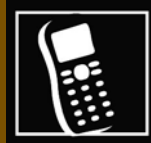


# 2005

## Full Year Financial Results



# OVERVIEW & HIGHLIGHTS

**Stephen Gillies**

**Managing Director**



# 2005 – Financial Headlines

Sales	↑ 19%	\$3,815m	<i>Record level</i>
NPAT	↑ 28%	\$104m	<i>Above consensus</i>
EBITA	↑ 20%	\$189m	<i>Core business up</i>
EPS cps	↑ 23%	36.3	<i>Double digit growth</i>
DPS cps	↑ 15%	18.0	<i>Final dividend up 24%</i>
Op Cash Flow	Strong & steady	\$186m	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> strong year in a row</i>
Gearing	Steady	38%	<i>Balance sheet strength maintained</i>
ROFE	↑	16%	<i>Up from 14%</i>



## 8<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year of Record Earnings

- Underscored by \$4.5b portfolio of long term O & M contracts
- NPAT of \$94m, pre consolidated tax benefit
- Record sales and reliable margins deliver 20% lift in EBITA
- Millennium Train contract successfully transitioned to maintenance
- CDL return to EBITA profit, 1st in 3 years
- 94% free float. Management private holding of 6%
- 96% FY06 revenue secured



# Divisional Performance

## Mining & Resources

	2005	2004	H2FY05	H2FY04
Sales	1,316	935	731	509
EBITA	72.3	44.0	44.4	29.5

- Record EBITA
- Mining EBITA up 35% to \$65m - higher volume & steady margins
- Mine engineering services up, contract mining flat
- CDL contributed to EBITA, versus a loss of \$4m in FY04

## Engineering

	2005	2004	H2FY05	H2FY04
Sales	1,251	1,101	637	489
EBITA	58.4	64.2	35.5	28.7

- Reported EBITA down, underlying earnings steady
- Sales in line with guidance
- India emerging as new growth market for CPG. New office set up costs & FX detracted \$3m from EBITA



# Divisional Performance

## Infrastructure

	2005	2004	H2FY05	H2FY04
Sales	873	676	463	341
EBITA	49.7	42.6	34.9	33.1

- Record EBITA, up 17% yoy
- Strong sales growth in both NZ & Australia
- Margins reflect sales mix, not underlying performance
- Buoyant conditions to remain
- Australia to account for 50% of earnings in 3 years, up from 30%

## Rail

	2005	2004	H2FY05	H2FY04
Sales	361	410	168	219
EBITA	23.3	24.2	12.3	6.6

- EBITA improved off a lower sales base
- Sales reflect end of build contracts and free-ing up of capacity ahead of the PPP & emerging freight opportunities
- Transitioned to maintenance & spare parts revenue
- Maintenance now 2/3rds of EBITA - sustainable

# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

**Geoff Bruce**

**Chief Financial Officer**



# EPS Growth Up 23 %

(A\$ Millions)

Revenue		↑	19%	3,815
EBITA		↑	20%	189
Net Interest		↑	27%	36
NPBT		↑	21%	132
NPAT		↑	28%	104
NPAT pre GWA		↑	23%	125
EPS (basic)	cps	↑	23%	36.3
DPS	cps	↑	15%	18.0
Payout Ratio			Unchanged	50%
Franking		↑		70%



