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Yours faithfully,

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### Philosophy, Performance and Direction

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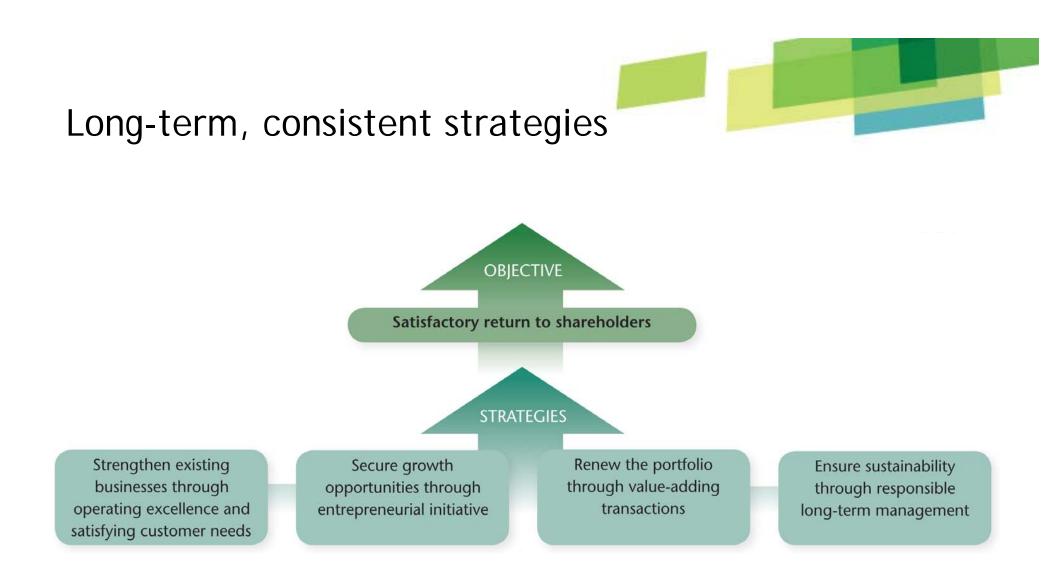
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### Philosophy Based On A Single Focus

Satisfactory Returns To Shareholders









Strong cash flows through the cycle

Pursuing growth opportunities

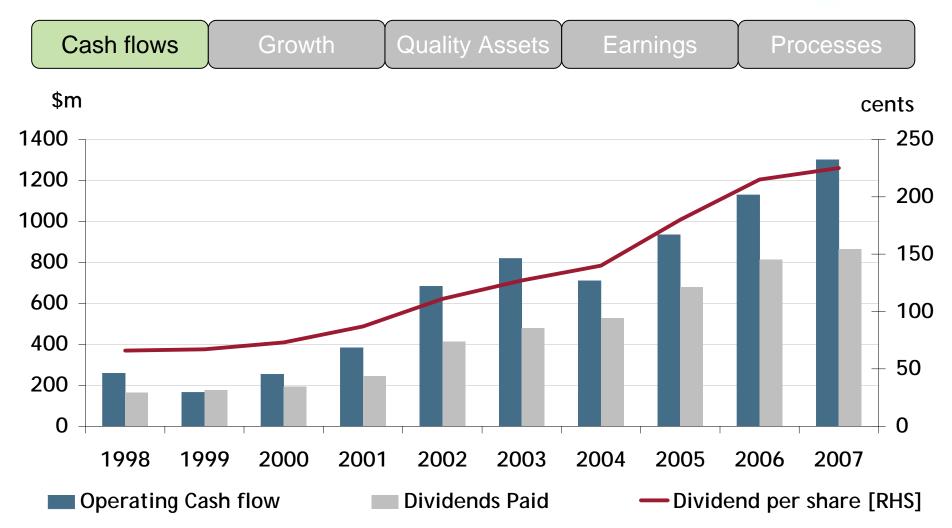
Investing in high quality assets

Achieving improved earnings

Strong internal processes











| Cash flows                                                                                                                                                                                         | Growth                                                                                                                                                                                       | Quality Assets                           | Earnings           | Processes       |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>Home Improvement</li> <li>Continued rollout of warehouse stores at 10 -14 pa</li> <li>Rollout of new range concepts; lighting, kitchens &amp; flooring</li> </ul>                         |                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                          |                    |                 |  |  |
| Coal • \$360m Curragh North development<br>• Bengalla, Curragh feasibility studies                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                          |                    |                 |  |  |
| Insurance                                                                                                                                                                                          | Insurance • Consolidation of the insurance broking market                                                                                                                                    |                                          |                    |                 |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Industrial &amp; Safety</li> <li>Stronger platform for growth allowing WIS to meet competition</li> <li>Acquisition of Bullivants, further opportunities in fragmented markets</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                          |                    |                 |  |  |
| Chemicals & Fertiliser                                                                                                                                                                             | <ul> <li>Fertilisers</li> <li>Kwinana AN expansion to double capacity</li> <li>Sodium Cyanide expansion</li> <li>Expansion into new markets &amp; geographies – Australian Vinyls</li> </ul> |                                          |                    |                 |  |  |
| Energy                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                              | winana LNG plant<br>acquisition – indust | rial and medical g | ases east coast |  |  |





| Cash flows                                                                                                                                     | Growth                                                                                                                                                         | Quality Assets                          | Earnings             | Processes |  |
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| <ul> <li>Home Improvement</li> <li>National store network (Aust. &amp; NZ)</li> <li>Leading retailer in home and garden improvement</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                |                                         |                      |           |  |
| Coal                                                                                                                                           | <ul> <li>Annual production capacity of &gt;6.5mtpa of metallurgical coal;</li> <li>&gt;7.5mpta steaming coal</li> <li>Consistent quality; low costs</li> </ul> |                                         |                      |           |  |
| Insurance                                                                                                                                      | <ul> <li>Diverse mix of businesses</li> <li>200,000 direct customer relationships</li> </ul>                                                                   |                                         |                      |           |  |
| Industrial & Safety                                                                                                                            | <ul> <li>#1 or #2 in most markets in which it operates</li> <li>Leading supplier (Blackwoods) with extensive branch network</li> </ul>                         |                                         |                      |           |  |
| Chemicals & Fertilise                                                                                                                          | <ul> <li>Sole producer of AN in WA. Reliable, high quality, local supply</li> <li>65% of WA fertiliser market, unmatched infrastructure</li> </ul>             |                                         |                      |           |  |
| Energy                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                | tical integration<br>I gas, LNG and pow | ver production facil | ities     |  |





| Cash flows                                                                                                                             | Growth Quality Assets Earnings Processes                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>Home Improvement</li> <li>Store on store cash sales growth of 10.4% in FY07</li> <li>5 year EBITA CAGR of 12.6% pa</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |  |  |  |
| Coal                                                                                                                                   | <ul> <li>Maintaining lowest quartile cash cost production for export coal</li> </ul>                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |
| Insurance                                                                                                                              | <ul> <li>5 year EBITA CAGR of 46.2% pa</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial & Safety                                                                                                                    | <ul> <li>Margin and expense control</li> <li>Continuing improvements in supply chain and delivery performance</li> <li>Significant working capital reduction; &gt;50% decrease in SKUs</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |
| Chemicals & Fertilisers                                                                                                                | <ul> <li>Improved contribution from ammonium nitrate</li> <li>Continued focus on working capital management and expenses</li> </ul>                                                               |  |  |  |  |
| Energy                                                                                                                                 | <ul> <li>Full year contribution from Coregas acquisition from 2008</li> <li>LNG project earnings in 2008/09</li> </ul>                                                                            |  |  |  |  |





