# FORM: Half yearly/preliminary final report

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For announcement to the market  Extracts from this statement for announcement to the ma	irket (see note 1).			
				\$A,000
Sales (or equivalent) operating revenue (item 1.1)	up	12.8%	to	18,38
Operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax (item 1.4	down	1.7%	to	11,06
Abnormal items before tax (item 1.5)		gain (loss) of	to	N
Operating profit (loss) after tax but before outside equity interests (item 1.8)	up/down	0%	to	7,74
Extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (item 1.13)		gain (loss) of	to	N
Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (item 1.16)	up/down	0%	to	7,74
Exploration and evaluation expenditure incurred (item 5.2)	up/down	%	to	N
Exploration and evaluation expenditure written off (item 5.3)	up/down	%	to	NI
Dividends Franking rate applicable				100%
Current period Previous corresponding period	d 4¢ 4¢	N/A ¢	¢	N/A
Record date for determining entitlements to case of a trust distribution ) (see item 15.2)	the dividend,	(in the 8 DECEM	1BER 200	3
Short details of any bonus or cash issue or of market:	ther items(s) of	importance not pre	viously re	eleased to th

# Consolidated profit and loss account (The figures are not equity accounted)

		Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000
1.1	Sales (or equivalent operating) revenue	18,384	16,293
1.2	Other revenue	120	778
1.3	Total revenue	18,504	17,071
1.4	Operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax	11,067	11,261
1.5	Abnormal items before tax (detail in item 2.1)		
1.6	Operating profit (loss) before tax (items 1.4 + 1.5)	11,067	11,261
1.7	Less tax	3,320	3,528
1.8	Operating profit (loss) after tax but before outside equity interests	7,747	7,733
1.9	Less outside equity interests		
1.10	Operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members	7,747	7,733
1.11	Extraordinary items after tax (detail in item 2.3		
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)	7,747	7,733
1.15	Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to outside equity interests (items 1.9 .112)		
1.16	Operating profit (loss and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (items 1.10 +1.13)	7,747	7,733
1.17	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at beginning of financial period	14,472	82
1.18	Aggregate of amounts transferred from reserves		
1.19	Total available for appropriation (carried forward)		
1.20	Total available for appropriation (brought forward)	(1000-101-101-101-101-101-101-101-101-10	
Consc	olidated profit and loss account continued		
1.21	Dividends provided for or paid	14,400	
1.22	Aggregate or amounts transferred to reserves	,	
1.23	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at tend of financial period	7,819	7,815

#### Abnormal and extraordinary items

NIL

		Consolidated - current period				eriod		
		Before \$A'000	tax	Related \$A'000	tax	After \$A'000	tax	
2.1	Abnormal items	10111					11011	
2.2	Total abnormal Items							
2.3	Extraordinary items							
2.4	Total extraordinary items							

# Comparison of half year profits (Preliminary final statement only)

		Current \$A'000	year -	Previous \$A'000	year -
3.1	Consolidated operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members reported for the 1st half year (item 1.10 in the half yearly statement)		7,747		7,733
3.2	Consolidated operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members for the 2nd half year		MT 1 10		

Consolidated

Conso	elidated de 5)	balance		sheet
,	Current assets	At end of current period \$A'000	As shown in last annual report \$A'000	As in last half yearly statement \$A'000
		31/12/03	30/06/03	31/12/02
4.1	Cash	4,618	2,751	4
4.2	Receivable	66	3,512	3,068
4.3	Investments			
4.4	Inventories			
4.5	Other (provide details if material)	1,373	78	512
4.6	Total current assets	6,057	6,341	3,584
	Non-current assets		1 1000	
4.7	Receivables			
4.8	Investments			
4.9	Inventories			
4.10	Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised (see para .71 of AASB 1022)			
4.11	Development properties (mining entities)			
4.12	Other property, plant and equipment (net)	394,374	385,422	349,257
4.13	Intangibles (net)			
4.14	Other (provide details if material)	407	301	31
4.15	Total non-current assets	394,781	385,723	349,288
4.16	Total assets	400,838	392,064	352,872
	Current liabilities			111111111111111111111111111111111111111
4.17	Accounts payable	357	4,386	2,902
4.18	Borrowings	17,625	36,600	6,218
4.19	Provisions	2,038	2,982	2,605
4.20	Other (provide details if material			
4.21	Total current liabilities	20,020	43,968	11,725
	Non-current liabilities			
4.22	Accounts payable			
4.23	Borrowings	39,375		
4.24	Provisions	3,396	3,396	3,104
4.25	Other (provide details if material)			
4.26	Total non-current liabilities)	42,771	3,396	3,104
4.27	Total liabilities	62,791	47,364	14,829
4.28	Net assets	338,047	334,700	338,043
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#### Consolidated balance sheet continued

