

Appendix 4B (equity accounted)

Preliminary final report

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Name of entity

ADELAIDE BRIGHTON LTD

ACN, ARBN or ARSN

007 596 018

Half yearly
(tick)

Preliminary
final (tick)

Financial year ended ('current period')

30 JUNE 1999

Equity accounted results for announcement to the market

Extracts from this report for announcement to the market (see note 1).

\$A'000

Sales (or equivalent operating) revenue (<i>item 1.1</i>)	down	1%	to	313,565
Abnormal items after tax attributable to members (<i>item 2.5</i>)	(loss) of			(49,394)
+Operating profit (loss) after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members (<i>item 1.26</i>)				(37,662)
+Operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members (<i>item 1.10</i>)				(37,914)
Extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (<i>item 1.13</i>)	gain (loss) of			N/A
+Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (<i>item 1.16</i>)	down		to	(37,914)
Dividends (distributions)		Amount per security		Franked amount per security at 36% tax
Final dividend (<i>Preliminary final report only - item 15.4</i>)		NIL		NIL
Interim dividend (<i>Half yearly report only - item 15.6</i>)				
Previous corresponding period (<i>Preliminary final report - item 15.5; half yearly report - item 15.7</i>)		2.5¢		0.5¢
+Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) (<i>see item 15.2</i>)		N/A		
Brief explanation of omission of directional and percentage changes to profit in accordance with Note 1 and short details of any bonus or cash issue or other item(s) of importance not previously released to the market:				

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Consolidated profit and loss account

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.1 Sales (or equivalent operating) revenue	313,565	318,225
1.2 Share of associates' "net profit (loss) attributable to members" (equal to item 16.7)	7,985	9,413
1.3 Other revenue	4,893	37,942
Total Revenue	326,443	365,580
1.4 *Operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax	20,462	24,306
1.5 Abnormal items before tax (detail in item 2.4)	(106,096)	2,874
1.6 +Operating profit (loss) before tax (items 1.4 + 1.5)	(85,634)	27,180
1.7 Less tax	(15,565)	3,668
1.8 +Operating profit (loss) after tax but before outside +equity interests	(70,069)	23,512
1.9 Less outside +equity interests	(32,155)	11,242
1.10 *Operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members	(37,914)	12,270
1.11 Extraordinary items after tax (detail in item 2.6)	-	-
1.12 Less outside +equity interests	-	-
1.13 Extraordinary items after tax attributable to members	-	-
1.14 Total +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax (items 1.8 + 1.11)	(70,069)	23,512
1.15 +Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to outside +equity interests (items 1.9 + 1.12)	(32,155)	11,242
1.16 +Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (items 1.10 + 1.13)	(37,914)	12,270
1.17 Retained profits (accumulated losses) at beginning of financial period	(32,477)	(41,523)
1.18 If change in accounting policy as set out in clause 11 of AASB 1018 Profit and Loss Accounts, adjustments as required by that clause (include brief description)	(5,935)	-
1.19 Aggregate of amounts transferred from reserves	306	4,641
1.20 Total available for appropriation (<i>carried forward</i>)	(76,020)	(24,612)

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1.20	Total available for appropriation (<i>brought forward</i>)	(76,020)	(24,612)
1.21	Dividends provided for or paid	-	(7,865)
1.22	Aggregate of amounts transferred to reserves	-	-
1.23	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at end of financial period	(76,020)	(32,477)

Profit restated to exclude amortisation of goodwill		Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000
1.24	+Operating profit (loss) after tax before outside equity interests (items 1.8) and amortisation of goodwill	(69,635)	23,897
1.25	Less (plus) outside +equity interests	(31,973)	11,424
1.26	+Operating profit (loss) after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members	(37,662)	12,473