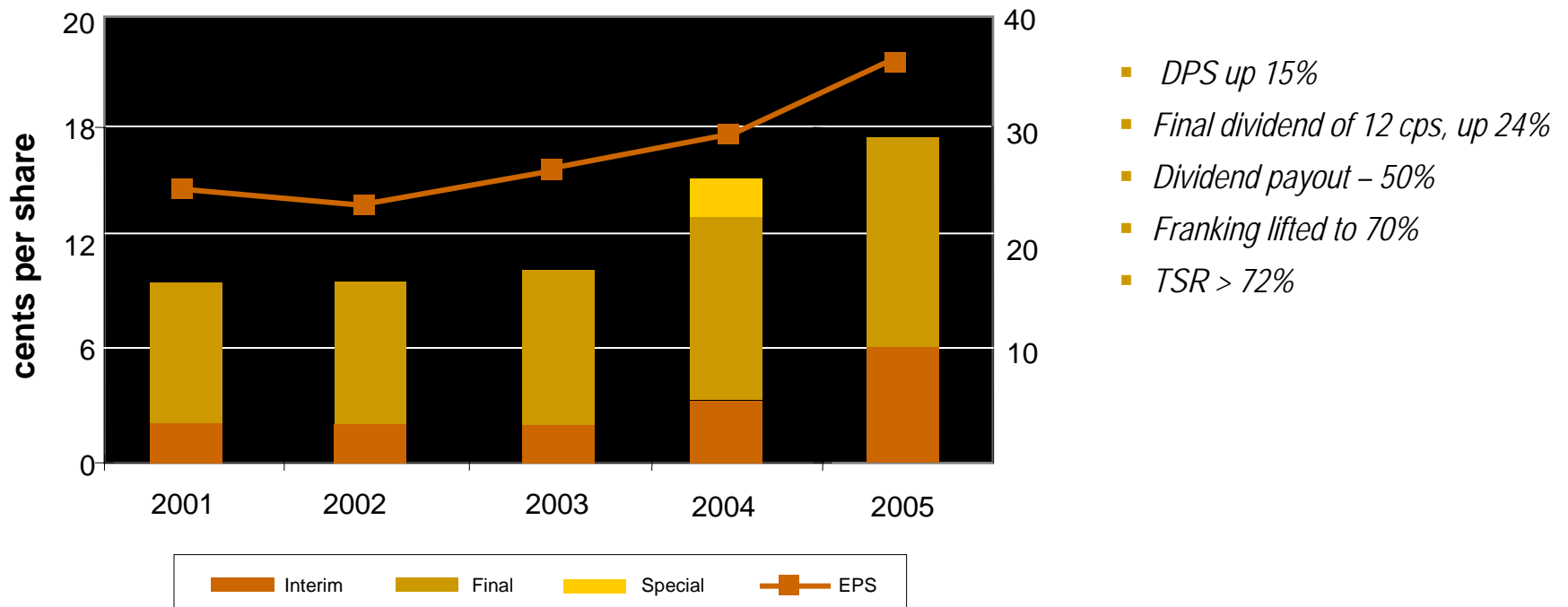


# Underlying Earnings Growth Up 18%

(A\$ Millions)	FY05	FY04	Change (%)
<b>Reported operating revenue</b>	3,815	3,193	19%
<b>Operating one-offs</b>	15	70	
<b>Underlying operating revenue</b>	3,800	3,123	22%
<b>Reported EBITA</b>	189	157	20%
<b>Net operating one-offs</b>	(5)	(7)	
<b>Underlying EBITA</b>	194	164	18%



# Delivering Increasing Returns to Shareholders





## Strong, Sustainable Operating Cash Flow

<b>(A\$ Millions)</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Operating cash flow	186.0	181.5
Adjustments	-	20.0*
Underlying Op Cash	186.0	201.5
Net PPE	(107.3)	(124.7)
Net Acquisitions	(29.6)	(23.0)
Other	(5.4)	2.4
Investing cash flow	(142.3)	(145.3)
Net Cash Flows	43.7	56.2

\* Tax Adjustments (\$20 in 2004)