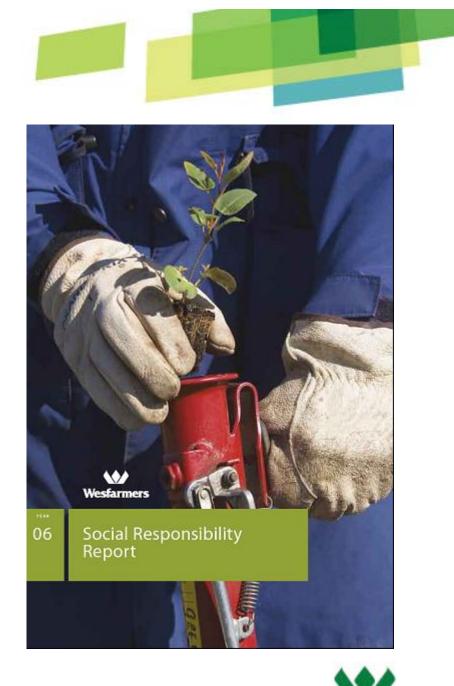
| Cash flows | Growth | Quality Assets | Earnings | Processes |
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- Lean corporate office
- Divisional autonomy, responsibility and accountability
- Flexibility to manage portfolio



#### Sustainability

- Financial performance
- Safe and rewarding workplaces
- Good value products and services
- Respect for customers and suppliers
- Environmental responsibility
- Ethical dealings
- Community contribution







### Sustainability

| Sustainability reporting | Social Responsibility Report since 1998/99                                                                 |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Climate Change           | Three divisions are members of Greenhouse Challenge Plus, a voluntary emissions reduction programme        |
|                          | Wesfarmers took part in the 2006 Carbon Disclosure Project ( <u>www.cdproject.net</u> )                    |
|                          | Coal operations are contributors to the Coal21 Fund                                                        |
|                          | Support for global emissions trading scheme                                                                |
| Energy Efficiency        | All divisions registered under the Australian government's Energy<br>Efficiency Operations (EEO) programme |
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#### A unique opportunity

**Coles** is a very attractive acquisition for Wesfarmers

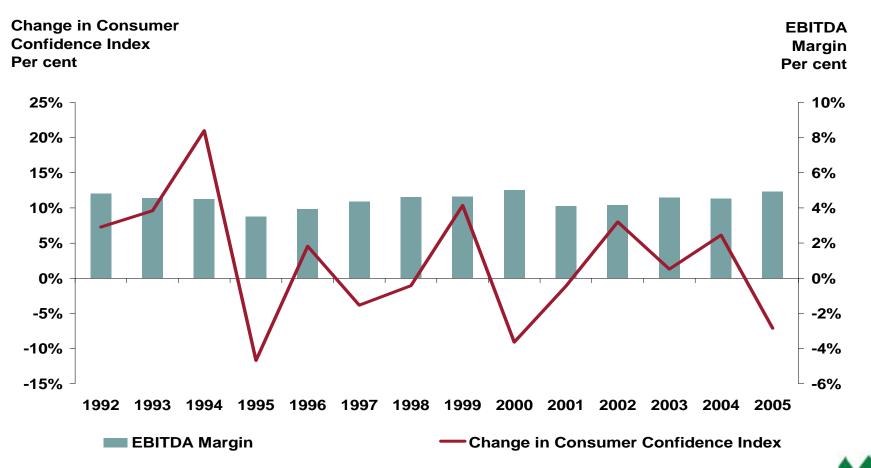
- 1. Leading positions in a highly attractive industry structure
- 2. Unique retail platform with an irreplaceable store network
- 3. Wesfarmers' retail sector know-how
- 4. Substantial opportunity to create value from the Coles businesses by improved execution
- 5. Wesfarmers has a three part plan to extract that value





#### 1. Attractive Industry Structure

• Food and liquor retailers are extremely resilient, with profit margins remaining steady throughout economic cycles

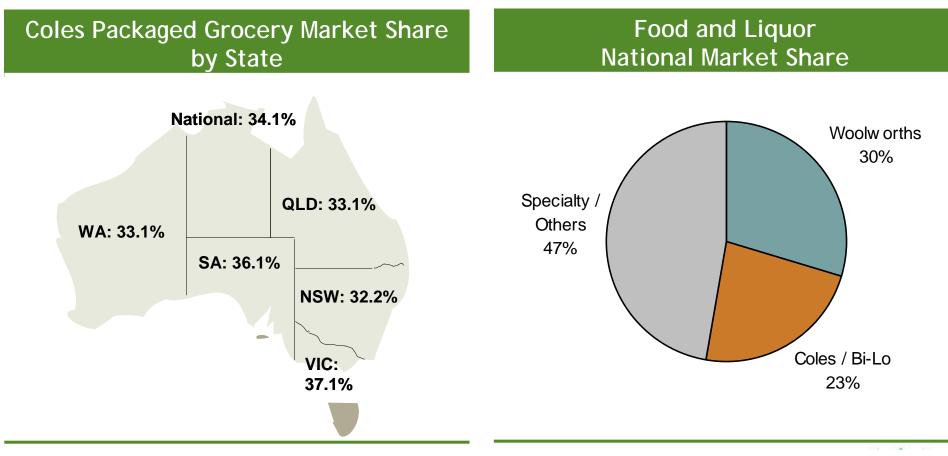


Source: RBA, Bloomberg, Profitability shown is a composite of Coles Group, Woolworths and Foodland.



