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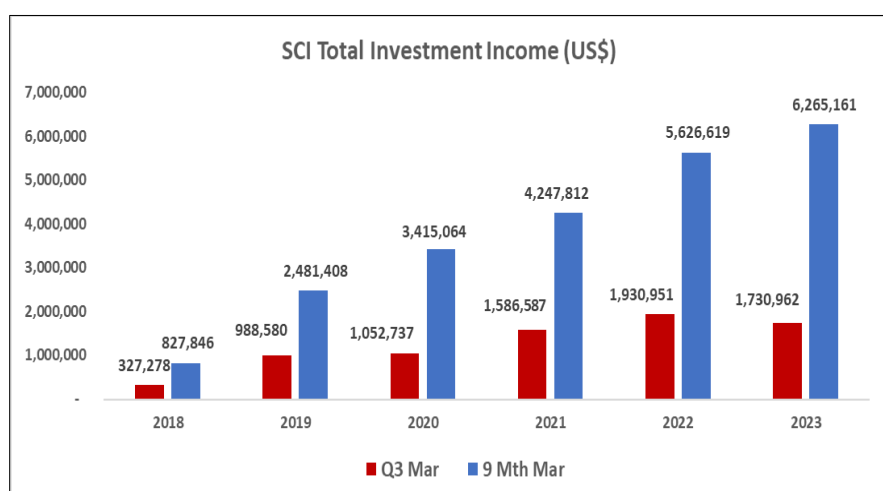
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Sygnus Credit Investments Limited (“SCI” or “the Group”) is pleased to report on the unaudited financial results for the nine months ended March 31, 2023 (“9 Months 2023”). The unaudited results are accompanied by a summary management discussion and analysis (“MD&A”), which is to be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements. The MD&A may contain forward-looking statements based on assumptions and predictions of the future, which may be materially different from those projected.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Results of Operations

Sygnus Credit Investments Limited reported a record for core revenues, core earnings and net profits for the 9 months ended March 31, 2023. During the quarter, the Group further expanded its inventory and receivables financing program. In addition, as part of its growth strategy, the Group began finalizing the structure of dedicated investment support to a key growth acceleration sector. Phase II of the integration of Acrecent Financial Corporation (“Acrecent” or “AFC”) remains on-track, with outstanding targets expected to be completed by the financial year end. The Group continues to advance discussions with international financing partners with regards to securing large credit facilities. SCI intends to launch a redeemable preference share capital raise to maintain its capital mix, while supporting the growth and expansion of its origination pipeline particularly from Jamaica. Subsequent to the end of the quarter, SCI paid US\$1.00 million in dividends to shareholders, bringing total dividends paid since its initial public offering in 2018 to US\$10.35 million. On May 12, 2023, the Board of Directors approved a share buyback program spanning a period of 3 years for an amount of up to US\$9.00 million.



The results for the nine-month period were driven by record portfolio investments in private credit, “investment income” from the underlying value of the investment in Acrecent Financial Corporation in Puerto Rico, continued disciplined investment origination and the structuring of investments with adequate downside protection to manage risk exposures. SCI’s private credit portfolio remains resilient and well positioned to navigate the ongoing volatility of the current high interest rate environment, with a robust, lowly leveraged balance sheet and robust pipeline of investment opportunities.

	Q3 Mar 2023	Q3 Mar 2022	9 Mth Mar 2023	9 Mth Mar 2022	FYE Jun 2022
Summary Results of Operations	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Interest Income	3,124,335	2,542,078	9,114,880	7,243,935	10,217,443
Interest Expense	(1,504,157)	(920,352)	(4,133,156)	(1,939,596)	(3,112,690)
Net Interest Income	1,620,178	1,621,726	4,981,724	5,304,339	7,104,753
Participation and Commitment Fees	130,495	5,000	164,097	18,055	42,697
Puerto Rico Credit Fund Investment Income	(19,711)	304,225	1,119,340	304,225	1,098,772
Total Investment Income	1,730,962	1,930,951	6,265,161	5,626,619	8,246,222
Total Operating Expenses	822,164	741,969	2,703,118	2,154,756	2,979,980
Net Investment Income	908,798	1,188,982	3,562,042	3,471,863	5,266,242
Fair Value Gain (Loss)	610,783	(8,350)	958,406	364,798	2,878,590
Net Foreign Exchange Gain (Loss)	27,133	(288,562)	6,538	(325,586)	(405,221)
Impairment Allowance on Financial Assets	(27,349)	(521,404)	(34,113)	(647,436)	(3,820,134)
Profit for the Period	1,519,365	370,666	4,492,874	2,863,639	3,919,477
Taxation Charge	(89,291)	-	(207,354)	(32,122)	(96,373)
Profit Attributable to Shareholders	1,429,974	370,666	4,285,520	2,831,517	3,823,104
Earnings Per Share	0.24c	0.06c	0.73c	0.48c	0.65c
Diluted Earnings Per Share	0.23c	0.06c	0.68c	0.48c	0.65c
Net Investment Income Per Share	0.15c	0.20c	0.60c	0.53c	0.89c

SCI’s core revenues, or total investment income, grew by 11.3% or US\$638.5 thousand to a record US\$6.27 million for 9 Months 2023. This compares with US\$5.63 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2022 (“9 Months 2022”). For the third quarter ended March 31, 2023 (“Q3 Mar 2023” or “Q3 2023”), Total Investment Income declined by 10.4% or US\$200.0 thousand to US\$1.73 million. This compared with US\$1.93 million reported for the third quarter ended March 31, 2022 (“Q3 Mar 2022” or “Q3 2022”). The 9 Months 2023 performance was driven primarily by a record private

credit investment portfolio at US\$140.97 with higher yielding assets generating higher interest income, with US\$1.12 million

