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## **Chariot Limited**

("Chariot" or the "Company")

### **2023 Final Results**

Chariot (AIM: CHAR), the Africa focused transitional energy company, today announces its audited final results for the year ended 31 December 2023.

#### **Adonis Pouroulis, CEO commented:**

*"Since our last set of results we have progressed all of the assets that sit within our natural gas, renewables and green hydrogen pillars and, importantly, we have further de-risked each division of the business. In Morocco, we secured a highly experienced partner for our offshore Anchois gas project, secured new acreage and successfully drilled in the contiguous Loukos Onshore licence. We have materially increased our exposure to renewable energy generation and electricity trading in South Africa, furthered our financing and development plans for our power business and advanced our green hydrogen projects in both Mauritania and Morocco.*

*We are excited about the ongoing activities and catalysts ahead of us with our forward plans for Loukos, drilling at Anchois in August and moving into the next phases of evolution for Power and Hydrogen. Going forward, we are focused on generating near-term cashflows from our gas business with our overriding ambition to return capital to shareholders from these revenues. While we will continue to pursue new opportunities, we see great scale and value across our current asset base and are fully focused on delivery throughout 2024 and beyond."*

#### **Key Highlights throughout 2023 and post period:**

##### **Transitional Gas**

###### Offshore Morocco:

- Completion of Front End Engineering and Design ("FEED") for the Anchois gas development project ("Anchois") in the Lixus licence offshore Morocco
- Partnership agreed with Vivo Energy to develop a gas to industry market in Morocco
- Environmental Impact Assessment approval received for Anchois development
- Partnership agreements signed and completed with Energean plc ("Energean") on the Lixus and Rissana licences offshore Morocco
  - Focused on expansion and delivery of Anchois
  - Formal approvals duly received from the Moroccan authorities
  - Rig contract signed with Stena Drilling for Stena Forth drill ship
  - Appraisal and development well to be drilled in Q3 2024 with option for an additional well

###### Onshore Morocco:

- Award of new licence Loukos Onshore ("Loukos") in July 2023
- Environmental Impact Assessment approval received for drilling on Loukos and construction activities and permitting conducted within 10 months of licence award
- Initial drilling campaign commenced and successfully completed in May 2024 safely, efficiently, on time and on budget
  - The RZK-1 well drilled on the Gaufrette prospect confirmed good quality reservoir and multiple gas shows, though was sub economic
  - Gas discovery confirmed from drilling the OBA-1 well at the Dartois prospect - gross interval approximately 70m of primary interest identified
  - OBA-1 well has been cased and cemented with a Christmas tree installed for rigless flow testing and potential use as a future producer

##### **Transitional Power**

- Strategic Review underway to secure financing and enable ongoing growth and development of the portfolio

###### Power to Mining projects:

- Operational Essakane 15MW solar project at IAMGOLD's gold mine in which Chariot has a 10% share in Burkina Faso, continues to perform well
- Progressing development of three key renewable projects in Africa:
  - Tharisa - 40MW solar project in South Africa
  - Karo - 30MW solar project in Zimbabwe
  - First Quantum Minerals - 430MW solar and wind projects in Zambia

###### Electricity Trading:

- Increased stake in South African Electricity Trading joint venture Etana Energy (Pty) Limited to 49%
  - Enables Chariot's participation in large renewable generation projects - 400MW of gross wind generation capacity identified
  - Focused on securing multiple electricity offtake agreements with a range of consumers - supply deals signed up with Growthpoint Properties and Autocast with others under negotiation
  - Renewable energy wheeled for the first time through Cape Town's grid

Water: • Renewable energy wheeled for the first time through Cape Town's grid

- Successfully commissioned the proof of concept water project in Djibouti in June 2023
- Evaluating other opportunities within Africa

#### **Green Hydrogen**

- Feasibility study completed on Project Nour in Mauritania alongside partner TEH2 (80% owned by TotalEnergies and 20% owned by the EREN Group)
  - Confirms world class scale, outlines first phase pathway for domestic and export development
- Partnership agreements extended with UM6P and Oort Energy on proof of concept projects in Morocco
- Other green hydrogen projects under evaluation and development

#### **Corporate**

- Placing and oversubscribed open offer successfully raised US\$19.1 million in June 2023
- Cash position as at 31 December 2023 \$6.0 million
- US\$10 million received on completion of Energean deal in April 2024
- No debt and minimal work commitments

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##### **About Chariot**

Chariot is an Africa focused transitional energy group with three business streams, Transitional Gas, Transitional Power and Green Hydrogen.

Chariot Transitional Gas is focused on high value, low risk gas development projects in Morocco, a fast-growing emerging economy, with a clear route to early monetisation, delivery of free cash flow and material exploration upside.

Chariot Transitional Power is focused on providing competitive, sustainable and reliable energy and water solutions across the continent through building, generating and trading renewable power.

Chariot Green Hydrogen is partnering with TEH2 (80% owned by TotalEnergies, 20% by the EREN Group) and the Government of Mauritania on the potential development of a 10GW green hydrogen project, Project Nour in Mauritania, and are progressing pilot projects in Morocco.

The ordinary shares of Chariot Limited are admitted to trading on the AIM under the symbol 'CHAR'.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

Ongoing volatility over the past year has continued to highlight the interconnected global focus on energy security, as well as the necessity to strike a balance between the need for steady supply, economic advancement and progress across the energy transition.

Nowhere is this better illustrated than in Africa. The current contrast between resource abundance and energy poverty on the continent is striking and, when combined with significant levels of population growth, projected to reach over 2.5 billion by 2050, it becomes truly profound. This situation drives our focus to unlock all types of lower carbon energy resource to serve and uplift the African population and support economic growth across industrial and urban communities.

##### **Our Purpose:**

At Chariot, we look to deliver a rational and efficient contribution to the energy transition from all our businesses. Hydrocarbons will remain a significant proportion of the global energy mix for decades to come but renewables will supplement and support the energy demand and it is critical to advance every opportunity to reduce emissions. Natural gas will play an essential part in improving access to electricity whilst facilitating growth and development, but displacement of coal power generation, as we are looking to do in Morocco over the longer term, will also be a crucial factor. Wind and solar replacing heavy fuel in decentralised locations also decreases carbon emissions while grid scale renewable power augmenting existing electricity networks demonstrates scale and immediate impact. Concurrently, green hydrogen developments and integration within hard-to-abate industries arguably foreshadows future solutions with near zero emission. Our assets play directly into the themes of energy security, sustainability and supply but our projects also have the potential to have wide ranging positive impacts across skills training, job creation and expansion of local infrastructure within the countries in which we work.

##### **Our Portfolio**

While the businesses in our portfolio are diverse, they have consistent characteristics. They all address important energy requirements, each is foundational, and we have adopted a first mover approach in all three. Each also possesses significant growth opportunities both in-country and across Africa and we are partnering with world class

companies to deliver these scalable assets.

**Moroccan Gas province:** It is rare to discover a new gas province of significant scale. With the combined Loukos, Lixus and Rissana licences, Chariot has an enviable footprint in a Moroccan onshore, shallow water and deep water gas province where we see material upside potential. Although we are currently focused on specific prospects and areas within each licence, we also see numerous additional tieback targets, very large, contiguous basin floor fan prospects as well as an entire shallow water trend within this acreage.

**Pan African renewable power:** In addition to our decentralised renewable power projects focused primarily on the mining sector, our business model has evolved to scale. This next chapter takes advantage of multi megawatt wind and solar developments that can directly access the established grid network and the trade of low carbon power supply to a variety of clients across South Africa. Our renewable expertise and industry partnerships combined with our Etana trading company makes this possible and will result in cleaner energy solutions and improved access to much needed electricity.

**Green Hydrogen in Mauritania and beyond:** Chariot has rapidly established itself as an important part of Mauritania's aim to be a leader in the global green hydrogen market with the development of the giga-scale Project Nour, and we have initiated other smaller scale but important proof of concept projects in Morocco and Mauritania. These projects are taking advantage of the world class wind and solar power that are found in key parts of the continent and our teams are looking to develop domestic production capabilities and export optionality. With advancements in associated technology, these developments are leading the way towards delivering green hydrogen projects at competitive international pricing within the next decade.

## **Our Path Forward**

With the challenges to energy security as a backdrop, Chariot is committed to support responsible growth and energy independence in our host countries' economies, as well as looking to develop access into wider international markets.

We recognise that our company has projects across multiple areas, and we will look for ways to advance the progress and finance of each one in the most efficient way. In 2024, we continue to progress our Moroccan gas portfolio, South African renewable generation and power trading business and green hydrogen assets as well as considering new venture opportunities. We feel there is a lot to play for. I offer sincere thanks to our shareholders, host governments, local communities, staff, contractors, and consultants. I greatly appreciate the work that has been undertaken to get us to this point and look forward to a successful year ahead.

**George Canjar**  
Chairman  
10 June 2024

## **Q & A WITH THE CEO**

### ***What are the key attributes that underpin Chariot as an investment opportunity?***

The quality of our asset base across the three pillar portfolio, the global need to meet energy requirements, our team and our focus on Africa are the foundations of our business model and strategy. We are very much focused on our Transitional Gas division of the business where we are looking to get to first gas and generate cashflows as quickly as possible with the overriding objective to return cash to our shareholders.

The global need for energy is increasing dramatically, and in Africa alone electricity demand is expected to rise six fold by 2050. It is well documented that there is a critical need to rebalance the energy mix whilst generating reliable, affordable and accessible supply with a focus on closing the energy gap. Viable solutions need to be implemented to ensure stable growth and address the power poverty situation that is hindering the continents development. Chariot is playing a meaningful role in this goal.

Our portfolio of projects will play an important part in diversifying energy sources, supporting industrial and downstream development and reducing reliance on imports. This also has the very important knock-on effect of stimulating the creation of further industry for the communities and countries we operate in. Our focus is on Africa due to its vast resource wealth but we also have a depth of knowledge across the continent and can leverage our expertise to play a tangible role in developing its energy networks. Importantly, we are looking to deliver into undersupplied markets that have immediate demand. Across our assets we are focused on developing competitive supply that can help meet domestic and export needs utilising our in-house expertise and working closely with our partners and host Governments. These are the underlying tenets of the unique investment opportunity that Chariot offers and how we will create future value.

### **Can you give us your view on the importance of developing gas assets within the Transitional Energy space?**

Today, hydrocarbons still make up between 80-85% of the world's energy consumption so the transition to a new energy mix will take time but we need to have practical, workable solutions. It is impossible to implement an immediate shift away from fossil fuels and it is important to note that this would also exacerbate energy poverty in developing countries.

Whilst gas is a hydrocarbon, it has a lower carbon footprint than most and is widely viewed as a transitional fuel. African countries are increasingly embracing energy solutions that integrate hydrocarbons and renewable sources but having access to dependable baseload power underpins all developments. With hydrocarbons as a baseload - and gas in our case in Morocco - you can be more relentless in advancing new projects and technologies so it can play a key role in accelerating the adoption of a range of new energy sources whilst supporting longer term substitution.

### ***What were your headline achievements in the Transitional Gas business this year?***

Our main highlights have been securing Energean as a partner on our offshore Moroccan acreage; being awarded the Loukos Onshore licence which widened our footprint in Morocco; and successfully delivering our first drilling campaign, with a gas discovery in the OBA-1 well and completing all operations safely and efficiently. Our primary focus for this business year is to now execute our drilling plans offshore where we are looking to increase the resource base to over 1Tcf, move towards a Final Investment Decision at Anchois and progress with our forward plans at Loukos.

### ***Can you tell us more about securing Energean as a partner?***

During the first half of 2023, we completed the FEED phase at our Anchois gas project which defined our initial development plan and confirmed the commercial viability of this significant discovery. As we progressed our FEED

development plan and confirmed the commercial viability of this significant discovery. As we progressed our FEED project, we also undertook a partnering process in order to be able to look to upscale and deliver the potential that we saw this project offers. This process generated significant industry interest where we had multiple offers and we were delighted to sign agreements with Energean, the FTSE-250 company, as a partner across our Lixus and Rissana licences. Energean acquired operatorship and 45% in Lixus and 37.5% in Rissana, with Chariot retaining 30% and 37.5% respectively and ONHYM maintaining its 25% stake in each licence. We received US\$10 million on completion of this deal, we have a US\$85 million gross carry on Lixus pre-FID costs which includes the Anchois-East well and flow test and a further US\$15 million is payable on FID. They then have an option to acquire a further 10% for a gross development carry of US\$850 million to first gas, a US\$50m convertible loan note or 3 million Energean shares, and 7% royalty payments on their production revenues.

Energean is a highly experienced operator in delivering projects of this nature and they share our vision on future development plans. We are looking forward to drilling the Anchois-East well in August this year which will appraise, develop and potentially be a future producer, but is fundamentally being undertaken to look to upscale the development from day one. Anchois is currently the primary focus but the partnership will undertake further exploration across Lixus and Rissana in due course as we see material running room in this acreage.

***Anchois is larger and longer term, so is Loukos an earlier production opportunity?***

Yes, it is, and we applied for the Loukos Onshore licence as we saw significant, overlooked potential, it was a natural fit for our portfolio and we could expedite drilling plans. We have in-depth knowledge of this area through proprietary data from our Lixus licence which is immediately adjacent and possesses clear geological similarities.

We were delighted to report a gas discovery from the OBA-1 well at the Dartois prospect recently. The planned next steps will be to design and conduct a flow test and our team are working across and integrating all the data we have acquired in the drilling campaign to understand the impacts on the exploration potential of the entire licence area and optimise the future work programme. We are focused on early commercialisation opportunities, as gas produced here can be delivered directly to local industry and we can look to build this out over time. Morocco is an excellent country to work in, with existing infrastructure that we can also utilise and it is an ongoing pleasure to work with our partner ONHYM on these assets.

