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# Antares Enhanced Cash Trust

**Annual Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

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## Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023

The Directors of MLC Investments Limited (MLCI), the Responsible Entity of Antares Enhanced Cash Trust (the 'Scheme'), present their report together with the financial report of the Scheme for the financial year ended 30 June 2023, and the report of the auditor of the Scheme.

### Responsible Entity

The Responsible Entity of the Scheme is MLC Investments Limited. As at reporting date, the registered office and principal place of business of the Responsible Entity and the Scheme is '30 The Bond' Level 3, 30 Hickson Road, Millers Point NSW 2000.

The Directors of MLC Investments Limited during or since the end of the financial year are:

Name	Position Held	Date Appointed
K A Watt	Independent Non-Executive Director, Chair	Appointed 05/12/2016
J Selak	Independent Non-Executive Director	Appointed 31/05/2021
M A Joiner	Independent Non-Executive Director	Appointed 01/01/2021
G J Mulcahy	Executive Director	Appointed 07/07/2014

### Principal activities

The Scheme is an unlisted registered managed investment scheme domiciled in Australia.

The Scheme invests in accordance with the investment policy of the Scheme as set out in its Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) or investment mandate and in accordance with the Scheme's Constitution. The key asset category is unlisted unit trusts.

The Scheme did not have any employees during the year (2022: Nil).

### Review of operations and results

The Scheme continues to invest in accordance with target asset allocations as set out in the governing documents of the Scheme and in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme's Constitution.

The results of operations of the Scheme is disclosed in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The income distributions payable by the Scheme is disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position.

The distributions to unitholders by the Scheme is disclosed in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

For details in relation to the performance of the Scheme, information can be obtained from the website at <https://www.antarescapital.com.au/home/prices-and-performance/fixed-income-performance>.

### Significant changes in the state of affairs

In the opinion of the Responsible Entity, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Scheme that occurred during the year.

### Events subsequent to balance date

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would impact on the financial position of the Scheme disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023 or on the results of the Scheme for the financial year ended on that date.

### Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Scheme will continue to pursue its investment policies as outlined in the PDS or investment mandate. The results of the Scheme will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Scheme invests. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

Further information has not been included in this report to avoid the disclosure of information that may result in unreasonable prejudice to the Scheme.

### Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditor

The Scheme has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability for any person who is or has been an officer of the Responsible Entity or an auditor of the Scheme during the year. Subject to the relevant Scheme constitution and relevant law, the Responsible Entity is entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Scheme for any liability incurred by it in properly performing or exercising any of its powers or duties in relation to the Scheme. The auditor of the Scheme is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Scheme.

The ultimate parent company of the Responsible Entity, Insignia Financial Ltd, has paid or agreed to pay insurance premiums in respect of the Responsible Entity's officers for liability, legal expenses, insurance contracts, and premiums in respect of such insurance contracts, for the financial year ended 30 June 2023. Such insurance contracts insure against certain liability (subject to specified exclusions) for persons who are or have been the officers of the Responsible Entity. Details of the nature of the liabilities covered or the amount of the premium paid has not been included as such disclosure is prohibited under the terms of the contracts.

### Fees paid to and investments held by the Responsible Entity or its associates

Fees paid and payable to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of the Scheme's property during the year are disclosed in Note 7.4 Responsible Entity fees.

No fees were paid out of the Scheme's property to the Directors of the Responsible Entity during the year. Related party investments held in the Scheme as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 7 Related parties.

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## **Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

### **Interests in the Scheme**

The movements in units on issue in the Scheme during the year are disclosed in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

The value of the Scheme's assets and liabilities are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and derived using the basis set out in Note 2 Basis of preparation.

### **Environmental regulation**

The operations of the Scheme is not subject to any significant environmental regulation under Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

### **Rounding**

The Scheme meets the criteria set out in *Corporations Instrument 2016/191* issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, and in accordance with that Corporations Instrument, amounts in the financial report and the Directors' report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

### **Lead auditor's independence declaration**

The lead auditor's independence declaration, as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, is set out on page 28 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of MLC Investments Limited.



