

McPherson's Limited

FULL YEAR RESULT – JUNE 2004

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PROFIT & LOSS

A\$ Millions

	June 04	June 03	
Consumer Products EBITA	26.3	11.5	
Printing EBITA	12.2	12.8	
Corporate, etc.	(3.1)	(2.6)	
Group EBITA	35.3	21.8	
Net Interest	(7.6)	(4.1)	
NPBT	<u>27.8</u>	<u>17.7</u>	+ 57%
NPAT	<u>21.1</u>	<u>13.0</u>	+ 63%
EPS (cents)	38.0	31.9	+ 19%
DPS (cents)	19.0	15.0	+ 27%

Note: Earnings figures are before goodwill amortisation and net of restructuring costs.

BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE 2004

\$ A Millions

	June 04	1 st July 03
Fixed Assets (including intangibles)	138.8	139.7
Net Working Capital	66.5	76.5
Other	(18.1)	(19.6)
Funds Employed	<u>187.2</u>	<u>196.6</u>
Shareholders' Funds	107.5	92.6
Net Debt	79.7	104.0
Funds Employed – Consumer Products	150.2	159.6
Funds Employed – Printing Division	37.0	37.0
	<u>187.2</u>	<u>196.6</u>

OPERATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

- McPherson's Housewares and Cork Asia Pacific merged to form McPherson's Consumer Products. Relocation of McPherson's Housewares into Cork premises at Kingsgrove (Sydney) and closure of two warehouses. Restructure expense of \$3.7 million 2003/04. Synergies of \$6 million per annum.
- Closure of non-core Retail Solutions business. Some loss of income but creation of warehouse space at Kingsgrove required for growth.
- Marketing of Beauty Care and Hair Care products in Europe by Richardson Sheffield. Loss of license income offset by additional Richardson earnings.
- Re-equipment and restructure for Book and Commercial Printing. Restructure expense of \$0.7 million and capital expenditure of \$5.3 million in 2003/04.

ONGOING FINANCIAL OBJECTIVES

1. 20% per annum net return (before amortisation) on shareholders' funds.
2. Pre-tax cash flow > pre-tax (and amortisation) profit.
3. EPS growth through acquisitions which produce rationalisation benefits and improve competitive position.

RESULTS

		2003/04	Average 5 Years 2000 - 2004
1.	ROSF	21%	25%
2.	Cash Flow / Profit	+ 58%	+ 34%
3.	EPS Growth *	+ 14%	+ 14%

CPS July 1999

Crown Feb 2000

APG May 2001

Cork July 2003

** Based on pre-tax earnings per share*

BUSINESS STRATEGY

Consumer Products

- Expansion into other categories
- Brands
- Focus on margins
- Key capabilities
 - Design / Sourcing
 - Logistics
 - Marketing including customer relationships

Printing

- Specific niche markets
 - Core customer relationships (75% of revenue)
 - Equip to focus on specific markets
 - Ongoing cost reduction
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OBJECTIVES

- Ongoing financial objectives
- Realise benefits from formation of McPherson's Consumer Products
- Next acquisition