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Company details

BHP Group Limited's registered office and global headquarters are at 171 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000, Australia.

In the sustainability content published on the BHP website, the terms 'BHP', the 'Company', the 'Group', 'our business', 'organisation', 'we', 'us', 'our' and 'ourselves' refer to BHP Group Limited, and except where the context otherwise requires, our subsidiaries. Refer to the BHP Annual Report 2024, Financial Statements note 30 'Subsidiaries' for a list of our significant subsidiaries. Those terms do not include non-operated assets.

The sustainability content published on the BHP website covers functions and assets (including those under exploration, projects in development or execution phases, sites and operations that are closed or in the closure phase) that are (or have been where expressly applicable) wholly owned and operated by BHP or that are (or have been where expressly applicable) owned as a BHP-operated joint venture^[1] (referred to in the sustainability content published on the BHP website, and in this document, as 'operated assets' or 'operations'). The sustainability content published on the BHP website includes FY2024 sustainability-related data and information relating to the former OZ Minerals operations that form part of our Copper South Australia asset and the West Musgrave Project (acquired as part of BHP's acquisition of OZ Minerals on 2 May 2023), unless expressly stated otherwise. Prior year sustainability-related data and information has not been adjusted and restated unless expressly stated otherwise. Former OZ Minerals Brazil sustainability-related data and information has been excluded from sustainability content published on the BHP website unless otherwise expressly stated. Where OZ Minerals Brazil data is included as required to meet legal and regulatory requirements or as necessary to meet applicable voluntary standards and benchmarks, that data has been prepared in accordance with former OZ Minerals standards due to ongoing strategic review of these assets by BHP.

The sustainability content published on the BHP website includes sustainability-related data and information relating to BHP Mitsubishi Alliance's Daunia and Blackwater coal mines up to completion of their divestment on 2 April 2024, unless expressly stated otherwise.

BHP also holds interests in assets that are owned as a joint venture but not operated by BHP (referred to in the sustainability content published on the BHP website, and in this document, as 'non-operated joint ventures' or 'non-operated assets'). Notwithstanding that the sustainability content published on the BHP website may include production, financial, sustainability-related and other information from non-operated assets, non-operated assets are not included in the BHP Group and, as a result, statements regarding our operations, assets and values apply only to our operated assets unless stated otherwise.

BHP Group Limited has a primary listing on the Australian Securities Exchange. BHP holds an international secondary listing on the London Stock Exchange, a secondary listing on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and an American Depositary Receipts program listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

[1] References to a 'joint venture' in the sustainability content published on the BHP website, and in this document, are used for convenience to collectively describe assets that are not wholly owned by BHP. Such references are not intended to characterise the legal relationship between the owners of the asset.

Forward-looking statements

The sustainability content published on the BHP website contains forward-looking statements, which involve risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements include all statements, other than statements of historical or present facts, including: statements regarding trends in commodity prices and currency exchange rates; demand for commodities; global market conditions, reserves and resources estimates; development and production forecasts; guidance; expectations, plans, strategies and objectives of management; climate scenarios; approval of projects and consummation of transactions; closure, divestment, acquisition or integration of certain assets, operations or facilities (including associated costs or benefits); anticipated production or construction commencement dates; capital costs and scheduling; operating costs and availability of materials and skilled employees; anticipated productive lives of projects, mines and facilities; the availability, implementation and adoption of new technologies, including artificial intelligence; provisions and contingent liabilities; and tax, legal and other regulatory developments.

Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of terminology, including, but not limited to, 'aim', 'ambition', 'anticipate', 'aspiration', 'believe', 'commit', 'continue', 'could', 'ensure', 'estimate', 'expect', 'forecast', 'goal', 'guidance', 'intend', 'likely', 'may', 'milestone', 'must', 'need', 'objective', 'outlook', 'pathways', 'plan', 'project', 'schedule', 'seek', 'should', 'target', 'trend', 'will', 'would', or similar words. These statements discuss future expectations or performance or provide other forward-looking information.

Examples of forward-looking statements that may be contained in the sustainability content published on the BHP website include, without limitation, statements describing (i) our strategy, our values and how we define our success; (ii) our expectations regarding future demand for certain commodities, in particular copper, nickel, iron ore, steelmaking coal, potash and steel, and our intentions, commitments or expectations with respect to our supply of certain commodities, including copper, nickel, iron ore, potash, uranium and gold; (iii) our future exploration and partnership plans and perceived benefits and opportunities, including our focus to grow our copper and potash assets; (iv) our business outlook, including our outlook for long-term economic growth and other macroeconomic and industry trends; (vi) our projected and expected production and performance levels and development projects; (vii) our expectations regarding our investments, including in potential growth options and technology and innovation, and perceived benefits and opportunities; (viii) our reserves and resources estimates; (ix) our plans for our major projects and related budget and capital allocations; (x) our expectations, commitments and objectives with respect to sustainability, decarbonisation, natural resource management, climate change and portfolio resilience and timelines and plans to seek to achieve or implement such objectives, including our approach to equitable change and transitions, our Climate Transition Action Plan, climate change adaptation strategy and goals, targets, pathways and strategies to seek to reduce or support the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and related perceived costs, benefits and opportunities for BHP; (xi) the assumptions, beliefs and conclusions in our climate change related statements and strategies, including in our Climate Change Report 2020, for example, in respect of future temperatures, energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, and climate-related impacts; (xii) our commitment to social value; (xiii) our commitments to sustainability reporting, frameworks, standards and initiatives; (xiv) our commitments to improve or maintain safe tailings storage management; (xv) our commitments to achieve certain inclusion and diversity targets, aspirations and outcomes; (xvi) our commitments to achieve certain targets and outcomes with respect to Indigenous peoples and the communities where we operate; and (xvii) our commitments to achieve certain health and safety targets and outcomes.

