

Appendix 5B

Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity

Barton Gold Holdings Limited (**Barton**)

ABN

36 633 442 618

Quarter ended ("current quarter")

31 December 2023

Consolidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
1. Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1 Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2 Payments for		
(a) exploration & evaluation	(3,298)	(4,661)
(b) development	(245)	(308)
(c) production	-	-
(d) staff costs:		
(i) exploration	(393)	(674)
(ii) corporate	(198)	(406)
(e) administration and corporate costs	(578)	(903)
1.3 Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4 Interest received	101	164
1.5 Interest and other costs of finance paid	(2)	(5)
1.6 Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7 Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8 Other (provide details if material)	-	24
1.9 Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(4,612)	(6,769)
2. Cash flows from investing activities		
2.1 Payments to acquire or for:		
(a) entities	-	-
(b) tenements	-	-
(c) property, plant and equipment	(53)	(187)
(d) exploration & evaluation	-	-
(e) investments	-	-

Consolidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
(f) other non-current assets	-	-
2.2 Proceeds from the disposal of:		
(a) entities	-	-
(b) tenements	-	-
(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
(d) investments	-	-
(e) other non-current assets	-	-
2.3 Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	-
2.4 Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
2.5 Other (provide details if material)		
Exploration program rehabilitation bond	-	(32)
2.6 Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	(53)	(219)

3. Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1 Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	1,233
3.2 Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	-
3.3 Proceeds from exercise of options	-	-
3.4 Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	-	(48)
3.5 Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6 Repayment of borrowings	-	-
3.7 Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8 Dividends paid	-	-
3.9 Other (provide details if material)	-	-
(i) Repayment of lease liability	(13)	(31)
3.10 Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	(13)	1,154

4. Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	9,295	10,451
4.2 Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(4,612)	(6,769)
4.3 Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	(53)	(219)

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4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	(13)	1,154
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	4,617	4,617

5.	Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
5.1	Bank balances	617	795
5.2	Call deposits	4,000	8,500
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (provide details)	-	-
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	4,617	9,295

6.	Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates	Current quarter \$A'000
6.1	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1	139
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
<p><i>Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must include a description of, and an explanation for, such payments.</i></p> <p>Payments to Directors including fees, salaries, and superannuation during the quarter \$139k.</p>		

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7. Financing facilities	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000
<i>Note: the term "facility" includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity. Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.</i>		
7.1 Loan facilities	-	-
7.2 Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3 Other (please specify)	4,520	4,520
7.4 Total financing facilities	4,520	4,520
7.5 Unused financing facilities available at quarter end		-
7.6 Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, interest rate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional financing facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter end, include a note providing details of those facilities as well.	<p>\$4,495k rehabilitation performance bond guarantee facility provided by Macquarie with facility fee of 1.25%; facility is fully backed by additional cash deposits (not represented in 5.2 Call deposits) earning interest which offsets facility fee.</p> <p>\$25k office lease guarantee facility provided by Commonwealth Bank with facility fee of 3.0%, backed by cash security on deposit with Commonwealth Bank earning interest which offsets facility fee.</p>	

8. Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1 Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(4,612)
8.2 (Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities) (item 2.1(d))	-
8.3 Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(4,612)
8.4 Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)	4,617
8.5 Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.6 Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	4,617
8.7 Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8.6 divided by item 8.3)	1.00
<i>Note: if the entity has reported positive relevant outgoings (ie a net cash inflow) in item 8.3, answer item 8.7 as "N/A". Otherwise, a figure for the estimated quarters of funding available must be included in item 8.7.</i>	
8.8 If item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:	
8.8.1 Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?	
<p>Answer: No – during the quarter ended 31 December 2023 Barton completed multiple large-scale exploration, evaluation and development programs (items 1.2a and 1.2b) including more than 20,000 metres of reverse circulation and diamond drilling. This pace of work significantly exceeded normal operational levels, with expenditure for the 31 December 2023 quarter equivalent to approximately 3 times Barton's normal quarterly expenditure levels for preceding quarters. These programs delivered significant JORC Mineral Resources upgrades during the 31 December 2023 quarter, and a further ~9,000 metres of drilling for which assay results are expected to be received during the quarter ended 31 March 2024. Work programs for the coming quarters are expected to revert to more historically normal levels, and are therefore expected to be considerably lower in cost and cash consumption.</p>	

8.8.2 Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?

Answer: Pursuant to its ASX announcement dated 21 August 2023 Barton has produced ~11 dry tonnes of high-grade gold concentrates grading (on average) approximately 3,880 g/t Au for a contained estimated gold content of ~1,400 ounces worth \$4.3 million (contained gold value) at current gold prices of A\$3,080. Barton has opened a tender for the sale of these concentrates and if expects to complete the sale of these materials in the near future. Barton has previously realised proceeds of approximately \$1.5m from prior smaller sales of gold concentrates and believes that the successful completion of the current sales tender is highly likely.

8.8.3 Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?

Answer: Yes, on the basis of its current 31 December 2023 cash balance of \$4.6 million, pending sales proceeds relating to the \$4.3 million (contained gold value) materials currently being tendered for sale by Barton, and other amounts anticipated to be received by Barton pursuant to previously published government grants and tax incentives to which Barton is entitled.

Note: where item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.8.1, 8.8.2 and 8.8.3 above must be answered.

Compliance statement

- 1 This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Date: 24 January 2024

Authorised by: Board of Barton Gold Holdings Limited
(Name of body or officer authorising release – see note 4)

Notes

1. This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: *Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources* and AASB 107: *Statement of Cash Flows* apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standards apply to this report.
3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee – eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's *Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations*, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.