

# **UGC GLOBAL ALPHA FUND** ABN 41 762 685 247

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

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The Directors of the Trustee, VT No. 2 Pty Ltd, present their report on the UGC Global Alpha Fund ('the Fund') for the period ended 30 June 2022. In order to comply with the provisions of the *Corporations Act 2001* the Directors report as follows:

### 1. Directors of VT No. 2 Pty Ltd

The names of Directors of the Trustee are:

Craig Mathew Dunstan

# 2. Principal Activities

The Fund is a return-focused hedge fund targeting high returns through the investment cycle, while attempting to protect the portfolio against the risk of substantial loss. The Investment Manager invested in a portfolio of shares, Exchange Traded Funds (ETF) and Contract for Differences (CFD) through the brokerage platform Saxo Capital Markets. An Exchange-Traded Fund (ETF) is a type of investment and exchange-traded product. A Contract for Differences is an arrangement made in financial derivatives trading where the differences in the settlement between the open and closing trade prices are cash-settled. The Fund is targeting an after-fee, pre-tax return of the greater of 5% per annum above the MSCI World Index (AUD) or 20% per annum on an absolute basis over a rolling 5 years period.

The Fund was established on 15 September 2020 and issued the first units on the commencement date of 23 December 2021.

### 3. Operating Results

The operating loss of the Fund for the financial period ending 30 June 2022 was \$554,813.

# 4. Review of Operations

The first information memorandum was issued on 18 October 2021. The Fund started operation on 23 December 2021. Since its inception, the Fund issued 13,840,393 units and invested in a portfolio of shares, ETF, CFDs, and currency.

The Fund will start with two strategies, but may add more over time. The first strategy, is a total return-focused, concentrated, capital growth biased investment approach, focused on medium to long-term investments in largely growth focused listed equities across the world's major investment markets. The second strategy is a short to medium-term tactical swing trading strategy, which will target smaller but quicker returns in an active, concentrated, high turnover portfolio allocation.

The Investment Manager will deploy leverage across both portfolios by utilising a range of instruments including margin loans, derivatives, and leveraged exchange-traded funds to enhance the returns of the portfolio, but will also utilise such instruments in strategies such as short selling and hedging with a view to protecting the portfolio against meaningful downside movements.

# Strategy No.1 – Investment Strategy

a. Cash 5% (Saxo and Operation account)

The Investment Manager will aim to hold approximately 5% of the Fund's total equity in an Australian dollar cash account for liquidity purposes. The Investment Manager will have the ability to hold more or less than this amount on a tactical temporary basis (typically 3 to 6 months) depending on the Investment Manager's assessment of prevailing market conditions.

#### 4. Review of Operations

#### b. Tactical Asset Allocation 20%

The Investment Manager has the discretion to use the following instruments to position the portfolio accordingly:

- · Individual stocks/equities
- · Individual stock options contracts
- ETFs, including but not limited to leveraged and inverse ETFs
- CFDs including but not limited to index, stock, and ETF CFDs

#### c. Stock Allocation 75%

This section of the portfolio allocates to different individual stocks with typical initial allocations starting off at approximately 2.5% of the Fund assets.

# Strategy No. 2 - Trading Strategy

Strategy No.2 to trading focuses on exploiting short-term, but more frequent, price movements in stocks. The Investment Manager will also aim to utilise tactical short selling and hedging strategies, as and when it believes it is appropriate to best protect the portfolio against adverse market movements or to take advantage of profit opportunities.

The Investment Manager expects profitable trades to be approximately 40% to 60% of all trades taken. This compares to Strategy No. 1 where the Investment Manager expects a higher success rate over time closer to approximately 70% to 80%.

Trades	Amount	%
Profitable Trades	71	29.71%
Total Trades	239	

# **Borrowing**

The Investment Manager intends on limiting the maximum net exposure to no more than 250% of the Fund's total equity, however, there is no guarantee that this limit will be maintained or adjusted by the Investment Manager from time to time.

The Investment Manager expects to limit these net short positions to no more than 100% of the Fund's equity.

Exposure	Amount	%
Net Exposure	\$26,845,677	219.66%
Short Position	\$2,998,893	24.54%
Equity	\$12,221,629	

### 5. Review of Performance

The UGC Global Alpha Fund's objective is to generate an after-fee, pre-tax return of greater of 5% per annum above the MSCI World Index (AUD) or 20% per annum on an absolute basis over a rolling 5 years period.