	Equity			
4.29	Capital	330,228	330,228	330,228
4.30	Reserves			
4.31	Retained profits (accumulated losses)	7,819	14,472	7,815
4.32	Equity attributable to members of the parent entity			
4.33	Outside equity interests in controlled entities			
4.34	Total equity	338,047	344,700	338,043
4.35	Preference capital and related premium included as part of 4.31			

Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised

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

		Current \$A'000	period	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 4.9)	" "	,	

#### Development (To be completed only by issuers with mining interests if amounts are material)

properties

Previous Current period corresponding \$A'000 period \$A'000 6.1 Opening balance 6.2 Expenditure incurred during current period Expenditure transferred from exploration and 6.3 evaluation Expenditure written off during current period 6.4 Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, 6.5 Expenditure transferred to mine properties 6.6 6.7 Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.10)

### Consolidated statement of cash flows

(See note 6)

(See note (	<sup>р)</sup>	Current period	Previous
		\$A'000	corresponding period \$A'000
	Cash flows related to operating activities	(See notes below)	
7.1	Receipts from customers		
7.2	Payments to suppliers and employees		
7.3	Dividends received		
7.4	Interest and other items of similar nature received		
7.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid		
7.6	Income taxes paid		
7.7	Other (provide details if material)		
7.8	Net operating cash flows		
	Cash flows related to investing activities		
7.9	Payments for purchases of property, plant and equipment		
7.10	Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		
7,11	Payment for purchases of equity investments		
7.12	Proceeds from sale of equity investments		
7.13	Loans to other entities		
7.14	Loans repaid by other entities		
7.15	Other (provide details if material)		
7.16	Net investing cash flows		
F	Cash flows related to financing activities		
7.17	Proceeds from issues of securities (shares, options, etc.)		
7.18	Proceeds from borrowings		
7.19	Repayment of borrowings		
7.20	Dividends paid		
7.21	Other (provide details if material)		
7.22	Net financing cash flows		
<b></b>	Net increase (decrease) in cash held		
7.23	Cash at beginning of period (see Reconciliations of cash)		
7.24	Exchange rate adjustments to item 7.23		
7.25	Cash at end of period (see Reconciliation of cash)		

AT  $31^{\rm ST}$  DECEMBER 2003, THE COMPANY WAS NOT A DISCLOSING ENTITY AND WAS NOT REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A HALF YEARLY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS. THESE ARE PRODUCED ANNUALLY – REFER TO 2003 ANNUAL REPORT.

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 comparetive amount. Reconciliation of cash Reconciliation of cash at the end of the period (as Previous period Current corresponding shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to \$A'000 period \$A'000 the related items in the accounts is as follows. Cash on hand and at bank 8.1 Deposits at call 8.2 Bank overdraft 8.3 Other (provide details) 8.4 Total cash at end of period (item 7.25) 8.5 Current period Previous Ratios corresponding period Profit before abnormals and tax/sales Consolidated operating profit (loss) before 9.1 abnormal items and tax (items 1.4) as a 69% 60% percentage of sales revenue (items 1.1) Profit after tax/equity interests Consolidated operating profit (loss) after tax 9.2 attributable to members (item 1.10) as a 99% 99% percentage of equity (similarly attributable) at the end of the period (item 4.31) Earnings per security (EPS)

10.1	Calculation of basic, and fully diluted, EPS in accordance with AASB 1027; Earnings per	2.3c	2.3c
	Share  (a) Basic EPS  (b) Diluted EPS (if materially different from (a))		

NTA backing (see note 7)	Current period	Previous corresponding period
11.1 Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	\$1.02	\$1.02