#### 2. Unique Platform and Asset Base

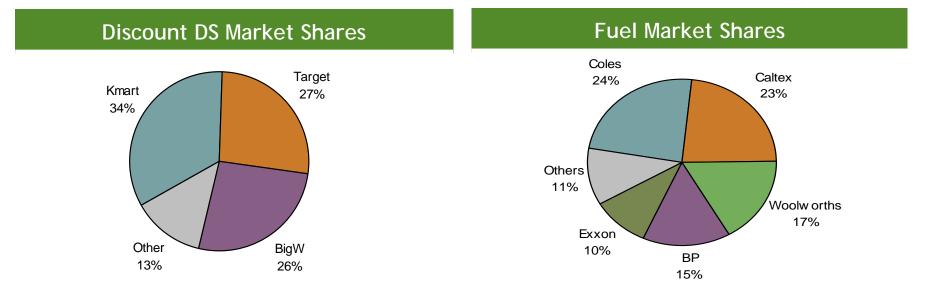
• Coles is one of two national leaders in supermarkets



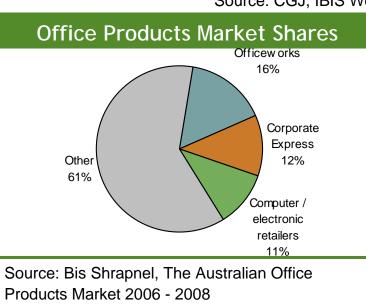
Source: ACNielsen ScanTrak - Total packaged grocery MAT to 24/04/07

Source: CGJ, WOW FY06 Australian Food & Liquor Sales (excludes fuel). ABS total food retailing.

#### 2. Unique Platform and Asset Base



Source: Bain & Company



Source: CGJ, IBIS World 2005 and 2006



### 3. Wesfarmers' Presence in the Retail Sector

Australia's Leading Retailers, based on FY06 Sales \$b 40.0 **Bunnings** 35.0 30.0 Coles 25.0 20.0 15.0 10.0 5.0 0.0 Bunnings/ Coles (1) Woolworths (2) Metcash (3) Harvey Norman (4) **David Jones** Myer

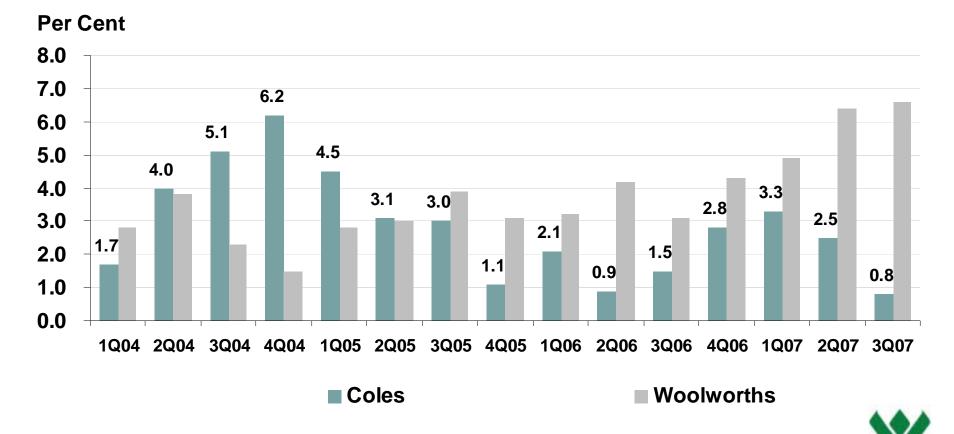
(1) Coles Australian sales (excluding Myer and Megamart) incl. hotel sales, Bunnings and HouseWorks Australian sales (2) Woolworths Australian sales minus wholesale incl. hotel sales, (3) Metcash wholesale sales – incl. NZ sales representing < 5% of total sales, (4) Harvey Norman Australian sales plus franchise and company sales.</li>
 Source: IBISWorld, BRW, Company Reports



#### 4. Potential for Growth

• Ability to generate value and restore Coles' profit and growth potential

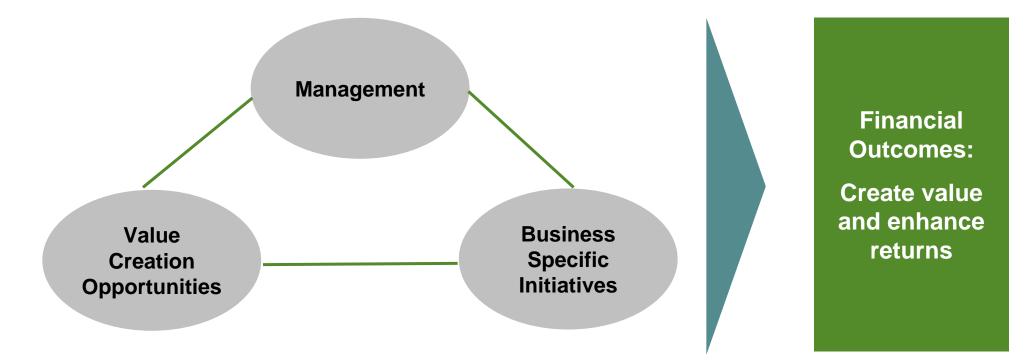
#### Food and Liquor Comparable Store Sales Growth





#### 5. Creating Value - Three-Part Plan

 Wesfarmers has a three-part plan to deliver significantly improved returns from the Coles businesses





- 5. Management and Business Restructure
- Wesfarmers will restructure the Coles businesses into the following reporting structure







#### 5. Value Creation Opportunities

• Substantial value creation opportunities are readily identifiable

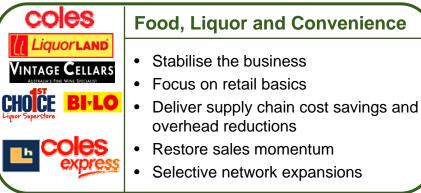
| Opportunity                                | Initiatives                                              | Potential Financial Outcomes <sup>1</sup>                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Overhead Reduction                         | Ensuring overhead reduction savings are sustainable      | \$385m <sup>2</sup> pa cost savings by FY09                                                                                    |
| Supply Chain                               | Driving through the supply chain cost savings            | \$540m <sup>3</sup> pa cost savings by FY13                                                                                    |
| Working Capital                            | Optimising working capital investment                    | \$300m plus by FY12                                                                                                            |
| Restoring<br>Supermarket Sales<br>Momentum | Repositioning the supermarkets business for sales growth | c. \$150m earnings potential in<br>year five from each 1% pa<br>increase in comparable sales<br>growth over a five year period |
| Investing for growth                       | Continue to invest in network growth and refurbishments  | \$1.0 - \$1.2bn pa FY08/FY09<br>\$0.9 - \$1.0bn pa FY10/FY12                                                                   |

(1) The extent to which these benefits will represent incremental earnings is dependent on the level of reinvestment to improve the customer offer/ drive sales growth, (2) Includes c.\$100m in cost savings achieved by Coles to date, (3) Includes c.\$90m in cost savings achieved by Coles to date.