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(negative US\$19.7 thousand Q3 2022) from the investment in AFC, referred to as Puerto Rico Credit Fund (“PRCF”) investment income. This amount is formally carried on the income statement as part of fair value gains since AFC is not consolidated all the way up to SCI. The Q3 2023 results for PRCF is reflective of a lower public market multiple used in its valuation, which outweighed the actual growth in its book value. SCI’s higher interest income was offset by higher interest expenses, resulting in lower net interest income relative to the previous year. This outcome reflected two things: firstly, a much higher use of debt relative to last year albeit (interest rates on current debt lower than last year and are “locked-in”) to fund the acquisition of AFC; and second, since AFC was not consolidated, there is no corresponding interest income offsetting the interest expense associated with the AFC asset. Thus, the PRCF investment income compensates for this apparent “gapping” in net interest income.

Core earnings, or net investment income, grew by 2.6% or US\$90.2 thousand to a record US\$3.56 million for 9 Month 2023, vs US\$3.47 million for 9 Month 2022. For Q3 2023, net investment income declined 23.6% or US\$280.2 thousand to US\$908.8 thousand, vs US\$1.19 million for Q3 2022.

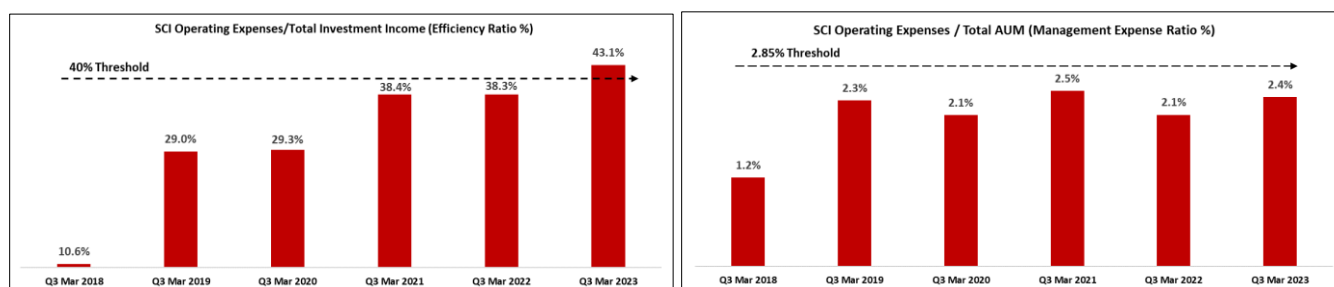
Net profit attributable to shareholders grew by 51.4% or US\$1.45 million to a record US\$4.29 million for 9 Month 2023, vs US\$2.83 million for 9 Month 2022. For Q3 2023, net profit grew by 285.8% or US\$1.06 million to a record US\$1.43 million vs US\$370.7 thousand in Q3 Mar 2022.

Earnings per share (EPS) was 0.73 US cents for 9 Months 2023 vs 0.48 US cents for 9 Months 2022, and 0.24 US cents for Q3 2023 vs 0.06 US cents for Q3 2022. Diluted earnings per share was 0.68 US cents for 9 months 2023 vs 0.48 US cents for 9 Month 2022. Net investment income per share (NIIPS) was 0.60 US cents for 9 Month 2023 vs 0.59 US cents for 9 Month 2022, and 0.15 US cents for Q3 2023 vs 0.20 US cents for Q3 2022.

Total Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses increased to US\$2.70 million for 9 Months 2023 vs US\$2.15 million for 9 Months 2022, and US\$822.2 thousand for Q3 2023 vs US\$742.0 thousand for Q3 2022. The 9 Months 2023 and Q3 2023 reported numbers were 25.4% and 10.8% higher than 9 Months 2022 and Q3 2022 respectively, driven primarily by higher management fees and corporate services fees related to larger assets under management. Management fees and corporate services fees were a combined 75.0% (76.3% 9 Months 2022) and 84.8% (81.0% Q3 2022) of operating expenses for 9 Months 2023 and Q3 2023 respectively.

Excluding management fees and corporate services fees, operating expenses were US\$675.6 thousand for 9 Month 2023, up US\$163.9 thousand or 32.0%, and US\$125.3 thousand for Q3 2022, down US\$15.7 thousand or 11.1%. These results were primarily driven by higher professional fees which increased by US\$104.7 thousand or 218.84%, majority of which were related to non-recurring items, namely arranging fees, consultancy fees and audit fees.



Efficiency and Management Expense Ratios

SCI’s core activities generated an efficiency ratio of 43.1% at the end of Q3 2023, which was higher than the threshold limit of 40%. This was driven by professional costs related to non-recurring items. The efficiency ratio is measured by total operating expenses to total investment income. SCI’s management expense ratio (MER) was 2.4% as at the end of Q3 2023, within the threshold limit of 2.85%. The MER is defined as total operating expenses as a percentage of total assets under management.

