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# Annual Financial Report

30 June 2020

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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## General information

The financial statements cover Container Exchange (QLD) Limited (the "Company") as an individual entity. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Container Exchange (QLD) Limited's functional and presentation currency. Container Exchange (QLD) Limited is a public company limited by guarantee.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of Directors, on 24 September 2020. The Directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited  
Directors' report  
For the year ended 30 June 2020

The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the Company for the year ended 30 June 2020.

**Directors**

The Directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

Directors	Appointed
Mark O'Brien	17 October 2018
Jeffrey Robert Maguire	31 October 2017
Keith Allan	31 October 2017
Richard John Ballinger	31 October 2017
Mark David Powell	31 October 2017 (Resigned 20 July 2020)
Andrew Charles Clark	28 September 2018
Monica Anne Bradley	26 October 2018
Dominique Tim So	8 August 2018
Karen Lorraine Foelz	26 July 2019
Edward William Dowse	20 July 2020

The Members may nominate an Alternate Director from time to time, in accordance with the Company's constitution.

**Principal activities**

The principal activity of the Company during the year was the running of the Queensland Container Refund Scheme (the Scheme).

**Objectives**

The Company is appointed as the Product Responsibility Organisation (PRO), whose is responsible for administering the Scheme, which commenced on 1 November 2018. The Company's vision for the Scheme is aligned with the objectives of the State as set out in the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* (as amended) (the WRR Act). In particular, this vision includes:

- The achievement of environmental outcomes, including a reduction in litter in the environment and an increase in the volume of collected and recycled materials;
- Manufacturers of beverage products fulfilling their corporate and product stewardship responsibilities, with that responsibility being shared across industry in a fair and transparent way;
- Efficient design and operation of the Scheme by leveraging efficiencies where possible to minimise unnecessary cost impact on the community and consumers;
- Opportunity to participate and benefit for social enterprises and community groups; and
- Robust and transparent governance arrangements to ensure confidence in the Scheme for all parties concerned, including the State, environmental groups, industry, and the broader community.

**Subsequent events**

The impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is ongoing, and while it has not had a materially negative financial impact on the Company up to 30 June 2020, it is difficult to estimate the potential impact, positive or negative, after the reporting date. However, the Company had over 300 container refund points operating during July and August 2020, with less than 10 sites remaining suspended due to the pandemic.

**Likely developments**

In the opinion of the directors there are no likely developments that will change the nature of the operations of the Company.

**Environmental regulation**

The Company is not affected by any significant environmental regulation in respect of its operations outside of the existing framework.

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**Review of operations**

The total operating surplus for the year to 30 June 2020 amounted to \$22,021,024 (2019: \$27,927,237). The surplus generated in the current financial year has been used to settle the Company's financial liabilities due and payable during the period, principally the Treasury loan, and ensure appropriate working capital for the next financial year.

Despite up to approximately 20% of container refund point locations being temporarily suspended at times during the year due to COVID-19 restrictions, the pandemic has not yet had a materially negative impact on the overall operations of the Company. The container refund point network operated at a reduced capacity during the period, whilst council recycling services remained operational throughout the year. The Company did not see material impacts to logistics or processing services, and collection volumes were largely in line with forecasted levels. As at 30 June 2020, the container refund point network had 291 operational collection points, with less than 20 remaining impacted by the pandemic.

**Reporting obligations**

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited confirms that in the period ending 30 June 2020, progress and achievements are on track to meet the strategic and regulatory objectives relating to the Scheme, which commenced on 1 November 2018. The Company continues to assess the impacts of COVID-19 on its ability to achieve these objectives, including regular and ongoing engagement with the Department of Environment & Science.

**Auditor's independence declaration**

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year to 30 June 2020 has been received and can be found on page 4 of the financial report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors.

On behalf of the directors



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Mark O'Brien AM  
Chair and Independent Director

24 September 2020



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## Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, as lead auditor for the audit of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited for the year ended 30 June 2020, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "H.E. Hiscox".