**Kathryn Watt**

**Director**

Melbourne

11 September 2023

**Financial Report**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**as at 30 June 2023**

	Note	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
		30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	5.2	499	2,466
Receivables		5,684	756
Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss	4.1	385,712	379,884
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>391,895</b>	<b>383,106</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Distributions payable		5,594	-
Payables		5,263	272
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>10,857</b>	<b>272</b>
<b>Total net assets attributable to unitholders - Equity</b>		<b>381,038</b>	<b>382,834</b>

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**Financial Report**  
**Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
**for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

	Note	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
		30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>Investment income</b>			
Interest income		29	50,905
Dividend and distribution income		12,805	724
Net change in fair value of investments		127	(49,690)
Other income		45	-
<b>Total investment income</b>		<b>13,006</b>	<b>1,939</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Responsible Entity fees		253	11,096
Interest expense		3	39
Other expenses		30	554
<b>Total operating expenses</b>		<b>286</b>	<b>11,689</b>
<b>Operating profit/(loss)</b>		<b>12,720</b>	<b>(9,750)</b>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year</b>		<b>12,720</b>	<b>(9,750)</b>

The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**Financial Report**  
**Statement of Changes in Equity**  
**for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

		<b>1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust</b>	
	Note	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>Total equity at the beginning of the financial year</b>		382,834	6,736,287
<b>Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year</b>		12,720	(9,750)
<b>Transactions with unitholders</b>			
Applications		439,092	4,727,438
Redemptions		(441,146)	(11,045,318)
Distributions paid and payable		(12,462)	(25,823)
<b>Total transactions with unitholders</b>		<b>(14,516)</b>	<b>(6,343,703)</b>
<b>Total equity at the end of the financial year</b>		<b>381,038</b>	<b>382,834</b>
	Note	30 June 2023 Units '000	30 June 2022 Units '000
<b>Opening balance</b>		377,503	6,598,609
Applications		429,854	4,641,255
Redemptions		(431,910)	(10,862,361)
<b>Closing balance</b>		<b>375,447</b>	<b>377,503</b>
<b>Distribution Cents per Unit (CPU)</b>		3.35	0.46

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**Financial Report**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

	Note	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
		30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
Interest received		59	67,304
Other income received		45	-
Realised foreign exchange (losses)/gains		(15)	297
Net movement in margin accounts		-	8,809
Interest expense		-	(39)
Operating expenses paid		(494)	(12,401)
Proceeds from sale of investments		377,900	12,615,796
Purchase of investments		(375,750)	(6,953,395)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>1,745</b>	<b>5,726,371</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>			
Proceeds from application of units		432,445	4,701,616
Payments for redemption of units		(435,949)	(11,045,318)
Distributions paid		(221)	-
<b>Net cash outflow from financing activities</b>		<b>(3,725)</b>	<b>(6,343,702)</b>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(1,980)	(617,331)
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents		13	(2)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		2,466	619,799
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>2,466</b>

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



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## **Financial Report Notes to the Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

### **1. Reporting entity**

Antares Enhanced Cash Trust (the Scheme) is a registered Managed Investment Scheme under the *Corporations Act 2001*. The financial statements of the Scheme are for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

The financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Responsible Entity on 11 September 2023.

### **2. Basis of preparation**

The Statement of Financial Position is prepared on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and are not distinguished between current and non-current. All balances are generally expected to be recovered or settled within twelve months, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and net assets attributable to unitholders.

Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified to achieve consistency in disclosure with current financial year amounts and other disclosures.

#### **2.1 Statement of compliance**

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The financial statements of the Scheme also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

#### **2.2 Basis of consolidation**

The Scheme has assessed whether its investments in unlisted related registered managed investment schemes should be classified as structured entities. A structured entity is an entity in which voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding control. The Scheme has concluded that its investments in unlisted registered managed investment schemes meet the definition of structured entities as the voting rights of these unlisted registered managed investment schemes are not substantive in nature as set out in Note 8 Interests in unconsolidated structured entities.

As such, the Scheme does not consolidate any entities.

#### **2.3 Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for:

- financial assets and liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured at fair value; and
- other financial liabilities, which are measured at amortised cost.

#### **2.4 Functional and presentation currency**

Items included in the Scheme's financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the "functional currency"). This is the Australian dollar, which reflects the currency of the economy in which the Scheme competes for funds and is regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Scheme's presentation currency.

#### **2.5 Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of the financial statements which are in conformity with IFRS, requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. The estimates and associated assumptions can refer to historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable using market participant assumptions in the current market environment based on what is known and knowable at the measurement date. The results of which forms the basis of making the judgement about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Note 6.5 Valuation of financial instruments contains information about the estimation of fair values of financial instruments.

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**Financial Report  
Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the financial year ended 30 June 2023****2.6 Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

**2.7 Changes in accounting policies**

There were no changes in the accounting policies of the Scheme during the financial year.

**2.8 New standards and interpretations not yet adopted**

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2023, and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Scheme.