Forward-looking statements are based on management's expectations and reflect judgements, assumptions, estimates and other information available, as at the date made. These statements do not represent guarantees or predictions of future financial or operational performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, many of which are beyond our control and which may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements contained in the statements contained in the sustainability content published on the BHP website.

For example, our future revenues from our assets, projects or mines described in the BHP Annual Report 2024 will be based, in part, on the market price of the commodities produced, which may vary significantly from current levels or those reflected in our reserves and resources estimates. These variations, if materially adverse, may affect the timing or the feasibility of the development of a particular project, the expansion of certain facilities or mines, or the continuation of existing assets.

Other factors that may affect our future operations and performance, including the actual construction or production commencement dates, revenues, costs or production output and anticipated lives of assets, mines or facilities include: (i) our ability to profitably produce and deliver the products extracted to applicable markets; (ii) the impact of economic and geopolitical factors, including foreign currency exchange rates on the market prices of the commodities we produce and competition in the markets in which we operate; (iii) activities of government authorities in the countries where we sell our products and in the countries where we are exploring or developing projects, facilities or mines, including increases in taxes and royalties or implementation of trade or export restrictions; (iv) changes in environmental and other regulations; (v) political or geopolitical uncertainty; (vi) labour unrest; (vii) weather, climate variability or other manifestations of climate change; and (viii) other factors identified in the risk factors set out in the BHP Annual Report 2024, Operating and Financial Review 8.1 – Risk factors.

In addition, there are limitations with respect to scenario analysis, including any climate-related scenario analysis, and it is difficult to predict which, if any, of the scenarios might eventuate. Scenario analysis is not an indication of probable outcomes and relies on assumptions that may or may not prove to be correct or eventuate.

Except as required by applicable regulations or by law, BHP does not undertake to publicly update or review any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or future events.

Past performance cannot be relied on as a guide to future performance.

Emissions and energy consumption data

Due to the inherent uncertainty and limitations in measuring greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and operational energy consumption under the calculation methodologies used in the preparation of such data, all GHG emissions and operational energy consumption data or references to GHG emissions and operational energy consumption volumes (including ratios or percentages) in the sustainability content published on the BHP website are estimates. There may also be differences in the manner that third parties calculate, or report GHG emissions or operational energy consumption data compared to BHP, which means third-party data may not be comparable

to our data. For information on how we calculate our GHG emissions and operational energy consumption data refer to the BHP GHG Emissions Calculation Methodology 2024 available at bhp.com/sustainability.

Definitions

Refer to the BHP Annual Report 2024 Additional information 10.4 for a full glossary of terms that may be used in the sustainability content published on the BHP website. Additionally, with respect to references in the sustainability content published on the BHP website to:

Sustainability (including sustainable and sustainably)

We describe our approach to sustainability and its governance in the sustainability content published on the BHP website and in the BHP Annual Report 2024, including Operating and Financial Review 6 - Sustainability. Our references to sustainability (including sustainable and sustainably) in the sustainability content published on the BHP website and in our other disclosures do not mean we will not have any adverse impact on the economy, the environment or society, and do not imply we will necessarily give primacy to consideration of, or achieve any absolute outcome in relation to, any one economic, environmental or social issue (such as zero GHG emissions or other environmental effects).

Partner(s), partnership, to partner or similar

These are terms used for convenience to describe relationships intended to be collaborative and/or mutually beneficial. Such references are not intended to characterise the legal relationship between the parties, unless stated otherwise.

Entrained water

Entrained water includes water incorporated into product and/or waste streams, such as tailings, that cannot be easily recovered.

Third-party water

Water supplied by an entity external to the operational facility. Third-party water may contain water from three sources, surface water, groundwater and seawater.

Water quality - Type 1

Water of high quality that would require minimal (if any) treatment to meet drinking water standards. This water is considered high-quality/high-grade in the ICMM 'Good Practice' Guide (2nd Edition) (2021).

Water quality - Type 2

Water of medium quality that would require moderate treatment to meet drinking water standards (it may have a high salinity threshold of no higher than 5,000 milligrams per litre total dissolved solids and other individual constituents). This water is considered high-quality/high-grade in the ICMM 'Good Practice' Guide (2nd Edition) (2021).

Water quality - Type 3

Water of low quality that would require significant treatment to meet drinking water standards. It may have individual constituents with high values of total dissolved solids, elevated levels of metals or extreme levels of pH. This type of water also includes seawater. This water is considered low-quality/low-grade in the ICMM 'Good Practice' Guide (2nd Edition) (2021).