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Dear Sir/Madam

### Plato Income Maximiser Limited (ASX: PL8) - Monthly Investment Update

Please find attached a copy of the investment update for the month ending 30 June 2025.

For further information, please contact 1300 010 311.

Authorised by:

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**Company Secretary** 



### Plato Income Maximiser Limited (ASX: PL8)

INVESTMENT UPDATE AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

#### PERFORMANCE AND COMPANY UPDATE

As at 30 June 2025, the Company's investments delivered a total return of 10.3% p.a. (after fees) and distributed a yield of 7.6% p.a. (incl. franking) since inception<sup>2</sup> compared to the S&P/ASX 200 Franking Credit Adjusted Daily Total Return Index (Tax-Exempt) ('Benchmark') return of 10.2% p.a. and a yield of 5.2% p.a.

<sup>1</sup> Including franking credits. <sup>2</sup> Inception date 28 April 2017.

#### **MONTHLY DIVIDENDS**

During the month of July, the Board of Plato Income Maximiser Limited (ASX: PL8) resolved to pay three fully-franked dividends of \$0.0055 per share payable in July, August and September 2025, which is a continuation of the level of dividends paid during the June 2025 quarter.

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE <sup>1</sup>	
Total return <sup>2</sup> since inception <sup>3</sup> :	10.3% p.a.
1 Month - June 2025:	0.8%
Income <sup>2</sup> since inception <sup>3</sup> :	7.6% p.a.
1 Month - June 2025:	0.6%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is quoted in AUD net of portfolio related fees, costs and taxes. All p.a returns are annualised.

COMPANY SNAPSHOT	
Share Price (PL8):	\$1.385
Market Capitalisation:	\$1.037b
Inception date:	28-Apr-17
Listing date:	05-May-17
Management fee:	0.80% p.a. <sup>1</sup>
Pre-tax NTA <sup>2</sup> :	\$1.153

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>0.82% p.a. inclusive of the net impact of GST and RITC.

#### **MARKET OVERVIEW**

Australian equities rose 1.4% in June, despite heightened geopolitical tensions following Israel's strike on Iran, specifically targeting its nuclear program. Oil prices initially surged on the back of the Israeli and U.S. strikes. However, when Iran responded in a measured manner and a ceasefire was reached soon after, oil prices retreated, giving markets hope that the conflict might not escalate further. June also saw further dilution of earlier "Freedom tariff policies and markets now see through some of the tariff noise and risks. In the domestic market, while earnings growth was a little disappointing, inflation has fallen and the expectation of the RBA cutting rates underpinned ongoing market strength via PE expansion.

Some of the largest positive contributors to the Company's performance during the month were overweight positions in Macquarie and Ventia Services as well as underweight positions in CSL, Woolworths and IDP Education. However, overweight positions in Ramelius and Perseus as well as underweight positions in Santos, Woodside and James Hardie detracted from relative performance.

June's gain brought the benchmark total return for FY25, including franking credits, to 15.1%. The energy sector led performance in June with a 9% rise, helped by a takeover approach for Santos, though it remained the worstperforming sector for FY25, down 8%. Conversely, gold fell 9% in June but was the standout performer over the financial year, rising nearly 60%. Growth stocks outperformed value stocks by 10%, while high dividend yield stocks underperformed by 5% over the same period.

Despite these dynamics, the Company delivered modest outperformance for the financial year, highlighting the value of diversification and our dual focus on both total return and income.

The Company remains actively positioned to seek superior income than the benchmark.

