



building the world's leading recycling company . . .

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Sims Group Limited will be held in the James Cook Ballroom, Hotel Inter-Continental, 117 Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW on Friday 17 November 2006 at 11:00am. A Notice of Meeting and Proxy Form are enclosed with this report.

Sims Group Limited ABN 69 114 838 630



For the year ended 30th June	2006	2005	%
	(A\$'000s)	(A\$'000s)	change
Total Operating Revenue	3,754,509	2,565,603	+46
Profit Before Interest and Tax	301,912	289,613	+4
Net Interest Expense	(16,313)	(5,366)	+204
Tax Expense	(88,953)	(87,216)	+2
Operating Profit after Tax	196,646	197,031	_
Net Cash Flows from Operations	208,571	192,807	+8
Earnings per Share - basic	174.2c	216.3c	-19
Dividends per Share	105.0c	160.0c	-34
Return on Shareholders' Equity	16.4%	38.1%	-57
Current Ratio	1.8:1	1.8:1	-
Net Debt	(285,659)	(52,938)	+440
Net Tangible Asset Backing per Share	\$4.68	\$4.22	+11





CORPORATE GOAL

Sims Group's corporate goal is to grow its core metal recycling business internationally while also developing an innovative recycling solutions business.

CHAIRMAN'S & CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REVIEW





2006 was another very exciting year in the building of Sims Group as the world's leading recycling company.

Firstly, the Company recorded another strong financial result with profit after tax of \$197 million, in line with last year's then record profit. Sales revenue increased 46% to \$3.8 billion, EBITDA was up 7% to \$343 million and EBIT was \$302 million, up 4%. The result was achieved through handling 7.6 million tonnes of material, up 52% on the previous year.



Secondly, on 31 October 2005, following the favourable vote by shareholders at the meetings held on 7 September, we successfully completed the merger of the former Sims Group with the recycling operations of Hugo Neu Corporation. Consequently, the results for the 2006 financial year include an eight month contribution from the Hugo Neu businesses. We will talk more about the merger later in this Review.

RESULTS OVERVIEW

The increase in sales revenue during the year was principally as a result of the contribution from Sims Hugo Neu, strong sales volumes and high metal prices, particularly non ferrous metal prices. We congratulate all of our people on their efforts. The trading excellence and operational discipline displayed by all of them had a marked impact on the result. The second half, which saw earnings exceed the first half by over \$60 million, or 89%, was particularly strong, aided by a full six month contribution from Sims Hugo Neu and very strong non ferrous base metal prices. Finished steel prices also strengthened globally in the second half which bolstered ferrous scrap prices throughout the period. The fourth quarter result was a record for the Company, with earnings of \$79 million.

Once again all our global businesses delivered solid results, with our Australian operations being the stand out performer, delivering an EBIT result of \$113 million, in line with that of the previous year. On the back of the Hugo Neu contribution, our North American operation's EBIT improved 31% to \$124 million, while our European operation's full year EBIT decreased by 10% to \$54 million, still an admirable result considering the competitive pressures faced by our UK metal recycling division. EBIT was again well balanced throughout the Group's global operations with 41% attributable to the Australasian operations, 41% to the North American operations and 18% to the European operations.

Sims Group increased net operating and investment cash flows by \$28 million to \$106 million resulting in a modest Net Debt/(Net Debt + Equity) position at year end of 19%. This was despite net capital expenditure of \$74 million.

Earnings per share at 174.2 cents were down 19% and the directors determined that a final dividend of 60 cents per share (51% franked) be paid, providing shareholders with a fiscal 2006 total dividend of 105 cents per share (49% franked), the second highest in the Company's history. As a consequence of the application by the Company of Foreign Conduit Income Credits, foreign shareholders will be relieved of any withholding tax on the unfranked portion of the final dividend paid.





OPERATIONAL RESULTS

Metal recycling

Total intake volumes were positively impacted by the eight month contribution from the Hugo Neu businesses, but otherwise were down 6% year-on-year. This was largely as a result of a reduction in international pig iron trading, with ferrous yard tonnage falling by only 2%. Volumes of non ferrous brokerage tonnes increased by 33%, and the intake of processed non ferrous tonnes increased by 7%.

The Group recorded a 163% year-on-year increase in EBIT from the trading of non ferrous metals including brokerage (excluding metal recovered from shredding operations, known as non ferrous shredder residue or 'NFSR') to \$79 million, on sales tonnes up 19%. EBIT from our ferrous operations, including NFSR and brokerage, was down 16% to \$214 million, although sales of NFSR were up 24% to 130,000 tonnes.

In Australia, the strategic drivers of regional collection programs and city based industrial services combined to produce yet another year of record intake volumes. In the UK we launched our own internet based end-of-life vehicle compliance scheme 'recycleyourcar.co.uk'. This has proved to be a huge success and boasts more members than any of the competing compliance schemes. Not only does it provide access to source material for our shredders, it offers members of the scheme the opportunity to work with Sims Group in achieving the recycling targets set out in the ELV Directive. In the US, special mention should be made of our operations in the South East. The purchase of the Bay Bridge business in May 2004 along with the Chaparral Steel agreement reached a month later to lease its shredder and supply it with low cost high quality shredded material, has allowed us to profitably grow our volumes in this region beyond our expectations.



Preparing precious metal containing samples for analysis, Eindhoven Holland.

CHAIRMAN'S & CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REVIEW



Recycling solutions

The Recycling Solutions Division continued to make sound progress, recording an 89% increase in EBIT year-on-year. This reflected a full year's contribution from Sims Mirec, the Division's European E-Recycling business acquired in October 2004, and an eight month contribution from the New York City kerbside recycling contract, one of the businesses acquired through the Hugo Neu merger. Under this contract, currently an interim arrangement, the Company handles all the City of New York's kerbside post consumer recyclables. Significant progress was made towards concluding the 20 year contract, already agreed in principle. During this period of negotiations, the Company continued to upgrade its technical capability to better segregate, and prepare for shipment, the kerbside recyclables received.

In the UK, our e-recycling business continued to position itself favourably for the introduction of the WEEE Directive, now destined for entry into UK law in July 2007. The labelling of discarded cathode ray tube (CRT) containing equipment as hazardous provided us with a new opportunity and we commissioned new de-manufacturing cells in Dumfries in Scotland, Manchester in England and Newport in Wales to treat TV's and monitors, before shipping the glass tubes to our Dutch glass processing facility in Echt. Our Echt operation has itself commissioned an in-house designed automatic glass separation unit and is now marketing separated panel and funnel raw materials to the CRT manufacturing sector.

Sims TyreCycle, Australia's largest collector and processor of used vehicle tyres, increased revenue by 19%, on the back of 18% growth the previous year. Also in Australia, Sims Group's comprehensive IT and electronics recycling business Sims E-Recycling, in association with Collex, completed its first full year of operation, exceeding expectations in terms of volumes and profitability, and expanding its network to become the only e-waste recycler with a true national coverage.

The Group's US e-recycling business also continued to grow, with our Hayward, California operation moving to larger premises during the year. The Virginia de-manufacturing facility continues to procure flows, and has now quadrupled volumes since implementing its e-recycling strategy in August 2003.

SAFETY, HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY

The Group's safety performance saw a slight increase in its lost time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) as a result of the safety performance at the acquired Hugo Neu operations. Our overall global LTIFR of 5 for our pre Hugo Neu operations was the same as the previous year. During fiscal 2007, the Company will focus on improvements within the Hugo Neu operations and also on improving the Group's safety performance as a whole.



New mega shredder, Claremont New Jersey USA.



In April this year, the Company launched its corporate sustainability reporting program. The issue of how a company conducts its business, not just from a financial point of view, but also with regard to its moral and ethical commitment to the community at large, has become increasingly important to shareholders, investors, governments and society in general. Our commitment to health and safety, environment and community performance in conducting our business has always been paramount, and it is with great pleasure that we introduce our first sustainability report which can be found later in this report. We will continue to explore new ways in which we can improve our performance in these important areas.

The Board also remains committed to ensuring Sims Group maintains the highest level of corporate governance and compliance. A summary of the Company's corporate governance practices can also be found later in this report.

The Board continued to support the enhancement of the Group's human resources development through a series of targeted programmes and other initiatives. The importance of our employees and the contribution they made to the Group's success cannot be understated and the Board would like to extend its congratulations to all personnel worldwide for their efforts in assisting in the integration of the Hugo Neu operations and helping to achieve this year's result. Of special mention was the Company being nominated as a finalist in the 'Best Graduate Intake Program' category of the prestigious 2006 Australian HR Awards.

HUGO NEU MERGER

As mentioned earlier in this Review, the merger with the operating entities of Hugo Neu was consummated on 31 October 2005. This created a newly listed Sims Group Limited on the Australian Stock Exchange in which the then existing Sims Group shareholders acquired 74% of the new shares and Hugo Neu acquired the remaining. The Chairman of Hugo Neu, Mr John Neu, and Mr Paul Varello (a US resident nominated by Hugo Neu) joined the new Board.

The performance of the businesses acquired from Hugo Neu was satisfactory and ahead of forecast for the second half. The ferrous businesses on both the West and East Coasts experienced trading and commercial environments similar to those experienced by Sims Group's existing US operations. Ferrous markets were highly competitive and on the East Coast, in particular, margin was influenced by the relative strength of the domestic market compared to international markets. We have already spoken of the New York City Recycling Contract, which performed strongly during the period. In May, the new mega shredder at Claremont New Jersey was commissioned and is performing well. This enabled the Company to decommission its Queens' shredder and process arisings from both operations through a single shredder, delivering further operational benefits. A further new mega shredder, currently under construction in Los Angeles, is due to be commissioned in October 2006.

OUTLOOK

Towards the end of the 2006 fiscal year, ferrous prices softened and fell as low as US\$265 C&F Korea. Buying activity in most markets slowed in tandem with uncertainty over future finished steel prices. More recently, the ferrous market has once again begun to turn upwards and there are positive signs of a resurgence in demand in most international markets. Ocean freight rates have, however, escalated.

Assisted by continuing high non ferrous prices and prudent forward ferrous sales, the Company is expecting to deliver another very strong quarter in Q1 fiscal 2007 which, although not as strong as the last quarter of fiscal 2006, is expected to exceed the Company's budget for the period.

The Company continues to evaluate possible acquisitions in both the metal recycling and Recycling Solutions divisions and remains confident of closing a number of acquisitions of varying size before the end of the calendar year.

Paul Mazoudier

Chairman

Jeremy Sutcliffe
Group Chief Executive





Q. While not a record year, a fairly pleasing performance in fiscal 2006?

A. Yes it was. A second half rebound in metal prices allowed us to match last year's stand-out record result in earnings, if not earnings per share, terms. The Group recorded its best ever quarterly result of \$79 million in the three months to June. The second half, assisted by the contribution from the Hugo Neu operations, also beat the first half by over \$60 million. While pressure on ferrous margins was a negative for us, non ferrous prices soared in the second half.

Q. The major event this year was completion of the Hugo Neu merger, wasn't it?

A. Yes, without doubt. We consummated the merger on 31 October 2005. I would like to thank my fellow Board members and those executives on both sides of the merger, plus all our advisors, who worked really hard to get the deal over the line.

A large acquisition such as this does take some bedding down, and we are continuing to work hard on the integration. At an operational level, two new mega shredders, one in New Jersey which is now running, and one in Los Angeles which is nearing completion, will offer significant operating efficiencies. I am also very encouraged by the outlook for the New York City recycling contract.



Q. Markets appeared to be very volatile last year?

A. Well non ferrous markets particularly were. For example, the aluminium price on the LME traded between around US\$1,700 and \$3,250 per tonne, and the copper price between around US\$3,600 and \$8,800 per tonne. In fiscal 2005, aluminium only traded between around US\$1,650 and \$2,000 per tonne, and copper between around US\$2,700 and \$3,700 per tonne. So you can see that commodity markets were far more volatile last year than the previous year! Ferrous scrap markets were not as volatile but still presented our traders with many challenges, all of which they met admirably.



Q. The Recycling Solutions Division continued to impress?

A. Yes it did. The Division recorded an 89% increase in EBIT last year. This reflected a full year's contribution from Sims Mirec, the Division's European E-Recycling business headquartered in Eindhoven, Holland, and which operates throughout the Benelux countries, Sweden and the United Kingdom; and an eight month contribution from the New York City kerbside recycling contract. At 11% of Group EBIT, the Division is still relatively small but growing fast. This leaves us feeling confident that the Division will develop into a material profit contributor for Sims Group.



Q. Any comments on the Company's safety performance?

A. Our overall global lost time injury frequency rate rose slightly last year. Our focus next year will be to transfer our best practices right across the business, including our newly acquired Hugo Neu operations. Of course, we will also be addressing ways of further improving our underlying performance as a whole.

Q. There has been a lot said in the media about corporate social responsibility. How is Sims Group responding?

A. CSR is certainly one of the challenges faced by most organisations today and has no ready-made, one-size-fits-all solution. While we consider Sims Group to be very much a 'green' company already, perhaps we have not reported in the past as well as we could have. The segment following in this annual report titled 'Managing Sustainability' is an attempt to highlight some of our existing achievements. Rest assured that we will continue to work hard in this area.



Q. What would you like to say to all your employees?

A. Yet again, I would like to congratulate our employees around the world for another terrific effort in achieving the result we did. They should be justifiably proud of their achievements. Our trading personnel did a great job, and operationally we achieved record shredder production. Ongoing training in key areas such as health and safety, as well as management development programs, has become a feature of our human resources program. A high priority continues to be the nurturing of trainees and new graduates currently in the Company's trainee program.

Q. What are your priorities in the year ahead?

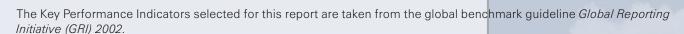
A. Obviously, our first priority is to complete the bedding down of the Hugo Neu merger. Having said that, with our gearing ratio still very much under control at 19%, we do have considerable head-room to pursue acquisitions and we have a number of targets on the radar screen, both in metals recycling and in our Recycling Solutions Division. We look at underlying value, and assess how an acquisition might fit in with our long-term goals. Watch this space!





MANAGING SUSTAINABILITY





OVERVIEW

Safety, Health, Environment and Community (SHEC)

The Hugo Neu merger doubled the size of the Company's operations in the US and presented an ideal opportunity to review the management framework for the governance of SHEC issues throughout Sims Group. Consequently, the Company implemented a new structure which gives greater regional focus to SHEC issues and provides for dynamic cause-and-effect management directly linked to the operational context in which those issues arise. Regional committees consist of relevant SHEC professionals and managers with many years operational experience in SHEC matters. This direct link to line management accountability is an important factor in embedding SHEC principles in the organisation as a way of doing business every day.

Regional committees and boards meet quarterly to report, discuss and give direction on SHEC issues. An executive committee consisting of regional heads reports to the Board SHEC Committee. Monthly SHEC updates are also a standard part of regional and Company Board papers.

The Sims Group Board is firmly committed to, and supports, SHEC as an integral part of the way the Company carries on business. This commitment is formally expressed in a global SHEC Policy and articulated in the formal charters under which each committee operates, as well as the SHEC standards set for each regional operation.

Our Commitment

We are committed to integrating safety, health, environment and community considerations into the way we conduct our business.

We recognise that our continued growth and success will only be achieved through continual improvement of our SHEC program.

Our Support

To achieve our commitment, we will support and implement SHEC policy, Standards and management systems.

Our commitment to the continual improvement of SHEC in our business is supported by leadership, policy, planning, implementation, measurement, evaluation and management review.

Every individual is expected to promote and provide leadership on SHEC issues.

- Extract from the Sims Group Global SHEC Policy

Managing and measuring performance

As part of Sims Group's commitment to corporate sustainability reporting, new systems to collect important information in key areas commenced in July 2007. This will allow the Company to monitor its performance and form the baseline from which it will measure improvements and benchmark itself against its competitors globally.

Key areas targeted for reporting in fiscal 2007

- › Energy Use
- Water Use
- Waste Generation
- › Employee Retention
- Employee Diversity
- Key OH&S indicators
- › Industrial Relations
- > Training and Development



Monitor testing prior to disassembly, Hayward California USA.



SAFETY AND HEALTH

We are committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment. We believe that the safety of an individual comes before all other considerations.

- Extract from the Sims Group Global SHEC Policy

Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) is of primary importance in everything Sims Group does, and the safety and welfare of its employees is paramount. Internally, the visibility of this commitment was reinforced last year with the catch cry "Safety is Everybody's Business".

Safety and health initiatives

Over the years, several initiatives have been introduced to reduce the number of incidents at Sims Group's facilities, resulting in a steady reduction in the Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) (calculated as per 1 million man-hours worked) from 21 in fiscal 2001 to 6 in fiscal 2006. There were no prosecutions during the year arising from any lost time injuries. From every incident there is an opportunity to learn how to improve management processes. Consequently, the Company also tracks minor incidents and near misses, which forms an important addition to its risk assessment and mitigation strategies.

From their initial introduction in Australia, Observational Behaviour Audits (OBAs) are now fully integrated throughout the Company's global operations. In an OBA environment, supervisors observe employees during operations, complimenting good safety behaviour plus addressing at risk behaviour, with the aim of changing attitudes to methods of working. More than 6,000 OBAs were conducted throughout Sims Group during fiscal 2006.

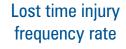
Safety audits are also conducted on a regular basis to monitor and report on issues that require addressing and/or may have impact on matters such as insurance. These audits are a mixture of external (including insurance company audits) and internal audits. During the year, the USA conducted 105 national OH&S audits, Australia 76 and Europe 55, in addition to local hazards and checklist audits completed at all sites on a regular basis.

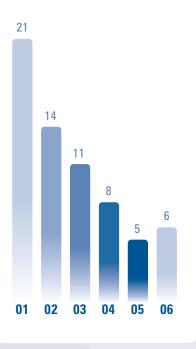
Other initiatives include safety training, induction processes, job safety analyses, toolbox talks and award schemes. Health and safety is also widely accepted and integrated into the work environment via the job specifications of all senior management, operational employees and contractors. Since the merger with

Hugo Neu, a committee of the 4 regional OH&S managers in the US has been established to co-ordinate efforts, share information, and develop common best practices and programs.



The above initiatives have all contributed to the continual improvement in OH&S within Sims Group. For example, in the Australian manufacturing division, the two Sims Aluminium facilities in Victoria achieved three and two years LTI free respectively with one also recording two years without a medically treated injury. The two Sims Plastics facilities in Victoria and NSW achieved two years and one year LTI free respectively. In the Australian metal recycling division, targeted reductions of combined LTI and medically treated injuries rates were exceeded by a pleasing 25%. In the US, the Sims Hugo Neu North West and South East divisions both recorded an excellent LTI free year, as did the Company's joint venture Canadian operations. In May 2006, Sims Hugo Neu was praised for five years without an LTI in its operations at New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. The UK operations were awarded "Overall Winners Sims Group Best Practice Projects" and 36 employees received awards for their commitment to, and advancement of, health and safety over the year.





MANAGING SUSTAINABILITY



ENVIRONMENT

We are committed to the ecologically sound and sustainable use of resources and strive to operate in a manner which minimises waste, protects the environment and provides industry leadership.

- Extract from the Sims Group Global SHEC Policy

Resource recovery

Sims Group is a global leader in the recycling of ferrous and non ferrous metals, plastics, paper, tyres and electronic waste. Last year, the Company's core metal recycling operations processed over 5.5 million tonnes of ferrous metals and over 280,000 tonnes of non ferrous metals. Just over 130,000 tonnes of mixed non ferrous shredder residue were also recovered from the Company's shredding plants. As metals can be recycled indefinitely, these activities deliver social, environmental and economic benefits.

Sims Group's Recycling Solution Division is also addressing the growing social and environmental concern over the rising volume of waste being disposed of in landfills. In Australia, for example, Sims TyreCycle placed 13,000 tonnes of recovered product (rubber and steel) in the Australian market place during the year. Key applications for products included building construction, road surfacing, soft fall surfacing, and new rubber and steel products. In addition to recovered products, significant volumes of used tyres were diverted from landfill to civil engineering and alternative fuel applications. Sims E-Recycling, another Australian division, in conjunction with Collex, worked with major electronics manufacturers, councils and individual businesses to recycle more than 250,000 electronic items, from computers and TV's to mobile phones and DVD players, which otherwise would have ended up in landfill.

In the UK, several new de-manufacturing cells have been commissioned to treat TV's and monitors, before shipping the glass tubes to the Company's Dutch glass processing facility in Echt which separates and markets separated panel and funnel raw materials to the cathode ray tube manufacturing sector. The Company's UK based technical excellence team has also introduced new separation equipment in Eindhoven, Holland to separate metals and plastics more efficiently and is now researching separation equipment for removal of valuable plastics from shredder waste streams.

Energy and greenhouse gas

As a major recycler, Sims Group provides large amounts of reusable materials to industrial consumers. When used instead of raw materials, this creates significant energy savings resulting in lower emissions and pollution of the atmosphere. The energy savings per tonne of recycled and reconstituted materials as calculated and published by the USA EPA is depicted in the following table:

Examples of energy savings per tonne:

- Aluminium 95%
- Copper 85%
- > Iron and Steel 74%
- › Lead 65%
- > Zinc 64%
- Paper 64%
- > Plastics 80% +



LMS Rochedale, Old power generation facility.

In other words, the processing of scrap iron and steel from such items as abandoned motor vehicles, industrial off cuts and obsolete household goods to make new steel results in a 74% savings in energy. Producing a tonne of aluminium from virgin bauxite ore takes the energy equivalent of 8.1 metric tonnes of coal, but from recycled scrap takes only 0.4 metric tones, a reduction of 95 per cent.

Using the table above, the total energy indirectly saved from the scrap steel handled by Sims Group in fiscal 2006 being converted to steel was approximately 85.3 Peta Joules, or enough to power approximately 2.7 million homes (over one third the number in Australia) per year.



Carbon Disclosure Project

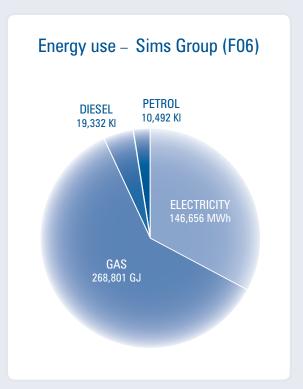
In 2006, Sims Group participated for the first time in the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP4). This Project provides a secretariat for the world's largest institutional investors to collaborate on the business implications of climate change through the monitoring of the performance of companies in this area.

While the use of secondary raw materials does save significant amounts of energy, the Company's impact is through its consumption of electricity and fuel to produce and transport those materials.

For fiscal 2006, the global greenhouse footprint for Sims Group in respect of energy use was 224,242 tonnes of CO² equivalent, the vast majority being as a result of electricity use from external sources. Full details of the Company's submission to the CDP is available on the CDP4 website at www.cdproject.net.

Green energy

In Australia, Sims Group holds a 50% interest in Landfill Management Services (LMS), a producer of 'green energy' via the channelling of methane from landfills into power generators. LMS generates significant tradeable Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) and Greenhouse Abatement Certificates (NGACs).



During fiscal 2006, the generation projects owned by LMS had a combined generating total of approximately 70,000 RECs and 170,000 NGACs, and generated enough power for over 10,000 homes twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, for twenty years. Additionally, the greenhouse gas abatement from LMS projects last year has resulted in a reduction of over one million tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions to the atmosphere, providing a significant contribution to Australia's efforts in reducing global warming.

Also during the year, LMS produced 372,230 tonnes of carbon credit offsets, more than 1.6 times the global emissions of Sims Group, and traded approximately 200,000 tonnes of them. While these credits are accumulated by LMS or sold to external parties, it may be possible in the future for the Company to utilise them to offset its own global emissions.

Sims Group is committed to the efficient use of energy in its manufacturing processes. As part of this commitment, an innovative energy audit process system will be trialled in fiscal 2007.

External management standards

Sims Group has had in place an environmental management system since listing on the ASX in 1991. Fourteen of the Company's global operational sites have since gone one-step further and attained ISO 14001 accreditation. Further, all Australian operations and seven of the Company's 36 European operations have attained ISO 9000 accreditation.

In the USA, a number of operations are examining participation in the ISO program as well as a similar environmental accreditation scheme known as the Recycling Industry Operating Standard (RIOS), specifically designed by the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries for scrap operations. Several other operations also hold a number of other environmental quality assurance programs such as Ford Q1.

In the UK, Manchester and Dumfries joined the Newport fridge plant in gaining the coveted ISO 14001 Environmental Management System for e-recycling, a certification already enjoyed by the Company's mainland European Mirec operations. The fridge recycling centre is the world's leading single site refrigerator destruction facility and is uniquely capable of safely treating the very largest of commercial refrigeration units in addition to 1,000,000 household fridges annually.





Refined over more than a decade, Sims Group has a rigid program of environmental audits. All yards are audited at least once a year or more frequently if any trend of deterioration is evidenced. The environmental audit program is a two-phase approach. Local management first conducts a self-assessment, which is then compared to an independent external audit. This allows for high level assessment, not just of any physical problems but also of management's capability in addressing such issues. Fiscal 2007 will see further development of this tool allowing ongoing assessment linked to continual improvement.

