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### Liquefied Natural Gas Limited – FY 2017 Half Year Results for Announcement to the Market

In accordance with the Listing Rules, Liquefied Natural Gas Limited (ASX: LNG; OTC ADR: LNGLY) encloses the following information:

- (i) The ASX Appendix 4D for the Half Year Ended 31 December 2016; and
- (ii) The Financial Report for the Half Year Ended 31 December 2016.

Yours sincerely

**Andrew Gould** 

Joint Company Secretary Liquefied Natural Gas Limited

Andrew Gauld



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APPENDIX 4D FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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#### Results for announcement to the market

Current reporting period: 6 months ending 31 December 2016

Previous corresponding reporting period: 6 months ending 31 December 2015

This preliminary financial report is presented in Australian dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Consolidated	31 December 2016 \$'000	31 December 2015 \$'000	Change %	Movement
Revenues from ordinary activities	190	359	47%	Down
Loss from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	13,604	80,175	83%	Down
Net loss for the period attributable to members	13,604	80,175	83%	Down

### **Operating Results**

For commentary on the financial results please refer to information provided in the Directors Report in the attached interim financial report. The half-year report should be read in conjunction with the most recent annual report.

### **Dividend and Other Returns to Shareholders**

There were no dividends paid or proposed during or as at the end of the financial year. There were no share buy backs or proposed share buy backs during the financial year.

### **Net Tangible Assets**

	31 December 2016 \$	31 December 2015 \$
Net tangible assets per security	0.14	0.22

Details of entities over which control has been gained or lost during the period

Not applicable.



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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE HALF - YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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### CORPORATE DIRECTORY

### LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS LIMITED ABN 19 101 676 779

### **DIRECTORS**

Paul Cavicchi, Non-Executive Chairman
Gregory M Vesey, Managing Director / Chief Executive Officer
Richard Beresford, Non-Executive Director
Leeanne Bond, Non-Executive Director
Michael Steuert, Non-Executive Director
Philip Moeller, Non-Executive Director

JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES Andrew Gould (Australia) Kinga Doris (United States)

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### DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors submit their report for the half-year ended 31 December 2016.

### **DIRECTORS**

The names of the Liquefied Natural Gas Limited (the Company, Group, or LNGL) company's directors in office during the half-year and until the date of this report are as below.

Directors were in office for the entire period (unless otherwise stated).

Paul Cavicchi
Richard Beresford
Non-Executive Director
Leeanne Bond
Non-Executive Director
Michael Steuert
Non-Executive Director
Philip Moeller
Non-Executive Director

Gregory M Vesey Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer

Fletcher Maurice Brand Previous Executive Director (resigned 1 August 2016)

#### REVIEW AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Liquefied Natural Gas Limited (LNGL or the Company) holds a strong competitive position in the mid-scale LNG industry with our three LNG projects: Magnolia LNG, in Lake Charles, Louisiana, USA; Bear Head LNG in Richmond County, Nova Scotia, Canada; and Fisherman's Landing LNG, in Queensland, Australia. Our North American projects have successfully achieved milestones that provide indisputable evidence that Magnolia LNG and Bear Head LNG should be at the forefront of supplying the next wave of global LNG demand.

The Magnolia LNG project enters 2017 shovel ready and first in-line to satisfy demand for new LNG supply. Our team is solely focused on completing our marketing of Magnolia LNG's offtake capacity in order to take FID (a financial investment decision). The project has all required US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and US Department of Energy (DoE) permits and approvals, has construction price certainty through its industry competitive LSTK engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) contract price with KSJV (a KBR – SKE&C joint venture led by KBR), certainty of gas supply, equity via a commitment from Stonepeak Infrastructure Partners, and a debt financing process led by BNP Paribas.

For LNG buyers attempting to determine which US greenfield LNG project is most likely to succeed and thus to contract with, you must look no further than Magnolia LNG. Once bankable offtake is sold, Magnolia LNG will move straight to financial close and construction. The project has no other obligations to meet. As LNG developments are considered, Magnolia LNG is the most viable greenfield liquefaction project in the world today.

Likewise, Bear Head LNG has completed its regulatory permitting process. Bear Head markets itself as a viable outlet for stranded Canadian natural gas resources looking for economic access to global LNG markets, demand, and pricing. Bear Head is uniquely positioned as a key component of an East Coast Canada export strategy. Our Fisherman's Landing LNG site remains a viable project as our team looks to find feed gas supply in sufficient quantities to progress towards an FID decision.

In keeping with our promise to shareholders, LNGL managed its liquidity consistent with our stated plans. We closed December 2016 with the Company's total cash position at A\$59.9 million (A\$34.7 million in cash and cash equivalents plus A\$25.2 million in investments in term deposits classified as Other Financial Assets on the Statement of Financial Position). The Company has no debt.