## Details of specific receipts/outlays, revenues/expenses

		Current A\$'000	period	Previous corresponding period \$A'000	
12.1	Interest revenue included in determining items 1.4		118		776
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.)				
12.4	Interest costs excluded from item 12.3 and capitalised in asset values (if material)				
12.5	Outlays (excepts those arising from the acquisition of an existing business) capitalised in intangibles (if material)				
12.6	Depreciation (excluding amortisation of intangibles)		4,908	4	918
12.7	Amortisation of intangibles				

Contro (See not	l gained over entities having material effect e 8)	
13.1	Name of issuer (or group)	
13.2	Consolidated operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the issuer (or group) since the date in the current period on which control was acquired	\$
13.3	Date from which such profit has been calculated	3 Mil.
13.4	Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the issuer (or group) for the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$

Loss of	control of entities having material effect				
14.1	Name of entity (or <i>group</i> )				
14.2	Consolidated operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or <i>group</i> ) for the current period to the date of loss of control	\$			
14.3	Date from 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 <i>group</i> ) 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	\$			
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Segm	ents				
_	iting Revenue				
Sales	to customers outside the economic entity				
	segment sales	•			
Unallo	ocated revenue				
Total	revenue (consolidated total equal to item 1.3)				
Segm	ent result (including abnormal items where relevant)				
	ocated expenses				
Cons	olidated operating profit after tax (before equity accounting) (equal to i	tem 1.8)			
Unall	Segment assets ) Comparative data for segment assets should be as at the end of the previous corresponding period  Total assets (equal to item 4.15)				
Divid	ends				
15.1	Date the dividend is payable	18/12/2003			
15.2	Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend (ie. on the basis of registrable transfers received up to 5.00 pm)	8/12/2003			
18.3	Amount per security	4c			

			Franking ra	te applicable	39% 	36%	33%
	(Preliminary final statem	ent only)				¢	
15.4	Final dividend:	Current year		4¢	N/A		N/A
15.5		Previous year		4¢	4¢	¢	, ¢
'	(Half yearly and prelimin	nary final statements)	•				
15.6	Interim dividend:	Current year		¢	N/A	¢ ¢	N/A
15.7		Previous year		¢	¢		

## Total annual dividend (distribution) per security

(Preliminary final statement only)

15.8	Ordinary securities
15.9	Preference securities

Current year	Previous year
4¢	4¢ l
¢	¢

### Total dividend (distribution)

		Current \$A'000	period	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
15.10	Ordinary securities		\$14,400	\$14,400
15.11	Preference securities	\$		\$
15.12	Total		\$14,400	\$14,400

The dividend or distribution plans shown below are in operation.

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

### Equity accounted associated entities and other material interests

NIL

Equity accounting information attributable to the to the economic entity's share of investments in associated entities must be disclosed in a separate notice. See AASB 1016: Disclosure of Information about Investments in Associated Companies.

Investments in associated entities		Current period A\$'000	Previous corresponding period A\$'000
16.1	Statutory carrying value of investments in associated entities (SCV)		
16.2	Snare of associated entities' retained profite and reserves not included in SCV:		
	Retained profits		}
	Reserves		
16.3	Equity carrying value of investments		

# Material interests in entities which are not controlled entities

NIL

The economic entity has an interest (that is material to It) in the following entities.

		(ordinary securities, units etc) held		Contributing to operating profits (loss) and extraordinary items after tax	
17.1	Equity accounted associated entities	Current period	Previous corresponding period	Current period	Previous corresponding period
				Equity a	ccounted
17.2	Other material Interests			Not equity acce item 1.14)	ounted (ie part of

Issued and listed securities

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

Catego	y of securities	Number issued	Number listed	Par value (cents)	Paid-up value (cents)
18.1	Preference securities (description)				
18.2	Issued during current period				
18.3	Ordinary securities	360,000,000	229,348,203		
18.4	Issued during current period				
18.5	Convertible debt securities (description and conversion factor)				
18.6	issued during current period				0.0 mm
18.7	Options (description and conversion factor)			Exercise price	Expiry date
18.8	Issued during current period				
18.9	Exercised during current period				
18.10	Expired during current period				
18.11	<b>Debentures</b> (totals only)				
18.12	Unsecured Notes (totals only)	•			

Comments by directors  Comments on the following matters are required by the Exchange or, in relation to the half yearly statement, 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 Act) and may be incorporated into the directors' report and statement. For both half yearly and preliminary final statements, if there are no comments in a section, state NIL. If there is insufficient space in comment, attach notes to this statement.
Basis of accounts preparation If this statement is a half yearly statement, 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 issuer during the period. [Delete if in applicable.]
Material factors affecting the revenues and expenses of the issuer for the current period
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)
Franking credits available and prospects for paying fully or partly franked dividends for at least the next year
Changes in accounting policies since the last annual report are disclosed as follows.  (Disclose changes in the half yearly statement in accordance with paragraph 15(c) of AASB 1029.  Half-Year Accounts and Consolidated Accounts. Disclose changes in the preliminary final statement in accordance with AASB 101: Accounting Policies-Disclosure.)