However, Sims Group is not yet error free. In Australia, Sims Plastics was fined \$3,000 for water pollution. The European operations received three improvement notices, each of a minor nature, and three warning letters, two relating to concern over the potential for pollution and one for exceeding waste storage approval. In the USA, two lawsuits were filed against Sims Hugo Neu, both in respect of alleged violation of stormwater permits. One was settled by consent agreement between the parties. An oil spill occurred in Virginia, but was contained and cleaned-up without any impact on the environment.

Environmental awards and initiatives

In the UK, Sims Recycling Solutions won a commendation in the prestigious Business Commitment to the Environment Awards for continuous improvement in operational efficiency, including a 300MWh reduction in energy usage at the Newport fridge plant, equivalent to the saving of 148 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions. In Australia, the metal recycling operation at St Marys, NSW was a finalist in the Western Sydney Industry awards for outstanding service.

COMMUNITY

We aim to be respected corporate citizens by working constructively with our communities and other stakeholders.

- Extract from the Sims Group Global SHEC Policy

Sims Group works constructively with the communities in which it operates, as well as local, State and federal government bodies and authorities. It believes it has a responsibility to assist in the education of companies, communities and individuals in the benefits of recycling. The holding of open days at several of its sites during the year presented an ideal opportunity for people to speak to the Company's experts about recycling. The Company's website is another source of information, with more than 360,000 visits last year.

The Company's expertise on how to reduce waste and increase recycling is also keenly sought by government and non-government organisations. Several of Sims Group's senior executives are active members of many task forces and panels around the world, including the core recycling organisations of Bureau International de la Recuperation (BIR), Australian Council of Recyclers (ACOR) and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries (ISRI).

Because of the diversity and extent of its operations, Sims Group's preference is to support local initiatives directly linked

to the communities in which it operates. As such, a number of public school and youth programs, as well as various charitable events, are supported, both in financial terms and through support in learning and educational initiatives.

During the year, the Company became a member of the Asia -Pacific Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS.

Sims Group actively supports community recycling events all around the world. For example, Sims E-Recycling in Australia collected free more than 50 tonnes of TV's, computers and other redundant electronic gear at a community event held during the year in Brisbane. In Sydney, the metal recycling division supplied approximately 850,000 baled aluminium cans to invited American artist Tommy Pershall for his exhibit 'Urban American in Australia' in one of the largest free outdoor sculpture exhibitions in the world 'Sculpture by the Sea, Bondi 2005', viewed by more than 400,000 visitors.



Sculpture by the sea, Bondi 2005



The Company has always been a strong proponent of moving capable people around the organisation both domestically and internationally and this has been demonstrated with a number of employees relocating during the past 12 months. The merger with the recycling operations of Hugo Neu has increased the number of opportunities to employees in respect of internal movement, career progression and succession planning.



Paul Wake (right) receiving major commendation award on behalf of Sims UK for its fridge recycling plant.

The European divisions completed an executive development program over the previous 18 months. More than 30 senior managers participated in the program which was run in conjunction with Aston Business School in Birmingham.

A capable and experienced workforce is one of the strengths of the Company and a number of service awards involving long serving employees around the Group were held during the year. Service of over 20 years is not unusual and underpins the passion employees have in the business. The Company also recognises that it needs to continually broaden and develop its workforce and hone its succession plans. In order to provide balance and a range of skills, the Company has increased its recruitment of graduate trainees and new managers with experience outside the industry. Structured graduate trainee programs have been implemented in Australia and the UK and will be introduced into the US during fiscal 2007. Australia has produced a number of outstanding trainees who have completed rotational development and are now

performing in responsible positions. The Company was pleased with the recognition it received recently, when it was selected as a finalist in the 2006 Australian HR Awards – Best Graduate Intake Program category.



St Peters, Sydney team receiving award for over 5 years without a lost time injury.





BA, LLB (Hons) (age 64) – Chairman 14,082 shares

Chairman of the Company since 1999 and independent non-executive director since 1991. Chairman Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee. Member Safety, Health, Environment & Community Committee and Risk & Audit Committee. Formerly an executive director of Sims Consolidated (1974-79) and former partner and NSW Chairman of Minter Ellison, lawyers. Director of HPAL Limited (since 2000).



Jeremy Sutcliffe

LLB (Hons) (age 49) – Group Chief Executive 10,000 shares, 127,255 shares (held pursuant to Company's Executive Long Term Incentive Plan), 119,913 performance rights

Director since 1 March 2002. Member Safety, Health, Environment & Community Committee, Finance & Investment Committee and Nomination Committee. Vice President and Board member of the Ferrous Division of the Bureau of International Recycling, member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Joined the Company in 1990 and has held various senior executive positions in the Company including Chief Executive UK before assuming the position of Group Chief Executive on 1 March 2002. Chairman of Sims Hugo Neu Corporation and Sims Pacific Metals Limited.



Ross Cunningham

B.Sc. (Metallurgy), MBA (age 61) 22,296 shares (held pursuant to Company's Executive Long Term Incentive Plan), 29,978 performance rights

Director since 1984. Member Finance & Investment Committee. Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and Member of the Financial Executives Institute of Australia. Joined the Company in 1967 and has held various senior positions in Australia and South East Asia including General Manager NSW and General Manager Finance & Administration. Is currently Executive Director Group Finance and Strategy. Director of other Sims Group Limited subsidiaries and associated companies.



Michael Feeney

B. Com (Marketing) (age 60) 25.504 shares

Independent non-executive director since 1991. Chairman Risk & Audit Committee. Member Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee. Formerly Finance and Strategy Director for Philip Morris, Executive Director Strategy and Corporate Affairs for Elders IXL and Executive Director Corporate Strategy of Elders Resources NZFP. Board member Collins Partners Corporate Advisory.







Geoffrey Brunsdon

B.Com (age 48) 3,312 shares

Independent non-executive director since 1999. Chairman Finance & Investment Committee and member Nomination Committee. Head of Investment Banking, Merrill Lynch Australia. He is a Chartered Accountant, a Fellow of the Financial Services Institute of Australia and a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Chairman of ING Private Equity Access Limited (since 2004). In the last 3 years was a director of ING Management Limited (from 2000 to 2005).



John Neu

BA, LLB (age 68) – Vice Chairman 32,263,924 shares

Executive director since 31 October 2005. Member Safety, Health, Environment & Community Committee, Finance & Investment Committee and Nomination Committee. Graduate of Cornell University, Harvard Law School, and Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program. In 1964, joined Hugo Neu Corporation and held various management and officer positions before being appointed CEO in 1985. On the board of the Liberty Humane Society and is actively involved in a number of community and environmental organisations, including the New York/New Jersey Baykeeper and Edison Wetlands Association.



Paul Varello

BCE (Civil Engineering) (age 62) Nil shares

Independent non-executive director since 31 October 2005. Member Risk & Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee. President and CEO of Commonwealth Engineering and Construction of Houston, Texas. Prior to founding Commonwealth in 2003, was Chairman and CEO of American Ref-Fuel Company. In addition, spent 25 years in the engineering and construction industry. Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Villanova University and a graduate of Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program. A registered professional engineer and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Director of the publicly held Ryland Group, one of the largest homebuilders in the US.



Robert Every

B.Sc., PhD (Metallurgy) (age 61) 4,000 shares

Independent non-executive director since 24 October 2005. Chairman Safety, Health, Environment & Community Committee and member Finance & Investment Committee. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree and a PhD in Metallurgy. He was most recently Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of OneSteel Limited and Chairman of Steel and Tube Holdings Limited in NZ and, before that, was President of BHP Steel. Director of Iluka Resources Limited (since 2004) and Wesfarmers Limited (since 2006).



Charles Copeman was a director from the beginning of the financial year until his retirement (and subsequent resignation) on 18 November 2005.



The board of the Company considers that, as at 30 June 2006, the Company was in compliance in all material respects with the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Principles of Good Corporate Governance and Best Practice Recommendations (March 2003) (the "ASX Recommendations").

There are 10 key principles of corporate governance set out in the ASX Recommendations. Those principles, and the Company's response to them, are as follows:

PRINCIPLE 1. Lay solid foundations for management and oversight

The Company has adopted a Board Charter which formalises the functions reserved to the board and those delegated to management. A copy of this document is available for viewing by visiting the home page of the Company's website at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Board Charter'.

PRINCIPLE 2. Structure the board to add value

The board has adopted specific principles in relation to directors' independence. These state that to be deemed independent, a director must be a non-executive director (i.e. not be a member of management) and:

- not be a substantial shareholder of the Company or an officer of, or otherwise associated directly with, a substantial shareholder of the Company;
- within the last three years not been employed in an executive capacity by the Company or a controlled entity, or been a director after ceasing to hold any such employment;
- within the last three years not been a principal of a material professional adviser or a material consultant to the Company or a controlled entity, or an employee materially associated with the service provided;
- not been a material supplier or customer of the Company or a controlled entity, or an officer of or otherwise associated directly or indirectly with a material supplier or customer;
- must have no material contractual relationship with the Company or a controlled entity other than as a director of the Company;
- not served on the board for a period which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with the director's ability to act in the best interests of the Company;
- be free from any interest and any business or other relationship which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with the director's ability to act in the best interests of the Company.

Materiality for the purposes of these principles is determined on both quantitative and qualitative bases. An amount of over 5% of annual turnover of Sims Group or 5% of the individual director's net worth is considered material. In addition, a transaction of any amount, or a relationship, is deemed material if knowledge of it affects the shareholders' understanding of the director's performance.

Independent directors comprise a majority of the board. The Chairperson, Mr Paul Mazoudier, is an independent director. The roles of Chairperson and Group Chief Executive are not exercised by the same individual. Details of the members of the board, their experience, expertise, qualifications, term of office and independent status are set out on pages 14 and 15 of this annual report.

Directors have the right, in connection with their duties and responsibilities, to seek independent advice at the Company's expense. Prior written approval of the Chairperson is required, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

The board has established a Nomination Committee. The names of Nomination Committee members and their attendance at Nomination Committee meetings are set out on page 21 of this annual report. The Nomination Committee has adopted a charter. A copy of this document is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Nomination Committee Charter'. A description of the board's procedures for the selection and appointment of new directors to the board and the Nomination Committee's policy on the appointment of directors is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'New Directors'.



PRINCIPLE 3. Promote ethical and responsible decision-making and PRINCIPLE 10. Recognise the legitimate interests of stakeholders

The Company has adopted a Code of Conduct and a policy on dealing in Sims Group securities. A copy of these documents is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Code of Conduct' and 'Securities Trading Policy' respectively.

The board has established a Finance & Investment ("F & I") Committee, which operates in accordance with its charter. The names of F & I Committee members and their attendance at F & I Committee meetings are set out on page 21 of this annual report.

PRINCIPLE 4. Safeguard integrity in financial reporting

The Group Chief Executive and the Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy have stated in writing to the board in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2006:

- that the Company's financial reports present a true and fair view, in all material respects, of the Company's financial condition and operational results and are in accordance with relevant accounting standards; and
- that the above statement is founded on a sound system of risk management and internal compliance and control which implements the policies adopted by the board and that the Company's risk management and internal compliance and control system is operating efficiently and effectively in all material respects.

The board has established a Risk & Audit ("Audit") Committee. The names of Audit Committee members, their qualifications and their attendance at Audit Committee meetings are set out on page 21 of this annual report. All members of the Audit Committee are independent non-executive directors.

The Audit Committee has adopted a charter and the Company has adopted a policy and procedures for the selection and appointment of the external auditor, and for the rotation of external audit engagement partners. A copy of these documents is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Audit Committee Charter' and 'External Auditors' respectively.

PRINCIPLE 5. Make timely and balanced disclosure

The Company has adopted a Market Disclosure Policy and procedures for compliance. A copy of these documents is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Market Disclosure Policy'.

PRINCIPLE 6. Respect the rights of shareholders

The Company has adopted a statement on communications with shareholders. A copy of this document is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Shareholders Communication'.

PRINCIPLE 7. Recognise and manage risk

The Company has adopted a Risk Management Policy and a statement on internal compliance and control systems. A copy of these documents is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Risk Mgt Policy & Internal Control'.

The board has established a Safety, Health, Environment & Community ("SHEC") Committee, which operates in accordance with its charter. The names of SHEC Committee members and their attendance at SHEC Committee meetings are set out on page 21 of this annual report.

The directors have received and considered the annual control certification from the Group Chief Executive and the Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy in accordance with Principle 4 relating to financial risks. Due to the geographic spread of the Group's operations and the extensive delegation of authority and responsibility granted to senior business unit management, the Group Chief Executive and the Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy, when attesting to the adequacy of the Company's risk management and internal compliance and control system, rely significantly upon internal audit and the control certification reports received from each regional chief executive regarding compliance with the various risk management, compliance and internal control policies and procedures in the region for which each is responsible.



PRINCIPLE 8. Encourage enhanced performance

The Company has adopted a statement describing the performance evaluation process of the board, its committees, individual directors and key executives. A copy of this document is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Performance Evaluation Process'.

As the board was reconstituted following the merger of the Company with the operations of Hugo Neu Corporation in October 2005, a performance evaluation of the board and its members was not undertaken during the financial year ended 30 June 2006.

PRINCIPLE 9. Remunerate fairly and responsibly

The board has established a Remuneration Committee. The names of Remuneration Committee members and their attendance at Remuneration Committee meetings are set out on page 21 of this annual report.

The Remuneration Committee has adopted a charter. A copy of this document is available at www.sims-group.com, clicking on 'Corporate Governance' and then 'Remuneration Committee Charter'.

Information on the Company's remuneration policies is set out on pages 23 to 36 of this annual report.



Downstream operations, Claremont New Jersey USA.



Recycling facilites, Newport UK.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the year ended 30 June 2006



Your directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of Sims Group Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the year ended 30 June 2006.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The names of the directors of Sims Group Limited ("Company") in office at the date of this report together with their qualifications and experience and relevant interest in the share capital of the Company or of a related body corporate, are set out on pages 14 and 15 of this annual report.

COMPANY SECRETARY

The Group company secretary is Mr F M Moratti B.Com, LLB, MBA (Executive). Mr Moratti was appointed to the position of company secretary in 1997. Before joining the Company he held positions of assistant company secretary/ legal counsel in a number of publicly listed companies over a period of some 12 years and prior to that worked as a solicitor with a major legal practice.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Details of the principal activities of the consolidated entity during the year are addressed in the Chairman's and Group Chief Executive's Report on pages 2 to 5 of this annual report and in the notes to the financial statements.

TRADING RESULTS

The consolidated net profit of the consolidated entity for the year was \$196.6 million.

DIVIDENDS

The financial 2005 year partly franked (60%) final dividend of 70 cents per share and partly franked (60%) special dividend of 20 cents per share referred to in the directors' report dated 26 August 2005 were paid on 23 September 2005. A partly franked (47%) interim dividend of 45 cents per ordinary share (other than those shares held by Hugo Neu Corporation) and 15 cents per ordinary share (held by Hugo Neu Corporation) for the financial 2006 year was paid on 13 April 2006. Since the end of the financial year the directors have recommended the payment of a partly franked (51%) final dividend of 60 cents per fully paid share to be paid on 20 October 2006 out of retained profits at 30 June 2006.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

A review of the operations of the consolidated entity during the year and the results of those operations are set out in the Chairman's and Group Chief Executive's Report on pages 2 to 5 of this annual report.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE STATE OF AFFAIRS

Other than as set out following, the directors are not aware of any significant change in the state of affairs of the Company during the financial year other than as set out in the Chairman's and Group Chief Executive's Report on pages 2 to 5 of this annual report.

Hugo Neu Merger

On 31 October 2005 the former Sims Group Limited completed the merger with substantially all of the metal recycling operations of Hugo Neu, a US recycler ("Merger"). The Merger created a new company, New Sims Group, which listed on the Australian Stock Exchange and became 'Sims Group Limited'.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial year which will significantly affect, or may significantly affect, the operations of the consolidated entity, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity in subsequent financial years.

LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

Information as to the likely developments in the operations of the consolidated entity is set out in the Chairman's and Group Chief Executive's Report on pages 2 to 5 of this annual report.



ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

The Company has licences and consents in place at each of its operating sites as prescribed by environmental laws and regulations that apply in each respective location. Further information on the consolidated entity's performance in relation to environmental regulation is set out on pages 10 to 12 of this annual report.

DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of directors' meetings and meetings of committees of directors held during the financial year and the number of meetings attended by each director were:

	Board of Directors	Risk & Audit Committee	Safety, Health, Environment & Community Committee	Remuneration Committee	Finance & Investment Committee	Nomination Committee
Meetings Held	13	7	4	8	2	3
Paul Mazoudier	13	6 ¹	4	8	-	3
Geoffrey Brunsdon	13	1 4	-	-	2	-
Jeremy Sutcliffe	13	-	4	5 ⁵	2	3
Ross Cunningham	13	-	-	-	2	-
Michael Feeney	12	7	-	7	-	3
John Neu	4 1	-	2 1	-	1 1	-
Paul Varello	4 1	5 ¹	-	2 1	-	-
Bob Every	5 ²	-	2 1	-	1	-
Charles Copeman	9 ³	2 ³	2 ³	-	-	-

¹ appointed 31 October 2005

INSURANCE OF OFFICERS

During the year, the Company paid a premium of \$252,429 in respect of a contract insuring all directors and executive officers of the Company (and/or any subsidiary companies in which it holds greater than 50% of the voting shares), including directors in office at the date of this report and those who served on the board during the year, against liabilities that may arise from their positions within the Company and its controlled entities, except where the liabilities arise out of conduct involving a lack of good faith. The directors have not included details of the nature of the liabilities covered as such disclosure is prohibited under the terms of the contract.

SHARE OPTIONS GRANTED TO DIRECTORS AND RELEVANT GROUP EXECUTIVES

90,517 and 36,738 shares respectively in the Company's Executive Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTI Plan") were issued to J L Sutcliffe on 22 July 2005 and 28 July 2006 respectively. 119,913 performance rights were issued to J L Sutcliffe on 6 October 2005. 11,879 and 10,417 shares respectively in the LTI Plan were issued to R B Cunningham on 22 July 2005 and 28 July 2006 respectively. 29,978 performance rights were issued to R B Cunningham on 18 November 2005. 9,427 and 8,185 shares respectively in the LTI Plan were issued to D R McGree on 22 July 2005 and 28 July 2006 respectively. 79,634 and 3,877 restricted stock units were issued to C R Jansen on 1 November 2005 and 28 July 2006 respectively. 3,003 and 2,788 performance rights were issued to G Davy and W T Bird respectively on 28 July 2006. Further details of those share options issued during the financial year can be found in section E of the remuneration report on page 34 of this annual report.

resigned 25 August 2005 ⁵ resigned

² appointed 24 October 2005 ³ resigned 18 November 2005

⁵ resigned 31 October 2005

DIRECTORS' REPORT for the year ended 30 June 2006



SHARES UNDER OPTION

Unissued ordinary shares of the Company under option at the date of this report are as follows:

LTI Plan shares

Date gra	nted Exp	piry date	Issue price	Number under option
22 July 2	22 .	July 2010	\$14.99	187,164
28 July 2	28 .	July 2011	\$18.73	131,545

Performance Rights

Date granted	Expiry date	Issue price	Number under option
6 October 2005	31 October 2010	Nil	119,913
18 November 2005	30 June 2008	Nil	29,978
28 July 2006	28 July 2009	Nil	16,359

Restricted Stock Units

Date granted	Expiry date	Issue price	Number under option
1 November 2005	30 June 2009	Nil	280,708
28 July 2006	30 June 2009	Nil	14,905

Holders of shares pursuant to the LTI Plan have certain rights under their terms to participate in share issues of the Company. No holder of performance rights or restricted stock units has any right under their terms to participate in any other share issue of the Company or any other entity.

SHARES ISSUED ON THE EXERCISE OF OPTIONS

193,798 ordinary shares of the former Sims Group Limited were issued during July 2005 at an issue price of \$6.75 each as a result of the exercise of 193,798 options issued to the Group Chief Executive Mr Sutcliffe on 28 February 2002 pursuant to his incentive plan with the former Sims Group Limited. 43,799 ordinary shares of the Company were issued on 30 June 2006 at nil consideration as a result of the vesting of performance rights issued to certain employees of the Company or its related bodies corporate on 1 November 2005 pursuant to their contracts with the Company or its related bodies corporate. No further shares have been issued since 30 June 2006. No amounts are unpaid on any of these shares.

NON-AUDIT SERVICES

The Company may decide to employ the auditor (PricewaterhouseCoopers) on assignments additional to their statutory audit duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the Company and/or the consolidated entity are important.

Details of the amounts paid or payable to the auditor for audit and non-audit services provided during the year are set out in note 6 to the financial statements.

The Board of directors has considered this position and, in accordance with advice received from the Board Risk & Audit Committee, is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services by the auditor, as set out in note 6 to the financial statements, did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* for the following reasons:

- all non-audit services have been reviewed by the Risk & Audit Committee to ensure they do not impact the impartiality and objectivity of the auditor
- on none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in Professional Statement F1, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or a decision-making capacity for the Company, acting as advocate for the Company or jointly sharing economic risk and rewards.

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 101 of this annual report.



ROUNDING OF AMOUNTS TO NEAREST THOUSAND DOLLARS

The amounts in the financial statements, where appropriate and unless otherwise stated, have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with ASIC Class Order 98/100.

REMUNERATION REPORT

Scope of Remuneration Report

This Remuneration Report outlines the remuneration arrangements for Sims Group's directors and senior executives in accordance with the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and its *Regulations*. It also provides the remuneration disclosures required by paragraphs Aus 25.4 to Aus 25.7.2 of Accounting Standard AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures* which have been included in the Remuneration Report as permitted by Regulation 2M.6.04. The AASB 124 disclosures in this report have been audited.

This report outlines Sims Group's directors' and senior executives' remuneration arrangements, and covers the Key Management Personnel ("KMP") including the five highest paid executives of the Company and Group. For the purposes of this report, the term "executives" encompasses the executive directors and the senior executives.

Name	Position	Employer			
Non-executive d	irectors				
P K Mazoudier	Chairman	Sims Group Limited			
J M Feeney	Non-executive director	Sims Group Limited			
G N Brunsdon	Non-executive director	Sims Group Limited			
C Copeman	Non-executive director	Sims Group Limited			
R Every	Non-executive director	Sims Group Limited			
P Varello	Non-executive director	Sims Group Limited			
Executive direct	Executive directors				
J L Sutcliffe	Group Chief Executive	Sims Group Limited			
J Neu	Executive Director & Vice Chairman	Sims Hugo Neu Corporation			
R B Cunningham	Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy	Simsmetal Services Pty Limited			
Other Key Manag	gement Personnel				
C R Jansen	Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu	Sims Hugo Neu Corporation			
D R McGree	Managing Director Australia & New Zealand	Simsmetal Services Pty Limited			
W T Bird	Managing Director – Metals Recycling – UK	Sims Group UK Holdings Limited			
G Davy	Managing Director – Sims Recycling Solutions – Europe & North America	Sims Group UK Holdings Limited			
R R Brown	General Manager – NZ	Simsmetal Industries Limited			

The remuneration report is set out under the following main headings:

- A Remuneration Committee
- B Executive remuneration
- C Service Agreements
- D Non-executive directors' remuneration
- E Details of remuneration for financial year ending 30 June 2006 (and prior year)
- F Additional information

A. Remuneration Committee (audited)

Role of the Remuneration Committee

The role of the Remuneration Committee ("Committee") is to support and advise the Board on the implementation and maintenance of remuneration policies and frameworks. These policies and frameworks are designed to meet the commercial needs of the business, whilst being transparent and aligned with shareholders' interests. The Committee's activities are governed by terms of reference, available on the Sims Group website at: www.sims-group.com/global/governance/remuneration_committee.asp

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The Committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Board focusing on:

- › executive remuneration policies
- remuneration and incentive performance packages of executives
- introduction and application of equity-based schemes
- overseeing the annual performance appraisals of the executive directors
- executive succession planning
- executive recruitment, retention and termination policies
- remuneration framework for non-executive directors

Membership and meetings

Independent non-executive directors Mr Mazoudier (Chairman), Mr Feeney and Mr Varello (who joined the Board and Committee on 31 October 2005) and executive director Jeremy Sutcliffe (who stepped down from the Committee on 31 October 2005) were members of the Committee during the year.

The Committee met eight times during the year. Attendance at those meetings is set out on page 21 of this annual report.

The Group Chief Executive, the Group General Manager Human Resources and the Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy attended Committee meetings by invitation and assisted the Committee in its deliberations during the year, except where matters associated with their own remuneration were considered.

Advisors

The Committee draws on advice and data concerning remuneration matters from selected external sources when appropriate.

B. Executive remuneration (audited)

Proposed review of remuneration

In F06 the Company was focused on integrating the acquired Hugo Neu Corporation recycling entities and Sims Group businesses from an operational and strategic perspective. In F07 the Company will review its executive remuneration approach to ensure it supports the operational, strategic and structural changes made in the organisation during F06. The revised executive remuneration approach – for implementation in F08 – will be designed to support the business direction, be cognisant of corporate governance considerations and, ultimately, be in the best interests of the Company's shareholders. Consequently, the Group will continue with the F06 remuneration approach through F07 during this review period.

