

# Appendix 4B (rule 4.13(b))

## Half yearly/preliminary final report

Introduced 1/7/2000.

Name of entity

**NUFARM LIMITED**

ACN, ARBN or ARSN

091 323 312

Half yearly  
(tick)

Preliminary  
final (tick)

Half year/financial year ended ('current  
period')

31 July 2001

### For announcement to the market

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

\$A'000

Revenues from ordinary activities ( <i>item 1.1</i> )	down	3%	to	1,388,111
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members ( <i>item 1.20</i> )	down	94%	to	3,721
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members ( <i>item 1.23</i> )	down	108%	to	(4,526)*
Profit (loss) from extraordinary items after tax attributable to members ( <i>item 2.5(d)</i> )				Nil
Net profit (loss) for the period attributable to members ( <i>item 1.11</i> )	down	108%	to	(4,526)

Dividends (distributions)	Amount per security	Franked amount per security
Final dividend ( <i>Preliminary final report only - item 15.4</i> ) Interim dividend ( <i>Half yearly report only - item 15.6</i> )	11.0¢	11.0¢
Previous corresponding period ( <i>Preliminary final report - item 15.5; half yearly report - item 15.7</i> )	11.0¢	11.0¢

\*Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) (*see item 15.2*)

26 October 2001

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:

This release compares the 12 months to July 2001 with the 14 months to July 2000.

\* After the impact of significant write downs described in Item 1.24

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**Consolidated profit and loss account**

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.1 Revenues from ordinary activities	1,388,111	1,427,626
1.2 Expenses from ordinary activities ( <i>see items 1.24 + 12.5 + 12.6</i> )	(1,322,852)	(1,311,025)
1.3 Borrowing costs	(37,000)	(42,348)
1.4 Share of net profit (loss) of associates and joint venture entities ( <i>see item 16.7</i> )	3,447	2,003
<b>1.5 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax</b>	<b>31,706</b>	<b>76,256</b>
1.6 Income tax on ordinary activities ( <i>see note 4</i> )	35,657	22,192
<b>1.7 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax</b>	<b>(3,951)</b>	<b>54,064</b>
1.8 Profit (loss) from extraordinary items after tax ( <i>see item 2.5</i> )	-	(869)
<b>1.9 Net profit (loss)</b>	<b>(3,951)</b>	<b>53,195</b>
1.10 Net profit (loss) attributable to outside +equity interests	575	361
<b>1.11 Net profit (loss) for the period attributable to members</b>	<b>(4,526)</b>	<b>52,834</b>

**Consolidated retained profits**

1.12 Retained profits (accumulated losses) at the beginning of the financial period	215,908	143,437
1.13 Net profit (loss) attributable to members ( <i>item 1.11</i> )	(4,526)	52,834
1.14 Net transfers to and from reserves	147	46,455
1.15 Net effect of changes in accounting policies	-	-
1.16 Dividends and other equity distributions paid or payable	(27,808)	(26,818)
<b>1.17 Retained profits (accumulated losses) at end of financial period</b>	<b>183,721</b>	<b>215,908</b>

**Profit restated to exclude amortisation of goodwill**

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000
1.18 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax before outside equity interests ( <i>items 1.7</i> ) and amortisation of goodwill	4,296	63,249
1.19 Less (plus) outside +equity interests	575	361
<b>1.20 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members</b>	<b>3,721</b>	<b>62,888</b>

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**Profit (loss) from ordinary activities attributable to members**

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000
1.21 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax (item 1.7)	(3,951)	54,064
1.22 Less (plus) outside +equity interests	575	361
<b>1.23 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax, attributable to members</b>	<b>(4,526)</b>	<b>53,703</b>

**Revenue and expenses from ordinary activities**

*AASB 1004 requires disclosure of specific categories of revenue and AASB 1018 requires disclosure of expenses from ordinary activities according to either their nature of function. Entities must report details of revenue and expenses from ordinary activities using the layout employed in their accounts. See also items 12.1 to 12.6.*

