

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

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SNOWY
1949 - 2019

Snowy Hydro Limited and its Controlled Entities

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For the financial period ended 30 June 2019

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CORPORATE DIRECTORY

Directors

Noel Cornish AM, Chair
BSc (Met), MEngSc, FAICD

Paul Broad, Managing Director
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The Hon. Helen Coonan
BA, LLB

Joycelyn Morton
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Richard Sheppard
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Leeanne K Bond
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Scott Mitchell (appointed 26 March 2019)
GAICD

Karen Moses (appointed 1 July 2019)
BEc, Dip Ed, FAICD.

Sandra Dodds (appointed 1 July 2019)
BCom, FCA, GAICD

Nigel Clark (retired 30 June 2019)
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Michael Ihlein (retired 30 June 2019)
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Under section 98 of the Public Governance, Accountability and Performance Act 2013 (PGPA Act), the Auditor-General must also provide a report on the Company's financial statements.

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CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S MESSAGE

It is a very exciting time in the Company's proud 70 year history. With the National Electricity Market (NEM) undergoing a rapid transformation, Snowy Hydro's role in keeping the lights on is more important now than ever before.

Over the past two years, we have witnessed profound changes in the NEM, with variable intermittent wind and solar developments, 'firmed' by gas, hydro and storage, displacing coal-fired generation as the lowest cost source of energy. As the nation rapidly transitions to a renewable energy future, Snowy Hydro's core foundations of on-demand generation and large-scale energy storage capability, currently being increased by the Snowy 2.0 expansion, are critical to prevent persistent blackouts and high energy costs to consumers and businesses for future generations.

In the short term, the Company faces significant headwinds with a forecast third consecutive year of drought conditions and ongoing intense regulatory intervention particularly affecting our retail business. Despite these challenges, this year the Company delivered a number of significant milestones.

When reflecting on our achievements, the safety and wellbeing of our people remains our first priority and we are committed to continually improving our safety performance and practices. We continue to invest in maintaining best practice safety standards and a strong safety culture across the Company. Our safety performance is, and will always be, our first measure of success and achievement.

In March this year, we broke ground on Snowy 2.0, following planning approvals for the exploratory works. Site access roadworks and construction for the workers' accommodation are in full swing, and we expect to have the first tunnel underway by the end of this year. After almost two years of planning, rigorous economic analysis, market modelling, a comprehensive geotechnical investigation program, procurement and environmental studies, seeing the project kick off was a standout moment for the Company.

Last November, we signed 888MW of long-term contracts with eight new wind and solar projects through our Renewable Energy Procurement Program. The Program was an outstanding success. It provides the Company with access to competitively priced energy that will resolve Snowy Hydro's long standing short energy position by removing our dependence on the larger players for our energy needs, increase competition for energy supply in the NEM, and enable passing on lower wholesale prices to our customers. It also provides us with an ideal platform to launch further wind and solar tenders and is a key contributor to realising the Company's growth ambitions.

While new renewables will lower prices for households and businesses, these projects need better and immediate access to the shared transmission network so they can deliver power to major load centres and access large-scale storage. The growth of renewables also means there is a greater need for firm, on-demand generation. The rapid increase in renewable energy developments and the ageing coal fleet in the NEM are putting immense pressure on the grid, with prolonged high price events and sub-zero spot market pricing a regular feature of the market. An extreme example of this increased variability and lack of firm generation was experienced on the 24th and 25th of January, when severe load-shedding occurred in Victoria. The Australian Energy Market Operator has forecast that over 1 million Victorian households are at further risk of blackouts over the upcoming summer.

The most effective way to address these issues is through increased transmission capacity and improved interconnection. This is the single most critical initiative to prevent blackouts, lower costs for consumers, increase competition and maximise efficiency. The Snowy Scheme currently has 1500MW of constrained capacity that could be available to Melbourne and 1200MW to Sydney if the augmented transmission infrastructure was in place today. Given the lead time to upgrade transmission capability, decisive action is required now. We continue to advocate for these developments.

On the retail front, both Red Energy and Lumo Energy maintained market leading positions in industry customer satisfaction awards and Net Promoter Score performance amongst their peers, demonstrating incredible resilience amidst a fiercely competitive and turbulent regulatory environment. Despite extremely tight margins and high customer churn, we achieved a new record of 1.09 million customers, supported by a fourth year of strong customer growth in NSW. Our continued growth in these difficult conditions is underpinned by our commitment to putting customers first and doing the right thing by them. The strategic partnership with Qantas also exceeded all expectations. We will continue to build on our track record of outstanding customer service and leverage the outstanding reputation of our retail brands and the mighty Snowy to maintain growth in our retail markets.

Snowy Hydro's Standard & Poor's (S&P) credit rating was upgraded in June 2019 to A- (from BBB+), reflecting our capacity for future investments. The strength of Snowy Hydro's balance sheet and its focus on earnings and value-accretive investments place the Company on a solid foundation to pursue further growth in all of its business segments.

Our people and assets also performed exceptionally well, with our entire fleet of reliable plant available to deliver energy when most needed by the NEM, in particular Victoria which experienced extreme volatility in late January 2019 and early March 2019.

Snowy Hydro is committed to investing in our people and the communities where we live and work. We provide health and wellbeing initiatives across the business and development opportunities for staff by creating a pipeline of technical and trade skills, with almost 10% of the workforce in the Generation business in development programs like apprenticeships, traineeships and cadetships. We also continue our support and sponsorship of community activities and initiatives, and maintain significant partnerships with organisations focused on delivering better employment and health outcomes including the Clontarf Foundation, the Police Citizens Youth Clubs, the Country Universities Centre, Breast Cancer Network Australia and NSW Swifts Netball.

As we celebrate and reflect on our 70 year footprint, Snowy Hydro's visionary thinking, foresight and diligence mean it is yet again embarking on an iconic project that will secure Australia's energy future for generations to come. It's a privilege to lead this organisation as we take on the immense challenges and opportunities ahead of us.



Noel H Cornish AM, Chairman



Paul A Broad, Managing Director

OUR PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Snowy Hydro is a public company incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (*Corporations Act*), wholly owned by the Commonwealth, and subject to the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (Cth) (*PGPA Act*). Snowy Hydro also remains subject to the *Snowy Hydro Corporatisation Act 1997* (Cth)¹ (*Corporatisation Act*), which confirms that Snowy Hydro is not a part of, and does not represent, the Commonwealth, and is not a public authority for any purpose and is taken not to have been constituted or established for a public purpose, or for a purpose of the Commonwealth.

The Commonwealth acquired 100% of the shares in Snowy Hydro on 29 June 2018, on which date Snowy Hydro became a Commonwealth company under the PGPA Act. The Company was declared to be a Government Business Enterprise (GBE) on 2 July 2018. The Company's Shareholder Ministers at the time of acquisition were Senator The Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance, and The Hon Josh Frydenberg MP, Minister for Environment and Energy. From 28 August 2018, the Company's Shareholder Ministers have been Senator The Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance, and The Hon Angus Taylor MP, Minister for Energy and Emissions Reduction.

On 15 October 2018, the Shareholder Ministers issued a Statement of Expectations (SOE) to the Company, and amended the Constitution of the Company. On 26 February 2019, having provided Shareholder approval for Snowy 2.0 under the Constitution, the Shareholder Ministers issued an updated SOE.

The Shareholder Ministers have not issued any directions to the Company under its Constitution, an Act or an instrument during the period, and no government policy orders apply in relation to the Company under section 93 of the PGPA Act. The Company is not subject to a community service obligation.

The Company's SOE² requires the Company to operate at arm's length from the Government. The SOE confirms that the Board of the Company has ultimate responsibility for the performance of the Company and is accountable to the Commonwealth as its sole Shareholder. In accordance with the SOE, the Company is a commercial entity and is expected to operate on a commercial basis, with flexibility and discretion in its operational and commercial decisions within the bounds of the legislative and governance framework. Under the SOE, the Company is expected to compete in these markets in accordance with the Commonwealth's Competitive Neutrality Policy, and deliver financial returns consistent with commercial operations.

The SOE states that the Commonwealth acquired 100% of the shares in the Company to support the transition of Australia's energy system, and in particular, to support the expansion of pumped-hydro in the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Scheme, through Snowy 2.0. Snowy 2.0 is a unique opportunity to build national economic infrastructure with real and lasting benefits for Australia and the generations to come.

The SOE also states that the objectives of the Company (Objectives) are to develop, operate and maintain the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Scheme; own and operate other facilities for the generation of electricity; and participate in wholesale and retail markets for the sale and purchase of electricity and gas and markets for related contracts and services.

The Company's strengths and future aspirations are captured in its Purpose, to "delight our customers with service, backed by the mighty Snowy". The Purpose has taken on renewed meaning given the leading role that the Company is playing in underpinning the reliability and stability of Australia's energy system as it undergoes rapid transition, and has as its foundation the existing and future generating and energy storage capabilities of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Scheme and the industry-leading customer experience delivered by the Company's retail business under the Red Energy and Lumo Energy brands.

¹ Section 8

² 26th February 2019

A winter landscape featuring a dam in the foreground, partially covered in snow. The background shows a snow-covered hillside under a blue sky with white clouds. A large, semi-transparent blue rectangle is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text 'DIRECTORS' REPORT' in white, bold, sans-serif font.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

DIRECTORS' REPORT

In accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Directors of Snowy Hydro Limited present their report on the consolidated entity (Snowy Hydro or the Group) consisting of Snowy Hydro Limited (the Company) and its controlled entities, for the period ended 30 June 2019.

Principal Activities

Snowy Hydro is a producer, supplier, trader and retailer of energy in the NEM and a leading provider of risk management financial hedge contracts. In addition, we are a water manager operating under a stringent water licence. Snowy Hydro captures, stores, diverts water and releases it for the use of irrigators, town water supplies and the environment.

Snowy Hydro has more than 5500 megawatts (MW) of generating capacity across New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia including the iconic 4100MW Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Scheme, the 300MW Valley Power gas-fired power station, the 320MW Laverton North gas-fired power station in Victoria; the 667MW gas-fired power station at Colongra in New South Wales and 136MW of diesel generation at Port Stanvac and Angaston in South Australia. Snowy Hydro has also established an offtake agreement with renewable developer Equis for 100MW of large-scale solar generation at Taillem Bend in South Australia, which commenced in April 2019. Additionally, Snowy Hydro has procured 888MW of wind and solar derivative offtake agreements as part of the Renewable Energy Procurement Program.

Snowy Hydro is the fourth largest retailer in the NEM through two award-winning retail energy companies - Red Energy and Lumo Energy. We bring competitive tension to the NEM which helps achieve the best price outcomes for consumers. Our retail businesses have more than one million customer accounts in the NEM including households, Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and Commercial and Industrial customers (C&I) across Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and Queensland. Snowy Hydro also operates the utilities connection business Direct Connect.

Our people

Snowy Hydro employs 1,886 people, with 92.7% of them working on an ongoing basis. 85.8% are full time employees and 14.2% work part time. 40.1% are female, 59.8% are male and 0.1% are indeterminate, intersex or unspecified.

Most of our employees are based in Victoria (66.1%) and New South Wales (32.4%), with 1.5% based in other locations.

Dividends

Dividends paid during the financial year were as follows:

\$million	2019	2018
Final dividend Final dividend for 2018 of 65.00 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 31 October 2018 (2018: Final dividend for 2017 of 65.00 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 27 October 2017)	130.0	130.0
Interim dividend Interim dividend for 2019 of 54.25 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 18 April 2019 (2018: Interim dividend for 2018 of 67.50 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 27 April 2018)	108.5	135.0

Since the end of the financial year, the Directors have determined a final dividend for 2019 of 54.25 cents per share fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, payable on 25 October 2019.

Review of operations and future developments

A review of the operations and results of Snowy Hydro during the period is set out in the Operating and Financial Review, which is attached to and forms part of this Directors' Report. Information about likely developments in the operations of Snowy Hydro and the expected results of those operations in the future has been included in this report except to the extent disclosure of the information would be likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the consolidated entity.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

On 29 June 2018, the Commonwealth of Australia completed the acquisition of the 58% and 29% shares of the Company previously owned by the New South Wales and Victorian governments respectively. The Company continues to operate as a Corporations Act company with an independent Board of Directors.

On 1 July 2018, Snowy Hydro became a GBE, subject to the Commonwealth Government Business Enterprises - Governance and Oversight Guidelines (GBE guidelines). The 2019 Annual Report includes additional disclosures as required by the PGPA Act and GBE guidelines.

On 2 July 2018, the share transfer to the Commonwealth of Australia was registered, and it became the sole owner under the Company's Constitution.

In the opinion of the Directors there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of Snowy Hydro that occurred during the financial year other than those included in this Directors' Report.

Events subsequent to balance sheet date

The Directors are not aware of any other matters or circumstances that have arisen since 30 June 2019, which have significantly affected, or may significantly affect the operations of Snowy Hydro in future financial years, the results of those operations in future financial years, or the state of affairs of Snowy Hydro in future financial years.

Directors and Company Secretary Information

The names of the Directors of the Company that held office during and since the end of the financial year are:



Noel H Cornish AM
BSc (Met), MEngSc, FAICD

Non-Executive Director since August 2012 and Chairman since February 2015.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Member of the Safety, Operations & Environment Risk, People & Culture and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Noel was previously the Chief Executive Officer of BlueScope Limited's Australian and New Zealand businesses, President of North Star BHP LLC in Ohio USA, National President of Ai Group and Deputy Chancellor of the University of Wollongong. Noel was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2017 for his outstanding service through business leadership and community service.

Other Directorships

Chairman of IMB Limited.
Director of Forestry Corporation NSW and UOW Global Enterprises (a subsidiary group of the University of Wollongong).



Paul A Broad
BCom (Hons), MCom (Econ)

Non-Executive Director since June 2013 then Managing Director since July 2013.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Member of the Snowy 2.0 Funding Committee and ex-officio attendee of all other Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Prior to joining Snowy Hydro Paul was the Chief Executive Officer of Infrastructure NSW, AAPT, PowerTel, EnergyAustralia, Sydney Water and Hunter Water. In addition he was formerly Chairman of the Hunter Development Corporation.

Other Directorships

Former Director of iiNet Limited.



The Hon. Helen L Coonan
BA, LLB

Non-Executive Director since January 2014.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Member of the People & Culture, Snowy 2.0 and Snowy 2.0 Funding Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Helen is a former Senator for New South Wales serving in the Australian Parliament from 1996 to 2011. In Parliament, Helen served as the Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate. She was appointed to Cabinet as the former Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts and was shareholder Minister for Telstra Corporation and Australia Post. She also served as the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer and had portfolio oversight of the Australian Taxation Office and the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority. She is the recipient of a Centenary Medal for service to the Australian Parliament.

Other Directorships

Inaugural Chair of the Australian Financial Complaints Authority, and Chair of Minerals Council of Australia, Chair HGL Limited, Chair Place Management NSW and Chair Supervised Investments Limited., Co Chair GRACosway Pty Limited., Director of Crown Resorts Limited., Obesity Australia Limited, Australian Children's Television Foundation and Advisory Council Member JP Morgan.



Joycelyn Morton
BEC, FCPA, FCA, FIPA, FGIA, FAICD

Non-Executive Director since August 2012.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Chair of the Audit & Compliance Committee and member of the Portfolio Risk and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Joycelyn has extensive business and accounting experience as an executive and non-executive director in infrastructure, energy, manufacturing, retail and financial services. She held global leadership roles in Australia and internationally within the Shell Group of companies, preceded by senior management roles with Woolworths Limited and Coopers & Lybrand (now PwC). Joycelyn was National President of both CPA Australia and Professionals Australia, she has served on many committees and councils in the private, government and not-for-profit sectors. In 2003 Joycelyn was awarded Life Membership of CPA Australia for her outstanding service to the profession.

Other Directorships

Director of Beach Energy Limited, Argo Investments Limited, Argo Global Listed Infrastructure Limited and ASC Pty Limited. Formerly a Director of Invocare Limited, Thorn Group Limited, Crane Group Limited, Count Financial Limited and Noni B Limited.



Richard Sheppard
BEC (Hons), FAICD

Non-Executive Director since May 2015.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Chair of the People & Culture and Snowy 2.0 Funding Committees, and member of the Snowy 2.0 Committee.

Experience and Expertise

Richard is a former Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Macquarie Bank Limited and chaired the boards of a number of Macquarie's listed entities. Prior to joining Macquarie Group's predecessor, Hill Samuel Australia, Richard spent seven years with the Reserve Bank. He has also served as Chairman of the Commonwealth Government's Financial Sector Advisory Council. Richard was Chairman of Earing Energy from 2012 to 2014, and Chairman of Green State Power from 2014 to 2015.

Other Directorships

Chairman of Dexu Property Group, Director of Star Entertainment Group and the Bradman Foundation.



Leeanne Bond
BE (Chem), MBA, RPEQ, HonFIEAust, CPEng Eng Exec, FAICD

Non-Executive Director since November 2015.

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Chair of the Safety, Operations & Environment Risk Committee and member of the Portfolio Risk and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Leeanne has 30 years' experience across a broad range of industrial sectors including energy, minerals, infrastructure and water resources. She is the sole director and owner of Breakthrough Energy Pty Limited, a project and business development consulting firm. Prior to this Leeanne held a number of management roles over a 10 year period with Worley in Queensland, including General Manager (Qld, NT & PNG), where she negotiated project alliances and supervised contracts and projects with many Australian and international companies. She is also currently the Executive for Diversity and Inclusion at Downer's Mining Energy and Industrial division.

Other Directorships

Chair of Synertec Corporation Limited. Director of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited, JKTech and Qado Services. Board member of Clean Energy Finance Corporation. Formerly a Director of Coffey International Limited and Queensland Building and Construction Commission.



Scott Mitchell
GAICD

Non-Executive Director since 26 March 2019

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Member of the Audit & Compliance and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Scott brings a deep knowledge of Federal and State government and a range of skills including public policy, budget management, strategic development and implementation, and stakeholder relations. Scott was formerly the Federal Director of the National Party and has more than 20 years' experience advising both Federal and State governments, including Adviser to former Trade Minister, the Hon Mark Vaile AO, Policy Manager at the National Farmers' Federation, and Chief of Staff to the Hon Terry Redman MP, a former Western Australian Minister for Agriculture and Food, Forestry and Corrective Services. Scott has been running his own consultancy since February 2017, advising major Australian companies across a range of sectors on government relations strategies, communications and regulatory issues at a State and Federal level. Scott also does pro bono work with a number of organisations.

Other Directorships

Director of Field and Game Australia.



Karen Moses
BEc, Dip Ed, FAICD

Non-Executive Director since 1 July 2019

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Chair of the Portfolio Risk Committee and member of the Safety, Operations & Environment Risk and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Karen was appointed to the Board on July 1, 2019. She previously spent over 30 years in the energy industry covering upstream production, generation, supply and retail with Origin Energy, Exxon and BP. Executive roles included the Finance Strategy Director and COO for Origin Energy. In 2017, she became a member of the Future Security of the National Energy Market Finkel Review Panel.

Other Directorships

Non-Executive Director of Boral Limited, Orica Limited, Charter Hall Limited, Sydney University and Sydney Symphony.



Sandra Dodds
BCom, FCA, GAICD

Non-Executive Director since 1 July 2019

Other Snowy Hydro Responsibilities

Member of the Audit & Compliance, Safety, Operations & Environment Risk and Snowy 2.0 Committees.

Experience and Expertise

Sandra has a broad and diverse industrial background with experience working in highly regulated environments in Australia, New Zealand and Asia. Sandra began her career as a chartered accountant at KPMG in New Zealand before transitioning to operational roles. Prior to Sandra's last role as CEO Urban Infrastructure ANZ at Broadspectrum (formerly known as Transfield Services Ltd) Sandra spent ten years at Downer EDI Limited where Sandra held a number of senior executive leadership roles which included CEO Downer Asia.

Other Directorships

Non-Executive Director of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia and ARRB (Australia Road Research Board). Formerly Chair of TW Power Services Limited and a Director of Sydney Harbour Ferries Limited.

Company Secretary

Praveena Karunaharan, BCom / BSc, CFA

Praveena was appointed Company Secretary on 29 June 2018. She has over 15 years' experience in senior governance, risk and compliance roles, including current Non-Executive Directorships in the not-for-profit sector.

