

Appendix 4D
Half Year Report
ORICA LIMITED
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1. Details of the reporting period and the previous corresponding period

Reporting Period	Half year ended	31 March 2024
Previous Corresponding Period	Half year ended	31 March 2023

2. Results for announcement to the market

Consolidated:		Change			\$m
		\$m			
2.1 Consolidated revenue from operations	dow n	(341.2)	(8.5)%	to	3,657.2
2.2 Net profit attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited	up	214.9	>100%	to	337.5
2.3 Net profit attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited before individually significant items	up	15.6	9.5%	to	179.1

Dividends		Amount per security	Franked amount per security at 30% tax
<i>Current period</i>			
2.4 Interim dividend - Ordinary	Cents	19.0	0.0
<i>Previous corresponding period</i>			
2.4 Interim dividend - Ordinary	Cents	18.0	0.0
2.5 Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend:			
Ordinary Shares	24-May-24		
Payment date of dividend:			
Ordinary Shares	3-Jul-24		

	31 March 2024	30 September 2023	31 March 2023
	Cents	Cents	Cents
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	557.2	566.9	520.0

For the profit commentary and any other significant information needed on Orica's results please refer to the accompanying Orica Limited Half Year Results Analyst Presentation.

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Income Statement

For the period ended 31 March

		Consolidated	
		31 March 2024 \$m	31 March 2023 \$m
	Notes		
Sales revenue	(2b)	3,657.2	3,998.4
Other income	(2d)	0.2	6.9
Raw materials and inventories		(1,742.5)	(2,207.2)
Employee benefits expense		(758.9)	(681.2)
Purchased services and other expenses		(331.9)	(352.4)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(2b)	(202.8)	(182.7)
Outgoing freight		(168.3)	(174.1)
Repairs and maintenance		(117.6)	(100.7)
Business acquisition costs	(2e)	(41.3)	-
Profit on sale of Deer Park stage 1 surplus land	(2e)	181.5	-
Axis Group acquisition earnout	(2e)	26.6	(13.3)
Loss on sale of Türkiye businesses	(2e)	-	(73.5)
Share of net profit of equity accounted investees	(6)	18.3	15.6
Total		(3,136.9)	(3,769.5)
Profit from operations		520.5	235.8
Financial income		11.2	3.7
Financial expenses		(86.0)	(85.8)
Net financing costs		(74.8)	(82.1)
Profit before income tax expense		445.7	153.7
Income tax expense	(8)	(92.1)	(71.3)
Profit after tax		353.6	82.4
Net profit for the period attributable to:			
Shareholders of Orica Limited		337.5	122.6
Non-controlling interests		16.1	(40.2)
Net profit for the period		353.6	82.4
		cents	cents
Earnings per share attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited:			
Basic earnings per share	(3)	73.2	27.0
Diluted earnings per share	(3)	72.3	26.8

The Income Statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the period ended 31 March

	Consolidated	
	31 March 2024 \$m	31 March 2023 \$m
Net profit for the period	353.6	82.4
Other comprehensive income		
Items that may be/have been reclassified subsequently to income statement:		
<i>Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations</i>		
Exchange loss on translation of foreign operations, net of tax	(50.5)	(33.1)
Net gain on hedge of net investments in foreign subsidiaries, net of tax	7.7	18.8
Currency translation on companies disposed of, transferred to the income statement	-	92.5
Net (loss)/income exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(42.8)	78.2
<i>Sundry items:</i>		
Net loss on cash flow hedges, net of tax	(1.3)	(2.1)
Changes in the fair value of financial assets through other comprehensive income, net of tax	(0.9)	19.8
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to income statement:		
Net actuarial loss on defined benefit obligations, net of tax	(4.4)	(0.8)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	(49.4)	95.1
Total comprehensive income for the period	304.2	177.5
Attributable to:		
Shareholders of Orica Limited	289.4	164.5
Non-controlling interests	14.8	13.0
Total comprehensive income for the period	304.2	177.5

The Statement of Comprehensive Income is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Balance Sheet

As at

		Consolidated	
		31 March 2024 \$m	30 September 2023 \$m
Notes			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	(9)	1,085.5	1,152.1
Trade receivables		728.7	759.2
Other receivables		172.1	150.6
Inventories		948.8	868.1
Other assets		203.5	165.1
Total current assets		3,138.6	3,095.1
Non-current assets			
Other receivables		68.8	54.6
Equity accounted investees	(6)	334.1	326.5
Property, plant and equipment		3,333.8	3,360.3
Intangible assets		1,942.9	1,406.4
Deferred tax assets		410.2	433.0
Other assets		98.8	91.3
Total non-current assets		6,188.6	5,672.1
Total assets		9,327.2	8,767.2
Current liabilities			
Trade payables		1,011.0	984.5
Other payables		442.8	564.9
Interest bearing liabilities	(9)	68.9	72.8
Provisions		251.4	251.9
Other liabilities		81.3	85.7
Total current liabilities		1,855.4	1,959.8
Non-current liabilities			
Other payables		12.4	40.0
Interest bearing liabilities	(9)	2,296.0	2,299.4
Provisions		321.1	310.6
Deferred tax liabilities		64.3	46.8
Other liabilities		52.4	58.8
Total non-current liabilities		2,746.2	2,755.6
Total liabilities		4,601.6	4,715.4
Net assets		4,725.6	4,051.8
Equity			
Ordinary shares	(5)	3,904.4	3,421.2
Reserves		(280.2)	(240.6)
Retained earnings		1,027.4	808.1
Total equity attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited		4,651.6	3,988.7
Non-controlling interests		74.0	63.1
Total equity		4,725.6	4,051.8