***Can you give us an overview of the ongoing evolution of the Transitional Power business?***

When we acquired AEMP in 2021, our focus was on building a portfolio of renewable projects for mining and industrial clients to provide onsite, lower carbon energy solutions and we have four projects with a total of 515MW under development with our partners. This is a business approach that will continue to grow as heavy industry looks to reach emission targets and also because the set up and generation of renewable energy now makes long term economic sense.

The electricity trading platform, Etana Energy (Pty) Limited has become a prominent element of this business as we increased our holding to 49% in January 2024, alongside partner H1 Holdings. Through this platform we are tapping into a wide and essential network and we believe that this could be one of the most influential businesses in facilitating, installing, and delivering greener, competitive and sustainable energy across South Africa's national grid over the next decade. This business connects efficient supply to end users through the trading platform but it also enables the development of new, renewable energy generation, in which this Power business can participate. We are very pleased to have signed up some large offtake customers already with more under negotiation. Our water business is also an important part of this portfolio, addressing another essential need, and there are many ongoing growth opportunities here too. It is important to note that in producing treated water, we will use renewable energy which Chariot intends to supply.

***Can you provide an update on the Strategic Review of Transitional Power?***

As we have noted before, we have been looking at financing options at the subsidiary level for Transitional Power. With the majority of these assets based in South Africa, and the positive implications that these developments could have for the country, we have found that South Africa focused banks and investors have a strong interest to fund this. As announced in March, and in order to enable the onward growth and progression of this business we are undertaking a Strategic Review which could result in a full or partial sale or demerger with the aim of maximising value for shareholders. We will likely phase this review as we focus on securing financing for the projects and will provide further updates as this process moves forward.

***What is the latest with your Green Hydrogen pillar?***

The green hydrogen story continues to evolve. Over the past year, we completed our Feasibility Study at the 10GW Project Nour in Mauritania alongside our partners TEH2, with whom we have an excellent working relationship. This further confirmed its world class potential and we have also been working on proof of concept, nearer term projects through our partnerships with UM6P and Oort Energy in Morocco. We continue to evaluate and progress other opportunities and pilot projects across the African continent as we look at value accretive assets that fit within our investment criteria. Offtake is a key focus for us and we also continue to progress our financing options at the subsidiary level. This is an early stage but vast industry so there are challenges to overcome as it develops, but green hydrogen will be a critical part of the net zero solution.

***How are your host countries facilitating its ongoing evolution?***

We have had only good experiences working in Mauritania and the investment climate continues to improve. This has been recognised in a speech by Ursula von der Leyen, head of the European Commission in February who stated "we want to build a green hydrogen ecosystem... here in Mauritania." Green hydrogen will play an important part in their European Green Deal strategy, which is to be climate neutral by 2050, and they are looking to Mauritania as a key export market for this. They also strongly underlined the importance of developing domestic industry and building out the green steel market in country and we are in step with this through our work there too. Morocco is also very keen to further develop and expand this industry to support their energy transition strategy.

***Looking forward - what are the upcoming catalysts for the Company?***

Our primary focus is reaching first gas and generating revenues from our Transitional Gas assets. We look forward to our ongoing work and progress with our activities onshore and to drilling offshore in the near future with Energean and ONHYM. We will finalise our financing of the Transitional Power division which will in tandem progress our Strategic Review and our Hydrogen projects will continue on their trajectories.

We believe that the key to success is to continue to adapt, collaborate, innovate and partner, as we have done consistently to date. We are proud of our entrepreneurial approach, which has enabled us to pursue new or previously overlooked assets and we will continue to look to pioneer and grow. We will always look for new opportunities that enhance the Chariot investment case. We believe we have a compelling and relevant story, we believe in our projects and will remain fully focused on realising their potential as we move forward.

## Thank you

I would like to thank our shareholders for their ongoing support as we successfully raised circa US\$19m in June 2023. Both existing and new institutions participated, as did our retail investors via an oversubscribed open offer. As a Board and Management team, we have continued to buy shares in the market, so remain very much aligned with our investor base and the long term success of our Company.

I'd also like to thank all our partners, Ministries and teams that we work with in Morocco, Mauritania, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Burkina Faso and Djibouti. Collectively we are making a real difference both now and for the future and I look forward to more to come. We need to also appreciate and give thanks to all the communities in which we operate for without their support we could not achieve anything. Thank you as always to the Chariot Board and our colleagues across each part of the business with whom it is an ongoing pleasure to work with.

**Adonis Pouroulis**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**10 June 2024**

## **Chief Financial Officer's Review**

### **Funding and Liquidity as at 31 December 2023**

The Group remains debt free and had a cash balance of US\$6.0 million as at 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: US\$12.1 million).

During 2023, the Group invested c.US\$23 million (31 December 2022: c.US\$39 million) into the business through its exploration campaigns Offshore and Onshore Morocco, business development within the Transitional Power and Green Hydrogen businesses, and administration activities.

The net proceeds of the US\$19.1 million raised from the equity fundraising completed in August 2023 allowed the Group to plan its exploration campaign Onshore Morocco, continue to progress its Anchois development Offshore Morocco, as well as progress opportunities within the Transitional Power and Green Hydrogen businesses across the African continent.

As at 31 December 2023, US\$1.05 million of the Group's cash balances were held as security against Moroccan licence work commitments. The increase from US\$0.75 million as at 31 December 2022 was due to new bank guarantees relating to the new Onshore licence in Morocco.

### **Financial Performance - Year Ended 31 December 2023**

The Group's loss after tax for the year to 31 December 2023 was US\$15.6 million, an increase of US\$0.7 million on the US\$14.9 million loss incurred for the year ended 31 December 2022. This equates to a loss per share of US\$(0.02) compared to a loss per share of US\$(0.02) in 2022.

The share-based payments charge of US\$5.7 million for the year ended 31 December 2023 was US\$1.5 million higher than the US\$4.2 million in the previous year mostly due to the granting of employee and Directors' deferred share awards in the current year, and the full year impact of awards granted to employees in 2022.

To provide further detail of total operating expenses, Green Hydrogen and other business development costs have been split out from other administrative expenses within the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Green hydrogen and other business development costs of \$1.3 million (31 December 2022: \$1.7 million) comprise non-administrative expenses incurred in the group's green hydrogen business development activities, the majority of which relate to Project Nour feasibility studies and related costs.

Other administrative expenses of US\$8.7 million for the year ended 31 December 2023 are higher than the previous year's US\$8.5 million due to employment costs from scaling up the team to progress the Anchois gas and Loukos developments, as well within the Transitional Power and Green Hydrogen teams.

Finance income of US\$0.2 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.1 million) relates to higher bank interest received on the cash balance over the period, as well as foreign exchange gains on non-Sterling currencies.

Total finance expenses of US\$0.2 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.6 million) include foreign exchange losses of US\$0.2 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.4 million). Foreign exchange expenses are lower than the prior period reflecting the stabilising of foreign exchange rates on the holding of cash balances in Sterling. A US\$0.1 million expense (31 December 2022: US\$0.1 million expense) on the unwinding of the discount on the lease liability under IFRS 16 is also included in finance expenses.

### **Exploration and Evaluation Assets as at 31 December 2023**

Following the signing of the Loukos Onshore licence in Morocco during the year, the carrying value of the Group's exploration and evaluation assets comprise US\$61.8 million (31 December 2022: US\$51.8 million) in relation to the existing Offshore Moroccan geographic area, and US\$1.2 million in relation to the new Onshore licence.

Across the Offshore geographic area a further US\$10.0 million (31 December 2022: US\$20.3 million) was invested in the asset comprising completion of the FEED phase of the Anchois gas development project, progression of the Anchois development ESIA, and geophysical and geotechnical site surveys onshore and offshore, to further define pipeline routing and landfall approach to bring the Anchois development towards FID.

Onshore investment to 31 December 2023 reflects the permitting and planning activity for the first drilling campaign of two wells.

### **Other Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023**

The following table shows the carrying amounts of the Group's other assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022.

The carrying value of goodwill of US\$0.4 million at 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: US\$0.4 million) reflects the intellectual property, management team and customer relationships acquired through the business combination of AEMP in 2021. In 2022 three Memoranda of Understandings were announced for projects in the mining portfolio totalling over 500 MW of power. These projects are large scale, early stage and are being progressed in partnership with Total Eren and a black economic empowerment ('BEE') partner on the Tharisa project, with minimal commitments in the near-term. No impairment of the goodwill was identified in the period from acquisition to 31 December 2023.

The fair value of the Group's investment in power projects relates to the 10% project equity holding in the Essakane solar project in Burkina Faso as acquired with AEMP and is valued at US\$0.3 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.4 million). The project, a joint investment with Total Eren, continues to generate power under a power purchase agreement with IAMGOLD's Essakane mine.

During 2023 the Group completed its construction of a desalination plant, with US\$0.6 million capitalised in property, plant and equipment, for the proof-of-concept water project in Djibouti, with commercial operations commencing and revenue generated from July 2023.

In 2023, wellheads and casing valued at a total of US\$1.8 million (31 December 2022: US\$1.4 million) were held in inventory relating to both the Anchois and Loukos drilling campaigns in Morocco.

As at 31 December 2023, the Group's net balance of current trade and other receivables and current trade and other payables shows a net current liability position of US\$3.2 million (31 December 2022: US\$5.4 million). The change is primarily due to significant activity on the Anchois front end engineering design in December 2022 for which outstanding payables were due as at 31 December 2022. Note 2 details the Group's future funding plans.

Following the extension of the UK office lease term by a further three years in 2023, both the associated right-of-use asset and lease liability have been modified. Under IFRS 16 the Group has recognised a depreciating right of use asset of US\$1.3 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.3 million) and a corresponding lease liability based on discounted cashflows of US\$1.3 million (31 December 2022: US\$0.4 million).

## **Outlook**

We look forward to a safe and successful drilling campaign at Anchois East in Q3 2024 which the partnership hopes will upscale the development and lead to FID shortly thereafter, unlocking the further material cashflows from the Energean partnering transaction. As detailed in Note 2, our current liquidity highlights the need for funding across the business at an asset, subsidiary or Group level to ensure the Group is well capitalised to carry out its objectives.

We have continued to evolve as a business over the past year and I am proud of all the achievements as reported. As we moved forward, we will continue to progress all areas of the Company but our primary objective as we focus on the gas business is to develop these material assets, generate cash flow and return cash to shareholders.

**Julian Maurice-Williams**  
**Chief Financial Officer**  
**10 June 2024**

## **TRANSITIONAL GAS**

### **Our Moroccan Footprint**

In recent years, Chariot has focused on value-driven gas projects, involving exploration and appraisal operations, combined with development planning and commercialisation activities.

Chariot owns a 30% and 37.5% non-operated working interest in the Lixus Offshore and Rissana Offshore licences respectively alongside our new partners Energean, who operate both blocks with a 45% and 37.5% working interest.

Chariot also owns and operates a 75% interest in the Loukos Onshore block.

The Moroccan state owned Office National des Hydrocarbures et des Mines ("ONHYM") holds the remaining 25% working interest in all licences.

### **Offshore**

Since the award of the Lixus Offshore licence in 2019, Chariot has delivered a material increase in the resource potential of the Anchois gas field and defined a material prospect portfolio in the same play across the wider licence area. This growth has been delivered in previously overlooked acreage, utilising latest technology and interpretation methods to identify additional gas resources, combined with the ability to evaluate the prospectivity with a critical and open mindset.

The Anchois-2 appraisal and exploration well drilled by Chariot in 2022, increased the P50 (2C) discovered resources of the field by a factor of 5 versus the previous operator, largely through the discovery of 5 new gas bearing sands in a stacked accumulation. We have now matured the development plan for the Anchois field, which is expandable to capture material running room, a factor which helped Chariot to attract a new partner in Energean, an operator with a proven track record of executing similar offshore developments. The team are advancing together towards development sanction, the final details and confirmation of which will be determined by the Anchois-East well. This will be carried by Energean and is on track to start drilling in August 2024. This next campaign, which could include an optional second well, will mark an important step in the development plan in terms of the completion design, number of producer wells and production capacity of the field, with drilling success bringing the possibility of significantly higher rates than previously envisaged by Chariot.

The joint venture partnership will also be conducting additional exploration across the Rissana licence through a planned seismic acquisition campaign.

### **Onshore**

Building on our successes offshore, Chariot identified significant prospectivity in the same overlooked play, this time in the onshore part of the same sedimentary basin. The Loukos Onshore licence offers an extensive exploration portfolio, optimally located to existing gas markets, and presents the opportunity to unlock a low-capex, high-value, rapid gas to industrial market solution.

The Loukos Onshore block was awarded in July 2023, complete with a rich, legacy dataset comprising 154km<sup>2</sup> of 3D seismic, acquired in 2011, and previous wells proving several gas discoveries and indications of gas bearing intervals from which the exploration potential could be rapidly assessed. There was also an extensive dataset of >900km of 2D line kms, which also reveals further prospectivity beyond the limits of the 3D seismic. Following early geological evaluation, our team identified a set of attractive drilling targets on the existing 3D seismic dataset and, post licence award, set to work to fast-track a drilling campaign. Through the combined diligent efforts of the entire team, Chariot was ultimately able to deliver drilling operations within 10 months of licence award.

We were delighted to announce the completion of the successful drilling campaign and a gas discovery from the drilling at the Dartois prospect at the end of May 2024. We now have a comprehensive dataset from the drilling of both wells and our team will integrate this with our recently reprocessed 3D seismic data to further define the resource potential of the Dartois area, confirm the future work programme and also analyse the impact on the wider prospectivity across the Loukos licence area.

We believe we are just scratching the surface with our exploration efforts to date. The coming year has key catalysts for growth through our ongoing analysis and testing planned on both the onshore licence and our offshore drilling campaign. We will also continue to leverage our long-established relationships in-country. In looking to develop important supplies of domestic gas, we hope to strengthen our future as a Moroccan gas producer and contribute to the Kingdom's ambitious energy strategy.