The Fund's performance from 23 December 2021 to 30 June 2022 was -18.31%.

Unit Class	2022	5%+MSCI	2022
	% p.a.	World Index (AUD)	% p.a.
Ordinary Units	-18.31*	Index	-12.04

<sup>\*</sup>Annualised.

#### 6. Unit Prices

The redemption price of the UGC Global Alpha Fund as at 30 June 2022 was \$0.8806 after the 0.275% sell spread to the redemption price.

Date	Application Price	Redemption Price
30/06/2022	\$0.8854	\$0.8806

The availability and timing of redemptions are subject to the terms of the Fund's Constitution.

#### 7. Distributions Paid or Recommended

Distributions are expected to be paid to Investors' nominated bank accounts within 60 business days following the end of each financial year. Distributions to investors will take into account the number of Units held by the Investors on the day each distribution is calculated. Distributions will be made from the income earned by the Fund over the course of the preceding period.

There was no distribution declared for financial period ending 30 June 2022.

#### 8. Applications Held

As at 30 June 2022, the value of pending unit allocations was \$510,000.

#### 9. Redemption Arrangements

As specified in the Information Memorandum, Investors will be able to withdraw from the fund subject to available liquidity and submitting a valid withdrawal request. Subject to available liquidity, withdrawal requests will ordinarily be satisfied within 20 business days of the end of each quarter.

Where there is insufficient liquidity to satisfy all withdrawal requests, investors redemptions will be satisfied on a pro-rata basis each calendar quarter until all withdrawal requests are satisfied.

As detailed in the Fund's Constitution the Trustee is not under any obligation to buy back, purchase or redeem units from unitholders. No units were redeemed by the Trustee during the reporting period.

### 10. Options

No options over issued units or interests in the Fund were granted during or since the end of the financial period and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report. The Directors and executives of the Trustee hold no options over interests in the Fund.

#### 11. Proceedings on Behalf of the Fund

No person has applied for leave of court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Fund or intervene in any proceedings to which the Fund is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Fund for all or any part of their proceedings. The Fund was not a party to any such proceedings during the period.

#### 12. Value of Fund Assets

The Gross Asset Value (GAV) of the Fund's assets at the end of the reporting period was \$12,248,445. The Net Asset Value (NAV) at the end of the reporting period was \$12,221,629.

# 13. Significant Changes in State of Affairs

Apart from those matters referred to in the previous sections of this Report, there have been no other significant changes to the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial period.

### 14. After Reporting Date Events

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Fund, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Fund in future financial years other than as disclosed in this report.

# 15. Future Developments

There are no future developments to report on which are not otherwise disclosed in this report.

# 16. Indemnifying Officers or Auditor

During or since the end of the financial period, the Trustee has paid insurance premiums to insure each of the aforementioned Directors as well as officers of the Trustee against liabilities for costs and expenses incurred by them in defending any legal proceedings arising out of their conduct while acting in the capacity of the Trustee, other than conduct involving a willful breach of duty in relation to the Trustee.

The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

The Trustee has not otherwise, during or since the end of the financial period indemnified or agreed to indemnify an officer or auditor of the Trustee or of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor.

# 17. Fees, Commissions or Other Charges by the Trustee, Investment Manager or Related Parties

Fees of \$128,848 (plus GST) were paid by the Fund to the Investment Manager for the period.

Fees of \$25,000 (plus GST) were paid to the Trustee for the period. In addition, fees of \$10,984 (plus GST) were paid to the Administration Manager.

The Investment Manager is entitled to an annual performance fee of 20% (plus GST) of all returns of the Fund above 10% per annum for any Financial Year, subject to the Fund exceeding its high watermark. As at 30 June 2022, no performance fee was payable.

# 18. Units held by the Trustee, Investment Manager or Related Parties

As at 30 June 2022, 7,867,397 units were held by the Investment Manager and the related parties of the Investment Manager.

### 19. Interests in the Fund

The movement of units on issue in the Fund during the period is set out in Note 5 to the financial statements. The value of the Fund's assets and liabilities is disclosed on the balance sheet and derived using the basis set out in Note 1 to the financial statements.

# 20. Rounding of Amounts

The Fund is of a kind referred to in the Australian Securities and Investments Commission's Corporations (Rounding in Financial / Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191. Consequently, amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar in accordance with that legislative instrument.