Intangible, abnormal and extraordinary items		<i>Consolidated - current period</i>			
		Before tax \$A'000	Related tax \$A'000	Related outside +equity interests \$A'000	Amount (after tax) attributable to members \$A'000
2.1	Amortisation of goodwill	434	-	182	252
2.2	Amortisation of other intangibles	325	-	17	308
2.3	Total amortisation of intangibles	759	-	199	560
2.4	Abnormal items				
	Settlement of legal claim	(3,532)	-	-	(3,532)
	Rationalisation costs	(101,544)	19,511	37,191	(44,842)
	Workers Compensation	(1,020)	-	-	(1,020)
2.5	Total abnormal items	(106,096)	19,511	37,191	(49,394)
2.6	Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-
2.7	Total extraordinary items	-	-	-	-

Comparison of half year profits <i>(Preliminary final report only)</i>		Current year - \$A'000	Previous year - \$A'000
3.1	Consolidated +operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members reported for the 1st half year (item 1.10 in the half yearly report)	(2,924)	5,538

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3.2	Consolidated +operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members for the <i>2nd</i> half year	(34,990)	6,732
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Consolidated balance sheet <i>(See note 5)</i>		At end of current period \$A'000	As shown in last annual report \$A'000	As in last half yearly report \$A'000
Current assets				
4.1	Cash	14,532	9,290	5,067
4.2	Receivables	84,100	59,559	59,697
4.3	Investments	-	-	-
4.4	Inventories	49,628	43,405	39,308
4.5	Other (provide details if material)	5,724	4,919	5,493
4.6	Total current assets	153,984	117,173	109,565
Non-current assets				
4.7	Receivables	15,266	14,445	14,972
4.8	Investments in associates	33,338	62,505	62,505
4.9	Other investments	10	20	30
4.10	Inventories	-	-	-
4.11	Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised (see para .71 of AASB 1022)	-	-	-
4.12	Development properties (*mining entities)	-	-	-
4.13	Other property, plant and equipment (net)	527,567	405,419	396,021
4.14	Intangibles (net)	163,929	12,513	12,097
4.15	Other (provide details if material)	31,485	23,441	26,973
4.16	Total non-current assets	771,595	518,343	512,598
4.17	Total assets	925,579	635,516	622,163
Current liabilities				
4.18	Accounts payable	49,542	42,385	28,582
4.19	Borrowings	9,911	1,544	7,785
4.20	Provisions	26,642	25,614	30,336
4.21	Other (provide details if material)	-	-	-
4.22	Total current liabilities	86,095	69,543	66,703
Non-current liabilities				
4.23	Accounts payable	-	-	-
4.24	Borrowings	309,465	208,411	207,222
4.25	Provisions	103,834	59,240	61,638
4.26	Other (provide details if material)	-	-	-
4.27	Total non-current liabilities	413,299	267,651	268,860
4.28	Total liabilities	499,394	337,194	335,563

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4.29	Net assets	426,185	298,322	286,600
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Consolidated balance sheet continued

Equity				
4.30	Capital	467,745	78,719	161,244
4.31	Reserves	31,478	140,058	57,560
4.32	Retained profits (accumulated losses)	(76,020)	(32,477)	(35,401)
4.33	Equity attributable to members of the parent entity	423,203	186,300	183,403
4.34	Outside +equity interests in controlled entities	2,982	112,022	103,197
4.35	Total equity	426,185	298,322	286,600
4.36	Preference capital included as part of 4.33	-	-	-

Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised

To be completed only by entities with mining interests if amounts are material. Include all expenditure incurred regardless of whether written off directly against profit.

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
5.1	Opening balance	
5.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	
5.3	Expenditure written off during current period	
5.4	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.	
5.5	Expenditure transferred to Development Properties	
5.6	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.11)	NIL

Development properties

(To be completed only by entities with mining interests if amounts are material)

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
6.1	Opening balance	
6.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	
6.3	Expenditure transferred from exploration and evaluation	
6.4	Expenditure written off during current period	
6.5	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.	
6.6	Expenditure transferred to mine properties	
6.7	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.12)	NIL

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Consolidated statement of cash flows

(See note 6)