### **Developing Morocco's Largest Discovery**

The Lixus and Rissana Offshore licences are covered by an extensive dataset including multiple 3D seismic survey datasets and 6 previous wells, including the Anchois-1 and Anchois-2 discovery wells and a legacy well located in the south of the Rissana which provides evidence for an extensive, deep thermogenic petroleum system, in addition to the post-nappe play of Anchois field area.

In December 2023, following an extensive farmout process, Chariot announced a partnership with Energean, who also recognised the potential in our offshore portfolio. The transaction completed in April 2024, and with a rig contract with Stena Drilling for the Stena Forth drillship signed, the partnership will drill the Anchois-East well, with a subsequent well test planned in the main gas bearing sands.

In this well, we will drill two wellbores in one operation; a pilot hole will be drilled first, into the undrilled 'Footwall' fault block to the east of the main field area, and then the well will be side-tracked and the main borehole will be drilled to penetrate the 'Main' fault block in a location to the east of the previously drilled Anchois wells. The pilot hole targets exploration objectives in the M and O Sands of the footwall structure, potentially providing an additional 170 Bcf of recoverable gas to the current volumes from the O Sands alone. The main borehole will then appraise the discovered sands of the field, currently estimated at 637 Bcf (gross 2C resource), and also explore the deeper O Sand North Flank target, potentially providing a further 213 Bcf of 2U recoverable gas below the proven gas-down-to in the field. We aim to retain the well as a potential future producer location in the Anchois Development. An optional second well is also under consideration.

The subsea-to-shore development plan currently includes 3 initial producer wells, comprising the existing Anchois-2 well, the upcoming Anchois-East well and potentially the optional second well. This approach sees individual producer wells containing multi-zone completions to cost-effectively access the stacked gas sands at Anchois. Together with the utilisation of existing wells as producers, this reduces uncertainty and post-FID capex. Production testing of the Anchois-East well, in the Q3 2024 campaign, will also allow for further optimisation of the producer wells and completions as we gather important data on reservoir productivity.

With the potential to materially increase the gas resources through this drilling activity, the joint venture partnership sees the possibility for an expanded development plan, above the current 105 mmscfd CPF capacity. 2023 saw important progress in the planning for the Anchois development, including a key step forward through the approval of the development ESIA; this was announced in October 2023, following a 15 month process, and this approval included both local regulatory approvals and additional scopes of work to align with the likely requirements of lending institutions.

The Chariot and Energean joint venture technical teams are working closely together on delivering the Anchois project, including field development FEED updates and progressing gas commercialisation agreements. With long-term local gas contracts under negotiation, including anchor contract negotiations with ONEE, and associated fixed, long-term anticipated cashflows, we are refining the extensive work undertaken so far to look to reach Final Investment Decision as soon as possible.

### **Offshore Project Progress**

The wider Lixus and surrounding Rissana licences, contain significant additional prospectivity which provides opportunities for further near-field exploration activity around Anchois.

Following the upcoming drilling and testing campaign, we will be able to further refine our understanding of the distribution of gas-bearing reservoirs and provide further calibration of our geophysical models which are important to reduce the risk of exploration targets away from the main field. Our geological model currently shows extensive reservoir system associated with the A, B, C, M and O Sand intervals. The identified, low-risk targets in this system around Anchois are called the Anchois Satellite prospects, and these are within a 5-10km radius around the central field location; meaning that in the case of successful exploration these can be all tied back to, and be produced through, the Anchois infrastructure.

Expanding the focus beyond Anchois, future targets are abundant. Rissana's vast expanse captures a variety of plays, with multi-Tcf potential locked up in deeper exploration targets, such as the Mesozoic sub-nappe and fore-nappe plays, and the recently identified shallow Miocene Basin Floor Fan Play, which is anticipated to be a focus of future seismic acquisition.

As the work progresses on the regional onshore geology, we are also now integrating this to understand the impact on the linked offshore plays; as we know that the same sand systems moving through this onshore part of the basin feed the reservoirs offshore. We are continuously updating and refining our understanding, using modern methods of seismic analysis to best represent reservoirs and new petrographic studies on key intervals which have demonstrated significant sand fairways throughout the Late Miocene. Onshore well data and studies are consistently helping to illuminate the under-explored areas of the offshore, which will be further resolved by the planned seismic acquisition campaign.

### **Partner Profile - Energean**

Securing an experienced, pro-active and committed partner, such as Energean, was seen as a key step in moving the Anchois Development forward in a way which could accelerate delivery of the value and inherent upsides in the project. Energean has taken Operatorship of the offshore projects and the partnership is working together, benefiting

from synergies of our combined expertise, to ensure a safe, timely and cost-efficient drilling campaign.

Energiean is the perfect match for our offshore operations as they are aligned with our ambitions to focus on scalable growth projects. We can leverage their development experience and expertise at Anchois, whilst also maximising upsides within the wider Lixus and Rissana licences through the unique exploration insights and understandings of the Chariot subsurface team.

Together, we are aligned on the fundamental importance of domestic market supply to underpin new gas field development and how we can be part of ensuring security of supply, development of local industry and the decarbonization of the energy mix. We also both recognize the potential of export markets to offer a rapid commercial outlet for surplus gas volumes which can offer significant value upside.

## **Loukos Onshore Licence**

### **Exploring Onshore**

Through our extensive analysis and interpretation of the available dataset, and leveraging our knowledge from the offshore projects, the exploration team investigated and defined the first two drilling targets. The primary target of the first well, RZK-1, was a prospect called Gaufrette, located up dip of the LNB-1 well which had discovered gas pay in the same interval downdip, and was supported by seismic anomalies. Approximately 8km north-east of RZK-1, the OBA-1 well location was also selected for the campaign, to target the Dartois prospect located along trend from a historic gas discovery in RJB-3, which tested gas from the same reservoir system.

Concurrent to this exploration activity, the drilling and logistics teams worked across the wide scope of preparation and planning required for the campaign. This planning effort involved securing of all necessary land permits, approval of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), long lead items and drilling rig and services contracts. In anticipation of further drilling activity, the EIA approval we received in January 2024, from the Unified Regional Investment Committee, covers a total of 20 well operations across the block. This certificate is valid for a period of 5 years and gives us flexibility in any future campaigns.

### **Successful Campaign and Gas Discovery**

As announced in May 2024, we successfully completed the two well campaign safely and efficiently, on time and on budget. The RZK-1 well was drilled to a depth of 961m through the Gaufrette Main target, which was found on prognosis and confirmed thick intervals of good quality reservoir, which exceeded pre-drill expectations. Multiple gas shows of various intensity were identified, however, the reservoirs of the main target were interpreted to be largely water bearing with evidence of residual gas. Whilst some thin gas pays were identified, the well was deemed sub-economic and was duly plugged and abandoned, however, we will take all of the learnings from this prospect and conduct a full post-well evaluation in order to apply our knowledge to more informed exploration of the block's wider prospectivity. We recognise that the well was supported by the presence of a very promising reservoir system and evidence for strong gas migration into the structure, which supports our exploration thesis for the block, however the well was likely unsuccessful due to a prospect-specific trap failure.

Following RZK-1, the rig moved immediately to the Dartois prospect to target a different reservoir system and trapping style, to drill the OBA-1 well. Here, we were very pleased to announce the gas discovery after successfully drilling to a depth of 901m, through target reservoirs using a slim-hole well construction. This was designed by the drilling team based on knowledge of drilling performance across the basin to look to drill this well with greatest efficiency. Further to comprehensive evaluation of the well data which included wireline logs, cuttings and gas data, preliminary interpretation confirmed the presence of reservoirs over an interval of approximately 200m with a gross interval of approximately 70m of primary interest. This interval of primary interest contains elevated resistivities coincident with elevated mud gas readings, indicating potential gas pays, with no water-bearing reservoirs identified. Further analysis will now be carried out on the subsurface dataset in preparation for well flow testing to together determine the well productivity and the gas resource potential of the discovery. The well was cased and cemented and suspended with a Christmas tree installed to allow for future rigless testing operations and potential use as a producer well.

### **Onshore Exploration Outlook**

The pre-drill high-graded portfolio was estimated to hold approximately 100 Bcf P50 recoverable in the 3D area alone. Based on early drilling results, we can have demonstrated the presence of the regionally expansive, good quality, Mid-Messinian reservoir sand system targeted by much of this portfolio. We will now carry out detailed petrophysical and geophysical data analysis to understand the impact of the wells on this portfolio, and also the potential for other prospects to be identified on newly reprocessed seismic data which has recently been delivered to the company and is ready for interpretation. Work will focus on understanding prospect-specific trapping integrity and calibration of the seismic attributes. Both the recent well results and legacy wells provide strong evidence for gas migration across this basin which remains a low risk component of the petroleum system. This understanding is integral for the follow-on exploration of other high-graded targets, for example, Eclair. This prospect shares the same reservoir system, seismic attribute support and similar burial depths to the initial drilling targets and is one of the high-graded candidates for a future follow-up drilling campaign with associated estimated resources of 32 Bcf across the Eclair and adjacent Eclair West closures.

The team will continue to analyse the extensive, reprocessed 2D and 3D seismic datasets alongside new well data and, although still in progress, we are seeing a significant uplift in imaging quality across the portfolio in the early products.

As we progress with analysis of the drilling results to fully understand the implications for the surrounding on-block prospectivity, we continue to look to unlock and develop this overlooked gas province in the heart of the Moroccan Kingdom.

### **The Moroccan Gas Market and Commercialisation Opportunities**

Morocco hosts a scalable domestic market with growing industrial hubs in need a steady supply of lower carbon, competitive energy and these market fundamentals are underpinned by excellent fiscal terms in country. There is currently a heavy reliance on imports and coal power generation and Chariot is dedicated to being part of the national transitional energy goals that will see Morocco be less reliant and eventually move away from these imported carbon intensive fuel sources.

Chariot is in a unique position to meet Moroccan domestic gas needs across many sectors including power and industry. We have established key agreements in efforts to support this, including key Gas Sales Principles with the state national utility ONEE, pipeline tie-in agreements with infrastructure owners and project partners, ONHYM, and a gas to industry partnership with Visa Energy.



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Natural gas from Chariot's acreage would be delivered via a variety of potential solutions, a key advantage of the existing infrastructure. Offshore for example, the more substantial volumes of Anchois gas are planned to be commercialised primarily through a fixed connection to the existing GME pipeline which directly connects to domestic power generation hubs as well as industrial hubs via future pipeline infrastructure and European markets. This interconnection with Europe via Spain means that future export sales of surplus volumes could be explored once the domestic needs have been satisfied. Multiple offtakers in Europe are interested in receiving the gas where both demand and a desire to diversify supply source has increased due to macro events of recent years.

In terms of onshore, the Loukos licence is perfectly located to supply to the Kenitra industrial zone, a large manufacturing area within excess of 10mmscfd of existing possible natural gas demand that is currently under supplied. This is only c.90km from Loukos and has a direct route to market either through the existing pipeline network in the southern part of the Gharb basin or a virtual pipeline solution. A virtual pipeline is the direct distribution of compressed natural gas (CNG) to customers by truck and this solution offers the most immediate, modular and low-cost option to commercialise early production. This is the first likely route that Chariot will initiate to get the gas to industry and it will also serve as an important catalyst for future pipeline development and further growth.

Alongside our partner ONHYM we see a great opportunity to develop onshore gas in a lower cost, simple operating environment which would complement a future subsea-to-shore development. Commercialisation options are infinitely scalable over the longer term to meet Morocco's growing gas needs as a priority, with the potential to rapidly commercialise surplus gas in the European markets.

## **TRANSITIONAL POWER**

### **Developing large renewable energy projects in Africa**

Chariot Transitional Power is focused on providing competitive, sustainable and reliable energy and water solutions across the African continent through developing, financing, building and operating power generation and water assets.

Over the past year, we continued to progress our renewable projects that we are developing for Tharisa, First Quantum Minerals and Karo Mining, as well as continuing the solar operations at IAMGOLD's Essakane Mine in Burkina Faso. We have also broadened our exposure to the electricity market in South Africa through increasing our stake in Etana Energy and are securing long term offtake agreements with a diversified portfolio of customers.

As announced in March 2024, having received a range of interest from South Africa focused investors, Chariot is undertaking a Strategic Review of the Transitional Power business to look to explore the funding options available. This review may involve a full or partial sale or demerger with the aim of enabling ongoing growth and development of the portfolio and maximising value for all stakeholders.

### **Solar and Wind Solutions for Mining Projects**

Through the renewable energy projects that we are developing in conjunction with our clients and partner TotalEnergies, we are establishing a secure and direct energy supply to their mining operations, reducing reliance on heavy fuel, and in turn lowering their carbon footprints.

#### **ESSAKANE: BURKINA FASO: Solar Power Production**

Chariot's first renewable power project, supplying the Essakane Gold Mine in Burkina Faso with 15MW of solar energy is now in its fifth year of operation. On commissioning in 2018, the project was the largest hybrid photovoltaic (PV) - heavy fuel oil (HFO) power plant in the world and one of the largest solar facilities in sub-Saharan Africa with 130,000 solar panels. Chariot holds 10% equity in this award-winning project, with TotalEnergies holding the remaining 90%.

Year on year the mine has reduced its fuel consumption by an estimated 6 million litres, representing 18,500 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e annually. 100% of permanent Essakane project staff are nationals, while 1% of project revenues are dedicated to community investment. Carbon credits are also registered with the UN to raise funds for community developments.

#### **THARISA: SOUTH AFRICA: Solar Power Project**

In partnership with Tharisa and TotalEnergies, Chariot is developing the 40MW solar PV Buffelspoort project which will supply electricity to Tharisa's chrome and platinum group metals mine in the North West province of South Africa. Project development and permitting continues to move forward with Financial Close now expected in Q4 2024.