#### 5. Plans for the Businesses

#### Medium Term Value Creation - NPV Positive



#### Kmart

- Undertake strategic review
- Wesfarmers' preference is to retain the Kmart business, however all options to optimise value will be considered

#### Value Accretive from Date of Acquisition

#### Target

- Continuation of strong performance
- Support current margin mix initiatives
- Aggressive store roll-out programme

#### Officeworks

- Optimise performance through alignment with Bunnings
- Accelerate store roll-out program to target category leadership



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Target.

**Officeworks** 

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### Key Offer Terms

Wesfarmers' proposal gives Coles shareholders the flexibility of three forms of consideration

| Wesfarmers Offer              |                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Base Offer                    | <ul> <li>0.14215 Wesfarmers Ordinary Shares</li> <li>0.14215 Wesfarmers Price Protected Shares ("WPPS")</li> <li>\$4 cash</li> </ul>                                                      |  |  |  |
| Maximum<br>Scrip <sup>1</sup> | <ul> <li>Maximum proportion of scrip available (based on the level of demand from other Coles shareholders for maximum cash)</li> <li>Potential to receive CGT rollover relief</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Maximum<br>Cash <sup>1</sup>  | <ul> <li>Maximum proportion of cash available (based on the level of demand from other Coles shareholders for maximum scrip)</li> <li>WPPS will not be able to be "cashed out"</li> </ul> |  |  |  |

- Coles shareholders will receive a FY07 fully franked final dividend of 25c
- 1. For the purpose of the transfer of interests between Coles shareholders electing Maximum Scrip and those electing Maximum Cash, WES ordinary shares would be valued at a volume weighted average price for a period between the scheme meeting and implementation date, calculated ex the FY2007 WES final dividend



#### Scheme Implementation

• Wesfarmers is expecting to complete the acquisition of Coles late November

| Indicative Timetable                        |                     |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Scheme book lodged with ASIC                | 14 September 2007   |
| Scheme book available to Coles Shareholders | early October 2007  |
| Coles Shareholder Meeting                   | early November 2007 |
| Implementation Date                         | late November 2007  |





#### Management Team

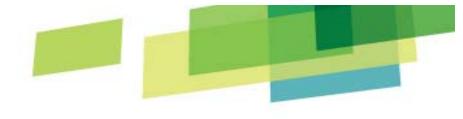
| Managing Director & CEO       | Richard Goyder |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Finance Director              | Gene Tilbrook  |
| Divisional Managing Directors |                |
| Home Improvement              | John Gillam    |
| Coal                          | Stewart Butel  |
| Insurance                     | Rob Scott      |
| Industrial & Safety           | Terry Bowen    |
| Chemicals & Fertilisers       | Keith Gordon*  |
| Energy                        | Tim Bult       |

\* Ian Hansen from 1 October 2007









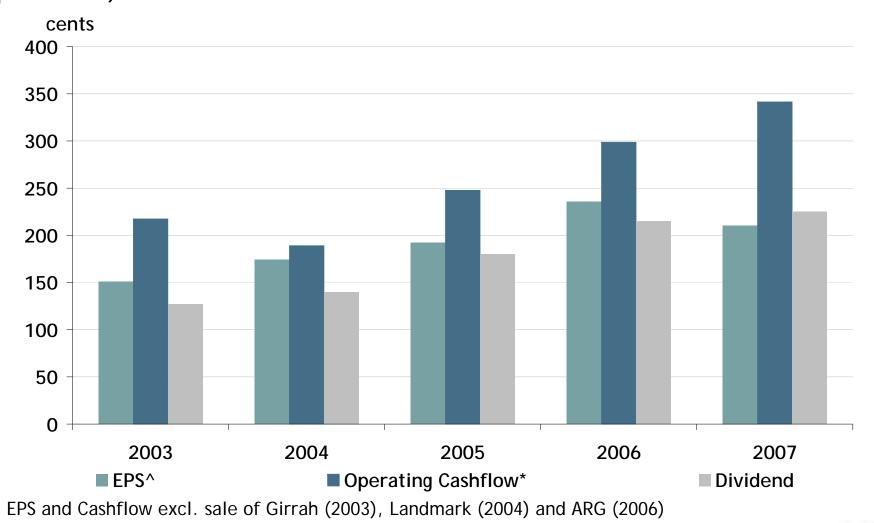
#### **Group Performance Summary**

| Year ended 30 June (\$m)                        | 2007    | 2006*   | 1%     |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Revenue                                         | 9,753.7 | 8,858.8 | 10.1   |
| EBITDA                                          | 1,650.0 | 1,649.5 | 0.0    |
| EBIT                                            | 1,305.3 | 1,366.0 | (4.4)  |
| Net profit after tax                            | 786.3   | 869.4   | (9.6)  |
| Operating cash flow                             | 1,300.6 | 1,129.1 | 15.2   |
| Earnings per share (ex. employee res. shares)   | 210.5   | 235.6   | (10.7) |
| Earnings per share (inc. employee res. shares)  | 206.5   | 229.9   | (10.2) |
| Cash flow per share (inc. employee res. shares) | 341.5   | 298.7   | 14.3   |
| Dividends per share ^                           | 225.0   | 215.0   | 4.7    |

2007 Dividends per share includes 25 cents per share relating to franking credits from ARG sale
 \* Excludes the sale of ARG



# Earnings, Cash Flow & Dividend (per share)



\* Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares incl. employee reserved shares

^ AGAAP excl. goodwill amortisation (2003,2004), AIFRS excl. employee reserved shares (2005 onwards)



#### **Divisional EBIT**

| Year ended 30 June (\$m)                  | 2007    | 2006*   | \$     |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Home Improvement                          | 528.4   | 420.5   | 25.7   |
| Coal                                      | 338.0   | 577.8   | (41.5) |
| Insurance                                 | 120.3   | 124.8   | (3.6)  |
| Industrial & Safety                       | 114.6   | 96.8    | 18.3   |
| Chemicals & Fertilisers                   | 100.6   | 81.4    | 23.6   |
| Energy                                    | 75.4    | 49.4    | 52.6   |
| Other                                     | 94.8    | 72.2    | 31.3   |
| Divisional EBIT^                          | 1,372.1 | 1,422.9 | (3.6)  |
| Corporate overheads and consolidation adj | (66.8)  | (56.8)  | (17.5) |
| Group EBIT                                | 1,305.3 | 1,366.0 | (4.4)  |

^ 2007 EBIT is after amortisation of intangibles of \$9.8m in Insurance and \$0.2m in Energy

