



AMCIL LIMITED

ABN 57 073 990 735

APPENDIX 4D STATEMENT FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

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This half-year report is presented under listing rule 4.2A and should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2011 Annual Report.

RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

The reporting period is the half-year ended 31 December 2011 with the previous corresponding period being the half-year ended 31 December 2010.

Results for announcement to the market

- Profit for the half-year was \$4.9 million, down 2.2% from the previous corresponding period. This figure includes unrealised gains or losses on puttable instruments in the investment portfolio and on open options positions.
- Net Operating Result before net gains on investments was \$3.0 million, down 9.4% from \$3.3 million in the previous corresponding period.
- Revenue from investments was \$4.0 million, up 6.2% from \$3.8 million in the previous corresponding period.
- Net tangible asset backing per share before any provision for tax on unrealised gains at 31 December 2011 was 74 cents per share, down from 79 cents at the end of the previous corresponding period.
- A final dividend of 3.5 cents per share (fully franked) in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2011 was paid on 26 August 2011.
- In line with the Company's previous practice, no interim dividend has been declared in respect of the half year ended 31 December 2011.



AMCIL STRONGLY OUTPERFORMS IN DOWN MARKET

MEDIA RELEASE - HALF YEAR RESULT TO 31 DECEMBER 2011

23 January 2012

For the six month period to 31 December 2011 in which the Australian equity market was down and risk averse, AMCIL delivered a positive portfolio return of 0.5 percent. This was approximately 10 percent ahead of the S&P/ASX 200 Index return of negative 9.7 percent. For the calendar year AMCIL's portfolio return was negative 0.9 percent against the Index which was negative 10.5 percent. With a small concentrated investment portfolio, AMCIL's approach is to focus on where it sees the best medium to long term value in either small or large companies.

Major contributors to the positive performance of the portfolio for the half year were gains in Hastings Diversified Utilities Fund, Senex Energy, Telstra, Transurban, and Eastern Star Gas. Furthermore, AMCIL has limited exposure to the discretionary retail and the smaller resources sectors, both of which have been hard hit through the recent market downturn.

Profit for the half year was \$4.9 million, which is marginally down on last year's result of \$5.0 million.

The Net Operating Result, which represents the income generated from the investment and trading portfolios, was \$3.0 million versus \$3.3 million last year. The primary reason for the fall was the negative contribution of \$0.5 million from the trading portfolio versus the positive contribution last year of \$0.3 million.

In line with the Company's current practice the Board has not declared an interim dividend.

AMCIL has cash of \$4.5 million as well as access to \$10 million of debt facilities to take advantage of attractive opportunities that can arise in volatile markets.

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MAJOR TRANSACTIONS IN THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

Acquisitions (above \$1 million)	Cost \$'000
Ansell*	2,946
Origin Energy	2,590
Wesfarmers*	2,343
Woodside Petroleum*	2,307
Orica*	1,750
Incitec Pivot	1,394
Engenco	1,177
Disposals (above \$1 million)	Proceeds \$'000
Iluka Resources	2,411
Eastern Star Gas #	2,322
Trust Company #	2,213
Peet #	1,744
Perpetual #	1,605
Alumina #	1,408
ASG Group	1,225

*New stock in the investment portfolio

#Complete disposal from the investment portfolio

TOP INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

Includes investments held in both the Investment and Trading Portfolios

Valued at closing prices at 30 December 2011

	Total Value \$ '000
1 Hastings Diversified Utilities Fund	11,926
2 * Commonwealth Bank of Australia	8,675
3 Westpac Banking Corporation	7,341
4 Transurban Group	7,216
5 BHP Billiton	6,762
6 National Australia Bank	6,577
7 Senex Energy	6,415
8 * Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	5,864
9 Telstra Corporation	5,669
10 Tox Free Solutions	5,647
11 Bradken	5,185
12 Australian Infrastructure Fund	4,497
13 Origin Energy	4,381
14 QBE Insurance Group	4,166
15 Brambles	4,138
16 Amcor	4,083
17 Oil Search	4,067
18 Coca-Cola Amatil	4,029
19 AMP	3,867
20 Campbell Brothers	3,620

Total 114,124

As % of Total Portfolio **75.8%**
(excludes Cash)