The plant, to be built on Tharisa's property and connected behind the meter, will contribute to the company's goals to become carbon neutral in 2050 as it will reduce the project's dependence on coal fired power from 100% to 69% as well as creating around 200 local jobs during the construction period.

#### **FIRST QUANTUM MINERALS: ZAMBIA: Wind and Solar Power Project**

Alongside TotalEnergies, Chariot is progressing the development of 430MW of combined wind and solar power to look to expand Zambia's existing renewable energy capacity and provide First Quantum Minerals with competitive and sustainable power for its Zambian mining operations.

Once completed, the combined project will be one of the largest renewable energy projects in Zambia and a flagship project in the Southern Africa region.

The split of power will be 230 MW solar PV + 200 MW wind, and the requisite permitting and planning is underway. Further updates will follow as this progresses towards Final Investment Decision.

#### **KARO PLATINUM: ZIMBABWE: Solar Power Project**

In Zimbabwe, Chariot is working on the development of a 30MW solar plant, to supply competitive electricity on site at Karo's platinum mine in Zimbabwe. Construction of the mine has commenced but the timeline for delivery has slowed down further due to a review of the PGM price environment. This has delayed the implementation of the solar plant but permitting of the project continues to progress and further updates will follow as this moves towards Final Investment Decision.

With Tharisa as a 75% shareholder in Karo, this project is also linked to their carbon emission reduction targets.

## **Electricity Trading Licence**

As announced in December 2023 and completed in January 2024, Chariot now owns 49% in the South African

electricity trading platform, Etana Energy (Pty) Limited ("Etana") alongside partner H1 Holdings (Pty) Limited which holds 51%. H1 is a black-owned and managed company based in South Africa, which has a proven track record in developing and investing in large renewable projects.

Etana is one of five companies to hold an electricity trading licence granted by the National Energy Regulator of South Africa. Its objective is to provide competitive and sustainable end to end electricity solutions through connecting new and existing energy generation projects to commercial and industrial users. Major deregulation changes currently taking place in South Africa's electricity market provides licence holders the opportunity to trade to a range of high-volume off-takers as well as the opportunity to participate in new renewable energy generation projects.

### **Market Opportunity**

South Africa is the largest electricity market in sub-Saharan Africa. It is predominantly supplied by coal fired power generation and as a result, around 80% of greenhouse gas emissions come from the energy sector. There is a major lack of supply however as insufficient electricity is generated, and power outages have significant macroeconomic impacts. Investec estimates that there was a cost of around ZAR300 billion to the South African economy due to downtime in 2022 and this issue has compounded further over the past twelve months, with just 50% of power availability recorded in December 2023.

These two fundamental issues underpin the rationale for the rapid market deregulation that is now taking place, enabling private sector renewable power generation and opening up trade through the national grid. The SA National Energy plan has forecast the needs for an additional 30GW of renewable energy to be procured by 2030, with the first 4GW to be added into the grid by the end of 2024. Etana's trading license, coupled with Chariot's business network and development track record means it is extremely well positioned to play a material role within this high growth, high demand sector.

### **The Etana Business Model:**

There is significant market demand for green and competitively priced electricity and multiple commercial and industrial off-takers have already been secured across mining, industry, municipal and retail sectors. Etana's model is already working, as evidenced by the first wheeling of renewable energy through Cape Town's grid announced in September 2023. Wheeling is a process where electricity is bought and sold between private parties, using the existing grid to transport power from the point of generation to end-users.

On the generation side, 400MW of gross wind generation capacity has been identified and is in negotiation with Etana. The trading platform enables Chariot's participation in these large renewable projects, and there is a strong focus on securing a future pipeline of large generation projects.

### **Long Term Agreements signed with Growthpoint Properties, AutoCast and Petra Diamonds**

- As announced in February 2024, Etana will supply Growthpoint, the largest South African Real Estate Investment Trust company with 195GWh of renewable energy per year - 32% of their current annual consumption across their commercial properties located around South Africa
- This will be a mix of wind, solar and hydroelectric power and is the first multi-jurisdiction, multi-building, multi-source renewable energy wheeling arrangement
- This agreement has also enabled Growthpoint to secure the rights to purchase 30GWh per annum of 24/7 baseload hydropower
- Autocast, a leading supplier of cast and machined components to the automotive, mining and engineering industries selected Etana as its renewable energy supplier in April 2024
- Autocast is part of a cluster of the high energy users in the Nelson Mandela Bay area together (about 30 members) which has selected Etana to find a common solution to procure clean power
- The agreement signed with Petra Diamonds will wheel renewable energy to their Cullinan and Finsch diamond mines, supplying between 36-72% of the expected power requirements from FY2026 onwards

### **Renewable Water Production Business:**

Our water business is focused on delivering clean water solutions on the African continent using renewable energy. The process utilises a modular, scalable, reverse osmosis technology that can be powered 100% by solar energy to produce desalinated water. Our objective is to originate, invest in and own decentralised water supply projects that can provide affordable water access for private off-takers and municipalities through long term agreements.

Our first test project, the Ghoubet water project which is affiliated to the largest wind farm in Djibouti was commissioned in June 2023 and is running well. This project is providing 50 m<sup>3</sup> potable water per day to local communities, around 1,000 people, over the next 20 years and the team is looking at further opportunities across the continent.

This business complements both our Transitional Power and Green Hydrogen pillars and has a natural overlap with our current network and portfolio. The business model strategically sits within the Power business as it follows the renewable project model with long term offtake but access to desalinated water is a key part of green hydrogen production cycle.

### **GREEN HYDROGEN**

#### **Near-Term Production, Long Term Scalability**

Our objective with our green hydrogen pillar is to build a world class portfolio of projects that have a mix of near-term production opportunities balanced with long term scope and scale.

#### **Our Strategy and Focus**

Project Nour, our giga-scale project based in Mauritania remains the cornerstone asset in our portfolio, but our strategy has evolved over the past year as we have adopted a deliberate phasing approach to look to establish earlier production on a commercial basis. Our overarching aim is to become a significant green hydrogen producer and Nour has the potential to be one of the largest, lowest cost assets in Africa but there are key elements that we are focused on as we look to reduce risk and deliver projects:

**Partnering and Offtake.** Working alongside experts and world-class partners is fundamental, as through this we co-invest, secure offtake, collaborate and ultimately deliver bankable projects. Our strategic partnership with TEH2 (a dedicated green hydrogen developer, owned 80% by TotalEnergies and 20% by Eren Group) has been excellent in

the development of Project Nour to date and it is a pleasure to work with UM6P and Oort Energy, the Governments in Mauritania and Morocco and other key industrial players in the sector.

**Portfolio.** We aim to build out our asset base to diversify risk over various projects and countries but also benefit from the economies of scale and shared learning in working with different partners in different industries. We have strict criteria that we work within around project selection, with a focus on resource availability and long-term offtake opportunities, as well as a host country's approach to development in the sector and its legal and regulatory framework.

**Near-Term production.** We are looking to deliver a series of technical proof-of-concept projects to progress early commercial phases and generate early revenues with domestic offtake as initial priority. These projects will allow us to showcase delivery and importantly lay the basis to scale up, increase production and develop export options over the longer term.

**Access to Technology.** Having access to technologies critical to the green hydrogen production cycle is also important in future proofing development plans. Having early-stage partnerships in place helps secure access to important elements of the supply chain, builds expertise within teams and importantly helps leverage participation in new ventures.

We maintain our conviction that green hydrogen will be one of the most important components of the future energy mix and look forward to developing our role in this. We also continue to pursue various sources of financing for this pillar of the business at the subsidiary level.

## Market Demand

Green hydrogen, created by splitting water into hydrogen and oxygen using renewable energy, has a material role to play in reaching net zero climate targets. Currently around 95% of hydrogen is produced using fossil fuels so there will be a significant transition across this sector and demand will continue to grow as the energy mix changes. IRENA states that to achieve the 2050 target, the supply of hydrogen overall will need to expand more than five-fold, to more than 500 MT/y, if it is to serve a broader range of uses and decarbonize carbon-intensive sectors. There are a range of hard-to-abate sectors which currently utilise a substantial proportion of grey hydrogen but an emphasis is being placed on three key industries - steel making, fertiliser production and transportation fuel (including aviation); all of which Chariot is looking to address within the projects we are working on.

Key demand centres will be looking to import competitive green hydrogen and the EU will likely need to import about half of the estimated 60 million tonnes of decarbonised hydrogen and derivatives required by 2050. Hydrogen is a key building block in Europe's climate targets and these factors were both underlined by the visit by the European Commission to Mauritania in early February 2024. They publicly reaffirmed their commitment to the sector, its importance within Europe and have selected Mauritania as a key partner in the EU's Global Gateway initiative with regard to future hydrogen export and green steel production.

## Project Nour:

Project Nour spans two onshore areas, totalling approximately 5,000 km<sup>2</sup> across northern Mauritania. With up to 10 GW of electrolysis to be installed, it could become, once implemented at scale, one of the most significant green hydrogen projects in Africa, producing 1.2 Mtpa of green hydrogen.

We recently completed the Feasibility Study, conducted in compliance with Equator Principles and IFC Performance Standards, which further confirmed the scale and viability of the project and outlined a phased pathway for domestic offtake and export development. Nour will be developed in multiple phases with the initial phase seeking to install 1.6 GW of electrolysis and initial development designs are focused on domestic use for green steel production and export of green ammonia.

Sustainable economic development is embedded within the project planning with local content aimed at maximizing employment and business opportunities in Mauritania. In parallel discussions are ongoing with the local iron ore mining sector to establish a green steel industry in the country. Next steps include completion of the investment framework, engineering conceptual study and offtake negotiations.

We have been working alongside TEH2 and TotalEnergies' in-house Power-2-X engineering unit 'OneTech' on the technical side of the project. The OneTech team consists of highly experienced engineers and their specialist teams (solar, wind, hybrid and green hydrogen) are widely recognised by peers and partners. They have been instrumental in delivering the feasibility study for Nour, and their expertise shared from other large-scale projects that they are working on in other parts of the world is invaluable.

## Case Study: Decarbonising the SNIM iron ore train in Mauritania

At COP28 in December 2023 Chariot signed an agreement, along with partners TEH2 and *Société Nationale Industrielle et Minière* ("SNIM"), Mauritania's national iron ore mining company, to undertake a scoping study to look at the country's first green hydrogen pilot aimed at decarbonising the SNIM iron ore train using green hydrogen technology.

- SNIM is Africa's second largest iron ore producer and the study will focus on SNIM's train transport operations from the Zouerat iron ore mine to Nouadhibou port which run on imported diesel fuel
- The concept is to produce green hydrogen as a substitute power source via fuel cells mounted on carriages of each train - which can be up to 3 km long
- The scoping study will look to utilise existing wind resources to generate green hydrogen and adapt this into a power source for the locomotives.
- Overall objective is to materially reduce the carbon emissions in local iron ore mining industry and showcase the value of green hydrogen in production and application, helping to put Mauritania on the map

## Proof-of-concept projects

In September 2023, we extended our collaboration with UM6P and Oort Energy in conducting electrolyser pilot projects in Morocco. The partnership is developing a technical Proof of Concept project at OCP's Jorf Lasfar industrial complex which will use a 1 MW polymer electrolyte membrane ("PEM") electrolyser system, patented by Oort. This will both test the capacity of the electrolyser in an industrial setting, develop education and skills whilst also evaluate the feasibility of larger scale green hydrogen and ammonia production in-country.

## Ongoing Collaboration, Commitment and Cost Reduction

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There are still challenges in development timelines and scale of investment needed but Chariot welcomes ongoing implementation of initiatives that are driving co-operation and alignment. The improvements in legal and regulatory frameworks, as well as national and EU commitments focused on encouraging investment and development, all point to future success.

The Government of Mauritania in particular has made great strides in creating a favourable environment for developers. It has drafted a comprehensive hydrogen code - very similar to a mining code - that would grant 35-year operating licences and includes a wide range of incentives and tax breaks to boost investment in the hydrogen sector. The draft legislation is expected to be promulgated by the end of 2024 and further highlights the government's commitment to becoming a major green hydrogen producer.

The Africa Green Hydrogen Alliance - in which both Mauritania and Morocco are partners - is amongst those paving the way in this regard, fostering collaboration across governments, the private sector, financing institutions and society to look to establish long term stability. Importantly, the cost of production is expected to decline significantly towards 2030 driven mainly by technology advancements, cheaper renewables and manufacturing economies of scale.

## **ESG - OUR COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS**

Robust management of environmental, social and governance (ESG) concerns are at the core of what we do and how we work. Chariot seeks to embed a responsible approach to ESG management throughout the business.

In line with industry best practice Chariot uses the IFC Performance Standards, Equator Principles, and the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals as benchmarks and guiding principles. We also comply with applicable environmental laws, regulations and standards of the countries in which we are present.

We acknowledge the potential ESG impacts that our activities may have as we develop our projects. Our team is committed to proactively identifying and assessing issues that are important to our business and to our stakeholders. We manage these and their associated risks and seek to minimise the impacts of our activities as far as possible by putting robust frameworks and policies in place.

### **Anchois ESIA and Loukos EIA approvals**

In October 2023, Chariot received approval of the Anchois gas development project's Environmental and Social Impact Assessment from the Moroccan Ministry of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development. This process was conducted over a 12-month period and included detailed onshore and offshore environmental baseline studies, a social baseline survey and a wide-ranging stakeholder engagement process. The resulting Management plan sets out mitigation and monitoring measures which will be implemented during construction and production. In line with the most recent iteration of the Equator Principles, Chariot also commissioned a Climate Change Risk Assessment and Human Rights considerations were embedded in the main ESIA.

The Environmental Impact Assessment approval was also received for drilling activity on Loukos Onshore in January 2024. This covers a total of 20 wells, is valid for 5 years and will also inform Chariot's activities here going forward.