H E Hiscox  
Partner – Audit & Assurance

Brisbane, 24 September 2020

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Statement of comprehensive income  
For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Income</b>	3	338,600,946	194,572,677
<b>Expenses</b>			
Container refund expenses		(119,146,412)	(54,799,627)
Container handling expenses		(81,404,822)	(37,593,537)
Logistics expenses		(21,244,184)	(9,320,468)
Container processing expenses		(17,771,002)	(7,538,523)
Material recovery facility expenses		(28,951,643)	(23,573,543)
Container export rebates		(16,926,127)	(11,903,147)
Administration support service fees		(10,825,702)	(6,677,107)
Professional services		(6,819,369)	(5,062,545)
Marketing and communication expenses		(3,187,279)	(3,344,314)
Employee benefits expense		(4,730,502)	(2,415,240)
Other expenses		(3,626,602)	(4,702,373)
Finance costs	5	(1,946,278)	(2,227,359)
<b>Total expenses</b>	4	<u>(316,579,922)</u>	<u>(169,157,783)</u>
<b>Operating surplus</b>		22,021,024	25,414,894
Gain/(loss) on fair value of financial liabilities		-	2,512,343
<b>Surplus before income tax expense</b>		22,021,024	27,927,237
Income tax expense	2	-	-
<b>Surplus after income tax expense for the year attributable to the members of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited</b>		22,021,024	27,927,237
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited</b>		<u>22,021,024</u>	<u>27,927,237</u>

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited  
Statement of financial position  
As at 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	35,711,961	55,620,578
Trade and other receivables	7	16,364,608	13,367,380
Inventories	8	1,556,344	981,888
Other assets	9	26,694,515	23,456,032
Total current assets		<u>80,327,428</u>	<u>93,425,878</u>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	10	46,343	-
Intangibles	11	185,255	-
Right-of-use asset	12	821,617	546,392
Other assets	9	14,094	-
Total non-current assets		<u>1,067,309</u>	<u>546,392</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>81,394,737</u>	<u>93,972,270</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	13	24,163,040	30,783,850
Financial liabilities	14	227,296	28,351,102
Total current liabilities		<u>24,390,336</u>	<u>59,134,952</u>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Financial liabilities	14	13,728,728	13,582,669
Total non-current liabilities		<u>13,728,728</u>	<u>13,582,669</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u>38,119,064</u>	<u>72,717,621</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>43,275,673</u>	<u>21,254,649</u>
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated funds		<u>43,275,673</u>	<u>21,254,649</u>
<b>Total equity</b>		<u>43,275,673</u>	<u>21,254,649</u>

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited  
Statement of changes in equity  
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	<b>Reserves</b>	<b>Accumulated</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>\$</b>
		<b>\$</b>	
Balance at 1 July 2018	(6,672,588)	-	(6,672,588)
Surplus after income tax expense for the year	-	27,927,237	27,927,237
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	27,927,237	27,927,237
Transfers	6,672,588	(6,672,588)	-
Balance at 30 June 2019	-	21,254,649	21,254,649
	<b>Reserves</b>	<b>Accumulated</b>	<b>Total equity</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>funds</b>	<b>\$</b>
		<b>\$</b>	
Balance at 1 July 2019	-	21,254,649	21,254,649
Surplus after income tax expense for the year	-	22,021,024	22,021,024
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	22,021,024	22,021,024
Balance at 30 June 2020	-	43,275,673	43,275,673

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited  
Statement of cash flows  
For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from Beverage Manufacturers and customers (inclusive of GST)		366,819,368	172,961,080
Payments to scheme participants, suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(356,432,645)	(148,948,603)
Interest received		358,486	432,838
Interest and other finance costs paid		<u>(999,018)</u>	<u>(544,561)</u>
Net cash from operating activities		<u>9,746,191</u>	<u>23,900,754</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	10	(128,425)	-
Payments for intangibles	11	<u>(187,235)</u>	-
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(315,660)</u>	-
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	37,639,164
Repayment of borrowings		(29,166,667)	(5,833,333)
Payment of lease liabilities		<u>(172,481)</u>	<u>(86,007)</u>
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities		<u>(29,339,148)</u>	<u>31,719,824</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(19,908,617)	55,620,578
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		<u>55,620,578</u>	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	6	<u><u>35,711,961</u></u>	<u><u>55,620,578</u></u>

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**Note 1. Reporting entity**

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited (the Company) is a company incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The address of the Company's registered office is Level 17, 100 Creek Street, Brisbane, QLD 4000.

The Company's principal activity is to establish and manage the Container Refund Scheme in Queensland (the Scheme).

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company is a reporting entity. The financial report of the Company has been drawn up as a General Purpose Tier 2 - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and for the purpose of fulfilling the Directors' reporting requirements, for the year to 30 June 2020.

This Company is a not-for-profit entity and registered as a charity by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

The Company, under 102ZJ of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Amendment Act 2011* (Qld) (the WRR Act), is required to report its financial operations to the Queensland Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science, and Minister for the Arts by 30 September each year.

