



QUARTERLY REPORT

For the period ending
31 December 2023

QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

- In late October 2023, a new proposed 6,000m diamond drilling program commenced at the Blakala prospect, Mali
- 32 diamond drillholes delivered 4,008.20m confirming mineralisation extending over >1km of strike¹
- Lithium mineralisation remains open along strike in both directions and at depth
- Assay results² for the first 3 diamond drillholes at Blakala returned exceptional results including:
 - ✓ 111.0m intersection @ 1.57% Li₂O (from 33m) in hole BDFS02
 - Including 10.0m intersection @ 3.39% Li₂O (from 33 m) in hole BDFS02
 - ✓ 60.00m intersection @ 1.59% Li₂O (from 39m) in hole BDFS03
 - Including 38.0m intersection @ 1.76% Li₂O (from 51m)
- 7 Outcrop channel sample lines were completed at Blakala covering the Main, Eastern and Western Pegmatites with results received with very high analytical grades including:
 - ✓ BCH02_West with 1.91% Li₂O over 18.70m;
 - ✓ BCH02_East with 1.54% Li₂O over 11.00m;
 - ✓ BCH01 with 1.27% Li₂O over 5.00m, a short outcrop channel sample line;
 - ✓ BCH06 from Eastern Pegmatite with 1.94% Li₂O over 19.0m;
 - ✓ BCH05 from Western Pegmatite with 1.87% Li₂O over 18.0m; and
 - ✓ BCH03 from Main Pegmatite with 1.88% Li₂O over 27.0m
- A further 2,000m drilling program commenced at the second tier Faraba Permit with 2 diamond drillholes identifying 22 pegmatite veins of more than 30 cm with cumulative intercept thickness of 8.31m and 10.42m in the holes respectively
- Renewal of exploration permits lodged with Mali Ministry of Mines
- As at 31 December 2023, Cash Balance of \$3.55m

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² ASX:FL1 Announcement – Significant discovery confirmed at Blakala including 111m @ 1.57% Li₂O

First Lithium Limited (“FL1”, or “the Company”) is pleased to provide an update on its activities for the December 2023 quarter.

First Lithium Managing Director, Venkatesh Padala said:

“FL1 commenced exploration in the December quarter, building momentum through channel sampling and identifying targets ahead of the 6,000m diamond drilling program at Blakala. A second drilling program of a further 2,000m also commenced at Faraba in what is becoming an accelerated exploration program.

The FL1 team are excited and motivated by the results of the drilling program to date, particularly with the very encouraging and high-grade assay results received in late December, including the exceptional assay result from intercept BDFS02 of 111m @ 1.57%.

Looking ahead, the FL1 strategy will be to complete the current exploration program in early 2024 and to plan an expanded program to further explore the permits. Assay results from the initial drilling program will highlight the potential of the project and create imagery of how the project should be developed further and will form the basis of the Company’s maiden mineral resource estimate”.

Blakala Exploration Program Commenced

On October 26 2023³, First Lithium announced it had commenced its maiden exploration program post listing on the ASX, which included 6,000m of planned diamond drilling to delineate the already identified spodumene bearing pegmatites highlighting substantive surface expressions. The program followed previous trenching also included channel sampling ahead of the drilling program to identify prospective drill targets as part of the program.

Faraba Exploration Program Commenced

On 20 November 2023⁴, First Lithium announced the expansion of the drilling program to include an additional 2,000m of drilling at the Company’s 2nd prospect Faraba. The program was intended to follow previous trenching and further examine and define the lithium-spodumene bearing pegmatites which were identified in the previous confirmatory drilling program⁴.

³ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Drilling commenced at Blakala Lithium prospect

⁴ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Expansion of drilling program – 2nd diamond rig commences



Drilling Results Identify Continuous Pegmatite Intercepts

On 30 October 2023⁵, the first diamond drillhole results were announced confirming one thick pegmatite of 112.8m was intercepted in BDFS02 with significant spodumene mineralisation seen throughout. Further announcements on 6 November 2023⁶, confirmed a total of 73.55m of mineralised intersection was identified including a 53.25m intercept from 39m, and 13 November 2023⁷ confirmed five further mineralised intersections ranging from 31.87m to 67.28m for a total of over 400m of mineralised spodumene bearing pegmatite identified in the drilling program to that date. Further, the announcement on 24 November 2023⁸ confirmed a further six diamond drillholes completed with mineralised intersect thickness ranging from 17.42m to 51.93m increasing the total mineralised strike to over 646m from the 1,560m drilled. A further five thick pegmatites were intersected as announced on 8 December 2023⁹ identifying between 34.47m and 89.46m including an extension through the stacked West zone pegmatite which intercepted the main Blakala pegmatite demonstrating continuation of the main pegmatite which remained open at depth. The total mineralised strike grew to over 1,000m of mineralised strike at Blakala.

