

Appendix 4B (equity accounted)

Half yearly report

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Name of entity

Protel International Limited

ACN, ARBN or ARSN

Half yearly
(tick)

Preliminary
final (tick)

Half year ('current period')

009 568 772



31st December 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 (item 1.1)	up/down	N/A% to	10,317
Abnormal items after tax attributable to members (item 2.5)	gain (loss) of	N/A	
+Operating profit (loss) after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members (item 1.26)	up/down	N/A % to	1,834
+Operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members (item 1.10)	up/down	N/A % to	1,834
Extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (item 1.13)	gain (loss) of	N/A	
+Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (item 1.16)	up/down	N/A % to	1,834
Dividends (distributions)	Amount per security	Franked amount per security at 36% tax	
Final dividend (Preliminary final report only - item 15.4) Interim dividend (Half yearly report only - item 15.6)	-¢		-¢

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Previous corresponding period (<i>Preliminary final report - item 15.5; half yearly report - item 15.7</i>)	-¢	-¢
<p>+Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) (<i>see item 15.2</i>)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 300px; height: 40px; margin-left: 480px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">-</div> <p>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:</p>		

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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	10,317	N/A
1.2 Other revenue	567	
1.3 Total revenue	10,884	N/A
1.4 +Operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax	2,634	N/A
1.5 Abnormal items before tax (detail in item 2.4)	N/A	
1.6 +Operating profit (loss) before tax (items 1.4 + 1.5)	2,634	N/A
1.7 Less tax	(800)	N/A
1.8 +Operating profit (loss) after tax but before outside +equity interests	1,834	N/A
1.9 Less outside +equity interests	-	
1.1 +Operating profit (loss) after tax 0 attributable to members	1,834	N/A
1.1 Extraordinary items after tax (detail in item 1 2.6)	-	
1.1 Less outside +equity interests 2	-	N/A
1.1 Extraordinary items after tax attributable to 3 members	-	N/A
1.1 Total +operating profit (loss) and 4 extraordinary items after tax (items 1.8 + 1.11)	1,834	N/A
1.1 +Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary 5 items after tax attributable to outside +equity interests (items 1.9 + 1.12)	-	

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1.1 6	+Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (items 1.10 + 1.13)	1,834	N/A
1.1 7	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at beginning of financial period	4,843	N/A
1.1 8	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)		
1.1 9	Aggregate of amounts transferred from reserves		
1.2 0	Total available for appropriation (<i>carried forward</i>)	6,677	N/A

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Consolidated profit and loss account continued

1.2 0	Total available for appropriation (<i>brought forward</i>)	6,677	N/A
1.2 1	Dividends provided for or paid	-	N/A
1.2 2	Aggregate of amounts transferred to reserves	-	N/A
1.2 3	Retained profits (accumulated losses) at end of financial period	6,677	N/A

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period \$A'000	
Profit restated to exclude			
Amortisation of goodwill			
1.24	+Operating profit (loss) after tax before outside equity interests (items 1.8) and amortisation of goodwill	1,834	N/A
1.25	Less (plus) outside +equity interests	-	N/A
1.26	+Operating profit (loss) after tax (before amortisation of goodwill) attributable to members	1,834	N/A

	<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	-	-	-
2.2	Amortisation of other intangibles	376	135	241
2.3	Total amortisation of intangibles	376	135	241
2.4	Abnormal items	-	-	-
2.5	Total abnormal items	-	-	-

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2.6	Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-
2.7	Total extraordinary items	-	-	-	-

Comparison of half year profits

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		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)	N/A	N/A
3.2	Consolidated +operating profit (loss) after tax attributable to members for the 2 nd half year	N/A	N/A

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Consolidated balance sheet

(See note 5)