### **Environmental Authorisation, Buffelspoort, Tharisa**

Equally good progress was made by the Transitional Power team on permitting the Tharisa solar project in Buffelspoort, South Africa. In May 2023, the Environmental Authorisation was issued, along with the required water license, National Forest license and alien species (NEMBA) license.

### **Local Content Program for Project Nour**

As part of Project Nour's feasibility study, a comprehensive local content program was developed in 2023. This includes proposals to expand Mauritania higher education and technical training capabilities, to localise as many jobs as possible. The team also led consultations with 50 local entrepreneurs regarding the work packages which they may be able to execute, especially during construction. Seventeen key areas were identified in this context, from precast concrete panel manufacturing to insulation, from scaffolding to valve inspections and repairs, along with the requirements of each in terms of additional investment, training, and certification. The study has been shared with the Mauritanian authorities and its technical and financial partners with a view to securing support for its implementation.

### **Materiality Assessment**

Our Materiality Assessment is compiled in line with the Global Reporting Initiative ("GRI") framework and linked to the Sustainable Development Goals which will guide project development and implementation in the future.

### **Focus on Reducing Emissions**

Considering the transitional nature of Chariot's energy projects, each is expected to deliver carbon emissions reductions in their host countries:

- Morocco's energy needs are heavily dependent on coal (which currently makes up circa 70% of the country's requirements) and gas imports. The domestic gas from Chariot's Anchois project has the potential to directly supply into the national grid and become an important contributor in rebalancing the country's energy mix and reducing emissions going forward.
- Chariot's renewable power projects are bespoke solutions for mining companies, often sited in locations well away from power grids. Accessing wind and solar power for use directly on the mine sites removes the dependence on and need for transportation of carbon heavy fuel and provides a renewable, long term energy supply. Wheeling renewable power through the South African national grid through Etana will also notably reduce the reliance on coal fired power stations opening up a wider customer base including municipalities, industrial and retail sectors.
- Green hydrogen also has the potential to supplement and replace traditional fossil fuels in both power generation and hard-to-abate industrial processes, leading to a significant reduction in associated emissions of greenhouse gases. It also has the potential to stimulate the development of greener primary industry (such as green ammonia and green steel production) and could lead to significant, positive long term impacts for Mauritania as well as the entire global energy transition.

Two of the UN SDGs are particularly relevant to across our each of our business pillars and underpin our strategy and our values:

Goal 7:

**Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable modern energy for all** - specifically around increasing the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix, improving energy efficiency and advanced and cleaner fossil-fuel technology...expansion of infrastructure and upgrade technology for supplying modern and sustainable energy services for developing countries

Goal 9:

**Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation and foster innovation** - ... raise industry's share of employment and gross domestic product, in line with national circumstances...upgrade infrastructure and retrofit industries to make them sustainable with increased resource-use efficiency and greater adoption of clean and environmentally sound technologies and industry.

#### Alignment to the SDG's

Based on the updated Materiality Assessment and key goals, Chariot's alignment to the UN SDG's have been reviewed accordingly, with key targets for each one selected. This will also guide the reporting framework going forward.

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#### Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

		Year ended 31 December 2023 US\$000	Year ended 31 December 2022 US\$000
	Notes		
<b>Revenue</b>	3	80	-
Share based payments	27	(5,652)	(4,168)
Hydrogen and other business development costs		(1,285)	(1,704)
Other administrative expenses		(8,680)	(8,478)
<b>Total operating expenses</b>		<b>(15,617)</b>	<b>(14,350)</b>
<b>Loss from operations</b>	5	<b>(15,537)</b>	<b>(14,350)</b>
Finance income	7	202	74
Finance expense	7	(236)	(608)
<b>Loss for the year before taxation</b>		<b>(15,571)</b>	<b>(14,884)</b>
Tax expense	9	-	-
<b>Loss for the year</b>		<b>(15,571)</b>	<b>(14,884)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>			
<b>Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</b>			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(14)	(3)
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax</b>		<b>(14)</b>	<b>(3)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the year</b>		<b>(15,585)</b>	<b>(14,887)</b>
<b>(Loss)/ profit for the year attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the parent		(15,578)	(14,882)
Non-controlling interest		7	(2)
		<b>(15,571)</b>	<b>(14,884)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive (loss)/ profit attributable to:</b>			
Owners of the parent		(15,592)	(14,885)
Non-controlling interest		7	(2)
		<b>(15,585)</b>	<b>(14,887)</b>
<b>Loss per Ordinary share attributable to the equity holders of the parent - basic and diluted</b>	10	<b>US\$(0.02)</b>	<b>US\$(0.02)</b>

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes form part of these final results.

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**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

For the year ended 31 December 2022	Share capital	Share premium	Share based payment reserve	Other components of equity	Retained deficit	Total attributa holders
	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	
<b>As at 1 January 2022</b>	<b>11,696</b>	<b>383,318</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>(359,199)</b>	
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	(14,882)	
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(3)	-	
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(3)	(14,882)	
Issue of capital	2,567	32,143	(276)	-	-	
Issue costs	-	(1,618)	-	-	-	
Share based payments	-	-	4,168	-	-	
<b>As at 31 December 2022</b>	<b>14,263</b>	<b>413,843</b>	<b>6,099</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>(374,081)</b>	

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**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 December 2023 (continued)**

For the year ended 31 December 2023	Share capital	Share premium	Share based payment reserve	Other components of equity	Retained deficit	Total attributa holders
	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	
<b>As at 1 January 2023</b>	<b>14,263</b>	<b>413,843</b>	<b>6,099</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>(374,081)</b>	
(Loss)/ profit for the year	-	-	-	-	(15,578)	
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(14)	-	
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	(14)	(15,578)	
Issue of capital	1,451	18,733	(1,146)	-	-	

Issue costs	-	(1,284)	-	-	-
Movements on shares to be issued reserve	-	-	-	(142)	142
Share based payments	-	-	5,652	-	-
<b>As at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>15,714</b>	<b>431,292</b>	<b>10,605</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>(389,517)</b>

The notes form part of these final results.

## Chariot Limited

### Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	31 December 2023 US\$000	31 December 2022 US\$000
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Exploration and evaluation assets	11	62,956	51,795
Goodwill	12	380	380
Investment in power projects	13	334	448
Property, plant and equipment	16	646	428
Right of use asset	20	1,242	332
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>65,558</b>	<b>53,383</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	15, 17	1,263	755
Inventory	18	1,808	1,424
Cash and cash equivalents	19	6,016	12,052
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>9,087</b>	<b>14,231</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>74,645</b>	<b>67,614</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	21	4,429	6,198
Lease liability: office lease	20	430	359
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>4,859</b>	<b>6,557</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Lease liability: office lease	20	908	-
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>908</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>5,767</b>	<b>6,557</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>68,878</b>	<b>61,057</b>
<b>Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent</b>			
Share capital	22	15,714	14,263
Share premium		431,292	413,843
Share based payment reserve		10,605	6,099
Other components of equity	23	779	935
Retained deficit		(389,517)	(374,081)
<b>Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent</b>		<b>68,873</b>	<b>61,059</b>
Non-controlling interest	14	5	(2)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>68,878</b>	<b>61,057</b>

The notes form part of these final results.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 10 June 2024.

**George Canjar**  
Chairman

**Chariot Limited**

**Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

	Year ended 31 December 2023 US\$000	Year ended 31 December 2022 US\$000
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Loss for the year before taxation	(15,571)	(14,884)
Adjustments for:		
Finance income	(202)	(74)
Finance expense	236	608
Change in value of investment in power project	114	-
Depreciation	485	472
Share based payments	5,652	4,168
<b>Net cash outflow from operating activities before changes in working capital</b>	<b>(9,286)</b>	<b>(9,710)</b>
(Increase)/ Decrease in trade and other receivables	(535)	210
Increase / (Decrease) in trade and other payables	1,251	(132)
<b>Cash outflow from operating activities</b>	<b>(8,570)</b>	<b>(9,632)</b>
<b>Net cash outflow from operating activities</b>	<b>(8,570)</b>	<b>(9,632)</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Finance income	93	62
Payments in respect of property, plant and equipment	(400)	(256)
Payments in respect of exploration assets	(14,246)	(29,243)
<b>Net cash outflow used in investing activities</b>	<b>(14,553)</b>	<b>(29,437)</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Issue of ordinary share capital net of fees	17,754	32,816
Payments of lease liabilities	(432)	(501)
Finance expense on lease	(43)	(27)
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>	<b>17,279</b>	<b>32,288</b>
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>	<b>(5,844)</b>	<b>(6,781)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at start of the year</b>	<b>12,052</b>	<b>19,406</b>
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(192)	(573)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year</b>	<b>6,016</b>	<b>12,052</b>

The notes form part of these final results.

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**Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**1 General information**

Chariot Limited is a company incorporated in Guernsey with registration number 47532. The address of the registered office is Oak House, Hirzel Street, St Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 2NP. The nature of the Company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Report of the Directors and in the Technical Director's Review of Operations.

**2 Accounting policies**

*Basis of preparation*

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with UK International Accounting Standards.



In accordance with the provisions of section 244 of the Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, the Group has chosen to only report the Group's consolidated position, hence separate Company only financial statements are not presented.

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost accounting convention on a going concern basis.

#### *Going concern*

As at 31 December 2023, the Group had cash of \$6.0 million, no debt, trade and other receivables of \$1.3 million, inventory of \$1.8 million and trade and other payables of \$4.4 million.

The Group operates as a transitional energy group focused on developing large-scale gas, renewable power, and hydrogen projects in Africa. To date, it has not earned any revenues and so is reliant on various options, including asset partnering, project finance debt, and equity placements to finance the Group's overheads and progress its projects to first revenues.

The group financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis with the directors of the opinion that the Group will be able to meet its obligations as and when they fall due.

As at 30 April 2024, the Group had cash of \$7.9 million, no debt, trade and other receivables of approximately \$1.3 million, inventory of approximately \$2.2 million and trade and other payables of approximately \$3.2 million. The Board has prepared a cash flow forecast for the period 1 May 2024 to 31 December 2025. This has included the following assumptions:

#### **Anchois Gas Development:**

On the Group's Anchois gas development, the partnering process with Energean plc ("Energean") completed in April 2024 and provided:

- An upfront gross cash consideration payment of \$10 million received in April 2024.
- Subject to a successful FID, expected in the months following the Anchois East drilling and testing campaign, the Group will receive US\$15 million payable in cash and following completion of the Anchois well, Energean will have the right to acquire a further 10% of Chariot's equity in the Lixus licence for a US\$850 million gross development carry to first gas (including the US\$85 million gross carry). At Chariot's option the Group will also receive either a US\$50 million 5-year zero coupon convertible loan note with a strike price of £20 adjusted down for dividends, or issuance of three million Energean shares. The Energean shares currently attract a quarterly dividend and if this option were taken would provide Chariot with regular quarterly near-term cashflows.
- An US\$85 million gross carry including all Lixus costs up to FID, including the additional Anchois well with a gas flow test, and planned Rissana seismic acquisition costs separately capped at US\$7 million. Energean's carry of Chariot's costs is non-recourse, and has a coupon of 7% over the one year Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR), with the carry including interest repayable from 50% of Chariot's future net sales revenues from the Lixus licence.

Further interim period cost amounts have also been received by the Group from Energean in relation to costs paid by Chariot on the gas development between the December 2023 agreement signature and completion in April 2024. Following completion, Chariot staff have been seconded under a services agreement to the Anchois East drilling project, which provides a monthly recovery of their cost.

Management is confident that progress on the Anchois project will lead to first revenues generating income to fund ongoing overheads. The Risk Management Statement outlines the principle risks and uncertainties of natural gas exploration and the mitigations the Group has in place. Strategic discussions continue with potential investors to provide further funding as required at the asset, subsidiary or group level.

Over the forecast period the Group estimates a gross \$6.5 million outflow in respect of the transitional gas overhead and other related costs before any recovery of development costs from joint venture partners.

#### **Loukos Gas Development:**

The onshore drilling campaign has successfully been completed. At the date of these financial statements the RZK-1 well was found to be sub-economic but a gas discovery was announced from the drilling of the OBA-1 well. The remaining cost of drilling these two wells over the forecast period is estimated at \$6.7 million. The Group has minimal licence commitments over the going concern period in its position as operator on the licence. The Group is in early commercialisation discussions with bankable offtakers which, subject to the discovery of gas, will provide near-term gas sales with minimal capital commitments.

#### **Transitional Power Business:**

The renewable projects are focussed on the South African energy market and are at an earlier stage of development. The Group is evaluating project finance and investment at subsidiary levels to enable the business to fulfil its potential and has received over 10 non-binding expressions of interest from South Africa focused banks, institutions and major energy groups to fund the Transitional Power business providing near-term cashflows.

The directors have forecast an uncommitted \$3.6 million outflow to fund related overheads and development of the Transitional Power business over the forecast period.

#### **Green Hydrogen:**

The Group continues to progress financing options at the subsidiary level ahead of making any significant capital commitments. The directors have forecast an uncommitted \$1.4 million outflow to fund related overheads and development of the green hydrogen business over the forecast period.

#### **Corporate:**

The directors have forecast a \$7.2 million outflow for ongoing general and administrative costs of the Group over the forecast period.

#### **Conclusion**

The forecast indicates that there will be a cash deficit from July 2024. To manage this the directors mitigating actions include cutting discretionary expenditure and deferring creditor payments until funding across the business at an asset, subsidiary or Group level are successful, however, it also acknowledges that this short term funding is not, at the present time, in place.

Longer term, subject to successful drilling results at Anchois East, Chariot, in partnership with Energean and ONHYM, are focused on reaching FID shortly after the drilling and testing campaign has completed which could result in \$15 million cash inflow within the going concern forecast period.

Further, based on the strong interest from South Africa focused investors, management is confident that financing options are available to fund ongoing Transitional Power project work and overheads. In the event that a funding package for the Transitional Power business is not concluded in the near-term the Group will be required to seek other funding options for this business pillar to fund its share of future capital expenditure on projects and related overheads.