Fair Value Gains or Losses

Fair value gains on profit sharing private credit investments were US\$958.4 thousand for 9 Month 2023 (gain of US\$610.8 thousand for Q3 2023) vs a gain of US\$364.8 thousand for 9 Month 2022 (losses of US\$8.4 thousand for Q3 2022). Interest rate movements may cause material fluctuations in fair value losses or gains from period to period. SCI had US\$23.81 million

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in fair value private credit investments as at Q3 2023 vs US\$23.3 million in the prior year and US\$25.9 million at the end of the 2022 financial year (“FYE Jun 2022”). In addition, SCI has US\$25.33 million in the PRCF vs US\$23.51 million last year and US\$24.16 million at FYE Jun 2022.

Net Foreign Exchange Gains or Losses

SCI reported net foreign exchange gains of US\$6.5 thousand for 9 Months 2023 compared with a loss of US\$325.6 thousand reported for 9 Month 2022. For Q3 2023, the Group reported a gain of US\$27.1 thousand vs a loss of US\$288.6 thousand for Q3 2022. The movement in net foreign exchange gains and losses is a general reflection of realized gains or losses on FX transactions (buying or selling) and unrealized gains or losses from the Group’s net exposure to Jamaican dollar assets, which fluctuate based on movements in the JMD/USD exchange rate. SCI’s JMD liabilities exceeded its JMD assets by 4.0% for Q3 2023. SCI does not have a foreign currency trading business.

Change in Impairment Allowance on Financial Assets (IAFA)

The change in impairment allowance on financial assets for 9 Month 2023 was an increase of US\$34.1 thousand vs an increase of US\$647.4 thousand for 9 Month 2022, and an increase of US\$27.3 thousand for Q3 2023 vs an increase of US\$521.4 thousand for Q3 2022. Last year’s substantially higher change in impairment primarily reflected one investment which was subsequently fully charged off at the end of the financial year.

Total Revenues and Total Expenses

Total revenues were comprised of core revenues, or total investment income (interest income plus participation and commitment fees), plus the non-core revenue items of fair value gains, net foreign exchange gains and gain on sale of investments. Total revenues were US\$7.22 million and US\$2.34 million for 9 Month 2023 and Q3 2023 respectively, vs US\$5.99 million and US\$1.92 million for 9 Month 2022 and Q3 2022 respectively.

Similarly, SCI’s total expenses were comprised of core operating expenses, plus the non-core items of net foreign exchange loss, fair value loss, change in impairment allowance on financial assets and loss on sale of investments. Total expenses were US\$2.73 million and US\$822.4 thousand for 9 Month 2023 and Q3 2023 respectively, vs US\$3.13 million and US\$1.55 million for 9 Month 2022 and Q3 2022 respectively. Non-core revenues and non-core expenses may fluctuate significantly from time to time based on market conditions.

Dividends

During the quarter, an interim dividend of US\$1.00 million or US\$0.00169 per share was paid on April 14, 2023. A total of US\$2.55 million has been paid to shareholders during the 2023 financial year.

Share Buyback Program

On May 12, 2023, the SCI’s board of directors authorized a three-year share buyback program which will see SCI repurchasing up to US\$9.00 million of SCI’s JMD and/or USD shares. The buyback is in alignment with a promise made to shareholders during its initial public offering and is prescribed in the Company’s articles of association.

Private Credit Investment (PCI) Activity

At the end of Q3 2023, SCI’s investment in Portfolio Companies grew by 13.0% or US\$16.3 million to a record US\$140.97 million vs US\$124.71 million in Q3 2022. Included in this figure is the fair value investment of US\$25.33 million in the Puerto Rico Credit Fund (Q3 2022: US\$23.51 million), which is not consolidated all the way up to SCI based on the assessment of control. Portfolio Company investments included finance lease receivables carried on the balance sheet. The Group’s investment in Portfolio Companies, excluding the PRCF, grew by 14.3% or US\$14.44 million to a record US\$115.64 million vs US\$101.20 million last year. The number of Portfolio Company investments excluding the PRCF, grew by 16.7% or 5 PCIs to 35 versus 30 last year. Relative to FYE Jun 2022, 5 new Portfolio Company investments were added.

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	Q3 Mar 2023	Q3 Mar 2022	FYE Jun 2022
Summary of Investment Activity	US\$	US\$	US\$
Fair Value of Investment in Portfolio Companies	140,971,561	124,706,891	122,509,031
Excluding PRCF	115,643,948	101,199,607	98,349,856
New Investments Commitments During Period	18,382,693	35,223,591	49,221,591
Dry Powder to be Deployed*	3,710,510	3,646,803	8,470,884
Number of Portfolio Company Investments(#)	35	30	30
Average Investment per Portfolio Company	3,304,113	3,373,320	3,278,329
Weighted Average Term of Portfolio Company Investments(Years)	1.5	1.5	1.8
Weighted Average Fair Value Yield on Portfolio Companies	14.50%	13.00%	13.30%
Non-Performing Portfolio Company Investments(NPI)	2	3	2
Non-performing Investments Ratio	1.50%	4.90%	2.30%
All the calculated metrics exclude investment in Puerto Rico Credit Fund (PRCF) of US\$25.33 on the balance sheet PRCF represents SCI's 93.7% ownership in the Puerto Rico Credit Fund *Does not include Note raises			

Portfolio Company Investment Commitments and Origination

SCI financed new investment commitments valued at US\$18.38 million as at Q3 2023 vs US\$35.22 million as at Q3 2022. It should be noted that US\$21.22 million was spent to acquire a 93.7% stake in Acrecent Financial Corporation (“AFC”) during the Q3 2022 period, as such, deployment to private credit investments totaled US\$14.00 million on a comparative basis. The deployment during the Q3 2023 period was primarily driven by disbursements via the expanded regional inventory and receivables financing program, which had drawdowns of US\$4.00 million during the quarter. In Puerto Rico, AFC had investment commitments of US\$21.22 million across 15 transactions during the quarter. Overall, the private credit business continues to see robust and increasing demand for flexible debt capital as interest rates continue to rise, amid a full return to pre-COVID-19 economic activity across multiple Caribbean territories.