High Grade Outcrop samples identified

On 4 December 2023¹⁰, analytical results showed positive outcrop channel results of BCH02_West with 1.91% Li₂O over 18.70m; BCH02_East with 1.54% Li₂O over 11.00m, and BCH01 with 1.72% Li₂O over 5.00m, a short outcrop channel sample line. 12 out of the 35 individual crop channel samples returned >2.00% Li₂O with the highest sample of 2.56% over 1.00m in BCH02 West. Further channel sampling results were announced 28 December 2023¹¹, including BCH06 from Eastern Pegmatite with 1.94% Li₂O over 19.0m, BCH05 from Western Pegmatite with 1.87% Li₂O over 18.0m, and BCH03 from main Pegmatite with 1.90% Li₂O over 22.0m. Almost 1/3rd of samples assessed returned 2%+ Li₂O. The high Li₂O analytical results from outcrop in the Eastern and Western pegmatites identify these as additional high grade spodumene mineralised and mapped targets, with diamond drilling to follow.

⁵ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Continuous 112.8m pegmatite intercept at Blakala prospect

⁶ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Blakala 3rd diamond hole intersects 53.25m of pegmatite

⁷ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Spodumene mineralised pegmatite intersected in all 8 holes

⁸ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Blakala drilling continues to intersect pegmatites

⁹ ASX:FL1 Announcement – Blakala deposit continues to expand with step out drilling

¹⁰ ASX:FL1 Announcement – High grade average of 1.70% Li₂O from first 2 outcrop sample lines at Blakala prospect

¹¹ ASX:FL1 Announcement – High grade Li₂O results from channel sampling in Eastern and Western pegmatite bodies at Blakala prospect. .

