

Appendix 4B

Half yearly/preliminary final report

Introduced 30/6/2002.

Name of entity

Coventry Group Ltd

ABN or equivalent company
reference

37 008 670 102

Half yearly
(tick)



Preliminary
final (tick)



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

31 December 2002

For announcement to the market

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

\$A'000

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

Revenues from ordinary activities (item 1.1)	up	10.6%	to	219,963
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members (item 1.22)	up	537.7%	to	4,995
Profit (loss) from extraordinary items after tax attributable to members (item 2.5(d))	gain (loss) of			-
Net profit (loss) for the period attributable to members (item 1.11)	up	537.7%	to	4,995

Dividends (distributions)	Amount per security	Franked amount per security
Final dividend (Preliminary final report only - item 15.4)	14¢	14¢
Interim dividend (Half yearly report only - item 15.6)		
Previous corresponding period (Preliminary final report - item 15.5; half yearly report - item 15.7)	8¢	8¢

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

19 March 2003

Brief explanation of any of the figures reported above (see Note 1) and short details of any bonus or cash issue or other item(s) of importance not previously released to the market:

19 March 2003

If this is a half yearly report it is to be read in conjunction with the most recent annual financial report.

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Condensed consolidated statement of financial performance

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.1 Revenues from ordinary activities (<i>see items 1.23 -1.25</i>)	219,963	198,819
1.2 Expenses from ordinary activities (<i>see items 1.26 & 1.27</i>)	210,325	194,379
1.3 Borrowing costs	1,316	1,026
1.4 Share of net profits (losses) of associates and joint venture entities (<i>see item 16.7</i>)	-	-
1.5 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax	8,322	3,414
1.6 Income tax on ordinary activities (<i>see attached</i>)	3,351	2,957
1.7 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax	4,971	457
1.8 Profit (loss) from extraordinary items after tax (<i>see item 2.5</i>)	-	-
1.9 Net profit (loss)	4,971	457
1.10 Net profit (loss) attributable to outside ⁺ equity interests	(24)	(472)
1.11 Net profit (loss) for the period attributable to members	4,995	929
Non-owner transaction changes in equity		
1.12 Increase (decrease) in revaluation reserves		
1.13 Net exchange differences recognised in equity	189	436
1.14 Other revenue, expense and initial adjustments recognised directly in equity (attach details)		
1.15 Initial adjustments from UIG transitional provisions		
1.16 Total transactions and adjustments recognised directly in equity (items 1.12 to 1.15)	189	436
1.17 Total changes in equity not resulting from transactions with owners as owners	5,184	1,365

Earnings per security (EPS)	Current period	Previous corresponding period
1.18 Basic EPS	14.7	2.8
1.19 Diluted EPS	14.7	2.8

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Notes to the condensed consolidated statement of financial performance

Profit (loss) from ordinary activities attributable to members

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.20 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax (<i>item 1.7</i>)	4,971	457
1.21 Less (plus) outside ⁺ equity interests	(24)	(472)
1.22 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax, attributable to members	4,995	929

Revenue and expenses from ordinary activities

(see note 15)

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.23 Revenue from sales or services	211,288	194,049
1.24 Interest revenue	334	191
1.25 Other relevant revenue See attached for details.	8,341	4,579
1.26 Details of relevant expenses See attached for details.	207,194	191,135
1.27 Depreciation and amortisation excluding amortisation of intangibles (<i>see item 2.3</i>)	3,131	3,244
Capitalised outlays		
1.28 Interest costs capitalised in asset values	-	-
1.29 Outlays capitalised in intangibles (unless arising from an ⁺ acquisition of a business)	-	-

Consolidated retained profits

	Current period - \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
1.30 Retained profits (accumulated losses) at the beginning of the financial period	30,932	33,152
1.31 Net profit (loss) attributable to members (<i>item 1.11</i>)	4,995	929
1.32 Net transfers from (to) reserves (<i>details if material</i>)	-	-
1.33 Net effect of changes in accounting policies	-	-
1.34 Dividends and other equity distributions paid or payable	-	(2,702)
1.35 Retained profits (accumulated losses) at end of financial period	35,927	31,379