The Balance Sheet is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the period ended 31 March

	Ordinary shares \$m	Retained earnings \$m	Foreign currency translation reserve \$m	Cash flow hedge reserve \$m	Other reserves \$m	Total \$m	Non- controlling interests \$m	Total equity \$m
2023								
Balance at 1 October 2022	3,389.7	693.1	(285.2)	(4.5)	(107.3)	3,685.8	43.4	3,729.2
Net profit/(loss) for the period	-	122.6	-	-	-	122.6	(40.2)	82.4
Other comprehensive (loss)/income	-	(0.8)	25.0	(2.1)	19.8	41.9	53.2	95.1
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	-	121.8	25.0	(2.1)	19.8	164.5	13.0	177.5
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity								
Total changes in contributed equity (note 5)	20.9	-	-	-	-	20.9	(2.8)	18.1
Share-based payments expense	-	-	-	-	7.2	7.2	-	7.2
Share-based payments settlement	-	-	-	-	(1.1)	(1.1)	-	(1.1)
Dividends/distributions (note 4)	-	(99.6)	-	-	-	(99.6)	-	(99.6)
Dividends declared/paid to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1.0)	(1.0)
Balance at the end of the period	3,410.6	715.3	(260.2)	(6.6)	(81.4)	3,777.7	52.6	3,830.3
2024								
Balance at 1 October 2023	3,421.2	808.1	(145.2)	(14.9)	(80.5)	3,988.7	63.1	4,051.8
Net profit for the period	-	337.5	-	-	-	337.5	16.1	353.6
Other comprehensive loss	-	(4.4)	(41.5)	(1.3)	(0.9)	(48.1)	(1.3)	(49.4)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	-	333.1	(41.5)	(1.3)	(0.9)	289.4	14.8	304.2
Transactions with owners, recorded directly in equity								
Total changes in contributed equity (note 5)	483.2	-	-	-	-	483.2	-	483.2
Share-based payments expense	-	-	-	-	10.5	10.5	-	10.5
Share-based payments settlement	-	-	-	-	(6.4)	(6.4)	-	(6.4)
Dividends/distributions (note 4)	-	(113.8)	-	-	-	(113.8)	-	(113.8)
Dividends declared/paid to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3.9)	(3.9)
Balance at the end of the period	3,904.4	1,027.4	(186.7)	(16.2)	(77.3)	4,651.6	74.0	4,725.6

The Statement of Changes in Equity is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Cash Flows

For the period ended 31 March

	Notes	Consolidated	
		31 March 2024 \$m Inflow s/ (Outflow s)	31 March 2023 \$m Inflow s/ (Outflow s)
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		4,109.6	4,515.1
Payments to suppliers and employees		(3,776.5)	(4,357.5)
Interest received		11.4	3.7
Interest paid		(80.0)	(81.2)
Dividends received		7.4	9.1
Other operating income received		6.2	7.2
Net income taxes paid		(87.7)	(94.9)
Net cash flows from operating activities		190.4	1.5
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(209.0)	(148.0)
Payments for intangibles		(8.2)	(5.8)
Payments for purchase of investments		(2.0)	(19.8)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		216.3	7.4
Proceeds from other advances in relation to property, plant and equipment		-	50.0
Payments for purchase of businesses/controlled entities, net of cash acquired		(556.0)	(255.8)
Proceeds from sale of businesses, net of cash disposed and disposal costs		3.6	3.7
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(555.3)	(368.3)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		459.0	1,215.7
Repayment of borrowings		(461.7)	(1,308.8)
Dividends paid - Orica ordinary shares	(4)	(94.3)	(79.7)
Dividends paid - non-controlling interests		(5.5)	(1.0)
Principal portion of lease payments		(39.6)	(28.9)
Proceeds from issue/(purchase) of ordinary shares, net of costs		453.5	(2.7)
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		311.4	(205.4)
Net decrease in cash held		(53.5)	(572.2)
Cash at the beginning of the period		1,152.1	1,255.3
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash		(13.1)	(2.0)
Cash at the end of the period	(9)	1,085.5	681.1

The Statement of Cash Flows is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

1. Accounting policies

The material accounting policies adopted in preparing the financial report of Orica Limited ('the Company' or 'Orica') and of its controlled entities (collectively 'the Group') are stated below to assist in a general understanding of this Half Year Financial Report.