\* Excludes the sale of ARG

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#### **Divisional ROC & Capital Employed**

|                          |        | 2007                    |      | 2006 |
|--------------------------|--------|-------------------------|------|------|
| Year ended 30 June       | EBIT ^ | R12 Capital<br>Employed | ROC  | ROC  |
|                          | \$m    | \$m                     | %    | %    |
| Home Improvement         | 528.4  | 1,878.5                 | 28.1 | 22.9 |
| Coal                     | 338.0  | 870.1                   | 38.8 | 78.3 |
| Insurance                | 120.3  | 763.6                   | 15.8 | 30.9 |
| Industrial & Safety      | 114.6  | 734.4                   | 15.6 | 12.6 |
| Chemicals & Fertilisers* | 100.6  | 604.2                   | 16.7 | 15.1 |
| Energy*                  | 75.4   | 421.9                   | 17.9 | 26.8 |

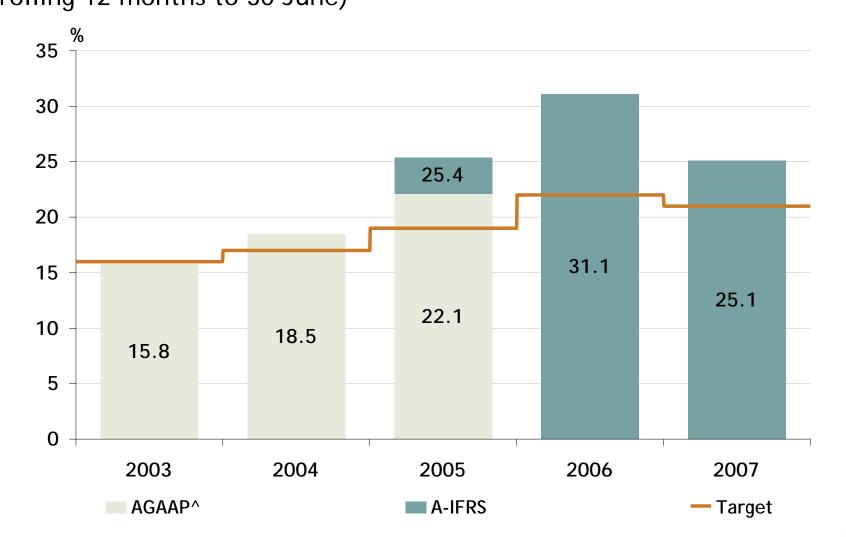
^ 2007 EBIT is after amortisation of intangibles of \$9.8m in Insurance and \$0.2m in Energy

\* 2007 ROC impacted by significant project capital expenditure





#### Return on Shareholders' Funds (rolling 12 months to 30 June)



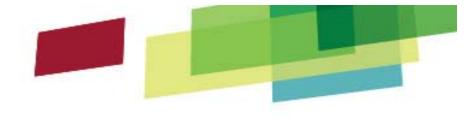
Excludes the sales of Girrah (2003), Landmark (2004) and ARG (2006)

^ Before goodwill amortisation



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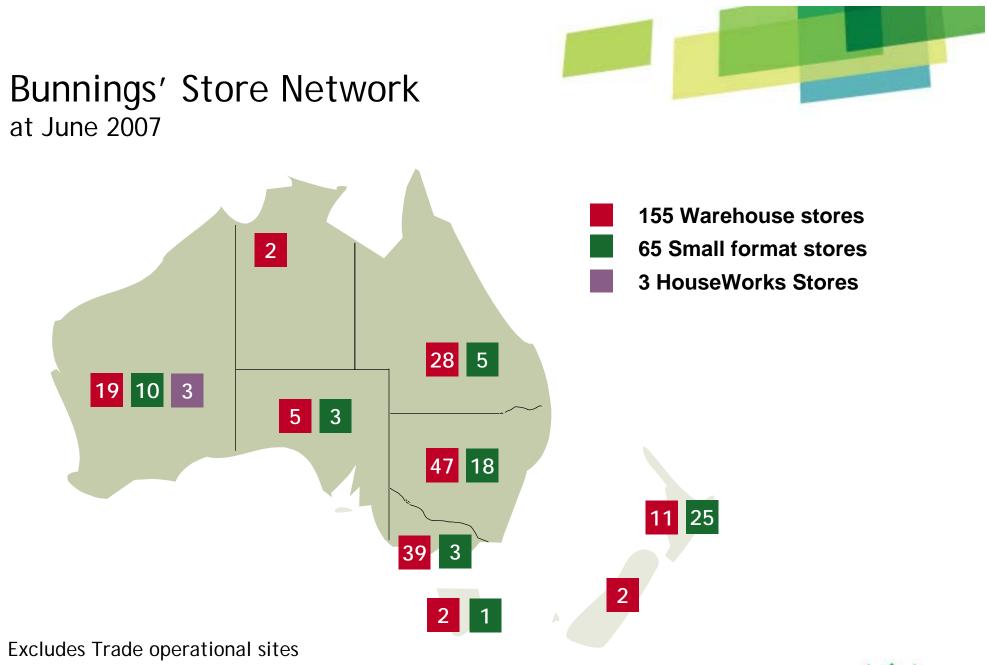
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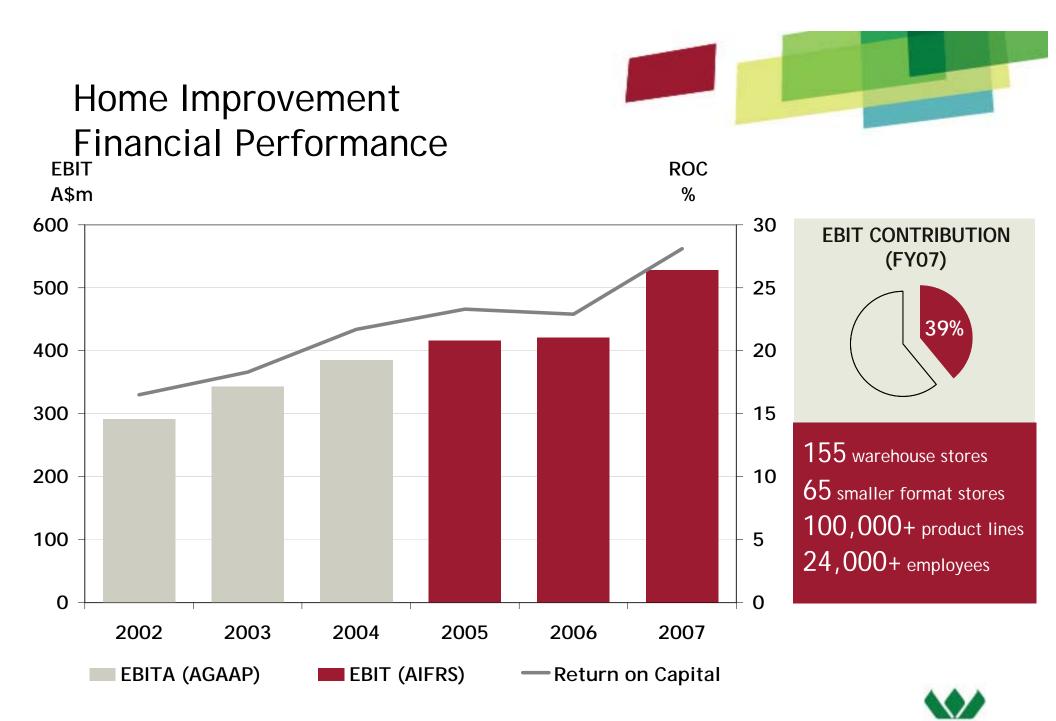