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Intangible and extraordinary items

		<i>Consolidated – current period</i>			
		Before tax \$A'000 (a)	Related tax \$A'000 (b)	Related outside + equity interests \$A'000 (c)	Amount (after tax) attributable to members \$A'000 (d)
2.1	Amortisation of goodwill	953	-	-	953
2.2	Amortisation of other intangibles	-	-	-	-
2.3	Total amortisation of intangibles	953	-	-	953
2.4	Extraordinary items (details)	-	-	-	-
2.5	Total extraordinary items	-	-	-	-

Comparison of half year profits

(Preliminary final report only)

- 3.1 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members reported for the *1st* half year (item 1.22 in the half yearly report)
- 3.2 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members for the *2nd* half year

Current year - \$A'000	Previous year - \$A'000

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Condensed consolidated statement of financial position		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	7,418	7,536	4,473
4.2	Receivables	61,080	62,269	62,397
4.3	Investments	-	-	-
4.4	Inventories	86,782	84,339	88,284
4.5	Tax assets	-	-	-
4.6	Other (provide details if material)	1,954	1,056	1,236
4.7	Total current assets	157,234	155,200	156,390
Non-current assets				
4.8	Receivables	-	-	-
4.9	Investments (equity accounted)	-	-	-
4.10	Other investments	-	-	-
4.11	Inventories	-	-	-
4.12	Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised (<i>see para .71 of AASB 1022</i>)	-	-	-
4.13	Development properties ([†] mining entities)	-	-	-
4.14	Other property, plant and equipment (net)	61,709	65,059	67,961
4.15	Intangibles (net)	25,831	25,655	26,422
4.16	Tax assets	4,343	4,048	3,651
4.17	Other (provide details if material)	-	-	-
4.18	Total non-current assets	91,883	94,762	98,034
4.19	Total assets	249,117	249,962	254,424
Current liabilities				
4.20	Payables	35,419	32,702	31,063
4.21	Interest bearing liabilities	3,050	-	4,154
4.22	Tax liabilities	2,243	3,796	2,255
4.23	Provisions exc. tax liabilities	7,249	11,315	22,673
4.24	Other (provide details if material)	-	-	-
4.25	Total current liabilities	47,961	47,813	60,145
Non-current liabilities				
4.26	Payables	-	-	-
4.27	Interest bearing liabilities	37,116	43,219	35,169
4.28	Tax liabilities	-	-	-
4.29	Provisions exc. tax liabilities	2,672	2,852	2,529
4.30	Other (provide details if material)	99	186	-
4.31	Total non-current liabilities	39,887	46,257	37,698

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Condensed consolidated statement of financial position continued

4.32	Total liabilities	87,848	94,070	97,843
4.33	Net assets	161,269	155,892	156,581
	Equity			
4.34	Capital/contributed equity	89,110	87,242	87,242
4.35	Reserves	32,980	32,791	32,571
4.36	Retained profits (accumulated losses)	35,927	30,932	31,379
4.37	Equity attributable to members of the parent entity	158,017	150,965	151,192
4.38	Outside ⁺ equity interests in controlled entities	3,252	4,927	5,389
4.39	Total equity	161,269	155,892	156,581
4.40	Preference capital included as part of 4.37	-	-	-

Notes to the condensed consolidated statement of financial position

Exploration and evaluation expenditure capitalised

(To be completed only by entities with mining interests if amounts are material. Include all expenditure incurred.)