Weighted Average Investment Tenor and Investment Yield

At the end of Q3 2023, the weighted average tenor of Portfolio Company investments remained at 1.5 years when compared to the corresponding period last year. The weighted average fair value yield on Portfolio Companies increased to 14.5% vs 13.0% last year. SCI’s investment yield is expected to continue benefitting from the current rising interest rate environment through its ability to reprice higher, given the short tenor of its investment portfolio.

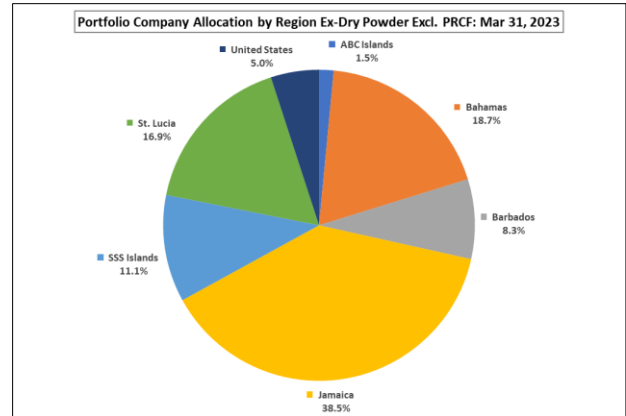
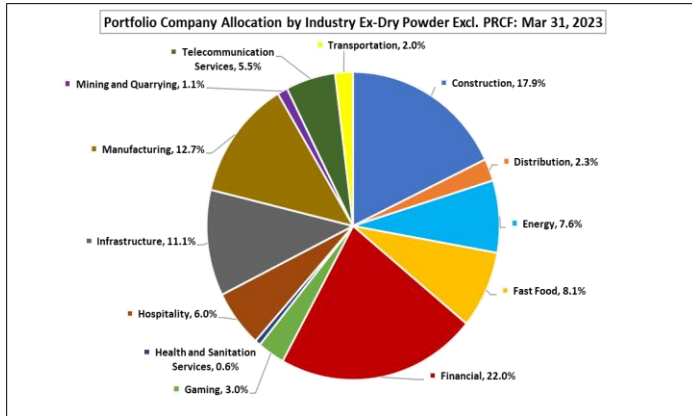
Non-performing Investments (NPI) Ratio

SCI’s non-performing investment ratio for Q3 2023 was 1.5% of its total private credit investment portfolio vs 4.9% for Q3 2022. Last year’s NPI included the Portfolio Company in the Cayman Islands which was subsequently charged-off at the FYE Jun 2022. The NPI target threshold limit is 5.0%.

Note: SCI has US\$1.00 million in exposure to a Portfolio Company that declared bankruptcy during the FYE Jun 2021, which is included as part of the US\$2.30 million in non-performing investments that generated the 1.5% NPI. However, SCI’s investments, though unsecured from the standpoint of the Portfolio Company, were structured with an external guarantee supported by a charge over real estate assets. Notwithstanding its external collateral, SCI continues to pursue its claim against the Portfolio Company resulting from the sale of its underlying assets.

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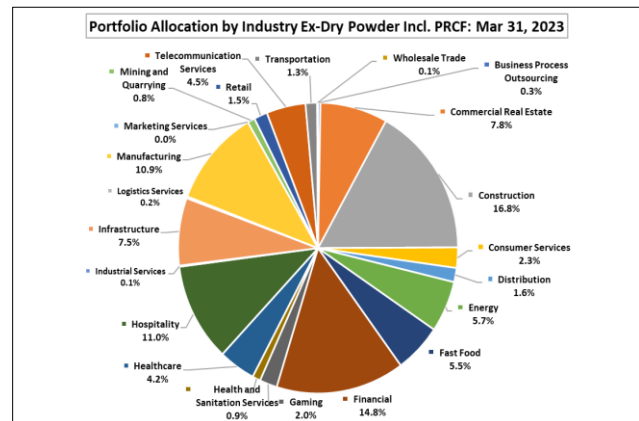
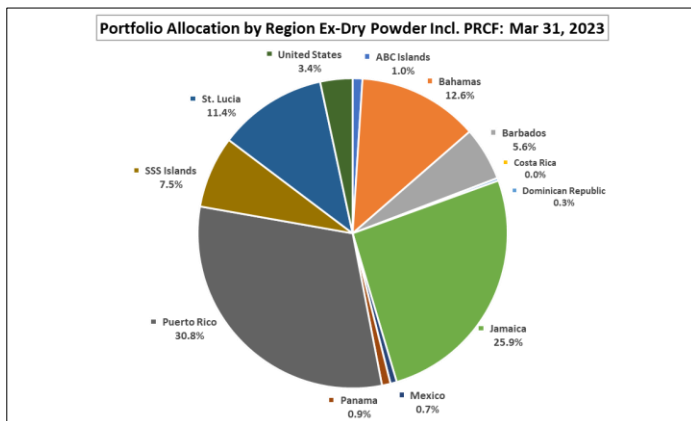
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Allocation by Industry and Region

Portfolio Companies were diversified across a record 13 industries and 7 territories including the United States, which represents a holding company for a Caribbean asset. The largest industries were Financial (22.0%), Construction (17.9%) and Manufacturing (12.7%). The largest regions were represented by Jamaica (38.5%), the Bahamas (18.7%) and St. Lucia (16.9%).

