

# Independent Auditor's Review Report

### To the Directors of Perpetual Trustee Company Limited

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the summaries of transactions given as part of the *Managed Discretionary Accounts* (the *MDA*) services provided by Perpetual Trustee Company Limited (the *MDA Operator*) to its retail clients during the year ended **30 June 2021** (the *Annual Investor Statements*) given under subparagraph 912 AEF (4)(a) of *ASIC Corporations (Managed Discretionary Account Services) Instrument 2016/968* (the *Instrument*).

We have also reviewed the quarterly reports for each quarter during the year ended **30 June 2021** that have been given by the MDA Operator under subparagraph 912 AEF (2)(a) of the Instrument for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports for the year ended 30 June 2021 given to the clients of Perpetual Trustee Company Limited have been materially misstated or have not been presented, in accordance with the specified basis of preparation.

The Annual Investor Statements under subparagraph 912 AEF (4)(a) of the Instrument and the Quarterly Reports under subparagraph 912 AEF (2)(a) for the Instrument, for each client, comprise the following summary information in relation to the requirements of the subparagraph 912 AEF (1) under the Instrument:

- Particulars of all transactions effected as part of the MDA services provided to the client during each three month period (the *reporting period*) ending on each quarter day;
- The particulars of, and a reasonable valuation of, each of the client's portfolio assets at the end
  of the reporting period;
- As at the beginning and the end of the reporting period, the total value of the Client's portfolio assets and the total value of liabilities that the client has that were incurred in the operation of the MDA services;
- All revenue and expenses including fees and charges relating to the MDA services; and

The Directors' assertions about the controls over the Annual Investor Statements and Quarterly reports are included in the Directors' declaration.

#### Emphasis of matter - basis of preparation and restriction on use and distribution

The Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly reports have been prepared by the MDA Operator in accordance with the specified basis of preparation in order to comply with the requirements of the Instrument. As a result, the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly reports may not be suitable for another purpose.

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Our report is intended solely for the Directors of the MDA Operator and the clients and should not be used by or distributed to any other parties. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this Auditor's Report, or on the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly reports to which it relates, to any person other than the Directors of the MDA Operator and the clients. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Responsibilities of management for the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports

Management of the MDA Operator are responsible for:

- the presentation and preparation of the clients' Annual Investor Statements and Quarterly Reports for the year ended 30 June 2021 in accordance with the specified basis of preparation in order to comply with the requirements of the Instrument; and
- such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of Annual Investor Statements and Quarterly Reports that are free from material misstatement and non-compliance with the Instrument, whether due to fraud or error.

The Directors of the MDA Operator are responsible for

- preparing the Directors' declaration on the Directors' assertions about the controls over the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports; and
- determining the accounting policies used as described in the specified basis of preparation in Annual Investor Statements and The Quarterly Reports. The specified basis of preparation including the basis of accounting comply with the requirements of the Instrument and meet the needs of the Clients.

## Auditor's responsibility for the review of the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly reports

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports based on our review.

We conducted our review in accordance with *Standard on Review Engagements* ASRE 2405 *Review of Historical Financial Information Other than a Financial Report* and other auditing standards applicable to a review engagement in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports have been materially misstated or have not been presented, in accordance with the specified basis of preparation in relation to the requirements of the Instrument. We express no opinion as to whether the specified basis of preparation is appropriate to the needs of the Clients.

A review of the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports consists of making enquiries, primarily of the MDA Operator's personnel responsible for the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

We have also performed an independent audit of internal controls and other relevant accounting procedures of the MDA Operator, including those over its custodian(s) and any other relevant person acting on behalf of the MDA Operator as they relate to the preparation of the Annual Investor Statements and the Quarterly Reports (the internal controls). We have issued a separate unqualified



audit opinion to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the internal controls implemented by the MDA Operator were suitably designed and operated effectively to ensure that there are no material deviations in controls as they relate to the preparation of the clients' Annual Investor Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 and the Quarterly Reports for each quarter during the year ended 30 June 2021.

ASRE 2405 requires us to comply with the independence and other relevant ethical requirements of the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* issued by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board.

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Sydney 6 September 2021