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
Cash flows related to operating activities		
7.1 Receipts from customers	307,541	325,742
7.2 Payments to suppliers and employees	(271,172)	(274,549)
7.3 Dividends received from associates	2,277	2,365
7.4 Other dividends received	-	-
7.5 Interest and other items of similar nature received	791	893
7.6 Interest and other costs of finance paid	(17,009)	(16,446)
7.7 Income taxes paid/refund	979	(4,596)
7.8 Other (provide details if material)	5,186	4,769
7.9 Net operating cash flows	28,593	38,178
Cash flows related to investing activities		
7.10 Payment for purchases of property, plant and equipment	(8,374)	(47,569)
7.11 Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	1,535	33,536
7.12 Payment for purchases of equity investments	(1,012)	(5,291)
7.13 Proceeds from sale of equity investments	-	58,546
7.14 Loans to other entities	-	(123)
7.15 Loans repaid by other entities	600	2,149
7.16 Other (provide details if material)	(2,365)	(4,114)
7.17 Net investing cash flows	(9,616)	37,134
Cash flows related to financing activities		
7.18 Proceeds from issues of +securities (shares, options, etc.)*	76,502	-
7.19 Proceeds from borrowings	15,692	21,022
7.20 Repayment of borrowings	(23,200)	(87,769)
7.21 Dividends paid	(11,076)	(12,334)
7.22 Other (provide details if material)**	(81,559)	4,142
7.23 Net financing cash flows	(23,641)	(74,939)
7.24 Net increase (decrease) in cash held	(4,664)	373
7.25 Cash at beginning of period (see Reconciliation of cash)	8,946	4,005
Cash balances acquired	9,184	4,080
7.26 Exchange rate adjustments to item 7.25.	155	488
7.27 Cash at end of period (see Reconciliation of cash)	13,621	8,946

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- * On 30 June 1999, 55,962,839 shares were issued for consideration of \$76,502,000 (net of associated costs)
- ** At 30 June 1999, Adelaide Brighton Cement bought back 49% of its issued capital for \$82,860,000.

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Non-cash financing and investing activities

Details of financing and investing transactions which have had a material effect on consolidated assets and liabilities but did not involve cash flows are as follows. If an amount is quantified, show comparative amount.

NIL

Reconciliation of cash

Reconciliation of cash at the end of the period (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts is as follows.	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
8.1 Cash on hand and at bank	14,532	9,290
8.2 Deposits at call	-	-
8.3 Bank overdraft	(911)	(344)
8.4 Other (provide details)	-	-
8.5 Total cash at end of period (item 7.26)	13,621	8,946

Ratios

	Current period	Previous corresponding period
Profit before abnormals and tax / sales		
9.1 Consolidated +operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax (item 1.4) as a percentage of sales revenue (item 1.1)	6.5%	7.6%
Profit after tax / +equity interests		
9.2 Consolidated +operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members (item 1.10) as a percentage of equity (similarly attributable) at the end of the period (item 4.33)	(9.0%)	6.6%

Earnings per security (EPS)

	Current period	Previous corresponding period
10.1 Calculation of the following in accordance with AASB 1027: <i>Earnings per Share</i>		
(a) Basic EPS	(24.1)	7.8
(b) Diluted EPS (if materially different from (a))	N/A	N/A
(c) Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period used in the calculation of the Basic EPS	157,439,770	157,171,596

NTA backing

(see note 7)

	Current period	Previous corresponding period
11.1 Net tangible asset backing per +ordinary security	0.56	1.10

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Details of specific receipts/outlays, revenues/ expenses

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
12.1 Interest revenue included in determining item 1.4	2,191	2,144
12.2 Interest revenue included in item 12.1 but not yet received (if material)	-	-
12.3 Interest expense included in item 1.4 (include all forms of interest, lease finance charges, etc.)	16,814	16,896
12.4 Interest costs excluded from item 12.3 and capitalised in asset values (if material)	-	1,963
12.5 Outlays (except those arising from the +acquisition of an existing business) capitalised in intangibles (if material)	-	452
12.6 Depreciation and amortisation (excluding amortisation of intangibles)	26,206	23,025

Control gained over entities having material effect

(See note 8)

13.1 Name of entity (or group of entities)	COCKBURN CEMENT LTD *
13.2 Consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) since the date in the current period on which control was +acquired	\$-
13.3 Date from which such profit has been calculated	30 JUNE 1999
13.4 +Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) for the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$-

* On 30 June 1999, 230,000,000 ordinary shares were issued to Rugby Holdings Ltd as consideration for the issued capital of Cockburn Cement Ltd. This equates to approximately 55% of the issued capital of Adelaide Brighton Ltd.