When considering exposures derived through SCI’s investment in the PRCF, Portfolio Companies were diversified across 22 industries, and 12 territories. Construction (16.8%), Financial (14.8%), and Hospitality (11.0%) were the largest industry allocations, while Puerto Rico (30.8%), Jamaica (25.9%) and St. Lucia (11.4%) accounted for the largest territory allocations. Note that investments from Costa Rica, Panama, the Dominican Republic and Mexico represented legacy assets that were “ring-fenced” during the AFC acquisition and are in the process of being closed.



Liquidity and Capital Resources

Dry powder on the Company’s balance sheet was US\$3.71 million, comprising short term instruments and cash. The dry powder reflects monies raised during the quarter from an ongoing issuance of a US\$15.00 million short-term note, of which US\$5.80 million was closed. SCI has advanced the discussions with its international financing partners to gain access to substantial credit facilities. These financing partners are continuing their due diligence process and working through various potential financing structures. In addition, to maintain its capital mix and finance the Jamaican origination pipeline part of its business, the Group intends to launch a capital raise very shortly, which may take the form of redeemable preference shares.

Combined, the proceeds of these capital raises will be used to scale SCI’s growth across the Caribbean region, including deployment into new territories and industries, given the robust demand for flexible debt capital.

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Balance Sheet Summary

	Q3 Mar 2023	Q3 Mar 2022	FYE June 2022
Summary Balance Sheet Information	US\$	US\$	US\$
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,710,510	3,646,803	8,470,884
Repurchase Agreements	-	-	-
Un-deployed Cash / Dry Powder	3,710,510	3,646,803	8,470,884
Investments in Private Credit Fund	25,327,614	-	24,159,175
Investments Measured at FV through P&L	23,814,319	23,507,284	25,856,260
Investments Measured at Amortised Cost	91,475,672	23,281,904	70,892,544
Finance Lease Measured at Amortised Cost	353,956	76,106,966	1,601,052
Investment in Portfolio Companies	115,643,948	101,199,606	98,349,856
Total Investments in Portfolio Companies	140,971,561	124,706,890	122,509,031
	144,682,071	128,353,693	130,979,915
Other Assets:			
Investment Income Receivable	4,646,884	4,622,264	3,675,584
Other Receivables	684,748	517,125	525,090
Due From Related Parties	1,612,232	1,562,970	1,612,232
Deferred Tax Asset	1,146	-	1,146
Total Assets	151,627,081	135,056,052	136,793,967
Share Capital	60,883,532	60,883,532	60,883,532
Retained Earnings	8,317,353	5,587,350	6,578,937
Total Shareholder's Equity	69,200,885	66,470,882	67,462,469

At the end of Q3 2023, SCI had US\$151.63 million in total assets, an increase of US\$16.57 million or 12.3% over the similar period last year. This was mainly comprised of US\$140.97 million in private credit investments including US\$25.33 million in the Puerto Rico Credit Fund, US\$23.81 million in investments measured at fair value through profit and loss, US\$91.48 million in investment measured at amortized cost and US\$354.0 thousand in finance leases measured at amortized cost. Total shareholders' equity increased by US\$2.73 million or 4.1% to US\$69.20 million. SCI's debt to equity was 1.00x, below management's target threshold of 1.25x and below a limit of 2.00x, while debt to total assets was 0.46x, which is below the threshold level of 0.50x. Both ratios were

reflective of a lowly leveraged balance sheet in keeping with global best practices for private credit companies. The balance sheet was further enhanced by an asset coverage ratio of 1.89x, which was above the minimum target threshold level of 1.50x, again in keeping with global standards.

Covid-19 Impact and Risk Management

The Caribbean region continues to feel the aftereffects of the global COVID-19 pandemic, with varying degrees of impact on the economies in which SCI's Portfolio Companies operate. However, most Caribbean territories in which SCI is invested have shown significant economic recovery from the unprecedented depths of the pandemic-induced lockdowns with increasing airlift, cruise ships calling on regional ports, and complete removal of emergency restrictions on movement. The risks of the COVID-19 pandemic have now been replaced with the uncertainty of higher inflation and risks to economic growth of rising interest rates, as central banks across the world and indeed the Caribbean region, race to prevent the second-round effects of inflation. As observed throughout the past two decades, and multiple financial crises, the private credit asset class, with its low leverage relative to other traditional financing firms, has thrived most during uncertain economic environments, as the demand for flexible capital by middle-market companies increases substantially during these periods. While the assessment of the overall impact of COVID-19 and the emerging threat of higher inflation and higher interest rates is ongoing, SCI continues to rely on the deep knowledge, experienced team and proven investment philosophy that has been developed by its Investment Manager.

SCI remains unwavering in its commitment to achieve three key priorities, namely:

- proactively managing the risk of its private credit portfolio, that is, minimizing "realized" credit losses and charge-offs, versus "expected credit losses", as the latter will fluctuate based on market conditions, but the former is permanent loss of shareholder value.
- maintaining a strong balance sheet with a high asset coverage ratio and moderate leverage.
- deepening current partnerships and building new relationships across the Caribbean and with international financing partners, to scale the growth and expansion of its Caribbean private credit platform.