### **Project Update**

- (a) Magnolia LNG Project, Lake Charles, Louisiana, United States (Magnolia LNG)
  - LNGL continues to focus on marketing efforts to secure tolling agreements and examine technical improvements in the OSMR® technology and plant modular design to further reduce costs.
  - On 23 November 2016, the FERC issued its Order on Rehearing fully reaffirming its 15 April 2016 authorisation of the proposed Magnolia LNG export facility. In doing so, FERC entirely rejected the Sierra Club's arguments, basing its rejection largely on recent decisions from U.S. federal appeals courts that have found FERC's approach is proper and consistent with U.S. Supreme Court precedent.

- Following receipt of the FERC's Order on Rehearing, the DoE granted Magnolia LNG authorisation to export liquefied natural gas from the proposed facility in Lake Charles, Louisiana, USA to countries with which the United States has not entered into a free trade agreement (non-FTA approval) on 1 December 2016.
- On 6 December 2016, Magnolia LNG and Meridian LNG Holdings Corp announced a further extension of certain conditions precedent for the Meridian LNG offtake agreement from 31 December 2016 to 30 November 2017. All other provisions of the governing agreements not specifically amended by this extension remain in full force and effect.
- (b) Bear Head LNG Project, Nova Scotia, Canada (Bear Head LNG)
  - Nova Scotia Environment (NSE) approved Bear Head LNG's Greenhouse Gas and Air Emission Management Plan for its proposed liquefied natural gas export facility in Point Tupper, Richmond County, Nova Scotia.
  - Bear Paw Pipeline Corporation Inc. (Bear Paw), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of LNGL, received Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board approval to construct its pipeline. Bear Paw is proposing to construct and operate a 62.5 km natural gas pipeline from Goldboro to the proposed Bear Head LNG liquefied natural gas export facility in Point Tupper. The Goldboro to Point Tupper pipeline connects Bear Head LNG to the North American natural gas pipeline network.
  - Bear Paw announced receipt of its environmental assessment (EA) approval from NSE for its proposed natural gas pipeline.

### (c) Corporate

### **Board of Directors**

Following the close of the Annual General Meeting on 17 November 2016, Mr Paul Cavicchi became Chairman of LNGL's Board of Directors. The previous Chairman, Mr Richard Beresford, remains on the LNGL Board as Non-Executive Director.

On 1 August 2016 Mr Maurice Brand stepped down as an Executive Director with LNGL. Mr Brand was the founder and former Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited.

### Personnel

In July 2016, LNGL announced staff reductions resulting in a more streamlined organisation having a lower, more sustainable fixed cost base. These actions further the Company's commitment to our cost management strategy.

Mr Andrew Gould was appointed to the position of Joint Company Secretary following the departure of Mr David Gardner. Mr Gould's new role is in addition to his existing role as Group Development Manager.

### **Share Capital Movements**

On 4 July 2016, 6,224,720 ordinary shares were issued from the conversion of 6,245,402 Performance Rights and 2,752,329 Performance Rights lapsed.

On 4 July 2016, 100,000 ordinary shares were issued on exercise of options at \$0.28 per share. On 4 August 2016, 259,000 ordinary shares were issued on exercise of options at an average of \$0.27 per share. On 5 August 2016, 400,000 ordinary shares were issued on exercise of options at \$0.28 per share. On 25 November 2016, 1,000,000 ordinary shares were issued following the exercise of 1,000,000 options, at an exercise price of \$0.46 per share

On 6 September, 5,060,500 Incentive Rights (3,169,580 Performance Rights and 1,890,920 Retention Rights) were issued.

On 30 November 2016, 1,600,000 Incentive Rights (960,000 Performance Rights and 640,000 Retention Rights) were issued to Greg Vesey (Managing Director & CEO of LNGL) following approval at the 2016 AGM on 17 November 2016.

On 2 December 2016, 66,499 ordinary shares were issued from the conversion of 73,111 Non-Executive Director (NED) Rights.

On 13 December 2016, 732,304 NED Rights were issued following approval at the 2016 AGM on 17 November 2016.

### **Financial Results**

The consolidated net loss after income tax for the half-year, excluding non-controlling interest, was \$13.6 million (2015: \$80.2 million). Project development expenditure decreased from \$68.4 million (2015) to just under \$7 million in the 2016 period, reflecting the Company's liquidity management plan and sole focus on completing the marketing of Magnolia LNG's offtake capacity. Administration expenditure decreased from \$7.5 million (2015) to \$6.4 million, reflecting full initiation of the Company's cost-reduction program. The expense of share-based payments issued to directors, employees, and consultants decreased from \$12.6 million (2015) to \$1.9 million in the 2016 period, reflecting a lower LNGL share price on grant date for the long-term incentive (LTI) rights expensed than in prior periods. The consolidated net loss was reduced by pre-tax foreign exchange gains of \$1.0 million, resulting primarily from the movement in the USD against the AUD in the period.

### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER BALANCE DATE

The following significant events have occurred subsequent to the half-year ended 31 December 2016:

- (a) Magnolia LNG
  - On 23 January 2017, Magnolia LNG announced a non-binding heads of agreement (HOA) with Vessel Gasification Solutions, Inc. (VGS) for sales to KGLNGT terminal in India. The non-binding HOA provides for a 20-year Free-on-Board (FOB) Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) of up to 4 million metric tonnes per annum (mtpa). The obligations of the parties are conditional upon Magnolia LNG's satisfaction with or waiver of conditions precedent including financial close of the KGLNGT terminal and satisfaction by VGS of defined credit requirements underpinning their LNG purchases within agreed timeframes.
  - On 30 January 2017, Magnolia LNG announced a further extension of the validity period of the current binding EPC contract with KSJV through 30 June 2017.
- (b) Bear Head LNG

None

(c) Corporate

Share Issue

The number of performance rights reported to the ASX on 13 December 2016 in the Appendix 3B totalling 13,311,098, reduced by 226,807 to 13,084,291 due to the forfeiture of Performance Rights by a staff member who left the Company.

On 27 January 2017, 952,137 ordinary shares were issued from the conversion of 952,992 Incentive Rights relating to a 2014 Incentive Rights grant held by Mr Paul Bridgwood, a former KMP (key management personnel) and employee of LNGL. Upon vesting, the number of Performance Rights outstanding reduced from 13,084,291 to 12,131,299.

### AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The Auditor's Independence Declaration on page 6 forms part of the Directors' Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2016.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

P. Cavicchi

Chairman

24 February 2017

G. M. Vesey

**Chief Executive Officer** 

24 February 2017



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### Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited

As lead auditor for the review of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2016, I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- b. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited and the entities it controlled during the financial period.

Ernst & Young

D A Hall Partner

24 February 2017

### LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS LIMITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	CONSOLID	ATED
		2016	2015
	_	\$′000	\$′000
Revenue	2	190	359
Other income	2	1,592	7,946
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Administration expenses Finance costs		(6,357)	(7,544) (1)
Project development expenses	5	(6,995)	(68,385)
Share based payment expenses	· ·	(1,901)	(12,583)
Other expenses		(6)	-
Loss before income tax	_	(13,477)	(80,208)
Income tax (expense)/benefit		(128)	33
Loss after income tax	_	(13,605)	(80,175)
Net loss for the period		(13,605)	(80,175)
Other comprehensive income:  Items that may be reclassified to profit and loss  Foreign currency translation  Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax  Total comprehensive income for the period	- - -	205 205 (13,400)	(40) (40) (80,215)
Loss for the period is attributable to:			
Non-controlling interest		(1)	-
Equity holders of the Parent	_	(13,604)	(80,175)
	_	(13,605)	(80,175)
Total comprehensive income for the period is attributable to: Non-controlling interest		(1)	_
Equity holders of the Parent		(13,399)	(80,215)
		(13,400)	(80,215)
Loss per share attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company:		Cents	Cents
Daria loss per chara		(2.77)	(15.00)
- Basic loss per share		(2.66)	(15.93)
- Diluted loss per share		(2.66)	(15.93)

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

### LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	CONSOL	IDATED
		31 DEC 2016 \$'000	30 JUN 2016 \$'000
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	34,681	67,187
Trade and other receivables	_	690	746
Other financial assets	3	25,208	4,270
Prepayments		279	347
Total current assets		60,858	72,550
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		12,327	12,006
Total non-current assets		12,327	12,006
Total assets		73,185	84,556
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables		2,805	2,586
Interest-bearing liabilities		4	3
Income tax payable		9	9
Provisions		197	930
Total current liabilities		3,015	3,528
Non-current liabilities			
Interest-bearing liabilities		3	6
Provisions		59	71
Total non-current liabilities		62	77
Total liabilities		3,077	3,605
Net assets		70,108	80,951
Equity			
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Parent:			
Contributed equity	7	392,876	392,220
Reserves		43,659	41,553
Accumulated losses		(366,306)	(352,702)
Parent interests		70,229	81,071
Non-controlling interest		(121)	(120)
Total equity		70,108	80,951

### LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Ordinary shares	Share options reserve	Rights reserve	Redeemable preference share reserve	Equity reserve	Foreign currency translation reserve	Accumulated losses	Owners of the Parent	Non- controlling interest	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 July 2016	392,220	6,078	29,576	4,032	578	1,289	(352,702)	81,071	(120)	80,951
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	- 205	(13,604)	(13,604) 205	(1)	(13,605) 205
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year		_	_		_	205	(13,604)	(13,399)	(1)	(13,400)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners										
Exercise of options Cost of rights converted into	674	-	-	-	-	-	_	674	_	674
ordinary shares	(18)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(18)	_	(18)
Share based payments	- 202.07/	- ( 070	1,901	- 4.022		- 1 101	- (2// 20/)	1,901	(101)	1,901
At 31 December 2016	392,876	6,078	31,477	4,032	578	1,494	(366,306)	70,229	(121)	70,108
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At 1 July 2015	392,021	6,078	15,243	4,032	578	1,367	(237,593)	181,726	(117)	181,609
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(80,175)	(80,175)	-	(80,175)
Other comprehensive income		_			_	(40)		(40)		(40)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the half-year	_	-	-	-	_	(40)	(80,175)	(80,215)	-	(80,215)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners										
Exercise of options	16	-	_	-	_	-	-	16	_	16
Share based payments		_	12,583	_	_	_	_	12,583	_	12,583
At 31 December 2015	392,037	6,078	27,826	4,032	578	1,327	(317,768)	114,110	(117)	113,993

### LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS LIMITED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

		CONSOLIDATED		
	Note	2016	2015	
	_	\$'000	\$'000	
Cash flows from operating activities				
Interest received		147	395	
Research and development tax concession rebate		499	462	
Payments to suppliers and employees	_	(14,200)	(76,295)	
Net cash flows used in operating activities		(13,554)	(75,438)	
Cash flows from investing activities				
(Investment in)/proceeds from deposits classified as other				
financial assets		(20,237)	130,539	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(409)	(40)	
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities		(20,646)	130,499	
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from the exercise of options		674	16	
Cost of rights converted into ordinary shares		(18)	_	
Repayment of finance lease principal		(2)	(2)	
Interest paid		(1)	(1)	
Net cash flows from financing activities		653	13	
Not (degrees) (increase in each and each equivalents		(22 547)	EE 074	
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents Net foreign exchange differences		(33,547) 1,041	55,074 7,435	
		67,187	7,435 46,971	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	3 -	34,681	109,480	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	٠ <u> </u>	34,001	109,400	

The above cash flow statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **General Information**

This general purpose condensed financial report for the half-year ended 31 December 2016 was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors on 24 February 2017.

Liquefied Natural Gas Limited (the Company or Group) is a company limited by shares, domiciled and incorporated in Australia. Its shares are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange.

The Company is a for-profit entity and is primarily involved in mid-scale liquefied natural gas projects.

### Basis of preparation

This general purpose condensed consolidated financial report for the half-year ended 31 December 2016 has been prepared in accordance with AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The half-year financial report does not include all notes of the type normally included within the annual financial report and therefore cannot be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (the Group) as the full annual financial report.

It is recommended that the half-year financial report be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2016, and considered together with any public announcements made by the Company during the half-year ended 31 December 2016 in accordance with the continuous disclosure obligations of the ASX Listing Rules.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and discharge of liabilities in the normal course of business.

The accounting policies and method of computation are the same as those adopted by the Group in the most recent annual financial report, except the new policies as disclosed below.

### New standards

The adoption of new standards and interpretations has not resulted in a material change to the financial performance or position of the Group; however, it has resulted in some changes to the Group's presentation of, or disclosure in, its half-year financial statements.

All new and amended Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), mandatory as of 1 July 2016 to the Group have been adopted, including:

- AASB 2014-4 Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation Amortisation (Amendments to AASB 116 and AASB 138); and
- AASB 2015-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Disclosure Initiative (Amendments to AASB 101).

The Group has not elected to early adopt any other new standards or amendments that are issued but not yet effective.

	CONSOLIDATED			
	31 DEC 2016 \$'000	31 DEC 2015 \$'000		
2. REVENUE, INCOME AND EXPENSES				
(a) Revenue				
Interest revenue	190	359		
	190	359		
(b) Other Income				
Research and development rebate	551	481		
Foreign exchange gains	1,041	7,465		
	1,592	7,946		

### 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	CONSOLIDATED		
Cash and cash equivalents	31 DEC 2016 \$'000	30 JUN 2016 \$'000	
Cash at bank and in hand	33,272	65,906	
Short-term deposits	1,409	1,281	
	34,681	67,187	
Other financial assets			
Security deposits	4,366	4,270	
Investments in term deposits	20,842		
	25,208	4,270	

#### 4. DIVIDEND PAID AND PROPOSED

There were no dividends paid or proposed during the half-year ended 31 December 2016.

### 5. OPERATING SEGMENTS

Identification of reportable segments

The Group has identified its operating segments based on information that is reviewed and used by the executive management team (the chief operating decision makers) in assessing performance and in determining the allocation of resources.

Reportable segments are based on operating segments used for management purposes, and, where appropriate, the Group has aggregated operating segments determined by the similarity of the types of business activities and/or the services provided and the regulatory environment, as these are the sources of the Group's major risks and have the most effect on rates of return.