**Basis of preparation**

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (Cth) and associated regulations and the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth), as appropriate for not-for-profit oriented entities.

**Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis.

**Note 2. Significant accounting policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out either in the respective notes or below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

**New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted**

The Company has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any significant impact on the financial performance or position of the entity.

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**Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, 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.

Judgement has been exercised in considering the impacts that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has had, or may have, on the Company based on known information.

Estimates and underlying 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.

The estimate and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are:

*Net realisable value of inventory*

Estimates of net realisable value are based on the most reliable evidence available, at the time the estimates are made of the amount the inventories are expected to realise. These estimates take into consideration fluctuations of price or cost directly relating to events occurring after the end of the period to the extent that such events confirm conditions existing at the end of the period.

The Company's inventories are the containers collected. The costs to collect, process and sell the containers significantly exceeds the recoverable amount realised on sale of the processed containers to recyclers. Consistent with the expectations of the Scheme, the expense relating to the writedown of inventory to the net realisable amount is outlined in Note 4.

*Accrued expenses*

Recognised amounts of direct scheme costs and related accrued expenses reflect management's best estimate of amounts owing to scheme participants that were not wholly substantiated by declarations of scheme participants at year end. These estimates are based on a number of critical underlying assumptions such as the volumes of containers submitted and processed through the Scheme at a given time. Estimation uncertainties exist with regard to these items and variations in these assumptions may significantly impact the amount of direct scheme costs and accrued expenses.

**Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes that the Company will be able to continue trading, realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the ordinary course of business for a period of at least 12 months from the date that these financial statements are approved.

As the appointed Product Responsibility Organisation (PRO) under the WRR Act, the Company has a statutory obligation to ensure that Beverage Manufacturers fund the costs of the Scheme and the administration of it. Under the WRR Act, Beverage Manufacturers are obligated to enter into Container Recovery Agreements with the Company (as appointed PRO), under which the PRO can require Beverage Manufacturers to pay sufficient amounts to fund the Scheme.

**Income tax**

The income of the Company is exempt from Income tax pursuant to the provisions of subdivision 50-B of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* and the Company receives GST concessions under division 176 of *A New Tax System Act 1999* and is considered an FBT rebateable employer under section 123E of the *Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986*. The Company is also exempt from other government levies such as state payroll tax.

**Current and non-current classification**

Assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position based on current and non-current classification.

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**Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

An asset is classified as current when: it is either expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the Company's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting period; or the asset is cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is classified as current when: it is either expected to be settled in the Company's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period; or there is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other liabilities are classified as non-current.

**Leases**

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease based on whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The Company has elected to apply the practical expedient to account for each lease component and any non-lease components as a single lease component.

The Company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured based on the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received. The assets are depreciated to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the lease term using the straight-line method as this most closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits. Lease terms are for 5 years for offices and IT equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate. The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Company has elected to apply the practical expedient not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. The lease payments associated with these leases is recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

**Goods and Services Tax (GST) and other similar taxes**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Trade receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the tax authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority.

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**Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

**Employee benefits**

*Short-term employee benefits*

Short-term employee benefits are benefits, other than termination benefits, that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. Examples of such benefits include wages and salaries, non-monetary benefits and accumulating sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the undiscounted amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

*Other long-term employee benefits*

The liability for annual leave and long service leave not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

**Members' Guarantees**

The Company is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) and is a company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member (and each member that has left the Company within one year) is required to contribute a maximum \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Company. At 30 June 2020, the total amount that members of the Company are liable to contribute if the Company wound up is \$20 (2019: \$20).

**Note 3. Income**

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Container refund scheme income	320,610,979	186,995,980
Sale of recycled goods	17,441,610	6,856,687
Other revenue	189,871	287,172
Interest revenue	358,486	432,838
<b>Income</b>	<b><u>338,600,946</u></b>	<b><u>194,572,677</u></b>

*Accounting policy for revenue recognition*

The Company recognises revenue as follows:

*Container refund scheme income*

The Company as the PRO of the Scheme under the WRR Act, enters into deeds with eligible Beverage Manufacturers to receive contributions to cover the costs of administering the Scheme. Whilst these deeds represent an enforceable contract, the contributions received from Beverage Manufacturers fall under *AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities*, as there is no sufficiently specific promise specified in the separate deeds with Beverage Manufacturers to be delivered by the PRO. Revenue is recognised as the amount owed by relevant manufacturers of beverage products under the terms of the Scheme. This is calculated upon the number of eligible containers sold into the Queensland market during the financial year, as defined by the WRR Act.