## WIDEST RANGE LOWEST PRICES BEST SERVICE









# Home Improvement Strategies



| Strategies                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Profitable sales growth               | Strong focus on "driving the basics" – Price, Range & Service<br>Rollout of new range concepts; lighting, kitchens & flooring<br>Warehouse store rollout continues – 10 to 14 warehouse store pa<br>2 distinct trade market segments – 11 trade specific sites now open |
| Improving customer service            | Major focus within business<br>Effectiveness of in-store processes lifting<br>Good progress on new labour scheduling system                                                                                                                                             |
| Innovation & improvement of the offer | Driving new product ranges, expanding offer to customer<br>Lifting offer through accelerated store upgrades and refits<br>Developing installation service & special orders range                                                                                        |
| Team member performance               | Lifting investment in development programmes<br>Supporting improved performance<br>Continuing strong safety programme                                                                                                                                                   |
| Business improvements to lower costs  | Systems upgrade project well advanced<br>Continued supply chain enhancements<br>Better business disciplines providing positive benefits<br>Achieving a lower cost of doing business<br>Positioning for community expectations and needs on climate change               |

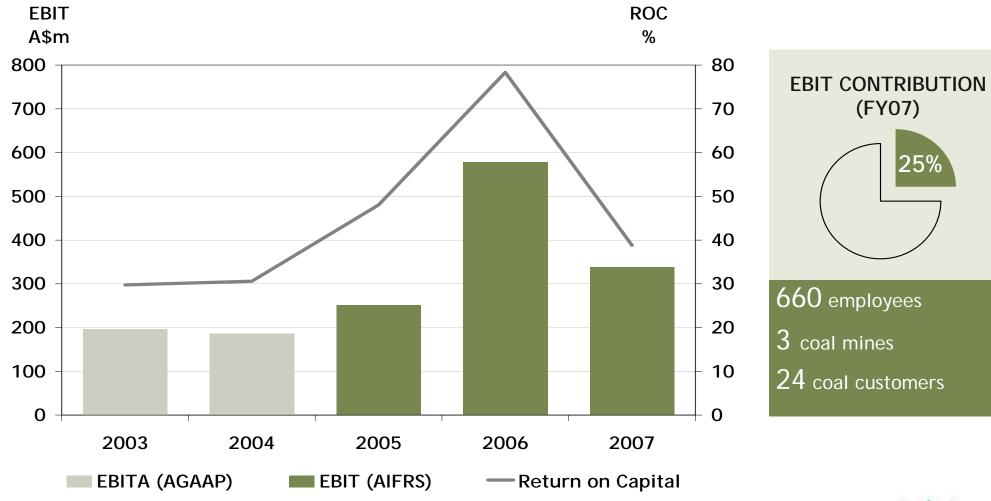








### Coal Financial Performance



\* Excludes profit on sale of Girrah A\$80.5m in 2003



### Coal Strategies



| <b>Opportunities / Challenges</b> | 2006/07 Strategic initiatives                                                                                                       |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Strong export customer demand     | Maximise export sales<br>Long-term export contracts in place<br>Optimise sales mix<br>Export price relativity                       |  |
| Cost pressures                    | Cost reduction programmes                                                                                                           |  |
| Infrastructure constraints        | Closely monitor and capture opportunities to export as soon as capacity becomes available                                           |  |
| Increase coal production          | Curragh North Materials Handling Project completion<br>Bengalla Development Consent approval<br>Curragh Expansion Feasibility study |  |
| Extend product and market reach   | Evaluate acquisitions that offer economies of scale or downstream benefits                                                          |  |
| Sustainability                    | Coal21<br>Safety and environmental performance                                                                                      |  |

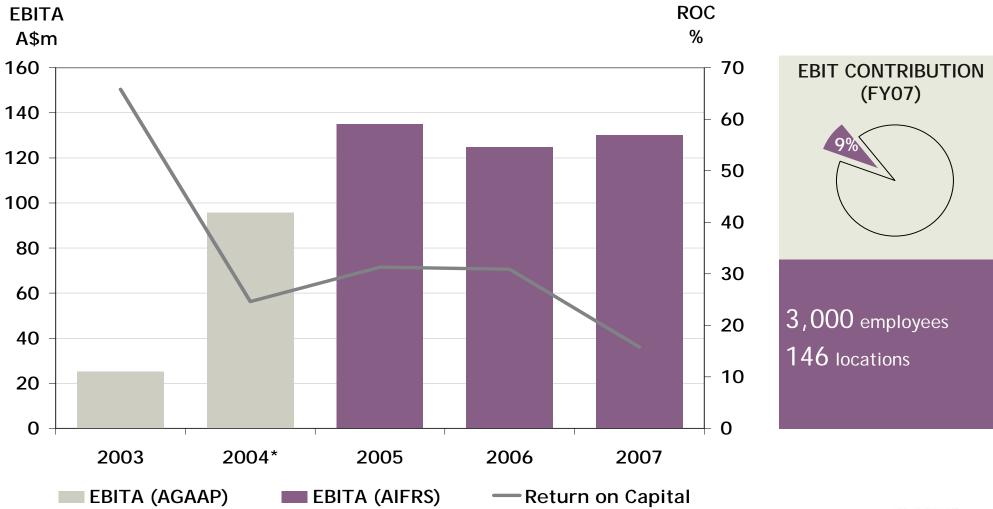


# Insurance WESFARMERS FEDERATION Lumley OAMPS CROMBIE **2** LOCKWOOD New Zealand's Insurance Brokers





### Insurance Financial Performance





### Insurance Strategies



| <b>Opportunities / Initiatives</b>                        | Details                                                                                                                                                           |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Target Profitable growth                                  | Maintain technical rates<br>Creation of tailored products and services<br>Maintain key alliances and client relationships<br>Business focus on specialty segments |  |
| Build technical capabilities and improve processes        | EDI initiatives between brokers and Lumley<br>Sales support system for WFI agents                                                                                 |  |
| Further participation in industry consolidation (broking) | Continue to selectively evaluate acquisition opportunities (AustNZ and UK)                                                                                        |  |
| Strengthen management capabilities                        | New CEO and CFO OAMPS<br>Increased business development resources                                                                                                 |  |
| Business Improvement                                      | Drive best practice across broking business<br>Strengthen specialist teams<br>Process efficiencies in underwriting                                                |  |