Reportable operating segments

The Group has identified the following reportable operating segments:

### LNG Infrastructure

The LNG Infrastructure business involves the identification and progression of opportunities for the development of LNG projects to facilitate the production and sale of LNG. This includes:

- Project development activities from pre-feasibility, detailed feasibility, and advancement of each project to final
  investment decision at which time the Group expects to obtain reimbursement of all, or part of, the
  development costs incurred by the Group to that date and then fund the project via a suitable mix of project
  debt and equity;
- Construction activities; and
- Production and sale of LNG via offtake arrangements with external parties.

The LNG Infrastructure reportable operating segment is based on the aggregation of the following operating segments:

- Magnolia LNG project;
- Bear Head LNG project; and
- Fisherman's Landing LNG project.

In applying the aggregation criteria, management have made a number of judgements surrounding:

- The economic characteristics of the company's projects, including consideration of the macroeconomic environment impacting each individual project;
- Percentage of consolidated revenue that the operating segment will contribute; and
- The regulatory environment the Company's projects operate in.

### Technology and Licensing

The technology and licensing business is involved in the development of LNG technology, through research and development activities, and the advancement of each developed technology to the patent application stage or ability to commercialise the LNG technology. The business model aims to derive licensing fees or royalties from the utilisation of, or the sub-licensing of the LNG technology. The technology and licensing has been determined as both an operating segment and a reportable segment.

### Segment accounting policies

The accounting policies used by the Group in reporting segments internally are the same as those contained in the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2016 and in the prior period.

### Corporate charges

Corporate charges comprise non-segmental expenses such as certain head office expenses, including share based payments.

### Income tax expense

Income tax expense/deferred tax benefit is calculated based on the segment operating net profit/(loss) using a notional charge of 30% (2015: 30%). No effect is given for taxable or deductible temporary differences.

It is the Group's policy that if items of revenue and expense are not allocated to operating segments then any associated assets and liabilities are also not allocated to segments. This is to avoid asymmetrical allocations within segments, which management believe would be inconsistent.

The following items and associated assets and liabilities are not allocated to operating segments, as they are not considered part of the core operations of any segment:

- Interest revenue;
- Realised foreign exchange gains and losses;
- Corporate expenses; and
- Finance costs.

The following tables present the revenue and profit or loss information for the Group's operating segments for the half-years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015:

Half Year ended 31 December 2016	LNG Infrastructure \$'000	Technology and Licensing \$'000	Unallocated \$'000	Total \$′000
Revenue				
Research and development concession	-	-	551	551
Net foreign exchange gain	-	-	1,041	1,041
Interest revenue	-	-	190	190
Inter-segment sales		-	-	-
Subtotal		-	1,782	1,782
Inter-segment eliminations		-	-	-
Total segment revenue and other income	_	-	1,782	1,782
Expenditure				_
Project development costs				
Employee compensation and benefits	4,046	467	-	4,513
Defined contribution plans	41	24	-	65
Consulting fees (FEED, legal, etc)	1,070	-	-	1,070
Other expenses	1,230	117	-	1,347
Total project development costs	6,387	608	-	6,995

### 5. OPERATING SEGMENTS (Continued)

3. Of ERATING SEGMENTS (continued)	LNG Infrastructure \$'000	Technology and Licensing \$'000	Unallocated \$'000	Total \$′000
Half Year ended 31 December 2016				
Other expenditure				
Corporate charges	-	139	5,936	6,075
Share-based payments	-	649	1,252	1,901
Depreciation of non-current assets	-	-	114	114
Operating lease payments  Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	-	-	168 6	168
Income tax expense at 30% (2015: 30%)	-	-	128	128
•	(4 207)	(1.204)		
Segment and Group net loss	(6,387)	(1,396)	(5,822)	(13,605)
Half Year ended 31 December 2015				
Revenue	<u> </u>			
Research and development concession	-	-	481	481
Net foreign exchange gain	-	-	7,465	7,465
Interest revenue	-	-	359	359
Inter-segment sales		-	-	-
Subtotal		-	8,305	8,305
Inter-segment eliminations		-	-	-
Total segment revenue and other income		-	8,305	8,305
Expenditure	'			
Project development costs				
Employee compensation and benefits	5,672	-	-	5,672
Defined contribution plans	113	-	-	113
Consulting fees (FEED, legal, etc)	60,448	229	-	60,677
Other expenses	1,796	127	-	1,923
Total project development costs	68,029	356	-	68,385
Other expenditure				
Corporate charges	-	-	6,871	6,871
Share-based payments	-	-	12,583	12,583
Depreciation of non-current assets	-	-	117	117
Operating lease payments	-	-	557	557
Income tax benefit at 30% (2014: 30%)		-	(33)	(33)
Segment and Group net loss	(68,029)	(356)	(11,790)	(80,175)

The following tables present the assets and liabilities information for the Group's operating segments as at 31 December 2016 and 30 June 2016:

Assets				
31 December 2016	11,654	1	61,530	73,185
30 June 2016	12,552	2	72,002	84,556

Unallocated assets primarily consisted of cash and equivalents of \$34,681,000 (30 June: \$67,187,000) and other financial assets of \$25,208,000 (30 June: \$4,270,000).