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000
1.24 Details of revenue and expenses		
Sales revenue	1,323,232	1,369,974
Interest income	2,655	3,101
Other revenue	62,224	54,551
Cost of goods sold	(772,005)	(777,653)
Depreciation and amortisation	(90,284)	(53,690)
Borrowing costs	(37,000)	(42,348)
Research and development costs	(11,447)	(9,509)
Staff expenses	(182,546)	(197,648)
Other operating expenses	(181,165)	(166,417)
Share of profits of associates	3,447	2,003
Plant related costs	(60,145)	(75,330)
Occupancy Expenses	(25,260)	(30,778)
<b>Profit from ordinary activities before Income tax expense</b>	<b>31,706</b>	<b>76,256</b>

Other revenue includes:		
Gross proceeds from sale of non-current assets		
Plant and equipment	2,646	12,113
Sale of businesses	17,021	37,616
Other investments	40,878	625
Other operating expenses include:		
Carrying cost of non-current assets disposed of		
Plant and equipment	(2,884)	(10,521)
Sale of businesses	(9,530)	(21,711)
Other investments	(40,457)	-
Write down of plant and equipment	-	(4,733)
Write off of equity accounted investment	-	(3,020)
Write down of SulFer Works (a)	(11,656)	-
Write off of major project development expenditure	-	(8,327)
Other non – operating expenses	(3,150)	(1,085)

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- (a) The sulfur fertiliser operation has been closed. Asset carrying values have been written down to estimated realisable values. Sales negotiations are continuing with interested parties for the remaining assets.

The asset write-downs and closure costs are as follows:	<b>\$000</b>
Accelerated amortisation of plant and equipment	36,321
Accelerated amortisation of intellectual property	975
Inventory write-downs and disposal of off-spec inventory	5,243
Redundancies	1,607
Closure and other costs	<u>4,806</u>
	48,952
Tax assets written off	<u>10,264</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>59,216</u></b>

**Intangible and extraordinary items**

		<i>Consolidated - current period</i>			
		Before tax \$A'000  (a)	Related tax \$A'000  (b)	Related outside +equity interests \$A'000  (c)	Amount (after tax) attributable to members \$A'000  (d)
2.1	Amortisation of goodwill	10,639	2,392	-	8,247
2.2	Amortisation of other intangibles	1,186	1	-	1,185
<b>2.3</b>	<b>Total amortisation of intangibles</b>	<b>11,825</b>	<b>2,393</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,432</b>
2.4	Extraordinary items - Migration Costs				Nil
<b>2.5</b>	<b>Total extraordinary items</b>				<b>Nil</b>

**Comparison of half year profits**

*(Preliminary final report only)*

		Current year - \$A'000	Previous year - \$A'000
3.1	Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members reported for the 1st half year (item 1.23 in the half yearly report)	12,620	10,660
3.2	Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members for the 2nd half year	(17,146)	42,174

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<b>Consolidated balance sheet</b>		At end of current period \$A'000	As shown in last annual report \$A'000	As in last half yearly report \$A'000
	<b>Current assets</b>			
4.1	Cash	23,615	43,946	34,476
4.2	Receivables	282,568	258,325	302,116
4.3	Investments	-	-	31,909
4.4	Inventories	309,339	256,958	302,481
4.5	Tax assets	2,657	941	5,305
<b>4.6</b>	<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>618,179</b>	<b>560,170</b>	<b>676,287</b>
	<b>Non-current assets</b>			
4.7	Receivables	-	-	-
4.8	Investments (equity accounted)	23,431	20,766	22,947
4.9	Other financial assets	16,368	44,624	11,651
4.10	Inventories	-	-	-
4.11	Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised	-	-	-
4.12	Development properties	-	-	-
4.13	Other property, plant and equipment (net)	368,603	367,962	389,292
4.14	Intangibles (net)	132,382	108,095	109,477
4.15	Tax assets	32,918	37,319	40,705
<b>4.16</b>	<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>573,702</b>	<b>578,766</b>	<b>574,072</b>
<b>4.17</b>	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>1,191,881</b>	<b>1,138,936</b>	<b>1,250,359</b>
	<b>Current liabilities</b>			
4.18	Payables	226,168	179,162	257,745
4.19	Interest bearing liabilities	320,082	188,232	214,273
4.20	Provisions	35,011	33,700	21,452
4.21	Other (Income tax liabilities)	11,496	18,994	14,391
<b>4.22</b>	<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>592,757</b>	<b>420,088</b>	<b>507,861</b>
	<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
4.23	Payables	-	-	-
4.24	Interest bearing liabilities	220,222	306,401	326,732
4.25	Provisions	7,719	6,589	6,940
4.26	Other (Deferred tax liabilities)	18,382	17,346	18,364
<b>4.27</b>	<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>246,323</b>	<b>330,336</b>	<b>352,036</b>
<b>4.28</b>	<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>839,080</b>	<b>750,424</b>	<b>859,897</b>
<b>4.29</b>	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>352,801</b>	<b>388,512</b>	<b>390,462</b>

