

Fintech Beforepay Releases Profitable Half Year Results to 31 December 2023

Beforepay delivers first half-year profit of \$2.2m and half-yearly revenues of \$17.6m; announces new growth initiatives

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-- Beforepay Group Limited (Beforepay or the Company) (ASX: B4P) has released its results for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 (H1 FY24).

Beforepay achieved profitability and significant improvement across <u>key</u> metrics in H1 FY24.



Beforepay (ASX:B4P) has been named 2023 Ethical Lender of the Year by Pan Finance.

Highlights include:



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Jamie Twiss, CEO of Beforepay

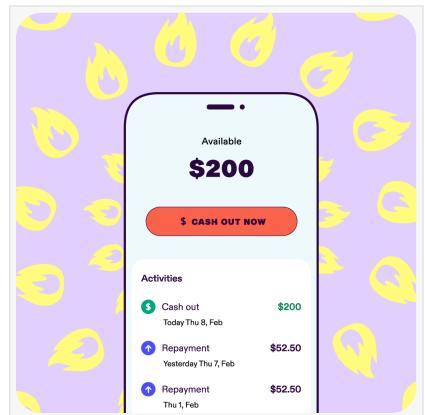
- Beforepay achieved an audited H1 FY24 net profit before tax (NPBT) of \$2.2m and earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation (EBITDA) of \$4.2m (unaudited).
- Advances of \$358.6m, up 18% on H1 FY23 (year-on-year or YoY).
- Net defaults % improved to 1.3%, down by almost half from 2.3% in H1 FY23.
- Beforepay revenue increased by 21% YoY to \$17.6m from \$14.6m in H1 FY23.
- Net transaction margin (NTM) of \$10.1m, up 99% YoY

from \$5.1m in H1 FY23, driven by growth in advance volume and the lower level of defaults.

- Customer acquisition cost (CAC) of new users declined 48% YoY to \$31.
- Operating expenses (marketing and overheads) declined 27% YoY on H1 FY23, to \$7.7m.
- Continued balance sheet strength with unrestricted cash on hand of \$18.9m and an equity position of \$29.7m. Beforepay continues to carry no debt at the operating-company level, only

debt to finance receivables.

- We intend to launch a new, separately branded business line to provide the Company's lending technology and Alpowered risk models to partners such as offshore banks. The Company also intends to launch new lending products with larger maximum limits and longer durations.
- As previously announced, Beforepay has signed a new 3-year receivables debt facility agreement for \$55.0m with Balmain Group and Longreach Credit Investors (each defined below) as lenders, to extend and expand the existing debt facility and to support continued growth in our loan book.
- Beforepay was awarded both the Ethical Lender of the Year 2023 by Wealth and Finance International and the Best App-Based Lending Company 2023 Australia in the APAC Business Awards 2023.



Beforepay provides eligible customers with access to advances of up to \$2000 for a 5% fixed transaction fee, with no interest or late fees.

Beforepay CEO Jamie Twiss said, "Beforepay has achieved profitability, with a half-yearly audited profit of \$2.2 million. This outcome has been driven by consistent execution of our strategy, including continued top-line growth, tightly controlled costs, and strong default outcomes, and we continue to support more customers than ever with a safe, affordable alternative to revolving debt. Our achievement of profitability and our continued balance-sheet strength, with more than \$18 million of unrestricted cash, now enables us to launch additional growth initiatives. I'm excited for our forthcoming launch of a new business line to provide our Al-powered risk models as well as our automated lending platform to partners, as well as new lending products."

About Beforepay

Beforepay is an ethical-lending fintech that was founded in 2019 to support working Australians who have not been well-served by the traditional financial services industry. Beforepay's <u>flagship</u> <u>pay advance product</u> is a safe and affordable way for customers to access a portion of their pay, on demand, for a single fixed fee to help them through short-term cash-flow challenges.

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