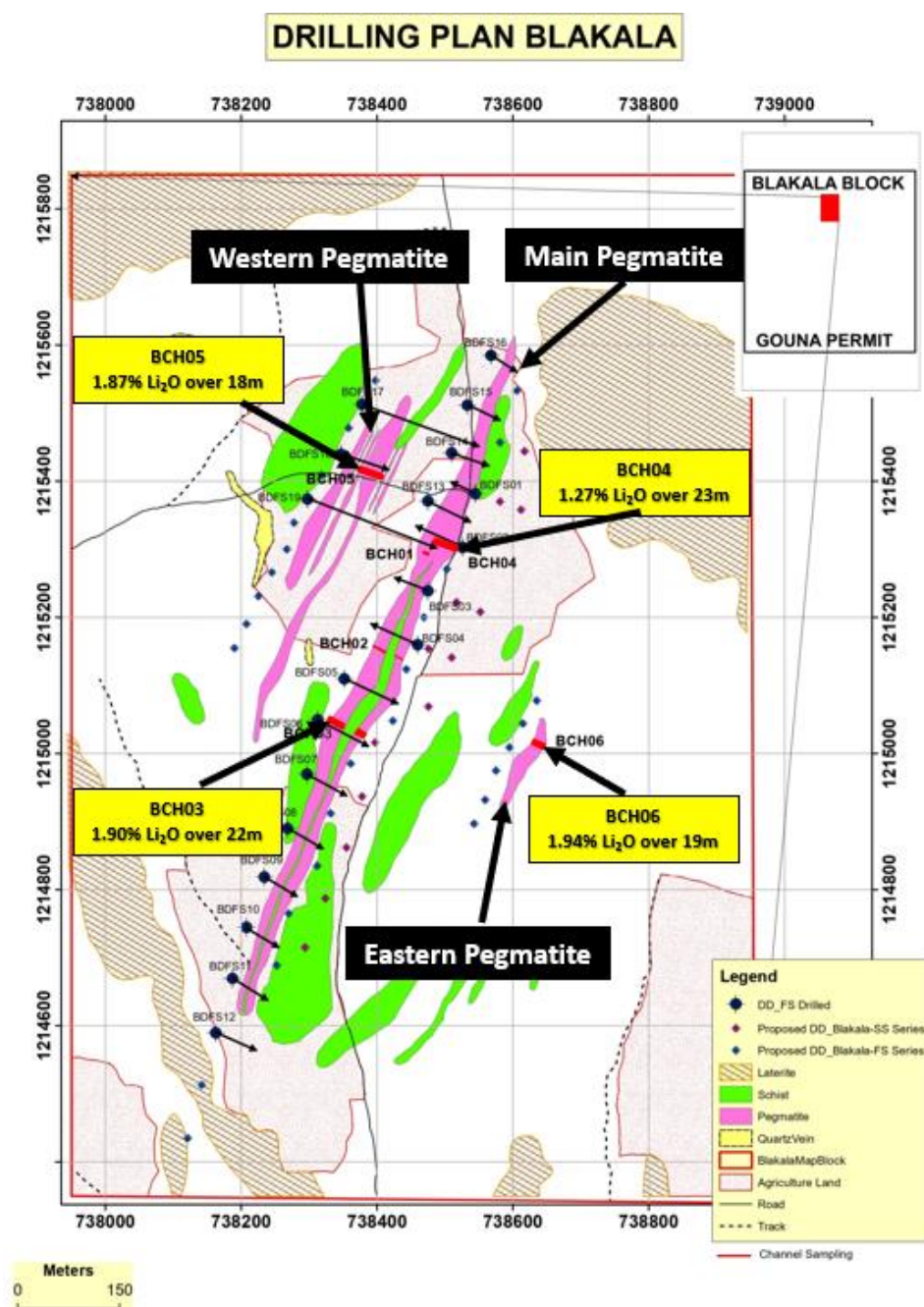


Figure 2: High Grade outcrop samples in the Western, Eastern and Main pegmatites at Blakala

Assay results confirm discovery

Assay results announced on 20 December 2023² for the first three diamond holes drilled validate the visual estimated of spodumene percentages in the core samples. Results included 111.0m intersection @ 1.56% from 33m in hole BDFS02, and including a 10m intersection @ 3.39% Li₂O, as well as a 60.00m intersection @ 1.59% Li₂O from 39m in hole BDFS03 including a 38.0m intersection @ 1.76% Li₂O from 51m. The second diamond drilling rig was relocated from Faraba to Blakala with the aim of rapidly advancing the Blakala discovery to a JORC compliant mineral resource in 2024.