**3. Significant accounting policies**

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements, unless otherwise stated.

**3.1 Foreign currency translation**

Foreign currency transactions are translated to Australian dollars at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the reporting date. Unrealised foreign exchange gains or losses, arising in translation of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at reporting date, are recognised as part of the 'Net change in fair value of investments' in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Realised gains and losses on amounts denominated in foreign currencies are also brought to account as part of 'Net change in fair value of investments' in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and as 'Realised foreign exchange gains/(losses)' in the Statement of Cash Flows.

**3.2 Financial instruments****3.2.1 Recognition and initial measurement**

Financial assets and liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Scheme becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Other financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the due date they originated.

Financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss are measured initially at fair value, with transaction costs recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Financial assets or liabilities not held at fair value through profit or loss are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

**3.2.2 Derecognition**

The Scheme derecognises financial assets when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or it transfers the financial assets and the transfer qualifies for derecognition in accordance with AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

When there is objective evidence that the Scheme will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivable, the Scheme will write off the amount by reducing the carrying amount directly in the Statement of Financial Position and also recognise a loss or other expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

**3.2.3 Classification**

Financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss are those that meet the definition of held for trading in AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*. These include investments in unlisted unit trusts.

Financial assets measured at amortised cost include cash and cash equivalents. Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost include balances due to brokers and accounts payable.

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Subsequent to initial recognition, all instruments classified at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value with changes in their fair value recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Financial liabilities other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Refer to Note 6.5 Valuation of financial instruments for additional disclosures.

**3.2.5 Fair value measurement principles**

The Scheme has adopted AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* and as a result the Scheme has adopted the definition of fair value as set out below.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal, or in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Scheme has access at that date.

The prices used to value investments include, but are not limited to:

- independent prices obtained for each security;
- quoted 'bid' prices on long securities and quoted 'ask' prices on securities sold short; and
- net asset value prices published by the relevant Responsible Entity, for investments into unlisted unit trusts.

In accordance with the Constitution, the Scheme is contractually obliged to redeem units at redemption price, which includes an allowance for transaction costs that would be incurred by the Scheme on disposal of assets required to fund the redemptions. Where a transaction cost factor has been incurred, there will be a difference between the carrying amount of the net assets of the Scheme (excluding the unitholders' funds classified as equity) and the contractual amount payable to unitholders which is based on the redemption price.

When applicable, the Scheme measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted prices in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

When there is no quoted price in an active market, the Scheme uses valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

**3.3 Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of presentation in the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents may include cash at bank, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown in liabilities on the Statement of Financial Position but are included within cash and cash equivalents for cash flow purposes.

**3.4 Receivables**

Receivables are measured at transaction price and may include amounts for accrued income and other receivables such as Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC).

Accrued income may include amounts for trust distributions and interest income. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables. RITC is the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST) recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

**3.5 Distributions payable**

The distributions payable to unitholders as at the reporting date is recognised separately in the Statement of Financial Position as unitholders are presently entitled to the distributable income as at 30 June 2023 under the Scheme's Constitution.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements

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#### 3.6 Payables

Payables may include amounts for accrued expenses and other payables such as GST.

Accrued expenses include Responsible Entity fees payable.

#### 3.7 Net assets attributable to unitholders

The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Scheme is subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders. The Responsible Entity monitors the level of daily applications and redemptions relative to the liquid assets in the Scheme. Under the terms of the Scheme's Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust a redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unitholders.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Responsible Entity may return capital to unitholders. The Scheme does not have any externally imposed capital requirements. The units can be put back to the Scheme at any time for cash based on the redemption price. The fair value of redeemable units is measured at the redemption amount that is payable (based on the redemption unit price) at the end of the reporting period if unitholders exercised their right to redeem units from the Scheme.

Under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*, puttable financial instruments are classified as equity where the following criteria are met:

- the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro-rata share of net assets in the event of the Scheme's liquidation;
- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical;
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Scheme, and it is not a contract settled in the Scheme's own equity instruments; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss.

The above criteria are satisfied for the Scheme with a single unit class and net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as equity.

#### 3.8 Terms and conditions of units

The Scheme has a single unit class.

All units of a class issued by the Scheme will be of an equal value and confer identical interests and rights to, and be subject to the same conditions as, all other units in that class. A unit does not confer any interest in any particular asset or investment of the Scheme. Unitholders have various rights under the Constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001*, including the right to:

- have their units redeemed;
- accumulate income, which is reflected in the unit price;
- attend and vote at meetings of unitholders; and
- participate in the termination and winding up of the Scheme.

