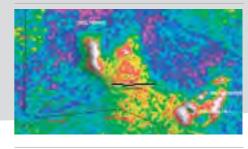
Goldfinger FALCON® Gravity anomaly



### Coolybring – Magnetic and Gravity image showing diamond drilling



Tarcoola gravity image showing Iron targets



Trans-Australia railway viewed from Wilgena Hill



Coolybring magnetic jaspilite



## TARCOOLA/EALBARA – South Australia (Stellar 100 percent)

#### Wilgena/Coolybring - Iron

In mid 2005, a two-hole diamond-drilling program was undertaken on the large Coolybring magnetic anomaly, in the Tarcoola District. Diamond drill holes WIL04 and WIL05 were completed, approximately 750 metres apart, to test part of the aeromagnetic anomaly.

WIL04 intersected 114 m @ 39.2% Fe in a strongly magnetic jaspilite from 108 metres to 222 metres (EOH). WIL05 intersected a more variable sequence of ironstone and meta-sediments, with high magnetite content over 54m @ 35.0% Fe from 108 m to 162 m (EOH). Preliminary beneficiation test work of 11 samples showed the potential to upgrade the iron content to above 63 percent, however, the silica content remained high at some 12 percent in some samples.

Direct drilling costs for this program were 50 percent funded by the Department of Primary Industries and Resources of South Australia (PIRSA), as part of the Government's Plan for Accelerated Exploration (PACE) program to stimulate exploration activity within the state.

Further test work is being undertaken by highly experienced metallurgical consultants to advise as to how to progress this project.

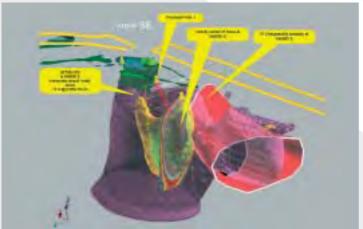
These holes confirm the presence of the inferred large body of magnetite mineralisation under cover. The true width of the iron-mineralised zone has yet to be established, both holes ended in mineralisation and most of the intense magnetic anomaly area remains undrilled.

Importantly, there are indications of primary haematite dominant iron mineralisation, and this raises the exploration possibilities for a number of more weakly magnetic, but strongly positive gravity features in the district.

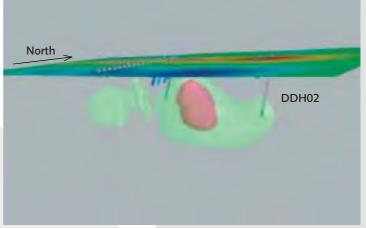
Further assessment of the Coolybring magnetic and gravity complex is likely to comprise drilling of the more weakly magnetic but higher density zones to test the potential for both haematitic iron mineralisation and 'IOCG' style mineralisation. A more robust metallurgical assessment of the iron mineralisation is underway

Coolybring is favourably located near Tarcoola. The project is within 10 kilometres of the trans-Australian standard gauge railway line, thereby providing a direct link to ports at Whyalla, Port Pirie and Port Augusta.

Goldfinger Prospect – target interpretation



Goldfinger – 3D gravity inversion model showing position of 1st diamond hole



## REVIEW OF EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES (continued)

#### Tarcoola Formation - Base Metal Targets

The Tarcoola Basin geology has many features in common with the well-mineralised basins in northern Australia. Stellar has defined potential within the Tarcoola Basin for sediment hosted base metal mineralisation including Mt Isa style copper and possibly Century style zinc.

The position of known copper and base metal anomalism at Dark Hill, Perseverance, School, Shudda and Ella can be seen on the aeromagnetic image. This image outlines the trace of the Tarcoola Basin margin – prospective horizon and the known prospects are all interpreted to occur at or near the base of the Tarcoola Formation.

Zones of copper anomalism (Shudda) and gold/base metal anomalism (Dark Hill) in recent RAB drilling highlight the potential for major economic deposits.

#### Dark Hill - Gold

The Dark Hill prospect area is approximately 10 kilometres west of Tarcoola, and is defined by sub-crop and RAB drill intersections of base metal and gold mineralisation within altered sediments of the Tarcoola Formation. In-fill and step-out RAB drilling was completed during the year, further evaluating the extent of gold and base metal intersections reported previously (DH031 – 5m at 1.24g/t Au, 0.2% Pb and 0.4% Zn).

Thirty-nine RAB holes totalling 1,188 metres were completed, on three traverses approximately 200 metres, 900 metres and 1,800 metres to the east of the previous drilling. Further RAB drilling is required to define the likely extent of the mineralisation, which remains open to the east.

Tarcoola Basin known copper and base metal anomalism



#### Shudda - Copper

The Shudda prospect area had been identified as a broad anomaly in arsenic geochemistry from calcrete sampling, immediately south of an area of historical copper workings to the northeast of Tarcoola. Three north-south oriented RAB drilling traverses were completed to investigate this area. Although some drilling difficulties were experienced with penetration of thick clay cover in the eastern traverse, consistent copper/gold anomalism was returned from the northern end of the western traverses – three vertical air-core holes at 100 metre spacing returning:

- Hole SH022 27 to 48m (EOH) 21m @ 0.17% Cu
- Hole SH021 26 to 36m (EOH) 10m @ 0.11% Cu
- Hole SH020 43 to 52m (EOH) 9m @ 0.05% Cu, 0.21g/t Au

The RAB geochemistry indicates a possible association between magnetic lithologies and copper-gold mineralisation. A program to extend and infill RAB geochemical coverage of the Shudda target is planned, to detail the zone of anomalous end-of-hole RAB results achieved to date.

#### Ella – Zinc

Following the strong zinc intersection obtained from initial RC testing of the Ella gravity high (ELLARC02 - 34m (44m - 78m) @ 0.18% Zn) a consultant was engaged to review the significance of this result, in terms of potential for base metal deposits within the Tarcoola Formation. This review indicated...the Tarcoola Basin contains an extraordinarily large hydrothermal system...evident throughout the basin (widespread siderite-sericite-chlorite, total destruction of all basaltic dykes, pink quartzite after extensive potassic alteration (K spar including haematite)". Subsequently, a program of RAB drilling was completed at Ella in mid 2004, in an attempt to define a geochemical centre for the mineralisation. The drilling was only partially successful in obtaining reliable geochemical samples of the host Tarcoola Formation sediments, due to limited penetration into fresh rock. Elevated lead and silver results were returned from the RAB traverse, which was located 200 metres to the south of the RC drill section, however reliable evaluation of the extent of the Ella zinc mineralisation will require deeper RC drilling and/or geophysical survey coverage.



## REVIEW OF EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES (continued)

#### Tarcoola Ridge - Gold

A mining engineer was engaged to examine the mining potential of the higher grade Perseverance zone within the known Tarcoola Goldfield, where extensive prior drilling has outlined a modest gold resource. The indicative study indicates that the grade is attractive; however the present modest tonnage is assessed as being currently insufficient to justify a stand alone development. Further geological evaluation and more drilling is likely to be required in order to better define this resource.

#### Kychering Palaeochannel - Uranium

Towards the end of 2004, Stellar conducted an internal review of the potential for uranium mineralisation within the company's 3,000 square kilometres of Gawler Craton tenements. Historical exploration data, coupled with recent compilation work carried out by PIRSA, highlighted the development of Tertiary palaeochannels across Stellar's tenement holdings in the Tarcoola region. These palaeochannels are considered prospective for "roll front" uranium deposits, particularly in areas located proximal to Hiltaba age granites, considered as potential source rocks for uranium. Significant channel-sand hosted uranium occurrences are evident at the Warrior and Ealbara prospects, immediately to the north-west and north of Stellar's original tenements respectively.

As a consequence of this review, in late September 2005, the Company announced an agreement to purchase Hillment Pty Ltd, the registered owner of EL 3372, which contains the major proportion of the Warrior palaeochannel hosted uranium deposit. At Warrior, uranium mineralisation was defined by exploration drilling in the late 1970s by PNC Exploration Australia Pty Ltd (PNC). It is the most significant known palaeochannel uranium occurrence in the Gawler Craton.

Exploration work carried out by PNC was primarily reconnaissance drilling. Importantly, the uranium mineralisation occurs in relatively narrow "channel" sands and there is significant exploration potential for discovery/delineation of more of this style of mineralisation. The average depth to mineralisation is between 30 and 60 metres below surface.

PNC drilling defined eight zones of higher grade mineralisation (Zones A to H) within these eight zones, approximately 90 per cent of the mineralisation occurs within the area of EL3372. PNC calculated a total contained U3O8 content of 673 tonnes.

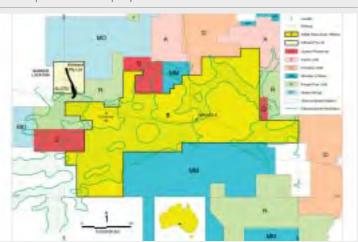
We believe that there is clear scope to upgrade both tonnage and grade with drilling focused on the "channel" zones of Tertiary age sandstones and improved assaying control and radiometric logging. Much of the ground within the licence area remains untested for additional palaeochannel development. Major advances in geophysical techniques capable of defining palaeochannel distribution and geometry have occurred since PNC drilled the Warrior mineralisation. We will apply these techniques to develop further drilling programs in a cost effective manner.

This newly acquired ground is nearly contiguous with some 200 kms of palaeochannels which have been mapped or interpreted within our existing Tarcoola tenements which are highly prospective for uranium mineralisation. The Company's existing and on-going exploration programs in Tarcoola can therefore readily assimilate the planned exploration programs for the Warrior deposit.

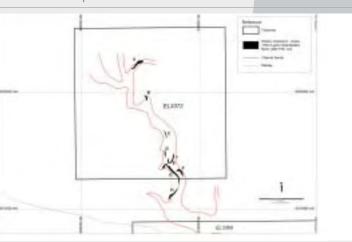
Further assessment of the FALCON® Ealbara survey, flown in 2004, coupled with the historical drilling data from our uranium review, demonstrated that the gravity gradiometer data from the FALCON® survey coverage provides an accurate guide to the distribution of channels, thereby allowing more efficient or better targeted drilling in this exploration for "roll-front" uranium mineralisation within the channel system.