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Loss of control of entities having material effect

(See note 8)

14.1	Name of entity (or group of entities)	NIL
14.2	Consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) for the current period to the date of loss of control	\$
14.3	Date to which the profit (loss) in item 14.2 has been calculated	
14.4	Consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) while controlled during the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$
14.5	Contribution to consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items from sale of interest leading to loss of control	\$

Reports for industry and geographical segments

Information on the industry and geographical segments of the entity must be reported for the current period in accordance with AASB 1005: Financial Reporting by Segments. Because of the different structures employed by entities, a pro forma is not provided. Segment information should be completed separately and attached to this report. However, the following is the presentation adopted in the Appendices to AASB 1005 and indicates which amounts should agree with items included elsewhere in this report.

Segments

The economic entity operates predominantly in the cement and concrete industry in Australia. More than 90% of revenue, operating profit and segment assets relate to operations in the cement and concrete industry in Australia.

Dividends (in the case of a trust, distributions)

15.1	Date the dividend (distribution) is payable	N/A
15.2	+Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend (distribution) (ie, on the basis of registrable transfers received up to 5.00 pm if paper based, or by "End of Day" if a proper +SCH transfer)	N/A
15.3	If it is a final dividend, has it been declared? (Preliminary final report only)	N/A

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Amount per security

		Amount per security	Franked amount per security at 36% tax
15.4	<i>(Preliminary final report only)</i> Final dividend: Current year	N/A	N/A
15.5	Previous year	2.5¢	0.5¢
15.6	<i>(Half yearly and preliminary final reports)</i> Interim dividend: Current year	N/A	N/A
15.7	Previous year	2.5¢	1.875¢

Total dividend (distribution) per security (interim *plus* final)

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	Current year	Previous year
15.8 +Ordinary securities	NIL	5.0¢
15.9 Preference +securities	N/A	N/A

**Half yearly report - interim dividend (distribution) on all securities *or*
Preliminary final report - final dividend (distribution) on all securities**

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
15.10 +Ordinary securities	NIL	7,865
15.11 Preference +securities		
15.12 Total	NIL	7,865

The +dividend or distribution plans shown below are in operation.

THE DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN WAS SUSPENDED IN FEBRUARY 1996

The last date(s) for receipt of election notices for the +dividend or distribution plans

N/A

Any other disclosures in relation to dividends (distributions)

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NIL

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Details of aggregate share of profits (losses) of associates

Entity's share of associates'	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
16.1 Operating profit (loss) before income tax	9,685	-
16.2 Income tax expense	1,700	-
16.3 Operating profit (loss) after income tax	7,985	-
16.4 Extraordinary items net of tax	-	-
16.5 Net profit (loss)	7,985	-
16.6 Outside equity interests	-	-
16.7 Net profit (loss) attributable to members	7,985	9,413

Material interests in entities which are not controlled entities

The economic entity has an interest (that is material to it) in the following entities. If the interest was acquired or disposed of during either the current or previous corresponding period, indicate date of acquisition ("from xx/xx/xx") or disposal ("to xx/xx/xx").