Directors' Meetings

The number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors and of each Board Committee held during the period ended 30 June 2019, and the number of meetings attended by each Director were:

Directors	Board meetings		Committee meetings													
			Audit & Compliance		Portfolio Risk		Safety, Operations, Environment Risk		People & Culture		Retail Operations		Snowy 2.0 Funding		Snowy 2.0	
	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A
Noel H Cornish AM	12	12					4	4	5	5					12	12
Paul A Broad	12	12									3	3	12	11	12	12
The Hon. Helen L Coonan	12	12					4	4			3	3			12	12
Michael F Ihlein ^[1]	12	12	4	4					5	5			12	12	12	12
Joycelyn C Morton	12	12	4	4	4	4									12	12
Richard Sheppard	12	12	4	4	4	3							12	11	12	12
Nigel J Clark ^[1]	12	12							5	5	3	3			12	12
Leeanne K Bond	12	12			4	4	4	4			3	3			12	12
Scott Mitchell ^[2]	3	3													3	3

[1] Retired on 30 June 2019

[2] From the date of appointment on 26 March 2019

H Number of meetings held during the time the Director held office or was a member of the committee during the year

A Number of meetings attended

In addition to scheduled meetings, Directors conducted visits of Company operations at various sites and met with operational management during the year.

Indemnities and insurance for Directors and Officers

Under its Constitution, the Company must indemnify current and past Directors and Officers for any liability incurred by them as a Director or Officer of the Company or its related bodies corporate to the extent allowed under law. The Constitution also permits the Company to purchase and maintain a Directors and Officers' insurance policy.

The Company has entered into agreements with current Directors and certain former Directors where they are indemnified from any loss, expense or damage in accordance with the terms and subject to the limits set by the Constitution.

The agreements stipulate that the Company will meet the full amount of any such loss, expense or damage, allowed under the law. The Company is not aware of any liability having arisen, and no claim has been made against the Company during or since the period ended 30 June 2019 under these agreements.

No indemnity has been granted to an auditor of the Company in their capacity as auditor of the Company, or any related body corporate.

During the year, the Company has paid premiums in respect of a contract insuring Directors, Company Secretary and other Officers against liabilities incurred in their capacity as Director or Officer, as the case may be, of the consolidated entity. The contract prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liabilities and the amount of the premium.

Environmental regulation

Snowy Hydro's operations are subject to environmental laws and regulations as well as project and site-specific environmental permits and approvals issued at the Federal, State and Local Government levels. These include the Kosciuszko National Park Plan of Management and the Snowy Management Plan for operations within Kosciuszko National Park; Environmental Protection Licences and Authorisations applicable to each of Snowy Hydro's generation facilities; and the Snowy Water Licence which prescribes rights and obligations with respect to the collection, diversion, storage, use and release of water within the Snowy Scheme and the release of environmental flows.

There were no environmental non-compliances resulting in regulatory action or intervention (such as infringement notices, penalties or official cautions) during the financial year. Snowy Hydro had some minor non-conformances that were not subject to regulatory action, and these were reported to the relevant regulator in line with Snowy Hydro's licence conditions and internal processes.

Amendments to Legislation

Notable changes to relevant legislation and regulation affecting the Company are set out below.

Retail Price Controls

In 2018/2019 important changes were introduced regarding the sale and advertising of electricity. For jurisdictions to which the National Energy Retail Law applies, the *Competition and Consumer (Industry Code – Electricity Retail) Regulations 2019* empowered the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) to determine maximum standing offer prices that must be offered to small electricity customers, and imposed new advertising requirements for retailers. In Victoria, the *Energy Legislation Amendment (Victorian Default Offer) Act 2019* and associated regulations introduced a requirement for electricity retailers to offer a Victorian Default Offer which does not exceed the relevant reference price and imposed new advertising requirements for retailers.

Wholesale Electricity Market

A significant number of changes to the National Electricity Rules have been completed or are pending. These include changes relating to AEMO's Reliability and Emergency Reserve Trader' (RERT) function, the Retailer Reliability Obligation, demand management, MT PASA and transmission access reform.

Snowy Water Licence

In December 2018 the NSW Department of Industry released its final report of its ten-year review of the Snowy Water licence. That report recommended a number of administrative licence amendments to increase transparency, secure current practice and fix known errors. Those changes have not yet been implemented but are scheduled for 2019. The report also proposed further investigations in relation to water release and environmental water delivery, to be followed by a second round of licence amendments in 2021.

Judicial and Administrative Decisions

There were no significant judicial or administrative decisions affecting the operations of the Company.

Proceedings on behalf of the Company

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the *Corporations Act* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company, or to intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or part of those proceedings. Snowy Hydro was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

Rounding

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, dated 24 March 2016, and in accordance with that Corporations Instrument amounts in the Directors' Report and the Financial Report have been rounded off to the nearest one hundred thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Non-audit services

Snowy Hydro may decide to employ the external auditor on assignments additional to their statutory audit duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the Company and/or the Snowy Hydro group of companies are important.

Non-audit services have been provided during the year by the external auditor, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu. Disclosure of the details of these services can be found in Note 28 of the 2019 Financial Report.

The Board of Directors has considered the position, and in accordance with advice received from the Board Audit & Compliance Committee, is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services during the year by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu:

- is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the Corporations Act; and
- did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act in view of the materiality of the amounts, the nature of the services and the processes established to monitor the independence of the auditors.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the external auditor's declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act in relation to the audit for the financial year is on pages 104-5 of the Financial Report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors



Noel H Cornish AM, Chairman
Sydney, 28 August 2019



Paul A Broad, Managing Director
Sydney, 28 August 2019



REMUNERATION REPORT

REMUNERATION REPORT

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1. Our organisation and key management personnel

The purpose of the Remuneration Report is to set out the principles, strategy and framework Snowy Hydro applies to remunerate key management personnel (KMP). The report demonstrates how the remuneration strategy is aligned to Snowy Hydro's goals and strategic priorities, enabling performance-based reward and supporting the attraction and retention of high calibre Executives.

The framework is designed to attract, motivate and retain high calibre executives with the experience and skills to lead a large complex organisation. This framework is robust and consistent with contemporary market practice. Core to the Company's remuneration strategy is a clear and direct link between pay, and both the organisation and the individual's performance. This is achieved by:

- A remuneration framework which has a fixed component, as well as "at risk" components with short term (STI) and long term incentives (LTI). These incentives are only paid if agreed performance gates and Board approved stretch Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are met;
- An annual review of the framework by independent advisors, including the specific performance measures under the STI and LTI programs; and
- Benchmarking of the framework against market practice.

The Company positions target total remuneration competitively against comparable organisations in the Australian market. Benchmarking is undertaken annually by independent advisors, and reviewed by the Snowy Hydro People and Culture Committee.

The report details financial year 2019 (FY2019) remuneration information for the year ended 30 June 2019 as it applies to KMP who are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly. Snowy Hydro has assessed KMP to include Board Directors, the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director (CEO & MD) and selected Executives.

Table 1: FY2019 Key Management Personnel (KMP)

Name	Position	KMP Term
Board Directors¹		
Noel Cornish AM	Chair	Full Year
Paul Broad	Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director (CEO & MD)	Full Year
Leeanne Bond	Non-Executive Director	Full Year
Nigel Clark ²	Non-Executive Director	Full Year
The Hon. Helen Coonan	Non-Executive Director	Full Year
Michael Ihlein ³	Non-Executive Director	Full Year
Scott Mitchell ⁴	Non-Executive Director	Part Year
Joycelyn Morton	Non-Executive Director	Full Year
Richard Sheppard	Non-Executive Director	Full Year

1 Sandra Dodds and Karen Moses were appointed as Non-Executive Directors on 1 July 2019 therefore there is no remuneration to report for the reporting period ending 30 June 2019.

2 Nigel Clark ceased to be KMP on 30 June 2019.

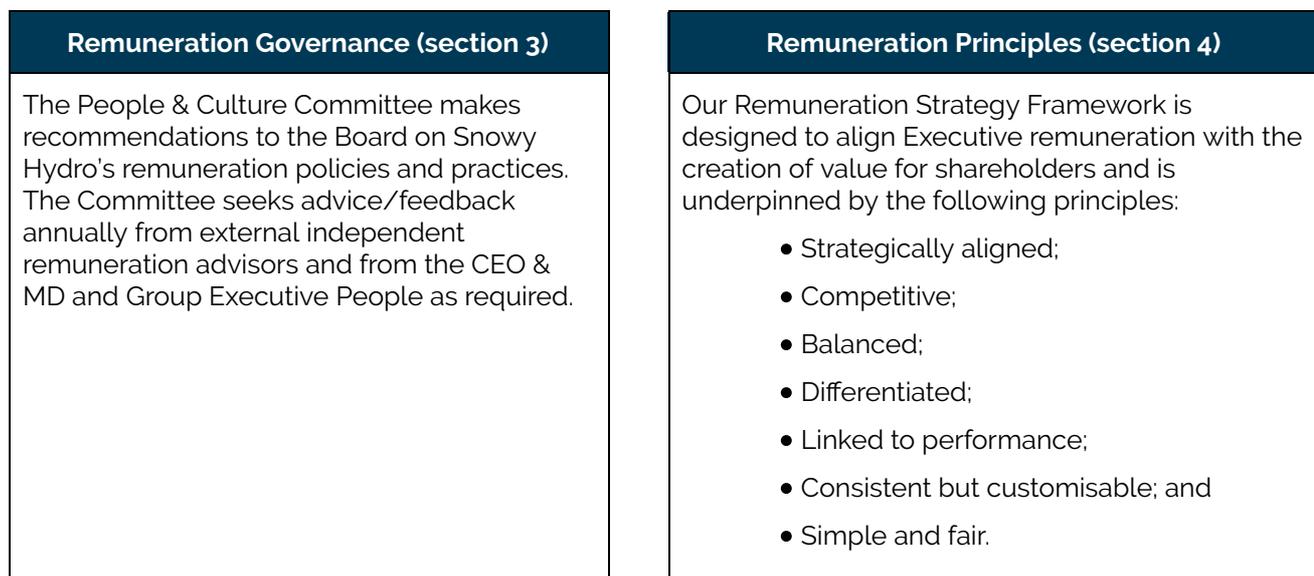
3 Michael Ihlein ceased to be KMP on 30 June 2019.

4 Scott Mitchell was appointed as a Non-Executive Director on 26 March 2019.

Name	Position	KMP Term
CEO & MD and Executives		
Paul Broad	CEO & MD	Full Year
Gabrielle Curtin	Group Executive - Safety People & Services (GE SPS)	Full Year
Iain Graham	CEO Retail	Full Year
Kim Josling	Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	Full Year
Cesilia Kim	Group Executive - Corporate Affairs, Procurement & Legal (GE CAPL)	Full Year
Roger Whitby	Chief Operating Officer (COO)	Full Year
Gordon Wymer	Chief Commercial Officer (CCO)	Full Year

2. Remuneration on a page

The diagram below provides an overview of the FY2019 approach to Executive remuneration (with numbers indicating the relevant section of the report where further information can be found).



Remuneration Strategy and Framework (section 5)	
Component	CEO & MD and Executives
Fixed Annual Remuneration (FAR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set with reference to the market and various factors determined as appropriate by the Board.
Short Term Incentive (STI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual performance based reward aligned to the strategic priorities of the Group, individual areas of accountability and corporate values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 70% Group Scorecard; and ○ 30% Individual Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). • STI pool becomes available only when the following two gates have been met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The safety gate (no fatalities to either an employee or embedded contractor across Snowy Hydro); and ○ The financial gate requires the achievement of 90% of the Snowy Hydro Group consolidated EBITDA set in the Corporate Plan.
Long Term Incentive (LTI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three year performance-based reward delivered through a Profit Share Plan (PSP). • Aligned to long term value creation, with participation to the plan limited to Executives and a small group of senior leaders by invitation from the Board. • Participants are eligible to receive a share of the Company profit (EBITDA) generated over and above target performance over a three year period. • No pool is generated unless the three year average actual EBITDA exceeds the financial gate performance level set by the Board as per the Corporate Plan.

3. Remuneration Governance

3.1. People and Culture Committee role

The role of the P&C Committee (Committee) is to assist the Board in carrying out its responsibilities under the Commonwealth Government Business Enterprises Governance and Oversight Guidelines. In particular, the Committee is responsible for ensuring Snowy Hydro has coherent policies and practices that fairly and responsibly manage the performance, remuneration and succession arrangements for the CEO & MD and Executives.

The Committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Board on the performance outcomes and remuneration arrangements for the CEO & MD and Executives. In addition to its remuneration responsibilities, the Committee's duties entail overseeing people strategy including leadership development and succession arrangements. The Committee's Charter is reviewed on an annual basis. The current Committee Charter is available on the Snowy Hydro website: www.snowyhydro.com.au

3.2. Engagement of external advice

During FY2019, Snowy Hydro received external remuneration advice from PricewaterhouseCoopers and the Korn Ferry Group. The advice included market practice and remuneration information used as input to the annual Executive remuneration review, current and emerging Executive remuneration trends, design and relevant legislative and regulatory developments. None of the advice provided by the above mentioned consultants included a remuneration recommendation as defined by the Corporations Act 2001.

3.3. CEO & MD and Executive contract terms

The CEO & MD and other Executives are on rolling contracts until notice of termination is given by either Snowy Hydro or the Executive. The notice period for the CEO & MD and other Executives is twelve and three to six months, respectively. In appropriate circumstances, payment may be made in lieu of notice. Where Snowy Hydro initiates termination, including mutually agreed resignation, the Executive may receive a termination payment of up to twelve months' FAR (including applicable notice).

Where the termination occurs as a result of misconduct or a serious or persistent breach of contract (termination for cause), Snowy Hydro may terminate employment immediately without notice, payment in lieu of notice or any other termination payment.

In cases of termination for cause or resignation / retirement with less than six (6) months notice, all unvested LTI allocations lapse. In other circumstances, the Board has the discretion to adjust the vesting conditions. Typically, this discretion is applied as outlined below.

Death or Total and Permanent Disablement	Full vesting of any unvested LTI awards.
For termination other than for cause or resignation	Unvested LTI allocations are vested prorated based on service to the date of termination. Any applicable prorated allocations remain subject to the applicable performance conditions over the full performance period.

4. Remuneration Principles

Our Remuneration Strategy Framework is founded on the desire to align Executive remuneration with the creation of value for shareholders and is underpinned by the following seven principles:

- Strategically aligned;
- Competitive;
- Balanced;
- Differentiated;
- Linked to performance;
- Consistent but able to be customised; and
- Simple and fair.

Principle 1 - Strategically aligned

- Performance measures are aligned to the Corporate Plan through a set of short and long term KPIs.
- Performance measures are consistently and meaningfully cascaded through Business Unit strategies to individual KPIs, goals and objectives, in a timely and transparent manner.

Principle 2 - Competitive

- Reward positioned to provide a competitive remuneration package to attract, motivate and retain quality staff.
- Targeting the median of a defined and consistently applied peer group consisting of comparable companies for Total Aggregate Remuneration, but with flexibility to position 15% above and 10% below the median based on the requirements of the role and the skills and experience of individuals in the role.

Principle 3 - Balanced

- Deliver a balance between fixed and variable pay considering market practice for each role and job level.
- Variable pay will be appropriately balanced between short and long term incentives to reflect strategic goals.
- Incentives will also balance a focus on financial and non-financial metrics. Any non-financial metrics will be strongly tied to value creation for the organisation.

Principle 4 - Differentiated

- Provide remuneration outcomes that are materially different at varying levels of performance, allowing for up to two times upside on variable pay for top performers relative to on-target performers.

Principle 5 - Linked to performance

- Create a clear link between variable pay and performance, aligning variable pay outcomes to a combination of corporate, business and individual objectives.
- Ensure the combination and weighting of measures reflects the relative importance of each measure.

Principle 6 - Consistent but able to be customised

- A consistent framework is used across the Group - to support equitable outcomes, but to also drive collaboration across the business - with the ability to customise based on business unit needs and talent market considerations.
- Reward systems should drive a shared view and language of high performance across the Group with aligned performance rating systems, and calibration processes across the organisation.
- Additional incentive plans will only be implemented where a Group plan (allowing for BU customisation) is not effective or is not fit for purpose.

Principle 7 - Simple and fair

- The remuneration structure and mechanics should be simple, transparent, and easy to communicate.
- Some level of discretion is considered fair, given potential changes to priorities over a performance period.
- Remuneration arrangements should be applied in an equitable (though not necessarily equal) manner and be non-discriminatory.

5. Remuneration Strategy and Framework

Snowy Hydro's Executive remuneration is designed to attract, motivate and retain high calibre Executives who have the requisite experience and skills to lead a large complex organisation. Core to Snowy Hydro's Executive remuneration strategy is providing a clear and direct link between pay and organisation and individual performance. This is achieved through:

- A remuneration framework which has a fixed and a short and long term "at risk" remuneration component which are only paid if agreed performance gates and Board approved KPIs are met;
- An annual review of the Executive remuneration framework, including the performance measures under the STI and LTI programs;
- Consideration and benchmarking of market remuneration practices to determine any proposed changes to Executive remuneration;
- A balance of corporate and individual KPIs to determine performance outcomes after the minimum performance gates are met; and
- Linking each Executive's STI and LTI award to the achievement of Board approved stretched and measurable performance goals.

5.1 Remuneration Framework components

CEO & MD and Executive annual remuneration arrangements comprised three components:

1. Fixed Annual Remuneration (FAR);
2. Short Term Incentives (STI); and
3. Long Term Incentives (LTI).

5.2 Remuneration Benchmarking

Snowy Hydro aims to position target total remuneration competitively against comparable organisations. Independent remuneration advisors directly benchmark Executive roles to comparable roles in the Australian market. External market benchmarks are determined by researching disclosed data from relevant Australian listed companies, private companies and Government Business Enterprises, supplemented by survey data where necessary. Target total remuneration for each Executive role is informed by the benchmark data and internal relativities.

In alignment with the Committee Charter, remuneration levels for each Executive is reviewed and approved annually by the Board on the recommendation from the People and Culture Committee.

5.3 Remuneration Mix

A significant portion of CEO & MD and Executive remuneration is set 'at risk' to ensure alignment with Snowy Hydro's strategic objectives. CEO & MD and Executives are only rewarded for delivering performance outcomes consistent with Snowy Hydro's Budget and Corporate Plan.

The CEO & MD and Executive target remuneration mix as of 30 June 2019 is illustrated below.



As 'at risk' remuneration is tied to the achievement of Snowy Hydro and individual performance objectives, actual remuneration received may vary from the target remuneration from year to year.

5.4 Fixed Annual Remuneration

FAR aims to reward the CEO & MD and Executives for delivering on the core requirements of their role. Base

salary, superannuation contributions and non-cash benefits comprise an Executive's Fixed Annual Remuneration (FAR). Factors taken into account when setting the appropriate FAR for all Executives include:

- Market data for comparable roles;
- Complexity of the role;
- Internal relativities;
- An individual's skills and experience; and
- Individual performance assessments.

Once hired, Executives have no guarantee of FAR increases as per the terms in their Executive contracts. The FAR of all Executives is reviewed annually by the Board, to ensure alignment with market practice.

5.5 Short-Term Incentive Program

Snowy Hydro's Short-Term Incentive (STI) is intended to reward individuals for their contribution to company performance in line with the Corporate Plan. The STI Plan is an "at risk" annual incentive opportunity where an STI payment could be awarded subject to meeting threshold performance gates and achievement of relevant Group and individual KPIs.

The STI program only becomes available when the following two gates have been met:

- The safety gate requires that there be no fatalities to either an employee or embedded contractor across Snowy Hydro in the given year; and
- The financial gate requires the achievement of 90% of Group consolidated EBITDA which is set in the Budget and approved by the Board each year.

Snowy Hydro uses a balanced scorecard approach when setting key result areas for the CEO & MD and Executives. The key result areas and the KPIs are aligned to the Corporate Plan's long term goals whilst also providing focus on the key strategic deliverables for the performance year.

The following key result areas are included in the CEO & MD and Executive Scorecard:

- 70% based on the Group Scorecard KPIs – to ensure strong link and ultimate accountability for overall group outcomes; and
- 30% based on the Individual Scorecard - set criteria although they are qualitative in nature.