Executive directors and other Key Management Personnel

The KMP (as defined in AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures*) of Sims Group Limited includes the executive directors and the other Key Management Personnel ("KMP"), each named on page 23 of this annual report, which includes the 5 highest-paid executives of the entity. These personnel had the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group, directly or indirectly, during the financial year.

All of the executive directors and Other Key Management Personnel were employed for the duration of F06 with the exception of Mr John Neu, who joined the Company on 1 November 2005 as a result of the Merger.

Current remuneration policy

The Committee recognises that Sims Group operates in a global environment and that the Company's performance depends on the quality of its people. The Committee ensures that the Company's executive reward approach satisfies the following key criteria for good reward governance practices:

- market-competitive reward opportunities are delivered commensurate with employee duties, responsibilities and accountabilities
- appropriately structured to attract, motivate and retain highly skilled people
- > reward based on demanding financial and non-financial performance criteria with a focus on delivering long-term value creation to shareholders
- simplicity and transparency
- alignment with shareholders' interests



Link between performance and reward

The main business drivers that are within executives' control and provide the inputs for managing and rewarding performance are:

- business and market development
-) financial and risk management
- operational excellence including safety
- people management



To ensure focus on shareholder value, each year the Board reviews and endorses the Sims Group strategic objectives.

The alignment of executive remuneration outcomes with the performance of Sims Group and the individual is a key part of Group business plans. Relevant performance hurdles, agreed in advance of the allocation of incentives, are a key element in an appropriately structured performance and incentive plan.

From the Company's strategic objectives, priorities are established at a regional and divisional level. Specific personal priorities are then developed for individual employees and incorporated into the annual performance appraisal process, thus ensuring alignment between goals at all Company levels and ultimately with the objective of enhancing shareholder value.

Remuneration structure

The executive reward framework has three components. These remuneration components, and the factors that determine them, are summarised in the table below:

Component	Delivery mechanism	Variables determining reward			
Fixed Remuneration	Annual salary & benefits	Set with referen	ce to market data	a for role, experience	and performance
Short-term incentives	Cash	Business and market development objectives	Financial targets	People and Safety targets	Operational targets
Long-term incentives	Equity or cash	Earnings Per Sha	are targets	·	·

The combination of these components comprises an executive's total reward.



Mix of fixed and variable reward

The framework set out above provides a mix of fixed and variable rewards and a blend of short and long-term incentives. The remuneration mix for executives during the financial year is as set out in the table below:

Executive	Fixed remuneration	Short-term incentive	Long-term incentive
J L Sutcliffe	45%	32%	23%
J Neu*	100%	-	-
R B Cunningham	48%	29%	23%
C R Jansen	49%	37%	14%
D R McGree	56%	28%	16%
W T Bird	59%	29%	12%
G Davy	59%	29%	12%
R R Brown	69%	21%	10%

^{*} The terms of Mr Neu's service agreement include a base salary and participation in the Company's employee pension plans, welfare benefit plans and tax-deferred savings plans. Mr Neu will be afforded the opportunity to earn a cash bonus in respect of each calendar year, the amount of which, if any, shall be determined by the Board in its sole discretion in the event of exceptional performance.

Total Fixed Remuneration Package

Fixed remuneration is structured as a total employment cost package, and an executive's package is reviewed annually. A salary increase budget, guided by forecasts available from public salary surveys, is approved by the Committee each year. An executive's pay is also reviewed on promotion. Each review takes into account the executive's experience and tenure and the executive's performance during the year.

There are no guaranteed package increases included in executives' service agreements (set out in Section C) with the exception of Mr Sutcliffe, who will receive, in years 2006 and 2007, the Group base percentage salary increase for Australian employees.

Benefits

Executives receive benefits consistent with market practice in their country as part of their individual fixed remuneration package. These benefits may include superannuation, car allowances, expatriate allowances or maintained motor vehicle and medical benefits.

Variable reward

The Company believes that its variable reward approach should be managed as a whole, not as discrete elements. Consequently, the Company has designed its incentive plans to focus executives on both single year and multi-year performance across performance metrics which, together, support shareholder value enhancement.

Short-term incentives

Following the Merger, no changes were made to the short-term incentive ("STI") programs already in place for both Sims Group and Hugo Neu Corporation for the duration of the financial year ended 30 June 2006.

Sims Group STI

All executives, with the exception of Mr Neu, participated in the Sims Group STI.

Under the Sims Group's STI, participating executives ("STI Participants") may receive a cash bonus payment annually ("STI Bonus"), based upon performance relative to certain performance hurdles.

A scorecard approach is utilised. STI Participants need to meet minimum performance hurdle targets which are related to business and market development, growth, financial, people and safety, and operational targets.

The main performance measure relates to financial targets based on Profit Before Income and Tax ("PBIT") return on monthly average controlled capital employed ("ROCCE"). The ROCCE targets are based on the STI Participant's business unit or in the case of a Participant with group responsibilities, targets are based on the consolidated entity. Sims Group believe that ROCCE is an appropriate metric for the STI due to the fact that the metal and recycling solutions business is a volatile and cyclical industry whose margins are significantly influenced by global and regional supply and demand balances. It is a capital-intensive industry whose asset base is constantly in a state of renewal and reinvestment. By



rewarding executives for ROCCE performance, the STI reinforces sound capital investment strategies, conservation of working capital and excellence in operational execution to maximise earnings. The Committee determines annually the minimum percentage ROCCE which the STI Participants' business unit or the consolidated entity must achieve in the following year before an STI Participant is eligible to receive an STI Bonus based on this criterion. The Company has not disclosed actual ROCCE targets given commercial sensitivities.

Other performance hurdles relate to the STI Participant achieving certain specified personal objectives which are relevant to meeting the Company's business objectives. Personal objectives may be related to metrics such as the achievement of safety targets, market growth, improved production rates, cost containment and completion of focused training and development plans. The Company believes that these performance measures, given the cascading effect of shareholder value and the corporate goals to determine individual goals illustrated in Figure 1, are consistent with achieving the Company's annual targets. An STI Participant will only be eligible to receive that portion of his or her STI Bonus linked to meeting his or her personal objectives if the consolidated entity achieves a minimum level of ROCCE in a particular financial year. An STI Participant will not be eligible to receive any form of STI Bonus if he or she does not obtain at least an "achieve" rating on his or her personal priorities for that particular financial year.

In accordance with the Committee's terms of reference, at the end of the financial year the Committee will be provided with all appropriate performance information relating to each executive, Company and business unit financial statements, and will make a determination as to the extent that the performance criteria applicable to each executive have been met.

If an STI Participant terminates employment with Sims Group prior to the end of the financial year a pro rata bonus payment may be considered, at the discretion of the Group Chief Executive. Any payment will only be made after the Committee has approved bonus payments for that financial year.

Hugo Neu Corporation STI

None of the identified KMP executives participated in the legacy Hugo Neu Corporation STI bonus program, applicable to former employees of Hugo Neu Corporation.

Long-term and retention incentive plans

In the interests of the Company, shareholders, and continuity of business, the Company operates long-term and retention incentive plans designed to encourage performance and retention of key executives. The LTI Plan, the Performance Rights and Restricted Stock Unit Plans have a continuous service criteria and the Company has selected EPS as the appropriate metric due to the importance of stable underlying earnings growth to generate value for investors. The diluted measurement of EPS was selected as the Company believes this provides the most appropriate reflection of the value of earnings to shareholders.

Long-term incentive plan

Purpose of plan

The Company operates a long-term incentive plan ("LTI Plan") for executives with more than 12 months service (including the executive directors with the exception of Mr Neu) ("LTI Participants"). The LTI Plan is intended to link the rewards of executives to the long-term performance of Sims Group and the returns generated for shareholders. Additionally, the LTI Plan is designed to encourage executive retention.

All executives other than Mr Neu currently participate in the LTI Plan.

Structure of plan

For participants who joined the LTI Plan in F03:

- The LTI Plan, introduced in F03, was the Company's first structured approach to long-term incentives. For those participants who have been in the LTI Plan since its inception in F03, the Company believed that, given the industry's cyclical nature, those individuals' efforts should be recognised over an increasing timeframe. As a result the grants to those individuals have had a 3 year (initial grant), 4 year (F06 grant) and a 5 year (most recent grant in F07) performance period.
- Awards were granted on 22 July 2005 and vested one year later. Performance was measured over the four-year period from F02 (base year) to F06. Australian participants could elect to receive awards as cash or equity. Equity was structured as a non-recourse loan provided to the participant to purchase shares in Sims Group. The loan is required to be repaid within 5 years of grant. Overseas participants received their awards as cash.
- A further annual award (structured in a similar manner to the 22 July 2005 award) was granted on 28 July 2006 and will vest one year later. Performance will be measured over the five-year period from F02 (base year) to F07.
- Future grants to these individuals will be determined as part of the Company's review of executive remuneration (discussed earlier).

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For participants who joined the LTI Plan in F06:

- Awards were granted on 22 July 2005 and vest after three years. Performance is measured over the three-year period from F05 (base year) to F08.
- Additional awards were granted on 28 July 2006 and vest after three years. Performance is measured over the three-year period from F06 (base year) to F09.
- Australian participants' awards are structured as a non-recourse loan provided to the participant to purchase shares in Sims Group.
- Overseas participants awards are structured as cash. However, it is intended that, from F07 all overseas participants' who joined the LTI Plan in F06 (or subsequent years) will have 100% equity-based long-term incentive awards. In the case of UK participants, the awards will be in the form of Performance Rights. In the case of US participants the awards will be in the form of Restricted Stock Units.

It is intended, subject to the outcome of the program review, that the LTI Plan will become 100% equity-based for all participants from no later than F09.

The Australian equity awards are currently structured as a non-recourse loan to allow the participants to purchase Sims Group shares. The Company believes that shares are an appropriate incentive to focus the performance of the executive on the long-term viability of the Company. Further, the loan share plan structure is a tax-effective approach for achieving this aim.

Potential reward

The potential reward under the LTI Plan is calculated based on a pre-determined percentage of fixed remuneration, depending on the seniority of the LTI Participant. In respect of the F06 grants, Mr Sutcliffe and Mr Cunningham each received a grant with an equivalent value of 50% of their fixed remuneration. The other executives each received a grant with an equivalent value ranging from 15%–30% of their fixed remuneration.

For the grants disclosed above, where the participant could elect whether to receive cash or equity, if the reward as a percentage of fixed remuneration was increased from the prior year, any increase was required to be taken as equity.

Performance measure

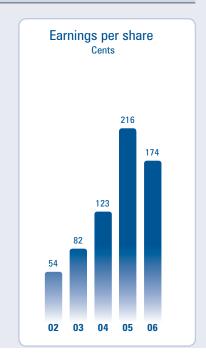
The performance measure for the plan is diluted Earnings Per Share ("EPS"). Diluted EPS is defined as net profit after tax divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares and options on issue. Vesting is determined as follows:

EPS Growth (compound p.a. growth)		Percent of award vesting		
	< 5%	Nil		
	5%	50%		
	5%–10%	Straight-line vesting between 50% and 100%		
	10%	100%		

At the end of the respective performance period, in line with the Committee's terms of reference, the Committee will review the Company's financial performance and make an assessment as to what extent the performance condition has been met. If the performance condition is not met at the end of the respective performance period then the award will lapse.

The Company selected EPS as the appropriate metric for the LTI Plan due to the importance of stable underlying earnings growth to generate value for investors. The diluted measurement of EPS was selected as the Company believes this provides the most appropriate reflection of the value of earnings to shareholders. Additionally, the combination of the STI's focus on operational excellence and rigorous capital management with the LTI's multi-year focus on earnings growth provides a sound basis for shareholder value enhancement.

In addition to the EPS performance condition, a participant must also remain in the Group's employ at the time of vesting (other than in the case of special circumstances defined in the LTI Plan rules).





Option plan

A 'CEO Plan' existed for the granting of options over unissued ordinary shares in the parent entity to Mr Sutcliffe. Options under the CEO Plan were granted for no consideration. This plan was suspended during the financial year 2003 and replaced by the LTI Plan.

Under the fore-mentioned CEO Plan, Mr Sutcliffe was issued 193,798 options to acquire shares in the former Sims Group Limited on 28 February 2002 which were exercisable from 28 February 2005 and expired on 28 March 2007. The fair value of these options at the date of the grant was \$1.30 as derived by applying the Black-Scholes options pricing model. During the financial year, all of these options held by Mr Sutcliffe were exercised at a price of \$6.75. The weighted average share price at the date of exercise, being 8 July 2005, was \$14.35.

Performance rights plan

At the Extraordinary General Meeting of the former Sims Group Limited held on 8 September 2005, shareholders voted in favour of a grant of Performance Rights (effectively share options with a zero exercise price) to Mr Sutcliffe. The details of the grant are as follows:

- Award was granted on 6 October 2005;
- As the plan has been designed to encourage retention and performance it is structured in five tranches: 20% vests on each of 31 October 2006 (Tranche 1), 2007 (Tranche 2), 2008 (Tranche 3), 2009 (Tranche 4) and 2010 (Tranche 5);
- Tranche 1 is satisfied if Mr Sutcliffe is in the employ of the Company at the vesting date. The Committee concluded that a service condition was appropriate for Tranche 1 to encourage him to stay with, and assist in the integration of the merged entity. The remaining four tranches have continuous service and performance measured over the period from 6 October 2006 to the respective vesting date;
- The Committee reviewed and considered the performance conditions at the time of grant and subsequently set a compound EPS growth target of equalling or exceeding 8% per annum and by using the annualised EPS on a fully diluted basis for the period 6 October 2005 to 31 October 2006 as the baseline;
- Due to the cyclical nature of the metal recycling industry, the Committee deemed it appropriate to allow the interim tranches of the award to be retested. For tranches 2, 3 and 4, if the performance hurdle is not satisfied, the tranche will be retested at the end of the subsequent period; and
- > If compound EPS growth as at 31 October 2009 equals or exceeds 12% per annum, all Tranche 5 shares will vest at that time.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 18 November 2005, shareholders voted in favour of a grant of Performance Rights to Mr Cunningham. The details of the grant are as follows:

- Award was granted on 18 November 2005;
- The plan for Mr Cunningham was also designed to encourage retention and performance and is also structured in tranches: 50% vests on 30 June 2007 (Tranche 1) and 50% vests on 30 June 2008 (Tranche 2);
- For each tranche performance is measured over the period from 1 July 2006 to the respective vesting date;
- The Committee reviewed the business plan and performance conditions at the time of grant and set a compound EPS growth target of equalling or exceeding 8% per annum and by using the annualised EPS on a fully diluted basis for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006 as the baseline;
- As mentioned above, due to the cyclical nature of the metal recycling industry the Committee deemed it appropriate to allow the first tranches of the award to be retested. For Tranche 1, if the performance hurdle is not satisfied, the tranche will be retested at the end of the subsequent period; and
- > To receive the vested awards Mr Cunningham must be in the Group's employ at the applicable vesting date.

Performance measure

The performance measure for the rights plan is diluted EPS. Vesting is determined as follows:

EPS Growth (compound p.a. growth)	Percent of award vesting		
< 8%	Nil		
= or > 8%	100%		

At the end of the respective performance period, in line with the Committee's terms of reference, the Committee will review the Company's financial performance and make an assessment as to what extent the performance condition has been met. If the performance condition is not met at the end of the respective performance period the award will, subject to its ability to be retested, lapse.

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Restricted stock units plan

In the interests of the Company, shareholders, and continuity of business, Mr Jansen was awarded a grant of Restricted Stock Units (effectively share options with a zero exercise price) as a result of the Merger. The details of the grant are as follows:

- Award was granted on 1 November 2005; and
- The plan for Mr Jansen was designed to encourage retention and performance and is also structured in tranches: 25% vested on 30 June 2006 (Tranche 1) and 25% vest on 30 June 2007 (Tranche 2) with both tranches subject to Continuous Service through such date. The Committee concluded that in the interests of continuity and to encourage Mr Jansen to stay with, and assist in the integration of, the merged business, that a service condition was appropriate for Tranches 1 and 2; 25% vest on 30 June 2008 (Tranche 3), and the remaining 25% vest on 30 June 2009 (Tranche 4), if, on each vesting dates, Mr Jansen has been in Continuous Service through such date and performance conditions of a compound EPS growth target of equalling or exceeding 8% per annum has been achieved and by using the annualised EPS on a fully diluted basis for the period 1 November 2005 to 30 June 2006 as the baseline.

Performance measure

The performance measure for the plan is diluted EPS. Vesting is determined as follows:

EPS Growth (compound p.a. growth)		Percent of award vesting			
	< 8%	Nil			
	= or > 8%	100%			

At the end of the respective performance period, in line with the Committee's terms of reference, the Committee will review the Company's financial performance and make an assessment as to what extent the performance condition has been met. If the performance condition is not met at the end of the respective performance period the award will lapse.

Details of performance rights, restricted stock units and shares in the Company provided as remuneration to each director and the Key Management Personnel of the Group are set out in notes 27 and 28 to the financial statements.

Share trading philosophy

Sims Group does not permit executives to purchase financial instruments to protect the value of any unvested incentive awards.

C Service Agreements (audited)

Remuneration and other terms of employment for the Group Chief Executive, the Vice Chairman, the Managing Director–Metals Recycling–UK and the Managing Director–Sims Recycling Solutions-Europe & North America are formalised in employment agreements.

J L Sutcliffe, Group Chief Executive

Terms of employment agreement – agreement dated 5 September 2005 for a 5 year term commencing on the effective date of the Merger (31 October 2005). In years 2006 and 2007 remuneration will be subject to review with any increases consistent with the Group's approved average salary increase budget for Australian employees. Neither the Company nor Mr Sutcliffe may terminate the employment agreement during the first 2 years from 31 October 2005. Thereafter, employment may be terminated by either party by providing 12 months' notice, provided that the Company may terminate Mr Sutcliffe's employment at any time for Cause. If employment is terminated by the Company after the first 2 years following the Start Date of the Merger for any reason other than Cause, the Company may provide, in lieu of notice, a payment equal to the current Package, plus any additional superannuation contribution required to make Mr Sutcliffe's superannuation benefit equivalent to the benefit he would have received had Mr Sutcliffe remained in the employment with the Company for the whole of the notice period.

J Neu, Executive Director & Vice Chairman

Term of agreement – agreement dated 24 June 2005 for an initial term of 3 years from 1 November 2005. Remuneration reviewed by the board of directors of Sims Hugo Neu Corporation from time to time. Mr Neu is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer without Cause, or Mr Neu's termination for Good Reason, equal to the Base Salary for the unexpired portion of the term of the Agreement or 12 months Base Salary, whichever is the greater.

R B Cunningham, Executive Director, Group Finance & Strategy

Term of agreement – no term specified. Remuneration is reviewed annually by the Committee. Mr Cunningham is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer, other than for gross misconduct, equal to 12 months total remuneration. Mr Cunningham is also entitled to a retention payment equivalent to 6 months total



annual remuneration if he remains in the employ of the employer 6 months after a takeover of the Company (or if he is terminated within 6 months of such a takeover). In the event of redundancy, he is entitled to the payment of a benefit equal to a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 18 months remuneration depending upon years of service. In the case of Mr Cunningham's resignation from the employ of the employer, 3 months prior notice thereof must be provided to the employer company.

C R Jansen, Chief Executive, Sims Hugo Neu

Term of agreement dated 10 June 2005 for an initial 3 year secondment period to the US. Remuneration is reviewed annually by the Committee. Mr Jansen is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer, other than for gross misconduct, equal to 12 months total remuneration. Mr Jansen is also entitled to a retention payment equivalent to 6 months total annual remuneration if he remains in the employ of the employer 6 months after a takeover of the Company (or if he is terminated within 6 months of such a takeover). In the event of redundancy, he is entitled to the payment of a benefit equal to a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 18 months remuneration depending upon years of service. In the case of Mr Jansen's resignation from the employ of the employer, 3 months prior notice thereof must be provided to the employer company.

D R McGree, Managing Director - Australia & New Zealand

Term of agreement – no term specified. Remuneration is reviewed annually by the Remuneration Committee. Mr McGree is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer, other than for gross misconduct, equal to 12 months total remuneration. Mr McGree is also entitled to a retention payment equivalent to 6 months total annual remuneration if he remains in the employ of the employer 6 months after a takeover of the Company (or if he is terminated within 6 months of such a takeover). In the event of redundancy, he is entitled to the payment of a benefit equal to a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 18 months remuneration depending upon years of service. In the case of Mr McGree's resignation from the employ of the employer, 3 months prior notice thereof must be provided to the employer company.

W T Bird, Managing Director – Metals Recycling – UK

Term of agreement – agreement dated 4 July 2003. No term specified. Remuneration is reviewed annually by the Remuneration Committee. Mr Bird is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer, other than for gross misconduct, equal to 12 months total remuneration. In the event of redundancy, he is entitled to the payment of a benefit equal to a minimum of 6 months and a maximum of 18 months remuneration depending upon years of service. In the case of Mr Bird's resignation from the employ of the employer, 3 months prior notice thereof must be provided to the employer company.

G Davy, Managing Director – Sims Recycling Solutions – Europe & North America

Term of agreement – no term specified. Remuneration is reviewed annually by the Remuneration Committee. Mr Davy is entitled to the payment of a termination benefit on termination by the employer, other than for gross misconduct, equal to 6 months salary. In the event of redundancy, he is entitled to the payment of a benefit according to years of service and age of employee at date of redundancy (subject to a maximum payment equal to 21.5 months salary). In the case of Mr Davy's resignation from the employ of the employer, 6 months prior notice thereof must be provided to the employer company.

R Brown, General Manager New Zealand

Termination agreement dated 12 December 2005 and terminating on 3 July 2006. Mr Brown is entitled to receive a redundancy payment equal to 18 months total annual remuneration.

D Non-executive directors' ('NEDs') remuneration (audited)

NED fees reflect the demands which are made on, and the responsibilities of, the non-executive directors.

NEDs receive an annual fee, paid monthly, for their services. Non-executive directors do not receive additional fees for serving on established Board committees.

Base fees are set within the maximum amount approved by shareholders from time to time. The current NED fee pool is \$1 million and was approved on 8 September 2005 at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the former Sims Group Limited.

NEDs' fees are reviewed annually, considering publicly available information in respect of the level of fees that are paid to directors of other publicly listed companies with a similar market capitalisation and any changes to non-executive director roles and responsibilities over the year.

The Company's non-executive directors' Retirement Allowance Scheme was discontinued effective 30 June 2006. The accrued amounts in respect of the three non-executive directors who still participated (Messrs Mazoudier, Feeney and Brunsdon) were frozen and will be indexed at 5% per annum until payment. The fees paid to Messrs Mazoudier, Feeney and Brunsdon were increased by 33.3%, effective 1 July 2006, to compensate them for their discontinuance of participation in the Retirement Allowance Scheme.



E. Details of remuneration for financial year ending 30 June 2006 (and prior year) (audited)

Details of the remuneration of the directors and the other Key Management Personnel of the Company is set out in the following tables.