		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	29,520	2,140	N/A
4.2	Receivables	3,777	3,292	N/A
4.3	Investments	-	-	-
4.4	Inventories	140	132	N/A
4.5	Other (provide details if material)	221	532	N/A
		33,658	6,096	N/A
4.6	Total current assets			
Non-current assets				
4.7	Receivables	-	-	N/A
4.8	Investments	-	-	N/A
4.9	Inventories	-	-	N/A
4.10	Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised (see para .71 of AASB 1022)	-	-	N/A
4.11	Development properties (*mining entities)	-	-	N/A
4.12	Other property, plant and equipment (net)	1,365	1,327	N/A
4.13	Intangibles (net)	8,491	8,371	N/A
4.14	Other (provide details if material)	694	524	N/A
		10,550	10,222	N/A
4.15	Total non-current assets			
		44,208	16,318	N/A
4.16	Total assets			
Current liabilities				
4.17	Accounts payable	1,188	1,390	N/A
4.18	Borrowings	1,373	7,712	N/A
4.19	Provisions	675	986	N/A
4.20	Other (provide details if material)	41	28	N/A
		3,277	10,116	N/A
4.21	Total current liabilities			
Non-current liabilities				

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4.22	Accounts payable	-	-	N/A
4.23	Borrowings	268	552	N/A
4.24	Provisions	1,153	707	N/A
4.25	Other (provide details if material)	-	-	-
		1,421	1,259	N/A
4.26	Total non-current liabilities			
		4,698	11,375	N/A
4.27	Total liabilities			
		39,510	4,943	N/A
4.28	Net assets			

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Consolidated balance sheet continued

	Equity			
4.29	Capital	32,833	100	N/A
4.30	Reserves	-	-	N/A
4.31	Retained profits (accumulated losses)	6,677	4,843	N/A
4.32	Equity attributable to members of the parent entity	39,510	4,943	N/A
4.33	Outside +equity interests in controlled entities	-	-	N/A
4.34	Total equity	39,510	4,943	N/A
4.35	Preference capital included as part of 4.32	-	-	-

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	N/A
5.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	N/A
5.3	Expenditure written off during current period	N/A
5.4	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.	N/A
5.5	Expenditure transferred to Development Properties	N/A
5.6	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.10)	N/A

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	N/A
6.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	N/A

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6.3	Expenditure transferred from exploration and evaluation	N/A	N/A
6.4	Expenditure written off during current period	N/A	N/A
6.5	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.	N/A	N/A
6.6	Expenditure transferred to mine properties	N/A	N/A
6.7	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.11)	N/A	N/A

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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	9,706	N/A
7.2	Payments to suppliers and employees	(8,224)	N/A
7.3	Dividends received	-	N/A
7.4	Interest and other items of similar nature received	537	N/A
7.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	(60)	N/A
7.6	Income taxes paid	(625)	N/A
7.7	Other (provide details if material)	-	N/A
7.8	Net operating cash flows	1,334	N/A
Cash flows related to investing activities			
7.9	Payment for purchases of property, plant and equipment	(284)	N/A
7.10	Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	23	N/A
7.11	Payment for purchases of equity investments	-	N/A
7.12	Proceeds from sale of equity investments	-	N/A
7.13	Loans to other entities	-	N/A
7.14	Loans repaid by other entities	-	N/A
7.15	Other - payments for technology acquisitions	(64)	N/A
	Other – payments related to purchase of ACCEL Technologies Inc.	(221)	N/A
7.16	Net investing cash flows	(546)	N/A
Cash flows related to financing activities			
7.17	Proceeds from issues of +securities (shares, options, etc.)	30,000	N/A
7.18	Proceeds from borrowings		
7.19	Repayment of borrowings	(1,483)	N/A

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7.20	Dividends paid		
7.21	Other - repayments of lease liabilities	(151)	N/A
	Other – share issue transaction costs	(1,774)	N/A
7.22	Net financing cash flows	26,592	N/A
7.23	Net increase (decrease) in cash held	27,380	N/A
7.24	Cash at beginning of period (see <i>Reconciliation of cash</i>)	2,140	N/A
7.25	Exchange rate adjustments to item 7.24.	-	N/A
7.26	Cash at end of period (see <i>Reconciliation of cash</i>)	29,520	N/A

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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.