The CEO & MD and Executive corporate and individual scorecard is illustrated in the table below:

Type	Key Result Area		Weight
Group Scorecard KPIs (70%)	Financial (EBITDA Consolidated)		40.0%
	Safety / Environment		15.0%
	Operations / Customer		15.0%
Individual Scorecard KPIs (30%)	CEO & MD	Executive	30.0%
	Individual focus component typically includes KPIs as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major Programs of Work (e.g. Snowy 2.0) • Reputation and risk, • Shareholder; • Stakeholders; and • Safety, Leadership and Culture. 	Individual focus component typically includes Strategic KPIs linked to individual area of responsibility.	
Total			100.0%

The individual focus component also allows for adjustment of quantitative performance outcomes up or down depending on the circumstances in the external environment, changes in priorities not foreseen at the beginning of the performance period and demonstration of company values and behaviours.

CEO & MD and Executives' STI opportunities are communicated as STI 'Target' (the potential award available if target performance is achieved) and is set at 100% of the target incentive opportunity. The STI Target Opportunity varies by individual and is expressed as a percentage of FAR of between 30% and 60%. The STI Maximum (the maximum potential award available) is set at 200% and only paid at levels in excess of target if the Company delivers superior performance above agreed targets.

At the end of the financial year the People & Culture Committee reviews the performance of the CEO & MD and each Executive. The Committee then recommends to the Board individual STI awards. All STI awards are paid in cash within three months of the end of the financial year.

Individual STI plan awards for CEO & MD and Executives are calculated using the following formula:

$$\text{FAR} \times \text{'Target' Opportunity} \times \text{Financial \& Safety Gates} \times \text{CEO \& MD and Executive STI Scorecard Outcome consisting of Group Scorecard Outcome (70\%) + Individual Scorecard Outcome (30\%)}$$

Notwithstanding the achievement of the agreed Key Results Areas (KRAs), the Board has absolute discretion to make the final determination of the CEO & MD and Executive incentive payouts.

5.6 Long-Term Incentive Program

The Profit Share Plan (PSP) was introduced in FY2017 and is Snowy Hydro's long-term (three year) performance-based reward and retention scheme for the CEO & MD, Executives and a small number of senior managers. The PSP is designed to focus this small group of Executives and Senior Leaders on long term value creation.

Participation in the plan in any given year is by invitation from the Board. An invitation in one year does not guarantee an invitation in subsequent years.

Under the PSP, participants are eligible to receive a share of the Company profit generated over and above target performance over a three year period. Like the STI, it is payable in the form of cash to participants who are still employed by the entity at the time of vesting.

For KMP, the PSP 'Target' Opportunity varies by individual and is expressed as a percentage of FAR of between 23% and 50% on a face value basis.

The quantum of the profit share paid out at the vesting date for each tranche is determined based on the past three years' average actual EBITDA performance as a baseline. The following principles apply:

- No pool will be generated unless the three year average actual EBITDA exceeds the threshold performance level set by the Board as per the Corporate Plan;
- The profit sharing percentage is tiered (Tier One and Tier Two) with a higher sharing percentage for the higher tier (Tier Two) representing financial out-performance;
- The Board on the recommendation from the People & Culture Committee determines the EBITDA required for Tier One and Tier Two payments three years in advance at the same time as the Corporate Plan is approved. Currently it is set as follows:
 - o Profit share starts being earned at 90% (financial gate consistent with the STI financial gate) of the three year rolling average Corporate Plan target. In the plan this is referred to as Tier One gate;
 - o Profit share above 100% of the three year rolling average Corporate Plan target is distributed at a higher profit share funding rate. In the plan this is referred to as Tier Two;

- As per the STI Plan rules the Board has absolute discretion to adjust or vary the EBITDA outcome as it sees fit.

Prior to FY2017 Snowy Hydro operated an Economic Value Added (EVA) LTI Program. From FY2017 the program was closed to new participants. Last payment for KMP on this scheme will be for the allocation vesting on 30 June 2019.

6. Executive Remuneration for FY2019

Executives received a mix of remuneration during FY2019 including FAR, STI and LTI.

The table below summarises the remuneration that was received in relation to FY2019 which includes FAR and any incentives. It is calculated under an accrual basis in accordance with statutory rules and applicable Accounting Standards.

Table 2: Executive KMP statutory disclosures

All figures in \$		Short-term benefits			Post employment	Other long-term benefits		Other	Total
Name	Year	Base salary & fees ¹	Short term incentive ²	Non-cash benefits ³	Super contribution ⁴	Long term incentives ²	Long service leave	Termination benefits	
Executive Management									
Paul A Broad	2019	1,045,706	804,686	-	20,514	688,261	31,548	-	2,590,715
Gabrielle Curtin	2019	512,569	194,786	-	20,514	195,113	10,353	-	933,335
Iain Graham	2019	658,487	301,571	6,664	20,514	348,245	19,991	-	1,355,472
Kim Josling	2019	469,230	176,778	-	20,514	115,467	4,311	-	786,300
Cesilia Kim	2019	480,655	191,892	-	20,514	117,201	14,707	-	824,969
Roger Whitby	2019	524,559	322,333	-	67,551	338,277	23,757	-	1,276,477
Gordon Wymer	2019	581,616	261,427	-	20,514	174,541	17,554	-	1,055,652
Total	2019	4,272,822	2,253,473	6,664	190,635	1,977,105	122,221	-	8,822,920

1 Base salary and fees includes accrued annual leave entitlements and allowances paid in cash.

2 Short term incentives and vesting long term incentives are expected to be paid in September 2019.

3 Non-cash benefits comprises the Reportable Fringe Benefits amount included on the individual's payment summary.

4 For defined benefit superannuation plan members, this amount represents the notional employer contribution rate, plus the productivity component.

7. Board Directors Fees

All Snowy Hydro Board Directors are appointed by the Commonwealth Government by the Shareholder Ministers. Non-Executive Directors' annual fees are set by the Remuneration Tribunal. Snowy Hydro has no role in determining the level of Board Director fees.

The Remuneration Tribunal regularly reviews and sets Board director fees for the roles of Chair and other Non-Executive Directors (excluding statutory superannuation contributions which are paid in addition to the fees set by the Remuneration Tribunal). Non-Executive Director fees cover all activities including Board membership and participation except in the case of the Audit and Compliance Committee where the Chair and members receive additional fees. Snowy Hydro has five additional Committees, namely the Safety,

Operations and Environment Risk, Portfolio Risk, People & Culture, Snowy 2.0 and Snowy 2.0 Funding none of which are paid additional fees.

The following table sets out the Non-Executive Directors' fees (excluding superannuation) as determined by the Tribunal and covering the financial years 2019 and 2020.

Role / Committees		1 July 2018	22 October 2018 ⁽¹⁾	1 July 2019 ⁽²⁾
Chair		\$220,000	\$222,480	\$226,930
Non-Executive Director		\$110,000	\$111,240	\$113,470
Audit and Compliance	Chair ⁽³⁾	n/a	\$21,990	\$22,430
	Member ⁽³⁾	n/a	\$11,000	\$11,220

1. Remuneration Tribunal (Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Part-time Public Office) Determination 2018.
2. Remuneration Tribunal (Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Part-time Public Office) Determination 2019.
3. Snowy Hydro Board Chair is not entitled to receive these additional fees.

Table 3: Non-Executive Directors KMP statutory disclosures

All figures in \$		Short-term benefits			Post employment	Other long-term benefits		Other	Total
Name	Year	Base salary & fees ¹	Short term incentive	Non-cash benefits ²	Super contribution	Long term incentives	Long service leave	Termination benefits	
Non Executive Directors³									
Noel Cornish AM	2019	221,008	-	12,169	20,514	-	-	-	253,691
Leeanne Bond	2019	110,504	-	-	10,498	-	-	-	121,002
Nigel Clark ⁴	2019	110,504	-	-	10,498	-	-	-	121,002
The Hon. Helen Coonan	2019	110,504	-	-	10,498	-	-	-	121,002
Michael Ihlein ⁵	2019	118,095	-	-	11,216	-	-	-	129,311
Scott Mitchell ⁶	2019	29,427	-	-	2,796	-	-	-	32,223
Joycelyn Morton	2019	125,679	-	-	11,940	-	-	-	137,619
Richard Sheppard	2019	118,095	-	-	11,219	-	-	-	129,314
TOTAL	2019	943,816	-	12,169	89,179	-	-	-	1,045,164

- 1 Base salary and fees includes accrued annual leave entitlements and allowances paid in cash.
- 2 Non-cash benefits comprises the Reportable Fringe Benefits amount included on the individual's payment summary.
- 3 Sandra Dodds and Karen Moses were appointed as Non-Executive Directors on 1 July 2019 therefore there is no remuneration to report for the reporting period ending 30 June 2019.
- 4 Nigel Clark ceased to be KMP on 30 June 2019.
- 5 Michael Ihlein ceased to be KMP on 30 June 2019.
- 6 Scott Mitchell was appointed as a Non-Executive Director on 26 March 2019.

An aerial photograph of a large reservoir. A red line is drawn on the water's surface, curving from the top left towards the center. The left side of the reservoir is bordered by a rocky, vegetated shoreline. The bottom right corner shows a concrete dam structure. The right half of the image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue rectangle.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

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Snowy Hydro is committed to achieving best practice corporate governance. Snowy Hydro's corporate governance framework and practices have been developed with regard to the provisions of the Corporations Act, the PGPA Act and the GBE Guidelines. Our framework is also guided by the ASX Corporate Governance Council's "Principles and Recommendations - 4th Edition".

The Board of Snowy Hydro is responsible for the corporate governance of Snowy Hydro and its controlled entities (Snowy Hydro Group), including the adoption of appropriate policies and procedures to ensure the Snowy Hydro Group is managed and controlled to protect and enhance Shareholder value.

The Board monitors the operational and financial position of Snowy Hydro and agrees its business strategy, including considering and approving a strategic corporate plan and annual budget. The Board is committed to maximising performance, generating Shareholder value, and sustaining the growth and success of Snowy Hydro. The Board maintains, and requires that Snowy Hydro management maintain, the highest level of corporate ethics.

Snowy Hydro is led by an independent, highly experienced, skills-based Board supported by dedicated Board Committees who assist the Board in discharging their governance responsibilities. Snowy Hydro's corporate governance framework is outlined in the diagram below. Our corporate governance documentation, including this statement and the charters referenced therein, are available on our website at: <https://www.snowyhydro.com.au/our-business/who-we-are/corporate-governance/>.

This corporate governance statement was approved by the Board on 28 August 2019.

Corporate Governance Framework



Principle 1: Lay solid foundations for management and oversight

Responsibilities of the Board: The Snowy Hydro Board is principally responsible for strategic oversight of Snowy Hydro, guiding its strategies and policies to optimise performance and create shareholder value, and ensuring that its business objectives are aligned with shareholder expectations. Snowy Hydro's Board Charter sets out the role and responsibilities of the Board. The Charter is reviewed regularly by the Board and is available on Snowy Hydro's website.

In carrying out this principal function, the Board is responsible for:

- providing strategic direction, including approving the Corporate Plan and annual budget;
- oversight of effective management and control of Snowy Hydro, including the composition, performance and remuneration of the Executive team and the appropriateness of people management systems;
- the appointment and removal of the CEO;
- oversight of adequacy of people resources to ensure sufficient depth of resources and appropriate succession planning;
- approving the overall treasury policy of Snowy Hydro, including dividend payout ratio and payments pursuant to that policy;
- approving any capital expenditure exceeding \$10 million;
- approving and monitoring the management of Snowy Hydro's base case assumptions pertaining to new investments and capital, including the progress of any major capital expenditures, acquisitions or divestitures; establishing processes and controls to maintain the integrity of financial accounting and reporting;
- oversight and review of the principal risks facing Snowy Hydro, including ensuring that appropriate standards of accountability, risk management and corporate governance are in place;
- monitoring the implementation of strategy, and the operational and financial position and performance of Snowy Hydro;
- reporting to the Shareholder on their stewardship of Snowy Hydro on a regular and timely basis; and
- reviewing and, to the extent necessary, amending the Board and Committee Charters regularly.

The Board comprises nine Directors, with eight Non-Executive Directors and one Executive Director being the CEO and Managing Director. A brief summary of the qualifications and experience of each Director is set out in the "Directors Report" section of the Annual Report. The Board meets at least ten times a year, and more frequently when required, to consider and provide management with guidance on strategic matters and issues. The Board met twelve times in FY2019.

Delegations to Standing Committees: While the Board retains ultimate responsibility for strategy and oversight of effective management of Snowy Hydro, it may delegate certain powers to standing Committees or the CEO and Managing Director as it considers appropriate. The Board has established six Committees, as set out in the diagram above, to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities:

- the Audit and Compliance Committee provides advice to the Board on risks relating to audit, financial reporting, financial and business risk management, corporate management frameworks and certain compliance matters;
- the Portfolio Risk Committee provides advice to the Board on risks pertaining to the Company's energy trading activities (including credit risk management), treasury functions, trading operations and corporate and strategic activities;
- the Safety, Operations and Environment Risk Committee provides advice to the Board on risks pertaining to the operations of the generation, hydraulic and communication assets of the Company, workplace health and safety and environmental practices, including water release obligations;
- the People and Culture Committee provides advice to the Board on risks pertaining to the Company's human resources. In particular, the Committee will advise the Board on the remuneration and performance measurement policy, organisational development practices, Board performance, and succession planning and remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director;
- the 2.0 Committee provides advice to the Board on risks pertaining to the delivery of the Snowy 2.0 Project including project management, environmental, technical design and construction, procurement, legal and stakeholder related risks; and
- the 2.0 Funding Committee provides advice to the Board on risks pertaining to the development and execution of the funding strategy for the Snowy 2.0 Project.

Each standing Committee has a documented and Board approved charter setting out its role and responsibilities, membership requirements and the powers delegated to it by the Board. All Committee charters are reviewed regularly, with changes subject to Board approval.

The Chair of each Committee reports to the Board at the Board's next meeting on any matters arising from the Committee's duties and responsibilities. The Board also receives copies of the minutes of all Committee meetings. This ensures that all Directors have oversight of, as well as the opportunity to discuss matters being considered by the Committees.

Delegations to Management: The Board has delegated authority over the day to day management of Snowy

Hydro's operations to the CEO and Managing Director (CEO and MD). Specific limits on the authority delegated to the CEO and MD are set out governed by a Delegations of Authority framework that has been approved and is reviewed regularly by the Board.

The CEO together with the Executive management team is responsible to the Board for the development and implementation of strategy and the overall management and performance of the Group. The CEO reports at least monthly to the Board on the progress being made by the Group in all aspects of the business.

Board Appointments: In accordance with Snowy Hydro's Constitution, Directors are appointed by the Commonwealth (in its capacity as sole shareholder), with the terms of office determined at the time of appointment. A Director is eligible for reappointment at the time of expiry of his or her term of office. The Board assesses forecast vacancies, recruitment needs and continuity as part of its annual Board review, and makes skills-based recommendations to the shareholder on reappointments and/or new appointments, taking into account the current skills mix and experience of the Board and the strategic needs of the Company.

Role of the Company Secretary: The Company Secretary holds office on terms and conditions determined by the Board, with his/her appointment or removal to be made or approved by the Board. The Company Secretary is accountable to the Board through the Chairman on all matters relating to the proper functioning of the Board and has a management reporting line to the CEO.

Board evaluation: The Board has a formal process for evaluating the performance and effectiveness of the Board, supporting Committees and individual directors. This process is documented in the Snowy Hydro Annual Board Plan. The Board Chair facilitates this process, with support from the People and Culture Committee, on an annual basis with the outcomes used to inform any improvements to charters, processes or performance. In accordance with the GBE Governance and Oversight Guidelines, the Board will engage an external party every two years to conduct this evaluation.

Principle 2: Structure the Board to be effective and add value

The Snowy Hydro Board has in place a robust annual review process to ensure its corporate governance practices remain fit for purpose, effective and aligned with the Company's strategic objectives, and complies with the GBE Guidelines. This process, which is documented in the Annual Board Plan, includes consideration of the ongoing adequacy of the governance structure, an assessment of the effectiveness of Board, Committee and Director performance, and an assessment of Board skills and diversity requirements in the context of Snowy Hydro's strategic objectives.

Establishment of a Nomination Committee: Snowy Hydro has established a Board People and Culture Committee, with responsibility for making recommendations to the Board on performance and remuneration matters, including Board composition, performance and remuneration and management performance and remuneration. The People and Culture Committee assists the Board Chair in the facilitation of the annual review process set out above.

The People and Culture Committee is chaired by a Non-Executive Director and comprises three Non-Executive Directors including the Board Chair. The responsibilities of the People and Culture Committee are formally documented in its Charter, which is available on the Snowy Hydro website. The People and Culture Committee met five times in FY2019 to consider performance and remuneration matters, including Board and Committee performance and Board renewal related matters.

Maintenance of a Board skills matrix: The Snowy Hydro Board is committed to ensuring that it continues to attract and retain highly skilled Directors who bring an appropriate mix of skills, experience, expertise and diversity to Board decision making. The Board has developed a matrix of required Board skills and experience, taking into account the Company's desire to ensure a diverse range of backgrounds, experience, qualifications and gender is maintained and monitored by the Board on a continuous basis. This skills matrix informs succession planning for Board vacancies or reappointments and subsequent recommendations made to the Shareholder in relation to such appointments. Given the complex and diverse nature of Snowy Hydro Group's operations, the requisite core Board skills are categorised into the following five key areas:

- Leadership, Governance, and Regulatory and Government Policy;
- Business, Finance, Strategy and Risk;
- Energy, Operations, Infrastructure and Construction;
- Retail, Digital and Innovation; and

- Community, Safety and People.

Director independence: Snowy Hydro considers a Director to be independent if he/she is free of any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with, or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with, the exercise of their unfettered judgment, and is also independent of management. As at the date of this statement, the Board considers all Non-Executive Directors are independent and have remained so throughout the term of their appointment.

The Board Charter sets out the criteria by which the Board assesses the independence of each Director in light of any disclosed interests. An assessment of independence is made at any time a Director discloses any new interest or relationship. The Board, through the Chairman, evaluates the materiality of any declared interest or relationship that could be perceived to compromise the independence of a Director on a case-by-case basis having regard to the Director's circumstances. Further, Directors are cognisant of their ongoing obligations to keep the Board and any Committee informed of an interest which could potentially conflict with the interests of the Group.

Where a Director has a declared material personal interest and/or may be presented with a potential material conflict of interest in a matter being presented to the Board or a Committee, the Director does not receive copies of Board/Committee reports relating to the matter and generally recuses himself/herself from the Board or Committee meeting at the time the matter is being considered. Consequently, the Director also does not vote on the matter. Any disclosures made by a Director at a meeting are minuted.

Majority independent Board & Chair: As at 30 June 2019, the Board comprised eight Non-Executive Directors and one Executive Director, being Snowy Hydro's Group CEO and Managing Director, Paul Broad. The Board is chaired by an independent Non-Executive Director, Noel Cornish.

Induction & Ongoing Education: Snowy Hydro maintains a comprehensive induction program for new Directors which includes a program of formal induction sessions with Snowy Hydro's CEO and Executives, site visits of the Company's key operational sites, and extensive reading material via Snowy Hydro's Board portal to allow new Directors to gain an understanding of the Company's corporate plan, financial performance, corporate governance framework and strategic issues. Ongoing education for Directors is delivered through individual briefings and presentations made by Executives, and semiannual site visits to key operational locations.

Principle 3: Instil a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly

Snowy Hydro expects all Directors, employees and contractors to comply with both the letter and the spirit of the law. It promotes and expects high standards of integrity, transparency and professionalism in all of Snowy Hydro's dealings. Above all, it strives to be a safe, ethical and environmentally responsible company.

Values and Code of Conduct: Snowy Hydro actively fosters a culture of ethical conduct. Its corporate values of Safety, Decency, Ownership, Agility, Courage and Teamwork underpin its success and provide guidance on its expectations of its Directors and employees.

Snowy Hydro's Board is committed to the promotion of ethical, honest and responsible decision-making and the observance of their fiduciary duties. Directors are required to act in good faith and in the best interests of Snowy Hydro, having prime regard to the interests of the Shareholder but also considering the interest of employees, customers and other parties with whom Snowy Hydro is engaged; and to abide by Snowy Hydro's Code of Conduct.