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**Consolidated balance sheet continued**

<b>Equity</b>				
4.30	Capital/contributed equity	145,593	145,066	145,087
4.31	Reserves	22,437	27,108	26,994
4.32	Retained profits (accumulated losses)	183,721	215,908	217,715
<b>4.33</b>	<b>Equity attributable to members of the parent entity</b>	<b>351,751</b>	<b>388,082</b>	<b>389,796</b>
4.34	Outside +equity interests in controlled entities	1,050	430	666
<b>4.35</b>	<b>Total equity</b>	<b>352,801</b>	<b>388,512</b>	<b>390,462</b>
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	
<b>5.6</b>	<b>Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.11)</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**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	
<b>6.7</b>	<b>Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.12)</b>	<b>N/A</b>

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## Consolidated statement of cash flows

		Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
<b>Cash flows related to operating activities</b>			
7.1	Receipts from customers (inc Net GST)	1,278,253	1,419,375
7.2	Payments to suppliers and employees	(1,154,401)	(1,280,272)
7.3	Dividends received from associates	2,235	1,005
7.4	Other dividends received	432	667
7.5	Interest and other items of similar nature received	2,655	3,101
7.6	Interest and other costs of finance paid	(35,656)	(38,558)
7.7	Income taxes paid	(28,322)	(25,290)
		65,196	80,030
7.8	Other (migration costs)	-	(4,049)
<b>7.9</b>	<b>Net operating cash flows</b>	<b>65,196</b>	<b>75,981</b>
<b>Cash flows related to investing activities</b>			
7.10	Payment for purchases of property, plant and equipment	(62,453)	(68,454)
7.11	Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	2,646	12,113
7.12	Payment for purchases of equity investments	(6,024)	(16,768)
7.13	Proceeds from sale of equity & other investments	40,878	2,941
7.14	Loans to other entities	-	-
7.15	Loans repaid by other entities	-	-
7.16	Other:		
	Major project development expenditure	-	(3,233)
	Proceeds from business sale	41,380	13,238
	Purchase of <a href="#">businesses</a>	(58,065)	(12,814)
	Foreign currency investment hedges	(38,366)	(29,118)
<b>7.17</b>	<b>Net investing cash flows</b>	<b>(80,004)</b>	<b>(102,095)</b>
<b>Cash flows related to financing activities</b>			
7.18	Proceeds from issues of +securities (shares, options, etc.) net of share buy-backs	529	14,585
7.19	Proceeds from borrowings	33,599	85,805
7.20	Repayment of borrowings	(48,382)	(39,693)
7.21	Dividends paid	(27,787)	(22,164)
7.22	Foreign currency loans hedges	(4,242)	(6,031)
<b>7.23</b>	<b>Net financing cash flows</b>	<b>(46,283)</b>	<b>32,502</b>
7.24	<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash held</b>	<b>(61,091)</b>	<b>6,388</b>
7.25	Cash at beginning of period (see <i>Reconciliation of cash</i> )	28,255	21,142
7.26	Exchange rate adjustments to item 7.25.	1,674	725
<b>7.27</b>	<b>Cash at end of period (see <i>Reconciliation of cash</i>)</b>	<b>(31,162)</b>	<b>28,255</b>

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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
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**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	23,615	43,946
8.2 Deposits at call	-	-
8.3 Bank overdraft	(54,777)	(15,691)
8.4 Other (provide details)	-	-
<b>8.5 Total cash at end of period (item 7.27)</b>	<b>(31,162)</b>	<b>28,255</b>

**Ratios**

	Current period	Previous corresponding Period
<b>9.1 Profit before tax / revenue</b> Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax (item 1.5) as a percentage of revenue (item 1.1)	2.3%	5.4%
<b>9.2 Profit after tax / +equity interests</b> Consolidated net profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members (item 1.9) as a percentage of equity (similarly attributable) at the end of the period (item 4.33)	(1.0)%	13.7%