#### 21. Environmental Issues

The operations of the Fund are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

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Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of the Trustee, VT No. 2 Pty Ltd by:

Craig Dunstan
Craig Dunstan

Director

Date: 20 September 2022

# UGC GLOBAL ALPHA FUND ABN 41 762 685 247 STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	2022
		\$
Revenue and other income		
Bank interest	7	333
Dividend income – Saxo	8	11,733
Total revenue and other income	_	12,066
Expenses		
Administration manager fees	3	10,984
Investment management fees	6	128,848
GST expense (non-claimable)		6,798
Trustee fees	3	16,146
Other expenses	10	15,185
Saxo trading costs	12	223,318
Investment loss	13	165,600
Total expenses		566,879
Operating (loss) before finance costs		
attributable to unitholders	5	(554,813)
Total comprehensive income / (loss)		(554,813)

# UGC GLOBAL ALPHA FUND ABN 41 762 685 247 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	2022
		\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	2	9,733,673
Investment asset (CFD, Stock, EFT)	4	2,467,239
Reduced Input Tax Credit receivable		12,929
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	_	12,213,841
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NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Capitalised expense and amortisation	9	34,604
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TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	=	34,604
TOTAL ACCETS	_	42 240 445
TOTAL ASSETS	=	12,248,445
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Investment management fees payable	6	20,393
Other expense payable	11	6,423
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TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	=	26,816
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	26,816
TOTAL LIABILITIES	=	20,010
NET ASSETS		12,221,629
	=	
REPRESENTED BY:		
Issued units	5 (a)	13,761,500
Undistributed profit/(loss) attributable to unitholders	5 (b)	(554,813)
Foreign exchange revaluation	14	(110,396)
Investment revaluation reserve	15	(874,662)
NET ACCETS ATTRIBUTADI E TO UNITUOL DEDO	_	12 224 620
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS	_	12,221,629

# UGC GLOBAL ALPHA FUND ABN 41 762 685 247 FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022 CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or the end of the financial year.

# UGC GLOBAL ALPHA FUND ABN 41 762 685 247 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	2022
		\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Bank interest	7	333
Realised investment income		(165,600)
Fees paid		(402,268)
Tax paid		(19,728)
Dividend income	8	11,733
Net cash (used in) operating activities		(575,530)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payment for investments		(3,452,297)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(3,452,297)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from units issued	5	13,761,500
Net cash provided by financing activities		13,761,500
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		9,733,673
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year		-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	2	9,733,673

#### **NOTE 1: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Reporting Entity

The financial report is for the entity UGC Global Alpha Fund ('the Fund') as an individual entity. The Fund is an unregistered managed investment scheme established and domiciled in Australia. The Trustee of the Fund is VT No. 2 Pty Ltd.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

# (a) Statement of compliance

The financial report is a general-purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting interpretations) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The financial report of the Fund complies with International Financial Reporting Standards and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The Fund is a for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing financial statements.

# (b) Basis of measurement

The financial report is prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following material items in the statement of financial position:

Investment assets are measured at fair value.

### (c) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Fund's functional currency.

# (d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the Directors of the Trustee to undertake a number of judgments, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

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

# Significant accounting policies

### (a) Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Fund's Statement of Financial Position when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

# (i) Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are held at fair value through profit or loss.

Under this approach, financial assets and financial liabilities are generally measured initially at fair value excluding any transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value with changes in their fair value recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

# **NOTE 1: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Fair value in an active market

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets are based on their quoted market prices at the reporting date without any deduction for estimated future selling costs. Financial assets are priced at current bid prices on the reporting date, while financial liabilities are priced at current offer prices.

Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined through the valuation policy identified in the Information Memorandum for the Fund.

#### (ii) Categorisation

The Fund's investments are categorised as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Fund are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument. The accounting policies adopted for specific financial liabilities and equity instruments are set out below:

Issued units

The Fund issues units which have a limited life under the Fund's Constitution and are classified as a liability in accordance with AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation.

Where the Fund buys back any of its units from unitholders, the consideration paid, including any directly attributable incremental costs are recognised as a reduction in liability attributable to the Fund's unitholders.

# (b) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST, and accruals are shown exclusive of GST.

# (c) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Fund is not liable for income tax provided its taxable income is fully distributed to unitholders.