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 Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
 March 31, 2023

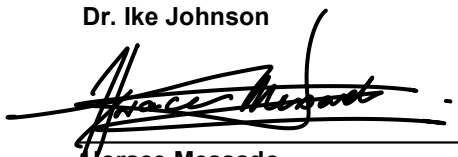
(Expressed in United States Dollars)

	Unaudited 31-Mar-23 \$	Unaudited 31-Mar-22 \$	Audited 30-Jun-22 \$
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,710,510	3,124,997	8,470,884
Certificates of deposit	-	521,806	-
Interest receivable	4,646,884	4,622,264	3,675,584
Other receivables	684,748	517,125	525,090
Due from related parties	1,612,232	1,562,970	1,612,232
Lease receivables	353,956	1,810,736	1,601,052
Investments	140,617,605	122,896,118	120,907,979
Deferred tax assets	1,146	-	1,146
	<u>151,627,081</u>	<u>135,056,016</u>	<u>136,793,967</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,997,594	3,638,906	3,958,088
Due to related parties	310,201	531,026	241,973
Dividends payable	1,427,263	1,860,098	388,885
Interest payable	326,831	227,748	231,492
Taxation payable	200,646	22,816	73,951
Deferred tax liability	-	9,755	-
Notes payable	69,379,896	59,345,338	60,285,928
Preference shares	4,953,341	-	1,147,609
Loans and borrowings	3,830,424	2,949,447	3,003,572
	<u>82,426,196</u>	<u>68,585,134</u>	<u>69,331,498</u>
EQUITY			
Share capital	60,883,532	60,883,532	60,883,532
Retained earnings	8,317,353	5,587,350	6,578,937
	<u>69,200,885</u>	<u>66,470,882</u>	<u>67,462,469</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>151,627,081</u>	<u>135,056,016</u>	<u>136,793,967</u>



Director

Dr. Ike Johnson



Director

Horace Messado

SYGNUS CREDIT INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
Nine Months ended March 31, 2023
(Expressed in United States Dollars)

	Unaudited Three months ended 31-Mar-23 \$	Unaudited Three months ended 31-Mar-22 \$	Unaudited Nine months ended 31-Mar-23 \$	Unaudited Nine months ended 31-Mar-22 \$	Unaudited Year Ended 30-Jun-22 \$
Income					
Interest income calculated using the effective interest method	3,124,335	2,542,078	9,114,880	7,243,935	10,217,443
Interest expense	<u>(1,504,157)</u>	<u>(920,352)</u>	<u>(4,133,156)</u>	<u>(1,939,596)</u>	<u>(3,112,690)</u>
Fair value gain on investments	1,620,178	1,621,726	4,981,724	5,304,339	7,104,753
Fair value adjustment on contingent consideration payable	591,072	295,875	2,077,746	669,023	4,069,942
Other income	-	-	-	-	(92,580)
	130,495	5,000	164,097	18,055	42,697
	<u>2,341,745</u>	<u>1,922,601</u>	<u>7,223,567</u>	<u>5,991,417</u>	<u>11,124,812</u>
Expenses					
Management fees	588,330	515,479	1,715,175	1,402,966	1,933,561
Performance fees	-	-	-	50,939	50,939
Corporate service fees	108,519	85,518	312,390	240,101	336,363
Net foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(13,302)	288,562	(6,538)	325,586	405,221
Impairment allowance on financial assets	13,518	521,404	34,113	647,436	3,820,134
Other expenses	125,315	140,972	675,553	460,750	659,117
	<u>822,380</u>	<u>1,551,935</u>	<u>2,730,693</u>	<u>3,127,778</u>	<u>7,205,335</u>
Profit before taxation	1,519,365	370,666	4,492,874	2,863,639	3,919,477
Taxation	(89,391)	-	(207,354)	(32,122)	(96,373)
Profit for the period, being total comprehensive income	<u>1,429,974</u>	<u>370,666</u>	<u>4,285,520</u>	<u>2,831,517</u>	<u>3,823,104</u>
Basic earnings per stock unit (cents)	<u>0.24</u>	<u>0.06</u>	<u>0.73</u>	<u>0.48</u>	<u>0.65</u>
Diluted earnings per stock unit (cents)	<u>0.23</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.68</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.65</u>

SYGNUS CREDIT INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity
Nine Months ended March 31, 2023
(Expressed in United States Dollars)

	Share capital \$	Retained earnings \$	Total \$
Balance as at 30 June 2021	60,883,532	5,852,544	66,736,076
Profit, being total comprehensive income for the period	-	2,831,517	2,831,517
Transaction with owners			
Dividends declared	-	(3,096,711)	(3,096,711)
Balance as at 31 March 2022	<u>60,883,532</u>	<u>5,587,350</u>	<u>66,470,882</u>
Balance as at 30 June 2022	60,883,532	6,578,937	67,462,469
Profit, being total comprehensive income for the period	-	4,285,520	4,285,520
Transaction with owners			
Dividends declared	-	(2,547,104)	(2,547,104)
Balance as at 31 March 2023	<u>60,883,532</u>	<u>8,317,353</u>	<u>69,200,885</u>

SYGNUS CREDIT INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Nine Months ended March 31, 2023

(Expressed in United States Dollars)