Unallocated liabilities as at 31 December 2016 were \$1,604,000 (30 June 2016: \$1,050,000).

### 6. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### (a) Capital commitments

At 31 December 2016, there were no commitments in relation to the purchase of plant and equipment (30 June 2016: \$nil).

### (b) Operating lease commitments - Group as lessee

The Company leases its corporate and project offices under an operating lease. There are no restrictions placed upon the lessee upon entering into these leases. Certain leases contain renewal provisions that are at the option of the Company. Certain leases contain a clause to enable upward revision of the rental charge on an annual basis based on the consumer price index.

	CONSOLIDATED	
Future minimum rentals payable under non-cancellable operating leases is as	31 DEC 2016	30 JUN 2016
follows:	\$'000	\$′000
- Within one year	404	505
- After one year but not more than five years	274	437
Aggregate non-cancellable operating lease expenditure contracted for at		
reporting date	678	942

### (c) Finance lease - Group as lessee

As at 31 December 2016, the future minimum lease commitment in relation to a photocopier purchased in November 2013 was \$8,000 (30 June 2016: \$10,000).

### (d) Guarantees

The Company's subsidiary, Magnolia LNG LLC ("MLNG"), has provided a bank guarantee (issued by ANZ Bank) for the amount of US\$2,000,000, in favour of KMLP which is a condition of the Precedent Agreement between MLNG and KMLP, providing firm gas transportation rights for the Magnolia LNG Project.

The Company's subsidiary, Gladstone LNG Pty Ltd, has provided a bank guarantee (issued by ANZ Bank) for the amount of A\$789,263, in favour of Queensland's Department of Environment and Resource Management ("DERM"), which is a condition of DERM's environmental authority approval for the FLLNG Project. The bank guarantee is valid until all environmental authorities are received.

Gladstone LNG Pty Ltd has provided a bank guarantee (issued by ANZ Bank) for the amount of A\$151,106, in favour of DERM, which is a condition of DERM's environmental authority approval for the FLLNG Project's proposed gas pipeline. The bank guarantee is valid until it is no longer required by the State of Queensland.

The Company has provided a bank guarantee (issued by ANZ Bank) for the amount of A\$100,000 in favour of Colin Street Investments Pty Ltd, pertaining to leasehold improvements for the head office premises.

The Company's subsidiary, LNG International Pty Ltd has provided a C\$500,000 letter of credit (issued by the Bank of Montreal), in favour of the UARB.

Term deposits of \$4,366,000 (30 June 2016: \$4,270,000) are held by the Company and pledged as security for the above guarantees.

### (e) Insurance claims

There are no active or pending material insurance claims at the date of this report.

### (f) Legal claims

There are no legal claims outstanding against the Group at the date of this report, which in management's opinion require accrual of legal obligations as at the balance sheet date and through the date of this report.

### 7. CONTRIBUTED EQUITY

		CONSOLIDATED	
(a) Movement in ordinary shares on issue:		Number	\$'000
At 1 July 2015		503,093,201	392,021
Exercise of options	(i)	60,000	16
Vesting NED Rights	(ii)	74,405	-
At 31 December 2015		503,227,606	392,037
Exercise of options	(iii)	750,000	183
At 30 June 2016		503,977,606	392,220
Exercise of options	(iv)	1,759,000	674
Vesting of Performance Rights into ordinary shares	(v)	6,224,720	-
Vesting of NED Rights into ordinary shares	(vi)	66,499	-
Less: Costs	(vii)		(18)
At 31 December 2016		512,027,825	392,876

- (i) During the half-year ended 31 December 2015, 60,000 ordinary shares were issued on the exercise of options. The weighted average exercise price of the options exercised was \$0.26.
- (ii) On 25 November 2015, the Company issued 74,405 ordinary shares upon the vesting of 77,101 rights under the NED Rights Plan.
- (iii) During the six months ended 30 June 2016, 750,000 ordinary shares were issued on the exercise of options. The weighted average exercise price of the options exercised was \$0.244.
- (iv) During the half-year ended 31 December 2016, 1,759,000 ordinary shares were issued on the exercise of options. The weighted average exercise price of the options exercised was \$0.383.
- (v) On 4 July 2016, the Company issued 6,224,720 ordinary shares upon the vesting of 6,245,402 rights under the Performance Rights Plan.
- (vi) On 2 December 2016, the Company issued 66,499 ordinary shares upon the vesting of 73,111 rights under the NED Rights Plan.
- (vii) In accordance with the terms of the Rights Plans, \$1,000 was paid in cash to each participant on the vesting of rights into ordinary shares.

At 31 December 2016, 512,027,825 of the Company's ordinary shares were listed for Official Quotation on the ASX.