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
5.1	Opening balance	
5.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	
5.3	Expenditure written off during current period	
5.4	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.	
5.5	Expenditure transferred to Development Properties	
5.6	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.12)	

Development properties

(To be completed only by entities with mining interests if amounts are material)

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
6.1	Opening balance	
6.2	Expenditure incurred during current period	
6.3	Expenditure transferred from exploration and evaluation	

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6.4	Expenditure written off during current period		
6.5	Acquisitions, disposals, revaluation increments, etc.		
6.6	Expenditure transferred to mine properties		
6.7	Closing balance as shown in the consolidated balance sheet (item 4.13)		

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows

	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
Cash flows related to operating activities		
7.1 Receipts from customers	237,077	216,859
7.2 Payments to suppliers and employees	(224,057)	(213,215)
7.3 Dividends received from associates	-	-
7.4 Other dividends received	-	-
7.5 Interest and other items of similar nature received	334	191
7.6 Interest and other costs of finance paid	(1,157)	(1,058)
7.7 Income taxes paid	(5,189)	(3,639)
7.8 Other (provide details if material)	-	-
7.9 Net operating cash flows	7,008	(862)
Cash flows related to investing activities		
7.10 Payment for purchases of property, plant and equipment	(3,560)	(4,364)
7.11 Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	4,183	1,207
7.12 Payment for purchases of equity investments	-	-
7.13 Proceeds from sale of equity investments	-	-
7.14 Loans to other entities	-	-
7.15 Loans repaid by other entities	-	-
7.16 Payment for purchase of businesses	(562)	-
7.17 Net investing cash flows	61	(3,157)
Cash flows related to financing activities		
7.18 Proceeds from issues of ⁺ securities (shares, options, etc.)	-	-
7.19 Proceeds from borrowings	-	5,069
7.20 Repayment of borrowings	(6,103)	-
7.21 Dividends paid	(4,134)	(5,119)
7.22 Other (provide details if material)	-	-
7.23 Net financing cash flows	(10,237)	(50)
7.24 Net increase (decrease) in cash held	(3,168)	(4,069)
7.25 Cash at beginning of period (see Reconciliation of cash)	7,536	4,388
7.26 Exchange rate adjustments to item 7.25.	-	-
7.27 Cash at end of period (see Reconciliation of cash)	4,368	319

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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.)*

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Reconciliation of cash

Reconciliation of cash at the end of the period (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts is as follows.	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
8.1 Cash on hand and at bank	2,786	423
8.2 Deposits at call	4,632	4,050
8.3 Bank overdraft	(3,050)	(4,154)
8.4 Other (provide details)	-	-
8.5 Total cash at end of period (item 7.27)	4,368	319

Other notes to the condensed financial statements

Ratios	Current period	Previous corresponding Period
9.1 Profit before tax / revenue Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax (item 1.5) as a percentage of revenue (item 1.1)	3.78%	1.72%
9.2 Profit after tax / ⁺equity interests Consolidated net profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members (item 1.11) as a percentage of equity (similarly attributable) at the end of the period (item 4.37)	3.16%	0.61%

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Earnings per security (EPS)

10. Details of basic and diluted EPS reported separately in accordance with paragraph 9 and 18 of *AASB 1027: Earnings Per Share* are as follows.

Basic and diluted earnings per share (cents) 14.7

As there are no potential ordinary shares on issue, basic and diluted earnings per share are the same.

NTA backing (see note 7)	Current period	Previous corresponding period
11.1 Net tangible asset backing per ⁺ ordinary security	\$3.86	\$3.69

Discontinuing Operations

(Entities must report a description of any significant activities or events relating to discontinuing operations in accordance with paragraph 7.5 (g) of *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*, or, the details of discontinuing operations they have disclosed in their accounts in accordance with *AASB 1042: Discontinuing Operations* (see note 17).)