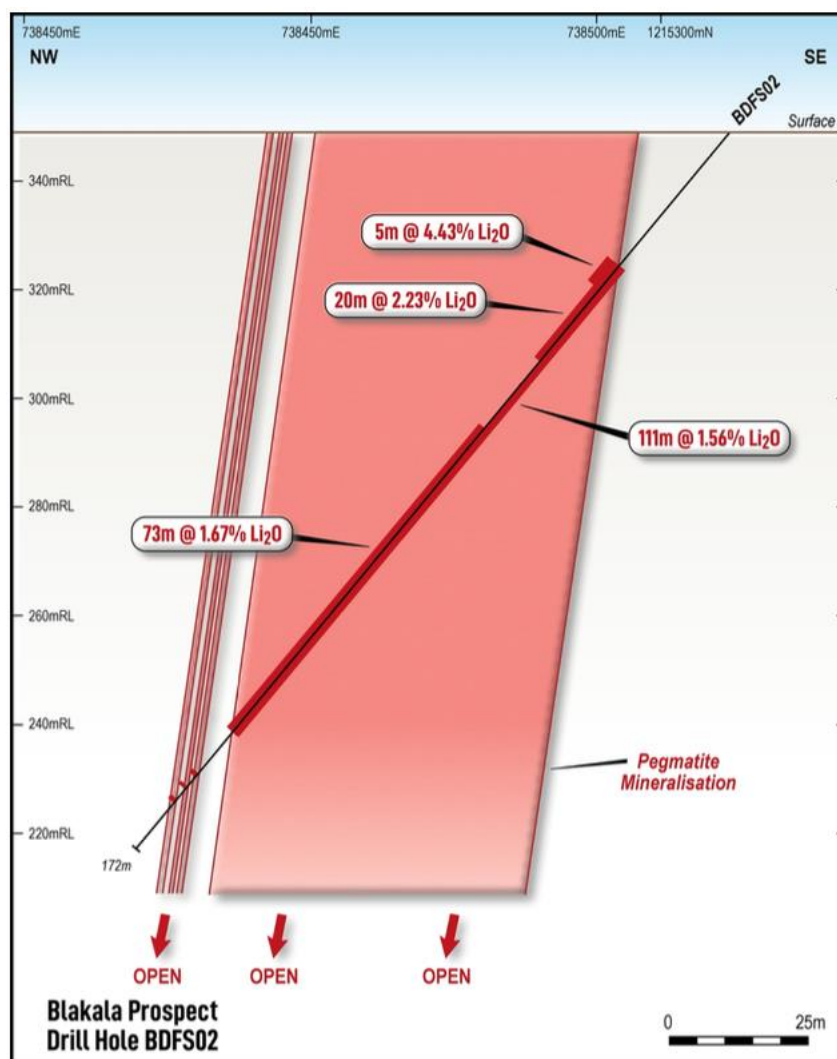


Figure 3 : Assay results showing 111m intercept @ 1.56% Li_2O in hole BDFS02

Permit renewal applications lodged

Permits for both Faraba and Blakala are due for renewal in 2024. Both renewal applications were lodged within the required timeframes and were acknowledged as received by the Mali Mines Department. Renewals are expected to be granted on or before the due date and our local team in Mali is managing the process with the Mali government.



Figure 4: Diamond drilling underway at Blakala

Corporate

First Lithium had a cash balance of \$3.55m at 31 December 2023 and no debt. Exploration and evaluation expenditure incurred during the quarter was \$1.22m.

Related Party Transactions

Payments to related parties of the entities and their associates (refer section 6 of Appendix 5B):

- Included at section 6.1 – Comprises: Remuneration of Directors - \$187k
- Included at section 6.2 – Comprises: Remuneration of directors - Nil

Listing Rule 5.3.1 and 5.3.2

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 5.3.1, the Company confirms that there have been no material developments or changes to its exploration activities, and provide the following information:

- Approximately \$1.22m was incurred by the Company in respect of exploration activity for the quarter ended 31 December 2023, primarily on:
 - Diamond drilling program at Blakala and Faraba prospects, Mali; and
 - Detailed geological mapping and reconnaissance field work
- A summary of the specific exploration activities undertaken in the two permits held is included in this activity report.

In accordance with ASX Listing Rule 5.3.2, the Company advises that no Mining Development or Production activities were conducted during the quarter.

Listing Rule 5.3.4

The Company provides the following disclosures required by ASX regarding a comparison of actual expenditure to date since re-listing on 28 September 2023 against use of funds statement in the Prospectus dated 30 June 2023.

Expenditure	Funds Allocated under Prospectus	Actual to 31 December 2023	Variance	Note
	\$	\$	\$	
Exploration – Mali Lithium Project	4,732,782	1,302,030	(3,430,752)	1
Expenses of the Offers	560,000	248,862	(311,138)	2
Corporate and administration costs	650,000	412,382	(237,618)	3
Working capital	552,396	-	(552,396)	4
Total	6,495,178	1,963,274	(4,531,904)	

The Use of Funds table is a statement of current intentions, investors should note that the allocation of funds set out in the table may change depending on a number of factors including the results of exploration, outcome of development activities, regulatory developments and market and general economic conditions.

1. Exploration at the Mali Lithium Project is currently under the use of funds budget by \$3.43m. The variance is due to timing (use of funds being over a 24-month period).
2. Expenses of the offer is currently under the use of funds budget by \$311k. The variance was due to costs of the offer being over estimated and some budgeted costs being paid from existing cash reserves..
3. Corporate and administration costs are under the use of funds budget by \$238k. The variance is due to timing (use of funds being over a 24-month period).
4. Working capital is currently under the use of funds budget by \$552k. This is set aside as a reserve of funding for effective capital management.

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The Board of Directors of First Lithium Ltd authorised this announcement to be given to the ASX.

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ABOUT FIRST LITHIUM

First Lithium (ASX code: FL1) is at the forefront of lithium exploration and sustainable development, focusing on pioneering projects like Blakala and Faraba in Mali. Our management team has significant in-country experience and specialist advisors with extensive lithium exploration and government relations expertise.