(i) Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report for the half year reporting period ended 31 March 2024 has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of *AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting, the Corporations Act 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements. It has been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for derivative financial instruments, superannuation commitments and investments in financial assets which have been measured at fair value as per the applicable standards. It is presented in Australian dollars which is the Group's presentation currency.

It is recommended that the Half Year Financial Report is read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report of Orica Limited as at 30 September 2023.

The amounts shown have been rounded off, except where otherwise stated, to the nearest tenth of a million dollars, in accordance with *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191* dated 24 March 2016.

(ii) Changes in accounting policies and standards

The accounting policies applied by the Group in the Half Year Financial Report are the same as those applied by the Group in its consolidated financial report for the year ended 30 September 2023 except for new and amended standards and interpretations effective from 1 October 2023.

New and amended accounting standards and interpretations adopted

Effective from 1 October 2023 the Group adopted the following new accounting standards:

AASB 2021-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – *Disclosure of Accounting Policies and Definition of Accounting Estimates*.

AASB 17 – *Insurance Contracts* and Amendments to AASB 17

AASB 2021-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – *Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction*.

AASB 2023-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – *International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules*. The Group has applied the mandatory temporary exemption regarding the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities related to Pillar Two income taxes.

These did not lead to any material change in measurement or disclosure in these financial reports.

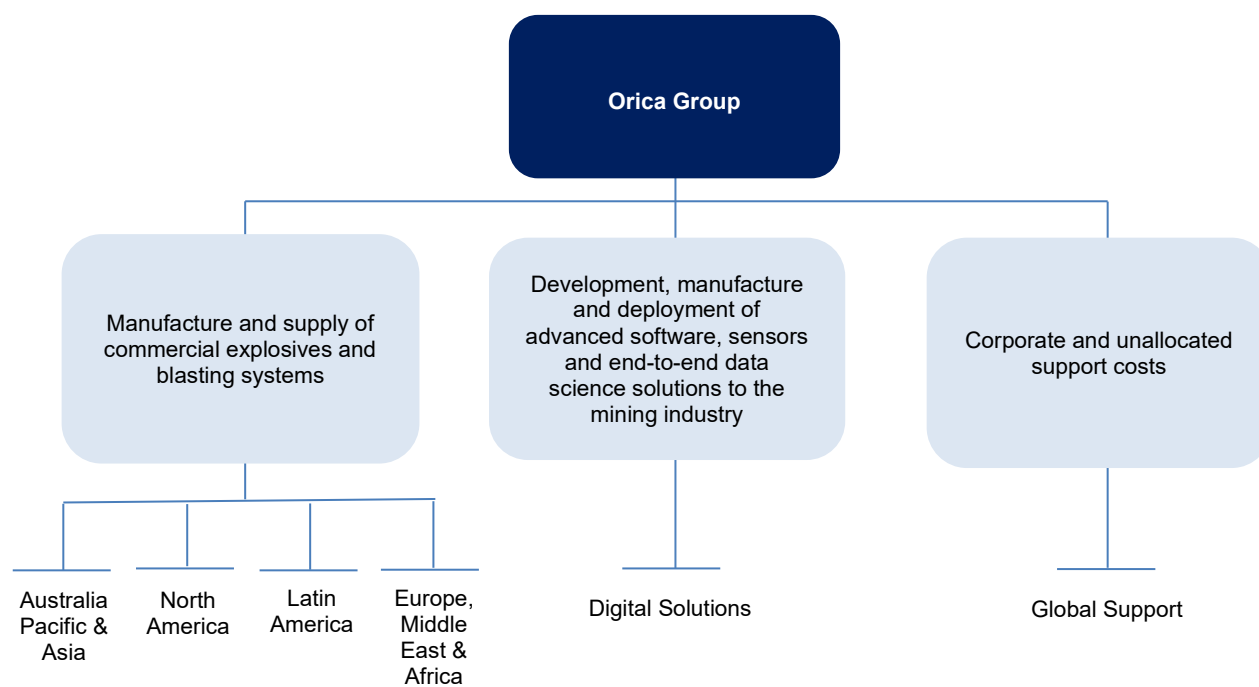
New and amended accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

The Group has not adopted any accounting standards that are issued but not yet effective.

2. Segment report

(a) Identification and description of segments

Orica's reportable segments are based on the internal management structure as reported to the Group's Chief Operating Decision Maker (the Group's Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer).