	Unaudited Nine months ended 31-Mar-23 \$	Unaudited Nine months ended 31-Mar-22 \$	Audited Year ended 30-Jun-22 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the period	4,285,520	2,831,517	3,823,104
Adjustments for:			
Interest income	(9,114,880)	(7,243,935)	(10,217,443)
Interest expense	4,133,156	1,939,596	3,112,690
Impairment allowance on financial assets	34,113	647,436	3,820,134
Taxation	207,354	32,122	96,373
Amortisation of transaction costs on issued notes	571,829	363,213	546,006
Fair value gains	(2,077,746)	(669,023)	(3,977,362)
	<u>(1,960,654)</u>	<u>(2,099,074)</u>	<u>(2,796,498)</u>
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Other receivables	(159,658)	(319,896)	(327,861)
Due from related parties	-	(949,575)	(998,837)
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities	(1,960,494)	484,604	2,690,638
Due to related parties	68,228	20,379	(268,674)
	<u>(4,012,578)</u>	<u>(2,863,562)</u>	<u>(1,701,232)</u>
Taxation paid	(80,659)	(1,899)	(25,916)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(4,093,237)</u>	<u>(2,865,461)</u>	<u>(1,727,148)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of investments	(24,419,598)	(52,506,320)	(63,089,089)
Encashment of investments	6,753,605	11,599,810	23,437,610
Lease receivables	1,247,096	476,347	686,031
Purchase of securities purchased under resale agreements	-	(800,000)	(800,000)
Encashment of securities purchased under resale agreements	-	800,000	800,000
Interest income received	8,143,580	5,854,625	9,278,516
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(8,275,317)</u>	<u>(34,575,538)</u>	<u>(29,686,932)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Dividends paid	(1,508,726)	(1,484,195)	(2,955,408)
Preference shares	3,805,732	-	1,147,609
Notes payable	8,522,139	44,312,100	45,069,897
Loans and borrowings	826,852	(1,528,590)	(1,474,465)
Interest paid	(4,037,817)	(1,762,710)	(2,932,060)
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>7,608,180</u>	<u>39,536,605</u>	<u>38,855,573</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	<u>(4,760,374)</u>	<u>2,095,606</u>	<u>7,441,493</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	<u>8,470,884</u>	<u>1,029,391</u>	<u>1,029,391</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u><u>3,710,510</u></u>	<u><u>3,124,997</u></u>	<u><u>8,470,884</u></u>

1. Identification

Sygnus Credit Investments Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in Saint Lucia on January 13, 2017 under the International Business Companies Act as an International Business Company (“IBC”). The Company is domiciled in Saint Lucia with its registered office at McNamara Corporate Services Inc., 20 Micoud Street, Castries, Saint Lucia.

The Company is the largest publicly listed specialty private credit investment company in the Caribbean, dedicated to providing alternative financing to middle-market businesses (“Portfolio Companies”) across the Caribbean region. Non-traditional forms of credit are more customized and flexible than traditional financing. Consequently, the Company offers an alternative channel through which middle-market firms can access capital to drive their expansion.

The investment objective of the Company is to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns with an emphasis on principal protection, by generating current income, and to a lesser extent capital appreciation, through investments primarily in Portfolio Companies using private credit instruments.

The Company invests primarily in private credit instruments including bilateral notes and bonds, preference shares, asset-backed debt, mezzanine debt, convertible debt and other forms of structured private credit instruments. These forms of financing are typically more aligned with the growth and expansion plans of Portfolio Companies.

The investment assets of the Company are managed by its Investment Manager, Sygnus Capital Limited (“SCL”), a related company incorporated in Jamaica. SCL is a licensed securities dealer, regulated by the Financial Services Commission in Jamaica.

The Company has the following subsidiaries, which together with the Company are collectively referred to as “the Group” in these condensed financial statements:

<u>Subsidiary</u>	<u>Country of Incorporation</u>	<u>Principal Activities</u>	<u>Percentage Ownership</u>
Sygnus Credit Investments Jamaica Limited	Jamaica	Finance raising	100%
SCI PR Holdings Limited	Saint Lucia	Holding company	100%
SCI PR Inc.	Puerto Rico	Holding company	100%

SCI PR Inc holds a 93.66% membership interest in Sygnus Credit Investments Puerto Rico Fund LLC (SCIPRF or Fund), who is the ultimate parent of Acrecent Financial Corporation (AFC). The membership interest held in SCIPRF is not consolidated and is reflected as an equity investment in the Group’s financial statements, as it was determined under *IFRS 10, Consolidated Financial Statements* that SCI PR Inc does not have power over the relevant activities of this Fund.

2. Statement of compliance and basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended December 31, 2022 have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2022. They do not include all of the information required for a complete set of financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the Group's financial position and performance since its last audited financial statements. The significant accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022 which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

New standards effective in the current year

There are new standards and amendments to published standards that came into effect during the current financial year. No significant impact to the interim consolidated financial statements has been determined from the adoption of these standards.

(b) Basis of preparation

The interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments which are measured at fair value. All financial information has been presented in United States dollars, which is the functional currency of the Group.

3. Significant accounting policies

(a) Basis of consolidation

The interim consolidated financial statements include the assets, liabilities and results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries presented as a single economic entity. Balances and transactions between companies within the Group, and any unrealized gains and losses arising from those transactions, are eliminated.

(b) Securities purchased under resale agreements

Securities purchased under resale agreements are short-term transactions whereby securities are bought with simultaneous agreements to resell the securities on a specified date at a specified price. Resale agreements are accounted for as short-term collateralized lending and measured at amortised cost.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one enterprise and a financial liability or equity instrument of another enterprise.

(i) Classification and measurement

The classification of financial assets is determined based on the business model under which the financial asset is held, as well as the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. In applying IFRS 9, the Group classified its financial assets as fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) or amortised cost.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both the following conditions and is not designated as FVPTL:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding (SPPI).