Refer section 18.

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	29,515	N/A
8.2 Deposits at call	5	N/A
8.3 Bank overdraft	-	N/A
8.4 Other (provide details)	-	N/A
8.5 Total cash at end of period (item 7.25)	29,520	N/A

Ratios

	Current period	Previous corresponding period
9.1 Profit before abnormals and tax / sales Consolidated +operating profit (loss) before abnormal items and tax (item 1.4) as a percentage of sales revenue (item 1.1)	25.5%	N/A
9.2 Profit after tax / +equity interests 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 4.32)	4.6%	N/A

Earnings per security (EPS)

	Current period	Previous corresponding period

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10.1	Calculation of the following in accordance with AASB 1027: <i>Earnings per Share</i>		
(a)	Basic EPS	3.1 cents	N/A
(b)	Diluted EPS (if materially different from (a))	2.8 cents	N/A
(c)	Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period used in the calculation of the Basic EPS	59,805,362	N/A

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NTA backing <i>(see note 7)</i>	Current period	Previous corresponding period
11. Net tangible asset backing per ⁺ ordinary 1 security	49.4 cents	N/A

Details of specific receipts/outlays, revenues/ expenses

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
12. Interest revenue included in determining 1 item 1.4	537	N/A
12. Interest revenue included in item 12.1 but 2 not yet received (if material)	-	N/A
12. Interest expense included in item 1.4 3 (include all forms of interest, lease finance charges, etc.)	59	N/A
12. Interest costs excluded from item 12.3 and 4 capitalised in asset values (if material)	-	N/A
12. Outlays (except those arising from the 5 ⁺ acquisition of an existing business) capitalised in intangibles (if material)	539	N/A
12. Depreciation and amortisation (excluding 6 amortisation of intangibles)	220	N/A

Control gained over entities having material effect

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13. Name of entity (or group of
1 entities)

N/A

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13. Consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary 2 items after tax of the entity (or group of entities) since the date in the current period on which control was +acquired	\$N/A
13. Date from which such profit has been calculated 3	N/A
13. +Operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax 4 of the entity (or group of entities) for the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$N/A

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Loss of control of entities having material effect

(See note 8)

14.1	Name of entity (or group of entities)	N/A
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	\$ N/A
14.3	Date to which the profit (loss) in item 14.2 has been calculated	N/A
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	\$ N/A
14.5	Contribution to consolidated +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items from sale of interest leading to loss of control	\$ N/A

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

**Refer attachment
1**

- Operating Revenue
- Sales to customers outside the economic entity
- Inter-segment sales
- Unallocated revenue

- Total revenue (consolidated total equal to item 1.3)
- Segment result (including abnormal items where relevant)
- Unallocated expenses

- Consolidated +operating profit before tax (before equity accounting) (equal to item 1.6)

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Segment assets) Unallocated assets) Total assets (equal to item 4.16))	<i>Comparative data for segment assets should be as at the end of the previous corresponding period.</i>
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Dividends (in the case of a trust, distributions)

15. Date the dividend (distribution) is payable
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15. +Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend
 2 (distribution) (ie, on the basis of registrable transfers received by 5.00 pm if +securities are not +CHES approved, or security holding balances established by 5.00 pm or such later time permitted by SCH Business Rules if +securities are +CHES approved)

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15. If it is a final dividend, has it been declared?
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N/A

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Amount per security

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

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

(Preliminary final report only)

	Current year	Previous year
15.8 +Ordinary securities	N/A ¢	N/A ¢
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
15.11 Preference +securities	-	N/A
15.12 Total	-	N/A

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

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The directors determined that due to capital expenditure on the acquisition and restructuring of ACCEL Technologies Inc, that there be no interim dividend paid at this time.