Condensed notes to the consolidated Half Year Financial Report

2. Segment report (continued)

(b) Reportable segments 2024 \$m	Australia Pacific & Asia	North America	Latin America	Europe, Middle East & Africa	Digital Solutions	Global Support	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenue								
External sales	1,464.2	813.1	743.7	511.1	125.1	-	-	3,657.2
Inter-segment sales	74.6	60.7	23.0	15.9	0.7	34.6	(209.5)	-
Total sales revenue	1,538.8	873.8	766.7	527.0	125.8	34.6	(209.5)	3,657.2
Other income/(loss) (refer to note 2d) ⁽¹⁾	4.5	0.4	(5.2)	0.6	(0.1)	-	-	0.2
Total revenue and other income	1,543.3	874.2	761.5	527.6	125.7	34.6	(209.5)	3,657.4
Results before individually significant items								
Profit/(loss) before financing costs and income tax	226.8	68.3	33.1	36.9	31.3	(42.7)	-	353.7
Financial income								11.2
Financial expenses								(86.0)
Profit before income tax expense								278.9
Income tax expense								(83.7)
Profit after income tax expense								195.2
Less: Profit attributable to non-controlling interests								(16.1)
Profit after income tax expense before individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited								179.1
Individually significant items (refer to note 2e)								
Gross individually significant items	-	-	-	-	26.6	140.2	-	166.8
Tax on individually significant items	-	-	-	-	-	(8.4)	-	(8.4)
Individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica	-	-	-	-	26.6	131.8	-	158.4
Net profit for the period attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited								337.5
Segment assets	3,712.0	1,600.4	1,209.8	791.0	1,332.9	681.1	-	9,327.2
Segment liabilities	1,108.5	389.0	359.1	247.5	147.0	2,350.5	-	4,601.6
Equity accounted investees	73.2	259.0	-	0.5	-	1.4	-	334.1
Acquisitions of PPE and intangibles (excluding right of use assets)	133.8	21.2	19.7	24.7	16.2	1.6	-	217.2
Depreciation and amortisation	95.4	40.9	23.6	15.2	16.5	11.2	-	202.8
Share of net (loss)/profit of equity accounted investees (note 6)	(0.4)	18.7	-	-	-	-	-	18.3

⁽¹⁾ Includes foreign currency gains/(losses) in various reportable segments.

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2. Segment report (continued)

	Australia Pacific & Asia	North America	Latin America	Europe, Middle East & Africa	Digital Solutions	Global Support	Eliminations	Consolidated
(b) Reportable segments								
2023								
\$m								
Revenue								
External sales	1,560.6	888.0	898.2	551.9	99.7	-	-	3,998.4
Inter-segment sales	70.7	63.5	15.8	13.9	0.3	-	(164.2)	-
Total sales revenue	1,631.3	951.5	914.0	565.8	100.0	-	(164.2)	3,998.4
Other income/(loss) (refer to note 2d) ⁽¹⁾	0.4	(0.8)	(5.2)	9.2	-	3.3	-	6.9
Total revenue and other income	1,631.7	950.7	908.8	575.0	100.0	3.3	(164.2)	4,005.3
Results before individually significant items								
Profit/(loss) before financing costs and income tax	222.1	59.2	28.4	26.9	26.9	(40.9)	-	322.6
Financial income								3.7
Financial expenses								(85.8)
Profit before income tax expense								240.5
Income tax expense								(72.1)
Profit after income tax expense								168.4
Less: Loss attributable to non-controlling interests								(4.9)
Profit after income tax expense before individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited								163.5
Individually significant items (refer to note 2e)								
Gross individually significant items	-	-	-	(73.5)	(13.3)	-	-	(86.8)
Tax on individually significant items	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
Net individually significant items attributable to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	45.1	-	-	-	45.1
Individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited	-	-	-	(27.6)	(13.3)	-	-	(40.9)
Net profit for the period attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited								122.6
Segment assets	3,539.4	1,534.9	1,331.3	779.9	692.9	426.2	-	8,304.6
Segment liabilities	1,039.8	358.7	401.4	237.5	97.3	2,339.6	-	4,474.3
Equity accounted investees	88.2	232.8	-	0.5	-	1.4	-	322.9
Acquisitions of PPE and intangibles (excluding right of use assets)	79.1	22.5	17.7	18.4	14.2	1.9	-	153.8
Depreciation and amortisation	85.8	35.1	24.5	12.7	12.7	11.9	-	182.7
Share of net (loss)/profit of equity accounted investees (note 6)	(1.8)	17.4	-	-	-	-	-	15.6

⁽¹⁾ Includes foreign currency gains/(losses) in various reportable segments

Condensed notes to the consolidated Half Year Financial Report

2. Segment report (continued)

	Consolidated	
	31 March	31 March
	2024	2023
	\$m	\$m
(c) Disaggregation of revenue (by commodity/industry)		
Copper	860.3	991.8
Gold	726.9	832.0
Thermal Coal	529.5	568.2
Quarry and Construction	499.6	499.1
Iron Ore	298.4	353.5
Met Coal	307.9	298.5
Future Facing Commodities ⁽¹⁾	136.0	145.0
Digital Solutions	125.1	99.7
Other ⁽¹⁾	173.5	210.6
Total disaggregated revenue	3,657.2	3,998.4

⁽¹⁾ Future Facing Commodities (FFC) include nickel, lithium, lead, and zinc with increasing demand that are essential components of low-emissions energy technologies. The 2023 financial period results have been restated to reflect separately revenue from FFC.

