# ASX Announcement 28 August 2019



#### **FY19 Full Year Results**

Cogstate (ASX.CGS) has today released its Appendix 4E – Preliminary Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2019.

### **Summary of Results**

All figures are stated in US\$

#### **Financial Results:**

- Revenue: \$21.8m (FY18 \$28.9m). Revenue has been impacted by the recent failures of Alzheimer's disease clinical trials.
- Net loss before tax: \$3.8m: \$2.6m before non-recurring restructure costs (FY18 profit of \$0.1m). Current financial year includes \$1.2m restructure costs incurred as part of a cost-cutting program
- Sales contracts executed during the period: \$18.0m (FY18 \$36.1m)
- Contracted future revenue to be recognised in future periods: \$20.3m (June 2018 \$28.4m)

#### **Commentary:**

- As previously advised to shareholders, the recent failure of Alzheimer's disease clinical trials has negatively
  impacted the clinical trials services industry including, but not limited to, Cogstate. These failures have
  negatively impacted Cogstate revenue in the reporting period as well as new sales contracts executed
  during the period, which in turn has impacted the contracted future revenue of the Company.
- A significant cost-cutting exercise was undertaken at the beginning of the financial year. Non-recurring
  restructure costs (\$1.2m), predominantly associated with staff reduction, were expensed during the period.
  Total costs removed from the business as part of the restructure exceed \$5m on an annualised basis (with
  the full benefit being realised from H2 FY2019 onwards).
- As part of this restructure, a strategic decision was made to seek distribution or licensing arrangements to
  commercialise Cognigram, rather than the direct sales model employed previously. The business has
  continued to work to find partners to take the product to market as a screening tool within the community,
  and the first of those arrangements, with pharmaceutical company, Eisai Co. Ltd., in Japan, has been
  announced today.
- Cogstate continues to explore opportunities from indications other than Alzheimer's disease and is firmly
  focused on converting those opportunities in the short term. Management has been pleased with the level
  of interest in paediatric and rare diseases; an area that Cogstate has expanded into within the last year.
  Management also sees growth in oncology, depression and schizophrenia markets in the short term with
  optimism based on recent cognition data analysis from clinical trials, where Cogstate was an endpoint in the
  relevant trials.
- Across the pharmaceutical industry, the amount of investment in new Alzheimer's disease clinical trials is
  presently less than previous years. However, an effective Alzheimer's disease therapy continues to
  represent an enormous unmet societal health need. Cogstate management believes that the level of
  investment in new Alzheimer's disease clinical trials will return to prior levels in the medium term.
- Over the last two years, Cogstate has been developing a more flexible technology platform that will provide
  better usability for our customers, allow the Company to support different types of assessments in a range
  of indications and offer efficiency savings in the management of clinical trials. This technology platform has
  now been released into commercial production and has begun contributing to revenue generation in
  FY2020.

# **Summary Financial Results**

Please see the Summary Financial Results presented below. Please note that the summary presented is a proforma P&L, which details separately the non-recurring costs, thereby providing a better guide of the cost base going forward.

## Proforma P&L excluding non-recurring costs

	Half Year 31 December 2018 USS	Half Year 30 June 2019 US\$	Full Year 2019 US\$
Revenue from operations	11,107,900	10,726,474	21,834,374
Clinical Trials			
Revenue	10,976,669	10,376,672	21,353,341
Cost of sales (excluding direct depreciation)	(4,059,552)	(4,312,136)	(8,371,688)
Gross margin	6,917,117	6,064,536	12,981,653
SG&A	(1,598,452)	(1,498,776)	(3,097,228)
Pass through costs, net of recovery	-		
Clinical Trials EBITDA	5,318,665	4,565,760	9,884,425
	48%	44%	46%
R&D (incl. academic research studies, normative			
data studies & technology validation)			
Revenue	67,712	116,937	184,649
Cost of sales & SG&A	(159)	(10,577)	(10,735)
Other operating expenditure - salaries and wages	(356,148)	(455,976)	(812,124)
R&D EBITDA	(288,595)	(349,616)	(638,210)
Total other expenditure (net)	(6,316,686)	(4,930,087)	(11,246,774)
	(4.205.545)	(742.042)	(2.000.550)
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations,	(1,286,616)	(713,943)	(2,000,559)
excluding share based compensation			
Share based payments (expense of employee options)	133,021	(183,996)	(50,975)
Depreciation (direct and indirect) and amortisation	(230,892)	(264,547)	(495,439)
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing	(1,384,487)	(1,162,486)	(2,546,973)
operations			
Investment in Cognigram (start-up)			
Cognigram EBITDA	(225,003)	123,815	(101,188)
Interest income	10,750	8,824	19,574
Interest expense	(11,099)	(18,791)	(29,890)
Net profit/(loss) before tax and before non-	(1,600,930)	(1.049.639)	/2 CF9 477
recurring costs	(1,609,839)	(1,048,638)	(2,658,477)
Non-recurring costs			
- Clinical Trials cost of sales	(194,511)	-	(194,511)
- Cognigram	(708,704)	-	(708,704)
- Administration	(289,027)	-	(289,027)
Net profit/(loss) before tax	(2,802,081)	(1,048,638)	(3,850,719)

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#### **About Cogstate**

Cogstate Ltd (ASX:CGS) is a leading science and technology solutions provider dedicated to optimizing the measurement of cognition in clinical trials, academic research and healthcare. Cogstate provides enabling technologies and professional services for higher quality neuropsychological assessments and is a pioneer in commercializing rapid, reliable and highly sensitive computerized cognitive tests. Cogstate customers include the world's leading biopharmaceutical companies; elite sporting organizations and military; physicians and patients; renowned academic institutions and public-private partnerships. For more information, please visit www.cogstate.com.