Early in 2004/05, nine aircore scout holes were completed on two traverses across a sinuous gravity low, interpreted to reflect a Tertiary palaeochannel. Thick sands were intersected in the central holes of each traverse, confirming

Stellar's palaeochannels – prospective for uranium



Warrior uranium deposits



that the FALCON® data is providing an accurate guide to the lateral distribution of palaeochannels. Exploration drilling for economic "roll-front" uranium deposits along the inferred strike length of palaeochannels can therefore be highly focused by the FALCON® interpretation.

Stellar is forming an aggressive strategy to test the major palaeochannel trends indicated within the Ealbara FALCON® survey area.

#### Soyuz - copper-gold

A program of shallow RAB geochemical drilling in July/August 2005 further evaluated the Soyuz copper-gold gravity and magnetic target zones. Initial results indicate widespread anomalous gold mineralisation in the upper bedrock-lower oxide zone. A program of deeper RC drilling, which has received PACE funding subsidy approval for 2005/06, will be based around the results of this geochemical drilling program.

#### Archaean Greenstone - Nickel Targets

First pass RAB geochemical drill traverses were completed over the Harris and Mullina FALCON® gravity highs. A total of 380 metres in 16 holes was completed, and Archaean mafic rocks intersected at shallow depth in both areas. Assays indicate moderate levels for copper, nickel and PGMs (best hole MU03 – four to 35m (EOH) – 31m @ 200ppm Cu

and 250ppm Ni), and further interpretation of the distribution of favourable mafic/ultramafic lithologies is warranted. The presence of these Archaean mafic rocks below the surface cover is very encouraging and a follow-up program of systematic RAB drilling of these prospective rocks will be carried out once further mapping, ground inspections and heritage clearances have been obtained.

#### **Cedric Bore**

#### (Stellar option to acquire 100 percent)

This licence (of 228 sq. kms.) is favourably located some 80kms north of Tarcoola and 120 kms to the south west of Prominent Hill, the IOCG discovery of 2001 and which is being studied for development by Oxiana. The area was selected on the basis of aeromagnetic relief comparable to the Prominent Hill area, in an area of intersecting regional north-west and north-east trending structures.

The work proposed on this project area includes initial drill testing of peak and coincident geochemical, gravity and magnetic features for major zones of IOCG style mineralisation.

### **Uno** (Stellar option to acquire 100 percent)

This licence (of 188 sq. kms.) is situated some 70 kms north-west of Whyalla, on the margin of the Gawler Range Volcanic Province. It was

selected for its prospectivity for gold and copper-gold-uranium mineralisation associated with the volcanics and co-eval Hiltaba granites.

Past exploration has also included extensive RAB drilling for uranium mineralisation analogues to the Alligator Rivers (NT) province. A review of existing calcrete geochemical data has outlined a broad zone of anomalous uranium levels in the vicinity of the Scrub gold target, and weak anomalism in the vicinity of the stronger gold target at Uno.

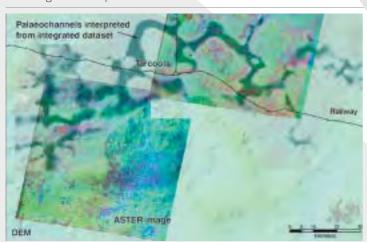
It is proposed to drill test these peak geochemical targets and interpreted structural positions for major zones of shear controlled gold mineralisation and Alligator River style gold-uranium mineralisation.

## **Padthaway – South Australia** (Stellar option to acquire 100 percent)

Stellar has an option to acquire a 100 percent interest in three tenements lying along the Padthaway Ridge, south east of Adelaide where two base metals prospects, represented by intense magnetic anomalies, were drill tested in June 2005.

Under a PIRSA drilling subsidy, Stellar drilled two holes into targets under cover. Both holes have confirmed the presence of the interpreted mafic to ultra-mafic lithologies, with low levels of sulphide mineralisation and alteration. Further evaluation of the project will be subject to petrological confirmation of the lithologies, and appraisal of more cost effective drilling techniques to sample basement.

Aster image of Stellar's palaeochannels



Source: B.Hou PIRSA Report Book 2004/1)



## Coober Pedy Area – Iron Oxide Copper-Gold Targets

In early 2005, two licence areas were acquired in an area known as Robins Rise, west of Coober Pedy in the northern Gawler Craton. The tenements are considered to be prospective for iron oxide copper-gold deposits, comparable to Prominent Hill. Our internal geophysical model for both the Prominent Hill deposit and the recent Carrapateena discovery, to the south-east of Olympic Dam, indicates that potential for additional IOCG deposits occurring in relatively non-magnetic terrains within the eastern and northern Gawler Craton regions is still very high.

Stellar intends to acquire detailed gravity data over selected target areas within this project area, targeting low order magnetic features, consistent with haematite dominant IOCG mineralisation. Historical exploration activity within the Robins Rise area for this style of geophysical response has been limited.

#### Bendigo North – Victoria (Stellar 50 percent) – Gold

This project is prospective for Bendigo style gold mineralization, in an area interpreted to contain a substantial part of the on strike stratigraphy of the Bendigo goldfield.

This interpretation is underscored by the interpretation of the FALCON® survey which shows extensions of the main regional fault zones and gravity highs thought to represent anticlinal structures in the Palaeozoic bedrock.

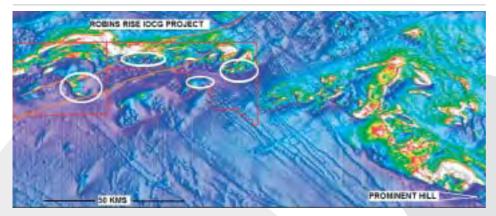
Other companies, including WMC, North Broken Hill and, more recently Metex and Homestake, have explored the general area in the past. Our assessment is that very little effective drilling has been carried out on the North Bendigo prospect, due in part to the presence of widespread "running sands", which can cause drilling difficulties.

A "first pass" air core scout drilling program – of some 70 holes - was completed over two target areas identified from the survey. However, this drilling is showing a widespread layer of older cover sequence (likely Permian age glacial tillite) beneath the Murray Basin sediments and accordingly, many holes did not reach target. To penetrate this layer a more powerful drill rig will be tested, with the objective of penetrating to the Ordovician basement.

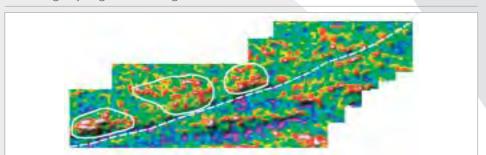
The magnetic data from the FALCON® survey was de-cultured and a consolidation and integration of all geophysical data with previous drilling information is progressing. The principal targets, initially identified from the FALCON® survey, remain untested.

A planned short round of drilling to test the suitability of a more powerful air core rig has been rescheduled for later 2005, following which a larger drill campaign is scheduled.

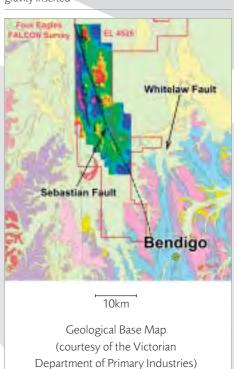
Robins Rise – target areas overlaying magnetic image



FALCON® gravity image – North Bendigo



Bendigo regional geology with FALCON® gravity inserted



## REVIEW OF EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES (continued)

## Tasmania (Stellar 100 percent) – nickel and tin

Work proceeded on data compilation, which, combined with field reconnaissance, has elevated the prospectivity for tin on the Heemskirk licence. Consent has been received to commence resource definition drilling at the known St Dizier tin deposit, where prior company drilling over 20 years ago demonstrated tin mineralisation from surface. Drilling on this target, located adjacent to a sealed road near Zeehan, is scheduled once a suitable drill rig becomes available.

A number of adjacent tin prospects is being worked up for drill testing, including at Gourlay's Creek and East Granville The East Granville target areas have been generated from interpretation of airborne EM and magnetic survey and also lie along strike of a small open pit cassiterite mining operation.

The nickel prospectivity is being actively evaluated. An expert geophysical consultant has assessed the Tasmanian Mines Department's airborne EM survey, which was flown over areas of western Tasmania in 2002. This study has generated some excellent anomalies.

At the Ramsay River licence, geophysical interpretation has generated a number of targets which are being readied for drill testing for nickel and tin.

#### Oil and Gas - Gippsland, Victoria

Stellar holds a small free carried interest in several onshore and offshore blocks in the Gippsland Basin. Lakes Oil NL, the operator, advises that re-mapping of previous data is continuing along with re-evaluation of all prior well data using new technologies.

In VIC/P47, where Stellar holds a three percent free carried interest through the drilling of the well to casing point, the offshore Gilbert-1 well is scheduled to be drilled by the semi-submersible rig Ocean Patriot, commencing October 2005.

The Company also has exposure to Lakes Oil's plans to drill two onshore stratigraphic wells in the Marlo area of Victoria. Drilling has been delayed by difficulty in procuring a suitable drilling rig. Positive results, which would include indications of oil or gas in either of these two wells, would demonstrate the onshore migration of hydrocarbons in this region. Such a result could significantly upgrade the potential of this portion of the Basin.

The two onshore wells are scheduled for October 2005.

The company also holds a stake in Gippsland Offshore Petroleum Limited.

St Dizier project area, with Mt Heemskirk in the background



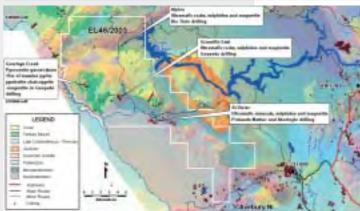
Road access into Gourlay's Creek



St Dizier project area, showing prior work by Renison and Aberfoyle



Geological plan of Heemskirk EL, showing Company's tenement





Statement of Cash Flows



The drill and exploration results reported earlier, insofar as they relate to mineralisation, are based on information compiled by Mr C G Anderson (Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy) who is a full time employee of the Company with more than 20 years' experience in the field of activity being reported. Mr Anderson consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. It should be noted that the abovementioned exploration results are preliminary.

### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Board seeks, where appropriate, to adopt without modification the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Principles of Good Corporate Governance and Best Practice Recommendations. The following briefly outlines the main Corporate Governance practices of Stellar.

#### Role of the Board and Management

The primary responsibility of the Board is to protect and advance the interests of Shareholders. To fulfil this role, the Board has overall responsibility for the Corporate Governance of the Company including matters such as strategic direction, setting of management goals and monitoring management performance against the set goals.

The primary responsibilities of the Board include:

- Formulation, review and approval of the Company's strategic direction and operational policies;
- Establishing management goals and monitoring management performance;
- Review and approval of the Company's Business Plan;
- Monitoring the performance and review remuneration of Executive Directors and key staff;
- Approve all significant business transactions including acquisitions, divestments and corporate restructures;
- Monitoring business risk exposures and risk management systems;
- Review and approve financial and other reporting, including continuous disclosure reporting and
- Reporting to Shareholders.

#### **Board Composition**

The Board presently has one Non-Executive Director, who is considered by the Board to be independent and three Executive Directors. Details of the qualifications and experience of each Director is set out in the Director's Report section of the annual accounts.

Although the Guidelines recommend that the majority of the board should be independent directors, and the Board endorses the position that boards need to exercise independence of judgement, it also recognises (as does ASX Corporate Governance Council Principle 2) that the need for independence is to be balanced with the need for skills, commitment and workable board size. The composition of the Board is balanced with directors bringing a range of complementary skills and experiences to the Board.

#### Ethical and Responsible Decision-making

It is the policy of the Company for directors, officers and employees to observe high standards of conduct and ethical behaviour in all of the Company's activities. This includes dealings with suppliers, business partners, public servants and the general communities in which it operates.

#### **Share Trading Policy**

Directors and employees are required to advise the Company Secretary prior to buying or selling securities in the Company. Current policy requires Board members, employees and contractors not to trade shares in the Company except in the month following the announcement of half yearly or annual results, publication of a quarterly report, or at any other time whilst in possession of price sensitive information.

It is the individual responsibility of each Director and employee in possession of market sensitive information to ensure that they comply with the spirit and the letter of insider trading laws.

#### Rights of Shareholders

The Board seeks to empower shareholders through effective communication by providing balanced and understandable information and encouraging participation at AGM. Similarly the Board request the external auditors to attend AGM and be prepared to answer shareholders questions pertaining to conduct of audit and preparation and contents of the auditor's report.

#### Integrity of Financial Reporting

It is an established requirement that the chief executive officer (or equivalent) and chief financial officer (or equivalent) appointed will state in writing to the Board that to the best of their knowledge the Company's financial reports presents a true and fair view, in all material respects, of the Company's financial condition and that operational results are in accordance with relevant accounting standards.

#### Continuous Disclosure to ASX

The Board is responsible for monitoring compliance with ASX Listing Rule disclosure requirements and approval of any proposed ASX announcement prior to release. The Board has appointed the Company Secretary as the designated person responsible for liaising with ASX. It is the policy of the Company to communicate with shareholders and other stakeholders in an open, regular and timely manner so that the market has sufficient information to make informed investment decisions on the operations and results of the Company.

#### Risk Management

The Board is responsible for overseeing of the Group's risk management and control framework. Management is required to ensure that assessed risks are managed with appropriate systems and controls. Effectiveness of risk management systems and controls are reviewed periodically by the Board. The Company's adopted policy framework seeks to identify and mitigate Company risks as much as practicable. The Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have ultimate responsibility to the Board for the risk management and control framework.

#### **Performance**

The Board is responsible for undertaking performance evaluation each year. The performance evaluation will cover all of the Board members and key executives of the Company. Its proposed that the evaluation findings would be compiled into a series of recommendations with the ultimate objective of enhancing performance.

#### Remuneration

The Board, within the pre-approved shareholder guidelines, determines fees payable to individual non-executive directors. The remuneration level of any executive director will be determined by the Chairman after taking into consideration those that apply to similar positions in comparable companies in Australia and taking consideration of Directors' possible participation in any equity-based remuneration scheme. The Chairman may use industry-wide data gathered by independent remuneration experts annually as his point of reference. Options or shares issued to Directors pursuant to any equity based remuneration scheme requires approval by shareholders prior to their issue. Options or shares to senior executives who are not directors will be issued by resolution of the Board.

Details of Director and Executive remuneration are set out in the Directors Report and Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### Interests of Stakeholders

The Company's core objective is the effective management of its resources with a view to identifying and developing profitable and environmentally sound mineral projects that create wealth for stakeholders.

### Compliance with the Australian Stock Exchange Corporate Governance Best Practice Recommendations

The ASX listing rules require listed entities to include in their annual report a statement disclosing the extent to which the entity has followed the ASX Corporate Governance Guidelines best practice recommendations during the reporting period, identifying the recommendations that have not been followed and provide reasons for any variance. If a recommendation has been followed for only part of the year the entity must state the period during which it has been followed.

During the reporting period, the Company has complied with each of ASX Corporate Governance best practice recommendations, other than in relation to the matters below:

Recommendation 2.1

A majority of the Board should be Independent directors

#### Notification of Departure

The majority of the Board are not Independent directors.

#### **Explanation of Departure**

The Board strongly endorses the need for Boards to exercise independence of judgement however this needs to be balanced with the need for skills, commitment and a workable board size. The Board considers that the current structure is sufficient to ensure independence of judgement (given the diverse background and experience of Directors) combined with the established procedure which empowers Directors to seek independent professional advice at the company expense.

Recommendation 2.4

The Board should establish a nomination committee

Recommendation 4.2

The Board should establish an audit committee

Recommendation 9.2

The Board should establish a remuneration committee

#### Notification of Departure

The Company has not established separate audit, remuneration and nomination committees.

#### **Explanation of Departure**

The Board considers that the Company is not currently of a size, nor are its affairs of such complexity, to justify the establishment of separate board committees such as audit, remuneration and nomination committees. Accordingly, all matters that may be capable of delegation to the committees are dealt with by the full Board.

Recommendation 2.2

The Chairperson should be an Independent Director

Recommendation 2.3

The role of Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer should not be exercised by the same individual

#### Notification of Departure

The Chairperson is not an Independent Director.

The role of Chairperson and the Chief Executive Officer are exercised by the same individual.

#### **Explanation of Departure**

While the current Chairperson is not an Independent Director and the role of Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer are held by the same person the Board believes that Mr Burrowes' extensive industry experience and record as a Director of other listed companies makes him the most appropriate person for the position. The Company will monitor this arrangement to ensure that the best interests of the Company and its stakeholders continue to be served in the future.

### DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors present their report on Stellar Resources Limited and its controlled entities for the period ended 30 June 2005.

#### **Directors**

The names of Directors of the Company in office at any time during or since the end of the period are:

Position Held
Executive Chairman
Non-executive Director
Executive Director
Executive Director
Non-executive Director
Non-executive Director

#### **Company Secretary**

The following people hold the position of company secretary at the end of the financial period:

Mr Bill Michaelidis – Bachelor of Business (Economics) CPA.
Mr Michaelidis was appointed company secretary in December 2004.
Prior to that Mr Michaelidis held management positions in a number of multinational resource companies, over a period of 30 years.

Mr Melvyn Drummond – Bachelor of Business (Commerce) FCIS. He worked and resided in four countries prior to permanently relocating to Australia in 1985. He has held senior finance and administrative positions (including directorship) in both private and public companies in various business sectors, including resources, in Australasia and abroad between 1976 and since coming to Melbourne.

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activity of the Economic Entity during the period was mineral exploration with the objective of identifying and developing economic reserves.

#### **Operating Result**

The net loss of the Economic Entity for the financial period was \$503,858.

#### Dividends Paid or Recommended

No amounts have been paid or declared as dividends during the course of the financial period.

#### **Review of Operations**

Stellar Resources Limited is a listed public company, which was incorporated on 19 April 2004 and listed on the ASX on 28 April 2005. This report is for the financial period commencing 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005.

Since incorporation the Company has acquired the following wholly owned subsidiaries:

Entity	С	Date of Acquisition	Consideration
Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd		22 April 2004	\$100
Balrone Holdings Pty Ltd		22 April 2004	\$2
Rilo Explorations Pty Ltd		22 April 2004	\$16
Bridgedale Holdings Pty Ltd		22 April 2004	\$2
Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty	Ltd	28 October 2004	\$247,500

These subsidiaries have tenure to various exploration licences and mining leases and are the principal avenue via which the Economic Entity undertakes its exploration activities. Exploration expenditure for the period was \$2.1 million.

Detailed comments on operations are included separately in this Annual Report under Review of Operations.

#### **Financial Position**

The net assets and cash reserves of the Economic Entity as at 30 June 2005 were \$9.3 million and \$5.2 million respectively. The directors believe the Economic Entity is in a strong financial position to undertake its outlined exploration program.

#### Significant changes in the State of Affairs

The following significant changes to the state of the affairs of the Company occurred during the financial period:

- On 19 April 2004 the Company was incorporated with 10,000 ordinary fully paid shares at an issue price of \$1.00 each.
- On 8 October 2004 the Company issued 17,788,881 ordinary fully paid shares at 21 cents, to Gravity Diamonds Limited in full settlement of outstanding debt.
- On 8 October 2004 the Company issued 20,439,287 ordinary fully paid shares to Gravity Diamonds Limited at an issue price of 21 cents.
- On 20 April 2005 the Company issued 10,000,000 ordinary fully paid shares at an issue price of 20 cents pursuant to a capital raising under a prospectus.
- On 26 April 2005 the Company issued 1,000,000 shares to Providence Gold and Minerals Pty Ltd in full payment under a Share Sale Agreement dated 28 October 2004 for the acquisition of the issued capital in Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd. Independent experts Nexia Alexander & Spencer valued the shares at that time at 24.75 cents per share.
- From date of incorporation to the end of the financial period the Company issued a total of 49,238,168 ordinary fully paid shares.