### (b) Terms and conditions of ordinary shares

### Voting rights

Each ordinary share entitles its holder to one vote, either in person or by proxy, attorney or representative at a meeting of the Company. In case of an equality of votes, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

### Dividends

Ordinary shares have the right to receive dividends as declared and in the event of winding up the Company, to participate in the proceeds from the sale of all surplus assets in proportion to the number of and amounts paid up on shares held.

### 7. CONTRIBUTED EQUITY (Continued)

### (c) Rights

The Company has an Incentive Rights Plan under which performance rights to subscribe for the Company's ordinary shares have been granted to the Managing Director and employees. 3,169,580 Performance Rights and 1,890,920 Retention Rights were issued during the period. 3,705,323 performance rights lapsed during the period due to milestone conditions not being met. 867,537 performance rights were forfeited during the period due to rights holders no longer being employed by the Company.

The Performance Rights partially or fully vest if the Group's total shareholder return (TSR) is greater than 100% of the TSR of the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index at the end of the measurement period. The Performance Rights have a zero exercise price. The Retention Rights will vest in full if the participant remains employed on the last day of the measurement period. The fair value of the rights granted with market conditions is estimated at the date of grant using a Monte Carlo Simulation model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the rights were granted. For rights with non-market conditions, the share price on grant date was adopted as the fair value. The contractual life of each right granted is 3 years from the date of grant.

The Company has a NED Rights Plan under which rights to subscribe for the Company's ordinary shares have been granted to non-executive directors. 732,304 NED Rights were issued during the period. The NED Rights vest after a 12 month service period has passed. No NED Rights were cancelled during the period.

For the six months ended 31 December 2016, the Group has recognised \$1,901,000 (2015: \$12,583,000) of share-based payments expense for the rights in the statement of profit or loss.

#### 8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

### (a) Overview of financial instruments

Set out below is an overview of the financial instruments, other than cash, held by the Group as at 31 December 2016:

	31 DEC 2016 \$'000	30 JUN 2016
Financial assets:	\$ 000	\$'000
Loans and receivables		
Receivables	690	746
Other financial assets	25,208	4,270
Total Current	25,898	5,016
Total Non-Current	-	-
Total Financial Assets	25,898	5,016
Financial liabilities:		
At amortised cost		
Trade and other payables	2,805	2,586
Interest-bearing liabilities	4	3
Total Current	2,809	2,589
Interest-bearing liabilities	3	6
Total Non-Current	3	6
Total Financial Liabilities	2,812	2,595

### 8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

### (b) Fair Values

Set out below is a comparison of the carrying amounts and fair values of financial instruments as at 31 December 2016:

	Carrying	Fair
	Amount	Value
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets:		
Trade and other receivables (i)	690	690
Other financial assets (i)	25,208	25,208
Total Current	25,898	25,898
Total Non-Current	-	-
Total	25,898	25,898

(i) Due to the short term nature of the above financial instruments, their carrying amounts approximate their fair value.

	Carrying	Fair
	Amount	Value
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial liabilities:		
Trade and other payables	2,805	2,805
Interest-bearing liabilities	4	4
Total Current	2,809	2,809
Interest-bearing liabilities	3	3
Total Non-Current	3	3
Total	2,812	2,812

### (c) Risk Management Activities

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise finance leases, receivables, available for sale financial assets, cash and cash equivalents, and term deposits. Other financial assets and liabilities include receivables and payables, which arise directly from operations.

Interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, price risk, credit risk, and liquidity risk arise as part of the normal course of the Group's operation. The Board reviews and agrees on policies for managing each of these risks. The Group's management of financial risk is aimed to ensure net cash flows are sufficient to meet financial commitments as and when they fall due, and to fund the progression of the Group's core activity being the identification and progression of opportunities for the development of LNG projects to facilitate the production and sale of LNG. To achieve its objective, the Group may also consider raising additional equity.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, price risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group uses different methods to measure and manage different types of risks which it is exposed to, including monitoring the Group's level of exposure to interest rate, foreign exchange rate and price risks, and assessment of market forecasts for interest rates and foreign exchange rates. Ageing analysis and monitoring of specific credit allowances are undertaken to manage credit risk. Liquidity risk is managed through cash flow monitoring and forecasting.

### 8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

### Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the fair value or future cashflows of an exposure will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Group has transactional currency exposures, mainly due to costs incurred in currencies other than its functional currency, such as United States dollars, Canadian dollars and Indonesian rupiah. The Company's current policy is not to implement hedging instruments but to maintain cash in foreign currencies to protect against the risk of adverse exchange rate movements. When exchange rates are favourable against budget assumptions the Company will generally accept the prevailing exchange rate on the date of payment, otherwise the Company will effect payment from its foreign currency holdings.