#### 3.9 Interest income

Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost is recognised on a time-proportionate basis using the effective interest method and includes interest from cash and cash equivalents.

Interest income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is determined based on the contractual coupon interest rate and includes interest from debt securities.

#### 3.10 Distribution income

Income distributions from unlisted unit trusts are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an entitlement basis.

Distributions which are reinvested are disclosed as non-cash transactions within Note 5 Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities.

#### 3.11 Net change in fair value of investments

Changes in the fair value of investments are net gains or losses recognised in relation to financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Changes are determined as the difference between the fair value at year end or consideration received (if sold during the year) and the fair value as at the prior year end or initial fair value (if the investment was acquired during the year).

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All expenses, including Responsible Entity fees, are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accrual basis.

Interest expense is interest accrued on overdraft balances held during the financial year, and other expenses relate to brokerage fees from purchasing and selling assets.

**3.13 Foreign exchange gains and losses**

Foreign exchange gains and losses on financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised together with other changes in the fair value. Included in the profit or loss line item are net foreign exchange gains or losses on monetary financial assets and financial liabilities other than those classified at fair value through profit or loss.

**3.14 Distributions to unitholders**

Distributions are payable as set out in the Scheme's PDS. Distributions are determined by the Responsible Entity in accordance with the Scheme's Constitution and applicable tax legislation.

Financial instruments held at fair value may include unrealised capital gains or losses. Unrealised gains or losses that are recognised as 'profit or loss from operating activities' are transferred to net assets attributable to unitholders and are not assessable and do not impact distributions until realised.

Under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*, the Scheme that have single unit class disclose distributions paid and payable in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

Distributions paid are included in cash flows from financing activities in the Statement of Cash Flows.

**3.15 Taxation**

Under the Attribution Managed Investment Trust ("AMIT") tax regime, the AMIT Scheme is not subject to income tax as taxable income (including assessable realised capital gains) is attributed in full to the unitholders. The AMIT Scheme fully attributes its taxable income which is calculated in accordance with the Scheme's Constitution and applicable taxation legislation, to the unitholders on a fair and reasonable basis consistent with their rights.

Net realised capital losses are not distributed to unitholders, but are retained to be offset against any future realised capital gains. Where realised assessable capital gains exceed realised capital losses, the excess will be distributed and attributed to unitholders as assessable income for taxation purposes.

The benefits of imputation credits and foreign taxes paid are passed on to unitholders.

**3.16 Goods and services tax**

Expenses incurred by the Scheme is recognised net of the amount of GST recoverable from the ATO as RITC.

Payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the Statement of Financial Position. GST is included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis.

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**4. Financial assets and liabilities**

The table below details the categories of the financial assets and liabilities held by the Scheme at the reporting date:

	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>4.1 Financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss</b>		
Unlisted unit trusts	385,712	379,884
<b>Total financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss</b>	<b>385,712</b>	<b>379,884</b>

**5. Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities**

The table below details the reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities for the year. For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents may include cash at bank, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position.

	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>5.1 Operating profit/(loss) for the financial year</b>	12,720	(9,750)
<b>Adjustments for net realised and unrealised (gains)/losses on:</b>		
Change in fair value of investments	(127)	49,690
Realised foreign exchange (losses)/gains	(15)	297
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>		
Proceeds from sale of investments	377,900	12,615,796
Purchase of investments	(375,750)	(6,953,395)
Net movement in margin accounts	-	8,809
Decrease/(Increase) in receivables	(4,927)	15,675
Decrease in payables	(208)	(751)
Income reinvested	(7,848)	-
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b>1,745</b>	<b>5,726,371</b>
<b>5.2 Cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Cash at bank	496	2,112
Deposits at call	3	354
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>2,466</b>
<b>5.3 Non-cash operating and financing activities</b>		
Distributions reinvested by unitholders in additional scheme units	6,647	25,823
Trust income reinvested	7,848	-

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## **Financial Report**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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#### **6. Financial risk management**

##### **6.1 Introduction and overview**

The Scheme is exposed to a variety of financial risks from investments in financial instruments. These risks include:

- credit risk
- liquidity risk
- market risk

This note presents information about the Scheme's exposure to each of the above risks, the Scheme's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the Scheme's management of investors' funds.

##### **6.1.1 Risk management framework**

The Scheme's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk, and market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk, equity price risk). The Scheme's overall risk management programme is aligned to the investment strategy of the Scheme as detailed in its Constitution and PDS. It focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Scheme's financial performance.