#### **After Balance Date Events**

On 20 September 2005 Stellar Resources Limited agreed to acquire all of the issued capital of Hillment Pty Ltd, the registered holder of exploration licence 3372, by the issue of 1,600,000 ordinary shares at an issue price of 32 cents and \$100,000 cash payment.

On 27 September 2005 the Company issued 250,000 options under the Employee Option Plan. These options vest immediately and have an exercise price of 30 cents each and expire on 19 August 2009.

Except for the above, no other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Economic Entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs, of the Economic Entity in future financial years.

#### **Business Strategies**

The Economic Entity is committed to the corporate objective of: "Growing shareholder wealth, via discovery"

It seeks to meet this objective by:

- Utilising cutting edge exploration technology.
- Focusing on projects located within geological terrains hosting world-class ore bodies and
- Utilising an experienced, focused and success driven management team.

#### **Environmental Issues**

The Economic Entity's exploration activities are subject to various environmental regulations under both state and federal legislation in Australia. The ongoing operation of these tenements is subject to compliance with the respective mining and environmental regulations and legislation.

Licence requirements relating to ground disturbance, rehabilitation and waste disposal exist for all tenements held. The directors are not aware of any significant breaches of mining and environmental regulations and legislation during the period covered by this report.

#### **Meetings of Directors**

The number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors held during the period ended 30 June 2005, and the number attended by directors were:

Director	Eligible to Attend	Attended
T J Burrowes	9	9
B E Laws	8	8
D J Isles	15	15
C G Anderson	9	9
N J Limb	6	6
M J Drummond	6	6

#### Remuneration Report

The Board is responsible for determining and reviewing the remuneration of the Directors including the Managing Director and the executive officers of the Company. The Board is similarly responsible for the review and operation of the Stellar Employee Option Plan. This process requires consideration of the levels and form of remuneration appropriate to securing, motivating and retaining executives with the skills to manage the Company's operations. In order to retain and attract executives of sufficient calibre to facilitate the efficient and effective management of the Company's operations, the Board may seek where necessary the advice of external advisers in connection with the structure of remuneration packages. The Board also recommends the levels and form of remuneration for non-executive Directors with reference to performance, relevant comparative remuneration and independent expert advice. The total sum of remuneration payable to non-executive Directors shall not exceed the sum fixed by members of the Company in general meeting.

Shareholders fixed the maximum aggregate remuneration for non-executive Directors at \$500,000.

#### (i) Directors' Remuneration

2005		Primary		Post Employment	Equity	Other	Total
	Salary, Fees and Commissions	Superannuation Contributions	Non-cash Benefits	Superannuation	Options		
T.J. Burrowes	70,500	12,000	-	-	14,610	-	97,110
B.E Laws	13,798	1,258	-	_	7,305	_	22,361
D.J Isles	31,250	_	-	-	14,610	_	45,860
C.G.Anderson	83,467	_	-	-	14,610	-	98,077
N.J.Limb	_	-	-	-	-	-	-
M.J.Drummond	_	-	_	-	-	_	-
	199,015	13,258	_	-	51,135	_	263,408

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**(continued)

Remuneration for C. G. Anderson and D. J. Isles are paid respectively to CG Anderson & Associates and The Goongarrie Trust.

On the 10 December 2004 the following unlisted options were granted to the Managing Director and Directors of the Company:

- 1,000,000 options each to Mr Burrowes, Dr Isles and Mr Anderson to subscribe for ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$0.30 each exercisable on or before 10 December 2008. These options have been valued at \$63,000 for each director and remain in escrow until 28 April 2007
- 500,000 options to Mr Laws subscribe for ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$0.30 each exercisable on or before 10 December 2008. These options have been valued at \$31,500 and remain in escrow until 28 April 2007.

#### (ii) Executive Remuneration

During the period ending 30 June 2005 the Company did not employ any executive officers other than the Company Secretary Mr B Michaelidis

2005		Primary		Post Employment	Equity	Other	Total
	Salary, Fees and Commissions	Superannuation Contributions	Non-cash Benefits	Superannuation	Options		
B. Michaelidis	42,000	8,000	_	-	-	-	50,000
	42,000	8,000	-	-	-	-	50,000

Options issued to each Director of the Company as part of their remuneration during the period were as follows:

	Granted Number	Options Granted as Part of Remuneration	Total Remuneration Represented by Options	Options Exercised	Options Lapsed	Total
		\$	%	\$	(\$)	\$
T J Burrowes	1,000,000	63,000	15	-	_	63,000
B E Laws	500,000	31,500	33	-	_	31,500
C G Anderson	1,000,000	63,000	15	-	-	63,000
D J Isles	1,000,000	63,000	32	-	-	63,000
Total	3,500,000	220,500	19	-	_	220,500

#### Information on Directors and Company Secretary

The qualifications, experience and special responsibilities of each person who has been a director of Stellar Resources Limited at any time during or since the end of the financial year is provided below, together with details of the company secretaries as at year end.

#### Chairman

#### Thomas J Burrowes

B.Ec (Hons), MBA (Melb) Appointed 19 April 2004 Resigned 20 April 2004 Re-appointed 10 December 2004

Mr Burrowes has extensive experience in all facets of Australian exploration and mining over the past 15 years. After an initial career in funds management, he has held numerous directorships in ASX listed exploration and mining companies.

Shareholding: 1,086,112 Option holding: 1,000,000

Directorships of other listed companies since 1 July 2002: Buka Minerals Limited – (May 1999 - July 2003)

#### Director

#### Barrie E Laws

B.Com, FSIA, ASA, ACIS Appointed 10 December 2004

Mr Laws has experience in management with particular emphasis on funds management. He joined the Norwich Union Group in October 1991 and was appointed to the Board of Norwich Union Life Australia Limited in March 1993 and as its Chief Executive Officer in February 1997. He retired from full time employment with the Norwich Group in March 1998.

Shareholding: 75,000 Option holding: 500,000

Mr Laws did not hold any other listed company directorships in the preceding three years.

#### Director

Christopher G Anderson, B.Sc (Hons), Fellow Ausl/MM Appointed 19 April 2004 Resigned 20 April 2004 Appointed 10 December 2004

Mr Anderson is an exploration consultant with 29 years of experience in mineral exploration programs both in Australia and overseas. He is a graduate of Adelaide University, with an Honours degree in geophysics and geology. He has managed a contract geological and geophysical consultancy service company with particular expertise in the cost effective application of geophysics.

Shareholding: 75,000 Option holding: 1,000,000

Mr Anderson did not hold any other listed company directorships in the preceding three years.

#### Director

#### David J Isles

B.Sc (Hons) PhD, SEG, ASEG, AIG, MAuslMM Appointed 19 April 2004

Dr Isles is a geophysicist and recognised expert in aeromagnetic interpretation. He has worked in operational exploration with BHP Minerals and in the area of exploration technology development with World Geoscience Corporation.

Shareholding: 73,612
Option holding: 1,000,000

Directorships of other listed companies since 1 July 2002: Gravity Diamonds Limited – (September 1996 – November 2004) Mineral Deposits Limited – (December 2002 – Current)

#### Director

#### Nicholas J Limb

B.Sc (Hons), MAusIMM, ASIA Appointed 22 April 2004 Resigned 10 December 2004

Mr Limb is a professional geophysicist and also has extensive experience as a stockbroker and merchant banker.

Shareholding: 572,500

Directorships of other listed companies since 1 July 2002:
Mineral Deposits Limited – (April 1994 – Current)
Gravity Diamonds Limited – (December 1995 - Current)
Cockatoo Ridge Wines Limited – (January 2002 – Current)
Gippsland Offshore Petroleum Limited – (November 2004 – Current)

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**(continued)

#### Director

#### Melvyn J Drummond

BA, B.Com, FCIS Appointed 22 April 2004 Resigned 10 December 2004

Mr Drummond worked and resided in four countries prior to permanently relocating to Australia in 1985. He has held senior finance and administrative positions (including directorships) in both private and public companies in various business sectors, including resources.

Directorships of other listed companies since 1 July 2002: Cockatoo Ridge Wines Limited – (September 2005 – Current) Mineral Deposits Limited – (July 2000 – March 2003)

#### Company Secretary/CFO

#### Bill Michaelidis

B.Bus, CPA Appointed 19 October 2004

Mr Michaelidis was appointed Company Secretary and CFO in October 2004. He is a qualified accountant with over 30 years experience in the resources sector.

Shareholding: 5,000

Joint Company Secretary

#### Melvyn J Drummond

BA, B.Com, FCIS Appointed 19 April 2004

Details outlined above.

#### **Options**

At the date of this report, the unissued ordinary shares of Stellar Resources Limited under option are as follows:

Grant Date	Date of Expiry	Exercise Price	Number under Option
10/12/2004	10/12/2008	\$0.30	3,500,000

#### **Indemnifying Officers**

The company has paid premiums to insure each of the Directors against liabilities for costs and expenses incurred by them in defending any legal proceedings arising out of their conduct while acting in the capacity of Director of the company, other than conduct involving a wilful breach of duty in relation to the company. The terms and conditions of the insurance are confidential and further details cannot be disclosed.

#### Proceedings on Behalf of the Company

No person has applied for leave of court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company or 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 any part of these proceedings.

#### **Non Audit Services**

No non-audit services were provided from the Company's auditors BDO during the financial period ended 30 June 2005.

#### Auditor's Independence Declaration

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The lead auditor's Independence Declaration for the period ended 30 June 2005 has been received and can be found on page 21 of the director's report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors and dated this 29th day of September, 2005.

