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LIBERTY GROUP HALF-YEAR RESULTS TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

Financial Highlights

	1H23	1H22	Movement
Statutory NPAT ¹	\$104.0m	\$116.4m	-11%
Underlying NPATA ²	\$104.8m	\$122.3m	-14%
Financial Assets	\$13.2b	\$12.5b	+6%
Underlying Return on Equity ³	17.1%	21.6%	-21%
Leverage Ratio (end of period)	12.5x	12.7x	+2%

¹ Net profit after tax

² Net profit after tax and amortisation where 'Underlying' means after non-recurring items

³ Uses Underlying Net profit after tax and average period end balances

Leading non-bank lender, Liberty Financial Group Limited (ASX:LFG) has reported financial performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 that exceeds market expectations.

James Boyle, Chief Executive Officer, said the result was achieved in a period that continued to be unsettling for customers. "Importantly we were able to continue helping more people with their finances during uncertain economic times," he said.

LFG reports a 6% increase in financial assets to \$13.2 billion and a decrease in statutory NPAT to \$104.0 million as a result of not passing on all cost of funding increases to customers. After removing non-recurring items, LFG reports underlying NPATA of \$104.8 million for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

Peter Riedel, Chief Financial Officer, said "LFG's capital and liquidity position remains in a strong position to support our growth ambition. LFG raised and renewed \$5 billion in funding since 30 June 2022 and Standard and Poor's affirmed Liberty's investment grade corporate rating as BBB- (positive outlook)."

LFG reported a Net Interest Margin of 2.87% for the half-year which was higher than market expectation. "The net interest margin result is a further demonstration of LFG's focus on building durable business value," said Mr Riedel.

"To date our customers have demonstrated tremendous resilience in successfully responding to rate increases", said Mr Boyle. "As interest rates rise, we will continue to actively work with our customers to manage the impact of higher repayment obligations", he said.

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About the Liberty Group

Liberty Group is a leading diversified finance company in Australia and New Zealand. Its businesses include residential and commercial mortgages, motor vehicle finance, personal loans, business loans, broking services, general insurance and investments. Liberty has raised more than \$40 billion in global capital markets. Since 1997, Liberty has helped more than 700,000 customers get financial.