The Responsible Entity monitors the risk management framework, which is performed internally and reported on a quarterly basis. The Scheme may use derivative financial instruments to moderate certain risk exposures.

##### **6.1.2 Environmental, Social and Governance risks**

The Scheme's risk to Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) issues are managed in accordance with the 'Responsible Investing Policy' and 'Proxy Voting Standard' covering MLC Investments Limited. This involves undertaking formal assessment of the investment manager's ESG practices when assessing, selecting and monitoring investment managers to protect investments and manage the risk profile for long-term returns.

#### **6.2 Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Scheme, resulting in a financial loss to the Scheme. It arises principally from cash and cash equivalents and receivable balances.

There was no significant credit risk in the Scheme as at 30 June 2023 (2022: Nil).

##### **6.2.1 Cash and cash equivalents**

The Scheme's cash and cash equivalents are held mainly by National Australia Bank Limited (NAB). The short term credit rating of NAB determined by Standard & Poor's is A-1+ (2022: A-1+), as at reporting date. Maximum credit risk exposure from cash and cash equivalents is represented by the carrying amount in the Statement of Financial Position.

##### **6.2.2 Settlement risk**

The Scheme's activities may give rise to risk at the time of settlement of transactions. Settlement risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of an entity to honour its obligations to deliver cash, securities or other assets as contractually agreed.

For the majority of transactions, the Scheme mitigates this risk by conducting settlements through a broker to ensure that a trade is settled only when both parties have fulfilled their contractual settlement obligations.

##### **6.2.3 Past due and impaired assets**

No financial assets carried at amortised cost were past due or impaired either at 30 June 2023 or 30 June 2022.

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**6.3 Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Scheme will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations arising from their financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset, or that such obligations will have to be settled in a manner disadvantageous to the Scheme.

**6.3.1 Management of liquidity risk**

The Scheme's policy and the investment managers' approaches to managing liquidity is to have sufficient liquidity to meet their liabilities, including estimated redemptions of units, as and when they fall due, without incurring undue losses.

The Scheme's PDS allows for the daily creation and cancellation of units and it is therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting unitholder redemptions at each redemption date. The amounts attributable to unitholders are considered to be on call.

The Scheme's payables are expected to be settled within less than one month.

The Scheme holds investments in unlisted unit trusts, which may be subject to redemption restrictions. As a result, the Scheme may not be able to liquidate some of its investments in these instruments in due time in order to meet its liquidity requirements. If the Scheme is unable to meet liquidity requirements this may impact on unitholder redemptions. If the Scheme is unable to meet liquidity requirements, the Responsible Entity has the power to suspend redemptions in certain circumstance, or may delay the timing of unitholder redemption payments.

The Scheme's liquidity risk is managed on a daily basis and the investment managers' approaches is in accordance with its investment mandate. Daily monitoring of cash flow and liquidity levels is conducted to ensure appropriate and timely action which is in the best interests of the unitholders. In addition to monitoring daily cash flows, the Scheme's portfolio of assets are maintained within defined mandate limits and monitoring these positions is part of liquidity risk management.

**6.3.2 Liquidity risk exposure**

The table below details the financial instruments that give rise to liquidity exposure. Information is provided on a contractual basis.

	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
<b>Net assets attributable to unitholders</b>		
On call amounts	381,038	382,834
<b>Total net assets attributable to unitholders</b>	<b>381,038</b>	<b>382,834</b>

**6.4 Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, equity prices, foreign exchange rates and credit spreads (not relating to changes in the obligor's/issuer's credit standing), will affect the Scheme's income or the fair value of their holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

**6.4.1 Management of market risk**

The Scheme's strategy for the management of market risk is driven by the Scheme's investment objectives. The Scheme's market risk is managed on a daily basis by the investment managers in accordance with the investment guidelines of the Scheme's investment mandates.



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Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of financial instruments.

There was no significant direct interest rate risk in the Scheme as at 30 June 2023 (2022: Nil).

**6.4.3 Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

There was no significant direct foreign exchange risk in the Scheme as at 30 June 2023 (2022: Nil).

**6.4.4 Other price risk**

At the reporting date, other price risk is the risk that the fair value of the financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer or factors affecting all instruments traded in the market. Other price risk is managed by the investment managers by diversifying the portfolio and economically hedging using derivative financial instruments such as options and future contracts, in accordance with the PDS or information memorandum.

The Scheme's financial instruments which are carried at fair value have any change in the fair value of investments recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the line item 'Net change in fair value of investments'.