	Consolidated	
	31 March	31 March
	2024	2023
	\$m	\$m
(d) Other income		
Other income	9.7	10.4
Net foreign currency losses	(7.5)	(5.9)
Net (loss) / gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(2.0)	2.4
Total other income	0.2	6.9

	Consolidated					
	31 March 2024			31 March 2023		
	Gross \$m	Tax \$m	Net \$m	Gross \$m	Tax \$m	Net \$m
(e) Individually significant items						
Profit after income tax includes the following individually significant items:						
Profit on sale of Deer Park stage 1 surplus land ⁽¹⁾	181.5	(8.4)	173.1	-	-	-
Axis Group acquisition earnout ⁽²⁾	26.6	-	26.6	(13.3)	-	(13.3)
Business acquisition costs ⁽³⁾	(41.3)	-	(41.3)	-	-	-
Loss on sale of Türkiye businesses	-	-	-	(73.5)	0.8	(72.7)
Individually significant items	166.8	(8.4)	158.4	(86.8)	0.8	(86.0)
Non-controlling interests in individually significant items	-	-	-	45.5	(0.4)	45.1
Individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica	166.8	(8.4)	158.4	(41.3)	0.4	(40.9)

⁽¹⁾ The sale settled on the 14 February 2024.

⁽²⁾ The consideration for the acquisition of Axis Mining Technology on 3 October 2022 had a deferred earnout element based on the achievement of cumulative EBITDA generated from 1 October 2022 to 31 December 2024, and was contingent on certain key management remaining employed by Orica. During the period the earnout of \$26.6 million that had been provided for in FY2023 has been reversed primarily due to key management exiting the business. Integration activities and knowledge transfer has occurred across all key functions including manufacturing, commercial and technology, with succession implemented for key management positions.

⁽³⁾ As part of the acquisition of Terra Insights Ltd ("Terra Insights") and Cyanco Intermediate 4 Corp ("Cyanco"), acquisition costs of \$41.3 million have been incurred. Refer to notes 7 and 12.

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2. Segment report (continued)

(f) Geographical segments

The presentation of geographical revenue is based on the geographical location of customers. Segment assets are based on the geographical location of assets.

	Consolidated			
	External revenue		Non-current assets ⁽¹⁾	
	31 March	31 March	31 March	30 September
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Australia	1,066.2	1,121.6	3,023.0	3,022.3
Peru	421.8	544.7	305.5	315.8
Canada	375.9	371.7	961.6	402.1
Other ⁽²⁾	1,793.3	1,960.4	1,443.3	1,452.6
Consolidated	3,657.2	3,998.4	5,733.4	5,192.8

⁽¹⁾ Excluding: financial derivatives (included within other assets) and deferred tax assets.

⁽²⁾ Other than Australia, Peru and Canada, sales to other countries are individually less than 10% of the Group's total revenues.

3. Earnings per share (EPS)

	Consolidated	
	31 March	31 March
	2024	2023
	\$m	\$m
(i) As reported in the income statement		
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited		
Net profit for the period	353.6	82.4
Less: Net profit / (loss) for the period attributable to non-controlling interests	16.1	(40.2)
Total	337.5	122.6
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of shares used in the calculation:		
Number for basic earnings per share	461,062,155	453,539,960
Effect of dilutive share options and rights	5,759,632	4,031,899
Number for diluted earnings per share	466,821,787	457,571,859
The weighted average number of options and rights that have not been included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share	-	815,459
Cents per share		
Total attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited		
Basic earnings per share	73.2	27.0
Diluted earnings per share	72.3	26.8

Condensed notes to the consolidated Half Year Financial Report

3. Earnings per share (EPS) (continued)

	Consolidated	
	31 March 2024 \$m	31 March 2023 \$m
(ii) Adjusted for individually significant items		
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPS adjusted for individually significant items attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited		
Profit after income tax expense before individually significant items attributable to shareholders of Orica Limited (refer to note 2b)	179.1	163.5

	Cents per share	Cents per share
Total attributable to ordinary shareholders of Orica Limited before individually significant items		
Basic earnings per share ⁽¹⁾	38.8	36.0
Diluted earnings per share ⁽¹⁾	38.4	35.7

⁽¹⁾ Earnings per share before individually significant items is a non-IFRS measure. Management excludes individually significant items from the calculation in order to enhance the comparability from year-to-year and provide investors with further clarity in order to access the underlying performance of Orica's operations.

4. Dividends and distributions

	Consolidated	
	31 March 2024 \$m	31 March 2023 \$m
Dividends paid or declared in respect of the half year ended 31 March were:		
Ordinary shares		
final dividend of 22.0 cents per share, unfranked, paid 22 December 2022		99.6
final dividend of 25.0 cents per share, unfranked, paid 18 December 2023	113.8	
Dividends paid in cash or satisfied by the issue of shares under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP) during the half year were as follows:		
paid in cash	94.3	79.7
DRP - satisfied by issue of shares	19.5	19.9

Subsequent events

Since the end of the half year, the Directors declared an interim dividend on ordinary shares of 19.0 cents per share, unfranked, payable 3 July 2024.

The DRP continues to be available to eligible shareholders. For the interim dividend, shares will be allocated based on the arithmetic average of the daily volume weighted average market price of all shares sold through a normal trade on the ASX for a period of 7 days from 29 May 2024 to 6 June 2024 inclusive. The last date for receipt of election notices for participation in the interim dividend under the DRP is Monday 27 May 2024. Shares issued pursuant to the DRP will rank equal to all other ordinary shares. No discount applies to the DRP.