Whistleblower / Reportable Conduct Policy: The Code of Conduct is supported by other key policies including the Reportable Conduct Policy which provides mechanisms to raise genuine concerns regarding actual, unethical, unlawful or undesirable conduct, without fear of reprisal and with the support and protection of Snowy Hydro. The Reportable Conduct program includes an independently operated Whistleblower Hotline service to allow for anonymous reporting.

Any breaches of the Code of Conduct or Reportable Conduct Policy are reported to the Board via the Audit and Compliance Committee. In the event that a Director is the subject of a reportable conduct allegation, the Board Chair will engage with remaining Directors to appoint an external party to investigate the allegation.

Principle 4: Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports

Snowy Hydro has robust processes and controls in place to verify and maintain the integrity of its corporate reports. These internal controls cover financial, operational and compliance risk, and take the form of appropriate financial delegations, financial planning and reporting, compliance with appropriate procurement standards, and internal audit practices.

Audit and Compliance Committee: the Board has established an Audit and Compliance Committee, with the primary function of assisting the Board through its oversight and review of financial reporting, financial management, frameworks for risk management, compliance and corporate management, and auditor independence and performance. The role and responsibilities of the Audit and Compliance Committee are documented in its Board approved Charter which is available on the Snowy Hydro website.

As at 30 June 2019, the Audit and Compliance Committee comprised three Non-Executive Directors, all of whom were highly financially literate and possessed significant experience. The Committee is chaired by Ms Joycelyn Morton, a highly experienced Director with over 39 years of experience in finance and taxation.

The Audit and Compliance Committee meets four times a year. Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer, Financial Controller, Executive Officer - Risk, Head of Internal Audit, the external auditor and other management representatives may attend meetings at the discretion of the Committee. The Committee meets privately with the Australian National Audit Office and the external auditor on general matters concerning external audit and other related matters, including the half-year and full-year financial reports. The Committee also meets privately with the Head of Internal Audit on an as needs basis on matters concerning the internal audit plan and findings.

The Committee provides regular reports to the Board through its minutes and through verbal updates from the Committee Chair following each meeting. Collectively, these reports address all matters relevant to the Committee's responsibilities including:

- an assessment of whether external reporting is consistent with Committee members' information and knowledge, and if this external reporting is adequate for shareholder needs;
- recommendations for changes to management processes supporting external reporting;
- the Committee's policies and procedures for the selection and appointment of the external auditor and for the rotation of external audit engagement partners;
- recommendations for the appointment or removal of an external auditor; and
- an assessment of the performance and independence of internal and external auditors in relation to matters within the Committee's responsibility.

CEO and CFO Declarations: Prior to the adoption of the financial reports, the Board received and considered a written statement from the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director and the Chief Financial Officer to the effect that:

- the financial records of the Corporation and the consolidated entity have been properly maintained;
- the statements comply with accounting standards and any other requirements prescribed by the Corporations Act and PGPA Act, and present fairly the entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows; and
- the integrity of the financial statements is founded on a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.

Principle 5: Make timely and balanced disclosure

Snowy Hydro recognises the importance of ensuring its Shareholder is provided with timely and meaningful disclosures of any material information impacting the Company. Accordingly, Snowy Hydro keeps its Shareholder Ministers and their departments informed of any significant developments on an ongoing basis.

Continuous disclosure: Under the PGPA Act, and as a GBE, Snowy Hydro has continuous disclosure obligations to its Shareholder Ministers. Accordingly, on an ongoing basis, the Company discloses performance against the Corporate Plan, financial outcomes, progress of strategic initiatives such as Snowy 2.0, and any significant issues including through quarterly progress reports, the annual report, the annual corporate planning process, correspondence to Shareholder Ministers on out of cycle developments, and regular meetings between the Snowy Hydro Chair and CEO and Shareholder Departments. Snowy Hydro also responds promptly to requests from Shareholder Departments.

Principle 6: Respect the rights of shareholders

As outlined in Principle 5, Snowy Hydro engages regularly with its Shareholder and provides the information requested or required by the Shareholder to exercise its rights.

Governance information: Snowy Hydro's website includes a dedicated corporate governance section setting out the Company's governance structure and providing an overview of the responsibilities of the Board, Committees and Executive management. The governance section also includes links to the Charters for the Board and Board Committees. The website also includes details of Snowy Hydro's leadership, being the Board of Directors and the Executive management team, and recent annual reports.

In addition, Snowy Hydro has published its Statement of Corporate Intent which sets out its corporate purpose, objectives and values, and provides an overview of the Company's operations and key performance metrics. The Statement of Corporate Intent is reviewed and approved annually by the Board prior to submission to the Shareholder and publication on the website.

Shareholder communication: Snowy Hydro's Board, Executive team and senior management communicate regularly with its Shareholder to ensure a 'no surprises' approach. In addition to the formal reporting outlined in Principle 5, this includes frequent engagement with Shareholder offices and Departments, and invitations for Shareholder Ministers and Departments to attend Board meetings.

Principle 7: Recognise and manage risk

Snowy Hydro's Board and management are committed to maintaining a robust and effective risk management framework that proactively identifies and manages risks applicable across the Company. Snowy Hydro's Risk Management Policy sets out its objectives for maintaining and continuously improving a strategic and consistent enterprise-wide approach to risk management that is integrated into organisational processes and underpinned by a risk-aware culture.

Establishment of risk committees: The Board has ultimate accountability for the management of risks affecting Snowy Hydro and ensuring that effective risk management practices are in place across the business. The Board is assisted in fulfilling these duties by the Audit and Compliance Committee, which monitors the effectiveness of Snowy Hydro's risk identification and management framework. All other Board committees (comprising the Safety, Operations and Environmental Risk, Portfolio Risk, People and Culture, Snowy 2.0 and Snowy 2.0 Funding committees) support the Board in the management of key risk areas including regulatory compliance, energy trading, safety, environmental, operational and people-related risks.

Review of risk management framework: Management is accountable for the risk management framework and has implemented internal controls to identify, evaluate and manage significant risks in relation to Snowy Hydro's business. Management provides standing reports to each Committee on the risks pertaining to their Charter, including material movements and/or identification of new significant risks. The risk reports inform activities including the annual internal audit plan, and special reports requested by respective Committees on new or significant sources of risk.

Internal Audit function: The effectiveness of the risk management framework is regularly assessed through

self-reviews as well as via independent and objective assurance provided by Snowy Hydro's Internal Audit function. Internal Audit operates in accordance with an annual internal audit plan that is tailored to address key internal and external risks applicable to the business. This plan is reviewed and approved annually by the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Board, and audit results are incorporated into the continuous improvement of the risk management framework and supporting controls.

Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly

Remuneration Committee: The Board has established a People and Culture Committee to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities in relation to appropriate and responsible remuneration, having regard to the performance of the Company, individual performance, statutory requirements and current market practice. Further details on the People and Culture Committee, including its composition and Charter requirements are set out under Principle 2.

Directors' remuneration: The Remuneration Tribunal determines the remuneration and travel allowances payable to Non-Executive Directors. Full details of Directors' remuneration are included in the Remuneration report.

Executives' remuneration: The remuneration of the Executives is considered by Snowy Hydro's People and Culture Committee and, subject to the Committee's recommendation, reviewed and approved by the Board. Advice is sought every two years from independent specialised remuneration consultants on the structure of remuneration packages applying in the external market; and the quantum of increases that have occurred in comparable Australian companies over the previous 12 months. This assists in ensuring that Executive remuneration is in line with market practice, and that Snowy Hydro is competitively placed to attract and retain the necessary talent for these roles. Full details of Executives' remuneration are included in the Remuneration report.

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OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the period ended 30 June 2019

This report is attached to and forms part of the Directors' Report

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Results Overview

The Operating & Financial Review includes a number of non-International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) financial measures. Snowy Hydro management uses these non-IFRS financial measures to assess the performance of the business and make decisions on the allocation of resources. Among these non-IFRS financial measures is Underlying Profit/(Loss) after tax. This measure is Statutory Profit/(Loss) after tax adjusted for:

- significant items (which are material items of revenue or expense that are unrelated to the underlying performance of the business); and
- changes in the fair value of financial instruments recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss (to remove the volatility caused by mismatches in valuing financial instruments and the underlying asset differently).

Snowy Hydro believes that Underlying Profit/(Loss) after tax provides a better understanding of its financial performance than Statutory Profit/(Loss) after tax and allows for a more relevant comparison of financial performance between financial periods.

The consolidated Statutory Profit after tax attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro was \$332.2 million (FY2018: \$267.5 million restated). The underlying profit after tax was \$321.2 million (FY2018: \$428.4 million restated). The following table reconciles Statutory Profit after tax to Underlying Profit after tax, and then to Underlying EBITDA.

Reconciliation of Statutory Profit after tax to Underlying Profit after tax and Underlying EBITDA

\$million	2019	Restated* 2018
Statutory Profit/(Loss) after tax	332.2	267.5
<i>Adjust for the following after tax items:</i>		
Changes in fair value of financial instruments	(11.0)	148.9
Snowy 2.0 feasibility study costs	-	12.0
Underlying Profit after tax	321.2	428.4
Depreciation and amortisation	139.1	138.9
Amortisation of acquired derivative	-	1.8
Net finance costs	34.1	42.0
Income tax expense	139.0	183.0
Underlying EBITDA	633.4	794.1
Generation EBITDA	522.1	659.5
Retail EBITDA	111.3	134.6
Underlying EBITDA	633.4	794.1

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2 of the Financial Statements.

In what can be characterised as a turbulent year for the energy industry, against a backdrop of materially lower water inflows to the Snowy Hydro scheme and intense competition and regulatory intervention particularly in the mass market sector, the Company's EBITDA outcome of \$633.4 million (FY2018: \$794.1 million) was delivered through excellence in asset operations and optimisation of its portfolio.

Snowy Hydro's assets performed extremely well with the entire portfolio available to provide a reliable, secure supply of energy showcasing the critical role that Snowy Hydro plays in system security and managing price risk for the NEM during periods of volatility, when it is needed most to keep the lights on.

Generation EBITDA

The Generation business EBITDA was \$522.1 million, a decrease of 21% from \$659.5 million in FY2018.

The market environment and operational strategies were distinctively different in FY2018 and FY2019.

In the second half of FY2018, a combination of mild weather, high thermal and renewable plant availability and output and muted demand resulted in a NEM environment of low prices and minimal price volatility.

In contrast, during the First Half of FY2019, Snowy Hydro anticipated the hot weather and supply issues that came to pass, particularly in Victoria, and set the portfolio exposures correspondingly. In light of low inflows and a dry forecast, a strategy of water conservation and hydro generation reduction was adopted in the first half, to ensure Snowy Hydro was well prepared for the anticipated challenges ahead, both for Snowy Hydro's contract exposures and for the NEM.

The Second Half of FY2019 benefited from this strategy and despite the very dry conditions and lower hydro scheme inflows, reliable plant and a soundly constructed portfolio enabled Snowy Hydro to do its utmost to deliver security to an unstable Victorian NEM region, which experienced extreme volatility.

Of note were the extended price spikes in Victoria with 76 five-minute periods reaching prices higher than \$10,000/MWh. This led to the Cumulative Price Threshold (which is triggered after the equivalent of 7.5 hours of VOLL) activating with Victorian prices capped at \$300/MWh for a week. This is extremely rare, with the Cumulative Price Threshold last being triggered nearly 10 years ago. During this period, the market operator, AEMO, resorted to load shedding and directed over 200,000 customers to shut down their power usage. This intervention was undertaken when Snowy Hydro's Tumut 3 plant had approximately 1,500MW of capacity available but unable to be utilised due to constraints on the existing transmission lines, highlighting the limitations of the existing transmission system.

The overall generation volume reduction of approximately 1,200 GWh from the prior year was the primary driver of the reduction in EBITDA.

Whilst the sale of traditional capacity products declined in FY2019, Snowy Hydro was able to expand its reach into other channels to market, largely offsetting the revenue reduction.

Retail EBITDA

The Retail business EBITDA was \$111.3 million, a decrease of 17% from \$134.6 million in FY2018.

FY2019 was a tale of two halves, for both customer growth and financial performance.

The combined headwinds of competitor activity and the Victorian government's energy comparison website with a heavily publicised cash incentive resulted in abnormally high churn and slightly negative customer growth in the First Half of FY2019. However, when these two influences abated in and churn returned to more normal levels, the Retail business returned to customer growth achieving overall customer growth of approximately 3% to a record 1.09 million.

Lower average gas usage per customer in Victoria, lower average electricity usage per customer in NSW, and tighter margins due to competitive pressures were the primary drivers of the reduction in EBITDA.

Despite the headwinds, Retail achieved a number of key milestones in FY2019:

- Continued strong customer growth in NSW where electricity customers grew 15.4% and gas customers by 28.9%; and
- Market leading positions in industry customer satisfaction awards retained by both the Red and Lumo brands. In addition, during FY2019 Red's Commercial and Industrial team again secured 100% customer

satisfaction in the annual Utility Market Intelligence (UMI) survey. This is the fourth year in five that Red has achieved 100% customer satisfaction.

Snowy 2.0

In February 2019, Snowy 2.0, the pumped-hydro energy storage expansion of the existing Snowy Scheme, received Shareholder approval. Snowy Hydro appointed Future Generation a joint venture between Clough, an Australian construction and engineering company, Salini Impregilo, a global hydropower and tunnelling specialist, and Lane as the principal contractor. Under the single wrapped EPC contract, Future Generation will lead the civil works and Voith Hydro will deliver the latest hydro-generation technology in the new underground power station.

In the Second Half of FY2019, exploratory works for the project commenced with road works to gain access to Lobs Hole and construction is underway to establish the worksite, accommodation and preparation for the main access portal.

Snowy 2.0 will underpin Australia's transition to decarbonising the National Electricity Market. Snowy 2.0 is the least-cost solution to the energy storage problem created by the growing base of wind and solar developments, with the ability to deliver up to 350,000 MWh of energy storage. Exploratory Works pre-construction activities have begun, and the Company continues to prepare for Snowy 2.0 Main Works, which are due to start in 2020.

Outlook

The Company remains challenged by the ongoing drought conditions being experienced across south-eastern Australia which drove reduced hydro generation in 2019.

Market and regulatory intervention and elevated levels of competition in retail markets will also have an impact on performance. Delivery of customer growth will require innovation with our partners, sales channels and products as well as maintaining the focus on customer service and people engagement.

Snowy Hydro remains well positioned with its unique asset portfolio as the largest provider of peak energy in NSW and Victoria, critical to contributing to system security. Focus in the coming period remains on operational and portfolio risk management in light of a dry outlook.

Capital Management

Total interest-bearing liabilities were \$1,309.4 million at June 2019, an increase of \$523.9 million from the June 2018 level of \$785.5 million.

Snowy Hydro's Standard & Poor's (S&P) credit rating was upgraded in June 2019 to A- (from BBB+). This reflects Snowy Hydro's capacity for future investments, exemplified by Shareholder approval of Snowy 2.0.

The strength of Snowy Hydro's balance sheet and its focus on earnings and value-accretive investments places the Company on a solid foundation to pursue further growth in all of its business segments.

An aerial photograph of a coastal town and harbor at sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. The water is calm, reflecting the sky. In the foreground, there are buildings, a parking lot, and a road. A large blue semi-transparent rectangle covers the right half of the image, serving as a background for the text.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT

For the period ended 30 June 2019

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the period ended 30 June 2019

\$million	Note	2019	Restated* 2018
Revenue	3	2,848.4	2,784.2
Other income		4.5	4.4
Direct costs of revenue	3	(1,794.2)	(1,592.4)
Consumables and supplies		(70.3)	(69.8)
Employee benefits expense		(214.3)	(209.4)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	3	(139.1)	(138.9)
Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	7	(22.3)	(20.6)
Other expenses		(118.3)	(121.3)
Changes in fair value of financial instruments		15.7	(212.7)
Profit before net finance costs and income tax		510.1	423.5
Interest income	4	0.9	0.8
Finance costs	4	(35.0)	(42.8)
Profit before income tax		476.0	381.5
Income tax expense	5	(143.8)	(114.0)
Profit for the period attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited		332.2	267.5

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The consolidated statement of profit or loss should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the period ended 30 June 2019

\$million	Note	2019	Restated* 2018
Profit for the period		332.2	267.5
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligations	24	(2.6)	5.2
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		0.8	(1.6)
		(1.8)	3.6
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges and foreign exchange contracts		(119.7)	10.3
Income tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		35.9	(3.1)
		(83.8)	7.2
Total other comprehensive income, net of income tax		(85.6)	10.8
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited		246.6	278.3

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The consolidated statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2019

\$million	Note	2019	Restated* 2018
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		43.0	32.7
Trade and other receivables	7	461.2	428.8
Inventories		22.8	20.0
Other financial assets	8	148.8	149.4
Other current assets	9	62.4	38.0
Total current assets		738.2	668.9
Non-current assets			
Deferred tax assets	12	194.8	168.6
Goodwill and other intangible assets	11	568.6	578.9
Property, plant & equipment	10	2,492.0	2,003.0
Other financial assets	8	3.5	0.6
Other non-current assets	9	122.2	-
Total non-current assets		3,381.1	2,751.1
Total assets		4,119.3	3,420.0

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2019

\$million	Note	2019	Restated* 2018
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	338.1	293.2
Interest bearing liabilities	15	8.9	10.4
Provisions	14	64.4	41.2
Other financial liabilities	16	184.0	143.9
Income tax payable		10.5	70.0
Total current liabilities		605.9	558.7
Non-current liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	15	1,300.5	775.1
Provisions	14	55.7	50.7
Other financial liabilities	16	130.3	15.3
Total non-current liabilities		1,486.5	841.1
Total liabilities		2,092.4	1,399.8
Net Assets			
		2,026.9	2,020.2
Equity			
Issued capital	18	816.1	816.1
Reserves	19	(97.2)	(13.4)
Retained earnings		1,308.0	1,217.5
Total equity attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited		2,026.9	2,020.2

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the period ended 30 June 2019

\$million	Issued capital	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings	Total attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited
Balance as at 30 June 2018 - restated*	816.1	(13.4)	1,217.5	2,020.2
Adoption of AASB 9	-	-	(1.4)	(1.4)
Opening balance as at 1 July 2018	816.1	(13.4)	1,216.1	2,018.8
Profit for the period	-	-	332.2	332.2
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax	-	(83.8)	(1.8)	(85.6)
Dividends paid	-	-	(238.5)	(238.5)
Balance as at 30 June 2019	816.1	(97.2)	1,308.0	2,026.9
Balance as at 2 July 2017, as previously reported	816.1	(20.6)	1,303.8	2,099.3
Change in accounting policy for Environmental Certificates	-	-	(92.4)	(92.4)
Balance as at 2 July 2017 - restated*	816.1	(20.6)	1,211.4	2,006.9
Profit for the period - restated	-	-	267.5	267.5
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax	-	7.2	3.6	10.8
Dividends paid	-	-	(265.0)	(265.0)
Balance as at 30 June 2018 - restated*	816.1	(13.4)	1,217.5	2,020.2

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the period ended 30 June 2019

\$million	Note	2019	Restated* 2018
Receipts from customers		3,069.6	2,834.1
Payments to suppliers & employees		(2,400.2)	(2,180.9)
Interest received		0.9	0.8
Interest and other costs of finance paid		(42.4)	(42.4)
Income tax paid, net of refunds received		(192.1)	(182.3)
Net cash provided by operating activities	6	435.8	429.3
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant & equipment		(547.0)	(99.1)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		0.3	0.3
Payments for intangible assets		(41.8)	(37.1)
Payments for other investing activities		(124.9)	-
Net cash used in investing activities		(713.4)	(135.9)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Drawdown / (Repayment) of borrowings		526.9	(27.1)
Payment for debt issues		(0.5)	(2.6)
Dividends paid	20	(238.5)	(265.0)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		287.9	(294.7)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash		10.3	(1.3)
Cash at beginning of the period		32.7	34.0
Cash at end of the period		43.0	32.7

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the period ended 30 June 2019

1 Basis of preparation

Snowy Hydro Limited (the Company) is a for profit entity limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its shares are privately held by the Commonwealth Government as a Government Business Enterprise and it operates as a Corporations Act company with an independent Board of Directors.

The consolidated financial statements comprise the Company and its controlled entities (together referred to as Snowy Hydro or the Group).

The nature of the operations and principal activities of Snowy Hydro are described in the Directors' Report.

Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act, applicable Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and comply with other requirements of the law.

The consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Directors on 28 August 2019.

Basis of preparation

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for derivative financial instruments which have been measured at fair value. Cost is based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

All amounts are presented in Australian dollars.

Unless otherwise shown in the financial statements, amounts have been rounded to the nearest tenth of a million dollars and are shown by \$million. Snowy Hydro is a company of the kind referred to in the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, dated 24 March 2016.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared by combining the financial statements of all the entities that comprise the consolidated entity, being the Company and its controlled entities as defined in Accounting Standard AASB 127 "Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements". A list of controlled entities appears in Note 21 to the financial statements. Consistent accounting policies are employed across all controlled entities in the preparation and presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements include the information and results of each controlled entity from the date on which the Company obtains control and until such time as the Company ceases to control such entity. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, all intercompany balances and transactions, and unrealised profits arising within the consolidated entity are eliminated in full.

Where the cost of the acquisition exceeded the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities, acquired goodwill has been recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position. On the acquisition of a business any excess of the fair value of assets and liabilities acquired over the cost of acquisition has been recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss as a gain on acquisition.

Reporting Period

Reporting period has the same meaning as financial year for the purposes of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cwlth).

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1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Reporting Period (continued)

On 1 July 2018 a special ruling was made by the Finance Minister by amendment to the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rule 2014 stating that the first reporting period for Snowy Hydro is the period that begins on 29 June 2018 and ends 30 June 2019.

In accordance with the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rule 2014 this Annual Report 2019 refers to 29 June 2018 to 30 June 2019. Snowy Hydro's 2018 Annual Report represented the reporting period 2 July 2017 to 30 June 2018. The two days 29 to 30 June 2018 did not result in a material impact and accordingly comparative 2018 information provided in this report is in accordance with the published 2018 Annual Report.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Critical judgement and key assumptions that management has made that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are detailed in the notes below:

Note	Judgement/ Estimation
3	Revenue recognition
7	Provision for doubtful debts
9 & 14	Environmental certificates
11	Impairment of goodwill
17	Valuation of financial instruments

Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

Snowy Hydro has adopted all of the new and revised Standard and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current annual reporting period. The adoption of these new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in any material changes.

Notes to the Financial Report

The notes are organised into the following sections:

Financial performance overview

Provides a breakdown of individual line items in the consolidated statement of financial performance, and other information that is considered most relevant to users of the annual report.

Balance sheet items

Provides a breakdown of individual line items in the consolidated statement of financial position that are considered most relevant to users of the annual report.

Capital structure and risk management

Provides information about the capital management practices of Snowy Hydro and shareholder returns for the year. This section also discusses Snowy Hydro's exposure to various financial risks, explains how these affect Snowy Hydro's financial position and performance and what Snowy Hydro does to manage these risks.

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1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Group structure

Explains aspects of the Snowy Hydro structure and the impact of this structure on the financial position and performance of Snowy Hydro.

Other

Provides information on items which require disclosure to comply with Australian Accounting Standards and other regulatory pronouncements; and provides information about items that are not recognised in the financial statements but could potentially have a significant impact on Snowy Hydro's financial position and performance.

2 Changes in accounting policy

Snowy Hydro adopted the new accounting standards AASB 9 *Financial Instruments* ("AASB 9") and AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("AASB 15"), from 1 July 2018. Additionally during the period, Snowy Hydro amended its accounting policy for Environmental Certificates. The change has been made in accordance with AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates, and Errors*.

2.1 AASB 9 Financial Instruments

AASB 9 replaces AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* and addresses the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities, introduces new rules for hedge accounting and a new impairment model for financial assets.

Classification of financial assets and liabilities

The adoption of AASB 9 did not result in any changes in measurements of Snowy Hydro's financial instruments. On transition, the company reclassified one category of its financial assets, "loans and receivables" as "amortised cost", and this did not have any impact on its carrying value.

On transition, financial instruments are now classified as one of three categories provided by the new standard, and measured accordingly:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit and loss
- fair value through other comprehensive income.

Impairment of financial assets

AASB 9 replaces the 'incurred loss' model in AASB 139 with an 'expected credit loss' ("ECL") model. The "expected credit loss" model is forward-looking and no longer requires a credit event to have occurred as a prerequisite to recognition of a credit loss. The new impairment model applies to financial assets which are measured at amortised cost, unbilled revenue and debt investments which are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The adoption of AASB 9 has not resulted in a material change to the measurement or recognition of loss allowances to financial assets, as the Company's previous allowance model is closely aligned with the current model. In accordance with AASB 9, changes in accounting policies (which are the result of adopting AASB 9) have been applied retrospectively with the cumulative impact \$1.4 million (post-tax) being recognised on 1 July 2018 in opening retained earnings and also reflected as an increase of \$2 million in the allowance for the

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

2.1 AASB 9 Financial Instruments (continued)

impairment of trade receivables and unbilled revenue.

Snowy Hydro's new impairment model uses the simplified approach permitted by AASB 9, whereby historical default rates are applied over the expected life of trade receivables, and adjusted for forward-looking factors. These factors include the effects of the seasonality of billing, price increases and customer churn.

On transition to AASB 9, the Company has adopted consequential amendments to AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements* ("AASB 101"), which requires the impairment of financial assets to be presented in a separate line item in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. Prior to the adoption of AASB 9, impairment of trade receivables was recognised in 'Other expenses'. As a result, the company reclassified AASB 139 impairment losses of \$20.6 million from 'Other expenses' to 'Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables' for the year ended 30 June 2018.

Hedge accounting

Snowy Hydro adopted AASB 9 for the first time in FY2019. The Company uses interest rate swaps to hedge the variability in cash flows arising from variable interest rate payments on its forecast debt, as well as forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge the variability in cash flows arising from changes in foreign exchange rates relating to capital expenditure.

The AASB 9 model requires the Company to align its hedge accounting relationships with its risk management objectives and strategy. Under AASB 9, the approach to assessing hedge effectiveness is more qualitative and forward-looking than under AASB 139.

Changes to the Company's hedge accounting policies have been applied prospectively. All hedging relationships designated under AASB 139 at 30 June 2018 met the criteria for hedge accounting under AASB 9 at 1 July 2018 and are therefore regarded as continuing hedging relationships.

2.2 AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

AASB 15 establishes a single, comprehensive, five-step model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. It supersedes the previous revenue recognition guidance including AASB 118 *Revenue* and AASB 111 *Construction Contracts*. Under AASB 15, revenue is recognised when control of the goods or services is transferred to the customer, and measured at the amount of consideration the entity expects to receive. The model also provides guidance on whether revenue is recognised over time, or at a point in time.

The Company adopted AASB 15 using the full retrospective transition approach, without applying the practical expedients available. The adoption of AASB 15 has not significantly impacted the Company's financial position or financial performance. The amount of adjustment for each financial statement

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

2.2 AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (continued)

line item affected by the application of AASB 15 is illustrated in table 2.1. A more detailed disclosure of the Company's accounting policies for its revenue streams is included in note 3.

Apart from providing additional disclosure regarding Snowy Hydro's revenue transactions, the adoption of AASB 15 does not have a significant impact on the recognition and measurement of Snowy Hydro's revenue from contracts with customers. Previously, Snowy Hydro recognised credits provided for generation of electricity from solar panels by retail customers as a reduction in revenue. On transition to AASB 15, these credits are not considered to form part of the consideration receivable for the service provided to these customers, and are instead presented as direct costs of revenue.

Revenue from contracts with customers is primarily related to the generation and supply of electricity. Wholesale revenue is recognised when electricity is generated and sold into the pool, and is measured at the market price in the National Electricity Market. Retail revenue is recognised when electricity is supplied and consumed by customers, and measured by billings to customers based on meter readings, with accruals for estimated consumption between the meter reading date and period end date.

2.3 Environmental Certificates

During the period, Snowy Hydro has reviewed its accounting policy for Environmental Certificates following changes to the underlying economic transactions and regulatory environment, and concluded that in light of these developments the existing policy no longer reflected the timing of economic value creation appropriately.

The principal effects of the change in accounting policy are for revenue derived from Environmental Certificates to be recognised when relevant performance obligations with customers are fulfilled, and for expenses in respect of the regulatory obligation to surrender certificates to be provided for as this obligation is triggered, on the purchase of electricity from the NEM to supply to customers. Previously, both revenue and costs were recognised when Environmental Certificates were first on hand.

As the Company has voluntarily elected to change its accounting policy for Environmental Certificates, the impact of this change must be applied retrospectively. The effect of the change in accounting policy on the prior year statement of profit and loss and statement of financial position is shown in the tables below.

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

Table 2.1 Restated Consolidated statement of profit and loss for the period ended 30 June 2018

\$million	30 June 2018	AASB 15	AASB 9	Environmental Certificates	Restated 30 June 2018
Revenue	2,599.0	61.1	-	124.1	2,784.2
Other income	4.4	-	-	-	4.4
Direct costs of revenue	(1,489.1)	(61.1)	-	(42.2)	(1,592.4)
Consumables and supplies	(69.8)	-	-	-	(69.8)
Employee benefits expense	(209.4)	-	-	-	(209.4)
Depreciation and amortisation	(138.9)	-	-	-	(138.9)
Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	-	-	(20.6)	-	(20.6)
Other expenses	(141.9)	-	20.6	-	(121.3)
Changes in fair value of financial instruments	(212.7)	-	-	-	(212.7)
Profit before net finance costs and income tax	341.6	-	-	81.9	423.5
Interest income	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
Finance costs	(42.8)	-	-	-	(42.8)
Profit before income tax	299.6	-	-	81.9	381.5
Income tax expense	(89.4)	-	-	(24.6)	(114.0)
Profit for the period attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited	210.2	-	-	57.3	267.5

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

Table 2.2. Restated Consolidated statement of financial position as at 1 July 2018

\$million	30 June 2018	Environmental Certificates	Restated 30 June 2018	AASB 9	1 July 2018
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	32.7	-	32.7	-	32.7
Trade and other receivables	428.8	-	428.8	(2.0)	426.8
Inventories	20.0	-	20.0	-	20.0
Other financial assets	149.4	-	149.4	-	149.4
Other current assets	119.9	(81.9)	38.0	-	38.0
Total current assets	750.8	(81.9)	668.9	(2.0)	666.9
Non-current assets					
Deferred tax assets	154.1	14.5	168.6	0.6	169.2
Goodwill and other intangible assets	578.9	-	578.9	-	578.9
Property, plant & equipment	2,003.0	-	2,003.0	-	2,003.0
Other financial assets	0.6	-	0.6	-	0.6
Other non-current assets	3.2	(3.2)	-	-	-
Total non-current assets	2,739.8	11.3	2,751.1	0.6	2,751.7
Total assets	3,490.6	(70.6)	3,420.0	(1.4)	3,418.6
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	338.4	(45.2)	293.2	-	293.2
Interest bearing liabilities	10.4	-	10.4	-	10.4
Provisions	31.0	10.2	41.2	-	41.2
Other financial liabilities	143.9	-	143.9	-	143.9
Income tax payable	70.5	(0.5)	70.0	-	70.0
Total current liabilities	594.2	(35.5)	558.7	-	558.7
Non-current liabilities					
Interest bearing liabilities	775.1	-	775.1	-	775.1
Provisions	50.7	-	50.7	-	50.7
Other financial liabilities	15.3	-	15.3	-	15.3
Total non-current liabilities	841.1	-	841.1	-	841.1
Total liabilities	1,435.3	(35.5)	1,399.8	-	1,399.8
Net Assets	2,055.3	(35.1)	2,020.2	(1.4)	2,018.8

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

Table 2.2. Restated Consolidated statement of financial position as at 1 July 2018 (continued)

\$million	30 June 2018	Environmental Certificates	Restated 30 June 2018	AASB 9	1 July 2018
Equity					
Issued capital	816.1	-	816.1	-	816.1
Reserves	(13.4)	-	(13.4)	-	(13.4)
Retained earnings	1,252.6	(35.1)	1,217.5	(1.4)	1,216.1
Total equity attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited	2,055.3	(35.1)	2,020.2	(1.4)	2,018.8

The consolidated statement of financial position is not impacted by the adoption of AASB 15.

Table 2.3 Restated Consolidated statement of financial position as at 2 July 2017

\$million	1 July 2017 as reported	Environmental Certificates	Restated 2 July 2017
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	34.0	-	34.0
Trade and other receivables	382.8	-	382.8
Inventories	19.7	-	19.7
Other financial assets	287.3	-	287.3
Other current assets	109.0	(62.4)	46.6
Total current assets	832.8	(62.4)	770.4
Non-current assets			
Deferred tax assets	72.7	40.8	113.5
Goodwill and other intangible assets	595.4	-	595.4
Property, plant & equipment	1,970.4	-	1,970.4
Other financial assets	1.5	-	1.5
Other non-current assets	89.0	(89.0)	-
Total non-current assets	2,729.0	(48.2)	2,680.8
Total assets	3,561.8	(110.6)	3,451.2

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2 Changes in accounting policy (continued)

Table 2.3 Restated Consolidated statement of financial position as at 2 July 2017 (continued)

\$million	1 July 2017 as reported	Environmental Certificates	Restated 2 July 2017
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	278.0	-	278.0
Interest bearing liabilities	215.6	-	215.6
Provisions	33.2	(19.4)	13.8
Other financial liabilities	189.0	-	189.0
Income tax payable	77.2	1.2	78.4
Total current liabilities	793.0	(18.2)	774.8
Non-current liabilities			
Interest bearing liabilities	598.3	-	598.3
Provisions	54.0	-	54.0
Other financial liabilities	17.2	-	17.2
Total non-current liabilities	669.5	-	669.5
Total liabilities	1,462.5	(18.2)	1,444.3
Net Assets	2,099.3	(92.4)	2,006.9
Equity			
Issued capital	816.1	-	816.1
Reserves	(20.6)	-	(20.6)
Retained earnings	1,303.8	(92.4)	1,211.4
Total equity attributable to the owners of Snowy Hydro Limited	2,099.3	(92.4)	2,006.9

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Financial Performance Overview

3 Revenue and expenses

\$million	Restated*	
	2019	2018
Revenue		
Revenue from contracts with customers		
Wholesale	681.3	592.9
Retail	2,004.9	1,853.7
Total revenue from contracts with customers	2,686.2	2,446.6
Other revenue	162.2	337.6
Total revenue	2,848.4	2,784.2
*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.		
Expenses		
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(1.6)
Direct costs of revenue	(1,794.2)	(1,592.4)
Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	(22.3)	(20.6)
Amortisation	(52.1)	(53.7)
Depreciation	(87.0)	(85.2)
Operating lease expenses	(11.1)	(13.5)
*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.		

Recognition and measurement

- **Wholesale revenue:** is recognised at a point in time, being when the Company fulfils its performance obligations in generating energy. The transaction price is dictated by spot market prices and control is deemed to have been passed to AEMO when electricity is generated as it is utilised in the NEM to provide energy to retailers.
- **Retail revenue:** is recognised at a point in time - when the Company fulfils its performance obligations in providing electricity to its customers, whereby the electricity is consumed by the customers at the same time it is provided by the Company. The transaction price includes a fixed component (service charge) and a variable component (based on consumption). Control is deemed to have passed to the customer as electricity is consumed by the customer (i.e. as they receive the benefit of this good).
- **Environmental certificate revenue:** is recognised at a point in time, being when the Company fulfils its performance obligations with customers through the supply of electricity or sale of the environmental certificate. It is measured as a component of the transaction price charged to customers for the provision of electricity, and measured at the sale price when sold directly to customers on the wholesale market.
- **Operating lease expense:** payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are expensed on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

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3 Revenue and expenses (continued)

Critical accounting estimate - Unbilled revenue

At the end of each reporting period, the volume of energy supplied since a customer's last bill is estimated in determining unbilled revenue. This estimation requires judgement and is based on historical customer consumption patterns. Related to this are unbilled network expenses of unread electricity and gas meters which are estimated based on historical customer consumption patterns.

4 Net finance costs

\$million	2019	2018
Interest expense and funding cost	(35.0)	(34.0)
Interest rate hedge costs	(6.2)	(9.3)
Finance costs capitalised	6.2	0.5
Finance costs	(35.0)	(42.8)
Interest income	0.9	0.8
Net Finance costs	(34.1)	(42.0)

Recognition and measurement

- **Interest income and expense:** are accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the applicable effective interest rates. Interest costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of qualifying assets are added to the cost of those assets. The weighted average capitalisation rate on funds borrowed for finance costs capitalised is 3.04%.
- **Finance lease expense:** Assets held under finance lease are initially recognised as assets of the Group at their fair value at the inception of the lease or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are apportioned between finance expenses and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

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5 Income tax expense

Reconciliation of income tax expense charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss:

\$million	2019	Restated* 2018
Profit from operations	476.0	381.5
Tax expense calculated at 30%	(142.8)	(114.5)
Prior year adjustments	(0.7)	0.8
Non-deductible expenses	(0.6)	(1.2)
Research and development concession	0.3	0.9
Total income tax expense on profit	(143.8)	(114.0)
Comprising of:		
Current tax expense	(132.6)	(173.8)
Deferred tax income	(11.2)	59.8
Total income tax expense on profit	(143.8)	(114.0)

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The tax rate used in the above reconciliation is the corporate tax of 30% payable by Australian corporate entities on taxable profits under Australian tax law. There has been no change in the corporate tax rate when compared with the previous reporting period.

Snowy Hydro and its wholly-owned Australian resident entities are eligible to consolidate for tax purposes and elected to be taxed as a single entity from 1 July 2003. The head entity in the tax consolidated group is Snowy Hydro Ltd. Entities within the tax consolidated group are listed in note 21.

Snowy Hydro Limited is a signatory to the Voluntary Tax Transparency Code, and prepares its Tax Report in accordance with the code. The Tax Report for the 30 June 2019 year is available on the Snowy Hydro Limited website.

Recognition and measurement

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense in the consolidated statement of profit or loss, except when it relates to items credited or debited directly to comprehensive income or directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly to comprehensive income or equity, respectively, or where it arises from an initial accounting for a business acquisition, in which case it is taken into account in the determination of goodwill.

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6 Reconciliation of profit for the period to net cash flows from operating activities

\$million	Restated*	
	2019	2018
Profit for the period	332.2	267.5
Adjustments for:		
Loss on sale of non-current assets	-	1.6
Depreciation and amortisation of non-current assets	130.8	139.7
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges and foreign exchange contracts recognised in equity	(119.3)	10.3
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligations recognised in equity	(2.6)	5.2
Change on initial application of AASB 9 recognised in equity	(2.0)	-
Income tax expense recognised in equity	37.3	(4.7)
	376.4	419.6
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/ decrease in trade and other receivables	(30.4)	(46.0)
(Increase)/ decrease in inventories	(2.8)	(0.3)
(Increase)/ decrease in current other financial assets	0.6	137.9
(Increase)/ decrease in other current assets	(24.4)	8.6
(Increase)/ decrease in non-current other financial assets	(2.9)	0.9
(Increase)/ decrease in deferred tax assets	(26.2)	(55.1)
Increase/ (decrease) in trade and other payables	21.7	35.1
Increase/ (decrease) in current provisions	23.2	(10.3)
Increase/ (decrease) in current other financial liabilities	40.1	(45.1)
Increase/ (decrease) in non-current provisions	5.0	(5.7)
Increase/ (decrease) in non-current other financial liabilities	115.0	(1.9)
Increase/ (decrease) in current tax liabilities	(59.5)	(8.4)
Net cash flows from operating activities	435.8	429.3

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Balance Sheet Items

7 Trade and other receivables

\$million	2019	2018
Trade receivables	467.9	454.5
Allowance for doubtful debts	(28.6)	(25.7)
Goods and services tax receivable	21.9	-
Total trade and other receivables	461.2	428.8

Expected credit loss on trade receivables

\$million	
Balance as at 30 June 2018	25.7
Change on initial application of AASB 9	2.0
Balance as at 1 July 2018	27.7
Additional allowance for doubtful debts	22.3
Amounts written off, previously provided for	(21.4)
Balance as at 30 June 2019	28.6

The ageing analysis of trade receivables and expected credit losses is as follows:

	2019			2018	
	Total	Lifetime ECL Rate	Allowance	Total	Allowance
Unbilled revenue	246.8	1.8%	4.5	246.4	3.9
Not past due	158.7	1.4%	2.2	152.6	1.2
Past due 0-30 days	29.7	6.4%	1.9	24.7	1.4
Past due 31-90 days	8.8	14.8%	1.3	7.6	0.9
Past due 61-90 days	4.0	25.0%	1.0	4.0	0.7
Greater than 90 days	19.9	88.9%	17.7	19.2	17.6
	467.9		28.6	454.5	25.7

Recognition and measurement

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at contractual amounts due and are subsequently stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less allowances for lifetime expected credit losses.