**6.4.5 Exposure and Sensitivity analysis - other price risk**

The other price risk exposure of financial instruments is equal to the fair value of financial instruments as reported in the Statement of Financial Position and in Note 4 Financial assets and liabilities.

A sensitivity analysis reflects how 'Net assets attributable to unitholders' and Profit/(loss) for the financial year/Total comprehensive income would have been affected by changes in the relevant risk at the end of the reporting period.

Changes in price as disclosed in this note set out below are illustrative only and are based on simplified scenarios. These represent what is considered to be a reasonably possible change rather than extreme fluctuations that may occur from time to time. As such, actual future market movement may differ.

Management has determined that a movement in market prices of 10% is possible, considering the economic environment in which the Scheme operates.

The table at Note 6.4.6 Other price risk and sensitivity analysis sets out the effect on the Scheme's Net assets attributable to unitholders' and Profit/(loss) for the financial year/Total comprehensive income of a possible increase or decrease in market prices of 10% (2022: 10%).

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#### 6.4.6 Other price risk and sensitivity analysis

At the reporting date, the Scheme's other price risk sensitivity analysis is detailed in the table below:

	1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	
	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
Unlisted unit trusts	385,712	379,884
<b>Total</b>	<b>385,712</b>	<b>379,884</b>
<b>Sensitivity analysis</b>	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
<b>Impact on Profit/loss from operating activities and Net assets attributable to unitholders / Other comprehensive income</b>		
Price risk - increase of 10% (2022: 10%)*	38,571	37,988

\* A decrease will have an equal and opposite effect on the Profit/loss from operating activities and Net assets attributable to unitholders / Other comprehensive income.

#### 6.5 Valuation of financial instruments

The Scheme's accounting policy on fair value measurement is discussed in Note 3.2.5 Fair value measurement principles.

The Scheme measures financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss using the following fair value hierarchy:

**Level 1** - Quoted price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.

The quoted market price used for financial assets is the current bid price. The quoted market price used for financial liabilities is the current ask price.

**Level 2** - Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

This category includes instruments valued using: quoted prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques for which all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

**Level 3** - Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs.

This category includes all instruments that use a valuation technique which includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instruments valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments for which significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Responsible Entity. The Responsible Entity considers observable data to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The valuation of the managed investment scheme included in Level 2 and Level 3 is based on the daily net asset value of the managed investment scheme provided by the relevant Responsible Entity.

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The Scheme recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period during which the transfer has occurred. Changes in Level 2 and 3 fair values are analysed at each reporting date and the reasons for the fair value movements are explained. There were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy during the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

The carrying value of assets and liabilities not held at fair value such as cash and cash equivalents approximate fair value.

**6.5.1 Financial instruments hierarchy****6.5.1.1 Recurring fair value measurements**

The Scheme invests only in unlisted unit trusts which are classified as Level 2. There have been no transfers between levels during the year.

**6.5.1.2 Non - recurring fair value measurements**

The Scheme has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non - recurring basis in the current reporting period.

**6.5.2 Movements of Level 3 securities**

Level 3 securities held are securities valued by using inputs not derived from observable market data. Inputs are prices derived from external sources which use various valuation techniques that include unobservable inputs. Transfers are considered when the underlying conditions of the financial instruments change.

The following table details a reconciliation of opening balances to the closing balances for fair value measurements in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

**6.5.3 Valuation processes**

The Responsible Entity has established a Unit Pricing and Valuations Forum (UPVF) which incorporates the valuation of investments. The purpose of the UPVF is to support the Responsible Entity through: identifying, assessing, and managing key risks for activities impacting unit pricing and valuation of investments, endorse valuation related discretions and matters related to unit pricing and valuation, and facilitating senior management oversight of policies, processes, and systems, by establishing a single point of review while considering implications on stakeholders. The UPVF has overall responsibility for the valuation of investments. Specific valuation controls may include: analysis and investigation of significant daily valuation movements, benchmarking Scheme performance, reviewing significant unobservable inputs and valuation adjustments, verification of observable pricing inputs, reviewing methodologies to value assets for which market quotes are not readily available, and determining where escalation is warranted for assets have been stale for an extended period. When third party information, such as custodian valuations, broker quotes or pricing services, is used to measure fair value, the UPVF assess the evidence from these third parties to support the conclusion that these valuations meet the fair value requirements. This may include: information and inputs from the Responsible Entity, verifying that the custodian valuation, broker or pricing service, is appropriate to use in pricing the relevant type of financial instruments, understanding how the fair value has been arrived and the extent at which it represents actual market transactions, and whether it represents a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset.