The conduit foreign income (CFI) component for the current period interim dividend on ordinary shares is 19.0 cents (2023:18.0 cents).

5. Contributed equity

Movements in issued and fully paid shares of Orica were as follows:

Details	Date	Number of shares	Issue price \$	\$m
Ordinary shares				
Opening balance of shares issued	1-Oct-22	452,807,885		3,389.7
Shares issued under the Orica dividend reinvestment plan	22-Dec-22	1,332,377	14.97	19.9
On market share repurchase				(3.3)
Deferred shares issued to settle Short-Term Incentive				3.7
Shares issued under the Orica GEESP plan ⁽¹⁾				0.6
Balance at the end of the period	31-Mar-23	454,140,262		3,410.6
Balance at the beginning of the period	1-Oct-23	455,491,558		3,421.2
On market share repurchase				(2.3)
Shares issued under the Orica dividend reinvestment plan	18-Dec-23	1,258,177	15.58	19.5
Deferred shares issued to settle Long-Term Incentive				6.0
Deferred shares issued to settle Short-Term Incentive				4.2
Shares issued under the Orica GEESP plan ⁽¹⁾				0.7
Shares issued under the Institutional Share Placement, net of costs	27-Feb-24	25,252,526	15.84	393.8
Shares issued under Share Purchase Plan, net of costs	25-Mar-24	4,103,534	15.84	61.3
Balance at the end of the period	31-Mar-24	486,105,795		3,904.4

⁽¹⁾ General Employee Exempt Share Plan (GEESP)

Rights over unissued shares - 2024:

Vesting date	Balance 30 Sep 23	Issued during the period	Exercised during the period	Lapsed during the period	Balance 31 Mar 24
30 Nov 26	-	2,291,836	-	(7,834)	2,284,002
30 Nov 25	1,913,730	-	-	(16,884)	1,896,846
30 Nov 24	1,592,195	-	-	(13,411)	1,578,784
30 Nov 23	1,217,125	-	(391,610)	(825,515)	-
Various	237,792	279,268	(229,084)	-	287,976
Total	4,960,842	2,571,104	(620,694)	(863,644)	6,047,608

Rights over unissued shares - 2023:

Vesting date	Balance 30 Sep 22	Issued during the period	Exercised during the period	Lapsed during the period	Balance 31 Mar 23
30 Nov 25	-	1,969,977	-	(13,439)	1,956,538
30 Nov 24	1,765,862	-	-	(126,946)	1,638,916
30 Nov 23	1,358,763	-	-	(106,859)	1,251,904
30 Nov 22	956,865	-	(297,686)	(659,179)	-
Various	79,790	252,614	(282,177)	-	50,227
Total	4,161,280	2,222,591	(579,863)	(906,423)	4,897,585

6. Equity accounted investees

The table below shows material investments (based on carrying values). All other investments are included in "Individually immaterial".

Name	Principal activity	Balance date	Ownership		Profit/(Loss) for the period		Consolidated Carrying value	
			2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
			Mar	Sep	Mar	Mar	Mar	Sep
			%	%	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Nelson Brothers, LLC ⁽¹⁾	Manufacture and sale of explosives	30-Sep	50.0	50.0	4.2	6.9	48.9	47.3
Nelson Brothers Mining Services LLC ⁽¹⁾	Sale of explosives	30-Sep	50.0	50.0	3.9	3.7	37.4	38.0
Poly Orica Management Co., Ltd ⁽²⁾	Manufacture and sale of explosives	31-Dec	49.0	49.0	(0.4)	(1.3)	73.2	73.6
Southwest Energy LLC ⁽¹⁾	Sale of explosives	30-Sep	50.0	50.0	10.6	6.8	172.2	165.3
Individually immaterial	Various				-	(0.5)	2.4	2.3
					18.3	15.6	334.1	326.5

⁽¹⁾ Entities are incorporated in the USA

⁽²⁾ Entity is incorporated in China

All equity accounted investees disclosed in the table above are classified as joint ventures.

7. Businesses acquired

Consolidated – 2024

On 29 February 2024, the Group acquired 100% of the shares of Terra Insights, a leading end-to-end sensors, software and data delivery technology platform for geotechnical, structural and geospatial monitoring in mining and infrastructure.

	Terra Group 31 March 2024 \$m
Consideration	
cash paid	558.2
net cash acquired	(4.3)
Total consideration	553.9
Fair value of net assets of businesses acquired	
intangible assets	116.0
property, plant and equipment	14.1
deferred tax liabilities	(22.5)
inventories	18.9
trade debtors	25.3
trade creditors	(5.7)
other liabilities	(33.8)
Total fair value of net assets of businesses/controlled entities acquired	112.3
Goodwill on acquisition	441.6

Goodwill on the purchase is attributable mainly to the skills and technical talent of the acquired business' work forces and the synergies expected to be achieved from integrating this business. Accounting standards permit a measurement period of up to one year to finalise acquisition accounting.