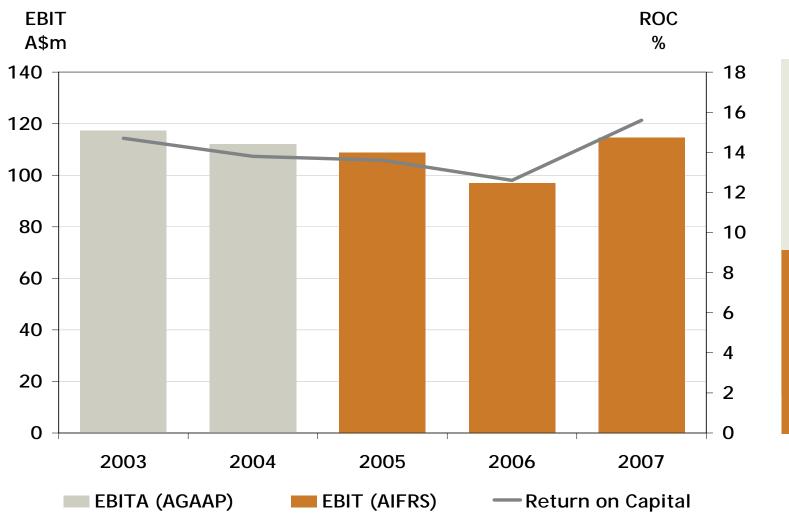
### Industrial & Safety Portfolio



Australian market leader in distribution of Maintenance, Repair and Operating supplies (MRO)



### Industrial & Safety Financial Performance



3,200 employees 240 locations 100,000+ customers 190,000 product lines

EBIT CONTRIBUTION (FY07)

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# Industrial & Safety Strategies



| Opportunities                          | Strategic Initiatives                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Target higher growth sectors           | Networks expansion<br>New product ranges and services<br>Acquisitions complementing organic growth                                                                                                    |
| Increase sales to existing customers   | Ongoing focus on customer service and delivery performance<br>• technical and industry expertise, supply chain efficiency<br>Better value propositions<br>• services, e-Business, pricing consistency |
| Improve metropolitan sales performance | <ul> <li>Small customer targeting</li> <li>sales force growth and effectiveness, competitive pricing</li> <li>website upgrades, greater brand visibility</li> </ul>                                   |
| Further increase competitive position  | Continued improvements to sourcing, range and supplier management<br>Lower cost to serve<br>Capital management excellence                                                                             |



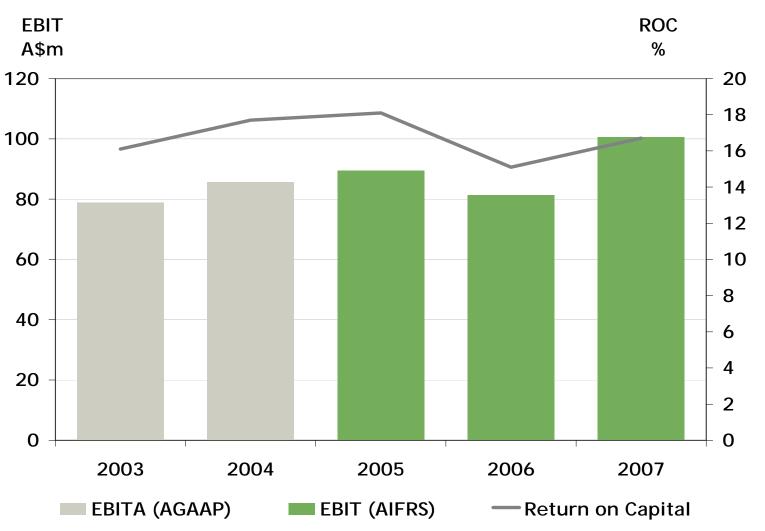


### Chemicals & Fertilisers





### Chemicals & Fertilisers Financial Performance







## Chemical & Fertilisers Strategies



|                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Opportunities</b> / Challenges                | Strategies                                                                                                                                |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Chemicals                                                                                                                                                                               | Maintain and grow business                       | <ul> <li>Kwinana AN expansion:</li> <li>Duplication of capacity to 470,000 tpa</li> <li>Completion expected second half CY2007</li> </ul> |  |
| Improve performance of sodium                                                                                                                                                           |                                                  | Sodium cyanide volume growth                                                                                                              |  |
| cyanide business and identify opportunities for growth         Review position in industrial chemicals         Continue to develop liquid fertilisers         Optimise cost and capital |                                                  | Domestic growth opportunities for sodium cyanide –<br>Boddington gold project                                                             |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                         | •                                                | Completed exit from chlor-alkali business<br>Australian Vinyls acquisition                                                                |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                  | Extend product development activity                                                                                                       |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                         | Optimise cost and capital                        | Focus on expense reduction strategies and investigate ways to make cost base more variable                                                |  |
| Chemicals<br>and<br>Fertilisers                                                                                                                                                         | Growth opportunities<br>Optimal cost and capital | Dedicated business development team                                                                                                       |  |
| icals<br>id<br>isers                                                                                                                                                                    | structure                                        | Reduce working capital and manage expenses                                                                                                |  |