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		Short-tern	n employee	benefits			Long-term Post employment benefits					e-based ments	Total
				Accruals					Options/				
	Cash Salary & Fees	Non- monetary benefits	Other short- term benefits	STI Bonus	Annual Leave	Long Service Leave	LTI Bonus	Pension/ Super- annuation	Term- ination Benefits	Retire- ment Benefits	LTI Shares	Rights/ Restricted Stock Units	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Directors													
PK Mazoudier Chairman (non-executive)	201,932							18,174		62,898		_	283,00
	201,932							18,174		02,898			283,00
J Neu * Executive Director	446,768	11,403											458,17
RL Every **	440,700	11,403											450,17
Director (non-executive)	82,471	_	20,617	_	_	_	_	9,278	_	_	_	_	112,36
PJ Varello*	02,471		20,017					0,270					
Director (non-executive)	89,893	_	22,473	_	_	_	_		_	_	_	_	112,36
GN Brunsdon	-00,000		22,.70										,50
Director (non-executive)	92,780	_		_	_	_	_	8,350	_	33,203	_	_	134,33
AC Copeman #										,			,
Director (non-executive)	35,248	_		_	_	_	_		_	9,718	_		44,96
JM Feeney													
Director (non-executive)	92,780	-		-	-	_	-	8,350	-	26,670	-	-	127,80
JL Sutcliffe													
Director & Group													
Chief Executive	1,161,331	12,584	-	925,425	188,673	167,117	202,500	176,085	-	-	503,275	300,451	3,637,44
RB Cunningham													
Executive Director													
Group Finance & Strategy	496,716	31,029	-	372,060	(1,873)	7,887	248,040	92,355	-	-	66,047		1,312,26
Total Remuneration													
- Directors	2,699,919	55,016	43,090	1,297,485	186,800	175,004	450,540	312,592	-	132,489	569,322	300,451	6,222,70
	2,699,919	55,016	43,090	1,297,485	186,800	175,004	450,540	312,592	-	132,489	569,322	300,451	6,222,70
- Directors Key Management Personnel	2,699,919	55,016	43,090	1,297,485	186,800	175,004	450,540	312,592	•	132,489	569,322	300,451	6,222,70
Key Management	2,699,919	55,016	43,090	1,297,485	186,800	175,004	450,540	312,592	-	132,489	569,322	300,451	6,222,70
Key Management Personnel	2,699,919	55,016	43,090	1,297,485	186,800	175,004	450,540	312,592	-	132,489	569,322	300,451	6,222,70
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen###	2,699,919 558,139	55,016 13,000	43,090 130,626	1,297,485 439,619			450,540 201,045	312,592 80,075		132,489	569,322	300,451 445,302	
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen### Chief Executive										132,489	569,322		
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia	558,139	13,000		439,619	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075	-	132,489	-		1,901,09
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen### Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree	558,139								-	132,489	569,322 - 52,414		
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia 8 New Zealand WT Bird	558,139	13,000		439,619	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075	-	-	-	445,302	1,901,09
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director	558,139 417,390	13,000	130,626	439,619 242,728	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075 73,291	-	-	-	445,302	1,901,09 893,95
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK	558,139	13,000		439,619	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075	-		-	445,302	1,901,09
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy	558,139 417,390	13,000	130,626	439,619 242,728	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075 73,291	-		-	445,302	1,901,09 893,95
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen### Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy Managing Director - Sims	558,139 417,390	13,000	130,626	439,619 242,728	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075 73,291	-		-	445,302	1,901,09 893,95
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy Managing Director - Sims Recycling Solutions	558,139 417,390 388,987	13,000	130,626	439,619 242,728 234,530	19,016	14,277	201,045 98,420 97,164	80,075 73,291 68,070	-		-	445,302	1,901,09 893,95 834,28
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy Managing Director - Sims Recycling Solutions - Europe & North America	558,139 417,390	13,000	130,626	439,619 242,728	19,016	14,277	201,045	80,075 73,291	-		-	445,302	1,901,09 893,95 834,28
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia & New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy Managing Director - Sims Recycling Solutions - Europe & North America RR Brown##	558,139 417,390 388,987	13,000	130,626 - 9,510	439,619 242,728 234,530 240,481	19,016	8,329	201,045 98,420 97,164	80,075 73,291 68,070	- - - 591 125		-	445,302 - -	1,901,09 893,95 834,28 840,23
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen## Chief Executive Sims Hugo Neu DR McGree Managing Director Australia 8 New Zealand WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK G Davy Managing Director - Sims Recycling Solutions - Europe & North America	558,139 417,390 388,987	13,000 1,000 36,020	130,626	439,619 242,728 234,530 240,481	19,016	14,277	201,045 98,420 97,164	80,075 73,291 68,070	- - - 591,125		-	445,302 - -	1,901,09 893,95 834,28

Appointed 31/10/2005 Amount in 'Other short-term benefits' represents payment for services provided before appointment finalised Appointed 24/10/2005 Amount in 'Other short-term benefits' represents payment for services provided before appointment finalised

Retired 18/11/2005 Retired 03/07/06

Mr Jansen receives a living away from home allowance whilst on US Secondment included in 'Other short-term benefits'

SIMS GROUP LIMITED - Remuneration of directors and Key Management Personnel - 30 June 2005

	Short-term employee benefits				Long-term Po		Post em	Post employment		Total	
	Cash Salary & Fees	Non- monetary benefits	Other short-term benefits	STI Bonus	Annual Leave	Long Service Leave	LTI Bonus	Pension/ Super- annuation	Retirement Benefits	Options	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Directors											
PK Mazoudier Chairman (non-executive)	183,573	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,522	95,937	-	296,032
GN Brunsdon Director (non-executive)	84,345	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,591	35,347	-	127,283
AC Copeman Director (non-executive)	84,345	-	-		-	-	-		42,818		127,160
JM Feeney Director (non-executive)	84,345	-	-		-	_	_	7,591	42,818		134,75
JL Sutcliffe* Director & Group Chief Executive	668,630	70,500	-	1,095,000	8,275	11,253	306,464	110,870	-	736,539	3,007,53
RB Cunningham* Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy	466,483	36,116	-	454,332	31,571	27,287	190,056	87,955		-	1,293,800
Total Remuneration - Directors	1,571,721	106,616	-	1,549,332	39,846	38,540	496,520	230,529	216,920	736,539	4,986,56
Key Management Personnel CR Jansen* President USA& Asia Pacific	418,054	35,751		494,388	12 /19/	22 229	109,217	75,495			1,167,628
DR McGree Group Executive General Manager - Australasia	372,375	28,394		230,274			90.604				856.43
WT Bird Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK	337,700	20,394	-	189,998		-	66,868				645,41
G Davy Managing Director - Sims Recycling Solutions - Europe & North America	337,700		-	191,359	-		66,868	50,845	-	-	646,77
RR Brown General Manager - NZ	263,051	-	-	72,635	1,811	3,755	37,303	46,034	-	-	424,58
Total Remuneration - Key Management Personnel	1,728,880	64,145	-	1,178,654	54,997	49,942	370,860	293,354			3,740,83

^{*} Following the successful merger of Sims Group and Hugo Neu Corporation, special bonus amounts of \$500,000, \$100,000 and \$250,000 were paid to Mr Sutcliffe, Mr Cunningham and Mr Jansen respectively.

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Share-based compensation

The terms and conditions of each grant of options, rights, or RSUs affecting remuneration in the previous, this or future reporting periods are as follows:

Employee Share Plan

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Value per share at grant date (\$)	Date exercisable
1 July 2005	30 June 2010	Nil	5.56	30 June 2006
1 July 2005	30 June 2010	Nil	6.04	30 June 2008

Name		shares granted the year	Number of LTI shares vested during the year		
	2006	2005	2006	2005	
Directors					
J Sutcliffe	90,517	Nil	Nil	Nil	
R Cunningham	11,879	Nil	Nil	Nil	
Other Key Management Personnel					
D McGree	9,427	Nil	Nil	Nil	

Performance Rights

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Value per right at grant date (\$)	Date exercisable
6 October 2005 J Sutcliffe	31 October 2010	Nil	14.18	20% after 31 October 2006; 20% after 31 October 2007; 20% after 31 October 2008; 20% after 31 October 2009; 20% after 31 October 2010
18 November 2005 R Cunningham	30 June 2008	Nil	14.81	50% after 30 June 2007; 50% after 30 June 2008

Name	Number of R during t	ights granted the year	Number of Rights vested during the year		
	2006	2005	2006	2005	
Directors					
J Sutcliffe	119,913	Nil	Nil	Nil	
R Cunningham	29,978	Nil	Nil	Nil	

Restricted Stock Units

Grant date	Expiry date	Exercise price	Value per right at grant date (\$)	Date exercisable
1 November 2005	30 June 2009	Nil	14.72	25% after 30 June 2006;
				25% after 30 June 2007;
				25% after 30 June 2008;
				25% after 30 June 2009

Name	Number of R during t		Number of F during t	RSUs vested the year
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Key Management Personnel				
C R Jansen	79,634	Nil	19,909	Nil



F. Additional information (unaudited)

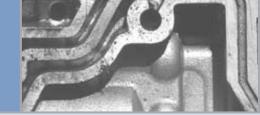
The aggregate level of executive reward takes into account the performance of the consolidated entity over a number of years, with greater emphasis given to the current and prior year. Over the past 5 years, the consolidated entity's profit from ordinary activities after income tax has grown at approximately 39% per annum on average. Shareholder wealth (excluding the effect, which was not considered material, of the Company's buy-back of shares in the financial 2004 year) has grown at approximately 36% per annum on average during the past 5 years. The aggregated average remuneration (excluding 'abnormal' payments) of the Group Chief Executive, the Executive Director Group Finance & Strategy, and the country heads of Australia, United Kingdom, and the United States, has grown at approximately 17% per annum on average during the past 5 years.

Analysis of short-term incentive entitlements for the year

Short-term incentive entitlements 2006

	Maximum that could be earned % of Total Fixed Remuneration	% Payable of maximum that could be earned	% Forfeited
Directors			
J Sutcliffe	70.0	97.9	2.1
R Cunningham	60.0	100.0	-
Other Key Management Personnel			
C R Jansen	75.0	87.5	12.5
D McGree	50.0	98.7	1.3
W T Bird	50.0	96.6	3.4
G Davy	50.0	99.0	1.0
R Brown	30.0	100.0	-

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Analysis of long-term and retention incentive entitlements for the year

	Ca	ash	LTI S	Shares	Financial	Value y	et to vest	Right	s/RSUs	Financial	Value y	et to vest
Name	% Payable	% Forfeited	% Vested	% Forfeited	year in which LTI share grant vests	Min (1) \$	Max (2)	% Vested	% Forfeited	year in which rights/RSUs grant vests	Min (1) \$	Max (3)
Directors												
J Sutcliffe	100.0	-	nil	-	2007	nil	503,275	-	-	2007 2008 2009 2010 2011	nil nil nil nil	340,079 340,079 340,079 340,079 340,051
R Cunningham	100.0	-	nil	-	2007	nil	66,047	-	-	2007 2008	nil nil	221,987 221,987
Other Key Management Personnel												
C R Jansen	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0		2007 2008 2009	nil nil nil	293,060 293,060 293,031
D McGree	100.0	-	nil	-	2007	nil	52,414	-	-	-	-	-
W T Bird	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G Davy	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R Brown	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- (1) The minimum value of LTI Shares, Performance Rights and RSUs yet to vest is \$nil as the performance criteria may not be met and consequently the Share, Right or RSU may not vest.
- (2) The maximum value of the LTI Shares that are yet to vest is not determinable as it depends on the market price of shares of the Company on the Australian Stock Exchange at the date the share is exercised. The maximum values presented above represent the weighted fair value of shares granted at grant date. Fair value has been determined with reference to a dividend yield of 5.5% p.a., expected vesting dates and an assessment of the probability of achievement of continuous service and non-market performance criteria. Refer Note 27, Notes to Financial Statements.
- (3) The maximum value of Performance Rights and RSUs yet to vest is not determinable as it depends on the market price of shares of the Company on the Australian Stock Exchange at the date the Right or RSU is exercised. The maximum values presented above represent the weighted fair value of Performance Rights or RSUs granted at grant date. Fair value has been determined with reference to a dividend yield of 5.5% p.a., expected vesting dates and an assessment of the probability of achievement of continuous service and non-market performance criteria.

For and on behalf of the board:

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Paul Mazoudier

Chairman

Jeremy Sutcliffe
Group Chief Executive

Sydney 1 September 2006

INCOME STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2006



		Conso	lidated	Parent entity
		2006	2005	2006
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue from continuing operations	3	3,754,509	2,565,603	47,617
Other income	4	2,105	5,243	-
Raw materials and changes in inventories of finished goods		(2,471,870)	(1,625,441)	_
Freight expense		(373,153)	(249,701)	-
Employee benefits expense		(238,386)	(191,606)	(1,271)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	5	(41,505)	(32,784)	-
Repairs and maintenance expense		(92,415)	(64,862)	-
Other expenses from ordinary activities		(238,200)	(118,997)	-
Finance costs	5	(18,360)	(5,834)	-
Share of net profit of associates accounted for using				
the equity method	30	2,874	2,626	-
Profit before income tax		285,599	284,247	46,346
Income tax (expense)/benefit	7	(88,953)	(87,216)	76
Profit attributable to members of Sims Group Limited		196,646	197,031	46,422
		,	,	10,1==
		Cents	Cents	
Basic earnings per share	34	174.2	216.3	
Diluted earnings per share	34	173.7	216.1	

Refer note 39(2) for reconciliation of the 2005 income statement between previous AGAAP and AIFRS including the impact on basic and diluted earnings per share for the year ended 30 June 2005.

BALANCE SHEETS as at 30 June 2006



-		Consoli	dated	Parent entity	
		2006	2005	2006	
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
ASSETS					
Current assets	٥٢	45 000	40,000		
Cash and cash equivalents	35	15,800	46,008	10 400	
Receivables	8	356,019	214,194	12,428	
Inventories	9 37	333,187	150,956	-	
Derivative financial instruments	37	903		-	
AL		705,909	411,158	12,428	
Non-current assets classified as held for sale – land	4.0	F 700			
and buildings	12	5,733	-	-	
Total current assets		711,642	411,158	12,428	
No.					
Non-current assets Receivables	0		F 704		
	8	21 761	5,794	-	
Investments accounted for using the equity method Other financial assets	10	21,761	10,272	2 507 104	
Other imancial assets Property, plant and equipment	12	-	337,687	2,507,184	
Deferred tax assets	13	590,668	•	-	
Intangible assets		34,693	23,416	-	
Total non-current assets	14	579,075	110,002	2 507 404	
		1,226,197	487,171	2,507,184	
Total assets		1,937,839	898,329	2,519,612	
LIADULITIC					
LIABILITIES Current liabilities					
Payables	15	241 752	102.460	12 560	
Derivative financial instruments	37	341,752 1,263	182,469	12,568	
Current tax liabilities	17	22,343	31,627	12,352	
Provisions				12,332	
Total current liabilities	18	20,881 386,239	15,476 229,572	24,920	
Total current habilities		300,239	229,572	24,920	
Non-current liabilities					
Payables	15		-	390,963	
Borrowings	16	301,459	98,946	-	
Deferred tax liabilities	17	28,744	20,534	-	
Provisions	18	19,782	9,628	-	
Retirement benefit obligations	19	4,830	22,193	-	
Total non-current liabilities		354,815	151,301	390,963	
Total liabilities		741,654	380,873	415,883	
Net assets		1,196,785	517,456	2,103,729	
EQUITY					
Contributed equity	20	780,108	220,665	2,100,764	
Reserves	22	77,589	26,039	2,524	
Retained profits	22	339,088	270,752	441	
Total equity	21	1,196,785	517,456	2,103,729	
iotal equity	21	1,130,705	317,400	2,103,729	

Refer note 39(1)(B) for reconciliation of the balance sheet for the year ended 30 June 2005 between previous AGAAP and AIFRS.

STATEMENTS OF RECOGNISED INCOME AND EXPENSE for the year ended 30 June 2006

		Conso	Parent entity	
		2006	2005	2006
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Defined benefit plan actuarial gain/(loss) (net of tax)	22	3,869	(5,117)	-
Gain on revaluation of land and buildings (net of tax)	22	27,465	27,876	-
Changes in fair value of cash flow hedges (net of tax)	22	383	-	-
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	22	17,764	(24,699)	-
Net income recognised directly in equity		49,481	(1,940)	-
Profit for the year		196,646	197,031	46,422
Total recognised income and expense for the year		246,127	195,091	46,422

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended 30 June 2006



	Consol	Consolidated	
	2006	2005	Parent entity 2006
Note	es \$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of goods and			
services tax)	3,732,075	2,682,485	-
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of			
goods and services tax)	(3,412,100)	(2,400,591)	-
	319,975	281,894	-
Interest received	2,047	468	-
Interest paid	(18,360)	(5,834)	-
Dividends received	-	-	30,963
Income taxes paid	(95,091)	(83,721)	-
Net cash inflow from operating activities 35	208,571	192,807	30,963
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(76,481)	(62,502)	-
Loans advanced to associates	•	(2,027)	-
Payments for subsidiaries and businesses 29	(28,515)	(54,694)	-
Proceeds from sale of property, plant			
and equipment	2,021	4,081	-
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(102,975)	(115,142)	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	337,801	178,705	_
Repayment of borrowings	(363,988)	(112,096)	_
Proceeds from issue of shares	1,309	-	_
Dividends paid	(113,292)	(118,412)	(30,963)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(138,170)	(51,803)	(30,963)
	(2 2 7 2 7	(3,7337)	(***,****)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held	(32,574)	25,862	_
	, , ,		
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	46,008	20,107	-
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash			
equivalents	2,366	39	-
Cash at the end of the financial year 35	15,800	46,008	-

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated. The financial report includes separate financial statements for Sims Group Limited as an individual entity and the consolidated entity consisting of Sims Group Limited and its subsidiaries.

(a) Basis of preparation

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS), other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations and the Corporations Act 2001.

Sims Group Limited was incorporated on 20 June 2005 and is the parent company. The financial year of the parent company in these financial statements covers the period from 20 June 2005 to 30 June 2006. No comparative figures exist for the parent company.

Under the terms of a scheme of arrangement entered into between Sims Group Limited and Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited (formerly known as Sims Group Limited) on 31 October 2005, the shareholders in Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited exchanged their shares in that entity for the shares in Sims Group Limited. Under the terms of AASB 3 Business Combinations, Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited was deemed to be the acquirer in this business combination. This transaction has therefore been accounted for as a reverse acquisition under AASB 3. Accordingly the consolidated financial statements of Sims Group Limited have been prepared as a continuation of the consolidated financial statements of Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited. Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited, as the deemed acquirer, has acquisition accounted for Sims Group Limited as at 31 October 2005. The comparative information presented in the consolidated financial statements is that of Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited.

Compliance with IFRSs

Australian Accounting Standards include AIFRSs. Compliance with AIFRs ensures that the consolidated financial statements and notes of Sims Group Limited comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). The parent entity financial statements and notes also comply with IFRSs except that it has elected to apply the relief provided to parent entities in respect of certain disclosure requirements contained in AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation and Disclosure.

Application of AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

These financial statements are the first Sims Group Limited financial statements to be prepared in accordance with AIFRS. AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards has been applied in preparing these financial statements.

Until 30 June 2005 the financial statements had been prepared in accordance with previous Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP). AGAAP differ in certain respects from AIFRS. When preparing Sims Group Limited 2006 financial statements, management has amended certain accounting, valuation and consolidation methods applied in the previous AGAAP financial statements to comply with AIFRS. With the exception of financial instruments, the comparative figures were restated to reflect these adjustments. The exemption available under AASB 1 to only apply AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement from 1 July 2005 was taken.

Reconciliations and descriptions of the effect of transition from previous AGAAP to AIFRS on the Group's equity and its net income are given in note 39.

Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets and liabilities (including derivative instruments) at fair value through profit or loss and certain classes of property, plant and equipment.

(b) Principles of consolidation

(i) Subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets and liabilities of all subsidiaries of Sims Group Limited ("company" or "parent entity") as at 30 June 2006 and the results of all subsidiaries for the year then ended. Sims Group Limited and its subsidiaries together are referred to in this financial report as the Group or the consolidated entity.

Subsidiaries are all those entities over which the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies, generally accompanying a shareholding of more than one-half of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity.

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date that control ceases.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group (refer to note 1(i)).

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of the impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

(ii) Associates

Associates are all entities over which the Group has significant influence but not control, generally accompanying a shareholding of between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associates are accounted for in the investor entities' financial statements using the cost method and in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting,

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

after initially being recognised at cost. The Group's investment in associates includes goodwill (net of any accumulated impairment loss) identified on acquisition (refer note 30).

The Group's share of its associates' post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in the income statement, and its share of post-acquisition movements in reserves is recognised in reserves. The cumulative post-acquisition movements are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment. Dividends receivable from associates are recognised in the parent entity's income statement, while in the consolidated financial statements they reduce the carrying amount of the investment.

When the Group's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associates. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of associates have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

(iii) Joint ventures

Unincorporated joint venture operations

The proportionate interests in the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of joint venture operations have been incorporated in the financial statements under the appropriate headings. Details of the joint ventures are set out in note 31.

(c) Segment reporting

A business segment is a group of assets and operations engaged in providing products or services that are subject to risks and returns that are different to those of other business segments. A geographical segment is engaged in providing products or services within a particular economic environment and is subject to risks and returns that are different from those of segments operating in other economic environments.

(d) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("the functional currency"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Sims Group Limited's functional and presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement, except when deferred in equity as qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges.

Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equities held at fair value through profit or loss, are reported as part of the fair value gain or loss. Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equities classified as available-for-sale financial assets, are included in the fair value reserve in equity.

(iii) Group companies

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- assets and liabilities for each balance sheet presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet;
- income and expenses for each income statement are translated at average exchange rates (unless this is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions); and
- all resulting exchange differences are recognised as a separate component of equity.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of any net investment in foreign entities, and of borrowings and other currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are taken to shareholders' equity. When a foreign operation is sold or borrowings repaid, a proportionate share of such exchange differences is recognised in the income statement as part of the gain or loss on sale.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate.

(e) Revenue recognition

Sales revenue represents revenue earned from the sale of the consolidated entity's products, net of returns, trade allowances and duties and taxes paid. Sales revenue is recognised when the goods have been despatched to a customer pursuant to a sales order and associated risks have passed to the carrier or customer. Service revenue principally represents revenue earned from the collection of end-of-life post consumer products for the purpose of product recycling. Service revenue is recognised when the services have been provided. Service revenue received in advance of the service being rendered is deferred.



1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(f) Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Group will comply with all attached conditions.

Government grants relating to costs are deferred and recognised in the income statement over the period necessary to match them with the costs that they are intended to compensate.

Government grants relating to the purchase of property, plant and equipment are included in current liabilities as deferred income and are credited to the income statement on a straight line basis over the expected lives of the related assets to which the grant relate.

(g) Income tax

The income tax expense or revenue for the period is the tax payable on the current period's taxable income based on the national income tax rate for each jurisdiction adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements, and to unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised for temporary differences at the tax rates expected to apply when the assets are recovered or liabilities are settled, based on those tax rates which are enacted or substantively enacted for each jurisdiction. The relevant tax rates are applied to the cumulative amounts of deductible and taxable temporary differences to measure the deferred tax asset or liability. An exception is made for certain temporary differences arising from the initial recognition of an asset or a liability. No deferred tax asset or liability is recognised in relation to these temporary differences if they arose in a transaction, other than a business combination, that at the time of the transaction did not affect either accounting profit or taxable profit

Deferred tax assets are recognised for deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are not recognised for temporary differences between the carrying amount and tax bases of investments in subsidiaries where the parent entity is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Current and deferred tax balances attributable to amounts recognised directly in equity are also recognised directly in equity.

The tax consolidated group formed under the relevant Australian tax consolidation legislation of Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited and its wholly owned Australian subsidiaries has ceased to exist following the scheme of arrangement on 31 October 2005. It has formed a new tax consolidated group under which Sims Group Limited has been the head entity from 1st November 2005. The Australian Taxation Office has yet to be notified of this decision. As a consequence

the tax values of certain assets of entities in the new consolidated group has been reset. The effect of remeasuring the deferred tax balances to reflect the impact of resetting the tax value of assets has been brought to account in the current financial period.

The head entity, Sims Group Limited, and the subsidiaries in the tax consolidated group continue to account for their own current and deferred tax amounts. These tax amounts are measured as if each entity in the tax consolidated group continues to be a stand alone taxpayer in its own right.

In addition to its own current and deferred tax amounts, Sims Group Limited also recognises the current tax liabilities (or assets) arising from subsidiaries in the tax consolidated group.

Assets or liabilities arising under tax funding agreements with the tax consolidated entities are recognised as amounts receivable from or payable to other entities in the group. Details about the tax funding agreement are disclosed in note 7.

Any difference between the amounts assumed and amounts receivable or payable under the tax funding agreement are recognised as a contribution to (or distribution from) wholly-owned tax consolidated entities.

(h) Leases

Leases of property, plant and equipment where the Group has assumed substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's inception at the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in other long term payables. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance charges so as to achieve a constant rate on the finance balance outstanding. The interest element of the finance cost is charged to the income statement over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases is depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term.

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Lease income from operating leases is recognised in income on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(i) Acquisition of assets

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for all acquisitions of assets (including business combinations) regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired. Cost is measured as the fair value of the assets given, shares issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Where equity instruments are issued in an acquisition, the value of the instruments is their published market price as at the date of exchange unless, in rare circumstances, it can be demonstrated that the published price at the date

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of exchange is an unreliable indicator of fair value and that other evidence and valuation methods provide a more reliable measure of fair value. Transaction costs arising on the issue of equity instruments are recognised directly in equity.

Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date, irrespective of the extent of any minority interest. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill (refer to note 1(s)). If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the income statement, but only after a reassessment of the identification and measurement of the net assets acquired.

Where settlement of any part of cash consideration is deferred, the amounts payable in the future are discounted to their present value as at the date of exchange. The discount rate used is the entity's incremental borrowing rate, being the rate at which a similar borrowing could be obtained from an independent financier under comparable terms and conditions.

(j) Impairment of assets

Goodwill is tested annually for impairment. Other assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell, and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash generating units).

(k) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet where they are repayable on demand.

(I) Trade receivables

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, less provision for doubtful debts. Trade receivables are due for settlement no more than 90 days from the date of recognition.

Collectibility of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectable are written off. A provision for doubtful receivables is established when there is objective evidence that the Group will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of receivables. The amount of the

provision is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the estimated future cash flows. The amount of the provision is recognised in the income statement.

(m) Inventories

Raw materials and stores, work in progress and finished goods are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead expenditure, the latter being allocated on the basis of normal operating capacity. Costs are assigned to individual items of inventory on the basis of first-in first-out or weighted average costs. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

(n) Maintenance and repairs

Plant of the consolidated entity is required to be overhauled on a regular basis. Overhauls are managed as part of an ongoing major plant cyclical maintenance program. The costs of this maintenance are charged as expenses as incurred, except where they relate to the replacement of a component of an asset, in which case the costs are capitalised and depreciated in accordance with note 1(r). Other routine operating maintenance, repair and minor renewal costs are also charged as expenses as incurred.

