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ASX Code: BEL

MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

NTA Backing as at 31 August 2023

Bentley Capital Limited (ASX Code: BEL) gives notice that its unaudited after-tax Net Tangible Assets (NTA) Backing as at 31 August 2023 was \$0.0383 per share.

NTA Backing for Period Ending:	% Change	Current Month 31 August 2023	Previous Month 31 July 2023
Pre-Tax NTA Backing per share	-19.81%	\$0.0383	\$0.0477
Post-Tax NTA Backing per share	-19.81%	\$0.0383	\$0.0477
Based on total issued share capital	_	76,127,918	76,127,918

Bentley's NTA position comprises the following items:

NTA Components:	Current Month 31 August 2023 \$'m	Previous Month 31 July 2023 \$'m
Investment Strike Resources Limited (ASX:SRK)	2.95	3.40
Other listed securities	0.83	1.07
Cash	0.03	0.10
Resources projects	0.35	0.34
Net other assets/(liabilities)	(1.25)	(1.28)
Net Tangible Asset	2.91	3.63

Bentley's major securities holdings as at 31 August 2023 were:

Security	ASX Code/ Description	Industry Sector	Value \$'m	% of NTA
Strike Resources Limited	SRK	Materials	2.95	101.3%
Yowie Group Ltd	YOW	Food, Beverage	0.64	21.8%
Lithium Energy Limited	LEL	Materials	0.19	6.4%
Other listed securities	Various	Various	< 0.01	0.2%



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NOTES:

- (1) Bentley has accounted for its investment in SRK (56,739,857 shares being 19.996% of SRK's total issued share capital) (31 July 2023: 56,739,857 shares; 19.996%) at a carrying value of \$2.95 million (based on the closing bid price on ASX of 5.2 cents per share) at month end (31 July 2023: \$3.4 million; 6 cents).
- (2) Bentley (through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Scarborough Resources Pty Ltd), holds tenements (some are applications pending grant) in Western Australia prospective for rare earths elements (REE). Bentley intends to build and develop a portfolio of exploration projects (via application, farm-in, acquisition or joint venture) and may also pursue a spin-off into an initial public offering (IPO).
- (3) Units invested in unlisted managed funds are valued at the unit price published by the fund administrator as at month end the unit price reflects the net asset backing of the fund.
- (4) The post-tax NTA Backing per share figure is reported net of provision for tax liabilities on realised and unrealised gains on investments, in accordance with the Company's income tax accounting policy. Refer Note 5 (Tax) on pages 30 to 31 of Bentley's 30 June 2023 Full Year Report for further information in this regard.
- (5) Bentley's current accounting policy is to recognise deferred tax assets arising from its carried forward tax losses and its unrealised loss on investments only to the extent of offsetting any deferred tax liabilities arising from its unrealised gains on investments.
- (6) Bentley's current accounting policy uses the first in-first out method of calculating gains or losses on sales of share investments.

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