# **NOTE 1: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

# (d) Critical judgements and significant accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the Directors of the Trustee to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

### (e) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the Fund that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

### (f) Revenue and other income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed.

Revenue recognition relating to the provision of services is determined with reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the end of the reporting period and where the outcome of the contract can be estimated reliably. Stage of completion is determined with reference to the services performed to date as a percentage of total anticipated services to be performed. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent that related expenditure is recoverable.

Revenue is deferred when fees are received upfront but where associated services are yet to be performed. Any consideration deferred for more than one year is treated as a financing arrangement and is discounted at a rate of interest that is generally accepted in the market for similar arrangements. The difference between the amount initially recognised and the amount ultimately received is interest revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which, for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST).

# (g) Trade receivables

Trade receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. Refer to Note 1(d) for further discussion on the determination of impairment losses.

# **NOTE 1: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

# (h) Foreign exchange

Items included in the financial records are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (functional currency). The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the presentation currency of the Fund.

# (i) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Fund has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

# (j) New accounting standards and interpretations

There are no standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2021 that have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the prior periods or will affect the current or future periods.

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2022, and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

# **NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Cash on deposit is held in a Macquarie Bank CMA.

	2022
Account	\$
Macquarie operations account	\$567,278
SAXO trading account	\$9,166,395
Total	\$9,733,673

# **NOTE 3: TRUSTEE AND ADMINISTRATION FEES**

The Trustee is entitled to an annual fee, subject to minimum fee of \$25,000, equal to 0.10% per annum of the fund's gross asset value. Calculated from execution of the Trust Deed and paid to the Trustee on commencement of the Fund monthly in arrears.

	2022
	\$
Trustee fees	16,146
	16,146

The Administration Manager is entitled to an Administration Fee of:

- \$15,000 per annum where there are less than 25 Investors;
- \$20,000 per annum where there are between 25 and 50 Investors; or
- \$25,000 where there are 51 or more Investors.

Plus \$5,000 per annum for each additional non-segregated unit class and \$10,000 for each additional segregated unit class offered to Investors beyond the first. The fee is paid to the Administration Manager monthly in arrears from processing of the first Application to invest in the Fund.

The Administration Fee is subject to an annual increase of 5% on 1 January of each year.

	2022
	\$
Administration manager fees	10,984
	10,984

#### **NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS**

As at 30 June 2022, the Fund has the following investments:

	2022
Asset	\$
Foreign exchange loss	(526,424)
CFDs profit	117,058
Exchange traded products (ETF, ETC & ETN)	863,644
Stock Allocation	2,012,961
Total Exposure	2,467,239

#### **NOTE 5: NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS**

### (a) Issued units

	2022 Units	2022 \$
Opening balance	-	-
Units issued – applications	13,840,393	13,761,500
Closing balance	13,840,393	13,761,500
(b) Undistributed profit/(loss) attributable to unitholders		
		2022
		\$
Opening balance		-
Operating (loss) before finance costs attributable to unitholders		(554,813)
Distributions paid		-
Closing balance		(554,813)

# (c) Capital management

The Fund regards total unitholders' interests as capital. The objective of the Fund is to provide unitholders with income-generating and capital growth. The Fund aims to achieve this objective mainly through potential investment properties located predominantly in Australian capital cities.

The Fund aims to invest to meet the Fund's investment objectives while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet its commitments, including unitholder redemptions. The Investment Manager regularly reviews the performance of the Fund, including asset allocation strategies, investment and risk management.

#### NOTE 6: PERFORMANCE FEES & INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES

The Investment Manager is entitled to a Management Fee of 2% (plus GST) per annum of the Fund's gross asset value, payable monthly in arrears.

The manager will also be entitled to a performance fee of 20% (plus GST) of returns generated by the Fund above 10% for any Financial Year, subject to the Fund exceeding its high watermark. No performance payable to the Investment Manager for the Financial Period ended 30 June 2022.