12.1 Discontinuing Operations

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Control gained over entities having material effect

13.1 Name of entity (or group of entities)	
13.2 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax of the controlled entity (or group of entities) since the date in the current period on which control was ⁺ acquired	\$
13.3 Date from which such profit has been calculated	
13.4 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax of the controlled entity (or group of entities) for the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$

Loss of control of entities having material effect

14.1 Name of entity (or group of entities)	
14.2 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax of the controlled entity (or group of entities) for the current period to the date of loss of control	\$
14.3 Date to which the profit (loss) in item 14.2 has been calculated	
14.4 Consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax of the controlled entity (or group of entities) while controlled during the whole of the previous corresponding period	\$
14.5 Contribution to consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items from sale of interest leading to loss of control	\$

Dividends (in the case of a trust, distributions)

15.1 Date the dividend (distribution) is payable	2 April 2003
15.2 ⁺ Record date to determine entitlements to the dividend (distribution) (ie, on the basis of proper instruments of transfer received by 5.00 pm if ⁺ securities are not ⁺ CHESS approved, or security holding balances established by 5.00 pm or such later time permitted by SCH Business Rules if ⁺ securities are ⁺ CHESS approved)	19 March 2003
15.3 If it is a final dividend, has it been declared? (Preliminary final report only)	

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Amount per security

		Amount per security	Franked amount per security at 30% tax (see note 4)	Amount per security of foreign source dividend
15.4	<i>(Preliminary final report only)</i> Final dividend: Current year	¢	¢	¢
15.5	Previous year	¢	¢	¢
15.6	<i>(Half yearly and preliminary final reports)</i> Interim dividend: Current year	14¢	14¢	- ¢
15.7	Previous year	8 ¢	8 ¢	- ¢

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

(Preliminary final report only)

	Current year	Previous year
15.8 ⁺ Ordinary securities	¢	¢
15.9 Preference ⁺ securities	¢	¢

**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 <i>(each class separately)</i>	4,790	2,702
15.11 Preference ⁺ securities <i>(each class separately)</i>		
15.12 Other equity instruments <i>(each class separately)</i>		
15.13 Total	4,790	2,702

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

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

At the Annual General Meeting held in November 2002, the Company announced the re-introduction of the dividend reinvestment plan (DRP) with effect from the interim dividend to be paid on 2 April 2003.

The Company's DRP was established in 1991 with shareholder approval but has been suspended since 1996. In light of this lapse of time, all previous participation instructions have been disregarded and new instructions are now being sought from shareholders. Revised information booklets containing the terms and conditions of the DRP were despatched to shareholders on 17 February 2003. No substantive amendments have been made to the terms and conditions and any changes reflect updated references to current legislation.

The Directors have decided to apply a 2.5% discount to the subscription price of shares to be issued under the DRP. This rate will continue to apply until the Directors determine otherwise.

To participate in the DRP for the interim dividend, shareholders will be required to return an application form by 19 March 2003 - the record date for the interim dividend.

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

19 March 2003

Any other disclosures in relation to dividends (distributions). *(For half yearly reports, provide details in accordance with paragraph 7.5(d) of AASB 1029 Interim Financial Reporting)*

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

Group's share of associates' and joint venture entities':	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
16.1 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before tax		
16.2 Income tax on ordinary activities		
16.3 Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after tax		
16.4 Extraordinary items net of tax		
16.5 Net profit (loss)		
16.6 Adjustments		
16.7 Share of net profit (loss) of associates and joint venture entities		

Material interests in entities which are not controlled entities

The economic entity has an interest (that is material to it) in the following entities. *(If the interest was acquired or disposed of during either the current or previous corresponding period, indicate date of acquisition ("from dd/mm/yy") or disposal ("to dd/mm/yy").)*

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Name of entity	Percentage of ownership interest held at end of period or date of disposal		Contribution to net profit (loss) (item 1.9)	
	Current period	Previous corresponding period	Current period \$A'000	Previous corresponding period - \$A'000
17.1 Equity accounted associates and joint venture entities				
17.2 Total				
17.3 Other material interests				
17.4 Total				

Issued and quoted securities at end of current period

(Description must include rate of interest and any redemption or conversion rights together with prices and dates)