T J Burrowes

Chairman

### INDEPENDENCE AUDITOR'S DECLARATION



#### **Chartered Accountants**

563 Bourke Street Melbourne 3000 DX 30937 Stock Exchange Melbourne Tel: (61 3) 9615 8500 Fax: (61 3) 9615 8700 Email: bdomel@bdomel.com.au www.bdo.com.au

#### Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Stellar Resources Limited

In relation to our audit of the financial report of Stellar Resources Limited for the financial period ended 30 June 2005, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

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Chartered Accountants

Geoffing & Sincock

**G R Sincock** Partner

Melbourne 29 September 2005

### DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors of the Company declare that:

- 1 The financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001:
  - a) comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
  - b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2005 and of the performance for the financial period ended on that date of the Company and the Consolidated Entity.
- 2 The Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have each declared that:
  - a) the financial records of the Company and the Consolidated Entity for the financial period have been properly maintained in accordance with section 286 of the Corporations Act 2001;
  - b) the financial statements and notes for the financial period comply with the Accounting Standards; and
  - c) the financial statements and notes for the financial period give a true and fair view.
- 3 In the Directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Consolidated Entity 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 and dated this 29th day of September, 2005.

Thomas J Burrowes

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

for the period from 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005

			Economic Entity	Parent Entity
		Note	Period from 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005 \$	Period from 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005 \$
Revenues from ordinary activities		2	165,079	165,079
Administration expenditure			(492,410)	(491,806)
Depreciation & amortisation expenses		3	(22,910)	(1,945)
Exploration expenditure write off		3	(153,617)	_
Loss from ordinary activities before incor	ne tax expense		(503,858)	(328,672)
Income tax benefit relating to ordinary ac	tivities	4	-	-
Loss from ordinary activities after related	income tax expense		(503,858)	(328,672)
Net loss attributable to members of the e	ntity		(503,858)	(328,672)
Total changes in equity other than those	resulting from transactions with owners as owners		(503,858)	(328,672)
Basic earnings per share (cents per share	)	17	(2.02)	_
Diluted earnings per share (cents per sha		17	(2.02)	-

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 June 2005

	Note	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005		
Current Assets					
Cash assets	5	5,226,876	5,226,874		
Receivables	6	168,499	156,499		
Other	7	17,992	17,992		
Total Current Assets		5,413,367	5,401,365		
Non Current Assets					
Receivables	8	-	4,297,100		
nvestments	9	_	247,620		
Property, plant and equipment	10	82,317	18,335		
Exploration expenditure	11	4,116,313	_		
ntangible assets	12	177,237	_		
Total Non Current Assets		4,375,867	4,563,055		
Total Assets		9,789,234	9,964,420		
Current Liabilities					
Payables	13	381,646	381,646		
Provisions	14	10,134	10,134		
Total Current Liabilities		391,780	391,780		
Total Liabilities		391,780	391,780		
Net Assets		9,397,454	9,572,640		
Equity					
Contributed equity	15	9,901,312	9,901,312		
Accumulated losses	16	(503,858)	(328,672)		
Fotal Equity		9,397,454	9,572,640		

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the period ended 30 June 2005

	Note	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Payments to suppliers and employees		(428,169)	(426,830)
Interest received		133,079	133,079
Net cash used in Operating activities	23	(295,090)	(293,751)
Cash Flows used in Investing Activities			
Payments for subsidiaries		_	(120)
Payments for exploration		(1,696,284)	-
Payment for plant and equipment		(20,235)	(20,280)
Net cash used in Investing activities		(1,716,519)	(20,400)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Advances to Subsidiaries		-	(4,112,787)
Repayment of loan		(2,415,327)	-
Proceeds from share issues		9,944,597	9,944,597
Payment of share issue costs		(290,785)	(290,785)
Net cash provided by Financing activities		7,238,485	5,541,025
Net Increase in Cash Held		5,226,876	5,226,874
Cash at beginning of financial period			
Cash at 30 June 2005	5	5,226,876	5,226,874

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the period ended 30 June 2005

#### 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies

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

Stellar Resources Limited is a listed public company, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The Company was incorporated and commenced operations on 19 April 2004. Therefore this financial report is for the period commencing 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005.

There were six employees as at 30 June 2005.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non–current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Company in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

#### (a) Income Tax

The entity adopts the liability method of tax-effect accounting whereby the income tax expense is based on the profit from ordinary activities adjusted for any permanent differences.

Timing differences, which arise due to the different accounting periods in which items of revenue and expense are included in the determination of accounting profit and taxable income, are brought to account as either a provision for deferred income tax or as a future income tax benefit at the rate of income tax applicable to the period in which the benefit will be received or the liability will become payable.

Future income tax benefits are not brought to account unless realisation of the asset is assured beyond any reasonable doubt. Future income tax benefits in relation to tax losses are not brought to account unless there is virtual certainty of realisation of the benefit.

The amount of benefits brought to account or which may be realised in the future is based on the assumption that no adverse change will occur in income tax legislation and the anticipation that the Company will derive sufficient future assessable income and comply with the conditions of deductibility imposed by the law.

#### (b) Revenue

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

#### (c) Cash

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks (including short term deposits), net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

#### (d) Receivables

Trade receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less a provision for any uncollectible debts. An estimate for doubtful debts is made when collection of the full amount is no longer probable. Bad debts are written off as incurred.

#### (e) Investments

Non-current investments are carried at cost or at directors' valuation. The carrying amount of investments is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount of these investments. The recoverable amount is assessed from the underlying net assets in the particular entities. Gains or losses, whether realised or unrealised, are included in profit from ordinary activities before income tax. The expected net cash flows from investments have not been discounted to their present values in determining the recoverable amounts.

#### (f) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, Plant and Equipment are measured on the cost basis.

The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the expected net cash flows, which will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to present values in determining the recoverable amount.

#### Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including any capitalised leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to the Group commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

#### 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### **Depreciation** (continued)

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Period	Rates
Plant and equipment	2 to 5 years	20% to 50%
Software	2.5 years	40%
Buildings	40 years	2.5%

#### (g) Exploration, Evaluation and Development Expenditure

#### Costs carried forward

Costs arising from exploration and evaluation activities are carried forward provided such costs are expected to be recouped through successful development, or by sale, or where exploration and evaluation activities have not, at reporting date, reached a stage to allow a reasonable assessment regarding the existence of economically recoverable reserves.

Grants and subsidies are offset against costs as incurred.

Costs carried forward in respect of an area of interest that is abandoned are written off in the period in which the decision to abandon is made.

#### (h) Goodwill

Goodwill and goodwill on consolidation are initially recorded at the amount by which the purchase price for a business or for an ownership interest in a controlled entity exceeds the fair value attributed to its net assets at date of acquisition. Both purchased goodwill and goodwill on consolidation are amortised on a straight line basis over the period of 10 years. The balances are reviewed annually and any balance representing future benefits for which the realisation is considered to be no longer probable are written off.

#### (i) Payables

Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the company.

#### (j) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year together with entitlements arising from wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave which will be settled after one year, have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs. Other employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

Contributions are made by the Company to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

The Company operates an employee option plan, details of which are provided in note 15 to the financial statements. The value of the equity-based compensation scheme is not being recognised as an employee benefits expense.

#### (k) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable form the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

#### (l) Earnings Per Share (EPS)

Basic EPS is calculated as net profit attributable to members, adjusted to exclude costs of servicing equity (other than dividends) and preference share dividends, divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares, adjusted for any bonus element.

Diluted EPS is calculated as net profit attributable to members, adjusted for:

- Costs of servicing equity (other than dividends) and preference share dividends;
- The after tax effect of dividends and interest associated with the dilutive potential ordinary shares that have been recognised as expenses; and
- Other non-discretionary changes in revenues or expenses during the period that would result from the dilution of potential ordinary shares;
- Divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares and dilutive potential ordinary shares, adjusted for any bonus element.

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#### 1 Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## (m) Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

The Company is preparing and managing the transition to Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) effective for financial periods commencing 1 January 2005. The adoption of AIFRS will be reflected in the Company's financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2006 and the half-year ending 31 December 2005.

On first time adoption of AIFRS, comparatives for the corresponding prior period are required to be restated. The majority of AIFRS transitional adjustments will be made retrospectively against retained earnings.

The Company's management, along with its auditors, has assessed the significance of the expected changes and is preparing for their implementation. The Directors are of the opinion that the key material differences in the Company's accounting policies on conversion to AIFRS and the financial effect of these differences, where known, are as follows. Users of the financial statements should note, however, that the amounts disclosed could change if there are any amendments by Standard-setters to the current AIFRS or if the Company's interpretation of the AIFRS requirements changes.

#### - Income Tax

A "balance sheet" approach will be adopted under AIFRSs, replacing the "statement of financial performance" approach currently used by Australian companies. The "balance sheet" method recognises deferred tax balances when there is a difference between the carrying value of an asset or liability, and its tax base.

On transition, the financial effect of this impact is assessed as nil.

#### Share-Based Payments

The Company does not currently recognise an expense for options issued to staff, and shares issued to staff under the Employee Share Scheme. On adoption of AIFRSs, the Company will recognise an expense for all share-based remuneration, including deferred shares and options, and will amortise those expenses over the relevant vesting periods. This will result in additional expenses being recorded and therefore lower earnings. There will be an initial negative impact on earnings when retrospective adjustments are made for options.

On transition, the financial effect of this impact is assessed as a increase in expenses and loss for the period ending 30 June 2005 of \$51,135.

#### Impairment of Assets

The Company currently assesses the amount of impairment of assets by determining the recoverable amount on the basis of undiscounted cash flows. Under AASB 136 Impairment of Assets the Company will be required to determine the recoverable amount as the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use (which is determined using discounted cash flows). In the future it is likely that this change in policy and basis for calculation may lead to more impairment losses being recognised and therefore greater volatility in future earnings.

On transition, the financial effect of this impact is assessed as nil.

#### Extractive Industries

Under AIFRS the exploration and evaluation phase is accounted for under AASB 6 Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources, which continues to follow the previous standard's 'area of interest' approach.