Name of entity	Percentage of ownership interest held at end of period or date of disposal		Contribution to +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax (item 1.14)	
	Current period	Previous corresponding period	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period- \$A'000
17.1 Equity accounted associates				
Independent Cement & Lime	50%	50%	6,918	Not equity accounted
Sunstate Cement	50%	50%	2,571	
Stabilised Pavements of Australia	50%	50%	18	
Pavement Technology (M) Sdn Bhd	40%	40%	2	
Less: Amortisation and other adjustments			(1,523)	
17.2 Total			7,985	
17.3 Other material interests	NIL			
17.4 Total				

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Issued and quoted securities at end of current period

Description includes rate of interest and any redemption or conversion rights together with prices and dates.

Category of +securities	Total number	Number quoted	Issue price per security (see note 15) (cents)	Amount paid up per security (see note 15) (cents)
18.1 Preference +securities (description)	N/A			
18.2 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks, redemptions	N/A			
18.3 +Ordinary securities	473,403,660	157,438,876	N/A	N/A
18.4 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks	315,964,784 NIL	315,964,784 NIL	N/A	N/A
18.5 +Convertible debt securities (description and conversion factor)	29,094,661	29,094,661	\$2.00	\$2.00
18.6 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted	NIL 999	NIL 999		
18.7 Options (description and conversion factor)	N/A		Exercise price	Expiry date (if any)
18.8 Issued during current period	N/A			
18.9 Exercised during current period	N/A			
18.10 Expired during current period	N/A			
18.11 Debentures (totals only)	N/A			
18.12 Unsecured notes (totals only)	N/A			

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Comments by directors

Comments on the following matters are required by ASX or, in relation to the half yearly report, by AASB 1029: Half-Year Accounts and Consolidated Accounts. The comments do not take the place of the directors' report and statement (as required by the Corporations Law) and may be incorporated into the directors' report and statement. For both half yearly and preliminary final reports, if there are no comments in a section, state NIL. If there is insufficient space to comment, attach notes to this report.

Basis of accounts preparation

If this report is a half yearly report, it is a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the listing rules and AASB 1029: Half-Year Accounts and Consolidated Accounts. It should be read in conjunction with the last annual report and any announcements to the market made by the entity during the period. [Delete if preliminary final statement.]

Material factors affecting the revenues and expenses of the economic entity for the current period

N/A

A description of each event since the end of the current period which has had a material effect and is not related to matters already reported, with financial effect quantified (if possible)

As proposed in the Adelaide Brighton Ltd prospectus dated 18 May 1999, a capital return of 3.5c per share was paid to shareholders on 5 July 1999. The payment was based on 157,440,821 ordinary shares for a total cost of \$5,510,439. The full cost of this payment was debited to the share capital account.

Franking credits available and prospects for paying fully or partly franked dividends for at least the next year

Dividends will be declared in the future subject to the level of distributable reserves, profits (after goodwill amortisation), operating cashflows, capital expenditure and working capital requirements and other demands on cashflows, taking into account the amount of franking credits available to the Company.

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Changes in accounting policies since the last annual report are disclosed as follows.

(Disclose changes in the half yearly report in accordance with paragraph 15(c) of AASB 1029: Half-Year Accounts and Consolidated Accounts. Disclose changes in the preliminary final report in accordance with AASB 1001: Accounting Policies-Disclosure.)

Investments in associates

The economic entity applied the equity method of accounting for investments in associates for the first time from 1 July 1998. The equity method requires the carrying amount of investments in associates to be adjusted by the economic entity's share of the associates' net profit or loss after tax and other movements in reserves. In previous years, investments in associates were brought to account at cost and dividend income was recognised in the profit and loss statement when receivable.

The changed policy has been adopted to comply with AASB 1016: Accounting for Investments in Associates, released by the Australian Accounting Standards Board in August 1998.

Consolidated retained earnings and consolidated asset revaluation reserve at the beginning of the financial year were reduced by \$8,516,000 and \$20,006,000 respectively to reflect the impact of adopting the equity method of accounting for investments in associates on the consolidated balance sheet for the first time. A corresponding decrease of \$28,522,000 was made to the consolidated carrying amount of investments in associates at the beginning of the financial year.