	2022
	\$
Investment manager fees	128,848
	128,848
Investment manager fees payable	2022
	\$
	20,393
	20,393

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# **NOTE 7: BANK INTEREST**

Macquarie cash management account interest	333
	333
NOTE 8: DIVIDEND INCOME	
The Fund generates income from the receipt of dividends from the equity securities in During the reporting period, \$11,733 has been received or accrued as dividend income	
	2022
	\$
Dividend income received	11,733
	11,733
NOTE 9: CAPITALISED EXPENSES AND AMORTISATION	
	2022
	\$
Capitalised legal fees	3,893
Less: amortisation	(389)
	3,504
	2022
	\$
Capitalised trustee fees	12,500
Less: amortisation	(3,646)
	8,854
	2022
	\$
Capitalised establishment fees	25,509
Less: amortisation	(3,263)
	22,246
	2022
Capitalised legal fees	<b>\$</b> 3,504
Capitalised regaritees  Capitalised trustee fees	8,854
Capitalised establishment fees	22,246
Total capitalised expenses and amortisation	34,604

2022 \$

# **NOTE 10: OTHER EXPENSES**

NOTE TO: OTHER EXITENSES	
	2022
	\$
Establishment fees	3,263
Tax return fees	2,850
Other administration expenses	4,560
Legal fees	389
Interest expense - Saxo account	4,123
	15,185
NOTE 11: OTHER EXPENSES PAYABLE	
	2022
	\$
Tax return fees	2,850
Other accrued fees payable	3,573
	6,423
NOTE 12: SAXO TRADING COSTS	
NOTE 12. GAZO TRADINO GOGTO	
	2022
La contraction of the Contraction	\$
Investment service costs	169,900
Financial instrument costs	53,359
Third-party payments	59
	223,318
NOTE 13: INVESTMENT LOSS	
	2022
	\$
Investment loss	165,600
	165,600
NOTE 14: FOREIGN EXCHANGE REVALUATION	
	2022
	\$
Foreign exchange revaluation	(110,396)
	(110,396)
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#### **NOTE 15: INVESTMENT REVALUATION RESERVE**

2022 \$ (874,662) (874,662)

Investment revaluation reserve

# **NOTE 16: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION**

# (a) Trustee

The Trustee of the Fund for the financial period was VT No.2 Pty Ltd.

Fees of \$16,146 (plus GST) were paid by the Fund to Vasco VT No.2 Pty Ltd for its role as Trustee for the period, of which \$1,260 is claimable by the Fund as RITC.

# (b) Investment manager

The Investment Manager of the Fund is UGC Asset Management Pty Ltd.

Fees of \$108,455 (plus GST) were accrued and \$20,393 (plus GST) paid by the Fund to UGC Asset Management Pty Ltd for its role as Investment Manager for the period, of which \$9,664 is claimable by the Fund as RITC.

# (c) Administration manager

The Administration Manager of the Fund is Vasco Fund Services Pty Ltd, a related party of the Trustee.

Fees of \$10,984 (plus GST) were paid by the Fund to Vasco Fund Services Pty Ltd for its role as Administration Manager for the period, of which \$693 is claimable by the Fund as RITC.

# (d) Key management personnel

The Fund does not employ personnel in its own right. However, it has an incorporated Trustee, VT No. 2 Pty Ltd, to manage the activities of the Fund. The Directors of the Trustee are key management personnel of that corporate entity. No compensation is paid directly by the Fund to Directors or to any of the key management personnel of the Trustee. Payments made by the Fund to the Trustee do not specifically include any amounts attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

# **NOTE 17: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

There are no contingent liabilities at the end of the period.

#### NOTE 18: EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

As at the date of this report, there have been no other events subsequent to the reporting date that require additional disclosure

#### **NOTE 19: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

### (a) Liquidity risk

There is a risk that some underlying investments of Fund may not be able to be sold without incurring large transaction costs or quickly enough to prevent or minimise loss. That said, the underlying investments of the Fund are predominately invested in highly liquid Australian and international listed or over-the-counter financial market instruments.

The Fund reserves its right to reject any withdrawal requests at its absolute discretion. Investors should be aware that there could be large discrepancies in the value of their investment at the time of requesting a withdrawal and the amount they ultimate receive from the Fund for the Units as a result of market fluctuations between the time of applying for a withdrawal and the withdrawal being processed.

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty fails to discharge an obligation to the Fund. The Fund is exposed to this risk for various financial instruments, for example, placing money at financial institutions or interest revenue that is paid in arrears. The Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk is limited to the carrying amount of financial assets recognised at the reporting date.

The Investment Manager manages the exposure to credit risk on an ongoing basis. The Fund's management considers that all the above financial assets that are not impaired or past due for each of the reporting dates under review are of good credit quality.