On transition, the financial effect of this impact is assessed as nil.

#### - Goodwill

Under AASB3 *Business Combinations*, goodwill acquired in a business combination will not require amortisation, but instead be subject to impairment testing at least annually. This will result in lower amortisation expenses but increased volatility of results in the event of impairment.

The consolidated loss before tax for the period from 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005 will decrease by \$20,428 due to reversal of goodwill amortisation charged for the period.

#### (n) Comparatives

The Company was incorporated on 19 April 2004. Accordingly there are no prior year comparatives. The 2005 figures are for the period 19 April 2004 to 30 June 2005.

	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
2 Revenue		
Operating activities		
Interest received – other persons	165,079	165,079
Total Revenue	165,079	165,079
3 Loss from Ordinary Activities		
Loss from ordinary activities before income tax has been determined after		
(a) Expenses		
Amortisation – Goodwill	20,428	_
Depreciation – Buildings, Plant and equipment	2,482	1,945
Exploration expenditure write off	153,617	-
Rental expense	17,500	17,500
(b) Revenue		
Interest income	165,079	165,079
4 Income Tax		
Prima facie income tax calculated at 30%	(151,157)	(98,602)
Less:		
Tax effect of permanent differences –		
Non deductible amortisation goodwill	5,908	-
Benefit of current year loss not recognised	145,249	98,602
Income tax benefit relating to ordinary activities		
The directors estimate that the potential future income tax benefit at 30 June 2005 in respect of tax losses and timing differences is:		
Revenue losses	321,766	98,670
Capital losses	720,427	_
The benefit will only be obtained if:		
(i) the Company derives future assessable income of a nature and of an amount sufficient to enable the benefit from the deduction to be realised;		
(ii) the Company continues to comply with the conditions for deductibility imposed by tax legislat	tion; and	
(iii) no changes in tax legislation adversely affect the Company in realising the benefit from the dec	duction for the losses.	
5 Cash Assets		
Cash at bank	375,849	375,847
Term Deposits	4,851,027	4,851,027
	5,226,876	5,226,874
Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:		
Cash	5,226,876	5,226,874

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		Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
6	Receivables		
	Other debtors	100,615	100,615
	GST receivable	24,884	24,884
	Tenement security deposits	43,000	31,000
	Terionient security deposits	168,499	156,499
7	Other Assets		·
•	Prepaid workers compensation insurance	6,287	6,287
	Prepaid insurance premium	11,705	11,705
	, ropaid instrainted profiliation	17,992	17,992
8	Receivables		<u> </u>
0	Receivable from wholly owned subsidiaries	_	4,297,100
	receivable from whony owned subsidiaries		4,277,100
9	Investments		
	Investments in from wholly owned subsidiaries	_	247,620
10	Property, Plant and Equipment		
10	Land & Buildings – at cost	64,519	_
	Accumulated depreciation	(537)	_
	/ recultidated depresiation	63,982	
	Office furniture & equipment - at cost	11,249	11,249
	Accumulated depreciation	(1,086)	(1,086)
		10,163	10,163
	Software	9,031	9,031
	Accumulated depreciation	(859)	(859)
		8,172	8,172
	Total property, plant and equipment	82,317	18,335
	(a) Movements in Carrying Amounts		
	Balance at the beginning of the period	-	-
	Additions	20,280	20,280
	Additions through acquisition of entities	63,982	(1.045)
	Depreciation expense	(1,945)	(1,945)
	Carrying amount at the end of the period	82,317	18,335
11	Exploration Expenditure		
	(a) Carrying values		
	Exploration expenditure on acquisition of subsidiaries	2,150,212	
	Exploration expenditure incurred during period	2,119,718	-
	Exploration expenditure written off during period	(153,617)	
	Exploration expenditure carried forward	4,116,313	-
	Ultimate recovery of capitalised exploration expenditure is dependent upon success		

in exploration and development or sale or farm-out of the exploration interests.

**Economic Entity** 

Parent Entity

	2005 \$	2005 \$
1 Exploration Expenditure (continued)		
(b) Joint venture Interest		
A wholly owned subsidiary, Balrone Holdings Pty Ltd has the following s	ignificant exploration joint venture interests:	
North Bendigo Joint Venture – Gold exploration 50%		
Triako Joint Venture – Base metal exploration farm-in where	eby the Economic Entity can earn between 51% a	nd 60%
The Economic Entity's share of assets employed in the joint ventures are	:	
Non-Current Assets		
Exploration expenditure	944,496	_
2 Intangible Assets		
Goodwill at cost	197,665	-
Accumulated amortisation	(20,428)	-
	177,237	-
3 Payables		
Other creditors and accruals	381,646	381,646
4 Provisions		
Employee entitlements	10,134	10,134
Aggregate Employee Benefits Liability	10,134	10,134
<ul> <li>Number of Employees at Year-end</li> </ul>	6	6
F. Cantribited Facility		
5 Contributed Equity		
(a) Issued and Paid Up capital 49,238,168 fully paid ordinary shares	9,901,312	9,901,312
(b) Movements in shares on Issue		
At the beginning of the reporting period		_
Shares issued during the period –		
10,000 on 19/4/04	10,000	10,000
17,788,881 on 8/10/04	3,692,241	3,692,241
20,439,287 on 8/10/04	4,242,356	4,242,356
10,000,000 on 20/4/05	2,000,000	2,000,000
1,000,000 on 26/4/05	247,500	247,500
Transaction costs relating to share issue	(290,785)	(290,785)
	9,901,312	9,901,312

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	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
15 Contributed Equity (continued)		
(ii) At the beginning of the reporting period	_	-
Shares issued during the year –		
19/4/04	10,000	10,000
8/10/04	17,788,881	17,788,881
8/10/04	20,439,287	20,439,287
20/4/05	10,000,000	10,000,000
26/4/05	1,000,000	1,000,000
At reporting date	49,238,168	49,238,168

Ordinary shares participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the parent entity in proportion to the number of shares held.

At shareholders meetings, each ordinary share is entitled to one vote when a poll is called, otherwise each shareholder has one vote on a show of hands.

On 19 April 2004 the Company was incorporated with 10,000 ordinary fully paid shares at an issue price of \$1.00 each. On 8 October 2004 the Company issued 17,788,881 ordinary fully paid shares in full settlement of outstanding debt to Gravity Diamonds Limited at 21 cents each. On 8 October 2004 Gravity Diamonds Limited applied for and was issued with 20,439,287 ordinary fully paid shares at 21 cents each.

On 20 April 2005 the Company issued 10,000,000 ordinary fully paid shares at an issue price of 20 cents from the general public through a prospectus.

On 26 April 2005 the Company issued 1,000,000 ordinary fully paid shares to Providence Gold & Minerals Pty Ltd at an issue price of 24.75 cents each.

#### (c) Share Options

The Company has in place a Employee Option Plan under which employees of the Company, including executive and non-executive directors can be offered both short term and long term incentives. Under the Plan each option is to subscribe for one share and, when issued, these shares rank equally with other shares. Options issued under the Employee Option Plan are not transferable. No shares or options have been issued during the period under the Employee Option Plan.

On 10 December 2004 3,500,000 options were granted to the Company's Directors, to subscribe for ordinary shares at an exercise price of 30 cents each. The options are exercisable on or before 10 December 2008.

- (i) For information relating to the Company's Employee Option Plan, including details of options issued, exercised and lapsed during the financial period and the options outstanding at year end, refer to note 18.
- (ii) At 30 June 2005, the Company had on issue the following options to acquire shares in the Company:

	Nos.	Class
Unlisted	3,500,000	Director Options - Escrowed until 28 April 2007

#### 16 Accumulated Losses

Accumulated losses at the beginning of the period	-	_
Net loss attributable to members of the entity	503,858	328,672
Accumulated losses at the end of the financial period	503,858	328,672

#### 17 Earnings Per Share

	85 . 5. 5			
(a)	Reconciliation of Earnings to Net Loss			
	Net Loss	503,858		-
	Net Loss used in calculation of basic EPS	503,858		_
	Net Loss used in calculation of dilutive EPS	503,858		-

			Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
17 E	arnings per Share (continued)			
(b	<ul> <li>Weighted average number of ord during the period used in calculat</li> </ul>		24,965,296	_
	Weighted average number of ord during the period used in calculat	,	24,965,296	-

#### (c) Classification of Securities

Diluted earnings per share is calculated after assessing all options on issue and all ownership based remuneration scheme shares remaining unconverted at 30 June 2005 as potential ordinary shares. As at 30 June 2005, the Company has on issue 3,500,000 options over unissued capital and has incurred a net loss. As the exercise price of these options is greater than the current market price of the shares they have not been included in the calculations of diluted earnings per share.

#### 18 Directors' and Executives' Remuneration

#### (a) Names and positions held of directors and specified executives in office at any time during the financial period are:

Directors		Specified Executives	
Thomas J Burrowes	Executive Chairman	Bill Michaelidis	Company Secretary/CFO
Barrie E Laws	Non-executive Director	Melvyn J Drummond	Company Secretary
David J Isles	Executive Director		
Christopher G Anderson	Executive Director		
Nicholas J Limb	Director (resigned 10/12/04)		
Melvvn I Drummond	Director (resigned 10/12/04)		

#### (b) Directors' and Executives' Remuneration

Remuneration Policy

The Board is responsible for determining and reviewing the remuneration of the Directors including the Managing Director and the executive officers of the Company. This process requires consideration of the levels and form of remuneration appropriate to securing, motivating and retaining executives with the skills to manage the Company's operations. In order to retain and attract executives of sufficient calibre to facilitate the efficient and effective management of the Company's operations, the Board seeks where necessary the advice of external advisers in connection with the structure of remuneration packages. The Board also recommends the levels and form of remuneration for non-executive Directors with reference to performance, relevant comparative remuneration and independent expert advice. The total sum of remuneration payable to non-executive Directors shall not exceed the sum fixed by members of the Company in general meeting.