A deal contingent foreign exchange forward contract was taken out to hedge the purchase price of Terra Insights. The cost of \$1.5 million is recognised within financial expenses.

8. Taxation**(a) Income tax expense recognised in the income statement**

	Consolidated	
	31 March 2024 \$m	31 March 2023 \$m
Current tax expense		
Current period	75.9	87.4
Deferred tax	13.5	(10.3)
Over provided in prior years	2.7	(5.8)
Total income tax expense in income statement	92.1	71.3

(b) Reconciliation of income tax expense to prima facie tax payable**Income tax expense/(benefit) attributable to profit before individually significant items**

Profit from operations before individually significant items	278.9	240.5
Prima facie income tax expense calculated at 30% on profit	83.7	72.2
Tax effect of items which decrease/(increase) tax expense:		
variations in tax rates of foreign controlled entities	(7.1)	(0.8)
tax under/(over) provided in prior years	2.7	(5.8)
non allow able share based payments	4.3	3.0
non allow able interest deductions	2.6	2.7
non creditable withholding taxes	2.7	2.3
sundry items	(5.2)	(1.5)
Income tax expense attributable to profit before individually significant items	83.7	72.1
Income tax (benefit)/expense attributable to individually significant items		
Profit/(loss) from individually significant items	166.8	(86.8)
Prima facie income tax expense calculated at 30% on individually significant items	50.0	(26.0)
Tax effect of items which (decrease)/increase tax expense:		
Profit on sale of Deer Park stage 1 surplus land	(46.0)	-
Axis Group acquisition earnout	(8.0)	4.0
Business acquisition costs	12.4	-
Loss on sale of Türkiye Businesses	-	21.2
Income tax expense/(benefit) attributable to loss on individually significant items	8.4	(0.8)
Income tax expense reported in the income statement	92.1	71.3

Condensed notes to the consolidated Half Year Financial Report

9. Financial instruments

(a) Standby arrangements and credit facilities

Reconciliation of net debt:

	Consolidated	
	31 March 2024 \$m	30 September 2023 \$m
Current borrowings	-	-
Current lease liability	68.9	72.8
Non-current borrowings	2,072.6	2,075.4
Non-current lease liability	223.4	224.0
Less cash and cash equivalents	(1,085.5)	(1,152.1)
Net debt	1,279.4	1,220.1
Less lease liabilities	(292.3)	(296.8)
Net debt – excluding lease liabilities	987.1	923.3

Credit facilities:

Unsecured bank overdraft facilities available	41.4	41.9
Amount of facilities undrawn	41.4	41.9
Committed standby and loan facilities available	3,694.1	3,550.1
Amount of facilities unused	1,612.8	1,466.7

The bank overdrafts are payable on demand and are subject to an annual review. The maturity dates of the committed standby and loan facilities range from 27 May 2025 to 16 October 2032 (2023: 27 May 2024 to 16 October 2032).

(b) Fair value measurement

The balance sheet includes financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value. These fair values are categorised into hierarchy levels that are representative of the inputs used in measuring the fair values.

Valuation method	Level 1 - uses quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets at the end of the reporting period. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the group is the last traded price.
	Level 2 - uses inputs for the asset or liability other than quoted prices that are observable either directly or indirectly.
	Level 3 - uses valuation techniques where one or more significant inputs are based on unobservable market data.

At reporting date, other assets and other liabilities on the balance sheet included an equity investment in the ASX listed company Alpha HPA (2024: \$42.1 million, September 2023: \$34.9 million) valued at the quoted market price and categorised as level 1, derivatives (2024: \$0.6 million net liability, September 2023: \$10.3 million net liability) carried at fair value and categorised as Level 2 as the inputs are observable, and a renewable electricity Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) categorised as Level 3 as the electricity forward prices cannot be forecasted using observable market data.

Valuation techniques include, where applicable, reference to prices quoted in active markets, discounted cash flow analysis, fair value of recent arm's length transactions involving the same instruments or other instruments that are substantially the same, and option pricing models. Changes in default probabilities are included in the valuation of derivatives using credit and debit valuation adjustments.

There has been no movement between levels in the period to 31 March 2024.

The fair values of forward foreign exchange contracts are calculated by reference to forward exchange market rates for contracts with similar maturity profiles at the time of valuation.

9. Financial instruments (continued)

The fair values of cross currency interest rate swaps and interest rate swaps are determined using valuation techniques which utilise data from observable markets. Assumptions are based on market conditions existing at each balance date. The fair value is calculated as the present value of the estimated future cash flows using an appropriate market-based yield curve, which is independently derived and representative of Orica's cost of borrowings.

The fair value of the PPA is determined using an electricity forecasting model and key inputs used include the contract strike price, forecast electricity volumes, forward NSW electricity spot prices and the credit worthiness of the service provider.

The following table presents the changes in the PPA fair value (level 3 instruments) for 2024:

	Level 3 Instruments 31 March 2024 \$m
Opening balance at 1 October 2023	(2.8)
Losses recognised in the Income Statement ¹	(0.6)
Closing balance at 31 March 2024	(3.4)

¹ Comprises of unrealised losses recognised as raw materials and inventories in the income statement.