As and when the Group's foreign currency expenditure commitments increase, and the timing of such payments have an acceptable degree of certainty, the Group will consider the implementation of foreign currency hedging instruments to mitigate potentially unfavourable foreign exchange rate movements.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk the fair value or future cashflows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Group's cash and term deposits held with two Australian financial institutions. The interest rate risk is managed by the Group through analysis of the market interest rates and its exposure to changes in variable interest rates. Within this analysis, consideration is given to potential renewals of existing positions, alternative financing, and the mix of fixed and variable interest rates. To minimise interest rate risk, the Group analyses its cash flow position and may invest excess cash in fixed rate term deposits for a short- to medium-term period.

### Credit risk

Financial assets that potentially subject the Group to credit risk consist primarily of cash, trade and other receivables and term deposits. The Group places its cash with high quality Australian financial institutions with Standard and Poor's credit rating of A-1+ (short term) and AA- (long term). The Group's exposure to credit risk arises from potential default of the counter party, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amount of these financial assets.

It is the Group's policy that customers who wish to trade on unsecured credit terms will be subject to credit verification procedures. Receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis to reduce the Group's exposure to bad debts.

At balance date, the Group's credit risk relates mainly to trade and other receivables of \$690,000 (30 June 2016: \$746,000).

The Group does not have any outstanding receivables that are past due payment dates. The carrying amounts of the financial assets represent the maximum credit exposure.

### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the financial liabilities of the Group and the Group's subsequent ability to meet their obligations to repay their financial liabilities as and when they fall due.

It is the Group's policy to ensure it has adequate cash reserves to meet known committed corporate and project development expenditure over the ensuing 3-6 months and additional equity may be raised, as necessary, to maintain the cash reserve coverage. It is Group policy to generally fund all project development expenditure, through to final investment decision of a project, from its cash reserves.

At 31 December 2016, except for payables, the Group had no debt (30 June 2016: nil) and its activities are primarily funded from cash reserves from share issues, interest revenue, and research and development concession rebates. The majority of cash reserves are held in deposits with the ANZ Banking Group, with funds transferred as necessary to the Group's working accounts to meet short-term expenditure commitments.

### 9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### (a) Fees paid to related entities

Directors' fees for Mr R.J Beresford are paid to Clearer Sky Pty Ltd, a company in which Mr. R.J. Beresford is a director. For the current half year, the amount paid was \$103,256 (excluding GST) [2015: \$135,000]. At reporting date, no amount is outstanding [2015: \$nil].

Directors' fees for Ms. L. K. Bond are paid to Breakthrough Energy Pty Ltd, a company in which Ms. L.K. Bond is a director. For the current half year, the amount paid was \$71,401 (excluding GST) [2015: \$78,750]. At reporting date, no amount is outstanding [2015: \$nil].

There were no loans made to related parties during the year.

### 10. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER BALANCE DATE

The following significant events have occurred subsequent to the half-year ended 31 December 2016:

### (a) Magnolia LNG

- On 23 January 2017, Magnolia LNG announced a non-binding heads of agreement (HOA) with Vessel Gasification Solutions, Inc. (VGS) for sales to KGLNGT terminal in India. The non-binding HOA provides for a 20-year Free-on-Board (FOB) Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) of up to 4 million metric tonnes per annum (mtpa). The obligations of the parties are conditional upon Magnolia LNG's satisfaction with or waiver of conditions precedent including financial close of the KGLNGT terminal and satisfaction by VGS of defined credit requirements underpinning their LNG purchases within agreed timeframes.
- On 30 January 2017, Magnolia LNG announced a further extension of the validity period of the current binding engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) contract with KSJV (a KBR SKE&C joint venture led by KBR) through 30 June 2017.

### (b) Bear Head LNG

None

### (c) Corporate

Share Issue

The number of performance rights reported to the ASX on 13 December 2016 in the Appendix 3B totalling 13,311,098, reduced by 226,807 to 13,084,291 due to the forfeiture of Performance Rights by a staff member who left the Company.

On 27 January 2017, 952,137 ordinary shares were issued from the conversion of 952,992 Incentive Rights relating to a 2014 Incentive Rights grant held by Mr Paul Bridgwood, a former KMP (key management personnel) and employee of LNGL. Upon vesting, the number of Performance Rights outstanding reduced from 13,084,291 to 12,131,299.

### Directors' Declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited, I state that:

In the opinion of the directors:

- a) the financial statements, and notes of the Group are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

On behalf of the Board

P. Cavicchi

Chairman

Perth, Western Australia

24 February 2017



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### Report on the half-year financial report to the members of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited, which comprises the condensed statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016, the condensed statement of comprehensive income, condensed statement of changes in equity and condensed statement of cash flows for the half year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the half year end or from time to time during the half year.

### Directors' responsibility for the half-year financial report

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

### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including: giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and its performance for the half year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001. As the auditor of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited and the entities it controlled during the half year, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

### Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We have given to the directors of the company a written Auditor's Independence Declaration, a copy of which is included in the Directors' Report.



### Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half year financial report of Liquefied Natural Gas Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a. giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- b. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

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24 February 2017