

Qube Holdings Limited
(ABN 14 149 723 053)
APPENDIX 4D Half Year Report 31 December 2015

Results for Announcement to the Market

Statutory Information

Set out below are the statutory results for Qube Holdings Limited (Qube) and its controlled entities for the half year ended 31 December 2015.

	Dec 2015	Dec 2014	Movement
	\$m	\$m	
Revenue from ordinary activities	689.5	727.0	-5.2%
EBITDA ¹	135.8	138.6	-2.0%
Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	49.0	54.7	-10.4%
Net profit for the period attributable to members	49.0	54.7	-10.4%
Basic earnings per share (cents per share)	4.7c	5.2c	-9.6%
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	4.6c	5.2c	-11.5%
Interim dividend per share (fully franked)	2.7c	2.7c	0.0%

¹EBITDA is statutory net profit before tax adjusted to remove share of profit of associates, net finance costs, depreciation and amortisation.

Underlying Information*

Qube reported a solid result for the half year ended 31 December 2015.

Underlying information	Dec 2015	Dec 2014	Movement
	\$m	\$m	
Underlying Revenue	689.5	715.9	-3.7%
Underlying EBITDA	138.7	129.7	+6.9%
Underlying EBITA	93.3	84.9	+9.9%
Underlying net profit for the period attributable to members	52.2	53.1	-1.7%
Underlying net profit for the period attributable to members pre-amortisation	55.4	55.8	-0.7%
Underlying diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	4.9c	5.1c	-3.9%
Underlying diluted earnings per share pre - amortisation (cents per share)	5.2c	5.3c	-1.9%

* The underlying information excludes certain non-cash and non-recurring items in order to more accurately reflect the underlying financial performance of Qube. References to 'underlying' information is to non-IFRS financial information prepared in accordance with ASIC Regulatory Guide 230 (Disclosing non-IFRS financial information) issued in December 2011. Non-IFRS financial information has not been subject to audit or review.

Underlying Information (continued)*

Further commentary on the performance of Qube and its operating businesses is set out in the financial statements and ASX announcement issued with this Appendix 4D.

A reconciliation of the statutory results to the underlying results for the half year ended 31 December 2015 is presented below:

	Dec 2015	Dec 2014
	\$m	\$m
Revenue from external customers	689.5	727.0
Fair value adjustments	-	(11.0)
Other adjustments	-	(0.1)
Underlying revenue	689.5	715.9
Net profit before income tax	77.2	82.5
Share of profit of associates	(5.2)	(5.8)
Net finance cost	13.9	13.2
Depreciation and amortisation	49.9	48.7
EBITDA	135.8	138.6
Asciano Ports business acquisition related advisor costs	2.8	-
Legacy incentive schemes	-	2.2
Fair value gains	-	(11.0)
Other adjustments (net)	0.1	(0.1)
Underlying EBITDA	138.7	129.7
Depreciation	(45.4)	(44.8)
Underlying EBITA	93.3	84.9
Amortisation	(4.5)	(3.9)
Underlying EBIT	88.8	81.0
Net finance cost excluding derivatives	(14.8)	(11.9)
Asciano Ports business acquisition related finance costs	2.8	-
Underlying net finance cost	(12.0)	(11.9)
Syndicated debt facilities establishment fees written off	-	1.3
Underlying share of profit of associates	5.2	5.8
Underlying net profit before income tax	82.0	76.2
Underlying income tax expense	(23.1)	(21.1)
Underlying net profit for the half year	58.9	55.1
Non-controlling interests	(6.7)	(2.0)
Underlying net profit after income tax attributable to members	52.2	53.1
Underlying diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	4.9c	5.1c
Underlying diluted earnings per share pre-amortisation (cents per share)	5.2c	5.3c

The table above has been extracted from note 2 of the financial statements but is un-audited.

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Underlying Information (continued)*

Underlying information is determined as follows:

Underlying revenues and expenses are statutory revenues and expenses adjusted to exclude certain non-cash and non-recurring items such as fair value adjustments on investment properties, legacy incentive schemes and impairments to reflect core earnings. Income tax expense is based on a prima-facie 30% tax charge on profit before tax and associates.

Dividend Information

	Amount (cents per share)	Record Date
Interim dividend - fully franked	2.7	9 March 2016
Payment date	6 April 2016	

Qube paid a fully franked interim dividend of 2.7 cents per share for the six months ended 31 December 2014 on 7 April 2015. A fully franked final dividend of 2.8 cents per share for the year ended 30 June 2015 was paid on 7 October 2015.

Dividend Reinvestment Plan

Qube operates a dividend reinvestment plan (DRP) that enables shareholders to elect to reinvest all, or a portion of, their dividends into additional shares in Qube. The DRP is available for the interim dividend payable on 6 April 2016. Shares will be issued at a discount of 2.5% to the volume weighted average market price of shares sold on the ASX over the 10 trading days immediately following the record date for payment of the dividend and will rank equally with existing ordinary shares on issue. Lodgement of the election notice for participation in the DRP is due by 5:00pm on 3 March 2016.

Net Tangible Assets per Share

The net tangible assets per share are \$0.76 per share (Dec 2014:\$0.73 per share).

Additional Information

Additional Appendix 4D disclosures can be found in the notes to the Interim Financial Report.

This Appendix 4D report is based on the 31 December 2015 Interim Financial Report which has been subject to a review by PricewaterhouseCoopers.

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