Category of ⁺ securities	Total number	Number quoted	Issue price per security (see note 14) (cents)	Amount paid up per security (see note 14) (cents)
18.1 Preference ⁺securities (description)				
18.2 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks, redemptions				
18.3 ⁺Ordinary securities	34,211,474	34,211,474		
18.4 Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through returns of capital, buybacks	437,068	437,068		

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

18.5	⁺Convertible debt securities <i>(description and conversion factor)</i>				
18.6	Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted				
18.7	Options <i>(description and conversion factor)</i>			<i>Exercise price</i>	<i>Expiry date (if any)</i>
18.8	Issued during current period				
18.9	Exercised during current period				
18.10	Expired during current period				
18.11	Debentures <i>(description)</i>				
18.12	Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted				
18.13	Unsecured notes <i>(description)</i>				
18.14	Changes during current period (a) Increases through issues (b) Decreases through securities matured, converted				

Segment reporting

(Information on the business and geographical segments of the entity must be reported for the current period in accordance with *AASB 1005: Segment Reporting* and for half year reports, *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*. Because entities employ different structures a pro forma cannot be provided. Segment information in the layout employed in the entity's ⁺accounts should be reported separately and attached to this report.)

Comments by directors

(Comments on the following matters are required by ASX or, in relation to the half yearly report, by *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*. The comments do not take the place of the directors' report and statement (as required by the Corporations Act) and may be incorporated into the directors' report and statement. For both half yearly and preliminary final 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 financial report preparation

19.1 *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: Interim Financial Reporting. It should be read in conjunction with the last ⁺annual report and any announcements to the market made by the entity during the period. The financial statements in this report are "condensed financial statements" as defined in AASB 1029:*

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

Interim Financial Reporting. This report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. [Delete if preliminary final report.]

- 19.2 Material factors affecting the revenues and expenses of the economic entity for the current period. In a half yearly report, provide explanatory comments about any seasonal or irregular factors affecting operations.

Nil

- 19.3 A description of each event since the end of the current period which has had a material effect and which is not already reported elsewhere in this Appendix or in attachments, with financial effect quantified (if possible).

In January 2003, Coventry Group Ltd entered into an unconditional contract for the sale of a property in the Perth metropolitan area. The pre-tax profit on this disposal will be approximately \$953,000. The financial effects of this transaction have not been brought to account as at 31 December 2002.

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

The franking account balance as at 31 December 2002 is \$23,019,079. The Company has good prospects of paying fully franked dividends for at least the next year.

- 19.5 Unless disclosed below, the accounting policies, estimation methods and measurement bases used in this report are the same as those used in the last annual report. Any changes in accounting policies, estimation methods and measurement bases since the last annual report are disclosed as follows. (Disclose changes and differences in the half yearly report in accordance with *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*. Disclose changes in accounting policies in the preliminary final report in accordance with *AASB 1001: Accounting Policies-Disclosure*).

Nil

- 19.6 Revisions in estimates of amounts reported in previous interim periods. For half yearly reports the nature and amount of revisions in estimates of amounts reported in previous +annual reports if those revisions have a material effect in this half year.

Nil

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19.7 Changes in contingent liabilities or assets. For half yearly reports, changes in contingent liabilities and contingent assets since the last ⁺ annual report.

Nil

Additional disclosure for trusts

20.1 Number of units held by the management company or responsible entity or their related parties.

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

Identify:

- initial service charges
- management fees
- other fees

Annual meeting

(Preliminary final report only)

The annual meeting will be held as follows:

Place

Date

Time

Approximate date the ⁺annual report will be available

Compliance statement

1 This report has been prepared in accordance with AASB Standards, other AASB authoritative pronouncements and Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other standards acceptable to ASX (see note 12).

Identify other standards used

2 This report, and the ⁺accounts upon which the report is based (if separate), use the same accounting policies.

3 This report does give a true and fair view of the matters disclosed (see note 2).

4 This report is based on ⁺accounts to which one of the following applies.

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

(Tick one)

☐

The +accounts have been audited. ✓

The +accounts have been subject to review.