*Sale of recycled goods*

The Company, in its capacity as the PRO, sells processed containers through an online recycling material sales platform to approved recyclers. To determine whether and when to recognise revenue, the Company follows a five-step process:

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**Note 3. Income (continued)**

- (1) Identifying the contract with a customer – The auction process results in a binding contract between the Company and the recycler as the customer.
- (2) Identifying the performance obligations – The performance obligation is the goods for sale.
- (3) Determining the transaction price – The transaction price is the successful bid made by the recycler in addition to fees (if any) included in the agreement. The PRO makes no warranties or guarantees about the recycled goods hence there are no provisions or elements of variable consideration to be considered in determining the transaction price.
- (4) Allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations – The price is allocated directly to the sale.
- (5) Recognising revenue when/as performance obligation(s) are satisfied – Revenue is recognised at the point in time at which the customer obtains control of a promised asset (i.e. the recycled goods). The Company has deemed this to be the point when the goods are available for collection by the customer as that is the point when the Company has a present right to payment.

*Other revenue*

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

*Interest revenue*

Interest revenue is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest method. This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and allocating the interest income over the relevant period using the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

**Note 4. Expenses**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Direct inventory expenses</b>		
Gross container refund expense	119,720,868	55,781,515
Add: Opening containers on hand	981,888	-
Less: Closing containers on hand	(1,556,344)	(981,888)
Net container refund expense	<u>119,146,412</u>	<u>54,799,627</u>
Container handling expenses	81,404,822	37,593,537
Logistics expenses	21,244,184	9,320,468
Container processor expenses	17,771,002	7,538,523
Other direct expenses	596,150	123,054
	<u><u>240,162,570</u></u>	<u><u>109,375,209</u></u>

The above costs are incurred in collecting and processing containers into a condition suitable for sale to a recycler. These costs represent the cost of sales of the Company, however the recoverable amount is substantially less than the cumulative direct scheme costs. The expense relating to the writedown of inventory to its net recoverable value for the period is \$239,588,114 (2019: \$108,393,321). As the initial 10c per container paid to the consumers exceeds the net recoverable amount for all material types, all costs subsequently incurred are immediately expensed as net recoverable value writedowns.

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**Note 4. Expenses (continued)**

Scheme administration costs include the following expenses:

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Employee benefits expense</b>		
Wages and salaries	4,038,654	2,091,350
Superannuation – defined contribution plans	367,090	180,466
Employee benefit provisions	324,758	143,424
	<u>4,730,502</u>	<u>2,415,240</u>
<b>Depreciation and amortisation expense</b>		
Depreciation of right of use assets	191,145	136,265
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	82,082	17,093
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,980	-
	<u>275,207</u>	<u>153,358</u>

**Note 5. Finance costs**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Interest expense – Treasury loan	945,967	1,566,377
Interest expense – Members' loans	953,205	628,261
Interest expense – Leases	47,106	32,721
	<u>1,946,278</u>	<u>2,227,359</u>

*Accounting policy for finance costs*

Finance costs attributable to qualifying assets are capitalised as part of the asset. All other finance costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

**Note 6. Cash and cash equivalents**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Current assets</i>		
Cash at bank	<u>35,711,961</u>	<u>55,620,578</u>

*Accounting policy for cash and cash equivalents*

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

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**Note 7. Trade and other receivables**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Current assets</i>		
Trade receivables	16,586,983	12,889,855
Allowance for expected credit losses	(235,048)	(21,791)
	<u>16,351,935</u>	<u>12,868,064</u>
Other receivables	<u>12,673</u>	<u>499,316</u>
Trade and other receivables	<u><u>16,364,608</u></u>	<u><u>13,367,380</u></u>

*Accounting policy for trade and other receivables*

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any allowance for expected credit losses. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 5 days.

The Company has applied the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses, which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on days overdue.

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any allowance for expected credit losses.

The movement in the allowance for credit losses can be reconciled as follows:

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Balance at beginning of period	21,791	-
Additional provisions recognised	<u>213,257</u>	<u>21,791</u>
Balance at end of period	<u><u>235,048</u></u>	<u><u>21,791</u></u>

**Note 8. Inventories**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Current assets</i>		
Containers on hand - at net realisable value	<u>1,556,344</u>	<u>981,888</u>

*Accounting policy for inventories*

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises of direct scheme costs, dissected in Note 4.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

In 2020, a total of \$240,162,570 of inventories was included in profit and loss as an expense (2019: \$109,375,209). This includes an amount of \$239,588,114 resulting from write down of inventories (2019: \$108,393,321).