(o) Investments and other financial assets

From 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005

The Group has taken the exemption available under AASB 1 to apply AASB 132 and AASB 139 only from 1 July 2005. The Group has applied previous AGAAP to the comparative information on financial instruments within the scope of AASB 132 and AASB 139. For further information on previous AGAAP refer to the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2005.

Adjustments on transition date: 1 July 2005

The nature of the main adjustments to make this information comply with AASB 132 and AASB 139 are that, with the exception of held-to-maturity investments and loans and receivables which are measured at amortised cost (refer below), fair value is the measurement basis. Changes in fair value are either taken to the income statement or an equity reserve (refer below). At the date of transition (1 July 2005) changes to carrying amounts are taken to retained earnings or reserves.

From 1 July 2005

The Group classifies its investments in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments, and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and, in the case of held-to-maturity assets, re-evaluates this designation at each reporting date.



1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

This category has two sub-categories: financial assets held for trading and derivatives designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. A financial asset is classified as held for trading if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or if so designated by management. The policy of management is to designate a financial asset as held for trading if there exists the possibility it will be sold in the short term and the asset is subject to frequent changes in fair value. Derivatives are designated at fair value through profit and loss unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets if they are either held for trading or are expected to be realised within 12 months of the balance sheet date.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise when the Group provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of selling the receivable. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are included in receivables in the balance sheet.

(iii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Group's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets, comprising principally marketable equity securities, are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless management intends to dispose of the investment within 12 months of the balance sheet date. Purchases and sales of investments are recognised on trade-date being the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs for all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

Available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are subsequently carried at fair value. Loans and receivables and held-to-maturity investments are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Realised and unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category are included in the income statement in the period in which they arise. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of non-monetary

securities classified as available-for-sale are recognised in equity in the available-for-sale investments revaluation reserve. When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold or impaired, the accumulated fair value adjustments are included in the income statement as gains and losses from investment securities.

The fair values of quoted investments are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset is not active (and for unlisted securities), the Group establishes fair value by using valuation techniques. These include reference to the fair values of recent arm's length transactions, involving the same instruments or other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models refined to reflect the issuer's specific circumstances.

The Group assesses at each balance date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. In the case of equity securities classified as available for sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of a security below its cost is considered in determining whether the security is impaired. If any such evidence exists for available-for-sale financial assets, the cumulative loss–measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit and loss–is removed from equity and recognised in the income statement. Impairment losses recognised in the income statement on equity instruments are not reversed through the income statement.

(p) Derivatives

From 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005

The Group has taken the exemption available under AASB 1 to apply AASB 132 and AASB 139 from 1 July 2005. The Group has applied previous AGAAP in the comparative information on financial instruments within the scope of AASB 132 and AASB 139. For further information on previous AGAAP refer to the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2005.

Adjustments on transition date: 1 July 2005

The nature of the main adjustments to make this information comply with AASB 132 and AASB 139 are that derivatives are measured on a fair value basis. Changes in fair value are either taken to the income statement or an equity reserve (refer below). At the date of transition (1 July 2005) changes in the carrying amounts of derivatives are taken to retained earnings or reserves, depending on whether the criteria for hedge accounting are satisfied at the transition date.

From 1 July 2005

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value. The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged. The Group designates certain derivatives as either: (1) hedges of the fair value of recognised assets or liabilities or a firm commitment (fair value hedge); or (2) hedges of highly probable forecast transactions (cash flow hedges).

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The Group documents at the inception of the transaction the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. The Group also documents its assessment, both at hedge inception and on an ongoing basis, of whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions have been and will continue to be highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of hedged items.

(i) Fair value hedge

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as fair value hedges are recorded in the income statement, together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability that are attributable to the hedged risk.

(ii) Cash flow hedge

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges are recognised in equity in the hedging reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Amounts accumulated in equity are recycled in the income statement in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss (for instance when the forecast sale that is hedged takes place). However, when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset (for example, inventory) or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously deferred in equity are transferred from equity and included in the measurement of the initial cost or carrying amount of the asset or liability.

When a hedging instrument expires or is sold or terminated, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in the income statement. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in equity is immediately transferred to the income statement.

(iii) Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting

Certain derivative instruments do not qualify for hedge accounting. Changes in the fair value of any derivative instrument that does not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised immediately in the income statement.

(q) Fair value estimation

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities must be estimated for recognition and measurement or for disclosure purposes.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives, and trading and available-for-sale securities) is based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price; the appropriate quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current ask price.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not

traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined using valuation techniques. The Group uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each balance date. Quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used for long-term debt instruments held. Other techniques, such as estimated discounted cash flows, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments. The fair value of interest-rate swaps is calculated as the present value of the estimated future cash flows. The fair value of forward exchange contracts is determined using forward exchange market rates at the balance sheet date.

The nominal value less estimated credit adjustments of trade receivables and payables is assumed to approximate their fair values. The fair value of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes is estimated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rate that is available to the Group for similar financial instruments.

The fair value of property, plant and equipment is determined as set out in note 1(r).

(r) Property, plant and equipment

Land, buildings and leasehold improvements are shown at fair value, based on periodic, but at least triennial, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation for buildings and leasehold improvements. Fair value represents the amounts for which the assets could be exchanged between willing parties in an arms length transaction, based on current prices in an active market for similar properties in the same location and condition. Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset. All other property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Cost may also include transfers from equity of any gains/ losses on qualifying cash flow hedges of foreign currency purchases of property, plant and equipment.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Increases in the carrying amounts arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to the asset revaluation reserve in shareholders' equity. To the extent that the increase reverses a decrease previously recognised in profit or loss, the increase is first recognised in profit and loss. Decreases that reverse previous increases of the same asset are first charged against revaluation reserves directly in equity to the extent of the remaining reserve attributable to the asset; all other decreases are charged to the income statement.

Land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight line method to allocate their cost or revalued amounts, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives, as follows:



1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Buildings 25–40 years Plant and equipment 3–14 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (note 1(j)). Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amounts. These are included in the income statement. When revalued assets are sold, it is Group policy to transfer the amounts included in other reserves in respect of those assets to retained earnings.

(s) Intangible assets

(i) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary/associate at the date of acquisition. Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets. Goodwill on acquisition of associates is included in investments in associates. Goodwill acquired in business combinations is not amortised. Instead, goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired, and is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing.

(t) Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(u) Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method. Borrowings are classified as non-current liabilities.

(v) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs incurred for the construction of any qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Other borrowing costs are expensed. The capitalisation rate used to determine the amount of borrowing costs to be capitalised is the weighted average interest rate applicable to the entity's outstanding borrowings

during the year. There were no interest costs capitalised for

the construction of any qualifying asset during the year.

(w) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

(x) Employee benefits

Sims Group has made an election in accordance with subsection 334(5) of the *Corporations Act* to adopt AASB 119 *Employee Benefits (January 2006)* which will apply to the financial year ended 30 June 2006.

(i) Wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and accumulating sick leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in other payables in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. Liabilities for non-accumulating sick leave are recognised when the leave is taken and measured at the rates paid or payable.

(ii) Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

(iii) Retirement benefit obligations

All employees of the Group are entitled to benefits on retirement, disability or death from the Group's superannuation plans. The Group has a defined benefit section and a defined contribution section within its plans. The defined benefit section provides defined lump sum benefits based on years of service and final average salary. The defined contribution section receives fixed contributions from Group companies and the Group's legal or constructive obligation is limited to those contributions.

A liability or asset in respect of defined benefit superannuation plans is recognised in the balance sheet, and is measured as the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date plus unrecognised actuarial gains (less unrecognised actuarial losses) less the fair value of the superannuation fund's assets at that date and any unrecognised past service cost. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is based on expected future payments which arise from membership of the fund to the reporting date, calculated annually by independent actuaries using

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1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are charged or credited to equity.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in income, unless the changes to the superannuation fund are conditional on the employees remaining in service for a specified period of time (the vesting period). In this case, the past service costs are amortised on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

Future taxes that are funded by the entity and are part of the provision of the existing benefit obligation (e.g. taxes on investment income and employer contributions) are taken into account in measuring the net liability or asset. Contributions to the defined contribution fund are recognised as an expense as they become payable. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

(iv) Share-based payments

Share-based compensation benefits are provided to employees via the Sims Group Employee Option Plan and an employee share scheme.

Share options granted before 7 November 2002 and/or vested before 1 January 2005

No expense is recognised in respect of the options or shares issued to employees for nil consideration. Shares issued following the exercise of options are recognised at that time and the proceeds received allocated to share capital.

Share options granted after 7 November 2002 and vested after 1 January 2005

The fair value of options granted under the Sims Group Employee Option Plan is recognised as an employee benefit expense with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and recognised over the period during which employees become unconditionally entitled to the options.

The fair value at grant date is independently determined using a Black-Scholes option pricing model that takes into account the exercise price, the term of the option, the vesting and performance criteria, the impact of dilution, the non-tradeable nature of the option, the share price at grant date and expected price volatility of the underlying share, the expected dividend yield and the risk-free interest rate for the term of the option.

The fair value of the options granted excludes the impact of any non-market vesting conditions (for example, profitability and sales growth targets). Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. At each balance sheet date, the entity revises its estimate

of the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. The employee benefit expense recognised each period takes into account the most recent estimate.

Upon the exercise of options, the balance of the sharebased payments reserve relating to those options is transferred to share capital.

The market value of shares issued to employees for no cash consideration under the employee share scheme is recognised as an employee benefits expense with a corresponding increase in equity when the employees become entitled to the shares.

(v) Profit-sharing and bonus plans

The Group recognises a liability and an expense for bonuses and profit-sharing based on a formula that takes into consideration the profit attributable to the company's shareholders after certain adjustments. The Group recognises a provision where contractually obliged to do so or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation.

(y) Contributed equity

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

(z) Dividends

Provision is made for the amount of any dividend determined or declared on or before the end of the year but not distributed at balance date.

(aa) Earnings per share

(i) Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

(ii) Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjusts the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential ordinary shares and the weighted average number of shares assumed to have been issued for no consideration in relation to dilutive potential ordinary shares.

(ab) Financial instrument transaction costs

The Group has taken the exemption available under AASB 1 to apply AASB 132 and AASB 139 from 1 July 2005. The Group has applied previous Australian GAAP (AGAAP) in the comparative information on financial instruments within the scope of AASB 132 and AASB 139. Under previous AGAAP transaction costs were excluded from the amounts disclosed in the financial statements. Under AIFRS such costs are included in the carrying amounts. At the date of transition to AASB 132 and AASB 139 the adjustment to carrying amounts for the Group was immaterial.



1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(ac) Business combinations

The Group has elected to apply the exemption in AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards not to apply AASB 3 Business Combinations retrospectively to past business combinations (business combinations that occurred before the date of transition to AIFRS).

(ad) Rounding of amounts

The company is of a kind referred to in Class order 98/0100, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that Class Order to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, the nearest dollar.

2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The Group's overall risk management program recognises the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Group. The Group uses derivative financial instruments such as foreign exchange contracts, commodity hedges and interest rate swaps to hedge certain risk exposures. Risk management is carried out by the Group's treasury officers persuant to policies approved by the Board of Directors. Treasury identifies, evaluates and hedges financial risks in close cooperation with the operating units. The Board provides written principles for overall risk management, as well as written policies covering specific areas, such as mitigating foreign exchange, commodity price risk, interest rate and credit risks, use of derivative financial instruments and investing excess liquidity.

(a) Market risk

(i) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises when future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency. The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from currency exposures to

the US Dollar, British Pound Sterling, Euro and New Zealand Dollars. Forward contracts, transacted by Treasury, are used to manage foreign exchange risk. Treasury is responsible for managing exposures in each foreign currency by using external forward currency contracts.

The Group's risk management policy is to hedge anticipated transactions in foreign currencies for periods up to 12 months. Projected sales qualify as "highly probable" forecast transactions for hedge accounting purposes.

(ii) Price risk

The Group is exposed to commodity price risk. This arises from the holding of inventory which is recorded in accordance with accounting policy set out in note 1(m). The Group's risk management policy is to hedge as and when it is deemed appropriate, the inventories of copper, nickel and nickel alloy commodities by the use of commodity hedge contracts.

(iii) Fair value interest rate risk Refer to (d) below.

(b) Credit risk

The Group has no significant concentrations of credit risk. The Group has policies in place to ensure that sales of products and services are made to customers with an acceptable credit history. Derivative counterparties and cash transactions are limited to high credit quality financial institutions.

(c) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities and the ability to close-out market positions. Due to the dynamic nature of the underlying businesses, Treasury aims at maintaining flexibility in funding by keeping committed credit lines available.

(d) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

As the Group has no significant interest-bearing assets, the Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

The Group's interest-rate risk arises from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the Group to cash flow interest-rate risk. Borrowings issued at fixed rates expose the Group to fair value interest-rate risk. The Group has not entered into floating to fixed interest rate swaps during the financial year.



	Consoli	dated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
REVENUE			
Sales revenue	2 605 425	2.470.004	
Sale of goods	3,605,135	2,478,694	
Services	147,272	86,353	
	3,752,407	2,565,047	
Other revenue			
Interest	2,047	468	
Dividends	2,047		46,60
Management fees			1,01
Rents	55	88	1,01
	2,102	556	47,61
	3,754,509	2,565,603	47,61
OTHER INCOME			
OTHER INCOME			
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		2,794	
Insurance recovery	107	518	
Net revaluation losses reversed in the profit and loss	1,188	1,917	
Net foreign exchange gains	-	14	
Government grants	810	-	
	2,105	5,243	
EXPENSES			
Profit before income tax includes the following			
specific expenses:			
Depreciation			
Buildings	2,815	1,954	
Plant and equipment	35,984	29,588	
Total depreciation	38,799	31,542	
Amortisation			
Leasehold improvements	2,706	1,242	
Total depreciation and amortisation	41,505	32,784	
Interest and finance charges paid/payable	18,360	5,834	
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	705	-	
Rental expenses relating to operating leases	20,395	11,036	
Net foreign exchange losses	34	-	
Defined contribution superannuation expense	4,448	4,032	
Research and development	1,380	1,078	



	Consoli	Parent entity	
	2006 \$	2005 \$	2006
6 REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS			
Assurance Services			
1. Audit services			
Fees paid and payable to PricewaterhouseCoopers			
Australian Firm Audit and review of financial reports and other work			
under the Corporations Act 2001	432,000	342,500	-
Fees paid to related practices of			
PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Firm Audit and review of financial reports	693,635	381,540	
Total remuneration for audit services	1,125,635	724,040	
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2. Other Assurance services			
Fees paid and payable to PricewaterhouseCoopers			
Australian Firm			
Other audit related services	125,500	-	-
Due diligence services	120,676	1,368,122	-
Fees paid to related practices of PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Firm			
Due diligence services	-	749,202	-
Total remuneration for other assurance services	246,176	2,117,324	-
Total remuneration for assurance services	1,371,811	2,841,364	-
Taxation services			
Fees paid and payable to PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Firm			
Tax compliance services including review of			_
company income tax returns	175,300	67,787	-
Tax advice on acquisitions		7,400	-
Tax consulting and advice	270,039	29,550	-
Fees paid to related practices of			
PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Firm			
Tax compliance services including review of	11 EO <i>A</i>	27.020	
company income tax returns Total remuneration for taxation services	11,584 456,923	27,039 131,776	
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Fees paid to auditors other than			
PricewaterhouseCoopers or its related practices			
Audit and review of the financial reports of joint ventures			
and other entities in the consolidated entity and other work under the Corporations Act 2001	18,353	25,445	

It is Sims Group Limited's policy to employ PricewaterhouseCoopers on assignments additional to their statutory audit where PricewaterhouseCoopers' expertise and experience with Sims Group Limited are important. These assignments are principally for tax advice and due diligence on acquisitions, or where PricewaterhouseCoopers are awarded assignments on a competitive basis.

	Consoli	dated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
7 INCOME TAX			
(a) Income tax expense			
	00.074	07.445	(70)
Current tax Deferred tax	80,271 9,821	87,445 2,011	(76)
(Over)/under provision in prior years	(1,139)	(2,240)	
- Your provision in prior yours	88,953	87,216	(76)
	66,933	07,210	(70)
(b) Numerical reconciliation of income tax expense to prima facie tax payable			
Tax at the Australian tax rate of 30% (2005: 30%)	85,680	85,274	13,904
Tax effect of permanent differences:			
Non-deductible amortisation and depreciation	(134)	(357)	-
Expenses not allowable	903	1,830	-
Research and development	(90)	-	-
Non-assessable income	373)	(556)	-
Losses not tax effected	33	-	- (40,000)
Dividend received from subsidiaries	(0.400)	- (0.0.4)	(13,980)
Extra territorial income tax credit	(3,102)	(984)	•
Share of net profit of associates	(862)	(788)	-
Income tax adjusted for permanent differences	82,055	84,419	(76)
Difference in overseas tax rates	8,739	6,659	-
Utilisation of group losses not previously recognised	(702)	(1,622)	-
(Over)/under provision in prior years	(1,139)	(2,240)	(70)
Income tax expense/(benefit)	88,953	87,216	(76)
(c) Amounts recognised directly in equity			
Aggregate current and deferred tax arising in the reporting period and not recognised in net profit or loss but directly debited or credited to equity			
Net deferred tax			
Arising on equity movements in the current period	6,937	11,344	-
Adjustments on formation of the new Australian tax	/a ===\		
consolidated group	(9,552)	-	-
	(2,615)	11,344	-
(d) Tax losses			
Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax asset has been			
recognised	6,539	8,588	-
Potential tax benefit @ 30%	1,962	2,576	-

7 INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

Tax consolidation legislation

The tax consolidated group formed under the relevant tax consolidation legislation of Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited and its wholly-owned Australian subsidiaries has ceased to exist following the scheme of arrangement on 31 October 2005. A new tax consolidated group under which Sims Group Limited is the head entity was formed on 1 November 2005. The Australian Taxation Office has yet to be notified of this decision. As a consequence the tax values of certain assets of entities in the new consolidated group will be reset. The effect of remeasuring the deferred tax balances to reflect the impact of resetting the tax value of assets has been brought to account in the current financial period. The accounting policy in relation to the tax consolidation legislation is set out in note 1(g).

The entities in the new tax consolidated group have entered into a tax sharing and funding agreement. Under the terms of this agreement, the wholly-owned entities reimburse Sims Group Limited in full for any current tax payable by Sims Group Limited arising in respect of their activities. The reimbursements are payable at the same time as the associated income tax liability falls due and has therefore been recognised as a current tax-related receivable by Sims Group Limited. The tax sharing agreement is also a valid agreement under the tax consolidation legislation and limits the joint and several liability of the wholly-owned entities in the case of a default by Sims Group Limited.

	Consoli	dated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
8 RECEIVABLES			
Current			
Trade receivables	307,266	176,537	-
Provision for doubtful receivables	(3,051)	(2,055)	-
	304,215	174,482	-
Other receivables and deferred expenses	31,559	28,212	-
Prepayments	20,245	11,500	-
Net tax-related amounts receivable from subsidiaries	-	-	12,428
	356,019	214,194	12,428
Non-current			
Other receivables and deferred expenses	-	5,794	-
	-	5,794	-

Further information relating to related parties and directors is set out in note 32 and details of interest rates, credit risk and fair values is set out in note 38.

(a) Bad and doubtful trade receivables

The Group has recognised a loss of \$0.986m (2005: \$1.630m) in respect of bad and doubtful trade receivables during the year ended 30 June 2006. The loss has been included in 'other expenses' in the income statement.

(b) Other receivables

These amounts generally arise from transactions outside the usual operating activities of the Group. Interest may be charged at commercial rates where the terms of repayment exceed six months. Collateral is not normally obtained.

(c) Net tax-related amounts receivable from subsidiaries

Refer to note 7 for details about tax sharing and compensation agreements.

	Consoli	dated	Parent entity	
	2006	2005	2006	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
9 INVENTORY				
Raw materials at net realisable value	97,770	61,284		
Stores and spare parts at net realisable value	22,036	12,706	-	
Finished goods at net realisable value	213,381	76,966		
	333,187	150,956	-	
(a) Inventory expense				
Inventories recognised as expense during the year amounted				
to:	2,553,257	1,698,053		
Write-downs of inventories to net realisable value	_,000,_0	.,000,000		
recognised as an expense and included in 'raw materials and				
consumables used' in the income statement during the year				
amounted to:	297	3,873		
10 INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTED FOR USING				
THE EQUITY METHOD				
Shares in associates (note 30)	21,761	10,272	-	
11 OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS				
Other (non-traded) investments				
Shares in subsidiaries (note 29)	-	-	2,507,184	
12 DEODEDTY DI ANT AND EQUIDMENT				
12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT				
Freehold land				
Fair value	228,803	111,057	-	
Buildings				
Fair value	65,923	47,367	-	
Leasehold improvements				
Fair value	27,438	15,961	-	
Plant and equipment				
Cost	499,228	367,639		
Accumulated depreciation	(308,934)	(217,230)	-	
	190,294	150,409	-	
Capital work in progress – cost	78,210	12,893		
No.	590,668	337,687	•	
Non-current assets classified as held for sale – land and buildings				
Land	1,310	-	-	
Buildings	4,423	-	-	
	5,733	_		



12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

Land and buildings which are classified as held for sale pursuant to a signed sales contact are carried at fair value net of selling costs. The sale of these is expected to be completed during the next financial year. No profit is expected to arise on the sale.

Valuations of freehold land, buildings and leasehold improvements

The valuation basis of land, building and leasehold improvements is fair value being the amounts for which the assets could be exchanged between willing parties in an arms length transaction, based on current prices in an active market for similar properties in the same location and condition. The 2006 valuations were made by the directors as at 30 June 2006. The directors' assessment of the valuations was based on a combination of independent valuer reports and appraisals, recent transaction prices and local market knowledge. The 30 June 2005 valuations were based on independent assessments.

	Consoli	idated	Parent entity
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Carrying amounts that would have been recognised if land and buildings were stated at cost			
Freehold land			
Cost	91,350	69,125	-
Buildings including leasehold improvements			
Cost	132,013	49,567	-
Accumulated depreciation	(42,845)	(12,005)	-
	89,168	37,562	-

Reconciliation of movements – 2006	Freehold Land \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Leasehold Improve- ments \$'000	Plant & Equipment \$'000	Capital Work In Progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Concelidated						
Consolidated	111 057	47.007	15 001	150,400	10.000	007.007
Opening net book amount at 1 July 2005	111,057	47,367	15,961	150,409	12,893	337,687
Additions	2,021	7,931	2,797	42,796	20,936	76,481
Disposals	-	(1,093)	-	(1,633)	-	(2,726)
Classified as held for sale or transfers	(1,188)	(4,613)	231	3,251	(3,414)	(5,733)
Depreciation/amortisation expense (note 5)	-	(2,815)	(2,706)	(35,984)	-	(41,505)
Acquisition due to purchase of subsidiaries						
and businesses	102,303	8,077	10,852	28,549	48,026	197,807
Revaluation increments recognised in asset						
revaluation reserve (note 22)	13,097	9,989	-	-	-	23,086
Revaluation losses reversed in the profit and						
loss account	1,188	-	-	-	-	1,188
Foreign currency exchange differences	325	1,080	303	2,906	(231)	4,383
Closing net book amount at 30 June 2006	228,803	65,923	27,438	190,294	78,210	590,668



12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

Reconciliation of movements – 2005	Freehold Land \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Leasehold Improve- ments \$'000	Plant & Equipment \$'000	Capital Work In Progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Consolidated						
Opening net book amount at 1 July 2004	69,185	31,748	8,124	137,697	15,001	261,755
Additions	357	2,262	6,158	38,283	14,833	61,893
Disposals	(800)	-	-	(487)	-	(1,287)
Transfers	324	4,881	3,298	8,068	(16,571)	-
Depreciation/amortisation expense (note 5)	-	(1,954)	(1,242)	(29,588)	-	(32,784)
Acquisition due to purchase of subsidiaries and businesses	8,735	6,911	-	6,556	-	22,202
Write-off assets in a joint venture	-	-	-	(1,371)	(54)	(1,425)
Revaluation increments recognised in asset revaluation reserve (note 22) Revaluation losses reversed in the profit and	35,641	5,312	257	-	-	41,210
loss	1,337	580	_	_	-	1,917
Foreign currency exchange differences	(3,722)	(2,373)	(634)	(8,749)	(316)	(15,794)
Closing net book amount at 30 June 2005	111,057	47,367	15,961	150,409	12,893	337,687

	Consolidated		Parent entity
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$′000
13 DEFERRED TAX ASSETS			
Non-current			
The balance comprises temporary differences attributed to:			
Amounts recognised in profit or loss			
Doubtful debts	3,382	617	-
Accrued expenses	660	4,063	-
Property, plant and equipment	2,935	3,311	-
Provisions	12,007	7,637	•
Retirement benefit obligations	3,059	5,002	•
Other	12,424	796	•
	34,467	21,426	-
Amounts recognised directly in equity			
Retirement benefit obligations	(62)	1,990	-
Cash flow hedges	288	-	-
Net deferred tax assets	34,693	23,416	
Movements:			
Opening balance at 1 July	23,416	18,953	
Change on adoption of AASB 132 and AASB 139 (note 1)	195	-	
Credited/(charged) to the income statement (note 7)	(3,021)	(1,088)	-
Credited/(charged) to equity (note 22)	(1,959)	1,990	-
Acquisition of subsidiary (note 29)	16,062	3,561	-
Closing balance as at 30 June	34,693	23,416	-



	Consoli	dated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
14 INTANGIBLES			
Goodwill	579,075	110,002	-
(a) Reconciliation of consolidated movements			
Opening net book amount at 1 July	110,002	73,360	-
Additions	-	27	-
Acquisition due to purchase of subsidiaries and businesses (note 29)	459,244	46,258	
Foreign currency exchange differences	9,829	(9,643)	_
Closing net book amount at 30 June	579,075	110,002	-
(b) Impairment test for goodwill			
Goodwill is allocated to the Group's cash generating units (CGU's) identified according to country of operation. A segment-level summary of the goodwill allocation is presented below.			
Australia	8,290	8,290	-
North America	486,102	20,897	-
Europe	84,195	80,266	-
New Zealand	488	549	-
	579,075	110,002	-

The recoverable amount of all CGUs is determined based on value in-use calculations. These calculations use a five-year cash flow projection based on the 2007 financial budget approved by management plus an extrapolated four-year forecast. Each of the four years' forecast is based on the average of the previous five years' actual results (2002-2006) and the 2007 financial budget using a nil growth rate. A terminal value is included in the final year of the cash flow calculation using an earnings multiple appropriate to the industry. The cash flows are discounted using an after tax weighted average cost of capital of 12%. The key assumptions used by management relate to expected commodity prices and forecast sales volumes of key products for the next 12 months. These assumptions reflect past experience. The method and key assumptions are the same as used in the preceding year.