**Earnings per security (EPS)**

	Current period	Previous corresponding period
10.1 Calculation of the following in accordance with AASB 1027: Earnings per Share		
(12) Basic EPS	(2.6)c	35.8c
(12) Diluted EPS (if materially different from (a))		
© Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period used in the calculation of the Basic EPS	154,414,425	150,865,517
Basic EPS excluding non-operating items	33.1c	32.2c
<b>NTA backing</b> (see note 7)	Current period	Previous corresponding period
11.1 Net tangible asset backing per +ordinary security	\$1.42	\$1.81

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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 1.5	2,655	3,101
12.2 Interest revenue included in item 12.1 but not yet received (if material)	N/A	N/A
12.3 Interest costs excluded from borrowing costs, capitalised in asset values	-	-
12.4 Outlays (except those arising from the +acquisition of an existing business) capitalised in intangibles (if material)	-	3,233
12.5 Depreciation and amortisation (excluding amortisation of intangibles)	79,645	42,174
The above includes accelerated SulFer Works depreciation of	36,321	-
12.6 Other specific relevant items not shown in item 1.24 (see note 15)		

**Control gained over entities having material effect**

13.1 Name of entity (or group of entities)	N/A
13.2 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities 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	
13.4 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) for the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$

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**Loss of control of entities having material effect**

14.1	Name of entity (or group of entities)	N/A
14.2	Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities 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 profit (loss) from ordinary activities 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 profit (loss) from ordinary activities 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**

Operating Revenue	See attached
Sales to customers outside the economic entity	
Inter-segment sales	
Unallocated revenue	
Total revenue	
Segment result	
Unallocated expenses	
Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax (equal to item 1.5)	
Segment assets )	<i>Comparative data for segment assets should be as at the end of the previous corresponding period.</i>
Unallocated assets )	
Total assets (equal to item 4.17) )	

**Dividends (in the case of a trust, distributions)**

15.1	Date the dividend (distribution) is payable	9 November 2001
15.2	+Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend (distribution) (ie, on the basis of registrable transfers received by 5.00 pm if +securities are not +CHESS approved, or security holding balances established by 5.00 pm or such later time permitted by SCH Business Rules if +securities are +CHESS approved)	26 October 2001
15.3	If it is a final dividend, has it been declared? (Preliminary final report only)	Yes

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**Amount per security**

		Amount per security	Franked amount per security	Amount per security of foreign source dividend
	<i>(Preliminary final report only)</i>			
15.4	<b>Final dividend:</b> Current year (Franked @ 30%)	11.0¢	11.0 ¢	- ¢
15.5	Previous year(Franked @ 34%)	11.0¢	11.0¢	- ¢
	<i>(Half yearly and preliminary final reports)</i>			
15.6	<b>Interim dividend:</b> Current year (Franked @ 34%)	7.0¢	7.0¢	- ¢
15.7	Previous year	6.0¢	- ¢	- ¢

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

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	Current year	Previous year
15.8 +Ordinary securities	18.0¢	17.0¢
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	N/A	N/A
15.11 Preference +securities	N/A	N/A
15.12 Other equity instruments		
<b>15.13 Total</b>		

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

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

Any other disclosures in relation to dividends (distributions)

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## Details of aggregate share of profits (losses) of associates and joint venture entities

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
16.1 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax	5,791	2,728
16.2 Income tax on ordinary activities	2,344	725
<b>16.3 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after income tax</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>2,003</b>
16.4 Extraordinary items net of tax	-	-
<b>16.5 Net profit (loss)</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>2,003</b>
16.6 Outside +equity interests	-	-
<b>16.7 Net profit (loss) attributable to members</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>2,003</b>

## 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 net profit (loss) (item 1.9)	
	Current period	Previous corresponding period	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period- \$A'000
<b>17.1 Equity accounted associates and joint venture entities</b>				
Aventis Nufarm Limited	25%	25%	3,083	738
Mastra Holdings Sdn Bhd & Mastra Corporation Pty Ltd Group	40%	40%	830	567
<b>17.2 Total</b>			<b>3,913</b>	<b>1,305</b>
17.3 Other material interests				
IAMA	-	17%	-	667 (Dividend only)
<b>17.4 Total</b>			<b>-</b>	<b>667</b>