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7 Trade and other receivables (continued)

Critical accounting estimate - Expected credit loss

In accordance with AASB 9, the Company applies the 'simplified approach' when measuring expected credit losses. This approach requires the calculation of a lifetime expected loss allowance for trade receivables. Expected credit losses on trade receivables are estimated by using a provision matrix with reference to historical credit loss experience and then applying an adjustment for forward-looking estimates. The Group categorises its trade receivables based on ageing. Loss rates are estimated in each customer segment, including by age category, fuel type and customer status and are based on the probability of a receivable progressing through to a write-off. The impact of economic factors is considered in assessing the likelihood of recovery from customers. Economic factors include the direction of conditions both general and specific to the industry (e.g. customer churn).

8 Other financial assets

\$million	2019	2018
Current		
Financial assets carried at fair value		
Energy derivatives - economic hedge	152.3	108.0
Foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps - cash flow hedge	0.1	-
Loans and receivables		
Deposits with brokers	(3.6)	41.4
Total other current financial assets	148.8	149.4
Non-current		
Financial assets carried at fair value		
Foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps - cash flow hedge	3.5	0.6
Total other non-current financial assets	3.5	0.6

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9 Other assets

\$million	2019	2018
Current		
Deposits	3.3	-
Prepayments	8.9	8.8
Environmental certificates	50.2	29.2
Total other current assets	62.4	38.0
Non-current		
Deposits	47.2	-
Prepayments	75.0	-
Total other non-current assets	122.2	-

Recognition and measurement

Environmental certificates are recognised at the lower of cost and net realisable value in the consolidated statement of financial position.

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10 Property, plant and equipment

\$million	Land and Buildings	Leasehold Improvements at Cost	Plant and Equipment at Cost	Construction in Progress	Total
Gross carrying amount					
2018	85.6	28.0	2,663.1	122.6	2,899.3
Additions	-	-	-	576.3	576.3
Capitalised to asset class	1.1	-	27.2	(28.3)	-
Disposals	-	(1.9)	(2.3)	-	(4.2)
2019	86.7	26.1	2,688.0	670.6	3,471.4
2017	85.5	6.7	2,635.9	57.4	2,785.5
Additions	-	2.4	-	117.3	119.7
Capitalised to asset class	1.9	19.4	30.8	(52.1)	-
Disposals	(1.8)	(0.5)	(3.6)	-	(5.9)
2018	85.6	28.0	2,663.1	122.6	2,899.3
Accumulated depreciation					
2018	(21.4)	(7.7)	(867.2)	-	(896.3)
Disposals	-	1.9	2.0	-	3.9
Depreciation expense	(2.0)	(2.8)	(82.2)	-	(87.0)
2019	(23.4)	(8.6)	(947.4)	-	(979.4)
2017	(19.5)	(5.4)	(790.2)	-	(815.1)
Disposals	-	0.5	3.5	-	4.0
Depreciation expense	(1.9)	(2.8)	(80.5)	-	(85.2)
2018	(21.4)	(7.7)	(867.2)	-	(896.3)
Net book value					
2019	63.3	17.5	1,740.6	670.6	2,492.0
2018	64.2	20.3	1,795.9	122.6	2,003.0

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10 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Recognition and measurement

- **Property, plant and equipment:** assets are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of the asset. Finance costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of qualifying assets are capitalised. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. The gain or loss arising on disposal or retirement is recognised in profit or loss. The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if an asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.
- **Depreciation:** assets are depreciated at rates based upon their expected economic life using the straight-line method. Leasehold improvements are amortised over the period of the relevant lease or estimated useful life, whichever is the shorter. Land is not depreciated. The following estimated useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

Buildings: 10-50 years

Electrical & mechanical equipment: 5-60 years

Civil works: 30-75 years

Mobile plant: 3-20 years

Control systems: 5-8 years

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11 Goodwill and other intangible assets

\$million	Goodwill	Cost of customer acquisition	Computer software	Total
Cost				
2018	383.2	325.5	126.9	835.6
Additions	-	18.4	23.4	41.8
Disposals	-	-	(2.6)	(2.6)
2019	383.2	343.9	147.7	874.8
2017	383.2	307.1	114.8	805.1
Additions	-	18.4	18.8	37.2
Disposals	-	-	(6.7)	(6.7)
2018	383.2	325.5	126.9	835.6
Amortisation				
2018	-	(172.4)	(84.3)	(256.7)
Amortisation	-	(40.8)	(11.3)	(52.1)
Disposals	-	-	2.6	2.6
2019	-	(213.2)	(93.0)	(306.2)
2017	-	(131.8)	(77.9)	(209.7)
Amortisation	-	(40.6)	(13.1)	(53.7)
Disposals	-	-	6.7	6.7
2018	-	(172.4)	(84.3)	(256.7)
Net book value				
2019	383.2	130.7	54.7	568.6
2018	383.2	153.1	42.6	578.9

Recognition and measurement

Goodwill: represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired. Goodwill is not amortised but tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indicator of impairment.

Customer Acquisition Costs: customer contracts acquired in a business combination are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. The costs incurred in acquiring new customers are recognised based on the directly attributable costs of obtaining the customer contract. Amortisation is recognised as an expense on a straight line basis over the period of the expected benefit.

Critical accounting estimate - carrying value assessment

Snowy Hydro tests goodwill for impairment at least annually to ensure it is not carried above its recoverable amount. This determination requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash generating units to which goodwill has been allocated. The value in use calculation requires the Directors to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit ("CGU") and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value.

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11 Goodwill and other intangible assets

There are two CGUs in the consolidated entity comprising a gas and electricity retailer and an electricity generator. Notwithstanding this the retailer and the generator operate in unison and therefore form one operating segment. Indicators of impairment of goodwill are assessed against this operating segment. During the financial year, the consolidated entity assessed the recoverable amount of the cash generating units and determined that no impairment existed. The recoverable amount of the cash generating units has been determined based on a value in use calculation of an asset with an indefinite life. The corporate valuation model provides for a 20 year projection of revenue, operating and capital expenditure, financing activities and taxation. This projection term reflects the perpetual nature of the Snowy Hydro assets and also provides for a realistic pattern of replacement capital expenditure over the projection term.

In accordance with AASB 136 Impairment of Assets, the recoverable amount test discounts pre-tax nominal asset cash flows (including routine maintenance and refurbishment capital expenditure), at a pre-tax nominal WACC of 7.34% (2018: 7.34%). These cash flows do not include any planned development capital expenditure or the revenues that may relate to such expenditure. The valuation includes a terminal value calculated by assuming the final year's cash flow is maintained in perpetuity (in real terms) and discounted to the valuation date using the same pre-tax nominal WACC noted above. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the changes in the following assumptions:

Sensitivity	Management's approach to determining the value	Growth rate
Forward market price projects for spot, contract and option premium revenue	Spot and contract revenue projections are consistent with Snowy Hydro's recent performance and are based on forward market curves from GFI Group. Capacity pricing (i.e. option premium income and difference payments made under the contracts) is based on a blended combination of GFI and Snowy Hydro's assessment of long-term pricing based on new-entrant modelling.	Zero real growth in prices
Water inflows	The water inflow sequence underlying the projections reflects the expectation that 2019 inflows will be below average and that future average inflows will thereafter trend back towards past experience. The starting water storage levels are also reflected in the projections.	Not applicable
Capital expenditure	Capital expenditure is derived from Snowy Hydro's long-term capital asset planning model and includes all expenditure relating to existing assets.	Zero real growth in prices

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11 Goodwill and other intangible assets (continued)

Retail Gross Margin	The retail operating cost model is sufficiently flexible to respond to customer growth and is modelled as such; customer growth targets drive cost to acquire and cost to serve. The most sensitive valuation assumption is what gross margin the retail businesses charge mass-market customers. This valuation sensitivity exercise is performed in isolation of a corporate response that might ensue (such as reducing customer targets).	Retail gross margin is materially maintained
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12 Net deferred income tax assets

\$million	Opening balance	Charged to income	Charged to equity	Other/transfer	Closing balance
2019					
Deferred tax assets					
Property plant and equipment	179.3	(15.6)	-	-	163.7
Provisions	31.1	0.3	1.4	-	32.8
Derivative financial instruments	4.4	(4.5)	35.9	-	35.8
Non derivative financial instruments	-	1.7	-	-	1.7
Total deferred tax assets	214.8	(18.1)	37.3	-	234.0
Deferred tax liabilities					
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	-	-
Other	46.2	(7.0)	-	-	39.2
Total deferred tax liabilities	46.2	(7.0)	-	-	39.2
Net deferred tax asset					194.8
2018					
Deferred tax assets					
Property plant and equipment	189.1	(9.8)	-	-	179.3
Provisions	34.5	(1.8)	(1.6)	-	31.1
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	4.4	4.4
Total deferred tax asset - restated*	223.6	(11.6)	(1.6)	4.4	214.8
Deferred tax liabilities					
Derivative financial instruments	57.3	(64.8)	3.1	4.4	-
Other	52.8	(6.6)	-	-	46.2
Total deferred tax liabilities - restated*	110.1	(71.4)	3.1	4.4	46.2
Net deferred tax asset - restated*					168.6

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

Recognition and measurement

Current tax: The Income Tax Payable/Income Tax Receivable in the Statement of Financial Position represents the amount expected to be paid (or refunded) in relation to taxable income for the financial year measured using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Current tax for the current, and prior periods, is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

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12 Net deferred income tax assets (continued)

Recognition and measurement

Deferred income tax: is provided in full, using the balance sheet method, on temporary differences arising between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period(s) when the asset and liability giving rise to them are realised or settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. A deferred tax liability is not recognised in relation to taxable temporary differences arising from goodwill.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the consolidated entity intends to settle the tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

13 Current trade and other payables

\$million	Restated*	
	2019	2018
Trade payables	326.7	267.7
Other payables	11.4	9.8
Goods and services tax payable	-	15.7
Total current trade and other payables	338.1	293.2

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

Recognition and measurement

Trade and other payables are recognised when Snowy Hydro becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services. Payables are stated at their amortised cost.

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14 Provisions

\$million	Restated* 2018	Recognised/ remeasured	Settled/ transferred	2019
Current				
Employee benefits	27.6	37.3	(31.3)	33.6
Environmental liability	10.2	49.7	(30.4)	29.5
Other provisions	3.4	0.4	(2.5)	1.3
Total current provisions	41.2	87.4	(64.2)	64.4
Non-current				
Employee benefits	36.5	3.8	(6.9)	33.4
Site rehabilitation	13.9	0.8	-	14.7
Environmental liability	-	7.4	-	7.4
Other provisions	0.3	(0.1)	-	0.2
Total non-current provisions	50.7	11.9	(6.9)	55.7

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

Recognition and measurement

Provisions are recognised when Snowy Hydro has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that settlement will be required and the obligation can be reliably estimated. Provisions which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by Snowy Hydro.

- **Employee benefits:** provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave and other employee obligations when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being reliably measured. Provisions made in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal values using the current remuneration rate. Employee provisions expected to be settled after 12 months are measured at their projected remuneration rate, discounted to their present values.
- **Environmental scheme obligation:** is recognised when electricity is purchased from the NEM and simultaneously supplied to customers. Regulatory bodies impose a percentage on volume of electricity purchased to determine the number of environmental certificate the purchaser is obliged to surrender. The provision is measured at the present value of cost of certificates required to meet this obligation.
- **Site rehabilitation:** provision is initially recognised at the best estimate of the costs to be incurred in settling the obligation. Where restoration activities are expected to occur more than 12 months from the reporting period the provision is discounted using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in each period as interest expense.

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15 Interest bearing liabilities and credit facilities

i) Interest bearing liabilities - unsecured

\$million	2019	2018
Current		
Bank loans	5.0	-
Borrowing costs	(1.0)	(0.8)
Finance lease liability	4.9	11.2
Total current interest bearing liabilities	8.9	10.4
Non-current		
Bank loans	1,237.0	711.0
Borrowing costs	(3.8)	(1.4)
Finance lease liability	67.3	65.5
Total non-current interest bearing liabilities	1,300.5	775.1

ii) Credit facilities - unsecured

Financing facilities		
Amounts used	1,237.0	711.0
Amounts unused	663.0	389.0
Total financing facilities	1,900.0	1,100.0

These facilities have fixed maturity dates as follows: \$400.0 million in 2020, \$300.0 million in 2021, \$350.0 million in 2022, \$550.0 million in 2023 and \$300.0 million in 2024.

Uncommitted short term money market facilities

Amounts used	5.0	-
Amounts unused	40.0	45.0
Total short term money market facilities	45.0	45.0

Recognition and measurement

Borrowings are recorded initially at fair value, net of transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, borrowings are measured at amortised cost with any difference between the initial recognised amount and the redemption value being recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss over the period of the borrowing, using the effective interest rate method.

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16 Other financial liabilities

\$million	2019	2018
Current		
Financial liabilities carried at fair value		
Foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps - cash flow hedge	12.5	4.3
Energy derivatives - economic hedge	170.4	139.6
Other		
Escrow account liability	1.0	-
Unearned income	0.1	-
Total current other financial liabilities	184.0	143.9
Non-current		
Financial liabilities carried at fair value		
Foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps - cash flow hedge	130.3	15.3
Total non-current other financial liabilities	130.3	15.3

Capital Structure and Risk Management

17 Financial Instruments

1. Capital Management

The Group's objectives in managing capital are to safeguard its ability to operate as a going concern by maintaining sufficient liquidity so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders, and to maintain a capital structure commensurate to targeting a strong investment grade corporate credit rating (Standard & Poor's), to minimise the cost of capital and to provide credit transparency to trading and lending counterparties. The Group's overall capital management strategy remains unchanged from 2018.

The capital structure of the Group consists of net debt (borrowings as detailed in Note 15 offset by cash and cash equivalents) and equity (comprising issued capital, reserves, and retained earnings). The Group's capital structure is reviewed annually by the Board Audit and Compliance Committee which considers the Group's expected operating cash flows, capital expenditure plans, maturity profile of debt facilities, dividend policy and the ability to access funding from banks and other sources.

The Group monitors its capital management objectives by continuously assessing several benchmarks related to debt, cash flows and financial performance.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

2. Financial Risk Management

\$million	2019	Restated* 2018
Financial assets		
Amortised Cost		
Cash and cash equivalents	43.0	32.7
Trade receivables and deposits with brokers	435.7	470.2
Fair value through profit or loss		
Energy derivatives	152.3	108.0
Derivatives designated and effective as hedging instruments	3.6	0.6
Financial liabilities		
Amortised Cost		
Interest bearing liabilities	1,309.4	785.5
Trade payables*	326.7	267.7
Fair value through profit or loss		
Energy and commodity derivatives	170.4	139.6
Derivatives designated and effective as hedging instruments	142.8	19.6

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

The Group's Treasury and Portfolio management functions provide services to the business to monitor and manage risks relating to NEM outcomes, commodity prices, foreign exchange and interest rates movement, liquidity and credit exposure as they arise in the normal course of operations of the Group.

Risk exposures are assessed and monitored using a variety of methods including stress modelling and ongoing surveillance, with regular risk reporting to both Management and Board risk committees. The Group uses derivative instruments, physical hedges such as generation capacity, and strict liquidity management to mitigate the exposures while aiming to optimise risk-adjusted financial returns within policies approved by the Board of Directors.

Policy compliance is monitored by a segregated compliance management process and reviewed by the Board on a regular basis.

The Group holds and issues financial instruments as an integral part of conducting its revenue generating and financing activities including:

- Funding: to finance the Group's operating activities. The principal types of instruments include revolving bank loans and bank guarantees;
- Operating: the Group's day to day business activities generate financial instruments such as cash, trade and other receivables and payables; and
- Risk management: to reduce the risks to financial performance that would arise if all generation was subject to spot market outcomes. The Group transacts electricity swaps and options to notionally contract a portion of its generation capacity. Interest rate and foreign exchange contracts are transacted to manage cash flow risks associated with financing with floating rate debt instruments, purchasing in foreign currencies, and energy procurement activities.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

Key financial risks from utilising the aforementioned financial instruments are explained further in the following sections:

- (i) market risk (including electricity and commodity price risk, foreign exchange and interest rate risk)
- (ii) liquidity risk
- (iii) credit risk

The Group's overall financial risk management strategy remains unchanged from 2018.

(i) Market risk

Electricity and commodity price risk

Fluctuations in electricity and commodity prices will impact the Group's results and cash flows. To manage price risks associated with electricity generation, and sales of electricity and gas to retail customers the Group has established a risk framework that consists of policies on the overall limits of exposure across spot and energy derivatives markets, delegations and transaction limits for trading activity.

The Group utilises a range of energy derivative instruments to manage electricity price risk, both in futures and over-the-counter markets. These derivative instruments are classified into swaps (vanilla swaps, load-following swaps and capped swaps) and options (caps, standard options and average rate options). Some over-the-counter caps and related derivative products include features providing the counterparty with the ability to nominate different strike prices and notional megawatt (MW) volumes (within limits) for different contract periods. Snowy Hydro manages the risk associated with variably nominated contracts by utilising standby, fast-start generation capacity.

The table below sets out the fair value of energy and commodity derivatives at reporting date.

\$million	2019	2018
Energy derivatives asset - current	152.3	108.0
Energy and commodity derivatives liability - current	(170.4)	(139.6)
Total energy and commodity derivatives	(18.1)	(31.6)

Of the total energy and commodity derivatives, \$133.2 million (2018: \$78.7 million) of the asset and \$61.4 million (2018: \$41.5 million) of the liability is expected to mature within 12 months, and \$19.1 million (2018: \$29.3 million) of the asset and \$109.0 million (2018: \$98.1 million) of the liability is expected to mature beyond 12 months.

Energy derivatives - economic hedge

The Group uses energy derivative instruments to economically hedge electricity price risks within the risk management framework. The economic hedges do not meet the requirements of hedge accounting set out in AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*. Therefore these instruments are categorised as held for trading and changes in fair valuation are recognised immediately as Change in fair value of financial instruments in the Consolidated statement of profit or loss.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

Energy and Commodity Price Sensitivity Analysis

The table below sets out the impact of changes of prices on profit and loss and equity based solely on the Group's exposures at the reporting date (holding all other variables constant and without any mitigating actions that management might take should the price changes occur). A 20% price change has been applied to flat, peak and off-peak electricity swaps, a 40% price change has been applied to electricity options. These changes are based on the volatility of historical prices of the relevant instruments.

\$million	Profit/ (loss) before tax Increase/ (decrease) in fair value		Other comprehensive income Increase/ (decrease) in fair value	
	2019	2018*	2019	2018*
Electricity swap - price increase	438.9	118.1	-	-
Electricity swap - price decrease	(441.4)	(118.6)	-	-
Electricity options - price increase	(333.3)	(360.8)	-	-
Electricity options - price decrease	329.3	360.6	-	-

*2018 sensitivity analysis was based on 25% price change on peak electricity swaps. Snowy assess the reasonableness of the sensitivity scenario at reporting time to reflect the most up-to-date market environment, and determined 20% is more appropriate for 2019.

Foreign exchange risk

The Group operates wholly within Australia and contracts with suppliers in Australian dollars or other currencies.

Contracts in New Zealand dollars are not hedged as historically the New Zealand dollar has maintained a proportional relationship with the Australian dollar, and purchase and contract exposures are immaterial.

Where a purchase or contract is payable in another currency, the Group is exposed to the fluctuation of exchange rates. The Group's Treasury policy is to hedge any aggregate (per contract) foreign exchange exposure which exceeds AUD \$250,000 equivalent value.

In April 2019 the Company signed a contract as part of Snowy 2.0 project which has a component denominated in EURO. Accordingly the Company has entered into a series of forward foreign exchange agreements, with €434.0 million outstanding at 30 June 2019. The purpose of these contracts is to fix the Australian dollar cost of the equipment purchase over the life of the contract up to January 2026.