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)

N/A

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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. Operating profit (loss) before income tax 1	N/A	N/A
16. Income tax expense 2	N/A	N/A
16. Operating profit (loss) after income tax 3	N/A	N/A
16. Extraordinary items net of tax 4	N/A	N/A
16. Net profit (loss) 5	N/A	N/A
16. Outside equity interests 6	N/A	N/A
16. Net profit (loss) attributable to members 7	N/A	N/A

Material interests in entities which are not controlled entities

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

Name of entity	Percentage of ownership interest (+ordinary securities, +units etc) held at end of period		Contribution to +operating profit (loss) and extraordinary items after tax	
	Current period	Previous correspondin g period	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
17.1 Equity accounted associated entities				

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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
17.2 Other material interests	N/A	N/A	<i>Not equity accounted (ie part of item 1.14)</i>	
			N/A	N/A

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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 (cents)	Amount paid up per security (cents)
18.1 Preference +securities <i>(description)</i>	None			
18.2 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs, redemptions	(a) None (b) 2,263,157		(a) - (b)177	(a) - (b) 177
18.3 +Ordinary securities	62,753,587	62,753,587		
18.4 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues Listing on ASX New issue from IPO Conversion, Microcode Note Conversion, Accolade Note Conversion, Preference Shares (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buy-backs	(a) - 15,000,000 722,744 367,686 2,263,157 (b) None	(a) 44,400,000 15,000,000 722,744 367,686 2,263,157	(a) - 200 70 150 177 (b) -	(a) - 200 70 150 177 (b) -
18.5 +Convertible debt securities <i>(description and conversion factor)</i>	None		-	

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18.6	Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted	(a) None (b) Decreases MicroCode Note 722,744 Accolade Note 367,686		70 150	70 150
18.7	Options (<i>description and conversion factor</i>)	7,652,140		<i>Exercise Price (cents)</i>	<i>Expiry date (if any)</i>
	Protel Employee Options Macquarie ECM Options	6,187,140 1,465,000		34 220	18/6/04 18/6/04
18.8	Issued during current period	-			
18.9	Exercised during current period	-			
18.10	Expired during current period	39,960			
18.11	Debentures (<i>totals only</i>)	-			
18.12	Unsecured notes (<i>totals only</i>)	-			

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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.

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

The consolidated entity experienced better than expected sales of new licenses in the half-year ended 31 December 1999 although upgrade sales have been lower than expected. Protel 99SE (Second Edition) was released in early December 1999 with initial favourable results. Sales of new licenses in the USA and Europe were satisfactory – however Japanese sales have fallen short of expectations. The recent ACCEL acquisition provides an opportunity to reorganise Protel Japan's operations and marketing strategy.

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)

On 13 January 2000 Protel signed a Stock Purchase Agreement to acquire all of the shares of Accel Technologies, Inc., a San Deigo based competitor in the market for the design of electronic products. The purchase of shares is for US\$17,000,000 (approx. AU\$25,800,000) cash consideration. The fair value of net identifiable assets has yet to be determined. The financial effects of the above transaction have not been brought to account at 31 December 1999. The operating results, assets and liabilities of the company will be consolidated from 13 January 2000.

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

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\$1,664,161 franking credits available (after adjustment for income tax payable at period end).

The directors determined that, due to capital expenditure on the acquisition and restructuring of ACCEL Technologies Inc, there will be no interim dividend paid at this time.

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.)

NIL

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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. Identify: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• initial service charges• management fees• other fees	N/A

Annual meeting

(Preliminary final report only)

The annual meeting will be held as follows:

Place	N/A
Date	N/A
Time	N/A
Approximate date the annual report will be available	N/A

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

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- 2 This report, and the financial statements prepared under the Corporations Law (if separate), use the same accounting policies.

- 3 This report does give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

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- 4 This report is based on financial statements to which one of the following applies.
(Tick one)
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|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The financial statements have been audited. | ✓ | The financial statements have been subject to review. |
| <input 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 For a copy of the review letter from the auditor refer to attachment 2
- 6 The entity has a formally constituted audit committee.

Sign here: Date:
(Director/Company secretary)

Print name:

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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 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.

2. **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.

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 1.4 "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).

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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 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 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

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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.
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 statement, 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 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.
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.

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