	Consolidated		Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
15 PAYABLES			
Current			
Trade creditors	243,931	136,894	-
Other creditors	90,697	37,891	12,568
Deferred income	7,124	7,684	-
	341,752	182,469	12,568
Non-current			
Amounts payable to subsidiaries	-	-	390,963

	Consoli	dated	Parent entity	
	2006	2005	2006	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$′000	
16 BORROWINGS				
Non-current (unsecured) Bank loans	301,459	98,946		
Unsecured bank loans are subject to guarantees/cross guarantees and indemnities (as appropriate) from the parent entity and some of its subsidiaries. Further information relating to interest rates and fair values is set out in note 38.				
Financing arrangements				
Entities in the consolidated group have access to the following credit standby arrangements:				
Unsecured global multi-currency/multi-option				
loan facilities	628,307	379,269		
Amount of credit unused	326,848	278,178		
Unsecured global multi-currency/multi-option loan facilities are provided by a number of the Group's bankers. The loan facilities are subject to annual reviews and have maturity profiles of between 1 and 3 years.				
17 TAX LIABILITIES				
Current Income Tax	22,343	31,627	12,352	
	22,343	31,027	12,33	
Non-current Deferred income tax				
The balance comprises temporary differences attributable to:				
Amounts recognised in profit or loss				
Prepayments	673	715		
Inventories	1,716	1,695		
Depreciation	11,449	3,047		
Other	5,951	1,743		
	19,789	7,200		
Amounts recognised directly in equity				
Revaluation of property plant and equipment	8,955	13,334		
Net deferred tax liability	28,744	20,534		
Movements:				
Opening balance at 1 July	20,534	6,277		
Charged/(credited) to the income statement (note 7)	6,800	923		
Charged/(credited) to equity (note 22)	(4,379)	13,334		
Acquisition of subsidiary (note 29)	5,789	-		
Closing balance as at 30 June	28,744	20,534		

	Consoli	idated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
18 PROVISIONS			
Current			
Employee entitlements	17,907	14,266	-
Other	2,974	1,210	-
	20,881	15,476	-
Non-current			
Employee entitlements	9,236	9,207	-
Environmental compliance	10,546	421	-
	19,782	9,628	

Movements in provisions

Movements in each class of provision during the financial year are set out below.

	Current		Non-current	
	Employee Entitlements \$'000	Other \$'000	Environmental Compliance \$'000	Employee Entitlements \$'000
Consolidated – 2006				
Carrying amount at start of year	14,266	1,210	421	9,207
Reclassifications	45	-	1,340	71
Additional provisions recognised/				
(written back)	13,487	5,349	-	893
Payments	(11,085)	(3,586)	-	(932)
Purchase of subsidiary	1,156	-	8,790	-
Foreign currency exchange differences	38	1	98	(3)
Carrying amount at end of year	17,907	2,974	10,649	9,236

Other current provisions include estimates of claims against Sims Group Limited in relation to stevedoring delays and material quality for ferrous exports. These claims are expected to be settled in the next financial year.

The environmental compliance provision is an estimate of costs for property remediation that will be required in the future. It is not expected that these costs will be incurred in the next financial year.

19 RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

(a) Superannuation plans

All employees of the Group are entitled to receive benefits from the Group's superannuation plans on retirement, disability or death. Three of the Group's plans each have a defined benefit section. The defined benefit sections provide lump sum benefits based on years of service and final average salary. All other plans receive fixed contributions from Group companies and the Group's legal or constructive obligation is limited to those contributions.

The following sets out details in respect of the defined benefits sections only.

	Consol	idated	Parent entity	
	2006	2005	2006	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
19 RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)				
(b) Balance sheet amounts				
The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are determined as follows:				
Present value of the defined benefit obligation	87,062	82,913		
Fair value of defined benefit plan assets	(82,424)	(61,439)	-	
Net liability before adjustment for contributions tax	4,638	21,474	-	
Adjustment for contributions tax	192	719	-	
Net liability in the balance sheet	4,830	22,193		
The Group has no legal obligation to settle this liability with either an immediate contribution or additional one-off contributions. The Group intends to contribute to the defined benefit section of the plans at percentage rates of salaries in line with the actuaries' latest recommendations as set out in note 19(g).				
(c) Categories of plan assets				
The major categories of plan assets are as follows:				
Cash	1,120	2,338		
Equity instruments	38,080	32,159		
Debt instruments	20,881	11,048		
Property	10,822	5,021		
Other assets	11,521	10,873		
	82,424	61,439		
(d) Reconciliations				
Reconciliation of the present value of the defined benefit obligation, which is partly funded:				
Balance at the beginning of the year	82,913	57,964		
Current service cost	3,168	2,244		
Interest cost	3,866	3,036		
Actuarial gains and losses	(2,602)	9,687		
Benefits paid Contributions paid by members	(1,756) 377	(2,460)		
Acquired in business combinations	3//	15,297		
Foreign currency exchange differences	1,096	(3,171)		
Balance at the end of the year	87,062	82,913		
Reconciliation of the fair value of plan assets:		32,313		
Balance at the beginning of the year	61,439	45,433		
Expected return on plan assets	4,472	3,277		
Actuarial gains and losses	3,319	2,580		
Contributions by Group companies	13,677	3,820		
Contributions paid by members	536	496		
Benefits paid	(1,756)	(2,460)		
Acquired in business combinations	-	10,417		
Foreign currency exchange differences	737	(2,124)		
Balance at the end of the year	82,424	61,439		

	Consol	idated	Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$′000
19 RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)			
(e) Amounts recognised in income statement			
Current service cost	3,168	2,244	-
Interest cost	3,866	3,036	-
Expected return on plan assets	(4,472)	(3,277)	-
Total included in employee benefits expense	2,562	2,003	-
Actual return on plan assets	7,791	5,857	-

(f) Principal actuarial assumptions

The principal actuarial assumptions used (expressed as weighted averages) were as follows:

	Consolidated		
	2006	2005	
Australia			
Discount rate	4.8%	4.3%	
Expected return on plan assets	8.0%	8.0%	
Future salary increases	5.0%	5.0%	
United Kingdom			
Discount rate	5.0%	5.8%	
Expected return on plan assets	5.7%	6.5%	
Future salary increases	4.3%	4.5%	
Europe			
Discount rate	4.5%	4.0%	
Expected return on plan assets	4.5%	4.0%	
Future salary increases	3.0%	3.0%	

The expected rate of return on plan assets has been based on historical and future expectations of returns for each of the major categories of asset classes as well as the expected and actual allocation of plan assets to these major categories. This basis resulted in the selection of the weighted average returns of plan assets for each of the defined by defined benefit plans as set out above.

(g) Employer Contributions

Employer contributions to the defined benefit section of the plans are based on recommendations by the plans' actuary. Actuarial assessments are made at no more than one yearly intervals, and the last such assessment was made as at 30 June 2006.

Australia

The objective of funding is to ensure that the benefit entitlements of members and other beneficiaries are fully funded by the time they become payable. To achieve this objective, the actuaries have adopted a method of funding benefits known as the aggregate funding method. This funding method seeks to have benefits funded by means of a total contribution which is expected to be a constant percentage of members' salaries over their working lifetimes.

Using the funding method described above and particular actuarial assumptions as to the plan's future experience (as detailed below), the actuary recommended in their review as at 30 June 2006, a contribution amount that would be sufficient to meet the company's obligations to the defined benefit scheme. Total employer contributions expected to be paid by Group companies for the year ending 30 June 2007 are \$1.794m (parent entity: \$NiI).

This contribution has been adopted by the Group and represents an increase of 1.24% of the Group's contributions from that previously used.

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19 RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

(g) Employer Contributions

Australia (continued)

The economic assumptions used by the actuaries to make the funding recommendations (depending on the fund) were a long term investment earning rate of 8.0% p.a (net of fees and taxes), a salary increase rate of 5.0% p.a together with an age related promotional scale, and an inflation rate of 4.8% p.a.

United Kingdom

The objective of funding is to ensure that the benefit entitlements of members and other beneficiaries are fully funded by the time they become payable. To achieve this objective, the actuary has adopted a method of funding benefits known as the attained age method. This seeks to have future benefit accrual funded by means of a contribution which is expected to be a constant percentage of members' salaries over their working lifetimes.

Using the funding method described above and particular actuarial assumptions as to the plan's future experience (as detailed below), employer contributions have been paid at the rate of 35.7% of members' total pensionable earnings less member contributions following completion of the 2003 actuarial valuation.

Following an informal review carried out by the company's actuarial advisers as at 6 April 2005, an additional employer contribution of \$9.590m was paid in October 2005 in order to eliminate the plan's shortfall. Total employer contributions expected to be paid for the year ending 30 June 2007 are approximately \$1.678m.

The economic assumptions used by the actuary for funding purposes used to make the funding recommendations were a long term investment return of 6.5% p.a. a salary increase rate of 4% p.a. and an inflation rate of 2.5% p.a.

Europe

The objective of funding is to ensure that the benefit entitlements of members and other beneficiaries are fully funded by the time they become payable. To achieve this objective, the actuary has adopted a method of funding benefits known as the attained age method. This seeks to have future benefit accrual funded by means of a contribution which is expected to be a constant percentage of members' salaries over their working lifetimes.

Using the funding method described above and particular actuarial assumptions as to the plan's future experience (as detailed below), the actuary recommended in their review as at 30 June 2006, a contribution amount that would be sufficient to meet the company's obligations to the defined benefit scheme. Total employer contributions expected to be paid by Group companies for the year ending 30 June 2007 are approximately \$0.4m.

The economic assumptions used by the actuary for funding purposes used to make the funding recommendations were a long term investment return of 4.0% p.a. a salary increase rate of 3.0% p.a. and an inflation rate of 4.0% p.a.

	Consoli 2006	Consolidated 2006 2005	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
(h) Historical summary			
Defined benefit plan obligation	87,062	82,913	-
Plan assets	(82,424)	(61,439)	-
Adjustment for contributions tax	192	719	-
Deficit	4,830	22,193	-
Experience adjustments arising on plan liabilities	(2,602)	9,687	
Experience adjustments arising on plan assets	(3,319)	(2,580)	

Information for years prior to 2005 is not available.



	Consolidated		Parent entity	
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000	
20 CONTRIBUTED EQUITY				
(i) Share capital				
Ordinary shares – fully paid	780,108	220,665	2,100,764	

Movement in ordinary share capital - fully paid

	Number of shares issued by :			Equity carryi		
	Date	Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited	Sims Group Limited	Issue price	Consolidated	Parent
Balance at the beginning of the financial year		91,086,086	-	-	220,665	-
Issued on exercise of options under the Option Plan (note 27(ii))	8 July 2005	193,798	-	6.75	1,309	-
Shares exchanged under Scheme of Arrangement		91,279,884	-			
Issued on incorporation of Sims Group Limited	20 June 2005		1			
Issued in exchange for shares in Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited*	31 October 2005		91,279,884	16.90	-	1,542,630
Issued on acquisition of Hugo Neu Corporation operations*	31 October 2005		32,137,071	16.90	543,117	543,117
Issued under the dividend reinvestment plan	13 April 2006		856,529	17.49	15,017	15,017
Issued on exercise of restricted stock units (note 27(iii))	30 June 2006		43,799	-	-	-
Balance at the end of the financial year for accounting purposes			124,317,284		780,108	2,100,764
Issue of ordinary shares under the Sims Group Employee Share Plan deemed to be options for accounting purposes (note 27(i))	22 July 2005		187,164			
Balance at the end of the financial year per share register			124,504,448	-		

Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of shares held. Voting rights attaching to the ordinary shares are, on a show of hands, one vote for every person present as a member, proxy, attorney or representative thereof and, on a poll, one vote per share for every member present in person or by proxy, attorney or representative.

During the year ended 30 June 2005 there was no change in the share capital of the Company.

(ii) Options including ordinary shares deemed to be options noted above

661,562 options over ordinary shares were granted during the financial year. 237,597 options were exercised during the year. The number of options outstanding at the end of the financial year was 617,763 (2005 – 193,798). Further details on options are set out in note 27(vi). With the exception of the shares issued under the Sims Group Employee Share Plan, options carry no voting rights.

^{*} Fair value of shares issued based on Sims Group Limited closing share price of \$16.90 on the date of issue (31 October 2005).

	Consolid	ated	Parent entity	
Notes	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000	
****	7 000		+ 000	
21 STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY				
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year	517,456	440,777		
Adjustment on adoption of AASB 132 and AASB 139, net of tax to:				
Retained profits 22	(455)	_		
Restated total equity at the beginning of the	(22,			
financial year	517,001	440,777	-	
Total recognised income and expense for the year	246,127	195,091	46,422	
Transactions with equity holders in their capacity as				
equity holders: Dividends provided for or paid 23	(128,310)	(118,412)	(45,981)	
Share ownership and option plan expense 27(v)	2,524	(110,412)	2,524	
Issue of ordinary shares, net of transaction costs 20	559,443	_	2,100,764	
Total equity at the end of the financial year	1,196,785	517,456	2,103,729	
22 RESERVES AND RETAINED PROFITS				
Reserves				
Asset revaluation reserve	77.625	E0 170		
	77,635	50,170	2.524	
Share-based payments reserve	2,524	-	2,524	
Cash flow hedging reserve	(72)	-	•	
Defined benefits reserve	(1,248)	(5,117)	•	
Foreign currency translation reserve	(1,250)	(19,014)	-	
	77,589	26,039	2,524	
Movements in reserves were:				
Asset revaluation reserve				
Balance 1 July	50,170	22,294	-	
Increment on revaluation of land, buildings and leasehold improvements	23,086	41,210	_	
Deferred tax on current year movements	(5,173)	(13,334)		
Deferred tax official year movements Deferred tax adjustments on formation of the new	(3,173)	(10,004)	-	
Australian tax consolidated group	9,552	-	-	
Balance 30 June	77,635	50,170	-	
Share-based payments reserve				
Balance 1 July	-	-	-	
Share ownership and option plan expense (note	0.504		0.504	
27(v))	2,524	<u>-</u>	2,524	
Balance 30 June	2,524	-	2,524	
Cash flow hedging reserve				
Balance 1 July	-	-	-	
Adjustment on adoption of AASB 132 and AASB 139, net of tax (note 39)	(455)	_	_	
Revaluation	(360)	_	_	
Deferred tax on revaluation	288	_	_	
Transfer to net profit – gross	650			
Deferred tax on transfer to net profit	(195)			
EXPLORED TO THE HUNDLE TO HELDIVILL	(199)			



	Consoli 2006	2005	Parent entity 2006	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$′000	
22 RESERVES AND RETAINED PROFITS (CONTINUED)				
Defined benefits fund reserve				
Balance 1 July	(5,117)	-	-	
Actuarial gains/(losses)	5,921	(7,107)	-	
Deferred tax on actuarial gains/(losses)	(2,052)	1,990	-	
Balance 30 June	(1,248)	(5,117)	-	
Foreign currency translation reserve				
Balance 1 July	(19,014)	5,685	-	
Currency exchange differences arising during the year	17,764	(24,699)	-	
Balance 30 June	(1,250)	(19,014)	-	

Asset revaluation reserve

The property, plant and equipment revaluation reserve is used to record increments and decrements on the revaluation of non-current assets, as described in note 1(r). The balance standing to the credit of the reserve may be used to satisfy the distribution of bonus shares to shareholders and is only available for the payment of cash dividends in limited circumstances as permitted by law.

Share-based payments reserve

The share-based payments reserve is used to recognise the fair value of options issued but not exercised.

Cash flow hedging reserve

The hedging reserve is used to record gains or losses on a hedging instrument in a cash flow hedge that are recognised directly in equity, as described in note 1(p). Amounts are recognised in profit and loss when the associated hedged transaction affects profit and loss.

Defined benefits fund reserve

The defined benefits fund reserve is used to recognise the unrealised actuarial gains and losses arising from the valuation of defined benefit retirement obligations.

Foreign currency translation reserve

Exchange differences arising on translation of the foreign controlled entity are taken to the foreign currency translation reserve, as described in note 1(d). The reserve is recognised in profit and loss when the net investment is disposed of.

	Consoli 2006 \$'000	idated 2005 \$'000	Parent entity 2006 \$'000
Retained profits			
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year	270,752	192,133	-
Net profit attributable to members of Sims Group Limited	196,646	197,031	46,422
Dividends paid (note 23)	(128,310)	(118,412)	(45,981)
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	339,088	270,752	441

	Consoli 2006 \$'000	i dated 2005 \$'000	Parent entity 2006 \$'000	
23 DIVIDENDS				
Ordinary shares				
Final dividend for the year ended 30 June 2005 paid at 70c per share plus an additional special dividend of 20c per share both franked at 60% based on tax paid at 30% (2004: Final dividend for the year ended 30 June 2004 paid at 60c per share franked at 48% based on tax paid at 30%)	82,329	54,652		
Interim dividend for the year ended 30 June 2006 paid at 45 cents per fully paid ordinary share, franked at 47% based on tax paid at 30% (2005: 70 cents per fully paid ordinary share, franked at 54% based on tax paid at 30%) to shareholders (excluding Hugo Neu Corporation) and an interim dividend of 15 cents per fully paid ordinary share, franked at 47% based on				
tax paid at 30% (2005: nil) to Hugo Neu Corporation.	45,981	63,760	45,981	
Total dividends paid	128,310	118,412	45,981	
Dividends not recognised at year end				
Since year end the directors have determined the payment of a final dividend of 60c per fully paid ordinary share, franked at 51% based on tax paid at 30%. The aggregate amount of the proposed dividend expected to be paid on 20 October 2006 out of consolidated retained profits at 30 June 2006, but not recognised as a liability at year end.	74,702	82,329	74,702	
Franked Dividends				
The franked portion of dividends determined after 30 June 2006 will be franked out of existing franking credits or out of franking credits arising from the payment of income tax in the year ending 30 June 2007.				
Franking credits available for the subsequent financial year (based on tax rate of 30%)	22,777	21,239	22,777	

The above amounts represent the balances of the franking accounts as at the end of the financial year, adjusted for:

- (a) franking credits that will arise from the payment of income tax payable as at the end of the financial year
- (b) franking debits that will arise from the payment of dividends recognised as a liability as at the reporting date, and
- (c) franking credits that will arise from the receipt of dividends recognised as receivables at the reporting date.

The impact on the franking account of the dividend determined by the directors since year end, but not recognised as a liability at year end, will be a reduction in the franking account of \$16.3m (2005: \$21.2m).



	Consoli	dated	Parent entity	
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$′000	
24 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES				
Details and estimated maximum amounts of contingent liabilities (for which no amounts are recognised in the financial statements) arising in respect of:				
Guarantees The parent entity, its subsidiaries, its joint venture operations and its associated companies have given a number of guarantees in respect of the performance of contracts and workers compensation insurance entered into in the ordinary course of business.	8,309	1,207		
Subsidiaries Under the terms of a Deed of Cross Guarantee entered into in accordance with ASIC Class Order 98/1418 (as amended by Class Orders 98/2107, 00/0321, 01/1087, 02/0248 and 02/1017) the parent entity has undertaken to meet any shortfall which might arise on the winding up of controlled entities which are party to the deed as described in note 29. The controlled entities are not in liquidation and there is no indication that they will be wound up.				
25 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS Total capital expenditure contracted for at the balance date but not recognised in the financial statements and payable not later than one year				
– for the acquisition of plant and equipment – for the acquisition of land and buildings	11,313 68	2,822 -		
	11,381	2,822		
Commitments included above relating to joint venture operations and associate companies – for the acquisition of plant and equipment	301	271		
– for the acquisition of land and buildings	68 369	- 271		

The above amounts include Sims Group's share of joint ventures and equity accounted associates.

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	Consoli 2006 \$'000	dated 2005 \$'000	Parent entity 2006 \$'000	
26 LEASE COMMITMENTS				
Commitments in relation to leases contracted for at balance date but not recognised as liabilities, payable:				
Not later than one year	30,736	21,071	-	
Later than one, but not later than five years	79,810	54,699	-	
Later than five years	61,247	34,806		
	171,793	110,576	-	
Representing:				
Cancellable operating leases	2,710	4,103	-	
Non-cancellable operating leases	169,083	106,473		
	171,793	110,576	-	
Commitments for minimum lease payments in relation to non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:				
Not later than one year	29,493	18,982	-	
Later than one, but not later than five years	78,343	52,689	-	
Later than five years	61,247	34,802	-	
	169,083	106,473	-	

The above amounts include Sims Group's share of joint ventures and equity accounted associates.

27 SHARE OWNERSHIP AND OPTION PLANS

(i) Employee share plan

The Executive Long Term Incentive Plan ('LTI Plan') has been established to encourage employees to share in the ownership of the Company, in order to promote the long-term success of the Company as a goal shared by the employees. Offers of shares under the Plan are at the discretion of the parent Company and have been made to Australian based employees in the financial year 2006. The parent Company provides financial assistance in the form of a share secured non-interest bearing employee loan. The loan is repayable in full within five years after the financial assistance is provided or such longer period and in such a manner as the Company may determine.

The beneficial ownership of these shares will vest with employees in line with achievement of continuous service and non-market based performance criteria. The continuous service criterion is met if the 'Participant' is in the employ of the Company at vesting. Periods of continuous service vary according to the vesting periods of the shares that have been offered while non-market based performance criteria are satisfied if the average annual compound growth in the diluted earnings per share of the Company of between 5% and 10% is achieved over periods which vary between three and five years. There is no reward if less than 5% EPS growth is achieved. Holders of the shares are entitled to dividends over the term of the relevant vesting period.

During the period, \$2,085,588 (2005: \$Nil) was advanced to participating employees to enable them to acquire 187,164 shares (2005: Nil) at \$14.99, being 0.15% of the issued capital of the former parent entity (Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited 'SGHAL'). The acquisition price of these shares was based on the five-day weighted average price of that company's shares leading up to the date of issue being 22 July 2005. As a consequence of the Scheme of Arrangement entered into on 31 October 2005, all shares in SGHAL were exchanged in full for shares in the new legal parent entity, Sims Group Limited. Consequently, the amounts receivable from employees have been assigned to Sims Group Limited in full.

These shares are deemed to be share options rather than issued share capital for accounting purposes (refer Note 20(i)). Under AASB 2 *Share Based Payment*, the weighted average fair value of these instruments amounted to \$5.56 each at grant date for executives who commenced in the LTI Plan in the financial year 2003, and \$6.04 for executives who commenced in the LTI Plan in financial year 2006. Fair value has been determined by using the Monte-Carlo Binomial Options Pricing Model. Inputs in the model include expected volatility of 25% p.a. the relevant vesting period, a dividend yield of 5.5% p.a. a risk free rate of 5.22% p.a. and an assessment of the probability of achievement of continuous service and non-market based performance criteria.



27 SHARE OWNERSHIP AND OPTION PLANS (CONTINUED)

(ii) Option plan

A 'CEO Plan' existed for the granting of options over unissued ordinary shares in the parent entity to Mr Sutcliffe, the Group Chief Executive. Options under the CEO Plan were granted for no consideration. This Plan was suspended during the financial year 2003 and replaced by the LTI Plan.