Foreign exchange contracts - cash flow hedge

The Group has entered into foreign exchange contracts to hedge the exchange rate risk arising from purchases or contracts that are denominated in foreign currencies, which are designated as cash flow hedges at inception and tested for effectiveness at each reporting date. The economic relationship between the hedged item and hedging instruments is established based on the currency, amount and timing of the respective cash flows. It is the Group's policy to match the key terms of the foreign exchange contract with the underlying transaction and apply a hedge ratio of 1:1 on the base contract. The entire forward rate of the foreign exchange contracts is designated to hedge the base contract currency risk. As at year end, the underlying purchases are assessed to remain highly probable and the amount accumulated in equity will be reclassified to profit and loss or assets when the underlying transaction affects profit and loss or result in acquisition of non-financial assets.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

In these hedge relationships, the main sources of ineffectiveness are:

- the effect of the counterparties' and the Group's own credit risk on the fair value of the foreign exchange contracts, which is not reflected in the change in the fair value of the hedged cash flows attributable to the change in exchange rates; and
- changes in the timing and notional amount of the hedge transactions.

The following tables provide an overview of the foreign exchange hedge in place for the reporting period, detailing hedge exposure at different maturity.

2019 \$million	Less than one year	1 - 3 years	More than 3 years	Total
Forward exchange contracts				
Net exposure (in millions of EUR)	4.6	154.2	275.2	434.0
Average EUR:AUD forward contract rate	0.62	0.60	0.57	0.59

2018 \$million	Less than one year	1 - 3 years	More than 3 years	Total
Forward exchange contracts				
Net exposure (in millions of EUR)	-	-	-	-
Average EUR:AUD forward contract rate	-	-	-	-

The amounts at the reporting date relating to items designated as hedged items for foreign currency risk were as follows:

Capital expenditure \$million	2019	2018
Change in value used for calculating hedge effectiveness	(3.0)	-
Cash flow hedge reserve	(3.0)	-
Balances remaining in the cash flow hedge reserve from hedging relationships for which hedge accounting is no longer applied	-	-

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

The amounts relating to items designated as foreign exchange hedging instruments and hedge ineffectiveness were as follows:

Forward Exchange Contracts \$million	2019	2018
Assets (carrying amount)		-
Other current financial assets	0.1	-
Other non-current financial assets	3.5	-
Liabilities (carrying amount)		
Other non-current financial liabilities	(0.6)	-
The change in fair value of the hedging instrument used as the basis for recognising hedge ineffectiveness	3.0	-
Changes in the value of the hedging instrument recognised in OCI	(3.0)	-
Hedge ineffectiveness recognised in Other expenses	-	-
Amount from hedging reserve transferred to property plant and equipment and goodwill and other intangible assets	-	-

*The Group did not have any forecast transactions for which cash flow hedge accounting was used in the previous period, but which is no longer expected to occur.

Foreign exchange rate sensitivity analysis

The table below sets out the impact on profit and loss and equity, if the foreign exchange forward rate had been 6.45 percentage higher or lower, based on the foreign exchange forward curve applicable to the Group's financial instruments denominated in a foreign currency at the reporting date. All other variables have been held constant.

The impact of any mitigating actions that management might take if the exchange rate change had occurred has not been taken into account.

\$million	Profit/(loss) before tax		Other comprehensive income	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
EUR +6.45% Movement	-	-	45.6	-
EUR -6.45% Movement	-	-	(45.1)	-

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk from floating rate borrowings (excluding finance lease liabilities). The Group manages interest rate risk by fixing the interest rate for a portion of the borrowings with interest rate swaps. The Group adopts a policy of ensuring that between 50% and 90% of its forecast interest rate risk exposure is hedged at a fixed rate.

Interest rate swaps - cash flow hedge

The Group has entered into interest rate swaps to hedge the fluctuation of projected interest payments arising from floating rate borrowings, which are designated as cash flow hedges at inception and tested for effectiveness at each reporting date. The economic relationship between the hedged item and hedging instruments is established based on the reference interest rates, notional amount, repricing dates and maturity of the respective cash flows. It is the Group's policy to match the key terms of the interest rate swaps and projected interest payments and apply a hedge ratio of 1:1. As at year end, the projected interest payments are assessed to remain highly probable and the amount accumulated in equity will be reclassified to profit and loss when the underlying transaction affects profit and loss.

In these hedge relationships, the main sources of ineffectiveness are:

- the effect of the counterparty's and the Group's own credit risk on the fair value of the swaps, which is not reflected in the change in the fair value of the hedged cash flows attributable to the change in interest rates; and
- differences in repricing dates between the interest rate swaps and the floating rate borrowings.
- changes in the timing and notional amount of the projected interest payments.

The Group had the following financial assets and liabilities exposed to floating interest rate risk as at 30 June 2019:

\$million	2019	2018
Floating rate instruments		
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	43.0	32.7
	43.0	32.7
Financial liabilities		
Bank loans	1,242.0	711.0
Interest rate swap notional principal excluding forward-starting swaps	(651.2)	(651.2)
	590.8	59.8

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

The following table summarises the interest rate hedges in place for the reporting period, detailing the notional principal hedge amounts outstanding, the average fixed rate, and the current fair value:

	Average swap fixed interest rate		Notional principal amount	
	2019 %	2018 %	2019 \$million	2018 \$million
Less than 1 year	2.30	2.89	1,751.7	651.2
1 to 2 years	2.20	2.86	2,426.1	600.2
2 to 3 years	2.18	2.86	2,976.5	600.2
3 to 4 years	2.19	3.27	3,276.7	400.1
4 to 5 years	2.15	3.67	3,076.7	200.0
5 years or more	2.17	3.67	3,376.8	200.0
Average	2.20	3.20	2,814.1	442.0

The amounts at the reporting date relating to items designated as hedged items for interest rate risk were as follows:

Floating interest payments \$million	2019	2018
Change in value used for calculating hedge effectiveness	143.7	19.2
Cash flow hedge reserve	142.2	19.0
Balances remaining in the cash flow hedge reserve from hedging relationships for which hedge accounting is no longer applied	-	-

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

The amounts relating to items designated as hedging instruments and hedge ineffectiveness were as follows:

Interest Rate Swaps \$million	2019	2018
Assets (carrying amount)		
Other current financial assets	-	0.6
Liabilities (carrying amount)		
Other current financial liabilities	(12.5)	(4.3)
Other non-current financial liabilities	(129.7)	(15.3)
The change in fair value of the hedging instrument used as the basis for recognising hedge ineffectiveness	(142.2)	(19.0)
Changes in the value of the hedging instrument recognised in OCI	142.2	19.0
Hedge ineffectiveness recognised in Other expense	-	-
Amount reclassified from hedging reserve to profit or loss	(6.2)	9.3

*The Group did not have any forecast transaction for which cash flow hedge accounting had been used in the previous period, but which is no longer expected to occur.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis

The table below sets out the impact on profit and loss and equity, if interest rates had been 75 basis points higher or lower, based on the interest rate yield curve applicable to the Group's interest bearing assets and liabilities at the reporting date. All other variables have been held constant.

The impact of any mitigating actions that management might take if the interest rate change had occurred has not been taken into account.

\$million	Profit/ (loss) before tax		Other comprehensive income	
	2019	2018*	2019	2018*
Interest rate + 75 basis points				
Interest on bank loan	(9.3)	(10.7)	-	-
Interest on interest rate swap	13.1	9.8	-	-
Fair valuation of interest rate swap	-	-	169.8	37.5
Interest rate - 75 basis points				
Interest on bank loan	9.3	10.7	-	-
Interest on interest rate swap	(13.1)	(9.8)	-	-
Fair valuation of interest rate swap	-	-	(183.4)	(40.2)

*2018 sensitivity analysis was based on 150 bps movement of the interest rate curve. Snowy assess the reasonableness of the sensitivity scenario at reporting time to reflect the most up-to-date market environment, and determined 75 bps is more appropriate for 2019.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

Cash flow hedge reconciliation

The following table provides a reconciliation by risk category of components of equity and analysis of OCI items, net of tax, resulting from cash flow hedge accounting.

\$millions	2019	2018
Balance at the beginning of the reporting period	(13.4)	(20.6)
Cash flow hedges		
<i>Changes in fair value:</i>		
Foreign currency risk	3.4	-
Interest rate risk	(116.9)	(5.8)
<i>Amount reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Foreign currency risk	-	-
Interest rate risk	(6.2)	9.3
Commodity risk	-	6.8
<i>Amount included in the cost of non-financial items:</i>		
Foreign currency risk	-	-
<i>Tax on movements on reserves during the year</i>	35.9	(3.1)
Balance at the end of the reporting period	(97.2)	(13.4)

(ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its obligations as they become due.

Short term liquidity risk predominantly arises through three sources: the potential for large margin calls on electricity futures contracts in the event of adverse movements in forward electricity prices; prudential calls from the electricity market operator (AEMO); and lastly the risk of settling large payouts on a contract or contracts where the Group's generation fails to cover those contract positions.

The Group manages its liquidity risk by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and prudential exposures, matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities and maintaining committed stand-by facilities. The Group holds an Australian Financial Services Licence under which it must continuously monitor its forward liquidity ratios and the amount of surplus liquid funds. Any unremedied breach of these conditions would trigger a cessation of trading.

At the reporting date, the Group had committed, undrawn facilities of \$663.0 million (30 June 2018: \$389.0 million), as detailed in Note 15 Interest bearing liabilities and credit facilities.

The Group manages its market related liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves of generation capacity and high levels of plant reliability and availability which allows for the generation of spot income to match contracted outgoing commitments to various NEM counterparties.

The nature of the Group's exposure to liquidity risk and its objectives and processes to manage this risk remain unchanged from the prior financial year.

The table below details the contractual maturity of the financial liabilities of the Group at the end of the reporting period. The amounts are based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities on the earliest date on which the Group could be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

To the extent that interest flows are at floating rate, the undiscounted amount is derived from interest rate curves at the end of the reporting period. For derivative instruments that are required to be net settled, the amounts are based on the undiscounted net cash inflows and outflows; for derivative instruments that are required to be gross settled, the amounts are based on undiscounted gross cash inflows and outflows.

2019 \$million	Less than 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Financial liabilities					
<i>Non derivative instruments</i>					
Trade and other payables	338.1	-	-	-	338.1
Bank loans	52.1	275.0	962.0	-	1,289.1
Finance lease liability	11.2	11.2	33.7	52.2	108.3
	401.4	286.2	995.7	52.2	1,735.5
<i>Derivative instruments</i>					
Energy and commodity derivatives	61.5	1.2	35.6	143.5	241.8
Foreign exchange contracts	-	-	-	0.6	0.6
Interest rate swaps	14.3	25.9	80.9	30.7	151.8
	75.8	27.1	116.5	174.8	394.2

2018					
Financial liabilities					
<i>Non derivative instruments</i>					
Trade and other payables*	293.2	-	-	-	293.2
Bank loans	208.2	200.0	311.0	-	719.2
Financial lease liability	11.2	11.2	33.6	63.5	119.5
	512.6	211.2	344.6	63.5	1,131.9
<i>Derivative instruments</i>					
Energy and commodity derivatives	34.6	13.8	38.9	65.2	152.5
Interest rate swaps	5.5	4.9	8.8	2.3	21.5
	40.1	18.7	47.7	67.5	174.0

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

(iii) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its financial obligations under a contract or other arrangement that may cause a financial loss to the Group.

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer. Credit risk is managed under a Board approved policy which includes the use of credit limits allocated based on the overall financial and competitive strength of the counterparty.

Derivative contract counterparties are generally limited to high-credit-quality financial institutions and organisations operating in the NEM and financial markets. Credit assessment of the counterparty is carried out when the Group deals with it for the first time and reviewed when necessary, at least annually.

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The concentration of credit risk arising from energy derivative trading is significant within a few counterparties at the end of the reporting period. The Group manages the concentration risk by continuously monitoring the credit exposure against the individual assigned credit limit and the Group's aggregate limit. The Group also utilises International Swap and Derivative Association (ISDA) agreements to limit its exposure to credit risk through the netting of amounts receivable from and payable to its counterparties.

The carrying amounts of financial assets and contract assets represent the maximum credit exposure. The nature of the Group's exposures to credit risk and its objectives and processes to manage this risk remain unchanged from the prior financial year.

Trade and other receivables consist of over 1.0 million residential, small and large commercial and industrial customers, in New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Queensland. Refer to Note 7 Trade Receivables for further information.

3. Fair Value of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

The following table presents the financial instruments that are measured and recognised at fair value on a recurring basis. Snowy Hydro classifies its financial instruments into the three levels prescribed under the accounting standards. The three levels in the hierarchy reflect the level of independent observable market data used in determining the fair values and are defined as follows:

Level 1	Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical financial instruments.
Level 2	Other valuation methods for which all inputs that have a significant impact on fair value are observable, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices).
Level 3	One or more key inputs for the instrument are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

There were no material transfers between levels during the period.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

2019 \$million	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value
Financial assets				
Derivative financial instruments				
- Energy derivatives	70.0	37.3	45.0	152.3
- Foreign exchange contracts	-	3.6	-	3.6
- Interest rate swaps	-	-	-	-
Total financial assets	70.0	40.9	45.0	155.9
Financial liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments				
- Energy and commodity derivatives	36.4	5.9	128.1	170.4
- Foreign exchange contracts	-	0.6	-	0.6
- Interest rate swaps	-	142.2	-	142.2
Total financial liabilities	36.4	148.7	128.1	313.2

2018 \$million	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value
Financial assets				
Derivative financial instruments				
- Energy derivatives	29.5	15.8	62.7	108.0
- Interest rate swaps	-	0.6	-	0.6
Total financial assets	29.5	16.4	62.7	108.6
Financial liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments				
- Energy and commodity derivatives	50.9	19.3	69.4	139.6
- Interest rate swaps	-	19.6	-	19.6
Total financial liabilities	50.9	38.9	69.4	159.2

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

Management have assessed the carrying value of financial assets (excluding derivative financial assets) and financial liabilities (excluding derivative financial liabilities) is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

The following is a summary of the methods that are used to estimate the fair value of Snowy Hydro's financial instruments:

Instrument	Hierarchy	Fair Value Methodology
Electricity swaps and options regularly traded in active markets	Level 2	Present value of estimated future cash flows relating to the difference between the contract rates and the market forward rate. Cash flows are discounted at a rate that reflects the credit risk of the relevant counterparty or own credit risk, when applicable.
Electricity swaps and options not regularly traded in active markets, with no observable inputs.	Level 3	Generally accepted valuation models which reflect the difference between the contract rates and an internal cap curve based on management's assessment of new-entrant pricing which takes into account capital costs, fixed and variable operating costs, efficiency factors and asset lives, as well as premiums for accepting physical risks or a long-term market forward curve provided by external consultants. Cash flows are discounted at a rate that reflects the credit risk of the relevant counterparty or own credit risk, when applicable, or the Group's weighted average cost of capital.
Electricity Load Following Swaps	Level 3	Present value of estimated future cash flows relating to the difference between the contract rates and the market forward rate based on forecast energy usage profiles. Market prices are adjusted with a half hourly calibration factor to price the usage profile.
Financial instruments traded in active futures markets	Level 1	Quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period.
Foreign exchange contracts	Level 2	Present value of estimated future cash flows relating to the difference between the contract rates and the quoted forward exchange rates. Cash flows are discounted at a rate that reflects the credit risk of the relevant counterparty or own credit risk, when applicable.
Interest rate swaps	Level 2	Present value of estimated future cash flows. Key variables include market pricing data, discount rates and credit risk of Snowy Hydro or counterparty where relevant. Variables reflect those which would be used by market participants to execute and value the instruments.

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

4. Level 3 fair value measurement instruments

The following table presents the changes in level 3 instruments for the period ended 30 June 2019:

\$million	2019	2018
Opening balance	(6.7)	39.6
Option premium received in cash during the period	(178.8)	(212.4)
Total gains and losses in profit or loss		
- Settlements during the period	139.2	325.6
- Changes in fair value of financial instruments	(36.8)	(159.5)
Closing balance	(83.1)	(6.7)

Gains and losses in profit or loss due to changes in fair value are included within 'Changes in fair value of financial instruments'. All other gains and losses in profit or loss are shown in revenue.

Sensitivity analysis of level 3 instruments

The use of different methodologies or assumptions could lead to different measurements of fair value. For fair value measurements in Level 3, the sensitivity of the valuation to a 40% movement in the price curve for cap instruments, 20% movement in the price curve for peak swap capped instruments and 20% movement in the price curve for flat and off-peak swap capped and load following swap instruments would have the following effects:

2019 \$million	Fair value	Profit/ (loss) before tax	
		Increase movement	Decrease movement
Energy Derivative assets	45.0	95.6	(91.8)
Energy Derivative liabilities	(128.1)	(50.3)	48.7

2018* \$million	Fair value	Profit/ (loss) before tax	
		Increase movement	Decrease movement
Energy Derivative assets	62.7	(208.1)	208.0
Energy Derivative liabilities	(69.4)	(71.2)	70.6

*2018 sensitivity analysis was based on 25% price change on peak electricity swaps. Snowy assess the reasonableness of the sensitivity scenario at reporting time to reflect the most up-to-date market environment, and determined 20% is more appropriate for 2019

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17 Financial Instruments (continued)

The sensitivity measure is based on the historical analysis of movement in the annual cap prices over the historical period for short term broker market (less than 100MW and short duration up to 2 years) and applied to non-standard, long term large volume contracts.

18 Issued capital

\$million	2019	2018
200,000,000 fully paid ordinary shares	816.1	816.1

19 Reserves

\$million	2019	2018
Hedging reserves		
Balance at the beginning of the reporting period	(13.4)	(20.6)
Gains / (losses) recognised:		
Foreign exchange contracts	3.4	-
Interest rate swaps	(123.1)	3.5
Commodity forwards	-	6.8
Deferred tax arising on hedges	35.9	(3.1)
Balance at the end of the reporting period	(97.2)	(13.4)

The hedging reserve represents hedging gains and losses recognised on the effective portion of cash flow hedges.

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20 Dividends

\$million	2019	2018
Recognised amounts		
Final dividend Final dividend for 2018 of 65.00 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 31 October 2018 (2018: Final dividend for 2017 of 65.00 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 27 October 2017)	130.0	130.0
Interim dividend Interim dividend for 2019 of 54.25 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 18 April 2019 (2018: Interim dividend for 2018 of 67.50 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, paid 27 April 2018)	108.5	135.0
Total recognised amounts	238.5	265.0
Unrecognised amounts Since the end of the financial year, the Directors have determined a final dividend for 2019 of 54.25 cents per share, fully franked at the corporate tax rate of 30%, payable on 25 October 2019	108.5	130.0
Dividend franking account balance	177.2	87.3

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Group Structure

21 Subsidiaries

Name of Entity	Country of Incorporation	% Ownership	
		2019	2018
Parent Entity			
Snowy Hydro Limited (b)	Australia	-	-
Controlled Entities			
Snowy Hydro Trading Pty Ltd (c)	Australia	100	100
Red Energy Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Latrobe Valley BV (c)	Netherlands	100	100
Valley Power Pty Ltd (c)	Australia	100	100
Contact Peaker Australia Pty Ltd (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Energy Australia Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Energy (NSW) Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Energy (Qld) Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Energy (SA) Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Energy Telecommunications Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Generation NSW Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Lumo Generation SA Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Emagy Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
TFI Partners Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Direct Connect Australia Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100
Connection Media Pty Ltd (a) (c)	Australia	100	100

(a) Entities which have entered into a deed of cross guarantee with Snowy Hydro pursuant to ASIC Class Order 2016/785 and are relieved from the requirement to prepare and lodge audited financial reports.

(b) Snowy Hydro Limited is the head entity within the tax consolidated group.

(c) These companies are members of the tax consolidated group.