Based on feedback from ongoing financing discussions, the Directors have made a judgement that the necessary funds to adequately finance the Group's obligations will be secured and that the Group will continue to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. Accordingly, the Directors have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the consolidated financial statements, however, the need for additional financing in the short term, which has not yet been secured, indicates the existence of a material uncertainty, which may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, and its ability to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. These financial statements do not include adjustments that would be required if the Group was unable to continue as a going concern.

#### *New Accounting Standards*

The following new standards and amendments to standards are mandatory for the first time for the Group for the financial year beginning 1 January 2023. The implementation of these standards and amendments to standards has had no material effect on the Group's accounting policies.

<b>Standard</b>	<b>Effective year commencing on or after</b>
IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts	1 January 2023
IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and IFRS Practice Statement 2 (Amendment - Disclosure of Accounting Policies)	1 January 2023
IAS 8 Accounting policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors (Amendment - Definition of Accounting Estimates)	1 January 2023
IAS 12 Income Taxes (Amendment - Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction)	1 January 2023

Certain new standards and amendments to standards have been published that are mandatory for the Group's accounting periods beginning after 1 January 2024 or later years to which the Group has decided not to adopt early when early adoption is available.

The implementation of these standards and amendments is expected to have no material effect on the Group's accounting policies. These are:

<b>Standard</b>	<b>Effective year commencing on or after</b>
IFRS 16 Leases (Amendment - Liability in a Sale and Leaseback)	1 January 2024
IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements (Amendment - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current)	1 January 2024
IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements (Amendment - Non-current Liabilities with Covenants)	1 January 2024

#### *IFRS 16 - Leases*

Under IFRS 16 lease liabilities are initially measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments and discounted using an incremental borrowing rate at the date of recognition. Associated right-of-use assets are measured at an amount equal to the lease liability adjusted for any prepaid or accrued lease payments.

Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis.

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and liabilities for leases where the total lease term is less than or equal to 12 months, or for leases of low-value assets. Low-value assets comprise IT equipment and small items of office furniture. Payments associated with short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss.

Further details on the lease liability can be found in note 20.

#### *Exploration and evaluation assets*

The Group accounts for exploration and evaluation costs in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 6 Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources.

Any costs incurred prior to obtaining the legal rights to explore an area are expensed immediately to the Income Statement. All expenditures relating to the acquisition, exploration and appraisal of oil and gas interests, including an appropriate share of directly attributable overheads, are recognised as exploration and evaluation assets and initially capitalised by reference to appropriate geographic areas. Costs recognised as exploration and evaluation assets are transferred to property, plant and equipment and classified as oil and gas assets when technical feasibility and commercial viability of extracting hydrocarbons is demonstrable.

Costs recognised as exploration and evaluation assets are tested for impairment whenever facts and circumstances suggest that they may be impaired. Where exploration wells have been drilled, consideration of the drilling results is made for the purposes of impairment of the specific well costs. If the results sufficiently enhance the understanding of the reservoir and its characteristics it may be carried forward when there is an intention to continue exploration and drill further wells on that target.

Where farm-in transactions occur which include elements of cash consideration for, amongst other things, the reimbursement of past costs, this cash consideration is credited to the relevant accounts within the geographic area where the farm-in assets were located. Any amounts of farm-in cash consideration in excess of the value of the historic costs in the geographic area are treated as a credit to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### *Investment in power projects*

The Group, through its subsidiary Chariot Transitional Power France, holds a 10% investment in the Essakane solar project, Burkina Faso. This investment is recognised at fair value through profit and loss with any movement in fair value subsequently recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The investment is not held under a 'hold to collect' or 'hold to collect and sell' business model and is therefore categorised as fair value through profit and loss.

Further details on the investment in power projects can be found in note 13.

#### *Inventories*

The Group's share of any material and equipment inventories is accounted for at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

Inventory valuation is continually reviewed against expected use in anticipated future drilling campaigns. Obsolete or damaged inventory is expensed to the income statement as identified.

#### *Revenue*

The group's revenue is derived from one fixed price contract to provide desalinated water and therefore the amount of revenue to be earned from the contract is determined by reference to those fixed prices. Revenue on this contract is recognised at the point that the desalinated water for each monthly period has been provided to the customer.

#### *Taxation*

Income tax expense represents the sum of the current tax and deferred tax charge for the year.

Deferred tax is recognised on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted and are expected to apply in the year when the liability is settled or the asset realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### *Foreign currencies*

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into US Dollars at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into US Dollars at the closing rates at the reporting date and the exchange differences are included in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The functional currency of the Company and its subsidiaries is the US dollar, except for Chariot Transitional Power France, Chariot Transitional Power Africa and Chariot Transitional Power South Africa Pty Limited which have the European Euro as their functional currency.

Translation gains or losses resulting from the translation of the financial statements from the functional currency to the presentation currency are recorded as a foreign currency translation reserve in the Statement of Changes in Equity.

#### *Property, plant and equipment and depreciation*

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or fair value on acquisition less depreciation and impairment. As well as the purchase price, cost includes directly attributable costs and the estimated present value of any future unavoidable costs of dismantling, decommissioning and removing items. The corresponding liability is recognised within provisions. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis at rates calculated to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful economic life. The residual value is the estimated amount that would currently be obtained from disposal of the asset if the asset were already of the age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life.

Assets in the course of construction are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other assets, commences when the assets are complete and ready for their intended use.

Fixtures, fittings and office equipment are depreciated using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives over a range of 3 - 5 years.

Energy plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives over a range of 5 - 20 years.

The carrying value of property, plant and equipment is assessed annually and any impairment charge is charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### *Goodwill*

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of a business combination over the Group's interest in the fair value of identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired.

Goodwill is initially recognised as an asset at cost and is subsequently measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

The Group tests goodwill annually for impairment, or more frequently if there are indications that goodwill might be impaired.

#### *Share based payments*

Where equity settled share awards are awarded to employees or Directors, the fair value of the awards at the date of grant is charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income over the vesting period. Non-market vesting conditions are taken into account by adjusting the number of equity instruments expected to vest at each balance sheet date so that, ultimately, the cumulative amount recognised over the vesting period is based on the number of awards that eventually vest. Current equity settled share awards issued have no market vesting conditions attached.

Where the terms and conditions of awards are modified before they vest, the increase in the fair value of the awards, measured immediately before and after the modification, is also charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income over the remaining vesting period.

Where shares already in existence have been given to employees by shareholders, the fair value of the shares transferred is charged to the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income and recognised in reserves as Contributed Equity.

For share-based payment transactions with parties other than employees, the fair value of an equity-settled share-based payment is based on the fair value of the goods or services provided.

#### *Basis of consolidation*

Where the Company has control over an investee, it is classified as a subsidiary. The Company controls an investee if it has power over the investee and it is exposed to variable returns from the investee and it has the ability to use its power to affect those variable returns. Control is reassessed whenever facts and circumstances indicate that there may be a change in any of these elements of control. The consolidated financial statements present the results of the Company and its subsidiaries ("the Group") as if they formed a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between the Group companies are therefore eliminated in full.

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are identified separately from the Group's equity. Non-controlling interests consist of the non-controlling shareholder's share of changes in equity. The non-controlling interests' share of losses, where applicable, are attributed to the non-controlling interests irrespective of whether the non-controlling shareholders have a binding obligation and are able to make an additional investment to cover the loss.

#### *Business Combinations*

Acquisitions of businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interest issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

#### *Trade and other receivables*

Trade and other receivables are stated initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost.

#### *Financial instruments*

The Group's financial assets consist of a bank current account or short-term deposits at variable interest rates and other receivables. Any interest earned is accrued and classified as finance income.

The Group's financial liabilities consist of trade and other payables. The trade and other payables are stated initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost.

#### *Joint arrangements*

The group is a party to a joint arrangement when there is a contractual arrangement that confers joint control over the relevant activities of the arrangement to the group and at least one other party. Joint control is assessed under the same principles as control over subsidiaries.

The group classifies its interests in joint arrangements as either:

- Joint ventures: where the group has rights to only the net assets of the joint arrangement;
- Joint operations: where the group has both the rights to assets and obligations for the liabilities of the joint arrangement.

In assessing the classification of interests in joint arrangements, the Group considers:

- The structure of the joint arrangement
- The legal form of joint arrangements structured through a separate vehicle
- The contractual terms of the joint arrangement agreement
- Any other facts and circumstances (including any other contractual arrangements).

Joint ventures are initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost, including long term shareholder loans as investments in joint ventures. Subsequently, joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method, where the Group's share of post-acquisition profits and losses and other comprehensive income is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income (except for losses in excess of the Group's investment in the joint venture unless there is an obligation to make good those losses). Where there is objective evidence that the investment in a joint venture has been impaired the carrying amount of the investment is tested for impairment in the same way as other non-financial assets. The Group conducts some of its transitional power and green hydrogen activities jointly with other companies in this way.

#### *Critical accounting estimates and judgements*

The Group makes estimates and assumptions regarding the future. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated based on historical experiences and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. In the future, actual experience may deviate from these estimates and assumptions. If these estimates and assumptions are significantly over or under stated, this could cause a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. The areas where this could impact the Group are:

##### a) Areas of judgement

###### i. Recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets

Expenditure is capitalised as an intangible asset by reference to appropriate geographic area and is assessed for impairment against the criteria set out in IFRS 6 when management assesses that circumstances suggest that the carrying amount may exceed its recoverable value.

The making of this assessment involves judgement concerning the Group's future plans and current technical and legal assessments. In considering whether exploration and evaluation assets are impaired, the Group considers various impairment indicators and whether any of these indicates existence of an impairment. If those indicators are met, a full impairment test is performed. At 31 December 2023 the Group considers that no formal indicators of impairment exist under the framework of IFRS 6 in respect of exploration and evaluation assets.

###### ii. Accounting for business combinations

Judgment is required in determining whether a transaction meets the criteria of a business combination under IFRS 3, and whether the associated assets acquired are identifiable and should be recorded separately from goodwill. An acquisition qualifies as a business combination when the assets and liabilities acquired include an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs.

##### b) Estimates and assumptions

###### i. Impairment of goodwill

The assessment the carrying value of goodwill includes a number of judgements and estimates exercised by management including assessment of future discounted cashflows or fair value less costs to sell.

When value in use calculations are undertaken, the Group estimates the expected future cashflows from the asset and chooses a suitable discount rate to calculate the present value of those cashflows. In undertaking these value in use calculations, the Group is required to make use of estimates and assumptions concerning the Group's future plans.

When fair value less costs to sell calculations are undertaken, the Group uses earnings multiples derived from observable market data from recent transactions within the relevant sector.

At 31 December 2023 the Group has not identified an impairment of goodwill.

ii. Fair value of investments in power projects

The assessment of the fair value of the investment in the Essakane power project includes a number of estimates exercised by management including the assessment of future discounted shareholder distribution cashflows that will be made by the Essakane power project from cash resources not retained for use locally.

The Group estimates the expected future cashflows from the asset and chooses a suitable discount rate to calculate the present value of those cashflows. In undertaking this value in use calculation, the Group is required to make use of estimates and assumptions concerning the Essakane power project's future production and cashflow.

### 3 Revenue

	31 December 2023 US\$000	31 December 2022 US\$000
Supply of desalinated water	80	-

The group's revenue is derived from one fixed price contract held by its Mauritian subsidiary Oasis Water Limited to provide desalinated water in Djibouti.

### 4 Segmental analysis

Following the full year adoption of the three pillars strategy, the Group has four reportable segments being Transitional Gas, Transitional Power, Green Hydrogen and Corporate costs (2022: three being Transitional Gas, Transitional Power and Corporate). The operating results of each of these segments are regularly reviewed by the Board of Directors in order to make decisions about the allocation of resources and assess their performance.

31 December 2023	Transitional Gas US\$000	Transitional Power US\$000	Green Hydrogen US\$000	Corporate US\$000	Total US\$000
Revenue	-	80	-	-	80
Share based payments	-	(515)	-	(5,137)	(5,652)
Hydrogen and other business development costs	-	-	(1,285)	-	(1,285)
Administrative expenses	(703)	(2,456)	(324)	(5,197)	(8,680)
Finance income	73	24	-	105	202
Finance expense	(27)	-	-	(209)	(236)
Loss after taxation	(657)	(2,867)	(1,609)	(10,438)	(15,571)
Additions to non-current assets	11,176	253	-	1,345	12,774
Total assets	66,077	1,866	-	6,702	74,645
Total liabilities	(1,324)	(387)	-	(4,056)	(5,767)
Net assets	64,753	1,479	-	2,646	68,878

31 December 2022	Transitional Gas US\$000	Transitional Power US\$000	Corporate US\$000	Total US\$000
Share based payments	-	(15)	(4,153)	(4,168)
Hydrogen and other business development costs	-	-	(1,704)	(1,704)
Administrative expenses	(516)	(2,521)	(5,441)	(8,478)
Finance income	12	-	62	74
Finance expense	-	(70)	(538)	(608)
Loss after taxation	(504)	(2,606)	(11,774)	(14,884)
Additions to non-current assets	20,290	366	21	20,677
Total assets	54,158	1,474	11,982	67,614
Total liabilities	(5,227)	(203)	(1,127)	(6,557)
Net assets	48,931	1,271	10,855	61,057

### 5 Loss from operations

	31 December 2023 US\$000	31 December 2022 US\$000
Loss from operations is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	50	45
Depreciation of Right of Use asset	435	427
Share based payments - Long Term Incentive Scheme	4,652	3,661

<b>Incentive Scheme</b>		
Share based payments - Restricted Share Unit Scheme	485	492
Share based payments - deferred consideration	15	15
Share based payments - other arrangements	500	-
Share of post-tax losses of joint venture	17	14
<b>Auditors' remuneration:</b>		
Fees payable to the Company's Auditors for the audit of the Company's annual accounts	119	108
Audit of the Company's subsidiaries pursuant to legislation	24	17
<b>Total payable</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>125</b>

## 6 Employment costs

<b>Employees</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>
	<b>US\$000</b>	<b>US\$000</b>
Wages and salaries	4,613	3,863
Pension costs	459	413
Employee share based payments arrangements	2,887	2,141
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>7,959</b>	<b>6,417</b>
Capitalised to exploration costs	(2,275)	(2,189)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,684</b>	<b>4,228</b>

<b>Key management personnel</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>
	<b>US\$000</b>	<b>US\$000</b>
Wages, salaries and fees	2,248	2,481
Social security costs	261	304
Pension costs	60	52
Benefits	12	9
Employee share based payments arrangements	2,264	2,027
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>4,873</b>
Capitalised to exploration costs	(739)	(827)
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,106</b>	<b>4,046</b>

The Directors are the key management personnel of the Group. Details of the Directors' emoluments and interest in shares are shown in the Directors' Remuneration Report.