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**7. Related parties**

**7.1 Responsible Entity**

The Responsible Entity of the Scheme is MLC Investments Limited (ABN 30 002 641 661). MLC Investments Limited (MLCI) is a subsidiary of Insignia Financial Ltd (Insignia).

**7.2 Key management personnel**

The Scheme does not employ personnel in its own right. However, the Scheme is required to have an incorporated Responsible Entity to manage the activities and this is considered to be key management personnel. The directors of the Responsible Entity, which are key management personnel, during or since the end of the financial year are:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position Held</b>	<b>Date Appointed</b>
K A Watt	Independent Non-Executive Director, Chair	Appointed 05/12/2016
J Selak	Independent Non-Executive Director	Appointed 31/05/2021
M A Joiner	Independent Non-Executive Director	Appointed 01/01/2021
G J Mulcahy	Executive Director	Appointed 07/07/2014

The Scheme has not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to the key management personnel at any time during the reporting period.

No director has entered into a material contract with the Scheme since the end of the previous financial year and there were no material contracts involving directors' interests existing at financial year end.

**7.3 Related party transactions**

All related party transactions are conducted on commercial terms and conditions.

The Directors of the Responsible Entity may also be employees and/or directors of other companies owned by Insignia. The Responsible Entity may also be involved in activities other than the business of managed investment schemes.

The Scheme has not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to the Responsible Entity at any time during the reporting period.

During the financial period, there was no compensation paid directly by the Scheme to the Directors of the Responsible Entity. Directors' compensation was paid by MLC Wealth Ltd (a wholly owned subsidiary of Insignia Financial Ltd, the ultimate parent company of MLCI).

From time to time the Directors of MLC Investments Limited may invest or withdraw from the Scheme. These investments or withdrawals are on the same terms and conditions as those entered into by other unitholders in the Scheme.

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**7.4 Responsible Entity fees**

The Responsible Entity is entitled to management fees which are calculated as a proportion of net assets attributable to unitholders. All transactions with related parties are conducted on normal commercial terms and conditions. Management fees are reflected as 'Responsible Entity fees' in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Fees received and receivable by the Responsible Entity for the year ended 30 June 2023 are as follows:

	Total management fees paid and payable to the RE during the financial year	
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust	253,332	11,095,692

**7.5 Related party investments held by the Scheme**

The Scheme may purchase and sell units in other schemes managed by the below related responsible entities in the ordinary course of business at application and redemption prices calculated in accordance with the Constitution of the Scheme. The below responsible entity is wholly owned subsidiary of Insignia Financial Ltd, the ultimate parent company:

- MLC Investments Limited (MLCI)

Details of the Scheme's investments in other schemes operated by the above responsible entities are set out in the table below:

Name of entity Name of related entity	Fair value of investment		% Interest held in the Scheme/Entity		Distributions/Dividends received/receivable (including Return of Capital)		Number of units/shares held	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$	\$	%	%	\$	\$		
<b>1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust</b>								
WM Pool - Fixed Interest Trust No. 25	385,712,409	379,884,015	7.75	8.47	12,805,463	723,586	386,451,691	380,834,578

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#### 7.6 Units in the Scheme held by related parties

As at the reporting date, details of the unit holdings in the Scheme by related parties are set out in the table below. The below related parties are wholly owned subsidiaries of Insignia Financial Ltd, the ultimate parent company:

- Other schemes operated by Antares Capital Partners Limited, MLC Investments Limited and Navigator Australia Limited.