The change in accounting policy led to a decrease of \$605,000 in the consolidated operating profit after income tax for the year compared with the previous basis, a transfer of \$24,000 to the foreign currency translation reserve and a corresponding reduction of \$629,000 in the consolidated carrying amount of investments in associates at the end of the financial year.

Major cyclical maintenance

During the year the method of accounting for major cyclical maintenance was changed to comply with UIG Abstract 26: Accounting for Major Cyclical Maintenance, released by the Urgent Issues Group in June 1999.

The new policy required major items of plant that are repaired during annual shutdowns to be treated as complex assets and different depreciation rates applied to each part as appropriate. When these parts are replaced during a shutdown, the maintenance costs are to be capitalised and then depreciated over their expected useful life.

All provisions for maintenance were written back to the profit and loss and major items of assets created during shutdowns in prior years were capitalised in the books of the relevant company. As a result, consolidated opening retained earnings was increased by \$5,061,000.

The change in accounting policy led to a decrease of \$1,930,000 in the consolidated operating profit after income tax for the year ended 30 June 1999 compared with the previous basis. Property, plant and equipment have been increased by \$1,102,000, maintenance provisions reduced by \$3,791,000 and future income tax benefit reduced by \$1,761,000.

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Additional disclosure for trusts

- 19.1 Number of units held by the management company or responsible entity or their related parties. N/A
- 19.2 A statement of the fees and commissions payable to the management company or responsible entity. N/A
- Identify:
- initial service charges
 - management fees
 - other fees

Annual meeting

(Preliminary final report only)

The annual meeting will be held as follows:

Place	ADELAIDE CONVENTION CENTRE
Date	23 NOVEMBER 1999
Time	11.00 am
Approximate date the annual report will be available	20 OCTOBER 1999

Compliance statement

- 1 This report has been prepared under accounting policies which comply with accounting standards as defined in the Corporations Law or other standards acceptable to ASX (see note 13).

Identify other standards used

- 2 This report, and the financial statements prepared under the Corporations Law (if separate), use the same accounting policies.
- 3 This report does/does not* (*delete one*) give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed (see note 2).

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- 4 This report is based on financial statements to which one of the following applies.
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | The financial statements have been audited. | <input type="checkbox"/> | The financial statements have been subject to review. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The financial statements are in the process of being audited or subject to review. | <input type="checkbox"/> | The financial statements have <i>not</i> yet been audited or reviewed. |
- 5 If the audit report or review by the auditor is not attached, details of any qualifications are attached/will follow immediately they are available* (*delete one*). (*Half yearly report only - the audit report or review by the auditor must be attached to this report if this report is to satisfy the requirements of the Corporations Law.*)
- 6 The entity has a formally constituted audit committee.

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Notes

- For announcement to the market** The percentage changes referred to in this section are the percentage changes calculated by comparing the current period's figures with those for the previous corresponding period. Do not show percentage changes if the change is from profit to loss or loss to profit, but still show whether the change was up or down. If changes in accounting policies or procedures have had a material effect on reported figures, do not show either directional or percentage changes in profits. Explain the reason for the omissions in the note at the end of the announcement section.
- True and fair view** If this report does not give a true and fair view of a matter (for example, because compliance with an Accounting Standard is required) the entity must attach a note providing additional information and explanations to give a true and fair view.
- Consolidated profit and loss account**
 - Item 1.1 The definition of "operating revenue" and an explanation of "sales revenue" (or its equivalent) and "other revenue" are set out in *AASB 1004: Disclosure of Operating Revenue*.
 - Item 1.2 'Share of associates' "net profit (loss) attributable to members" would form part of "other revenue" in *AASB 1004* to the extent that a profit is to be reported. ASX has elected to require disclosure of a share of a loss in the same location for consistency of presentation.
 - Item 1.4 "+operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax" is calculated before dealing with outside +equity interests and extraordinary items, but after deducting interest on borrowings, depreciation and amortisation.