Companies mentioned are illustrative only and not a recommendation to buy or sell any particular security.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS <sup>1</sup>	TOP 10 YIELDING <sup>2</sup>	YIELD% P.A. <sup>3</sup>	
ANZ	Yancoal	12.9	
BHP Group	Woodside Energy	7.9	
Commonwealth Bank	Helia Group	7.9	
CSL	Origin Energy	7.6	
Macquarie Group	AGL Energy	7.0	
NAB	Suncorp Group	6.6	
QBE Insurance Group	Rio Tinto	6.3	
Rio Tinto	AP Eagers	6.1	
Telstra Corporation	Telstra Corporation	5.5	
Wesfarmers	Ventia Services	5.2	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In alphabetical order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Yield is calculated as the dividends (including specials and franking credits) paid over the last 12 mths divided by the price as at the report date.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Total return including franking credits. Distributed income including franking credits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Inception date 28 April 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Pre-tax NTA includes tax on realised gains or losses and other earnings, but excludes any provision for tax on unrealised gains or losses

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Stock listed are the largest 10 yielding stocks in our portfolio with a greater than 0.5% portfolio weight.



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PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE <sup>1</sup>	1 MTH %	3 MTH %	1 YR % P.A.	3 YRS % P.A.	5 YRS % P.A.	INCEPTION % P.A.
Total return <sup>2</sup>	0.8	9.5	15.5	15.0	13.3	10.3
Income <sup>3</sup>	0.6	1.8	7.5	7.7	7.4	7.6
Bench. total return <sup>2</sup>	1.4	9.7	15.1	15.1	13.3	10.2
Excess total return <sup>2</sup>	-0.6	-0.2	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Excess Income <sup>3</sup>	0.4	1.1	3.0	2.4	2.3	2.4
Excess franking <sup>3</sup>	0.2	0.4	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9

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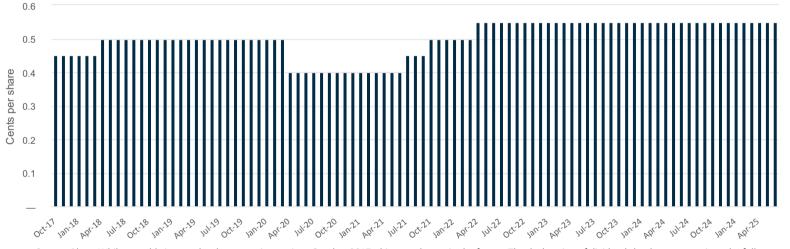
<sup>2</sup>Total return including franking credits. Benchmark refers to S&P/ASX 200 Franking Credit Adjusted Daily Total Return Index (Tax-Exempt).

NET TANGIBLE ASSETS <sup>1</sup>			
Pre-tax NTA <sup>2</sup>	\$1.153		
Post-tax NTA <sup>3</sup>	\$1.142		
Distributed Dividends since inception	\$0.501		
Distributed Dividends (incl. franking)	\$0.715		

<sup>1</sup>NTA calculations exclude Deferred Tax Assets relating to capitalised cost deductions and carried forward tax losses of \$0.002. The Franking Account Balance (not reflected in NTA) is \$0.012 per share. These figures are subject to audit.

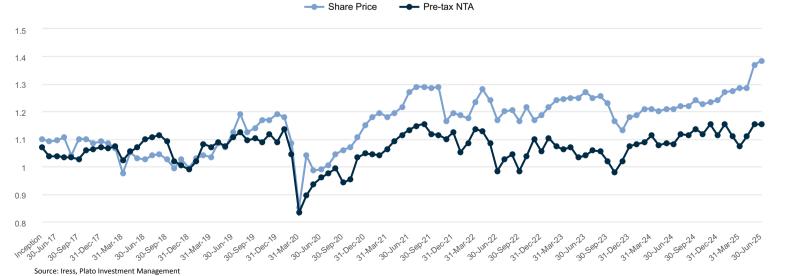
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#### **PL8 MONTHLY DIVIDENDS**



Source: Plato. While monthly income has been consistent since October 2017, this may change in the future. The declaration of dividends by the company is at the full discretion of the board (unlike trusts where income must be fully distributed each financial year).

#### PL8 SHARE PRICE V NTA<sup>12</sup>



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Distributed income including franking credits.

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