## 7 Finance income and expense

<b>Finance income</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>
	<b>US\$000</b>	<b>US\$000</b>
Foreign exchange gain	103	9
Bank interest receivable	99	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>74</b>

<b>Finance expense</b>	<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>
	<b>US\$000</b>	<b>US\$000</b>
Foreign exchange loss	193	581
Finance expense on lease	43	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>608</b>

## 8 Investments

The Company's principal subsidiary undertakings at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022, excluding dormant entities, were:

<b>Subsidiary undertaking</b>	<b>Principal activity</b>	<b>Country of incorporation</b>	<b>Proportion of ownership at 31 December</b>		<b>Non-controlling interest ownership at 31 December</b>	
			<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Chariot Oil & Gas Investments (Namibia) Limited	Holding company	Guernsey	100%	100%	-	-
Chariot Oil & Gas Investments (Morocco) Limited	Oil and gas exploration	Guernsey	100%	100%	-	-
Chariot Oil and Gas Statistics Limited	Service company	UK	100%	100%	-	-
Enioma Oil & Gas	Oil and gas	Namibia	100%	100%	-	-

Exploration (Proprietary) Limited <sup>1</sup>	Oil and gas exploration						
Chariot Oil & Gas Investments Limited	Holding company	Guemsey	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Brasil Petroleo e Gas Ltda	Oil and gas exploration	Brazil	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Oil & Gas Finance (Brazil) Limited <sup>1</sup>	Service company	Guemsey	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Oil & Gas Holdings Limited	Oil and gas exploration	UK	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Rissana Limited	Oil and gas exploration	UK	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Transitional Power Limited	Holding company and renewable energy solutions	UK	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Transitional Power Holdings Limited <sup>1</sup>	Holding company	UK	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Transitional Power France <sup>1</sup>	Holding company	France	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Transitional Power Africa <sup>1</sup>	Renewable energy solutions	Mauritius	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Transitional Power South Africa (Pty) Ltd <sup>1</sup>	Renewable energy solutions	South Africa	100%	100%	-	-	
Oasis Water Limited <sup>1, 2</sup>	Renewable energy solutions	Mauritius	74%	70%	26%	30%	
Quantum Solar Limited <sup>1</sup>	Holding company	UK	100%	100%	-	-	
Chariot Green Hydrogen Limited	Green hydrogen solutions	UK	100%	-	-	-	

<sup>1</sup> Indirect shareholding of the Company.

<sup>2</sup> An immaterial increase in ownership arising from the acquisition of ENEO Water PTE Limited's business and assets including its minority holding in Oasis Water Limited.

## 9 Taxation

The Company is tax resident in the UK, however no tax charge arises due to taxable losses for the year (31 December 2022: US\$Nil).

No taxation charge arises in Morocco or the group subsidiaries as they have recorded taxable losses for the year.

There was no deferred tax charge or credit in either period presented.

### Factors affecting the tax charge for the current year

The reasons for the difference between the actual tax charge for the year and the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK applied to losses for the year are as follows:

	31 December 2023 US\$000	31 December 2022 US\$000
<b>Tax reconciliation</b>		
Loss on ordinary activities for the year before tax	(15,571)	(14,884)
Loss on ordinary activities at the small profits rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (31 December 2022: 19%)	(2,958)	(2,828)
Non-deductible expenses	1,153	881
Deferred tax effect not recognised	1,805	1,947
<b>Total taxation charge</b>	-	-

The Company had tax losses carried forward on which no deferred tax asset is recognised. Deferred tax not recognised in respect of losses carried forward total US\$12.4 million (31 December 2022: US\$10.6 million). Deferred tax assets were not recognised as there is uncertainty regarding the timing of future profits against which these assets could be utilised.

## 10 Loss per share

The calculation of basic loss per Ordinary share attributable to the equity holders of the parent is based on a loss of US\$15,578,000 (31 December 2022: loss of US\$14,882,000) and on 1,007,791,040 Ordinary shares (31 December 2022: 891,215,431) being the weighted average number of Ordinary shares in issue during the year. Potentially dilutive share awards are detailed in note 27, however these do not have any dilutive impact as the Group reported a loss for the year, consequently a separate diluted loss per share has not been presented.

## 11 Exploration and evaluation assets



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	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
<b>Net book value brought forward</b>	<b>51,795</b>	<b>31,750</b>
Additions	11,161	20,286
Transferred to inventory	-	(241)
<b>Net book value carried forward</b>	<b>62,956</b>	<b>51,795</b>

The Group has two cost pools being the Offshore Moroccan geographical area and the Onshore Moroccan geographical area. As at 31 December 2023 the net book value of the Offshore Moroccan geographical area US\$61.8 million (31 December 2022: US\$51.8 million), and the Onshore Moroccan geographical area US\$ 1.2 million (31 December 2022: US\$NIL).

On 7 December 2023 the Group announced a Sale and Purchase Agreement to sell a portion of its interest in, and transfer operatorship of the Lixus Offshore Licence, where the Anchois gas development project is located, and the Rissana Offshore licence in Morocco, to Energean plc group ("Energean"). As further detailed in note 29, completion of the agreement was announced on 10 April 2024.

## 12 Goodwill

	<b>Goodwill</b>
	US\$000
<b>Gross carrying amount at 31 Dec 2021</b>	<b>380</b>
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2022 and 31 Dec 2023</b>	<b>380</b>

The goodwill balance US\$380,000 relates to the acquisition of Africa Energy Management Platform in 2021 and reflects the intellectual property, management team and customer relationships acquired through the business combination now contained in the Transitional Power segment.

The Group tests cash-generating units with goodwill annually for impairment, or more frequently if there is an indication that a cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated may be impaired. The recoverable amount of a cash generating unit is the higher of the cash-generating unit's fair value less cost of disposal and its value-in-use.

Fair value less cost of disposal has been used to assess the recoverable amount of the Group's goodwill. Fair value less cost of disposal is determined using earnings multiples derived from observable market data from recent transactions within the solar and wind sector. The fair value measurement is categorised as a level 2 fair value based on the inputs in the valuation techniques used.

## 13 Investment in power projects

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
<b>Essakane power project</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>448</b>

The Group's investment in power projects represents its 10% project equity holding in the Essakane power project. The investment is fair valued at each reporting date and has been classified within level 3 of the hierarchy (as defined in IFRS 13) as the investment is not traded and contains unobservable inputs. Due to the nature of the investment, it is always expected to be classified as level 3. There have been no transfers between levels during the year ended 31 December 2023.

Valuations are derived using a discounted cash flow methodology and reflect the annual forecast shareholder distributions resulting from net available cash of the Essakane power project over its lifetime, and a risk adjusted discount rate.

Significant unobservable input	Sensitivity of the fair value measurement to input
Discount rate	An increase in the discount rate would decrease the fair value and a decrease in the discount rate would increase the fair value of the asset.
Shareholder distributions	An increase in the forecast shareholder distributions would increase the fair value and a decrease in the forecast shareholder distributions would decrease the fair value of the asset.

The sensitivities above are assumed to be independent of each other. There were no changes to valuation techniques in the period.

## 14 Non-controlling interests

Oasis Water Limited, a subsidiary of the Group, has immaterial non-controlling interests (NCI). Summarised financial information in relation to Oasis Water Limited, before intra-group eliminations, is presented below together with amounts attributable to NCI:

For the period ended 31 December	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
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	2023	2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Revenue	80	-
Administrative expenses	(52)	(6)
<b>Profit/ (Loss) before and after tax</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>(6)</b>
<b>Profit/ (Loss) allocated to NCI</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>(2)</b>
Other comprehensive income allocated to NCI	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income/ (loss) allocated to NCI</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>(2)</b>
Cash inflows from operating activities	25	216
Cash outflows from investing activities	(380)	(215)
Cash inflows from financing activities	390	-
<b>Net cash inflows</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>As at 31 December</b>		
<b>Assets</b>		
Property plant and equipment	580	348
Trade and other receivables	29	1
Cash and cash equivalents	36	1
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	(621)	(355)
<b>Accumulated non-controlling interests</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>(2)</b>

## 15 Joint Ventures

At 31 December 2023 the Group has a 24.99% interest in, Etana Energy (Pty) Limited, which is a separate structured vehicle incorporated and operating in South Africa. The primary activity of Etana Energy (Pty) Limited is to hold an electricity trading licence. The contractual arrangement provides the group with only the rights to the net assets of the joint arrangement, with the rights to the assets and obligation for liabilities of the joint arrangement resting primarily with Etana Energy (Pty) Limited. Under IFRS 11 this joint arrangement is classified as a joint venture and has been included in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method.

### Summarised financial information

Period ended 31 December	2023	2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Loss from continuing operations	(69)	(57)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive (loss)/ income (100%)</b>	<b>(69)</b>	<b>(57)</b>
<b>Group's share of comprehensive(loss)/ income (24.99%)</b>	<b>(17)</b>	<b>(14)</b>
<b>Investments in equity-accounted joint ventures</b>		
Opening balance	5	-
Shareholder loan to Etana in the year	70	19
Group's share of comprehensive income for the year (included in administrative expenses)	(17)	(14)
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>5</b>

As detailed in note 29, in the post balance sheet period the Group increased its interest in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited to 49%. Following the transaction the Group will continue to account for its interest using the equity method.

## 16 Property, plant and equipment

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Energy plant and equipment	Assets in the course of construction	Total
	US\$000		US\$000	US\$000
<b>Cost</b>				
<b>At 1 January 2022</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,428</b>
Additions	40	-	349	389
<b>At 31 December 2022</b>	<b>1,468</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>1,817</b>
<b>At 1 January 2023</b>	<b>1,468</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>1,817</b>
Additions	22	-	246	268
Transfer on completion of construction	-	595	(595)	-
<b>At 31 December 2023</b>	<b>1,490</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,085</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
<b>At 1 January 2022</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,344</b>

Charge	45	-	-	45
At 31 December 2022	1,389	-	-	1,389
At 1 January 2023	1,389	-	-	1,389
Charge	35	15	-	50
At 31 December 2023	1,424	15	-	1,439
Net book value 1 January 2022	84	-	-	84
Net book value 31 December 2022	79	-	349	428
Net book value 31 December 2023	66	580	-	646

The net book value of energy plant and equipment relates to the operational desalination plant in Djibouti owned by a subsidiary of the group, Oasis Water Limited whose results are reported within the Transitional Power segment.

#### 17 Trade and other receivables

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Other receivables and prepayments	1,263	755

The fair value of trade and other receivables is equal to their book value.

#### 18 Inventory

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Wellheads and casing	1,808	1,424

Inventory is held and retained for use in future drilling campaigns.

#### 19 Cash and cash equivalents

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Analysis by currency	US\$000	US\$000
US Dollar	4,449	5,475
Euro	121	209
Sterling	1,315	6,254
Moroccan Dirham	19	51
Other	112	63
	6,016	12,052

As at 31 December 2023 US\$4.6 million of US Dollar and Sterling cash is held in UK and Guernsey bank accounts. All other cash balances are held in the relevant country of operation.

As at 31 December 2023, the cash balance of US\$6.0 million (31 December 2022: US\$12.1 million) contains the following cash deposits that are secured against bank guarantees given in respect of exploration work to be carried out:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Moroccan licences	1,050	750
	1,050	750

The funds are freely transferable but alternative collateral would need to be put in place to replace the cash security.

#### 20 Leases

The lease relates to the UK office. The group renegotiated the contractual terms of the lease during the year which increased the lease term by three years (2022: renegotiated a one-year extension). The lease liability was remeasured using the discount rate applicable on the modification date, with the right-of-use asset being adjusted by the same amount.

Right-of-use asset:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Brought forward	332	328
Effect of modification to lease terms	1,245	424

Effect of modification to lease terms	1,343	431
Depreciation	(435)	(427)
<b>Carried forward</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>332</b>

Lease liability:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Current	430	359
Non-current	908	-
<b>Total lease liability</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>359</b>

The interest expense on lease liabilities during the year to 31 December 2023 was US\$43,000 (2022: US\$27,000) and the total cash outflow was US\$475,000 (2022: US\$501,000).

The maturity analysis of the lease liability at 31 December 2023 is as follows:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
<b>Maturity analysis - contractual undiscounted cashflows</b>		
Less than one year	522	372
Between one and two years	522	-
Between two and three years	436	-
<b>Total undiscounted lease liabilities</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>372</b>
Effect of interest	(142)	(13)
<b>Total lease liability</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>359</b>

## 21 Trade and other payables

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	US\$000	US\$000
Trade payables	2,229	2,264
Accruals	2,200	3,934
	<b>4,429</b>	<b>6,198</b>

The fair value of trade and other payables is equal to their book value.