Mr Sutcliffe was issued 193,798 options to acquire shares in SGHAL on 28 February 2002 which were exercisable from 28 February 2005 and expired on 28 March 2007. The fair value of these options at the date of grant was \$1.30 as derived by applying the Black-Scholes options pricing model. During the financial year, all of these options held by Mr Sutcliffe were exercised at a price of \$6.75. The weighted average share price at the date of exercise being 8 July 2005, was \$14.35. The amount received on the exercise of options is recognised as issued capital at the date of issue of the shares. No expense is recognised in respect of these options as described at Note 1(x)(iv).

(iii) Restricted stock units

During the period, the Company granted Restricted Stock Units ('RSUs') to select North American executives. An RSU provides the executive with a contractual right to acquire one ordinary share in Sims Group Limited for nil consideration. RSUs vest based on a combination of achievement of continuous service and non-market based performance criteria. Continuous service ranges from 8 months (from 1 November 2005) to 3 years and 8 months (until June 2009) while performance criteria involve the achievement of a three-year earnings per share compound annual growth rates of 8% on Sim Group Limited shares for periods up to 30 June 2009. Holders of the RSU are not entitled to dividends over the term of the relevant vesting period.

RSUs are granted for no consideration and vest over dates ranging from 30 June 2006 to 30 June 2009. The weighted average fair value of RSUs granted amounted to \$14.72 each at grant date. Fair value has been determined with reference to a dividend yield of 5.5% p.a, expected vesting dates and an assessment of the probability of achievement of continuous service and non-market based performance criteria. The number of RSUs issued was based upon a Company share price of \$16.68 being the price applicable at the date the RSUs were granted.

Set out below is a summary of RSUs in the Company:

Grant Date	Balance at	Granted	Exercised	Forfeited	Balance	Exercisable
	start of the	during	during	during	at end of	at end of
	year	the year	the year	the year	the year	the year
1 November 2005	-	324,507	(43,799)	-	280,708	-

(iv) Performance rights

During the period, the Company granted performance rights to both the Group Chief Executive and Executive Director – Group Finance and Strategy. A performance right is a contractual right to acquire an ordinary share in Sims Group Limited for nil consideration. These performance rights vest based on the achievement of both continuous service and non-market based performance criteria. Continuous service covers periods extending to 31 October 2010 for the Group Chief Executive and 30 June 2008 for the Executive Director – Group Finance and Strategy. The non-market based performance criteria are measured with reference to a target earnings per share compound annual growth rate of 8% on Sim Group Limited shares for periods up to 31 October 2010 for the Group Chief Executive and 30 June 2008 for the Executive Director – Group Finance and Strategy, subject to periodic retesting.

The total number of performance rights granted during the period amounted to 149,891 all of which remained outstanding as at period end. The earliest vesting date for performance rights is 31 October 2006. The weighted average fair value of performance rights granted amounted to \$14.18 in respect of the Group Chief Executive and \$14.81 in respect of the Executive Director – Group Finance and Strategy. Fair value has been determined with reference to a dividend yield of 5.5% p.a, expected vesting dates and an assessment of the probability of achievement of continuous service and non-market based performance criteria.

	Consoli 2006 \$′000	dated 2005 \$'000	Parent entity 2006 \$'000
27 SHARE OWNERSHIP AND OPTION PLANS (CONTINUED)			
(v) Effect of share based payments on profit and loss Total expenses arising from share-based payment transactions recognised during the period as part of employee benefit expense were as follows:			
Shares issued under the employee share plan	886	-	-
RSUs issued	1,350	-	-
Performance rights issued	288	-	-
	2,524	-	-

(vi) Summary of share ownership and option plan grants

	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Forfeited during the year	Balance at end of the year	Exercisable at end of the year
Employee share plan	-	187,164	-	-	187,164	-
Option plan	193,798	-	(193,798)	-	-	-
Restricted stock units	-	324,507	(43,799)	-	280,708	-
Performance rights	-	149,891	-	-	149,891	-
	193,798	661,562	(237,597)	-	617,763	-

28 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES

(a) Directors

The following persons were directors of Sims Group Limited during the financial year:

(i) Chairman – non-executive

P Mazoudier

(ii) Executive directors

- J Neu, Vice Chairman (appointed 31 October 2005)
- J L Sutcliffe, Group Chief Executive
- R B Cunningham, Executive Director Group Finance and Strategy

(iii) Non-executive directors

G N Brunsdon

A C Copeman (retired 18 November 2005)

B Every (appointed 24 October 2005)

J M Feeney

P Varello (appointed 31 October 2005)

28 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(b) Other key management personnel

The following persons also had the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group, directly or indirectly, during the financial year:

Name	Position
C R Jansen	Chief Executive – Sims Hugo Neu
D R McGree	Managing Director – Australia & New Zealand
W T Bird	Managing Director - Metals Recycling - UK
G Davy	Managing Director – Sims Recycling Solutions – Europe & North America
R R Brown	General Manager – NZ (Retired 3 July 2006)

	Consoli 2006 \$'000	idated 2005 \$'000	Parent entity 2006 \$'000
(c) Key management personnel compensation	+ 333	Ψ 0 0 0	+ 000
Short-term benefits	7,759,652	6,294,191	1,270,987
Long-term benefits	1,198,960	955,862	-
Post-employment benefits	1,373,587	740,803	-
Share based payments	1,367,489	736,539	-
	11,699,688	8,727,395	1,270,987

The company has taken advantage of the relief provided by ASIC Class Order 06/50 and has transferred the detailed remuneration disclosures to the directors' report.

(d) Equity instrument disclosures relating to key management personnel

(i) Options provided as remuneration and shares issued on exercise of such options

Details of options provided as remuneration and shares issued on the exercise of such options, together with terms and conditions of the options, can be found in the remuneration report.

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28 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(d) Equity instrument disclosures relating to key management personnel (continued)

(ii) Option holdings

The numbers of options over ordinary shares in the company held during the financial year by each director of Sims Group Limited and other key management personnel, including their personally related parties, are set out below.

2006 Name	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year as compensation	Exercised during the year	Other changes during the year	Balance at end of the year	Vested and exercisable at end of the year
Directors of Sims Group Limited						
P K Mazoudier	-	-	-	-	-	-
J Neu (appointed 31 October 2005)	-	-	-	-	-	-
JL Sutcliffe						
Option plan	193,798	-	(193,798)	-	-	-
Employee share plan	-	90,517	-	-	90,517	-
Performance rights	-	119,913	-	-	119,913	-
R B Cunningham						
Employee share plan	-	11,879	-	-	11,879	-
Performance rights	-	29,978	-	-	29,978	-
G N Brunsdon	-	-	-	-	-	-
A C Copeman (retired 18 November 2005)	_	_	_	_	_	_
B Every (appointed 24 October 2005)	_	-	-	-	-	-
J M Feeney	-	-	-	-	-	-
P Varello (appointed 31 October 2005)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	193,798	252,287	(193,798)	-	252,287	-
Other key management personnel of the Group C R Jansen						
Restricted stock units		79,634	(19,909)		59,725	_
D R McGree		70,004	(10,000)		00,720	
Employee share plan	_	9,427	_	_	9,427	_
W T Bird	_	-	_	_	-	_
G Davy	_	_	_	_	_	_
R R Brown	_	_	_	_	_	_
	_	89,061	(19,909)		69,152	_

No other director or key management personnel held, was granted or exercised any options.



28 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(d) Equity instrument disclosures relating to key management personnel (continued)

(ii) Option holdings (continued)

2005 Name	Balance at start of the year	Granted during the year as compensation	Exercised during the year	Other changes during the year	Balance at end of the year	Vested and exercisable at end of the year
Directors of Sims Group Limited						
P K Mazoudier	-	-	-	-	-	-
J L Sutcliffe						
Option plan	193,798	-	-	-	193,798	193,798
R B Cunningham	-	-	-	-	-	-
G N Brunsdon	-	-	-	-	-	-
A C Copeman	-	-	-	-	-	-
J M Feeney	-	-	-	-	-	-
	193,798	-	-	-	193,798	193,798
Other key management personnel of the Group						
C R Jansen	-	-	-	-	-	-
D R McGree	-	-	-	-	-	-
W T Bird	-	-	-	-	-	-
G Davy	-	-	-	-	-	-
R R Brown	-	=	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

No other director or key management personnel held, was granted or exercised any options.

(iii) Share holdings

The numbers of shares in the company during the financial year by each director of Sims Group Limited and other key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties, are set out below. There were no shares granted during the reporting period as compensation.

2006 Name	Balance at start of the year	Received during the year on the exercise of options	Other changes during the year	Balance at end of the year
Directors of Sims Group Limited				
P K Mazoudier	14,082	-	-	14,082
J Neu, Vice Chairman (appointed 31 October 2005)	-	-	32,263,924	32,263,924
J L Sutcliffe	2,000	193,798	(95,281)	100,517
R B Cunningham	-	-	11,879	11,879
G N Brunsdon	3,250	-	62	3,312
A C Copeman (retired 18 November 2005)	7,791	-	(7,791)	-
B Every (appointed 24 October 2005)	-	-	4,000	4,000
J M Feeney	25,504	-	-	25,504
P Varello (appointed 31 October 2005)	-	-	-	-
	52,627	193,798	32,176,793	32,423,218

The shares issued to J Neu formed part of the consideration paid for the purchase by Sims Group Limited of the recycling operations in North America from Hugo Neu Corporation.

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28 KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(d) Equity instrument disclosures relating to key management personnel (continued)

(iii) Share holdings (continued)

2006 Name	Balance at start of the year	Received during the year on the exercise of options	Other changes during the year	Balance at end of the year
Other key management personnel of the Group				
C R Jansen	-	19,909	-	19,909
D R McGree	-	-	9,427	9,427
W T Bird	-	-	-	-
G Davy	-	-	-	-
R R Brown	-	-	-	-
	-	19,909	9,427	29,336

2005 Name	Balance at start of the year	Received during the year on the exercise of options	Other changes during the year	Balance at end of the year
Directors of Sims Group Limited				
P K Mazoudier	14,082	-	-	14,082
J L Sutcliffe	2,000	-	-	2,000
R B Cunningham	43,000	-	(43,000)	-
G N Brunsdon	3,250	-	-	3,250
A C Copeman	7,791	-	-	7,791
J M Feeney	25,504	-	-	25,504
	95,627	-	(43,000)	52,627
Other key management personnel of the Group				
C R Jansen	-	-	-	-
D R McGree	-	-	-	-
W T Bird	-	-	-	-
G Davy	-	-	-	-
R R Brown	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

(e) Other transactions with key management personnel

Transactions entered into with directors of Sims Group Limited and other key management personnel of the Group, including their personally related parties are at normal commercial terms. During the year JM Feeney and GN Brundson were paid \$15,000 and \$40,000 respectively for the assistance they gave in connection with the Hugo Neu acquisition due diligence. Entities associated with J Neu were paid or are entitled to receive interest amounting to \$600,000 on the balance outstanding of the purchase consideration relating to the Hugo Neu merger.



29 SUBSIDIARIES

	Country of	Equity	
Name of entity	incorporation	holding	
(Indentation indicates ownership relationship)		2006	2005
		%	%
Sims Group Limited			
Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited (i)	Australia	100	100
PNG Recycling Limited	PNG	100	100
Sims Aluminium Pty Limited (i)	Australia	100	100
Sims E-Recycling Pty Limited	Australia Canada	90	100
Sims Group Canada Holdings Limited Sims Tyrecycle Properties Pty Limited	Australia	100 100	100 100
Sims Tyrecycle Properties Pty Limited Sims Tyrecycle Pty Limited (i)	Australia	100	100
Simsmetal Finance Limited (iv)	Australia	-	100
Simsmetal Holdings Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Sims Asia Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	100	100
Sims Energy Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Sims Group USA Corporation	USA	100	100
Sims Industrial Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Simsmetal Industries Limited	New Zealand	100	100
Simsmetal Services Pty Limited (i)	Australia	100	100
Sims Manufacturing Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Simsmetal Executive Staff Superannuation Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Universal Inspection and Testing Company Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Simsmetal Staff Equity Pty Limited	Australia	100	100
Sims Group UK Holdings Limited	UK	100	100
Sims Group UK Intermediate Holdings Limited	UK	100	100
Sims Group UK Limited	UK	100	100
Mirec AB	Sweden	100	100
Mirec BV	Netherlands	100	100
De Valk Glas BV (iv)	Netherlands	-	100
Limburg Glas BV (iv)	Netherlands	-	100
ICR Business BV (iv)	Netherlands	-	100
Mirec NV	Belgium UK	100	100
Mirec Asset Management Croup Limited	UK	100 100	100 100
Mirec Asset Management Group Limited Mirec Asset Management Limited	UK	100	100
Frazier Europe Limited	UK	100	100
Lot 1 Co UK Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Glos) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Northern) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Reclamation) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (SouthEast) Limited	UK	100	100
Blackbushe Metals (Western) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Fraser) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Elliott) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (SouthWest) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Wessex Holdings) Limited (iv)	UK	-	100
Simsmetal UK (Wessex) Limited	UK	100	100
SK Stainless Limited	UK	100	100
United Castings Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Midwest) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK (Southern) Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK Pension Trustees Limited	UK	100	100
Simsmetal UK Recycling Limited	UK	100	100
Sims Hugo Neu Corporation	USA	100	-
SHN Co LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
HNW Recycling LLC (ii)	USA	100	-

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	Country of	Equity	
Name of entity	incorporation	holding	
(Indentation indicates ownership relationship)		2006	2005
		%	%
Sims Group Limited			
HNE Recycling LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
Alameda Street Metal Corp (ii) (v)	USA	100	-
Dover Barge Company (ii) (vi)	USA	100	-
North Carolina Recycling LLC (ii) (v)	USA	100	-
North Carolina Resource Conservation LLC (ii) (v)	USA	100	-
Pacific Bulk Loading Inc (ii) (v)	USA	100	-
Pacific Industrial Metal Corp (ii) (v)	USA	100	-
Sims Hugo Neu East (ii) (iii) (v)	USA	100	-
Schiabo Larovo Company LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
Schiabo Larovo AR LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
Sims Hugo Neu West (ii) (iii) (v)	USA	100	-
Etiwanda Development LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
Sims Hugo Neu Global Trade LLC (ii)	USA	100	-
HNS Scrap Corporation (ii)	USA	100	-

- (i) These subsidiaries and the Company are parties to a Deed of Cross Guarantee under which each entity guarantees the debts of the others. By entering into the deed, the wholly-owned entities have been relieved from the requirement to prepare a financial report and directors' report under Class Order 98/1418 (as amended by Class Orders 98/2017, 00/0321, 01/1087, 02/0248 and 02/1017) issued by the Australian Securities & Investments Commission. The above entities represent a Closed Group and an Extended Closed Group for the purposes of the Class Order.
- (ii) These subsidiaries were acquired during the year.
- (iii) These subsidiaries are general partnerships.
- (iv) These subsidiaries were de-registered or liquidated during the year.
- (v) These subsidiaries are 50% owned by HNW Recycling LLC and 50% owned by HNE Recycling LLC.
- (vi) This subsidiary is owned 33.3% each by Sims Hugo Neu East, HNE Recycling LLC and HNW Recycling LLC.

The voting power held in each subsidiary is proportionate to the equity holdings.

Subsidiaries and businesses acquired during the year ended 30 June 2005:

On 5 October 2004 Sims Group UK Limited purchased the issued capital of the Mirec Group of Companies for \$55.961m. The business recycles and recovers a wide range of electrical, electronic and IT equipment and operates dedicated plants for the recycling of cathode ray tubes from TV and computer monitors and for the 'asset management' of reuseable equipment and components. It operates businesses throughout the Benelux countries, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

On 30 May 2005 Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited purchased an 'e-waste' business from Volante Pty Limited for \$157,000. The fee for service recycling business will result in the recovery of metals, circuit boards plastics and CRT glass.

Subsidiaries and businesses acquired during the year ended 30 June 2006:

On 31 October 2005 Sims Group Limited acquired substantially all of the recycling operations of Hugo Neu Corporation for \$587.6 million. The consideration given comprised 32,137,071 ordinary shares in Sims Group Limited with a fair value of \$543.1m and the balance paid/payable in cash. The operating results of the newly acquired subsidiaries have been included in the consolidated income since the date of acquisition.

The acquired businesses contributed net profit after tax of \$31.5m to the Group for the period 1 November 2005 to 30 June 2006. Consolidated revenue and net profit before tax of the acquired businesses for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006, as if the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of this period, are unavailable as the acquired entity did not prepare consolidated accounts. For the same reason the amounts recognised by the vendor immediately before acquisition for each class of asset and liability are not available.

The acquisition amounts in the parent company shown under the heading of investments in the table below, comprise the shares acquired in the former Hugo Neu operations as described above (\$587.6m), 100% of the shares in Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited as a consequence of the group restructure as described in note 1(a) (\$1,542.6m) and the acquisition of Sims Group UK Holdings Limited from Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited for \$377.0m on 29 June 2006.



Fair value of assets and liabilities as at acquisition dates

The 2006 amounts set out in the table below reflect provisional fair values of assets and liabilities acquired and goodwill at acquisition date. In particular, the determination of the amount of the deferred tax assets and liabilities has not been finalised because this is dependent on the vendor finalising certain aspects of its tax affairs. The provisional amounts represent Sims Group Limited management's best estimates of the deferred tax amounts. However it is possible that, when the data required to finalise the tax position at acquisition is provided by the vendor, adjustments may be required to the deferred tax amounts with a corresponding adjustment to the goodwill arising on acquisition.

	Consolidated		Parent entity
	2006	2005	2006
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash	3,354	1,424	-
Receivables	138,171	8,243	-
Prepayments	5,278	2,136	-
Inventories	78,094	3,785	-
Property, plant & equipment	197,807	22,202	-
Deferred tax asset	16,062	3,561	-
Investments	-	-	2,507,184
Trade and other creditors	(68,296)	(26,337)	-
Bank loans	(226,425)	-	-
Deferred tax liability	(5,789)	-	-
Employee entitlement provisions	(1,156)	(274)	-
Retirement benefit obligation	-	(4,880)	-
Environmental provision	(8,790)	-	-
Net assets of entity	128,310	9,860	2,507,184
Goodwill on acquisition	459,244	46,258	-
Consideration paid	587,554	56,118	2,507,184
Consideration paid			
Shares issued (note 20)	543,117		2,085,747
Balance of purchase consideration paid to vendor	13,459	56,118	2,003,141
Balance of purchase consideration payable to vendor	12,568	50,110	12,568
Balance of purchase consideration payable to vendor	12,300		12,500
Sims Group UK Holdings Limited acquisition	_	_	377,000
Balance of purchase consideration payable to subsidiary re			, , , , , ,
Hugo Neu operations acquisition	-	-	13,459
Total consideration payable/paid to vendor	569,144	56,118	2,488,774
Direct costs relating to the acquisition	18,410	-	18,410
	587,554	56,118	2,507,184
Outflow of cash to acquire subsidiaries and businesses,			
net of cash acquired			
Consideration paid	587,554	56,118	2,507,184
Less: Non-cash consideration – shares issued	(543,117)	-	(2,085,747)
Less: Non-cash consideration – subsidiary company			(400,000)
financed	/60 F00\	-	(408,869)
Less: Amounts payable	(12,568)	- (4, 40.4)	(12,568)
Less: Cash acquired	(3,354)	(1,424)	•
Net cash outflow	28,515	54,694	-

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The goodwill is attributable to several factors including; site locations, synergies existing in the operations acquired, and the assembled workforce which together contribute to the high profitability of the acquired businesses.

Sims Group Limited, Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited, Sims Aluminium Pty Limited, Simsmetal Services Pty Limited and Sims Tyrecycle Pty Limited are parties to a deed of cross guarantee under which each company guarantees the debts of the others. By entering the deed, the wholly-owned entities have been relieved from the requirements to prepare a financial report and directors' report under Class Order 98/1418 (as amended) issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

(a) Condensed consolidated income statement and summary of movements in consolidated retained profits
The above companies represent a 'Closed Group' for the purposes of the Class Order. As there are no other parties to the
Deed of Cross Guarantee that are controlled by Sims Group Limited, they also represent the 'Extended Closed Group'.

Set out below is a condensed consolidated income statement and a summary of movements in consolidated retained profits for the year ended 30 June 2006 of the Closed Group.

	Conso	lidated
	2006	2005
	\$'000	\$'000
Condensed income statement		
Profit before income tax	186,923	152,071
Income tax expense	(30,473)	(33,594)
Profit for the year	156,450	118,477
Summary of movements in consolidated retained profits		
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year	43,686	43,621
Profit for the year	156,450	118,477
Dividends provided for or paid	(128,310)	(118,412)
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	71,826	43,686
(b) Condensed balance sheet		
Set out below is a consolidated balance sheet as at 30 June 2006 of the		
Closed Group.		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	778	946
Receivables	99,645	89,693
Inventories	100,682	74,897
Derivative financial instruments	585	-
Total current assets	201,690	165,536
Non-current assets		
Receivables		265
Other financial assets	789,002	194,103
Property, plant and equipment	90,715	84,358
Deferred tax assets	5,334	4,307
Intangible assets	8,158	8,156
Total non-current assets	893,209	291,189
Total assets	1,094,899	456,725
Current liabilities		
Payables	160,063	96,834
Derivative financial instruments	200	-
Current tax liabilities	15,077	25,638
Provisions	10,340	12,379
Total current liabilities	185,680	134,851

	Conso	lidated
	2006	2005
	\$′000	\$'000
29 SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)		
(b) Condensed balance sheet (continued)		
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	32,121	36,770
Deferred tax liabilities	1,656	3,534
Provisions	9,413	9,085
Retirement benefit obligations	1,288	4,786
Total non-current liabilities	44,478	54,175
Total liabilities	230,158	189,026
Net assets	864,741	267,699
Equity		
Contributed equity	780,108	220,665
Reserves	12,807	3,348
Retained profits	71,826	43,686
Total equity	864,741	267,699

30 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

(a) Carrying amounts
Information relating to the associates is set out below.

Name of Associate	Principal Activity	Country of Incorporation	Ownershi 2006	p Interest 2005		ed carrying it \$'000 2005	Parent entity carrying amount \$'000 2006
Diahmand Ctaal	Metal		2000	2003	2000	2003	2000
Richmond Steel Recycling Limited	Recycling	Canada	50.0%	50.0%	11,730	9,131	_
Landfill Management	Landfill Gas	Cariada	30.0 /0	30.070	11,700	0,101	
Services Pty Limited	Management	Australia	50.0%	25.0%	9,549	626	_
Australian Refined	Metal				.,.		
Alloys Pty Limited	Recycling	Australia	50.0%	50.0%	-	-	-
Australian Refined							
Alloys Sales Pty	Metal						
Limited	Recycling	Australia	50.0%	50.0%	-	-	-
Extruded Metals							
(New Zealand)	Metal	NIZ	22.00/	22.00/			
Limited Sims Pacific Metals	Recycling Metal	NZ	33.0%	33.0%	-	-	-
Limited	Recycling	NZ	50.0%	50.0%	482	515	_
Consolidated	riccycling	INZ	30.0 /0	30.070	402	313	
Extrusions Pty	Metal						
Limited	Recycling	Australia	33.3%	33.3%	-	_	-
Consolidated							
Extrusions							
(Management) Pty	Metal						
Limited	Recycling	Australia	33.3%	33.3%	-	-	-
					21,761	10,272	-

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	carr amo \$'0	Consolidated carrying amount \$′000	
	2006	2005	2006
30 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (CONTINUED)			
(b) Movements in carrying amounts			
Carrying amount at the beginning of the financial year	10,272	7,821	-
Acquired during the year on conversion of convertible notes	8,000	-	-
Share of profits after income tax	2,874	2,626	-
Foreign currency translation reserve	615	(175)	-
Carrying amount at the end of the financial year	21,761	10,272	-
(c) Share of associates' profits or losses			
Profit before income tax	4,164	3,961	-
Income tax expense	(1,290)	(1,335)	-
Profit after income tax	2,874	2,626	-

		Group's	share of:	
	Assets \$'000	Liabilities \$'000	Revenues \$'000	Profit \$'000
(d) Summarised financial information of associates				
2006				
Richmond Steel Recycling Limited	14,434	2,197	29,172	1,717
Landfill Management Services Pty Limited	15,586	9,422	5,849	1,157
Australian Refined Alloys Pty Limited	796	788	17,523	-
Australian Refined Alloys Sales Pty Limited	-	-	31,454	-
Extruded Metals (New Zealand) Limited	-	-	-	-
Sims Pacific Metals Limited	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Extrusions Pty Limited	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Extrusions (Management) Pty Limited	-	-	-	-
	30,816	12,407	83,998	2,874
2005				
Richmond Steel Recycling Limited	10,597	1,321	25,645	2,347
Landfill Management Services Pty Limited	5,444	4,808	1,900	279
Australian Refined Alloys Pty Limited	1,165	1,152	16,597	-
Australian Refined Alloys Sales Pty Limited	-	-	27,691	-
Extruded Metals (New Zealand) Limited	-	-	-	-
Sims Pacific Metals Limited	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Extrusions Pty Limited	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Extrusions (Management) Pty Limited	-	-	-	-
	17,206	7,281	71,833	2,626

The consolidated entity's share of the associates' contingent liabilities and capital expenditure commitments is included in notes 24 and 25.