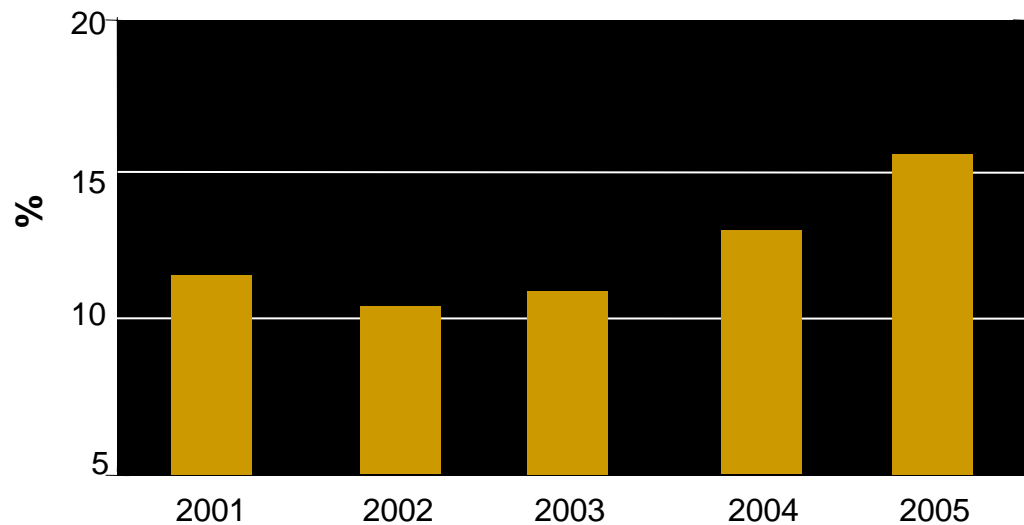


## ... Funding Future Growth in Core Businesses

- PPE mainly in Mining & Infrastructure
- Investing in sectors that will drive earnings growth for 2 years +
- Spend reflects PPE modernisation
  - Mining \$47.3m net investment
  - Infrastructure \$43.3m net investment
- This trend will continue in 2006
- Depreciation to be reinvested into PPE
- Strategy of bolting on FEED businesses continued
  - Design & consulting businesses
  - Infrastructure \$19.9m (net investment)
  - Mining (\$7.7m) (net divestment)



## On Track For 20% ROE Target

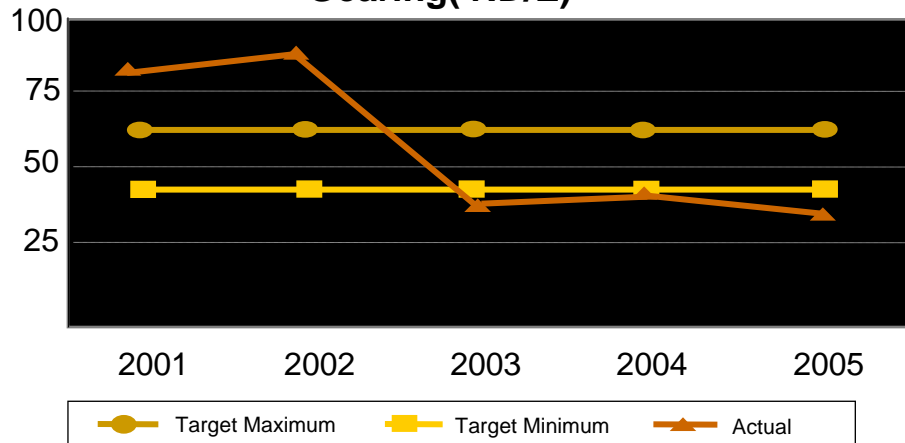


- *15% ROFE target exceeded, an all time high*
- *Reflects improving operational performance of core businesses*
- *Interim ROE target of 18%*
- *Targeting ROE > 20% on sustainable basis.*



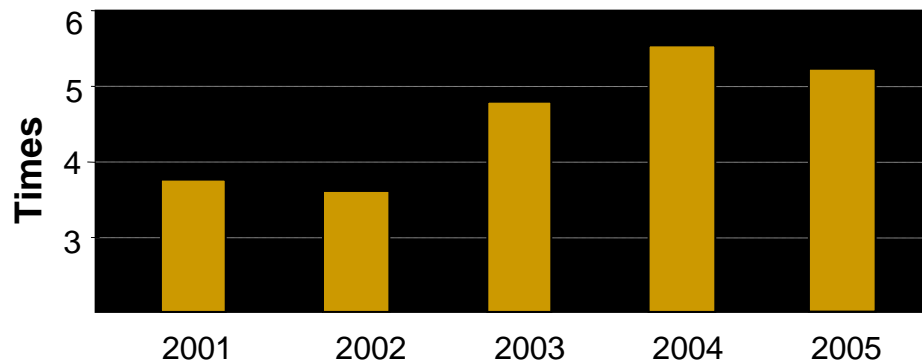
# Financial Strength – Options for Growth

**Gearing( ND/E)**



- *ND/E - all time low of 38%*
- *Flexibility to generate value-added acquisition growth without risk of eps dilution*
- *PPP opportunities beyond NSW Rail: credit rating is critical*
- *Our balance sheet is one of our greatest strengths*

**Interest Cover  
(EBITA/Net interest)**



- *Steady at 5.2 times*
- *Impacted by late receipt final Millennium Train payment (\$55m)*
- *On track for further improvements*
- *Targeting 5.5 times in FY06.*



# Financial Summary

- Reported NPAT growth (pre tax benefit) above minimum guidance and in line with market consensus
- Operating earnings up strongly
- Reflects strong growth in underlying businesses
- 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year of strong operating cash flow
- Recent acquisitions bedded down: the business is hitting it's stride
- EPS uplift signals confidence in financial & operational strength for 2 years +
- Buoyant environment for design, operate and maintaining essential infrastructure assets will reward balance sheet flexibility & strength
- Continued delivery of strong financial metrics AND a build up in latent capacity