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**Note 9. Other assets**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Current assets</i>		
Accrued income	26,499,509	23,385,351
Prepayments	195,006	70,681
	<u>26,694,515</u>	<u>23,456,032</u>
<i>Non-current assets</i>		
Prepayments	14,094	-
	<u>26,708,609</u>	<u>23,456,032</u>

**Note 10. Property, plant and equipment**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Non-current assets - property, plant and equipment</i>		
Leasehold improvements - at cost	5,391	-
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(5,391)	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Office furniture - at cost	30,047	-
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(12,713)	-
	<u>17,334</u>	<u>-</u>
IT hardware - at cost	110,080	17,093
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(81,071)	(17,093)
	<u>29,009</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>46,343</u>	<u>-</u>

*Reconciliations*

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Leasehold Improvements \$	Office Furniture \$	IT Hardware \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2019	-	-	-	-
Additions	5,391	30,047	92,987	128,425
Depreciation expense	(5,391)	(12,713)	(63,978)	(82,082)
Balance at 30 June 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>17,334</u>	<u>29,009</u>	<u>46,343</u>

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**Note 10. Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

**Accounting policy for property, plant and equipment**

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of property, plant and equipment over their expected useful lives as follows:

Leasehold improvements	5 years
Office furniture	4 years
IT hardware	1-2 years

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the assets, whichever is shorter.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the Company. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss. Any revaluation surplus reserve relating to the item disposed of is transferred directly to accumulated funds.

**Note 11. Intangibles**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Non-current assets</i>		
Mobile application - at cost	187,235	-
Less: Accumulated amortisation	(1,980)	-
	<u>185,255</u>	<u>-</u>

*Reconciliations*

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Mobile Application \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2019	-	-
Additions	187,235	187,235
Amortisation expense	(1,980)	(1,980)
Balance at 30 June 2020	<u>185,255</u>	<u>185,255</u>

**Accounting policy for intangible assets**

Intangible assets acquired separately are initially recognised at cost. Finite life intangible assets are subsequently measured at cost less amortisation and any impairment. The gains or losses recognised in profit or loss arising from the derecognition of intangible assets are measured as the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the intangible asset. The method and useful lives of finite life intangible assets are reviewed annually. Changes in expected consumption or useful life are accounted for prospectively by changing the amortisation method or period.

*Mobile application*

Significant costs associated with the mobile application are deferred and amortised on a straight-line basis over the period of their expected benefit, being their finite life of 5 years.

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**Note 12. Right-of-use asset**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<i>Non-current assets</i>		
Right-of-use asset	<u>821,617</u>	<u>546,392</u>

*Reconciliations*

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Office lease	Office Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2019	539,726	6,666	546,392
Additions	961,119	-	961,119
Disposals	(494,749)	-	(494,749)
Depreciation	(189,145)	(2,000)	(191,145)
Balance at 30 June 2020	<u>816,951</u>	<u>4,666</u>	<u>821,617</u>

**Note 13. Trade and other payables**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<i>Current liabilities</i>		
Trade payables	3,861,292	7,267,218
Accrued expenses	20,098,064	23,423,078
Annual leave	<u>203,684</u>	<u>93,554</u>
	<u>24,163,040</u>	<u>30,783,850</u>

*Accounting policy for trade and other payables*

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

The carrying values of trade and other payables are considered to be a reasonable approximation of fair value.

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**Note 14. Financial liabilities**

	2020 \$	2019 \$
<i>Current liabilities</i>		
Treasury loan	-	28,220,700
Lease liability	227,296	130,402
	<u>227,296</u>	<u>28,351,102</u>
<i>Non-current liabilities</i>		
Members' loans	13,117,714	13,116,421
Lease liability	611,014	466,248
	<u>13,728,728</u>	<u>13,582,669</u>
	<u><u>13,956,024</u></u>	<u><u>41,933,771</u></u>

*Accounting policy for borrowings*

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**Treasury loan**

In accordance with the terms of the loan agreement with the State of Queensland, the Treasury loan was fully repaid during the year.