## 22 Share capital

	Allotted, called up and fully paid			
	31 December 2023	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	31 December 2022
	Number	US\$000	Number	US\$000
<b>Ordinary shares of 1p each<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1,073,269,384</b>	<b>15,714</b>	<b>959,841,091</b>	<b>14,263</b>

1. The authorised and initially allotted and issued share capital on admission (19 May 2008) has been translated at the historic rate of US\$GBP of 1.995. The shares issued since admission have been translated at the date of issue, or, in the case of share awards, the date of grant and not subsequently retranslated.

Details of the Ordinary shares issued are in the table below:

Date	Description	Price US\$	No. of shares
<b>31 December 2021</b>			<b>759,587,023</b>
31 January 2022	Issue of shares at £0.055 relating to underwriting commitment	0.07	33,742,396
3 March 2022	Issue of shares at £0.055 relating to underwriting commitment	0.07	33,742,396
13 June 2022	Issue of shares at £0.18 in Placing, Subscription, Open Offer and fees	0.22	130,930,606
10 August 2022	Issue of share award	0.08	833,333
10 August 2022	Issue of share award	0.30	18,533
10 August 2022	Issue of share award	0.30	212,000
10 August 2022	Issue of share award	0.10	72,463
10 August 2022	Issue of share award	0.16	109,795
15 September 2022	Issue of share award	0.50	70,098
15 September 2022	Issue of share award	0.12	76,313
15 September 2022	Issue of share award	0.20	76,313
15 September 2022	Issue of share award	0.05	119,438
15 September 2022	Issue of share award	0.23	137,050
21 October 2022	Issue of share award	0.12	13,750
21 October 2022	Issue of share award	0.20	11,250

21 October 2022	Issue of share award	0.19	9,343
12 December 2022	Issue of share award	0.20	16,250
12 December 2022	Issue of share award	0.05	43,750
12 December 2022	Issue of share award	0.21	18,991
<b>31 December 2022</b>			<b>959,841,091</b>
24 February 2023	Issue to ENEO Water PTE Limited	0.22	2,267,694
17 April 2023	Issue of contingent consideration for acquisition of AEMP	0.07	1,585,678
3 August 2023	Issue of shares at £0.14 in Placing, Subscription, Open Offer and fees	0.18	106,246,564
17 August 2023	Issue of share award	0.08	1,333,334
17 August 2023	Issue of share award	0.22	1,332,095
17 August 2023	Issue of share award	0.18	662,928
<b>31 December 2023</b>			<b>1,073,269,384</b>

## 23 Other components of equity

The details of other components of equity are as follows:

	Contributed equity US\$000	Shares to be issued reserve US\$000	Foreign exchange reserve US\$000	Total US\$000
<b>As at 1 January 2022</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>938</b>
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(3)	(3)
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	(3)	(3)
<b>As at 31 December 2022</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>935</b>
	Contributed equity US\$000	Shares to be issued reserve US\$000	Foreign exchange reserve US\$000	Total US\$000
<b>As at 1 January 2023</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>935</b>
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(14)	(14)
Loss and total comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	(14)	(14)
Transfer of reserves due to lapsed share based deferred consideration	-	(142)	-	(142)
<b>As at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(17)</b>	<b>779</b>

## 24 Reserves

The following describes the nature and purpose of each reserve within owners' equity:

Reserve	Description and purpose
Share capital	Amount subscribed for share capital at nominal value.
Share premium	Amount subscribed for share capital in excess of nominal value.
Share based payments reserve	Amount representing the cumulative charge recognised under IFRS2 in respect of share option, LTIP and RSU schemes.
Contributed equity	Amount representing equity contributed by the shareholders
Shares to be issued reserve	Deferred consideration on acquisition recognised in equity

Shares to be issued reserve	Deferred consideration on acquisition recognised in equity
Foreign exchange reserve	Foreign exchange differences arising on translating into the reporting currency
Retained deficit	Cumulative net gains and losses recognised in the financial statements.

## 25 Related party transactions

Key management personnel comprises the Directors and details of their remuneration and shareholding are set out in note 6 and the Directors' Remuneration Report.

Kinsella Consulting Limited, a company of which Adonis Pouroulis is a Director, incurred costs on behalf of Chariot Limited for which it was reimbursed during the year of US\$1,706 (31 December 2022: US\$18,452). The amount outstanding as at 31 December 2023 was US\$Nil (31 December 2022: US\$Nil).

As detailed in note 28, on 1 January 2024 the Group completed its acquisition of Neura Group's interest in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited. Adonis Pouroulis beneficially controls 28.21% of the total voting rights in the Neura Group.

## 26 Financial instruments

The Board of Directors determine, as required, the degree to which it is appropriate to use financial instruments or other hedging contracts or techniques to mitigate risk. Throughout the year ending 31 December 2023, no trading in financial instruments was undertaken (31 December 2022: US\$Nil). There is no material difference between the book value and fair value of the Group cash balances, short-term receivables and payables.

### *Market risk*

Market risk arises from the Group's use of interest bearing and foreign currency financial instruments. It is the risk that future cashflows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates (interest rate risk) and foreign exchange rates (currency risk). Throughout the year, the Group has held surplus funds on deposit, principally with its main relationship bank Barclays, on fixed short-term deposits. The credit ratings of the main relationship bank the Group holds cash with do not fall below A or equivalent. The Group does not undertake any form of speculation on long term interest rates or currency movements, therefore it manages market risk by maintaining a short-term investment horizon and placing funds on deposit to optimise short term yields where possible but, moreover, to ensure that it always has sufficient cash resources to meet payables and other working capital requirements when necessary. As such, market risk is not viewed as a significant risk to the Group. The Directors have not disclosed the impact of interest rate sensitivity analysis on the Group's financial assets and liabilities at the year-end as the risk is not deemed to be material.

This transactional risk is managed by the Group holding the majority of its funds in US Dollars to recognise that US Dollars is the trading currency of the industry, with an appropriate balance maintained in Sterling, Euro and Moroccan Dirham to meet other non-US Dollar industry costs and ongoing corporate and overhead commitments.

At the year end, the Group had cash balances of US\$6.0 million (31 December 2022: US\$12.1 million) as detailed in note 19.

Other than the non-US Dollar cash balances described in note 19, no other material financial instrument is denominated in a currency other than US Dollars. A 10% adverse movement in exchange rates would lead to a foreign exchange loss of US\$157,000 and a 10% favourable movement in exchange rates would lead to a corresponding gain; the effect on net assets would be the same as the effect on profits (31 December 2022: US\$658,000).

### *Capital*

In managing its capital, the Group's primary objective is to maintain a sufficient funding base to enable it to meet its working capital and strategic investment needs. For further details of the Group's position, please refer to the going concern paragraph in note 2 of these accounts.

### *Liquidity risk*

The Group's practice is to regularly review cash needs and to place excess funds on fixed term deposits. This process enables the Group to optimise the yield on its cash resources whilst ensuring that it always has sufficient liquidity to meet payables and other working capital requirements when these become due.

For further details of the Group's position, please refer to the going concern paragraph in note 2 of these accounts.

### *Credit risk*

The Group's policy is to perform appropriate due diligence on any party with whom it intends to enter into a contractual arrangement. Where this involves credit risk, the Group will put in place measures that it has assessed as prudent to mitigate the risk of default by the other party. This could consist of instruments such as bank guarantees and parent company guarantees.

As such, the Group has not put in place any particular credit risk measures in this instance as the Directors view the risk of default on any payments due from the joint venture partner as being very low.

## 2/ Share based payments

### Long Term Incentive Scheme ("LTIP")

The plan provides for the awarding of shares to employees and Directors for nil consideration. The award will lapse if an employee or Director leaves employment.

Shares granted when an individual is an employee will vest in equal instalments over a three year period from the grant date and shares granted when an individual is a Director or otherwise specified will vest three years from the end of the year or period the period to which the award relates.

The Group recognised a charge under the plan for the year to 31 December 2023 of US\$4,652,000 (31 December 2022: US\$3,661,000).

The following table sets out details of all outstanding share awards under the LTIP:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	Number of awards	Number of awards
Outstanding at beginning of the year	68,538,410	28,242,865
Granted during the year	8,413,066	40,888,091
Shares issued for no consideration during the year	(3,328,357)	(592,546)
Lapsed during year	(500,000)	-
Outstanding at the end of the year	73,123,119	68,538,410
Exercisable at the end of the year	32,187,495	14,754,985

### Non-Executive Directors' Restricted Share Unit Scheme ("RSU")

The plan provides for the awarding of shares to Non-Executive Directors for nil consideration. An award can be Standalone or Matching.

Standalone share awards are one-off awards to Non-Executive Directors which will vest in equal instalments over a three year period and will lapse if not exercised within a fixed period on stepping down from the Board.

Matching share awards will be granted equal to the number of existing Chariot shares purchased by the Non-Executive Director in each calendar year capped at the value of their gross annual fees for that year. The shares will vest in equal instalments over a three year period and will lapse if not exercised prior to stepping down from the Board or if the original purchased shares are sold prior to the vesting of the relevant Matching award. Any potential Matching awards not granted in a calendar year shall be forfeited and shall not roll over to subsequent years.

The Group recognised a charge under the plan for the year to 31 December 2023 of US\$485,000 (31 December 2022: US\$492,000).

The following table sets out details of all outstanding share awards under the RSU:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	Number of awards	Number of awards
Outstanding at beginning of the year	11,037,280	8,755,156
Granted during the year	427,723	3,528,248
Lapsed	(4,880,210)	-
Shares issued for no consideration during the year	-	(1,246,124)
Outstanding at the end of the year	6,584,793	11,037,280
Exercisable at the end of the year	2,300,602	4,251,485

### Post-acquisition share-based payment charges

#### *Africa Energy Management Platform ("AEMP")*

During the year, contingent payments settled through the issue of 1,588,678 new ordinary shares were made to key members of the Chariot Transitional Power Africa team regarding the acquisition of the business of Africa Energy Management Platform in June 2021.

Retention and target conditions attached to the issuance of the remaining contingent payments were extended until 22 March 2024. The modification of the non-market performance and retention conditions did not impact the fair value after the modification. As at 31 December 2023 remaining contingent payments representing a maximum of 2,378,514 new ordinary shares are payable to the same key members of the Chariot Transitional Power Africa team. These contingent payments have been recognised as share-based payments in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income over the retention period.

The Group recognised a charge of US\$15,000 in the year to 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: \$15,000).

### Other share-based payments arrangements

#### *ENEO Water PTE Limited ("ENEO")*

On 27 January 2023 the group entered into an agreement for the acquisition of the business and loan receivable assets of an independent water producer, ENEO Water PTE Limited, an African company founded and partially owned by key members of the Chariot Transitional Power Africa team, focused on delivering clean water solutions using renewable energy.

On 24 February 2023, the Company issued 2,267,694 new ordinary shares to ENEO Water Pte Limited for the successful financial close of the Djibouti water project, recognising a charge of US\$0.5 million in the year to 31

December 2023.

The agreement includes contingent payments linked to the achievement of financial close on pipeline projects payable in Chariot Ordinary shares. As at 31 December 2023 remaining contingent payments representing a maximum of 1,824,595 new ordinary shares are potentially payable to ENEO Water Pte Limited.

## 28 Contingent liabilities

From 30 December 2011 the Namibian tax authorities introduced a withholding tax of 25% on all services provided by non-Namibian entities which are received and paid for by Namibian residents. From 30 December 2015 the withholding tax was reduced to 10%. As at 31 December 2023, based upon independent legal and tax opinions, the Group has no withholding tax liability (31 December 2022: US\$Nil). Any subsequent exposure to Namibian withholding tax will be determined by how the relevant legislation evolves in the future and the contracting strategy of the Group.

## 29 Events after the balance sheet date

The Directors consider these events to be non-adjusting post balance sheet events.

### *Completion of partnering agreement with Energean Group plc*

On 7 December 2023 the Group announced a Sale and Purchase Agreement to sell a portion of its interest in, and transfer operatorship of the Lixus Offshore Licence, where the Anchois gas development project is located, and the Rissana Offshore licence in Morocco, to Energean plc group ("Energean"). Completion of the agreement occurred in the post balance sheet period and was announced on 10 April 2024.

Following the post balance sheet completion, the Group's interest in the Lixus licence is 30% (Energean: 45%) and in the Rissana licence is 37.5% (Energean: 45%). The Office National des Hydrocarbures et des Mines retains its 25% carried interest in both licences.

The Group received US\$10 million on completion of the transaction, and will receive a further US\$15 million subject to reaching Anchois Final Investment Decision ("FID"), and a US\$85 million gross carry including all Lixus costs up to FID which is repayable from 50% of Chariot's future net sales revenues from the Lixus licence with a coupon of 7% over the one year Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR). Planned Rissana seismic acquisition costs are separately capped at US\$7 million.

Following completion of the Anchois well, Energean have the right to acquire a further 10% of the group's equity in the Lixus licence for US\$50 million 5-year zero coupon convertible loan note with a strike price of £20 adjusted down for dividends or issuance of three million Energean plc shares, at the group's option on FID, a US\$850 million gross development carry to first gas (including the US\$85 million gross carry), and a 7% royalty payment on Energean's gas production revenues in excess of a base hurdle on the realised gas price (post transportation costs).

### *Increased holding in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited*

On 1 January 2024 the Group completed the transaction to increase its holding in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited from 24.99% to 49%. Contemporaneously, H1 Holdings (Pty) Limited ("H1") has increased its holding from 26% to 51%. The transaction involves the Group and H1 in substance acquiring the 49% interest in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited previously held by the Neura Group, on identical pro rata terms

Upfront net cash consideration of US\$0.3 million was paid on completion with a further net c.US\$0.7 million paid in April 2024.

Future success based contingent payments are payable of net c.US\$1.6 million on financial close of a 250MW generation project and a further consideration of net c.US\$2.6 million payable in 2028, subject to further significant generation projects reaching financial close.

Following the transaction the Group will continue to account for its interest in Etana Energy (Pty) Limited in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method.



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