Shareholders fixed the maximum aggregate remuneration for non-executive Directors at \$500,000.

Parent Entity Directors' Remuneration

2005		Primary		Post Employment	Equity	Total
	Salary, Fees and Commissions	Superannuation Contributions	Non-cash Benefits	Superannuation	Options	
T.J. Burrowes	70,500	12,000	+	-	14,610	97,110
B.E Laws	13,798	1,258	-	-	7,305	22,361
D.J Isles	31,250	_	-	-	14,610	45,860
C.G.Anderson	83,467	-	-	_	14,610	98,077
N.J.Limb	-	_	-	_	_	-
M.J.Drummond		-	-	_	_	-
	199,015	13,258	_	_	51,135	263,408

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Economic Entity Parent Entity
2005
\$ 2005
\$

#### 18 Directors' and Executives' Remuneration (continued)

#### (b) Directors' and Executives' Remuneration (continued)

Remuneration for C. G. Anderson and D. J. Isles are paid respectively to CG Anderson & Associates and The Goongarrie Trust.

On 10 December 2004 the following unlisted options were granted to the Managing Director and Directors of the Company:

- 1,000,000 options each to Mr Burrowes, Dr Isles and Mr Anderson to subscribe for ordinary shares at an exercise price of 30 cents each exercisable on or before 10 December 2008. These options have been valued at \$63,000 and remain in escrow until 28 April 2007.
- 500,000 options to Mr Laws to subscribe for ordinary shares at an exercise price of 30 cents each exercisable on or before 10 December 2008. These options have been valued at \$31,500 and remain in escrow until 28 April 2007

#### (c) Parent Entity Executive Remuneration

During the period ending 30 June 2005 the Company did not employ any executive officers other than the Company Secretary, Mr B Michaelidis

Parent Entity Executives' Remuneration

2005		Primary		Post Employment	Equity	Total
	Salary, Fees and Commissions	Superannuation Contributions	Non-cash Benefits	Superannuation	Options	
B. Michaelidis	42,000	8,000	-	-	-	50,000
	42,000	8,000	_	_	_	50,000

#### (d) Option Holdings of Specified Directors and Specified Executives

	Balance at the Begin of the Period	ning Granted as Remuneration	Options Exercised	Net Change Other	Balance 30 June 2005	Total Vested 30June 2005
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Specified Di	rectors					
T.J. Burrowe	s –	1,000,000	_	_	1,000,000	_
B.E Laws	-	500,000	_	_	500,000	_
D.J Isles	-	1,000,000	_	_	1,000,000	_
C.G.Anderso	on –	1,000,000	-	_	1,000,000	_
Specified Ex	ecutive					
B.Michaelidi	s –	_	_	-	_	_
	_	3,500,000	-	-	3,500,000	_

#### (e) Share Holdings of Specified Directors and Executives

Balance 1/7/04 Received as Remuneration Options Exercised Net Change other\* Balance 30 June 2005\*\*

No. No. No. No.

Specified Directors

Specified Directors					
T.J. Burrowes	-	-	-	1,086,112	1,086,112
B.E Laws	-	-	_	75,000	75,000
D.J Isles	-	-	-	73,612	73,612
C.G.Anderson	-	-	-	75,000	75,000
Specified Executive	!				
B.Michaelidis	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
	_	-	_	1,314,724	1,314,724

There were no shares granted as Remuneration and no shares issued as a result of exercise of options

<sup>\*</sup> Refers to shares purchased or sold during the financial year.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Held both directly or indirectly

## 18 Directors' and Executives' Remuneration (continued)

# (f) Employee Option Plan

The Company operates a Employee Option Plan with the stated objective of:

- Encouraging Employee participation in the ownership of the company by providing opportunities to acquire shares and
- Provide a mechanism by which the Company can attract, motivate and retain employees.

The Board is responsible for the review and operation of the Stellar Option Plan including terms and conditions for all options issued. The number of options offered under the plan is limited to less than 5% the total number of shares on issue at the time of the offer. At the time of this report no options were issued under the Plan.

		Economic Entity 2005	Parent Entity 2005
		\$	\$
19	Remuneration of Auditors		
	Remuneration for audit or review of the financial reports of the Company		
	Audit or review services	8,500	8,500
	Other services	-	-
		8,500	8,500
20	Commitments for Expenditure		
	Exploration Commitments	-	-
	In order to maintain current rights of tenure to exploration tenements, the Company has minimum exploration expenditure requirements up until the expiry of leases. These obligations, which are subject to renegotiation upon expiry of leases, are not provided for in the financial statements and are payable:		
	Not later than one year	1,019,410	-

Exploration commitments later than one year are dependent on management assessment on prospectivity and desirability of retaining current suite of exploration projects.

#### 21 Related Parties

#### Directors

The names of the persons who were directors of Stellar Resources Limited at any time during the financial period are as follows:

Thomas J Burrowes Executive Chairman Christopher G Anderson Executive Director

Barrie E Laws Non-executive Director Nicholas J Limb Director (resigned 10/12/04)

David J Isles Executive Director Melvyn J Drummond Director (resigned 10/12/04)

#### Remuneration Benefits

Information on remuneration benefits of Directors is disclosed in Note 18.

# Transaction of Directors and Director - Related Entities concerning Shares or Share Options

Aggregate numbers of shares and share options in Stellar Resources Limited acquired by the Directors of the Company or their Director related entities from the Company:

Acquisition of shares for consideration		-	1,195,000
Acquisition of shares – other*		-	114,724
		-	1,309,724

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^*}$  Shares issued as part of Gravity Capital Limited in-specie distribution.

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	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
21 Related Parties (continued)		
Directors and director related entities held directly, indirectly or beneficially as at the reporting date the following equity interests in the Company:		
Ordinary shares	-	1,309,724
Options over ordinary shares	-	3,500,000

Since 30 June no directors have acquired any additional shares.

#### Other Transactions with Directors and Director - Related Entities

During the period, geological, geophysical and field services were provided at commercial rates by director related entities, Pondray Pty Ltd and Euro Exploration Services Pty Ltd, of which Mr C G Anderson, was both a director and shareholder. Pondray Pty Ltd charged \$49,923 and Euro Exploration Services Pty Ltd charged \$222,017 in relation to these services. In addition, Vintage Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd of which Mr Anderson is also a director and shareholder has granted the Company option to acquire certain of its mining tenements. Vintage was paid a fee of \$50,000 for the grant of this option and will receive further payments if the option is exercised.

During the period, Providence Gold and Minerals Pty Ltd (PGM) of which Mr Burrowes is a director and shareholder sold to the Company its shareholding in Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd. Consideration for the transfer was one million Stellar shares which were independently valued by Nexia Alexander & Spencer at \$247,500. In addition, the Company has a exploration joint venture with PGM under which all the relevant exploration costs are borne on a 50/50 basis between PGM and the Company.

#### 22 Controlled Entities

(a) Controlled Entities

	Country of Incorporation	Percent Owned 2005 (%)
Parent Entity:		
Stellar Resources Limited	Aust	
Subsidiaries of Stellar Resources Limited:		
Balrone Holdings Pty Ltd	Aust	100%
Rilo Explorations Pty Ltd	Aust	100%
Bridgedale Holdings Pty Ltd	Aust	100%
Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	Aust	100%
Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	Aust	100%

# (b) Controlled Entities Acquired

The following controlled entities were acquired during the period:

	Date Acquired	Purchase Consideration	Percentage Acquired
Balrone Holdings Pty Ltd	22/4/04	\$2	100%
Rilo Explorations Pty Ltd	22/4/04	\$16	100%
Bridgedale Holdings Pty Ltd	22/4/04	\$2	100%
Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	22/4/04	\$100	100%
Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	28/10/04	\$247,500	100%

#### (c) Controlled Entities Disposed

No controlled entities were disposed during the period

	Economic Entity 2005 \$	Parent Entity 2005 \$
23 Cash Flow Information		
(a) Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Loss from Ordinary Activities	s after Income Tax	
Loss from ordinary activities after income tax	(503,858)	(328,672)
Non-cash flows in loss from ordinary activities		
Depreciation of fixed assets	2,482	1,945
Amortisation goodwill	19,693	_
Amortisation formation Cost	735	-
Exploration expenditure write off	153,617	_
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(32,000)	(32,000)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(18,727)	(17,992)
Increase/(decrease) in payables	72,834	72,834
Increase/(decrease) in employee entitlements	10,134	10,134
Cash flows used in operations	(295,090)	(293,751)

# 24 Financial Instruments

- (a) Off-balance sheet derivative instruments

  The Company does not utilise any off-balance sheet derivative instruments.
- (b) Commodity contract
  As at 30 June 2005, the Company does not have in place any commodity contracts.
- (c) Credit risk exposure

  The credit risk on financial assets of the Company, which have been recognised on the statement of financial performance, is generally the carrying amount, net of any provisions for doubtful debts.

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#### 24 Financial Instruments (continued)

(d) Interest rate risk exposure

The Company's exposure to interest rate risk and the effective weighted average interest rate by maturity periods is set out in the following table:

#### Fixed interest maturing

					•		
2005	Weighted Average Effective Interest Rate	Floating interest	1 yr or Less \$	Over 1 yr to 5 yrs \$	More than 5 yrs	Non interest Bearing \$	Total \$
Financial assets				<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	· .
Cash	5.55%	-	5,226,876	_	-	-	5,226,876
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	168,499	168,499
Total financial assets	-	-	5,226,876	-	-	168,499	5,395,375
Financial liabilities							
Trade and othe	r creditors –	-	_	-	_	381,646	381,646
Total financial liabilit	ies –	-	-	_	-	381,646	381,646
Net financial assets	_	_	5,226,876	_	-	(213,147)	5,013,729

# (e) Net fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The net fair value of cash and cash equivalents and non interest bearing monetary financial assets and financial liabilities of the Company approximates their carrying amounts.

## 25 Statement of Operations By Segments

The entity only operates in the Australian mineral exploration sector where the Company is actively pursuing opportunities.