Our commitment goes beyond the pursuit of lithium riches; it's about powering tomorrow responsibly. We recognise the global demand for lithium and are dedicated to positively impacting local communities while ensuring environmentally sensitive practices.

Directors

Venkatesh Padala	Managing Director
Lee Christensen	Chairman
Andrew Law	Non-Executive Director
Jason Ferris	Non-Executive Director

Capital Structure

Shares on issue:	99,071,667
Options on Issue:	a) 7,500,000 options with an exercise price of \$0.30 per option and an expiry of 8 July 2024. b) 30,500,000 vendor options with an exercise price of \$0.30 per option and an expiry of 28 September 2026 c) 1,800,000 lead manager options with an exercise price of \$0.30 per option and an expiry of 8 July 2024.
Performance Rights:	15,000,000 performance rights , subject to certain performance milestones

Competent Persons Statement

Except where indicated, exploration results above have been reviewed and compiled by Mr Kobus Badenhorst, a Competent Person who is a Member of SACNASP and the South African Geological Society (GSSA), with over 26 years of experience in metallic and energy mineral exploration and development, and as such has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Badenhorst is the Managing Director of GeoActiv Dynamic Geological Services and consents to the inclusion of this technical information in the format and context in which it appears.

Cautionary Statement – Visual Estimates

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Forward-Looking Statements

This announcement contains forward-looking statements which are identified by words such as 'may', 'could', 'believes', 'estimates', 'targets', 'expects', or 'intends' and other similar words that involve risks and uncertainties.

These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions, and on a number of assumptions regarding future events and actions that, as at the date of this announcement, are expected to take place.

Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, the Directors and the Company's management.

The Company cannot and does not give any assurance that the results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this announcement will actually occur, and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

The Company has no intention to update or revise forward-looking statements, or to publish prospective financial information in the future, regardless of whether new information, future events or any other factors affect the information contained in this announcement, except where required by law.

These forward-looking statements are subject to various risk factors that could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from the results expressed or anticipated in these statements.

Appendix 5B

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

Name of entity

FIRST LITHIUM LIMITED

ABN

67 009 081 770

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 (if expensed)	(1,220)	(1,225)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) board remuneration	(187)	(308)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(258)	(443)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	9	21
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other (Transaction costs)	(249)	(409)
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(1,905)	(2,364)
2.	Cash flows from investing activities		
2.1	Payments to acquire:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d) exploration & evaluation (if capitalised)	-	-
	(e) investments	-	-
	(f) other non-current assets	-	-

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
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 (Net cash balance of acquired entities)	17	17
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	17	17

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	2,000
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	-	(9)
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
3.6	Repayment of borrowings (lease liabilities)	-	-
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	-
3.8	Dividends paid	-	-
3.9	Other (Proceeds from unissued unsecured convertible note)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	-	1,991

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,509	3,977
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(1,905)	(2,364)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	17	17
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	-	1,991

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

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (6 months) \$A'000
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	(76)	(76)
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,545	3,545

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	3,530	3,494
5.2	Call deposits	15	15
5.3	Bank overdrafts	-	-
5.4	Other (held by share registry)	-	2,000
5.5	Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	3,545	5,509

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	187
6.2	Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 2	-
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		

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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.</i>		
<i>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)	-	-
7.4 Total financing facilities	-	-
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.		

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (Item 1.9)	(1,905)
8.2	Capitalised exploration & evaluation (Item 2.1(d))	-
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (Item 8.1 + Item 8.2)	(1,905)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (Item 4.6)	3,545
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (Item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (Item 8.4 + Item 8.5)	3,545
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (Item 8.6 divided by Item 8.3)	1.9

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.

8.8 If Item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:

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?

Answer: No. The Company embarked on an aggressive initial diamond drilling program that is coming to an end. The next phase of drilling will have a greater focus on RC drilling which is considerably cheaper and as such it is expected that exploration costs will be lower in the March quarter.

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: The Company continually evaluates its need for additional funding on an ongoing basis. In accordance with the response to 8.8.1, the Company believes it remains well capitalised.

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, in accordance with its responses to 8.8.1 & 8.8.2.

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: 31 January 2024

Authorised by: By the Board of First Lithium 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.