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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 14) (cents)	Amount paid up per security (see note 14) (cents)
<b>18.1 Preference +securities</b> <i>(description)</i>	-	-	-	-
18.2 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks, redemptions	-	-	-	-
<b>18.3 +Ordinary securities Fully paid</b> <b>Partly paid</b>	154,545,607 710,050 155,255,657	154,545,607		1.0
18.4 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks	(115,000)			
<b>18.5 +Convertible debt securities</b> <i>(description and conversion factor)</i>	N/A			
18.6 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted	N/A			
<b>18.7 Options</b> <i>(description and conversion factor)</i>			<i>Exercise price</i>	<i>Expiry date (if any)</i>
One ordinary share	121,717	-	3.55	1/11/2002
One ordinary share	135,881	-	3.08	1/03/2005
18.8 Issued during current period				
18.9 Exercised during current period				
18.10 Expired during current period				
<b>18.11 Debentures</b> <i>(totals only)</i>	N/A			
<b>18.12 Unsecured notes</b> <i>(totals only)</i>	170,000,000	170,000,000		

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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

See attached narrative.

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)

Not applicable.

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

Franking credits of **1,139,142** are available after the payment of the declared final fully franked dividend, and the company believes it will be able to fully frank dividends in the forthcoming year.

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

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

None.

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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.

Not applicable.

19.2 A statement of the fees and commissions payable to the management company or responsible entity.

Not applicable.

Identify:

- initial service charges
- management fees
- other fees

## Annual meeting

*(Preliminary final report only)*

The annual meeting will be held as follows:

Place

Melbourne

Date

13 December 2001

Time

10.00 a.m.

Approximate date the <sup>+</sup>annual report will be available

5 November 2001

## 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 12).

Identify other standards used

N/A

2 This report, and the <sup>+</sup>accounts upon which the report is based (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 <sup>+</sup>accounts to which one of the following applies.  
(Tick one)
- |                                     |   |                          |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The <sup>+</sup> accounts have been audited.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | The <sup>+</sup> accounts have been subject to review.                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | The <sup>+</sup> accounts are in the process of being audited or subject to review. | <input type="checkbox"/> | The <sup>+</sup> accounts 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.

Sign here: ..... Date: .....  
(Director)

Print name: .....

**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 "revenue" and an explanation of "ordinary activities" are set out in *AASB 1004: Revenue*, and *AASB 1018: Statement of financial performance*.
  - Item 1.6 This item refers to the total tax attributable to the amount shown in item 1.5. Tax includes income tax and capital gains tax (if any) but excludes taxes treated as expenses from ordinary activities (eg, fringe benefits tax).
- 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.

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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: Half-Year Accounts and Consolidated Accounts*, and *AASB 1040: Statement of Financial Position*. Banking institutions, trusts and financial institutions identified in an ASIC 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 <sup>+</sup>annual report, the entity must describe the basis of revaluation adopted. The description must meet the requirements 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: Application of Accounting Standards etc.*

6. **Consolidated 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*. <sup>+</sup>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 <sup>+</sup>ordinary securities (ie, all liabilities, preference shares, outside <sup>+</sup>equity interests etc). <sup>+</sup>Mining entities are *not* required to state a net tangible asset backing per <sup>+</sup>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 <sup>+</sup>accounts. Details must include the contribution for each gain or loss that increased or decreased the entity’s consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities 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 ASIC Class Order 98/0100 dated 10 July 1998, it may report to the nearest million dollars, or to the nearest \$100,000, if the \$A’000 headings are amended.

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.

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11. **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 +ASIC under the Corporations Law must also be given to ASX. For example, a directors' report and declaration, if lodged with the +ASIC, must be given to ASX.
12. **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.
13. **Corporations Law financial statements** 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.
14. **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.
15. **Relevant Items** AASB 1018 requires the separate disclosure of specific revenues and expenses which are not extraordinary but which are of a size, nature or incidence that disclosure is *relevant* in explaining the financial performance of the reporting entity. The term "relevance" is defined in AASB 1018. For foreign entities, there are similar requirements in other accounting standards normally accepted by ASX.
16. **\$ Dollars** If reporting is not in A\$, all references to \$A must be changed to the reporting currency. If reporting is not in thousands of dollars, all references to "000" must be changed to the reporting value.

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