#### (c) Leveraging risk

Leveraging (or gearing) may involve the use of borrowed money or derivatives to increase the investment amount. Leverage magnifies exposure to potential gains and losses of an investment. As a result, Investors can expect larger fluctuations in the value of an investment in the Fund compared to the same investment which is not leveraged. When asset values are rising by more than the costs of the leverage, the returns will generally be higher than if the investment was not leveraged. When asset values are falling, leveraging can multiply the capital loss. If the fall is dramatic there can be even more implications for leveraged investments. For example, where money is borrowed and the lender requires the leverage level to be maintained below a predetermined limit (margin). Where asset values fall dramatically, the leverage level may rise above the margin, forcing assets to be sold by the margin provider when values may be continuing to fall. In turn, this could lead to more assets having to be sold and more losses realised.

Withdrawals (and applications) may be suspended in such circumstances, preventing Investors from accessing their investments at a time when values continue to fall. The is also a risk that if the margin provider is unable to sell positions quickly enough to cover the margin gap, the Fund will effectively become insolvent – the Fund will attempt to manage this insolvency risks by seeking a further indemnity from the Investment Manager in order to cover this gap where the assets of Fund are not sufficient to do so. While this is an extreme example, significant market falls have occurred in the past. Other circumstances (such as the lender requiring the loan to be repaid for other reasons) may also prevent a leveraged investment from being managed as planned, leading to loss.

### (d) Foreign exchange risk

The Fund trades in domestic and offshore markets and is managed from the perspective of an Australian investor base. The Fund is expected to hold a substantial proportion of its assets offshore and in non-AUD denominated assets. The Fund is therefore exposed to the risk of exchange rate movements.

### **NOTE 19: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**

### (e) Short selling risk

The key risk of short selling is that, if the price of the asset increases, the Fund must pay a greater amount to buy back the security and the potential loss could be significant. Other risks include, the lender of the security (in the case of individual equities) may request its return which may result in the Fund having to liquidate at a loss and not at a time of the Fund's choosing; if the broker is declared insolvent before the security borrowed by the Fund is repaid, the Fund may be unable to recover the equivalent collateral posted with the broker. This may result in loss to the Fund, and in turn the Investors.

The Fund may short sell to generate returns in declining securities/markets, to provide a hedge to a long security or market exposure, and to increase return potential using leverage. Being able to short sell means that the Fund's total (gross) equity market exposure may exceed 100% of the Fund's NAV. This means the impact of the Investment Managers investment decisions, along with the potential for profit or loss, is greater than tradition long only funds. The Investment Manager intends managing the risks associated leveraging the Fund's investments through the use of the risk management trading tools such as trailing stops and hedging.

### (f) Market risk

The Fund is exposed to market risk through its use of financial instruments and specifically to interest rate risk and property value risk, which results from both its operating and investing activities. Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices which will affect the Fund's income. Market risk embodies the potential for both loss and gains. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk. Market risk is monitored by the Investment Manager.

# (g) Interest rate risk

The Fund's interest rate risk is monitored by the Investment Manager.

Exposure to interest rate risk arises on financial assets and financial liabilities recognised at the end of the reporting period whereby a future change in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of fixed rate financial instruments.

### (h) Derivatives risk

Derivatives are contracts that have a value derived from another source such as an asset, market index or interest rate. There are many types of derivatives including swaps, options and futures. They are a common tool used to manage risk or improve returns. Some derivatives allow the investment managers to earn large returns from small movements in the underlying asset's price. However, they can lose large amounts if the price movement in the underlying asset is unfavourable. Risks particular to derivatives include the risk that the value of the derivative may not move in line with the underlying asset and the risk that a particular derivative may be difficult or costly to trade.

#### **NOTE 20: TRUSTEE DETAILS**

The registered office and the principal place of business of the Trustee are:

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# **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

The sole Director of VT No. 2 Pty Ltd, the Trustee, declares that:

- 1. The financial statements, comprising the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, statement of changes in equity, and accompanying notes, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:
  - (a) comply with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
  - (b) give a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of its performance for the period0 ended on that date.
- 2. In the Directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the sole Director of VT No. 2 Pty Ltd by:

**Craig Dunstan** 

Director

Date: 20 September 2022

Craig Dunstan