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The +accounts are in the process of being audited or subject to review. ☐

The +accounts have *not* yet been audited or reviewed.

5 If the audit report or review by the auditor is not attached, details of any qualifications are attached/will follow immediately they are available* (*delete one*). (*Half yearly report only - the audit report or review by the auditor must be attached to this report if this report is to satisfy the requirements of the Corporations Act.*)

6 The entity has a formally constituted audit committee.

Sign here:



Date: 5 March 2003

Company Secretary

Print name: JOHN COLLI

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. Entities are encouraged to attach notes or fuller explanations of any significant changes to any of the items in page 1. The area at the end of the announcement section can be used to provide a cross reference to any such attachment.
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. **Condensed consolidated statement of financial performance**
 - Item 1.1 The definition of "revenue" and an explanation of "ordinary activities" are set out in *AASB 1004: Revenue*, and *AASB 1018: Statement of Financial Performance*.
 - Item 1.6 This item refers to the total tax attributable to the amount shown in item 1.5. Tax includes income tax and capital gains tax (if any) but excludes taxes treated as expenses from ordinary activities (eg, fringe benefits tax).
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. The rate of tax applicable to the franking amount per

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dividend should be inserted in the heading for the column “Franked amount per security at % tax” for items 15.4 to 15.7.

5. **Condensed consolidated statement of financial position**

Format The format of the consolidated statement of financial position 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: Interim Financial Reporting*, and *AASB 1040: Statement of Financial Position*. Also, banking institutions, trusts and financial institutions may substitute a clear liquidity ranking for the Current/Non-Current classification.

Basis of revaluation If there has been a material revaluation of non-current assets (including investments) since the last ⁺annual report, the entity must describe the basis of revaluation adopted. The description must meet the requirements of *AASB 1010: Accounting for the Revaluation of Non-Current Assets*. If the entity has adopted a procedure of regular revaluation, the basis for which has been disclosed and has not changed, no additional disclosure is required.

6. **Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows** For definitions of “cash” and other terms used in this report see *AASB 1026: Statement of Cash Flows*. Entities should follow the form as closely as possible, but variations are permitted if the directors (in the case of a trust, the management company) believe that this presentation is inappropriate. However, the presentation adopted must meet the requirements of *AASB 1026*. ⁺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 ⁺accounts. Details must include the contribution for each gain or loss that increased or decreased the entity’s consolidated profit (loss) from ordinary activities and extraordinary items after tax by more than 5% compared to the previous corresponding period.

9. **Rounding of figures** This report anticipates that the information required is given to the nearest \$1,000. If an entity reports exact figures, the \$A’000 headings must be 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, and the \$A’000 headings must be amended.

10. **Comparative figures** Comparative figures are to be presented in accordance with *AASB 1018* or *AASB 1029 Interim Financial Reporting* as appropriate and are the unadjusted figures from the latest annual or half year report as appropriate. However, if an adjustment has been made in accordance with an accounting standard or other reason or if there is a lack of comparability, a note explaining the position should be attached. For the statement of financial performance, *AASB 1029 Interim Financial Reporting* requires information on a year to date basis in addition to the current interim period. Normally an Appendix 4B to which *AASB 1029 Interim Financial Reporting* applies would be for the half year and consequently the information in the current period is also the year to date. If an Appendix 4B Half yearly version is produced for an additional interim period (eg because of a change of reporting

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period), the entity must provide the year to date information and comparatives required by *AASB 1029 Interim Financial Reporting*. This should be in the form of a multi-column version of the consolidated statement of financial performance as an attachment to the additional Appendix 4B.