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- Item 1.7 This item refers to the total tax attributable to the amount shown in item 1.6. Tax includes income tax and capital gains tax (if any) but excludes taxes treated as operating expenses (eg, fringe benefits tax).
4. **Income tax** If the amount provided for income tax in this report differs (or would differ but for compensatory items) by more than 15% from the amount of income tax *prima facie* payable on the profit before tax, the entity must explain in a note the major items responsible for the difference and their amounts.
5. **Consolidated balance sheet**
Format The format of the consolidated balance sheet should be followed as closely as possible. However, additional items may be added if greater clarity of exposition will be achieved, provided the disclosure still meets the requirements of *AASB 1029* and *AASB 1034*. Banking institutions, trusts and financial institutions identified in an ASC Class Order dated 2 September 1997 may substitute a clear liquidity ranking for the Current/Non-Current classification.
Basis of revaluation If there has been a material revaluation of non-current assets (including investments) since the last annual report, the entity must describe the basis of revaluation adopted. The description must meet the requirements of paragraphs 9.1 - 9.4 of *AASB 1010: Accounting for the Revaluation of Non-Current Assets*. If the entity has adopted a procedure of regular revaluation, the basis for which has been disclosed and has not changed, no additional disclosure is required. Trusts should also note paragraph 10 of *AASB 1029* and paragraph 11 of *AASB 1030*.
6. **Statement of cash flows** For definitions of "cash" and other terms used in this report see *AASB 1026: Statement of Cash Flows*. Entities should follow the form as closely as possible, but variations are permitted if the directors (in the case of a trust, the management company) believe that this presentation is inappropriate. However, the presentation adopted must meet the requirements of *AASB 1026*. +Mining exploration entities may use the form of cash flow statement in Appendix 5B.
7. **Net tangible asset backing** Net tangible assets are determined by deducting from total tangible assets all claims on those assets ranking ahead of the +ordinary securities (ie, all liabilities, preference shares, outside +equity interests etc). +Mining entities are *not* required to state a net tangible asset backing per +ordinary security.
8. **Gain and loss of control over entities** The gain or loss must be disclosed if it has a material effect on the consolidated financial statements. Details must include the contribution for each gain or loss that increased or decreased the entity's consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax by more than 5% compared to the previous corresponding period.
9. **Rounding of figures** This report anticipates that the information required is given to the nearest \$1,000. However, an entity may report exact figures, if the \$A'000 headings are amended. If an entity qualifies under an ASC Class Order dated 9 July 1997, it may report to the nearest million dollars, or to the nearest \$100,000, if the \$A'000 headings are amended.

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Appendix 4B (equity accounted)
Half yearly/preliminary final report

10. **Comparative figures** Comparative figures are the unadjusted figures from the previous corresponding period. However, if there is a lack of comparability, a note explaining the position should be attached.
11. **Comparative figures when equity accounted information first included in the accounts** There will be a lack of comparability in the figures for the previous corresponding period when equity accounted information is first included if this information has a material effect on the consolidated accounts. If it does have a material effect, attach a note providing a better comparison by restating "Operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members" (item 1.10) and "Investments in associates" (item 4.8) for the previous corresponding period to incorporate equity accounted information. In addition, as required by Note 1, no directional or percentage changes in profit are to be reported in the "For announcement to the market" section. Where the disclosures were not previously required in Appendix 4B, no comparatives need be shown.
12. **Additional information** An entity may disclose additional information about any matter, and must do so if the information is material to an understanding of the reports. The information may be an expansion of the material contained in this report, or contained in a note attached to the report. The requirement under the listing rules for an entity to complete this report does not prevent the entity issuing reports more frequently. Additional material lodged with the +ASC under the Corporations Law must also be given to ASX. For example, a directors' report and statement, if lodged with the +ASC, must be given to ASX.
13. **Accounting Standards** ASX will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting Standards for foreign entities. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if one) must be complied with.
14. **Corporations Law accounts** As at 1/7/96, this report may be able to be used by an entity required to comply with the Corporations Law as part of its half-year financial statements if prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.
15. **Issued and quoted securities** The issue price and amount paid up is not required in items 18.1 and 18.3 for fully paid securities.

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