Annual Prelimi	meeting nary final statement only)	
The ann	nual meeting will be held as follows:	· .
Place		
Date		
Time		
Approxi	imate date the annual report will be available	
Compli 1.	iance statement This statement has been prepared under accostandards as defined in the Corporations Act or (see note 13).	unting policies which comply with accounting other standards acceptable to the Exchange
J	dentify other standards used	
2.	This statement, and the financial statements un same accounting policies.	der the Corporations Act (if separate), use the
3.	This statement does/does not* (delete one) give (see note 2).	e a true and fair view of the matters disclosed
4.	This statement is based on financial statements	to which one of the following applies:
	The financial statements have been audited.	The financial statements have been subject to review by a registered auditor (or overseas equivalent).
	The financial statements are in the process of being audited or subject to review.	The financial statements have <i>not</i> yet been audited or reviewed.
5.	If the accounts have been or are being audited attached, details of any qualifications are attac (delete one). (Helf yearly statement only - the audit reposatisfy the requirements of the Corporations Act.)	:hed/will follow immediately they are available:
6. Sign h	The issuer hastages not have* (delete one) a form nere:  (Director/Company secretary)  name: Richard Farguhar	nally constituted audit committee.  15 March 2604

#### Notes

- 1. 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 the amount of the change up or down.
- True and fair view If this statement does not give a true and fair view of a matter (for example, because compliance with an Accounting Standard is required) the *issuer* must attach a note providing additional information and explanations to give a true and fair view.

#### 3. 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 "other revenue" includes abnormal items, but excludes extraordinary revenue items.
- 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.
- 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 statement 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 consolidate 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. Banking institutions 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 *issuer* must describe the basis of revaluation adopted. The description must meet the requirements of paragraphs 19-21 of AASB 1010; Accounting for the Revaluation of Non-Current Assets. If the *issuer* 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 statement see AASB 1026: Statement of Cash Flows. Issuers 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 issuers may use the form of cashflow 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 (i.e. all liabilities, preference shares, outside equity interests, etc). Mining *issuers* 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 *issuer*'s consolidated operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax by more than 5% compared to the previous corresponding period.
- 9. **Equity accounting** If an *issuer* adopts equity accounting, no comparative equity accounting figures are required in the first period following its adoption.
- 10. **Rounding of figures** This statement anticipates that the information required is given to the nearest \$1,000. However, an *issuer* may report exact figures, if the \$A'000 headings are amended. If an *issuer* qualifies under an *ASIC* Class Order dated 17 August 1994, it may report to the nearest million dollars, or to the nearest \$100,000, if the \$A'000 headings are

amended.

- 11. **Comparative figures** Comparative figures are normally the unadjusted figures from the previous corresponding period. However, if the previously reported figures are adjusted to achieve greater comparability, a note explaining the adjustment must be included with this statement. If no adjustment is made despite a lack of comparability, a note explaining the position should be attached.
- 12. **Additional information** An *issuer* may disclose additional information about any matter, and must do so if the information is material to an understanding of the financial statements. The information may be an expansion of the material contained in this statement, or contained in a note attached to the statement. The requirement under the list rules for an *issuer* to complete this statement does not prevent the *issuer* issuing reports more frequently. Additional material lodged with the *ASIC* under the *Corporations Act* must also be given to the Exchange. For example, a *directors*' report and statement, if lodged with the *ASIC*, must be given to the Exchange.
- 13. Accounting Standards the Exchange will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting Standards for foreign issuers. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if one) must be complied with.
- 14. **Borrowing corporations** As at 1/7/96, this statement may be able to be used by an *issuer* required to comply with the *Corporations Act* as part of its half yearly financial statements if prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards. However, borrowing corporations must comply with Schedule 5 of the Corporations Regulations. See regulation 3.6.02(4).