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 Act must also be given to ASX. For example, a director's report and declaration, if lodged with the ⁺ASIC, must be given to ASX.
12. **Accounting Standards** ASX will accept, for example, the use of International Accounting Standards for foreign entities. If the standards used do not address a topic, the Australian standard on that topic (if one exists) must be complied with.
13. **Corporations Act financial statements** This report may be able to be used by an entity required to comply with the Corporations Act as part of its half-year financial statements if prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.
14. **Issued and quoted securities** The issue price and amount paid up is not required in items 18.1 and 18.3 for fully paid securities.
15. **Details of expenses** *AASB 1018* requires disclosure of expenses from ordinary activities according to either their nature or function. For foreign entities, there are similar requirements in other accounting standards accepted by ASX. *AASB ED 105* clarifies that the disclosures required by *AASB 1018* must be either *all* according to nature or *all* according to function. Entities must disclose details of expenses using the layout (by nature or function) employed in their ⁺accounts.

The information in lines 1.23 to 1.27 may be provided in an attachment to Appendix 4B.

Relevant Items *AASB 1018* requires the separate disclosure of specific revenues and expenses which are not extraordinary but which are of a size, nature or incidence that disclosure is *relevant* in explaining the financial performance of the reporting entity. The term "relevance" is defined in *AASB 1018*. There is an equivalent requirement in *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*. For foreign entities, there are similar requirements in other accounting standards accepted by ASX.

16. **Dollars** If reporting is not in A\$, all references to \$A must be changed to the reporting currency. If reporting is not in thousands of dollars, all references to "000" must be changed to the reporting value.
17. **Discontinuing operations**

Half yearly report

All entities must provide the information required in paragraph 12 for half years beginning on or after 1 July 2001.

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Entities must either provide a description of any significant activities or events relating to discontinuing operations equivalent to that required by paragraph 7.5 (g) of *AASB 1029: Interim Financial Reporting*, or, the details of discontinuing operations they are required to disclose in their ⁺accounts in accordance with *AASB 1042 Discontinuing Operations*.

In any case the information may be provided as an attachment to this Appendix 4B.

18. Format

This form is a Word document but an entity can re-format the document into Excel or similar applications for submission to the Companies Announcements Office in ASX.

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Income Tax On Ordinary Activities

The group's effective tax rate for the six months to 31 December 2002 is 40.3% compared to the company tax rate of 30%. This higher effective tax rate was caused by the inability to offset \$567,000 of tax losses incurred by the subsidiary, Coventry Auto Parts Pty Ltd, against the taxable income of other group companies.

The future effective rate should reduce, now that Coventry Auto Parts Pty Ltd is wholly owned and any future losses incurred by this subsidiary can be grouped.

Other Relevant Revenue

	Current Period \$A'000	Previous Corresponding Period \$A'000
Discounts and rebates	3,023	2,708
Proceeds on disposal of non-current assets	4,183	1,207
Rental income	239	93
Other income	896	571
Total other relevant revenue	8,341	4,579

Relevant Expenses

Cost of sales of goods	137,730	126,135
Employee benefits	41,222	39,916
Book value of assets sold	3,914	1,099
Occupancy costs	4,637	4,542
Communication costs	1,650	1,943
Amortisation of goodwill	953	846
Other expenses	17,088	16,654
Total relevant expenses	207,194	191,135

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Segment information

Primary reporting - business segments

Half-year 2002	Automotive Parts Distribution \$'000	Industrial Products Distribution \$000	Bitumen Products \$'000	Gasket Manufacturing \$000	Corporate \$000	Other \$000	Elimination \$'000	Consolidated \$'000
Total segment revenue	115,527	87,948	6,939	6,723	4,541	-	(1,715)	219,963
Segment operating profit/(loss) before income tax	2,029 ¹	7,567	789	643	(2,705)	(1)	-	8,322
Half-year 2001								
Total segment revenue	107,586	77,887	6,452	7,137	804	-	(1,047)	198,819
Segment operating profit/(loss) before income tax	(1,615) ²	5,679	716	839	(2,205)	-	-	3,414

1. Includes loss incurred by Coventry Auto Parts Pty Ltd of \$3.16 million.

2. Includes loss incurred by Coventry Auto Parts Pty Ltd of \$5.59 million. The now closed Victorian operation incurred \$1.96 million of this loss, inclusive of closure costs.

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