(c) Financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost

The fair value of cash, cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables approximates their carrying amount due to their short maturity.

Interest bearing liabilities excluding lease liabilities have a carrying amount of \$2,072.6 million (September 2023: \$2,075.4 million). The carrying amount of bank and other loans which are primarily short-term in nature approximates fair value. Private Placement debt which is primarily long-term in nature has a carrying amount of \$2,052.4 million (September 2023: \$2,050.0 million) and a fair value of \$1,983.2 million (September 2023: \$1,957.1 million). Fair value of Private Placement debt is determined as the present value of future contracted cash flows discounted using standard valuation techniques at applicable market yields having regard to timing of cash flows.

10. Critical accounting judgements and estimates

The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements as at the year ended 30 September 2023.

11. Contingent liabilities

There have been no significant developments with respect to the contingent liabilities, primarily relating to environmental and taxation matters, disclosed in the Annual Report for the year ended 30 September 2023.

12. Events subsequent to balance date

On 8 May 2024, the Directors declared an interim dividend of 19.0 cents per ordinary share payable on 3 July 2024. The financial effect of this dividend is not included in the financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2024 and will be recognised in the 30 September 2024 financial statements.

On 30 April 2024, Orica acquired 100 percent of the common stock of Cyanco Intermediate 4 Corp for \$973.1 million. Due to the proximity of completion to the approval of the half year report, the initial accounting for the acquisition is incomplete and the business acquisition disclosures are not yet finalised. The relevant disclosures will be presented in the September 2024 Annual Report.

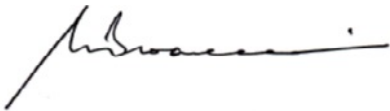
The Directors have not become aware of any other significant matter or circumstance that has arisen since 31 March 2024, that has affected or may affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent years, which has not been covered in this report.

Orica Limited and its Controlled Entities
Directors' Declaration on the Financial Report

In accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Orica Limited, we state that:

In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes, set out on pages 3 to 19, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2024 and of its performance for the half year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and *Corporations Regulations 2001*; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.



M W Broomhead
Chairman



S Gandhi
Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer

Dated at Melbourne this 8th day of May 2024.

Orica Limited and its Controlled Entities

Directors' Report

The Directors of Orica Limited (Orica) present the consolidated financial report in the form of Appendix 4D of the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules, for the period ended 31 March 2024 and the auditor's review report thereon.

Directors

The Directors of the Company during the period and up to the date of this report are:

M W Broomhead, Chairman

S Gandhi, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer

D W Gibson

K A Moses

J R Beevers

G Naylor

M Garrett

V A Guthrie

G T Tilbrook (resigned 29 Feb 2024)

E O'Connor and K Anderson Llewellyn are each Company Secretary of Orica Limited.

Review and results of operations

A review of the operations of the Group during the period and of the results of those operations is contained in the accompanying Orica Limited Half Year Results Analyst Presentation.

Events subsequent to balance date

The Directors have not become aware of any significant matter or circumstance (other than as referred to in note 12) that has arisen since 31 March 2024, that has affected or may affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent years, which has not been covered in this report.

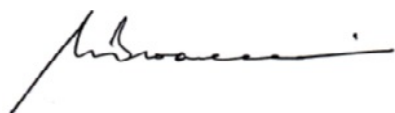
Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the lead auditor's independence declaration as required under Section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 22.

Rounding

The amounts shown in this report and in the financial statements have been rounded off, except where otherwise stated, to the nearest tenth of a million dollars, the Company being in a class specified in the *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191* dated 24 March 2016.

Signed on behalf of the board in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Orica Limited.



M W Broomhead
Chairman



S Gandhi
Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer

Dated at Melbourne this 8th day of May 2024.



Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To the Directors of Orica Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the review of Orica Limited for the half year ended 31 March 2024 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gordon Sangster'.

Gordon Sangster
Partner
Melbourne
8 May 2024



Independent Auditor's Review Report

To the shareholders of Orica Limited

Report on the Half Year Report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying

Half Year Report of Orica Limited.

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 Report of Orica Limited does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the **Group's** financial position as at 31 March 2024 and of its performance for the **Half Year** ended on that date; and
- complying with *Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

The **Half Year Report** comprises:

- Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024
- Income Statement, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the Half Year ended on that date
- Notes 1 to 12 including selected explanatory notes
- The Directors' Declaration.

The **Group** comprises Orica Limited (the Company) and the entities it controlled at the Half Year's end or from time to time during the Half Year.

Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*. Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.



Responsibilities of the Directors for the Half Year Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for:

- the preparation of the Half Year Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards* and the *Corporations Act 2001*
- such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the Half Year Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Half Year Report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Half Year Report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the Half Year Report does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 March 2024 and its performance for the Half Year ended on that date, and complying with *Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a Half Year 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.

KPMG

Gordon Sangster
Partner
Melbourne
8 May 2024