#### 26 Events Subsequent to Reporting Date

On 20 September 2005 Stellar Resources Limited agreed to acquire all of the issued capital of Hillment Pty Ltd, the registered holder of exploration licence 3372, by the issue of 1,600,000 ordinary shares at an issue price of 32 cents and \$100,000 cash payment.

On 27 September 2005 the Company issued 250,000 options under the Employee Option Plan. These options vest immediately and have a exercise price of 30 cents each and expire on 19 August 2009.

The financial effect of these transaction has not been brought to account in the 2005 financial report.

## 27 Company Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company is:

Level 7, 530 Little Collins Street, Melbourne

# INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT



#### **Chartered Accountants**

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# INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF STELLAR RESOURCES LIMITED ABN 96 108 758 961

#### Scope

The financial report and directors' responsibility

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position, statement of financial performance, statement of cash flows, accompanying notes to the financial statements and the directors' declaration for Stellar Resources Limited for the year ended 30 June 2005.

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 is presents fairly in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements and statutory requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Company's financial position and of its performance as represented by the results of its 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.

# **Audit Opinion**

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

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (iii) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2005 and of its performance for the period ended on that date; and
  - (iv) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia.

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Chartered Accountants

Melbourne: 29 September 2005

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# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR LISTED PUBLIC COMPANIES

The following additional information is required by Australian Stock Exchange Limited in respect of listed public companies.

# 1 Shareholding

The issued capital of the company was 49,238,168 ordinary shares fully paid as at 12 September 2005, of which 47,800,944 are listed on the Australian Stock Exchange. In addition, the company has on issue 3,500,000 unlisted director options to acquire shares at an exercise of \$0.30 cents per share at any time up to 10 December 2008.

#### (a) Distribution of Shareholder Numbers

Size of Holding	Number of Shareholders	Units	%	Number of Option holders	Units	%
1 – 1,000	205	95,850	0.19	-	_	-
1,001 – 5,000	502	1,489,020	3.02	-	-	-
5,001 – 10,000	278	2,278,350	4.63	-	_	-
10,001 – 100,000	768	24,470,936	49.70	_	_	-
100,001 and over	86	20,904,012	42.46	4	3,500,000	100.00
	1,839	49,238,168	100.00	4	3,500,000	100.00

<sup>(</sup>b) There were 273 shareholders who held less than a marketable parcel (1,563 shares) based on the market price of \$0.32.

# (c) 20 Largest Shareholders – Ordinary Shares

	Name		Number of Shares Held	%
1	L J Thomson Pty Ltd		1,045,852	2.12
2	Providence Gold and Minerals Pt	y Ltd	1,000,000	2.03
3	Mr Keith Shaw		1,000,000	2.03
4	Citicorp Nominees Pty Limited <	DPSL RE Directportfolio A/C>	805,000	1.63
5	Sunrise Productions Inc		756,522	1.54
6	Mr Arnold Olschyna		552,672	1.12
7	Carojon Pty Ltd <imbruglia super<="" td=""><td>Fund A/C&gt;</td><td>425,000</td><td>0.86</td></imbruglia>	Fund A/C>	425,000	0.86
8	Mishkan Pty Ltd		425,000	0.86
9	Evergem Pty Ltd		400,000	0.81
10	Gunn & Taylor (Aust) Pty <execu< td=""><td>ive Super Fund A/C&gt;</td><td>400,000</td><td>0.81</td></execu<>	ive Super Fund A/C>	400,000	0.81
11	UBS Private Clients Australia Nor	ninees Pty Ltd	382,824	0.78
12	Mr David Brian Clarke		367,213	0.75
13	Gilventures Pty Ltd		350,000	0.71
14	Temtor Pty Ltd		350,000	0.71
15	Mrs Michelle Louise Sharp		348,504	0.71
16	Noscita Dion Pty Ltd		300,000	0.61
17	Bokkar Nominees Pty Ltd		288,968	0.59
18	Lifchem Pty Ltd		275,000	0.56
19	New Privateer Holdings Ltd < Trace	ling No 2 A/C>	275,000	0.56
20	Rornik Capital Pty Ltd <rornik ca<="" td=""><td>pital Fund A/C&gt;</td><td>271,500</td><td>0.55</td></rornik>	pital Fund A/C>	271,500	0.55
			10,019,055	20.35

# (d) Voting Rights

Voting rights of members are governed by the company's Constitution. In summary, on the show of hands, every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote and, upon a poll, every such attending member shall be entitled to one vote for every share held.

# (e) Unquoted and Restricted Securities

# Options over un-issued Shares

3,500,000 options are on issue to four Stellar Directors. These options are exercisable up to 10 December 2008 at an exercisable price of 30 cents.

#### **Restricted Shares**

1,437,224 shares issued to five current and former Stellar Directors (or related parties) are in escrow until 28 April 2007.

# **SCHEDULE OF TENEMENTS**

Area (Km²)	Stellar Interest Held (%)	Registered Title Holder	Date Granted	Expiry On / Payment Due	Notes
Exploration Lice	ence EL4632 - Triako Join	t Venture, New South Wales			
61	See note	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd, Triako Resources Ltd	21/12/1993	20/12/2005	Stellar right to earn 51% & 60% interest.
Exploration Lice	ence EL6101 - Yanco Gler	ı, New South Wales			
54	100	Balrone Holdings Pty Ltd	25/07/2003	24/07/2005	Pending renewal.
Mining Lease M	1L4650 - Tarcoola Project	, South Australia			
15.61 ha	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	11/01/2005	10/01/2010	
Mining Lease M	NL4667 - Tarcoola Project	, South Australia			
4.49 ha	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	11/01/2005	10/01/2010	
Mining Lease N	NL5179 - Tarcoola Project	, South Australia			
4.68 ha	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	11/01/2005	10/01/2010	
Mining Lease M	NL5300 - Tarcoola Project	, South Australia			
2.89 ha	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	11/01/2005	10/01/2010	
Exploration Lice	ence EL2838 - Sherlock, S	South Australia			
101	See note	Vintage Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd	10/09/2001	9/09/2006	Option to acquire 100%
Exploration Lice	ence EL2898 - Cooladding	g, South Australia			
74	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	5/03/2002	4/03/2007	
Exploration Lice	ence EL2911 - Cedric Bor	e, South Australia			
228	See note	Vintage Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd	2/04/2002	1/04/2009	Option to acquire 100%
Exploration Lice	ence EL3089 - Tarcoola, S	outh Australia			
1249	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	2/06/2003	1/06/2008	
Exploration Lice	ence EL3204 - Uno, South	n Australia			
107	See note	Vintage Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd	5/05/2004	4/05/2009	Option to acquire 100%
Exploration Lice	ence EL3205 - Pinding, Sc	outh Australia			
500	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	10/05/2004	9/05/2009	
Exploration Lice	ence EL3293 - Tintinara, S	South Australia			
	See note	Vintage Exploration	18/01/2005	17/01/2010	Option to
312	See note	and Mining Pty Ltd			acquire 100%
	ence EL3253 - Hierns We	5 7			acquire 100%

Area (Km²)	Stellar Interest Held (%)	Registered Title Holder	Date Granted	Expiry On / Payment Due	Notes				
Exploration Lice	Exploration Licence EL3295 - Ki Ki, South Australia								
190	See note	Vintage Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd	18/01/2005	17/01/2010	Option to acquire 100%				
Exploration Lice	ence EL3336 - Robin Rise	e, South Australia							
818	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	9/05/2005	8/05/2006					
Exploration Lice	ence EL3369 - Carnding,	South Australia							
263	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd	4/07/2005	3/07/2006					
Exploration Lice	ence Application ELA212	2/05 Lake Woorong, South Australia							
889	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd			Applic date18/4/05				
Exploration Lice	ence Application ELA337	7/05 Kychering, South Australia							
91	100	Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd			Applic date 6/7/05				
Exploration Lice	ence EL46/2003 - Heems	skirk, Tasmania							
193	100	Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	3/02/2005	9/02/2010					
Exploration Lice	ence EL1/2004 - Ramsay	River, Tasmania							
90	100	Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	3/02/2005	9/02/2010					
Exploration Lice	ence EL49/2004 - Rayne,	Tasmania							
28	100	Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	3/02/2005	9/02/2010					
Exploration Lice	ence EL50/2004 - Ewart	Creek, Tasmania							
32	100	Rubicon Min Tech Ventures Pty Ltd	3/02/2005	9/02/2010					
Exploration Lice	ence EL4525 - North Ben	digo, Victoria							
374	50	Providence Gold and Minerals P.L., Stellar Resources Ltd.	11/01/2001	10/01/2006					
Petroleum Expl	oration Permit PEP155 -	Marlo Block, Gippsland Basin, Victoria							
1000	3	Petro Tech Pty Ltd	29/08/2000	16/02/2006					
Exploration Per	mit for Petroleum EPP V	ic/P40(V) - Gippsland Basin, Bass Strai	t, Victoria						
400	9.8	Petro Tech Pty Ltd	20/04/2004	19/04/2010					
Exploration Per	mit for Petroleum EPP V	ic/P47 - Gilbert Block, Gippsland Basin	, Bass Strait, Victo	oria					
230	3	Moby Oil and Gas Ltd., Bass Strait Oil Company Ltd., Eagle Bay Resources N.L.	28/05/2001	27/02/2008					

# **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

#### **Directors**

Thomas J Burrowes (Chairman)
Barrie E Laws (Non Executive)
David J Isles (Executive)
Christopher G Anderson (Executive)

# **Company Secretary**

Bill Michaelidis Melvyn J Drummond

# **Registered Office**

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# **Share Registry**

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shares held at this address

# **Legal Advisers**

Bryan Cumming Level 7, Exchange Tower 530 Little Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000

## **Auditor**

BDO 563 Bourke Street Melbourne VIC 3000

#### **Bankers**

National Australia Bank Limited Level 2, 330 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000

# Principal Stock Exchange

Australian Stock Exchange Limited 530 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000

ASX code for shares: SRZ