(ii) Impairment

The Group recognizes allowances for expected losses (ECLs) on the financial instruments measured at amortised cost. Under IFRS 9, there is a 'three-stage' model for impairment based on changes in credit quality since initial recognition:

Stage 1 - financial instruments that are not credit impaired are included in Stage 1. The ECL is measured at an amount equal to the expected credit losses that result from default events possible within the next 12 months.

Stage 2 - when there is a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, but the financial instrument is not considered to be in default, it is included in Stage 2. This requires the computation of ECL based on the probability of default over the remaining estimated life of the financial instrument.

Stage 3 - a financial asset is credit impaired and included in Stage 3 when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial instrument has occurred. Similar to Stage 2, the allowance for credit losses captures the lifetime expected credit losses.

4. Net foreign exchange gains and losses

The Group incurs foreign currency risk on transactions that are denominated in currencies other than the United States dollar. The currency giving rise to this risk is the Jamaica dollar and for the nine months ended March 31, 2023 an overall net foreign exchange gain was incurred by the Group.

The average foreign exchange rate moved from J\$150.5441 to US\$1 as at the financial year ended June 30, 2022 to J\$150.4386 to US\$1 as at March 31, 2023.

5. Dividends

On February 21, 2023 the Board of Directors approved the payment of an interim dividend of US\$0.00169 per share amounting to \$998,748 which was paid on April 5, 2023 to shareholders on record as at March 23, 2023. For the nine-month period ended March 31, 2023 total dividend declared was \$2,547,104 (2022: US\$3,096,711) and the dividend per share was US\$0.00431 (2022: US\$0.00524 per share).

6. Earnings per share

Earnings per stock unit is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to stockholders, by the weighted average number of ordinary stock units in issue. Diluted earnings per stock unit reflects the impact of convertible preference shares. The Group did not have any instrument that had a dilutive effect on its basic earnings per share in the prior year.

	2023		2022
	Basic	Diluted	Basic
Net profit attributable to stockholders of the parent (\$)	4,285,520	4,285,520	2,831,517
Weighted average number of ordinary stock units in issue ('000)	590,975	627,954	590,975
Earnings per stock unit (¢)	0.73	0.68	0.48

7. Notes payable

This balance represents secured and unsecured J\$ and US\$ fixed rate debt issued in tranches and bearing interest rates ranging from 5.00% to 9.25% per annum, payable on a quarterly basis. The notes currently mature between May 2023 and October 2026.

8. Loans and borrowings

This represents net borrowings which include bank credit lines.

9. Related party transactions

Investment management services are provided to the Group under a separate Investment Management Agreement, for which management and performance fees of \$1,715,175 (2022: \$1,402,966) and \$NIL (2022: \$50,939) respectively, were expensed over the period.

Corporate and accounting services are also provided to the Group under a governing Corporate Services Agreement. An amount totaling \$312,390 (2022: \$240,101) has been expensed in respect of services that have been provided under this agreement.

10. Impact assessment of Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Management continues to evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on financial performance, primarily in the assessment of security values and the probability of default in performing expected credit loss calculations. Most Caribbean territories in which the Group has investments have shown significant economic recovery with increasing airlift, cruise ships calling on regional ports and complete easing of restrictions on movement. The Group continues to maintain a well-diversified portfolio of investments that is expected to cushion any lingering impact of the crisis. Management continues to monitor the turn of events closely, and remains committed to implementing the necessary strategic actions to mitigate any effect on business activities.

Sygnus Credit Investments Limited
Unaudited Results for the 9 Months Ended March 31, 2023

Top Ten Shareholders			
No	Shareholders	Shareholdings	% Holdings
1	ATL GROUP PENSION FUND TRUSTEES NOMINEE LTD	27,271,991	4.6%
2	SJIML A/C 3119	25,425,700	4.3%
3	JCSD TRUSTEE SERVICES LTD - SIGMA EQUITY	21,977,915	3.7%
4	NATIONAL INSURANCE FUND	20,000,000	3.4%
5	JMMB Fund Managers Ltd T1 - Equities Fund	19,460,000	3.3%
6	Wildelle Limited	18,199,900	3.1%
7	MF&G Trust & Finance Ltd	13,035,000	2.2%
8	Sagicor Pooled Equity Fund	12,729,600	2.2%
9	Heart Trust/ NTA Pension Scheme	10,801,500	1.8%
10	Sagicor Equity Fund	10,735,900	1.8%
	Subtotal	179,637,506	30.4%
	Total	590,975,463	100.0%

Shareholdings of Directors, Senior Managers & Connected Parties				
No	Director	Shareholdings	Connected Parties	% Holdings
1	Ian Williams	998,835	Ladesa Williams Zane Williams	0.17%
2	Hope Fisher	0	N/A	0.00%
3	Damian Chin	0	N/A	0.00%
4	Peter Thompson	0	N/A	0.00%
5	Dr Ike J. Johnson	95,300	N/A	0.02%
6	Linval Freeman	200,000	Donna Freeman Kristifer Freeman Kimberly Freeman	0.03%
7	Horace Messado	633,884	Lisa-Gaye Camille Messado	0.11%
	Subtotal	1,928,019	N/A	0.33%
Shareholdings of Connected Parties				
1	Sygnus Capital Group Limited	6,581,100	Dr Ike J Johnson	1.11%
	Total	590,975,463	N/A	100.00%