Name of entity Name of related entity	Fair value of unit holdings		% Interest held		Distributions paid/payable		Number of units held	
	2023 \$	2022 \$	2023 %	2022 %	2023 \$	2022 \$	2023	2022
<b>1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust</b>								
Antares Income Fund	285,195	279,834	0.07	0.07	9,349	1,264	281,008	275,937
Horizon 1 Bond Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	32,777	-	-
Horizon 2 Income Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	173,148	-	-
Horizon 4 Balanced Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	58,194	-	-
MLC Investments Ltd	168	164	-	-	5	1	165	162
MLC MasterKey Unit Trust Balanced Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	77,319	-	-
MLC MasterKey Unit Trust Conservative Growth Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	114,244	-	-
MLC MasterKey Unit Trust Growth Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	16,904	-	-
MLC MasterKey Unit Trust Income Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	27,210	-	-
MLC Super Fund	-	-	-	-	-	11,476,287	-	-
MLC Wholesale Index Plus Balanced Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	62,108	-	-
MLC Wholesale Index Plus Conservative Growth Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	129,658	-	-
MLC Wholesale Index Plus Growth Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	21,472	-	-
Pre Select Balanced Fund	2,613,265	2,231,642	0.69	0.58	90,657	11,385	2,574,889	2,200,566
Pre Select Conservative Fund	1,192,886	1,596,819	0.31	0.42	40,178	7,887	1,175,368	1,574,583
Pre Select Growth Fund	2,409,200	3,842,061	0.65	1.00	84,176	19,108	2,435,719	3,788,560
Pre Select High Growth Fund	233,896	460,259	0.06	0.12	6,775	2,078	230,461	453,850
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 18	-	-	-	-	-	360,243	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 27	-	-	-	-	-	227	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 47	-	-	-	-	-	519,002	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 58	-	-	-	-	-	211,827	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 59	-	-	-	-	-	254,777	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 60	-	-	-	-	-	142,513	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 70	-	-	-	-	-	2,906,874	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 73	-	-	-	-	-	514,532	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No. 81	-	-	-	-	-	3,247,625	-	-
WM Pool - Equities Trust No.48	-	-	-	-	-	212,285	-	-
WM Pool - Global Equities Trust No. 1	-	-	-	-	-	245,885	-	-
WM Pool - LTAR Part 1 NS Trust	-	-	-	-	-	261,112	-	-
WM Pool - LTAR Part 1 Trust	-	-	-	-	-	232,706	-	-

#### 8. Interests in unconsolidated structured entities

The Scheme's maximum exposure to loss from its investments in unlisted managed investment schemes, which have been assessed to be structured entities, is restricted to their fair value which are disclosed in 7.5 Related party investments held by the Scheme. The Scheme has not sponsored or provided support and has no intention of providing support, financial or otherwise to the unlisted managed investment schemes they hold.

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**9. Auditor's remuneration**

During the year, the following Auditor's remuneration fees were paid or payable by the Responsible Entity for services provided by KPMG as the auditor of the Scheme:

	<b>1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust</b>	
	30 June 2023 \$	30 June 2022 \$
<b>KPMG</b>		
– Audit Services		
Audit & Review of financial reports	6,637	8,935
– Other assurance services		
Other compliance & regulatory audit services	2,793	3,534
<b>Total audit fees paid</b>	<b>9,430</b>	<b>12,469</b>

**10. Commitments and contingencies**

There were no commitments or contingencies for the Scheme as at the reporting date (30 June 2022: Nil).

**11. Events subsequent to reporting date**

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would impact on the financial position of the Scheme disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023 or on the results of the Scheme for the financial year ended on that date.

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Directors' Declaration  
for the financial year ended 30 June 2023**

MLC Investments Limited presents the Directors' Declaration in respect of the following Scheme:

1. Antares Enhanced Cash Trust

In the opinion of the Directors:

1. The financial statements and notes to the financial statements of the Scheme, set out on pages 5 to 23 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - 1.1 giving a true and fair view of the Scheme's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and its performance for the financial year ended on that date.
  - 1.2 complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.
2. The financial statements and notes to the financial statements of the Scheme, set out on pages 5 to 23 comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.
3. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Scheme will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This Declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of MLC Investments Limited.



**Kathryn Watt**

**Director**

Melbourne

11 September 2023





# Independent Auditor's Report

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To the unitholders of Antares Enhanced Cash Trust:

## Opinion

We have audited the **Financial Report** of Antares Enhanced Cash Trust (the Scheme).

In our opinion, the accompanying **Financial Report** of the Scheme is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the Scheme's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standards* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

The **Financial Report** comprises:

- Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023;
- Statement of comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended;
- Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies; and
- Directors' Declaration.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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 Scheme in accordance with 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 (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.



## Other Information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in the Scheme's annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors of Antares Capital Partners Ltd (the Responsible Entity) are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we 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.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

## Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors of Antares Capital Partners Ltd (the Responsible Entity) are responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards* and the *Corporations Act 2001*;
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- assessing the Scheme's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Scheme or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our 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 our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report is located at the *Auditing and Assurance Standards Board* website at: [http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf). This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

KPMG

Joshua Pearce

*Partner*

Melbourne

11 September 2023



## Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act

To the Directors of Antares Capital Partners Ltd, the Responsible Entity for Antares Enhanced Cash Trust:

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of the Scheme for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

KPMG

Joshua Pearce

*Partner*

Melbourne

11 September 2023