## Impact of Adopting AIFRS

- Project on schedule, nearing completion
- Immaterial impact on Group's strategy, cash flows or its abilities to borrow or to pay dividends
- Net effect is to reduce total equity by approx \$10m or 1%
- Ongoing lift in NPAT due to no goodwill amortisation, \$20m
- Good headroom in impairment testing



# OUTLOOK & SUMMARY

**Stephen Gillies**

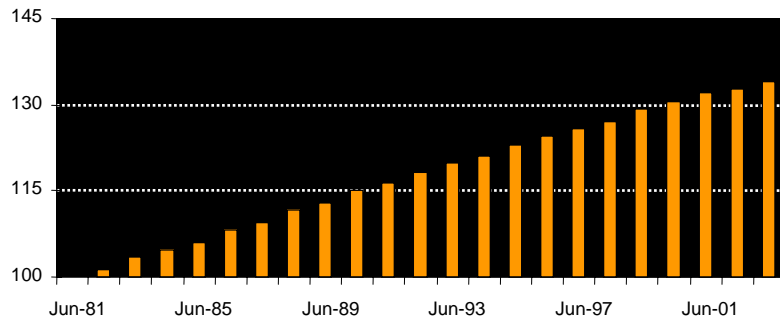
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# Infrastructure: A Long Period of Under-spend

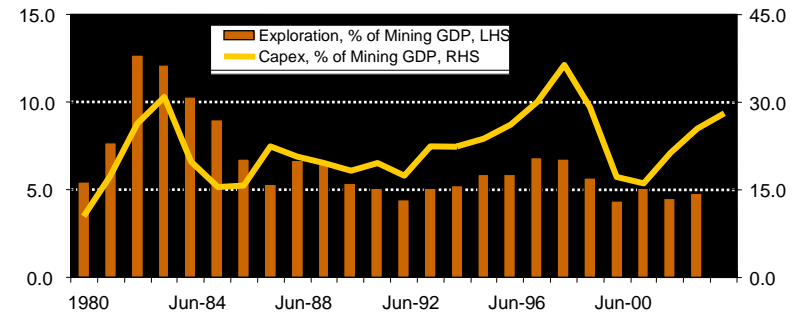
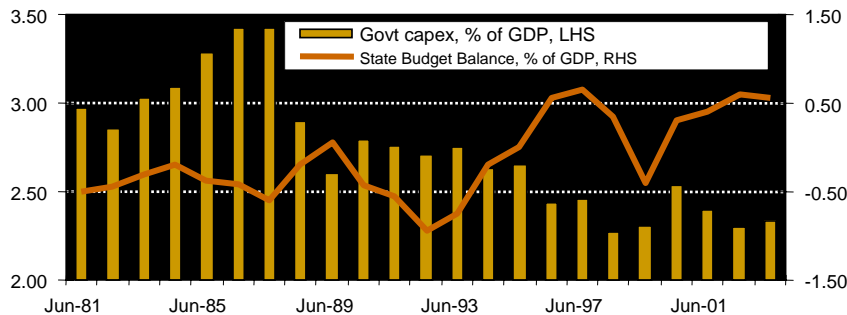
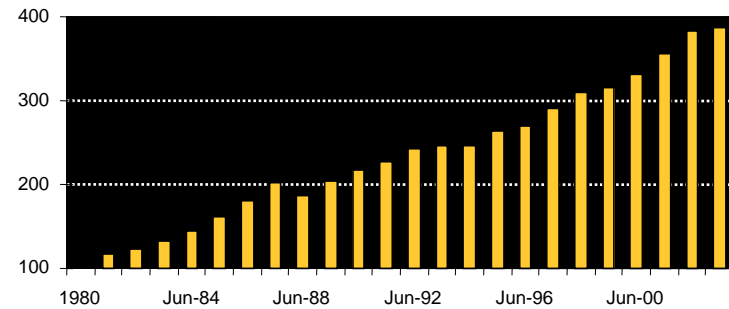
## Public