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21 Subsidiaries (continued)

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and consolidated statement of financial position of the entities which are party to the deed of cross guarantee are:

Statement of profit or loss

\$million	Restated*	
	2019	2018
Revenue	2,813.0	2,770.6
Interest income	0.9	0.8
Other income	9.3	9.0
Direct costs of revenue	(1,792.8)	(1,588.4)
Consumables and supplies	(70.3)	(69.8)
Employee benefits expense	(214.3)	(209.4)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(129.8)	(129.8)
Finance costs	(35.0)	(42.8)
Impairment loss recognised on trade receivables	(22.3)	(20.6)
Other expenses	(118.3)	(121.3)
Loss on the fair value of financial instruments	15.7	(212.7)
Profit before income tax expense	456.1	385.6
Income tax expense	(137.7)	(115.3)
Profit attributable to the owners of the parent entity	318.4	270.3

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

Statement of financial position

\$million	Restated*	
	2019	2018
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	43.0	32.7
Trade and other receivables	461.2	428.8
Inventories	22.8	20.0
Other financial assets	148.8	149.4
Other current assets	62.4	38.0
Total current assets	738.2	668.9
Non-current assets		
Deferred tax assets	190.4	165.2
Goodwill and other intangible assets	568.6	578.9
Property, plant and equipment	2,411.2	1,912.9
Other financial assets	101.6	120.8
Investments in subsidiaries	95.1	95.1
Other non-current assets	122.2	-
Total non-current assets	3,489.1	2,872.9
Total assets	4,227.3	3,541.8

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21 Subsidiaries (continued)

Statement of financial position (continued)

\$million	2019	Restated* 2018
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	338.1	292.9
Interest bearing liabilities	8.9	10.4
Provisions	64.4	41.2
Other financial liabilities	184.0	143.9
Income tax payable	10.5	70.0
Total current liabilities	605.9	558.4
Non-current liabilities		
Interest bearing liabilities	1,300.5	775.1
Provisions	55.7	50.7
Other financial liabilities	130.3	15.3
Total non-current liabilities	1,486.5	841.1
Total liabilities	2,092.4	1,399.5
Net assets	2,134.9	2,142.3
Equity		
Issued capital	816.1	816.1
Reserves	(97.2)	(13.4)
Retained profits	1,416.0	1,339.6
Total equity	2,134.9	2,142.3

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

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22 Parent entity disclosures

(a) Summary financial information (Parent)

\$million	2019	Restated* 2018
Assets		
Current assets	360.8	319.2
Total assets	3,640.6	2,953.8
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	423.3	312.6
Total liabilities	1,902.3	1,146.1
Equity		
Issued capital	816.1	816.1
Reserve	(97.2)	(13.4)
Retained earnings	1,019.3	1,003.8
Profit for the period	219.9	312.9
Total comprehensive income	134.3	319.0

*The prior period financial information has been restated, as described in Note 2.

(b) Guarantees entered into by the parent entity in relation to its subsidiaries

\$million	2019	2018
Guarantees provided under the deed of cross guarantee as referred to in note 21	71.0	68.6

(c) Contingent liabilities of the parent entity

Contingent liabilities detailed in note 26 relate to the parent entity.

(d) Capital commitments

\$million	2019	2018
Not longer than 1 year	888.9	39.3
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	3,349.4	12.4
Later than 5 years	600.9	0.6
	4,839.2	52.3

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23 Related party disclosures

(a) Equity Interests In Related Parties

Detail of the percentage of ordinary shares held in controlled entities is disclosed in Note 21 to the financial statements.

(b) Key Management Remuneration

Key Management Personnel are those people who have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Snowy Hydro, including the directors of the parent entity. The aggregate remuneration made to key management personnel is set out below:

\$	2019	2018
Short-term employee benefits	7,488,944	6,998,154
Post-employment benefits	279,814	261,561
Other long-term employee benefits	2,099,326	2,682,713
Total remuneration	9,868,084	9,942,428

During the year, Snowy Hydro reassessed key management personnel and comparative figures have been adjusted accordingly. Further details are contained in the Remuneration Report.

(c) Directors' and Specified Executive Loans

No loans were made nor are any outstanding between Snowy Hydro and any director or director related entities.

(d) Directors' Equity Holdings

No shares or options of the consolidated entity are held by any director or director related entities.

(e) Other Transactions With Directors

No other transactions, other than in the ordinary course of business on commercial terms, have been entered into between the consolidated entity and any director or director related entities.

(f) Transactions Within the Wholly-Owned Group

The wholly-owned group includes the ultimate parent entity and sixteen wholly-owned controlled entities.

The ultimate parent entity in the wholly-owned group is Snowy Hydro Limited. During the financial year Snowy Hydro provided management, accounting and administrative services to its controlled entities other than Valley Power and Lumo Generation SA on a cost free basis. Snowy Hydro also provides all personnel, operational and management services to Valley Power and Lumo Generation SA on a cost basis. All intercompany balances are at call, but the Directors have declared that they are not expected to be called in the current period. The balance of intercompany loans owed by the parent entity to the controlled entities to as at 30 June 2019 was \$106.1 million (1 July 2018: \$67.5 million owed by the parent entity).

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Other

24 Defined benefit superannuation plan

Employees of Snowy Hydro are members of a variety of superannuation funds covering both defined contribution and defined benefit plans. Payments to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

Snowy Hydro's defined benefit plans include:

- Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme ("CSS");
- Public Sector Superannuation Scheme ("PSSS");
- Energy Industries Superannuation Scheme ("EISS");
- State Superannuation Scheme ("SSS"); and
- State Authorities Non-contributory Superannuation Scheme ("SANCS")

CSS and PSSS are accounted for as defined contribution plans on the basis that these are multi-employer plans and insufficient information is available to apply defined benefit accounting.

The SSS and SANCS schemes are part of the same pooled funds and are therefore treated together for the defined benefit scheme financial statement disclosures below.

For the EISS, SSS and SANCS defined benefit plans, the cost of providing benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method, with actuarial valuations being carried out annually. Remeasurements, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of changes to the asset ceiling (if applicable) and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), is reflected immediately in the consolidated statement of financial position with a charge or credit recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur.

Remeasurement recognised in other comprehensive income is reflected immediately in retained earnings and will not be reclassified to profit or loss. Service cost (including current service cost, past service cost and gains and losses on curtailments and settlement) are recognised in profit or loss in the period of a plan amendment. Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability or asset.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position represents the deficit in Snowy Hydro's defined benefit plans, calculated by estimating the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in the current and prior periods, discounting that amount and deducting the fair value of the plan assets.

The defined benefit plans are administered by a separate Fund that is legally separated from the entity.

The defined benefit plans require contributions from employees. Contributions are in the following two forms; one is based on the number of years of service and the other one is based on a fixed percentage of salary of the employees. Employees can also make discretionary contributions to the plans.

The Energy Industries Superannuation Scheme Pool B ("EISS"), the State Authorities Superannuation Scheme ("SSS") and the State Authorities Non-contributory Superannuation Scheme ("SANCS") provide defined benefits in the form of lump sum or pension benefits on retirement, death, disablement and withdrawal. These schemes are here forth referred to as the 'Schemes'. The Schemes are closed to new members.

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24 Defined benefit superannuation plan (continued)

Description of the regulatory framework

The Schemes are primarily regulated by the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993 (Cth) ("the SIS legislation").

The Schemes have received an exemption from detailed annual actuarial valuations and therefore detailed actuarial valuations are only required triennially. The last actuarial valuation of the Schemes was performed as at 30 June 2018. The next actuarial investigation is due as at 30 June 2021.

Description of other entities' responsibilities for the governance of the Schemes

The Schemes' Trustees are responsible for the governance of the Scheme according to the Scheme rules and regulations.

Description of the risks

There are a number of risks to which the Fund exposes the Employer. The more significant risks relating to the defined benefits are:

- **Investment risk:** The risk that investment returns will be lower than assumed and the Employer will need to increase contributions to offset this shortfall.
- **Longevity risk:** The risk that pensioners live longer than assumed, increasing future pensions.
- **Pension indexation risk:** The risk that pensions will increase at a rate greater than assumed, increasing future pensions.
- **Salary growth risk:** The risk that wages or salaries (on which future benefit amounts for active members will be based) will rise more rapidly than assumed, increasing defined benefit amounts and thereby requiring additional employer contributions.
- **Legislative risk:** The risk is that legislative changes could be made which increase the cost of providing the defined benefits.

Description of significant events

The schemes had no amendments, curtailments or settlements during the year due to exits.

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24 Defined benefit superannuation plan (continued)

Reconciliation of the Net Defined Benefit Liability/(Asset)

\$million	Present value of obligation	Fair value of plan assets	Total	Impact of minimum funding requirement/ asset ceiling	Net amount
2018	21.6	(15.2)	6.4	-	6.4
Current service cost	0.1	-	0.1	-	0.1
Interest expense/ (income)	0.9	(0.6)	0.3	-	0.3
Total amount recognised in profit or loss	1.0	(0.6)	0.4	-	0.4
<i>Remeasurements:</i>					
Return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in interest expense/ (income)	-	(0.9)	(0.9)	-	(0.9)
Gain from changes in demographic and financial assumptions	3.5	-	3.5	-	3.5
Experience loss	-	-	-	-	-
Total amount recognised in other comprehensive income	3.5	(0.9)	2.6	-	2.6
<i>Contributions:</i>					
Employers	-	(1.1)	(1.1)	-	(1.1)
Plan participants	0.1	(0.1)	-	-	-
<i>Payments from plan:</i>					
Benefit payments	(1.0)	1.0	-	-	-
2019	25.2	(16.9)	8.3	-	8.3

Fair value of Fund assets

The major categories of plan assets as a percentage of the fair value of total plan assets at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

As at 30 June 2019	EISS	SSS/SANCS
Australian equities	16%	20%
International equities	25%	27%
Property	11%	8%
Private equity	2%	-
Infrastructure	6%	-
Alternatives	4%	25%
Fixed income	31%	10%
Short Term Securities	-	10%
Cash	5%	-
Total	100%	100%

All plan assets are held within investment funds which do not have a quoted market price in an active market.

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24 Defined benefit superannuation plan (continued)

Significant actuarial assumptions at the reporting date

As at 30 June 2019	EISS	SSS/SANCS
Discount rate	2.95%	3.17%
Salary increase rate (excluding promotional increases)	2.5% pa	3.2% pa
Rate of CPI increase	2.3% pa	1.75% - 2.5%
Pensioner mortality	As per the triennial valuation of the Scheme as at 30 June 2018	

The sensitivity analysis below has been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the respective assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period, while holding all other assumptions constant.

- If the discount rate is 1% higher/(lower), the defined benefit obligation would decrease by \$3.1 million (increase by \$3.8 million); and
- If the rate of 'CPI increase' increases/(decreases) by 0.5%, the defined benefit obligation would increase by \$1.7 million (decrease by \$1.6 million).

Asset-Liability matching strategies

The asset-liability risk is monitored in setting the investment strategy however no explicit asset-liability matching strategy is used. There has been no change in the process used to manage its risks from prior periods.

Funding arrangements

Funding arrangements are reviewed at least every three years following the release of the triennial actuarial review and was last reviewed following completion of the triennial review as at 30 June 2018. Contribution rates are set after discussions between the employer and relevant parties such as the Trustee and NSW Treasury.

Funding positions are reviewed annually and funding arrangements may be adjusted as required after each annual review.

Expected contributions

Expected employer contributions for the financial year ending 30 June 2020 are \$0.6 million and \$0.2 million for EISS and SANCS/SSS respectively.

Maturity profile of defined benefit obligation

The weighted average duration of Snowy Hydro's defined benefit obligation is 12 years and 14.7 years for EISS and SANCS/SSS respectively.

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25 Commitments

\$million	2019	2018
Capital expenditure commitments - property, plant & equipment		
Not longer than 1 year	888.9	39.3
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	3,349.4	12.4
Later than 5 years	600.9	0.6
Total capital expenditure commitments - property, plant and equipment	4,839.2	52.3
Operating lease commitments		
Not longer than 1 year	11.5	11.2
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	36.4	30.6
Later than 5 years	85.6	87.0
Total operating lease commitments	133.5	128.8
Other commitments		
Not later than 1 year	18.6	20.2
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	15.1	31.6
Total other commitments	33.7	51.8

The lease commitments above are for office premises in Sydney and Melbourne and land leased for various operational sites in NSW, Victoria and South Australia with durations from 1 to 30 years. All leases have an annual escalation clause, with most being a relevant consumer price index. In addition the Kosciuszko National Park lease commenced in 2002 for a period of 75 years. There are no restrictions imposed by any operating lease.

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25 Commitments (continued)

Finance lease commitments

\$million	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Not later than 1 year	11.2	11.2	10.3	10.3
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	44.9	44.9	33.3	33.3
Later than 5 years	52.2	63.4	28.6	33.1
Minimum future lease payments	108.3	119.5	72.2	76.7
Less future finance charges	(36.1)	(42.8)	-	-
Present value of minimum lease payments	72.2	76.7	72.2	76.7

The principal component of remaining lease payments is included in the financial statements as disclosed in Note 15. The finance lease relates to a gas pipeline at the Colongra Power Station. The lease has a term of 20 years expiring in 2029.

26 Contingent liabilities

Snowy Hydro is involved in various legal proceedings arising out of the normal course of business. The Directors believe that the outcome of these proceedings will not have a material impact on Snowy Hydro's financial position or results of operations. Contingent liabilities of the consolidated entity as at 30 June 2019 are:

(a) Ongoing contingent liabilities are represented by:

Snowy Hydro has entered into a number of bank guarantees in relation to operating within the national electricity and gas markets, and for rental properties in Sydney and Melbourne, to the value of \$82.2 million (2018: \$81.0 million).

(b) Liability for Former Scheme Sites has been extinguished except to the extent of any contaminated former sites. These contaminated sites are being rehabilitated as they are identified.

The consolidated entity does not believe that the contingent liability on any sites identified in the future would be material.

27 Subsequent events

Except as otherwise disclosed in this report, no item, transaction or event of a material nature has arisen since 30 June 2019 that would significantly affect the operations of Snowy Hydro, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs, in future financial periods.

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28 Remuneration of auditors

\$	2019	2018
Audit services		
Audit or review of the financial report	720,000	532,000
Other audit services	39,200	23,200
Other non-audit services		
Taxation services	-	7,500
Technology services	123,240	123,240
Financial due diligence	137,000	-
Digital profile assessment	44,600	-
Total remuneration of auditors	1,064,040	685,940

29 New standards not yet applicable

Certain new accounting standards are not mandatory for the 30 June 2019 reporting period, including AASB 16 *Leases* (AASB 16), which has not been early adopted by Snowy Hydro. AASB 16 is adopted on 1 July 2019 for the 2020 financial year. The estimated impact of the adoption of AASB 16 is based on assessments undertaken to date and is summarised below. The actual impact of adopting AASB 16 as at 1 July 2019 may change as the new accounting policies are subject to change until the Group presents its first financial statements that include the date of initial application.

In addition to AASB 16, other issued amendments and new standards are not expected to have a material impact on Snowy Hydro's financial statements.

AASB 16 Leases

AASB 16 introduces a comprehensive model for the identification of lease arrangements and accounting treatments for both lessees and lessors. AASB 16 will supersede the current lease guidance including AASB 117 *Leases* and the related interpretations when it becomes effective. The new standard is effective for all periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, and will be adopted by Snowy Hydro on 1 July 2019, for the year ending 30 June 2020.

Classification and measurement

For lessees, the previous distinction between an operating lease and a finance lease has been removed in the new standard, and all but short-term leases, and leases of low-value assets must be accounted for in a manner similar to the existing finance lease approach, using the concept of a right-of-use (ROU) asset and corresponding financial liability for lease payments. Previously, the Group recognised operating lease expenses on a straight-line basis and recognised assets and liabilities only when there was a timing difference between actual lease payments and the expense recognised.

On 1 July 2019, the Group will recognise new assets and liabilities for its operating leases of land and buildings (Note 25). The lease liabilities will be measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the lease's incremental borrowing rate. In line with the chosen transition method, the ROU assets will initially be recognised at a value equal to their corresponding lease liabilities.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the period ended 30 June 2019

29 New standards not yet applicable (continued)

Transition

The Group has applied the modified retrospective transition approach, which does not require comparative information to be restated in the financial statements for the year-ended 30 June 2020. Any cumulative effect of adopting AASB 16 will be recognised as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings at 1 July 2019.

As permitted by AASB 16, a number of practical expedients will be applied on transition. These include 'grandfathering' the old definition of a lease for any contracts signed prior to the initial application date. This means that, on transition, the requirements of AASB 16 will only be applied to existing contracts which were previously identified as leases under AASB 117 and its related interpretations. Subsequent to the initial application date, all new contracts must be assessed to determine if they meet the definition of a lease under AASB 16.

The Group will also apply the short-term lease and lease of low value-assets exemptions, meaning right of use assets and financial liabilities will not be recognised for any leases which meet these definitions.

The Group's existing finance leases are not impacted by the transition to AASB 16.

Impact

Based on the chosen transition approach, the Group will recognise \$106.8m of lease liabilities and \$103.8m of ROU assets on 1 July 2019. This will result in a nil impact to retained earnings on the initial application date, as the difference between the lease liability and ROU asset is due to the ROU asset being adjusted for amounts currently recorded on the balance sheet. These balances were previously used to 'straight-line' the rent expense under AASB 117, representing the difference between the cumulative lease expense recognised and actual cash payments.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors of Snowy Hydro Limited (the Company) declare that, in their opinion:

- (a) the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of the performance for the period ended on that date of Snowy Hydro; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Parent Entity and the subsidiaries identified in Note 21 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are, or may become, subject by virtue of the Deed of Cross Guarantee between the Parent Entity and those subsidiaries pursuant to ASIC Class Order 2016/785.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors



Noel H Cornish AM, Chairman
Sydney, 28 August 2019



Paul A Broad, Managing Director
Sydney, 28 August 2019

28 August 2019

The Board of Directors
Snowy Hydro Limited
Lot 3, Pier 8/9
23 Hickson Road
Walsh Bay NSW 2000

Dear Board Members

Snowy Hydro Limited

In accordance with section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, we are pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Snowy Hydro Limited.

As lead audit partners for the audit of the financial statements of Snowy Hydro Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2019, we declare that to the best of our knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

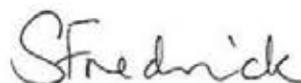
Yours sincerely



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Chartered Accountants



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Mr Noel Cornish AM
Chairman of the Board
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Dear Mr Cornish,

**SNOWY HYDRO LIMITED FINANCIAL REPORT 2018–19
AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

In relation to my audit of the financial report of Snowy Hydro Limited for the year ended 30 June 2019, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*; and
- (ii) no contravention of any applicable code of professional conduct.

Australian National Audit Office

Carla Jago
Group Executive Director

Delegate of the Auditor-General

28 August 2019
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Independent Auditor's Report to the members of Snowy Hydro Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Snowy Hydro Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Group is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report comprises Management's Review of Operations included in the Group's financial report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the Company to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are

based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Report on the Remuneration Report

Opinion on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in pages 16 to 27 of the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2019.

In our opinion, the Remuneration Report of Snowy Hydro Limited for the year ended 30 June 2019, has been prepared in accordance with section the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* ("PGPA Act").

Responsibilities

The directors of the Company have presented the Remuneration Report which is in accordance with the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* ("PGPA Act") and prepared in accordance with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Remuneration Report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

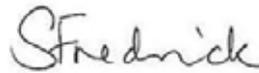


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Jamie Gatt
Partner
Chartered Accountants

Date: 28 August 2019



Sashanka Fredrick
Partner
Chartered Accountants

Date: 28 August 2019



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Snowy Hydro Limited

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report of Snowy Hydro Limited ('the Company') and its subsidiaries (together 'the Group') for the year ended 30 June 2019 is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

The financial report of the Group, which I have audited, comprises the following statements as at 30 June 2019 and for the year then ended:

- Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss;
- Consolidated Statement of Statement of Comprehensive Income;
- Consolidated Statement of Financial Position;
- Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity;
- Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows;
- Notes to the consolidated financial statements, comprising a Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and other explanatory information; and
- Directors' Declaration.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the Australian National Audit Office Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the relevant ethical requirements for financial report audits conducted by the Auditor-General and his delegates. These include the relevant independence requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) to the extent that they are not in conflict with the *Auditor-General Act 1997*. I have also fulfilled my other responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the Group to continue as a going concern, disclosing matters, as applicable, related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian National Audit Office Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian National Audit Office Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the financial report. I am responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Group audit. I remain solely responsible for my audit opinion.

I communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

Australian National Audit Office



Carla Jago

Group Executive Director

Delegate of the Auditor-General

Canberra

28 August 2019

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For the period ended 30 June 2019

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	good or service from, or providing a grant to, the related Commonwealth entity or related company; and (b) the value of the transaction, or if there is more than one transaction, the number of transactions and the aggregate of value of the transactions		
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