**Members' loans**

In order to establish and operationalise the Scheme (including establishing and entering into Container Recovery Agreements with Beverage Manufacturers), the founding Members of the Company, Coca-Cola Amatil (Aust) Pty Ltd and Lion Pty Ltd, provided two loan facilities totalling \$13m (Facility A: \$12m, Facility B: \$1m). This facility agreement was executed on 22 May 2018. The key terms are:

	Facility A	Facility B
Commencement	1 October 2018	1 October 2018
Purpose	To fund the costs of scheme establishment	To fund working capital and operational liquidity
Term	5 years from agreement date	9 years 11 months from agreement date
Interest rate	7.20%	8.03%

No principal repayments are due until the end of the term. Interest will accrue on the outstanding balance. Any interest which accrues on a facility prior to (but excluding) the Scheme Commencement Date, will be capitalised and added to the principal amount of the relevant facility. The Company must pay accrued interest in arrears at the end of each calendar quarter.

**Note 15. Related party transactions**

The Company's related parties include its key management personnel as described below. Unless otherwise stated, none of the transactions incorporate special terms and conditions and no guarantees were given or received.

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**Note 15. Related party transactions (continued)**

*Transactions with key management personnel*

The following transactions occurred with key management personnel, which include the Directors of the Company and the CEO:

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Total key management personnel remuneration	608,340	481,630

Remuneration of the Directors and CEO is developed and endorsed by the People Board subcommittee, before being approved by the Board of Directors. Remuneration is set based on factors including benchmarking of peer entities and comparable roles, research from leading governance bodies, relevant published indices and annual performance appraisals.

The Company has a consultancy agreement with Mr Mark O'Brien (Chair) to provide business development and other advisory services which are over and above the expectation of the Chair's role, which was executed in July 2019. There was \$68,000 (excluding GST) billed under this arrangement during the year ended 30 June 2020 and no outstanding balances as at 30 June 2020.

*Receivable from and payable to related parties*

There were no trade receivables from or trade payables to related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

*Loans to/from related parties*

There were no loans to or from related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

**Note 16. Non-cash investing and financing activities**

The Company had the following non-cash transactions which are excluded from the statement of cash flows:

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Advances from Members	-	10,360,836
Gain on fair value of Treasury loan at initial recognition	-	2,512,343
Interest expense (unwinding of fair value gain, above)	945,967	1,566,377
Right of use asset additions	961,119	682,657

**Note 17. Contingent liabilities**

During the year the Company has secured a multi-option facility with a total limit of \$150,000, amounts unused as at 30 June 2020 are \$9,047 (2019: nil). The Company has issued financial guarantees as at 30 June 2020 totalling \$140,953 (2019: nil) in favour of the lessor of a property occupied by the Company.

During the year, a legal claim was made against the Company pertaining to the termination of a Container Collection Agreement. This is in addition to a separate claim lodged against the Company by an unrelated party, during the 2019 financial year. The Directors of the Company will rigorously defend both claims, believe the claims are without merit and have engaged experienced legal counsel in respect of these matters. Both matters are undergoing due process and are awaiting trial. If the Company's defence is unsuccessful, the potential financial impact may include payment of damages of up to approximately \$19.5 million (although this figure is viewed as unlikely given the factual scenario) and legal costs of the claimants. Due to the nature of the matters, the possibility of a financial settlement ahead of trial is considered to be remote. Trial dates have not yet been set. Further information is omitted so as not to seriously prejudice the Company's position in either case.

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**Note 18. Events after the reporting period**

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2020 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Company's operations, the results of those operations, or the Company's state of affairs in future financial years.

**Note 19. Impact of COVID 19**

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is ongoing and while it has not yet had a materially negative financial impact on the Company up to 30 June 2020, it is not practicable to estimate the potential impact, positive or negative, after the reporting date. The situation is rapidly developing and is dependent on measures imposed by the Australian Government and other countries, such as maintaining social distancing requirements, quarantine, travel restrictions and any economic stimulus that may be provided.

Container Exchange (QLD) Limited  
Directors' declaration  
For the year ended 30 June 2020

In the Directors' opinion:

- The financial statements and notes of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited are in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:
  - Giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2020 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - Complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2013* (Cth); and
- There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

On behalf of the Directors



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Mark O'Brien AM  
Chair and Independent Director

24 September 2020



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## Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited

### Report on the audit of the financial report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited (the "Registered Entity"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the financial report of Container Exchange (QLD) Limited has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a giving a true and fair view of the Registered Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

#### Basis for Opinion

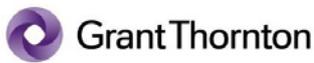
We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Registered Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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#### **Other Information**

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Registered Entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2020, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report**

The Directors of the Registered Entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Registered Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Registered Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for overseeing the Registered Entity's financial reporting process.

#### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Registered Entity's internal control.



- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Registered Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Registered Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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