Australian Population, Millions  
Base 1980=100



## Resource

Coal Production  
Base 1980=100



Sources: ABS, ABARE



# Additional Infrastructure Rehabilitation Spend > \$30b in The Next 5 Years \*

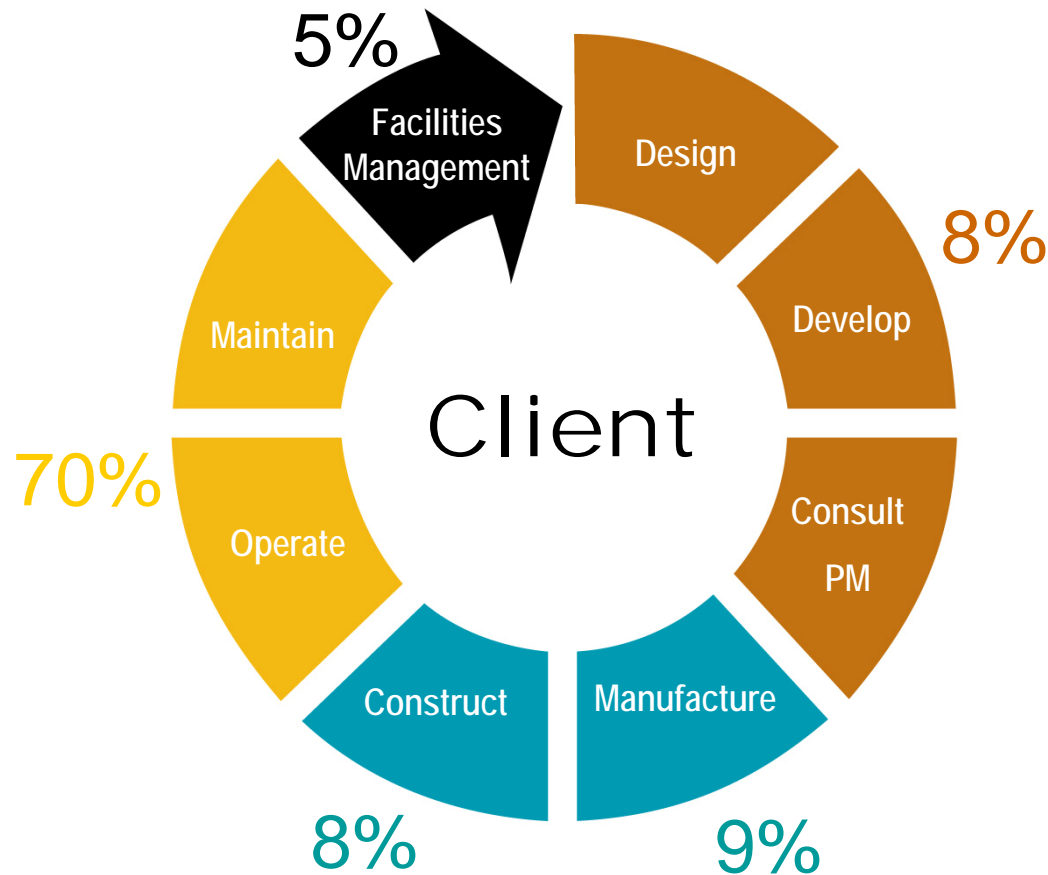
Road	> \$10b	}	ABS, BIS Shrapnel, Government docs, Company estimates
Rail	> \$15b		
Power	> \$5b		
Telco	> \$5b		
Resources	> \$25b		

- Implies baseline organic revenue growth of 10% pa next 5 years
- \$90b to be spent over 15 year period

\* *Business Council of Australia*



## Business Model Is Robust



*Proportion of revenues  
in long term O & M  
contracts today*

Mining	60-70%
Engineering	50-60%
Infrastructure	70-90%
Rail	50-70%

*Growing the 'front' & 'back' end will deliver margin lift  
and improved returns*



# Delivering Sustainable Annuity Style Earnings

	Impact	
<b>Contract duration</b>	HIGH	70% are long term O & M
<b>Contract renewal rate</b>	HIGH	Consistently > 80%
<b>Economic cycle</b>	LOW	Maintenance spend on <u>essential</u> infrastructure assets is non-cyclical
<b>Cost pressures</b>	LOW	90% contracts have “pass through” for key inputs: few fixed price contracts
<b>Client risk</b>	LOW	> 50% of business is government No client > 5% revenue
<b>Interest rate cycle</b>	LOW	1% rate change <\$1m NPAT impact
<b>Exchange rate</b>	LOW	5% change SGD, NZD <1% NPAT impact



# Group Outlook & Strategies – FY06

## Outlook

- 96% of FY06 revenue in hand
- Now focusing on FY07 & beyond
- Moderate/high market growth - transportation, energy & resources
- Trend to outsourcing to continue

## Strategies

- Target existing clients in Australia, NZ
- Focus on “core” sectors
- Grow FEED services
- Renewals & extensions
- Grow alliance style contracts
- Capacity



## Divisional Outlook – FY06

### Mining

Revenue steady, stronger earnings growth and returns for the next 2 years. Mining services will drive earnings. New O & M contracts will all be alliance style.