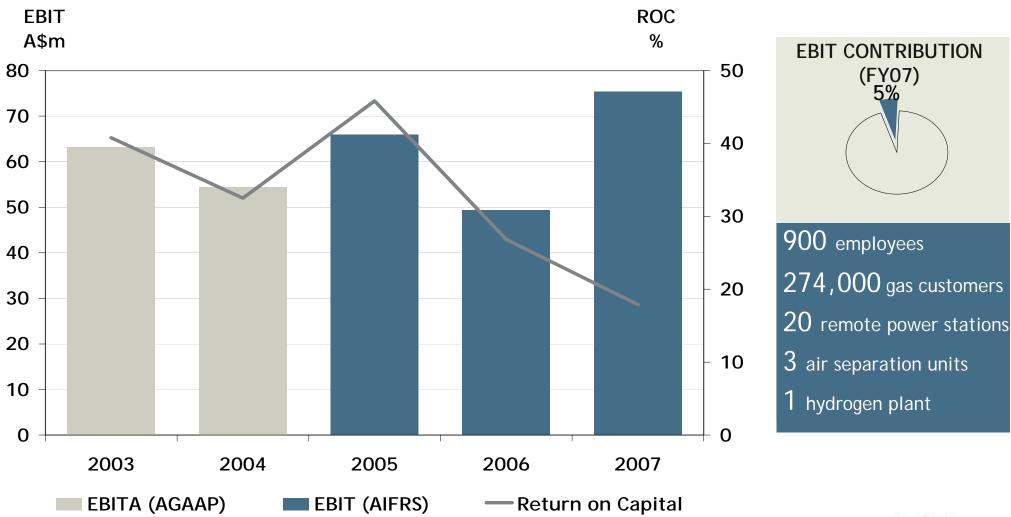


### Energy





### Energy Financial Performance





# Energy Strategies



| Strategies                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
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| Improve– Existing Businesses | LPG distribution:<br>• controllable costs; and<br>• customer focus<br>Industrial gas growth in;<br>• eastern states sales; and<br>• oil and gas sector<br>Maximise production facilities<br>Seek new power generation projects |  |
| Expand– Deliver Project      | <ul> <li>LNG – WA Project:</li> <li>Plant / Distribution</li> <li>HDV market development</li> <li>Power stations</li> <li>Industrial Gas– supply capacity</li> </ul>                                                           |  |
| Evaluate – New Opportunities | LNG projects– east coast<br>Other alternative fuels and renewables                                                                                                                                                             |  |





### **Other Businesses**



#### Gresham:

50% interest in Gresham Partners, an independent investment bank focused on financial advisory services, private equity investment and property investment funds. Wesfarmers also holds significant investments in Gresham's Private Equity Funds.

| (A\$m)                 | 2006 | 2007 |
|------------------------|------|------|
| Profit before tax:     |      |      |
| Gresham Partners       | 2.7  | 3.9  |
| Gresham Private Equity | 10.1 | 12.8 |



#### Wespine (50%):

50:50 joint venture between Wesfarmers and Fletcher Building Limited. Wespine is a softwood sawmiller, specialising in the production of premium quality plantation timber for use in housing construction and furniture manufacturing.

| (A\$m)            | 2006 | 2007 |
|-------------------|------|------|
| Profit before tax | 9.8  | 8.1  |



#### Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust (23%):

listed property trust, established in 1998 with a focus on warehouse retailing properties and, in particular, Bunnings Warehouses leased to Bunnings Pty Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Wesfarmers Limited.

| (A\$m)            | 2006 | 2007 |
|-------------------|------|------|
| Profit before tax | 17.0 | 46.9 |



### **Gresham Private Equity**

#### Gresham Private Equity - Fund 1

- Current investment of \$30.2m
- Raywood exited in 06/07; Norcros in July 07; and Riviera likely within 2 years

#### **Current Investment Portfolio - Fund 1**

#### Riviera ocean cruisers

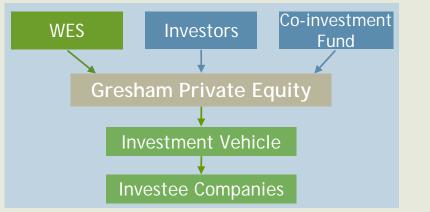






#### Gresham Private Equity - Fund 2

- Wesfarmers' commitment of \$161m; capital invested \$90.1m
- GEON expanding with acquisition of Promentum
- Acquisition of Barminco announced in July 2007 and Mimco in August 2007



#### **Current Investment Portfolio - Fund 2**

Noel Leeming electrical retailer (New Zealand)

Australian Pacific Paper Products manufacturer and distributor of disposable nappies (Australia)

### Noel VLeeming

#### www.noelleeming.co.nz



GEON (Pacific Print Group) leading commercial printing business (NZ + Aust)

Witchery Women's fashion apparel



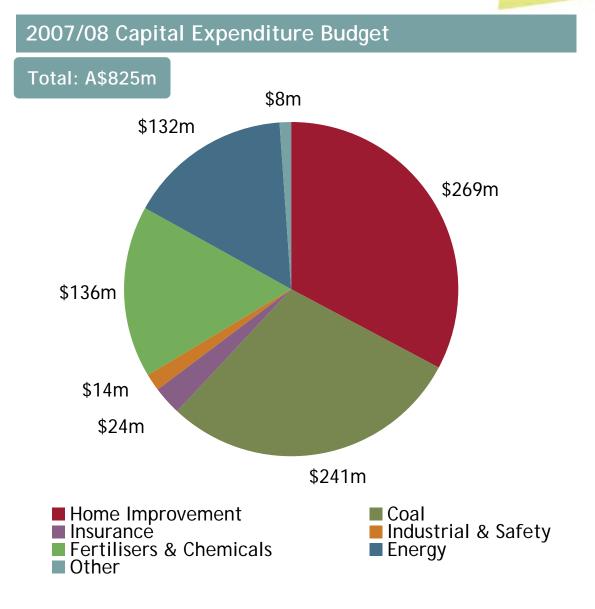




# **Capital Management**



### Capital Expenditure

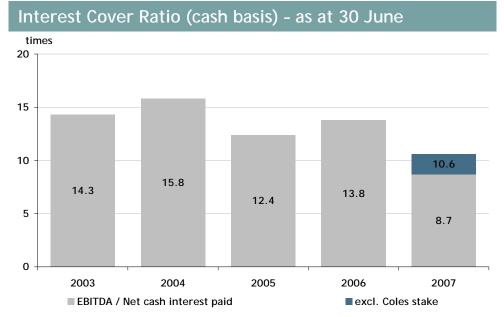




### Capital Management

- Balance sheet includes \$2.1 billion debt relating to Coles shareholding
  - \$33.4 million of related interest included in results
- Net Debt / Equity of 143.6% (84.3% excl. Coles debt)
- Cash Interest Cover Ratio of 8.7 times (10.6 times excl. interest on Coles debt)
- Working capital reduced by \$340 million (\$219 million relating to Insurance)
- Dividend Investment Plan
  - Reinstated in February 2007
  - 100% underwritten for interim dividend (\$322 million)
  - No underwrite for final dividend, 1% discount





\* Excludes sale of Girrah(2003), Landmark (2004), and ARG (2006)



### Outlook



- Complete CSBP and LNG major capital projects
- Continue Bunnings and Industrial & Safety directions
- Insurance to focus on growing broking and improving efficiency
- Coal
  - Focus on costs
  - Expansion feasibility studies
  - Encouraging price outlook
- Coles scheme and integration





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