

**Heathcote & District
Financial Services Limited**

Financial Statements

as at

31 December 2008

Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited
ABN 44 112 376 986
Directors' Report

Your Directors submit the financial report of the company for the half-year ended 31 December 2008.

Directors

The names of directors who held office during the half year and until the date of this report are as below:

Barry Maxwell Cail

Gregory John Williams

Keith Macpherson Chambers

Patrick Joseph Connally

Ian Douglas Cordiner

Eleanor Louise Johnson Dempster

Caroline FitzGerald James

Gregory Ian Speirs

Colin Bernard Stobaus

Joseph Zurek

Principal activities

The principal activities of the company during the course of the financial period were in providing community banking services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

Review and results of operations

Operations have continued to perform in line with expectations. The net profit/(loss) of the company for the financial period was: \$10,643 [2007: (\$2,769)].

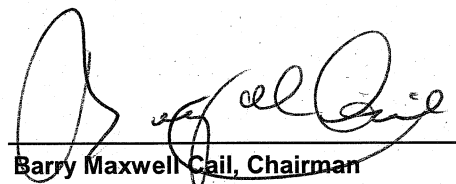
Matters subsequent to the end of the reporting period

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the half year reporting period that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 2.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors at Heathcote, Victoria on 13 February 2009.



Barry Maxwell Cail, Chairman

Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the review of the half year ended 31 December 2008 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



David Hutchings
Auditor

Andrew Frewin & Stewart
Bendigo, Victoria

Dated this 13th day of February 2009

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Income Statement
for the half-year ended 31 December 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Revenue from ordinary activities	231,162	189,104
Salaries and employee benefit expense	(128,505)	(115,615)
Occupancy and associated costs	(16,346)	(15,747)
Advertising and promotion expenses	(13,311)	(6,909)
Systems costs	(11,145)	(11,416)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(11,145)	(9,652)
General administration expenses	(34,532)	(33,826)
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Profit/(Loss) before income tax credit/expense	16,178	(4,061)
Income tax credit/expense	(5,535)	1,292
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Profit/(Loss) for the period	10,643	(2,769)
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Profit/(Loss) attributable to members of the entity	<u>10,643</u>	<u>(2,769)</u>
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Earnings per Share		
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Earnings per share for the period were:	1.79	(0.47)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2008

	31-Dec 2008 \$	30-Jun 2008 \$
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash assets	253,399	236,706
Trade and other receivables	19,246	17,349
Total Current Assets	<u>272,645</u>	<u>254,055</u>
Non-Current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	58,041	60,975
Deferred tax asset	57,870	63,405
Intangible assets	26,402	32,402
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>142,313</u>	<u>156,782</u>
Total Assets	<u>414,958</u>	<u>410,837</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	4,927	11,449
Total Current Liabilities	<u>4,927</u>	<u>11,449</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>4,927</u>	<u>11,449</u>
Net Assets	<u>410,031</u>	<u>399,388</u>
Equity		
Issued capital	558,357	558,357
Retained earnings	(148,326)	(158,969)
Total Equity	<u>410,031</u>	<u>399,388</u>

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Statement of Changes in Equity
for the half-year ended 31 December 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Total equity at the beginning of the period	399,388	387,452
Net profit/(loss) for the period	10,643	(2,769)
Net income/expense recognised directly in equity	-	-
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-
Shares issued during period	-	-
Total equity at the end of the period	<u>410,031</u>	<u>384,683</u>

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Cash Flow Statement
for the half-year ended 31 December 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Receipts from customers	245,467	177,073
Payments to suppliers and employees	(230,355)	(186,723)
Interest received	1,581	3,844
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	<u>16,693</u>	<u>(5,806)</u>
Cash Flows From Financing Activities		
Repayment of borrowings	-	(2,940)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,940)</u>
Net decrease in cash held	16,693	(8,746)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	236,706	207,398
Cash at the end of the half-year	<u>253,399</u>	<u>198,652</u>

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Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited
ABN 44 112 376 986.
Notes to the financial statements
for the half-year ended 31 December 2008

1. Basis of preparation of the half-year financial statements

Statement of compliance

The half-year financial statements are a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*, Australian Accounting Standards AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting, Australian Accounting Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB').

Basis of accounting

The half-year financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly the report shall be read in conjunction with the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2008 and any public pronouncements made by the company during the period.

The accounting policies set out below have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the half-year ended 31 December 2008. All accounting policies are consistent with those applied in the 30 June 2008 financial statements except as set out below.

Reporting basis and convention

The half-year financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

2. Events subsequent to reporting date

There have been no events subsequent to reporting date that would materially effect the financial statements at the reporting date.

3. Contingent assets and liabilities

There were no contingent assets or liabilities at the date of this report to affect the financial statements.

4. Segment Reporting

The economic entity operates in the service sector where it facilitates community banking services pursuant to a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited. The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Heathcote and district, Victoria.

5. Related parties

Arrangements with related parties continue to be in place. For details on these arrangements, refer to the 30 June 2008 annual financial report.

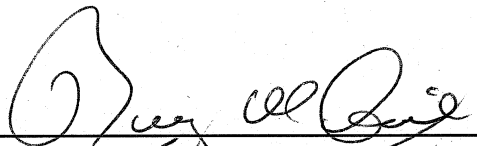
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Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the directors of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited ("the Company"):

- 1 The financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including:
 - (a) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the entity as at 31 December 2008 and of its performance, as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows for the half-year ended on that date;
 - (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- 2 there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.303(5) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors


Barry Maxwell Cail, Chairman

Dated this 13th day of February 2009.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited

We have reviewed the accompanying half year financial report of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 December 2008, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the half year then ended and other selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

Directors Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the half year financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with the Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of an Interim Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including: giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 31 December 2008 and its performance for the half year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*. As the auditor of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. It also includes reading the other information included with the financial report to determine whether it contains any material inconsistencies with the financial report. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our review was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

Our review did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management.

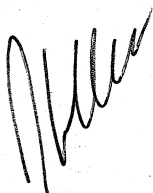
Independence

In conducting our audit we have complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

Auditor's Opinion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Heathcote & District Financial Services Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- a) Giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position at 31 December 2008 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- b) Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Report* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*



DAVID HUTCHINGS

ANDREW FREWIN & STEWART

61-65 Bull Street, Bendigo, 3550

Dated this 13th day of February 2009