*Indicates that options were outstanding against all or part of the holding



PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE TO 31 DECEMBER 2011

PERFORMANCE MEASURES	ANNUALISED RETURNS				
	6 MONTH	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE RECAPITALISATION
<i>PORTFOLIO RETURN*</i>	0.5%	-0.9%	14.8%	5.9%	12.2 %
S&P/ASX 200 ACCUMULATION INDEX	-9.7%	-10.5%	7.6%	-2.3%	7.2%
S&P/ASX 200 INDUSTRIALS ACCUMULATION INDEX	-4.4%	-3.5%	8.0%	-3.8%	5.5%
S&P/ASX 200 RESOURCES ACCUMULATION INDEX	-20.9%	-24.6%	6.9%	3.1%	13.5%

* Portfolio performance is measured by the change in net asset backing plus reinvested dividends and adjusting for the additional cash received from the exercise of options since recapitalisation of the Company in January 2004.



**AMCIL
LIMITED**

ABN 57 073 990 735

**HALF-YEAR REPORT
31 DECEMBER 2011**

COMPANY PARTICULARS

AMCIL Limited (“AMH”)

ABN 57 073 990 735

AMCIL is a Listed Investment Company. It is an investor in equities and similar securities on the stock market primarily in Australia.

Directors: Bruce Teele, Chairman
Ross Barker, Managing Director
Peter Barnett
Terry Campbell AO
Rupert Myer AM
Richard (Bob) Santamaria
Stan Wallis AC

Company Secretaries: Simon Pordage
Andrew Porter

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For all enquiries relating to shareholdings, dividends and related matters, please contact the share registrar as above.

Securities Exchange

Code: AMH Ordinary shares

DIRECTORS' REPORT

This report in relation to the half-year to 31 December 2011 is presented by the Directors of AMCIL Limited ('the Company') in accordance with a resolution of Directors.

Directors

The following persons were directors of the Company during the half-year and up to the date of this report:

B.B. Teele (appointed December 2003)
R.E. Barker (appointed May 1996)
P.C. Barnett (appointed August 1996)
T.A. Campbell AO (appointed May 1996)
R.H. Myer AM (appointed January 2000)
R.B. Santamaria (appointed August 1996)
S.D.M. Wallis AC (appointed March 2004)

Company operations and results

Overview

Since 2003, the Company has been a thematic investor primarily in securities listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

Performance Indicators and Outcomes

Reported profit after tax, which includes unrealised gains or losses from open options positions and puttable instruments in the investment portfolio was \$4.9 million, down 2.2% from the previous corresponding period.

The net operating result, which excludes unrealised gains on the company's investment in Hastings Diversified Utilities Fund, was \$3.0 million for the six months ended 31 December 2011, down from \$3.3 million last year, a decrease of 9.4%. The primary reason for the fall was the negative contribution of \$0.5 million from the trading portfolio versus the positive contribution last year of \$0.3 million. The net operating result for the six months was equivalent to 1.4 cents per share.

A key component of earnings was distributions from the companies in which we invest of \$3.8 million. Of this amount, \$2.6 million was from the receipt of fully franked dividends.

The portfolio return for the six months to December 2011 delivered a positive return of 0.5% compared to the broader S&P/ASX200 return of -9.7%.

The Board has decided not to declare an interim dividend.

Auditors' independence declaration

A copy of the auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 11.

Rounding of amounts

The Company is of the kind referred to in Class Order 98/100 issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the directors' report and financial report. Unless specifically stated otherwise, amounts in the directors' report and financial report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that Class Order.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



R.H. Myer AM
Director
Melbourne
23 January 2012



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of AMCIL Limited for the half year ended 31 December 2011, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

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

This declaration is in respect of AMCIL Limited during the period.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Coogan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Coogan
Partner
PricewaterhouseCoopers

Melbourne
23 January 2012

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Note	Half-year 2011 \$'000	Half-year 2010 \$'000
Dividends and distributions		3,801	3,723
Revenue from deposits and bank bills		220	65
Total revenue		4,021	3,788
Net gains/(losses) on trading portfolio		(536)	253
Realised gains/(losses) from options written portfolio		-	20
Other income		7	-
Income from operating activities		3,492	4,061
Finance costs		(38)	(48)
Administration expenses		(656)	(601)
Operating result before income tax expense		2,798	3,412
Income tax credit/(expense)*		217	(84)
Net operating result for the half-year		3,015	3,328
Net gains/(losses) on investments			
Net gains/(losses) on open options positions		-	(11)
Deferred tax on net gains/losses on open options positions*		-	3
Net gains on puttable instruments		2,734	2,459
Tax on net gains on puttable instruments*		(820)	(738)
		1,914	1,713
Profit for the half-year		4,929	5,041
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	7	2.36	2.56
		Half-year 2011 \$'000	Half-year 2010 \$'000
* Total Tax Expense		603	819

This Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Half-Year to 31 December 2011			Half-Year to 31 December 2010		
	Revenue \$'000	Capital \$'000	Total \$000	Revenue \$'000	Capital \$'000	Total \$'000
Net Profit	3,015	1,914	4,929	3,328	1,713	5,041
Other Comprehensive Income						
Unrealised gains/(losses) for the period on securities in the portfolio on 31 December (excl. puttable instruments)	-	(3,292)	(3,292)	-	13,632	13,632
Deferred tax credit/(expense) on above	-	1,299	1,299	-	(4,681)	(4,681)
Plus realised gains/(losses) for the period on securities	-	(1,776)	(1,776)	-	1,500	1,500
Total Other Comprehensive Income¹	-	(3,769)	(3,769)	-	10,451	10,451
Total comprehensive income²	3,015	(1,855)	1,160	3,328	12,164	15,492

¹ These are the net capital gains/(losses) not recorded through the Income Statement.

² This is the company's Net Return for the half-year, which includes the Net Operating Result plus the net realised and unrealised gains or losses on the Company's investment portfolio and net gains/(losses) on open options positions.

This Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Note	31 Dec 2011 \$'000	30 June 2011 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash		4,478	14,029
Receivables		616	1,201
Trading portfolio		2,923	3,760
Income tax credit		5	-
Total current assets		8,022	18,990
Non-current assets			
Investment portfolio		147,681	144,086
Deferred tax assets		287	191
Total non-current assets		147,968	144,277
Total assets		155,990	163,267
Current liabilities			
Payables		563	829
Tax payable		-	373
Options written		-	-
Total current liabilities		563	1,202
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred tax liabilities - investment portfolio	4	5,510	5,990
Total non-current liabilities		5,510	5,990
Total liabilities		6,073	7,192
Net Assets		149,917	156,075
Shareholders' equity			
Share Capital	5	129,377	129,377
Revaluation Reserve		15,369	17,224
Retained Profits		5,171	9,474
Total shareholders' equity		149,917	156,075

This Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

Half-Year to 31 December 2011

	Note	Share Capital \$'000	Revaluation Reserve \$'000	Retained Profits \$'000	Total \$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the half-year		129,377	17,224	9,474	156,075
Dividends paid	6	-	-	(7,318)	(7,318)
Total transactions with share-holders		-	-	(7,318)	(7,318)
 Profit for the half-year		-	1,914	3,015	4,929
 <i>Other Comprehensive Income for the half-year</i>					
Net unrealised losses for the period for investments held at 31 December		-	(1,993)	-	(1,993)
Net losses for the period on investments realised		-	(1,776)	-	(1,776)
 Other Comprehensive Income for the half-year		-	(3,769)	-	(3,769)
 Total equity at the end of the half-year		129,377	15,369	5,171	149,917

This Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011 (CONT.)

Half-Year to 31 December 2010	Note	Share Capital \$'000	Revaluation Reserve \$'000	Retained Profits \$'000	Total \$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the half-year		120,447	11,500	2,835	134,782
Dividends paid	6	-	-	(3,897)	(3,897)
Shares issued - Dividend Reinvestment Plan		1,826	-	-	1,826
Total transactions with share-holders		1,826	-	(3,897)	(2,071)
Profit for the half-year		-	1,721	3,320	5,041
<i>Other Comprehensive Income for the half-year</i>					
Net unrealised gains for the period for investments held at 31 December		-	8,951	-	8,951
Net gains for the period on investments realised		-	1,500	-	1,500
Transfer to Retained Profits of cumulative gains on investments realised		-	(1,450)	1,450	-
Other Comprehensive Income for the half-year		-	9,001	1,450	10,451
Total equity at the end of the half-year		122,273	22,222	3,708	148,203

This Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

	Half-year 2011 \$'000 INFLOWS/ (OUTFLOWS)	Half-year 2010 \$'000 INFLOWS/ (OUTFLOWS)
Cash flows from operating activities		
Sales from trading portfolio	786	1,737
Purchases for trading portfolio	(300)	(1,787)
Interest received	246	82
Proceeds from entering into options in options written portfolio	-	-
Payment to close out options in options written portfolio	-	(60)
Dividends and distributions received	3,138	3,037
	3,870	3,009
Administration expenses	(655)	(594)
Finance costs paid	(43)	(51)
Taxes paid	(258)	-
Other receipts	7	-
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	2,921	2,364
Cash flows from investing activities		
Sales from investment portfolio	15,892	6,400
Purchases for investment portfolio	(21,046)	(10,613)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(5,154)	(4,213)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Share issues under Dividend Reinvestment Plan	-	1,833
Share issues transaction costs	-	(7)
Dividends paid	(7,318)	(3,897)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	(7,318)	(2,071)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	(9,551)	(3,920)
Cash at the beginning of the half-year	14,029	4,955
Cash at the end of the half-year	4,478	1,035

This Cash Flow Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

1. Basis of preparation of half-year financial report

This general purpose half-year financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This interim financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. This report should be read in conjunction with the 2011 Annual Report and public announcements made by the Company during the half-year, in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The Company has attempted to improve the transparency of its reporting by adopting 'plain English' where possible. Key 'plain English' phrases and their equivalent AASB terminology are as follows:

Phrase	AASB Terminology
Market Value	Fair Value for Actively Traded Securities as quoted on the ASX

2. Financial reporting by segments

The Company operates as a Listed Investment Company in Australia. It has no reportable business or geographic segments.

3. Trading portfolio

The Company enters into option contracts in the trading portfolio for the purpose of enhancing returns, offsetting risk or providing opportunities to acquire or sell securities at advantageous prices.

As at balance date there were call options outstanding which potentially required the Company, if they were exercised, to deliver securities to the value of \$1.1 million (30 June 2011 : \$Nil).

4. Deferred tax liabilities – investment portfolio

At balance date, the Company had unused losses on the sale of investments available to set-off against future capital gains of \$5.7 million (30 June 2011: \$4.1 million). During the half-year, \$1.6 million of additional losses were incurred.

The Deferred Tax liability of \$5.5 million (30 June 2011 : \$6.0 million) is after the application of the unused losses noted above.

5. Shareholders' equity – share capital

Movements in Share Capital of the Company during the half-year were as follows:

Date	Details	Notes	Number of shares '000	Paid-up Capital \$'000
01/07/2011	Opening Balance		209,088	129,377
31/12/2011	Balance		209,088	129,377

i The Company' Dividend Reinvestment Plan was suspended for the 2011 dividend.

6. Dividends	Half-year 2011 \$'000	Half-year 2010 \$'000
Dividends provided for or paid during the period	7,318 (3.5 cents per share)	3,897 (2 cents per share)
7. Earnings per Share	Half-year 2011	Half-year 2011
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator	209,088,358	196,961,840
Basic earnings per share		
	\$'000	\$'000
Profit for the half-year	4,929	5,041
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	2.36	2.56
Net operating result before net gains on investments per share		
	\$'000	\$'000
Net operating result for the half-year	3,015	3,328
	Cents	Cents
Net operating result per share	1.44	1.69

Dilution

As there are no options, convertible notes or other dilutive instruments on issue, diluted net profit per share is the same as basic net profit per share. This similarly applies to diluted net operating result before net gains on investments per share.

8. Events subsequent to balance date

Since 31 December 2011 to the date of this report there has been no event of which the Directors are aware which has had a material effect on the Company or its financial position.

9. Contingencies

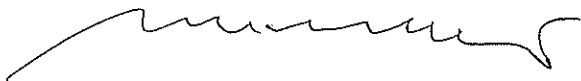
At balance date Directors are not aware of any material contingent liabilities or contingent assets other than those already disclosed elsewhere in the financial report.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 12 to 19 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2011 and of its performance, as represented by the results of the operations, changes in equity and cash flows, for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.



R.H. Myer AM
Director
Melbourne
23 January 2012



Independent auditor's review report to the members of AMCIL Limited

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of AMCIL Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 December 2011, and the income statement, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for AMCIL Limited (the company).

Directors' responsibility for the half-year financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of an Interim Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including: giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2011 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*. As the auditor of AMCIL Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

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

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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Conclusion

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

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2011 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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PricewaterhouseCoopers

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David Coogan' in a cursive script.

David Coogan
Partner

Melbourne
23 January 2012