### Engineering

Moderate growth in revenue and margins overall.

### Infrastructure

Strong market growth (NZ and Australia) will drive earnings growth. On going productivity gains in NZ and market share growth in Australia will deliver improving margins over a 2 year horizon.

### Rail

Core of long term maintenance contracts (our core rail business) will continue to deliver improved earnings off moderate revenue growth in FY06. This excludes potential upside from freight market where DOW has 70% of the market. Freight demand outlook is positive reflecting increasing tonnage requirements of both resource players and freight operators. Beyond that, success in Railcorp PPP has the potential to double the business.



## Divisional Guidance - FY06

(All figures: A\$M)	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	△	FY06E	△
<b>Engineering</b>	213	362	568	1,170	1,289	10%	1,350	5%
<b>Mining &amp; Resources</b>	624	1,036	1,104	1,083	1,414	31%	1,540	9%
<b>Infrastructure</b>	426	425	577	684	894	31%	980	15%
<b>Rail</b>	240	362	319	410	361	-12%	400	11%
<b>Continuing Businesses</b>	1,503	2,185	2,568	3,347	3,958	12%	4,270	8%
<b>Discontinued &amp; Other</b>	215	401	300	70	14.5		10	
<b>Total Turnover</b>	1,718	2,586	2,868	3,417	3,972	16%	4,280	8%
<b>Group EBITA</b>	99	128	140	157	189	20%		





# Group Guidance & Targets – FY06

## Guidance

Sales revenue > 8%

NPAT growth > sales revenue growth

## Targets

↑ EPS

↑ ROE – 18%

↑ Interest Cover (EBITA/Net interest) – 5.5 times

NWC/Sales <10%

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



For year ended 30 June	2005 \$mil	2004 \$mil	2003 \$mil	2002 \$mil	2001 \$mil
Turnover	3,972.3	3,417.5	2,867.9	2,585.6	1,718.1
Revenue	3,814.5	3,193.3	2,697.0	2,442.4	1,632.8
Earnings before interest tax and amortisation of intangibles (EBITA)	188.6	157.3	140.4	128.7	100.5
Net interest expense	36.3	28.5	28.8	34.1	25.9
Income tax	27.6	27.7	28.2	22.9	18.6
Net profit after tax (NPAT)	104.0	81.5	66.6	56.4	45.5
NPAT pre goodwill amortisation	124.7	100.2	82.6	70.7	54.9
Cash flow from operations	186.0	181.5	225.0	47.4	70.5
Basic earnings per share pre amortisation of intangibles (cents)	43.5	36.8	32.0	30.0	30.8
Basic earnings per share (cents) *	36.3	29.6	25.2	23.2	24.4
Diluted earnings per share (cents) *	36.3	29.6	24.4	22.0	22.8
Dividends per ordinary share (cents) *	18.0	15.6	11.6	9.6	8.4
Dividend payout ratio as a percentage of profit after tax	50.0%	53.9%	50.3%	50.3%	47.8%
Total assets	2,343.1	2119.1	2032.7	1829.7	1629.4
Total equity	908.0	823.0	760.2	709.6	586.1
Market value of equity	1,554.8	902.4	739.0	635.4	435.4
Shares on issue (basic as at year end)	291.7	282.0	243.9	240.7	197.9
Closing share price (dollars) *	\$5.33	\$3.20	\$3.08	\$2.64	\$2.20
ROE	16.0%	13.1%	10.9%	10.2%	11.1%
Net debt to equity	38%	41%	39%	63%	81%
Net debt to capitalisation (debt plus equity)	27%	29%	28%	39%	45%
Interest cover (EBITA/net interest)	5.2	5.5	4.8	3.7	3.8
Trade debtors turnover (rolling 3 month average) - days	46.8	41.4	42.1	43.3	43.0
Net working capital/operating revenue	11%	11%	13%	18%	18%
Order book	6,500	6,400	5,500	4,500	3,700



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