31 INTERESTS IN JOINT VENTURES

The consolidated entity has the following interests in joint venture operations:

- 50% interest in the Australian Refined Alloys unincorporated joint venture, the principal activity of which is the production of lead, lead alloys and related products.
- 50% interest in the New Zealand based Sims Pacific Metals unincorporated joint venture, the principal activity of which is the processing and sale of ferrous and non-ferrous secondary raw materials.
- 50% interest in the UK based End of Life Vehicle Information Systems joint venture which does not trade at present.
- 33.3% interest in the Consolidated Extrusions unincorporated joint venture, the principal activity of which is the production and sale of extruded brass and copper products.

The consolidated entity's interest in assets employed in the joint ventures is included in the balance sheets under the classifications shown below:

	Conso	Consolidated	
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash assets	2,258	1,746	-
Receivables	10,821	20,339	-
Inventories	4,527	9,622	-
Deferred tax assets	1,037	2,122	
Non-current assets classified as held for sale – land and buildings	5,733	-	
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	7,173	8,953	-
Goodwill	296	300	-
Total assets	31,845	43,082	-
Current liabilities			
Payables	7,788	10,166	-
Current tax liabilities	3,051	5,161	
Provisions	1,493	802	-
Non-current liabilities			
Provisions	212	531	-
Total liabilities	12,544	16,660	-
Share of net assets employed in joint ventures	19,301	26,422	-

The consolidated entity's share of joint venture contingent liabilities and capital expenditure commitments is included in notes 24 and 25.

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32 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Parent entity

The parent entity of the consolidated group is Sims Group Limited.

(b) Subsidiaries

Interests held in subsidiaries are set out in note 29.

(c) Key management personnel

Disclosures relating to key management personnel are set out in note 28.

(d) Transactions with related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

	Conso	Parent entity	
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Tax consolidation legislation			
Current tax payable assumed from wholly-owned tax			
consolidation entities	-	-	12,428
Dividend revenue			
Received from subsidiaries	-	-	46,600
Management fee			
Received from subsidiaries	-	-	1,017
Superannuation contributions			
Contributions to superannuation funds on behalf of employees	18,437	5,810	
(e) Outstanding balances arising from transactions		2,2	
with related entities			
The following balances are outstanding at the reporting date			
in relation to transactions with related parties: Current receivables (tax funding agreement)			
Subsidiaries			12,428
Current payables (balance of purchase costs of subsidiaries)		_	12,420
Director related entities	12,568	_	12,568
No provision for doubtful debts have been raised in relation	12,300		12,500
to any outstanding balances, and no expense has been			
recognised in respect of bad or doubtful debts due from			
related parties.			
(f) Loans to from/related parties			
Loans from subsidiaries			
Beginning of the year	-	-	-
Loans advanced	-	-	390,963
Loan repayments received	-	-	•
End of year	-	-	390,963
Loans to associates		0.000	
Beginning of the year	8,000	6,000	•
Loans advanced	- (0.055)	2,000	-
Convertible notes converted to equity	(8,000)	-	-
End of year	-	8,000	-

No provision for doubtful debts have been raised in relation to any outstanding balances, and no expense has been recognised in respect of bad or doubtful debts due from related parties.

(g) Terms and conditions

The terms and conditions of the tax funding agreement are set out in note 7.

Loans from subsidiaries bear interest at commercial rates.

All other transactions were made on normal commercial terms and conditions and at market rates.



33 SEGMENT REPORTING

Geographical segments

The major geographical areas of operation are as follows:

- Australia comprising Australia and Papua New Guinea
- North America comprising the United States of America and Canada
- New Zealand
- Europe comprising United Kingdom, Sweden, Holland and Denmark

Business segments

The consolidated entity operates predominantly in the secondary metal recycling industry. Its core business involves:

- > Ferrous secondary recycling comprising the collection, processing and trading of iron and steel secondary raw material.
- Non-ferrous secondary recycling comprising the collection, processing and trading of other metal alloys and residues, principally aluminium, lead, copper, zinc and nickel bearing materials.
- Secondary processing comprising value added processes involving the melting, refining and ingoting of certain non-ferrous metals, the production of extruded products and the reclamation and reprocessing of plastics.
- Recycling solutions comprising the provision of environmentally responsible solutions to the disposal of post consumer products. It offers fee for service business opportunities in the environmentally responsible recycling of negative value materials including refrigerators, electrical and electronic equipment, and tyres.

Primary reporting – geographical segments

			2	006		
					Inter-segment	
	Australia \$'000	North America \$'000	New Zealand \$'000	Europe \$'000	eliminations/ unallocated \$'000	Consolidated \$'000
Sales to external customers (note (a))	1,145,667	1,735,204	79,033	792,503	-	3,752,407
Intersegment sales (note (b))	1,273	-	-	-	(1,273)	-
Total sales revenue	1,146,940	1,735,204	79,033	792,503	(1,273)	3,752,407
Share of net profits of associates	1,350	1,524	-	-	-	2,874
Other revenue/income	931	1,106	65	-	-	2,102
Total segment revenue/income	1,149,221	1,737,834	79,098	792,503	(1,273)	3,757,383
Segment result	109,276	114,706	10,796	50,821	-	285,599
Unallocated revenue less unallocated expenses						-
Profit before income tax						285,599
Income tax expense						(88,953)
Profit for the year						196,646
Segment and Total Assets	376,408	1,126,863	26,092	408,476	-	1,937,839
Segment and Total Liabilities	162,920	366,795	12,763	198,576	-	741,054
Investment in associates	9,549	11,730	482	-	-	21,761
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment, intangibles and other						
non-current segment assets	26,587	240,792	833	13,285	-	281,497
Depreciation and amortisation expense	12,497	14,397	1,336	13,275	-	41,505
Impairment of goodwill	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment of trade receivables	253		37	696	-	986
Other non-cash expenses	10,820	10,476	230	1,823	-	23,349

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33 SEGMENT REPORTING (CONTINUED)

Primary reporting – geographical segments (continued)

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	2005						
	Inter-segment North New eliminations/						
	Australia \$'000	America \$'000	Zealand \$'000	Europe \$'000	unallocated \$'000	Consolidated \$'000	
Sales to external customers (note (a))	1,157,628	582,956	83,839	740,624	-	2,565,047	
Intersegment sales (note (b))	579	-	-	-	(579)	-	
Total sales revenue	1,158,207	582,956	83,839	740,624	(579)	2,565,047	
Share of net profits of associates Other revenue/income	344 312	2,282 178	- 66	-	-	2,626 556	
Total segment revenue	1,158,863	585,416	83,905	740,624	(579)	2,568,229	
Segment result	105,067	99,540	14,054	65,586		284,247	
Unallocated revenue less unallocated expenses							
Profit before income tax						284,247	
Income tax expense						(87,216)	
Profit for the year						197,031	
Segment and Total Assets	365,268	178,697	23,276	331,088	-	898,329	
Segment and Total Liabilities	179,230	15,740	14,148	171,755	-	380,873	
Investment in associates	627	9,130	515	_	-	10,272	
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment, intangibles and other non-current segment assets	26,895	15,452	1,390	38,351	-	82,088	
Depreciation and amortisation expense	11,675	7,549	1,259	12,301	-	32,784	
Impairment of goodwill	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Impairment of inventories	2,794	863	216	_	-	3,873	
Impairment of trade receivables	1,617	-	1	12	-	1,630	
Other non-cash expenses	12,381	1,468	217	(1,031)	-	13,035	

Note (a) Sales to external customers

The segment reporting above is based on geographical location of assets and revenues as reported by the segment recording the sale. An analysis of revenues allocated by the geographical location of external customers is set out below.

	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000
Australia	459,239	576,122
New Zealand	42,650	46,667
North America	528,746	243,803
Europe	816,264	564,289
Asia including China, Malaysia, India etc	1,848,080	1,134,166
Middle East	57,428	-
	3,752,407	2,565,047



33 SEGMENT REPORTING (CONTINUED)

Primary reporting – geographical segments (continued)

Note (b) Intersegment sales

Segment revenues, expenses and results include transfers between segments. Such transfers are priced on an "arm's-length basis" and are eliminated on consolidation.

Secondary reporting – business segments

	Segment revenues from sales to external customers Segment Assets				Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment, intangibles and other non-current segment		
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	Segmen 2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	
Ferrous metal recycling Non-ferrous metal recycling Secondary processing Recycling Solutions	2,259,112 1,082,681 240,034 170,580	1,598,441 625,532 239,058 102.016	1,124,108 338,725 181,572 293,434	520,483 156,836 84,071 136,939	199,398 29,146 10,327 42,626	58,147 8,499 3,012 12,430	
	3,752,407	2,565,047	1,937,839	898,329	281,497	82,088	

	Consolidated		
	2006	2005	
34 EARNINGS PER SHARE	Cents Pe	r share	
Basic earnings per share	174.2	216.3	
Diluted earnings per share	173.7	216.1	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Earnings used in calculating basic and diluted earnings per share	196,646	197,031	
	Number	of Shares	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating basic earnings per share Adjustments for calculation of diluted earnings per share	112,856,555	91,086,086	
Options, including ordinary shares issued under the Sims Group Employee Share Scheme deemed to be options for accounting purposes	336,281	93,519	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and potential ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating diluted earnings per share	113,192,836	91,179,605	
The weighted average number of converted potential ordinary shares included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share amounted to	192,321	-	

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	Conso	lidated	Parent entity
	2006 \$′000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
35 CASH FLOW INFORMATION			
(i) Reconciliation of cash			
Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the			
statements of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statements of financial position as follows:			
Contraction to the contraction of	40.007	1 507	
Cash at bank and on hand	10,637	1,567	
Short term deposits	5,163	44,441	
Cash and cash equivalents	15,800	46,008	
Details of interest rates and fair values are set out in note 38.			
(ii) Reconciliation of profit after income tax expense to net			
cash inflow from operating activities			
Profit for the year	196,646	197,031	46,422
Depreciation and amortisation of property, plant and equipment	41,505	32,784	
Net loss/(profit) on disposal of non-current assets	705	(2,794)	
Write-down of assets in a joint venture	-	2,043	
Revaluation losses reversed in the profit and loss	(1,188)	(1,917)	
Non-cash employee benefits expense	2,524	-	
Share of profits of associates not received as dividends	(2,874)	(2,626)	
Dividend re-investment plan	-	-	-
Change in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions and disposals of entities:			
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other debtors	4,186	(9,940)	(12,428)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(104,137)	8	
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	8,538	(962)	
Increase in provisions	(10,593)	1,524	
Increase in income tax payable	(9,284)	4,090	12,352
Increase in deferred taxes	5,102	2,348	-
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable and other			
creditors	77,441	(28,782)	(15,383)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	208,571	192,807	30,963



	Conso	lidated	Parent entity
	2006 \$′000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
36 NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisition of subsidiaries	543,117	-	2,494,616
On 31 October 2005 Sims Group Limited acquired substantially all of the recycling operations of Hugo Neu Corporation for \$587.6 million. The consideration given comprised 32,137,071 ordinary shares in Sims Group Limited with a fair value of \$543.1m and the balance paid/payable in cash. The non-cash acquisition amounts in the parent company also include shares exchanged for 100% of the shares in Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited as a consequence of the group restructure as described in note 1(a) and note 29 (\$1,542.6m), an intra-group funding of \$377.0m in respect of its acquisition of Sims Group UK Holdings Limited from Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited and an intra-group funding of \$44.4m of the balance of the acquisition consideration for the former Hugo Neu operations.			
Acquisition of Landfill Management Services	8,000	-	-
On 1 January 2006 Sims Group Australia Holdings Limited acquired an additional 25% interest in an associated company, Landfill Management Services Pty Limited, on the conversion to shares of \$8.0m convertible notes held in the associated company.			
Dividend payment	15,017	-	15,017
Dividend settled by issue of shares under the dividend reinvestment plan.			
37 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS			
Current assets			
Forward foreign exchange contracts - cash flow hedges	882	-	-
Commodity - cash flow hedges	21	-	-
Current liabilities	903	-	-
Forward foreign exchange contracts - cash flow hedges	69		
Commodity - cash flow hedges	1,194	_	_
,	1,263	_	_

(a) Transition to AASB 132 and AASB 139

The Group has taken the exemption available under AASB 1 First Time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Reporting Standards to apply AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement from 1 July 2005. At the date of transition to these standards, 1 July 2005, a net adjustment for the Group of \$455,000 decrease in net assets was recognised representing a reclassification of foreign currency cash flow losses of \$650,000 from deferred expenses to equity and the recognition of a deferred tax asset relating to these losses of \$195,000 which was credited to equity.

(b) Instruments used by the Group

The Group is party to derivative financial instruments in the normal course of business in order to hedge exposure to currency fluctuations in foreign exchange rates and commodity prices in accordance with the Group's financial risk management policies.

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37 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

(b) Instruments used by the Group (continued)

(i) Forward exchange contracts – cash flow hedges

The consolidated entity enters into forward foreign exchange contracts to buy and sell specific amounts of various foreign currencies in the future at pre-determined exchange rates. The contracts are entered into to hedge contracted purchase and sale commitments denominated in foreign currencies.

These contracts are hedging highly probable forecasted transactions for the ensuring financial year. The contracts are timed to mature when monies from the forecasted sales of scrap metal are scheduled to be received or when payment for purchases is scheduled to be made.

The cash flows are expected to occur at various dates up to one year from the balance date. At balance date, the details of the outstanding contracts are:

	Consoli		Parent entity
	2006 \$'000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Buy AUD, Sell USD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging AUD to USD			
2006: 0.7350 (2005: 0.7591)	47,617	21,076	-
Buy NZD, Sell USD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging NZD to USD 2006: 0.6032 (2005: 0.6961)	9,543	2,637	
Buy EUR, Sell USD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging EUR to USD			
2006: 1.2797 (2005: 1.2238)	434	1,425	-
Buy NZD, Sell AUD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging AUD to NZD			
2006: Nil (2005: 1.0721)	•	2,798	-
Buy GBP, Sell USD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging GBP to USD	74.400	F1 000	
2006: 1.8338 (2005: 1.8414)	71,488	51,322	-
Buy GBP, Sell EUR Up to 12 months - at rates averaging GBP to EUR			
2006: 1.4544 (2005: 1.4555)	33,019	10,652	_
Buy USD, Sell GBP	53,533		
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging GBP to USD			
2006: 1.8131 (2005: 1.8139)	3,227	4,329	-
Buy EUR, Sell GBP			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging GBP to EUR			
2006: 1.4514 (2005: 1.4618)	716	705	-
Buy SEK, Sell USD			
Up to 12 months - at rates averaging USD to SEK			
2006: 0.1376 (2005: Nil)	79	-	-



37 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

(b) Instruments used by the Group (continued)

(ii) Forward commodity contracts - cash flow hedges

The consolidated entity enters into forward commodity contracts to buy and sell specific amounts of various metal commodities in the future at pre-determined rates. The commodity contracts are entered into to hedge contracted purchase and sale of metal commodity commitments denominated in foreign currencies.

The settlement dates, dollar amounts to be received and contractual exchange rates of the consolidated entity's outstanding commodity contracts at balance date are:

	Conso	lidated	Parent entity
	2006 \$′000	2005 \$'000	2006 \$′000
Buy 25 metric tonnes LME Copper Grade A Up to 12 months - at rates averaging US\$6,700 per metric tonne (2005: Nil)	225	-	
Sell 150 metric tonnes LME Copper Grade A Up to 12 months - at rates averaging US\$6,690 per metric tonne (2005: Nil)	1,351	-	
Sell 240 metric tonnes LME Nickel Up to 12 months - at rates averaging US\$18,250 per metric tonne (2005: Nil)	5,895	-	
(c) Credit risk exposures Credit risk arises from the potential failure of counterparties to meet their obligations under the respective contracts at maturity. It arises from amounts receivable from unrealised gains on derivative financial instruments.			
Receivable recognised at balance date from forward foreign currency and commodity contracts for the year ended 30 June 2006	903		

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38 INTEREST AND CREDIT RISK EXPOSURES AND FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

(a) Interest rate risk exposures

The consolidated entity's exposure to interest rate risk arises predominantly from assets and liabilities bearing variable interest rates as the consolidated entity intends to hold fixed rate assets and liabilities to maturity. The effective weighted average interest rate for each class of financial assets and financial liabilities is as follows.

				Fixed interest maturing in:				
2006	Note	Weighted average interest rate	Floating interest rate \$'000	1 year or less \$'000	Over 1 to 5 years \$'000	More than 5 years \$'000	Non-interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets								
Cash and deposits	35	4.3%	15,800	-	-	-	-	15,800
Receivables - current	8	-	-	-	-	-	356,019	356,019
Receivables - non-current	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			15,800	-	-	-	356,019	371,819
Financial liabilities								
Payables - current	15	-	-	-	-	-	341,752	341,752
Payables - non-current	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank overdrafts and loans	16	5.8%	301,459	-		-	-	301,459
			301,459	-		-	341,752	643,211

				Fixed interest maturing in:				
2005	Note	Weighted average interest rate	Floating interest rate \$'000	1 year or less \$'000	Over 1 to 5 years \$'000	More than 5 years \$'000	Non-interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets								
Cash and deposits	35	2.2%	46,008	-	-	-	-	46,008
Receivables - current	8	-	-	-	-	-	214,194	214,194
Receivables - non-current	8	-	-	-	-	-	5,794	5,794
			46,008	-	-	-	219,988	265,996
Financial liabilities								
Payables - current	15	-	-	-	-	-	182,469	182,469
Payables - non-current	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank overdrafts and loans	16	5.0%	98,946	-	-	-	-	98,946
			98,946	-	-	-	182,469	281,415

(b) Credit risk

There is no concentration of credit risk with respect to current and non-current receivables, as the Group has a large number of customers, internationally dispersed. Refer note 2 for more information on the risk management of the Group. The maximum credit risk is set out in the table above.

(c) Fair values

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities of the consolidated entity which have been recognised on the balance sheet, is represented by their carrying amounts.

39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs

(1) Reconciliation of equity reported under previous Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP) to equity under Australian equivalents to IFRSs (AIFRS)

(A) At the date of transition to AIFRS: 1 July 2004

Consolidated

Parent entity

		COI	isolidated		Parent entity		
	Notes	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000
ASSETS Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Inventories Other - reclassified to receivables Derivative financial instruments		20,107 182,397 147,676 8,489	8,489 - (8,489)	20,107 190,886 147,676	- - - -	- - - -	-
Total current assets		358,669	-	358,669	-	_	-
Non-current assets Receivables Investments accounted for using the equity method Other financial assets Property, plant and equipment Deferred tax assets Intangible assets	(g)	5,908 7,821 - 261,755 13,645 73,360	- - - - 5,308 -	5,908 7,821 - 261,755 18,953 73,360	- - - - -	- - - - -	-
Total non-current assets		362,489	5,308	367,797	-	-	-
Total assets		721,158	5,308	726,466	-	_	-
LIABILITIES Current liabilities Payables Interest bearing liabilities Derivative financial instruments Current tax liabilities Provisions		179,475 1,100 - 26,924 10,128	- - - -	179,475 1,100 - 26,924 10,128	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -
Total current liabilities		217,627	-	217,627	-	-	-
Non-current liabilities Interest bearing liabilities Deferred tax liabilities Provisions Retirement benefit obligations	(d)	36,950 6,277 11,736	- - 13,099	36,950 6,277 11,736 13,099	- - -	:	- - -
Total non-current liabilities		54,963	13,099	68,062	-	-	-
Total liabilities		272,590	13,099	285,689	-	-	-
Net assets		448,568	(7,791)	440,777	-	-	-
EQUITY Contributed equity Reserves Retained profits	(c) (h)	220,665 17,620 210,283	10,359 (18,150)	220,665 27,979 192,133	- - -	- - -	- - -
Total equity		448,568	(7,791)	440,777	-	-	-
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39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs

(CONTINUED)

1 Reconciliation of equity reported under previous Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP) to equity under Australian equivalents to IFRSs (AIFRS)

(B) At the end of the last reporting period under previous AGAAP: 30 June 2005

			Consolidated			Parent entity			
	Notes	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000		
ASSETS									
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Receivables Inventories Other -		46,008 202,694 150,956	- 11,500 -	46,008 214,194 150,956	-	- - -	- - -		
reclassified to receivables Derivative financial instruments		11,500 -	(11,500)	-	-	-	-		
Total current assets		411,158	-	411,158	-	-	-		
Non-current assets Receivables Investments accounted for		5,794	-	5,794	-	-	-		
using the equity method Other financial assets		10,272	-	10,272	-	-	-		
Property, plant and equipment Deferred tax assets Intangible assets	(g) (b),(c),(d)	337,687 15,046 99,781	- 8,370 10,221	337,687 23,416 110,002	-	-	-		
Total non-current assets	12/,10/,14/	468,580	18,591	487,171	-	-	-		
Total assets		879,738	18,591	898,329	-	-	-		
LIABILITIES Current liabilities Payables Interest bearing liabilities Derivative financial instruments Current tax liabilities Provisions		182,469 - - 31,627 15,476	- - - - -	182,469 - - 31,627 15,476	- - - -	-	- - - -		
Total current liabilities		229,572	-	229,572	-	-	-		
Non-current liabilities Interest bearing liabilities Deferred tax liabilities Provisions Retirement benefit obligations	(g) (d)	98,946 6,127 9,628	- 14,407 - 22,193	98,946 20,534 9,628 22,193	- - - -	- - - -	- - -		
Total non-current liabilities		114,701	36,600	151,301	-	-	-		
Total liabilities		344,273	36,600	380,873	-	-	-		
Net assets		535,465	(18,009)	517,456	-	-	-		
EQUITY Contributed equity Reserves Retained profits	(c),(d) (h)	220,665 35,065 279,735	(9,026) (8,983)	220,665 26,039 270,752	- - -	- - -	- - -		
Total equity		535,465	(18,009)	517,456	-	-	-		



39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs

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(2) Reconciliation of profit under previous AGAAP to profit under Australian equivalents to IFRSs (AIFRS)

Reconciliation of profit for the year ended 30 June 2005

			Consolidated		Pa	rent entity	
	Notes	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000	Previous AGAAP \$'000	Effect of transition to AIFRS \$'000	AIFRS \$'000
Revenue	(a)	2,570,202	(4,599)	2,565,603	-	-	-
Other income	(a), (c)	-	5,243	5,243	-	-	-
Raw materials and finished goods included in cost of sales Freight expense Employee benefits expense Depreciation and amortisation expense Amortisation of intangibles Repairs and maintenance expense Other expenses from ordinary activities Borrowing costs expense Share of net profit of associates accounted for using	(d) (b) (a)	(1,625,441) (249,701) (193,240) (32,784) (5,976) (64,862) (120,270) (5,834)	1,634 - 5,976 - 1,273	(1,625,441) (249,701) (191,606) (32,784) (64,862) (118,997) (5,834)	- - - - -	-	-
the equity method		2,626	-	2,626	-	-	
Profit before income tax		274,720	9,527	284,247	-	-	-
Income tax expense	(d)	(86,856)	(360)	(87,216)	-	-	-
Profit attributable to members of Sims Group Limited		187,864	9,167	197,031	-	-	-
Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share		Cents 206.3 206.0		Cents 216.3 216.1			

⁽³⁾ Adjustments on transition to AASB132 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement: 1 July 2005

Details of the adjustments made on transition are set out in note 39(4)(e).

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39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs

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(4) Notes to the reconciliations

(a) Revenue and other income disclosures in relation to the sale of non-current assets, insurance proceeds and net foreign currency gains

Under AFIRS, the income recognised in relation to the sale of non-current assets is the net gain on the sale. This is in contrast to the current Australian GAAP treatment under which the gross proceeds from the sale are recognised as revenue, and the carrying amount of the asset sold is recognised as an expense. Insurance proceeds previously included in revenue have been reclassified as other income and net foreign currency gains have been reclassified to other income from other expenses from operating activities. The effect of this is:

(i) At 1 July 2004

For the Group there is no effect.

(ii) At 30 June 2005

For the Group there is no effect.

(iii) For the year ended 30 June 2005

For the Group there has been a decrease of \$4.081m in revenue, a decrease in the carrying amount of non-current assets sold disclosed as an expense in the income statement of \$1.287m and an increase in other income of \$2.794m relating to asset sales. For the Group there has been a decrease of \$0.518m in revenue relating to insurance proceeds and an increase in other income of \$0.518m. For the Group there has been an increase of \$0.014m in other income relating to foreign currency exchange gains and an increase on other expenses of \$0.014m.

(b) Intangible assets - goodwill

Under AASB 3 *Business Combinations*, amortisation of goodwill is prohibited, and is replaced by annual impairment testing focusing on the cash flows of the related cash generating unit. This has resulted in a change to the current accounting policy, under which goodwill is amortised on a straight line basis over the period. The effect of this is:

(i) At 1 July 2004

For the Group there is no effect.

(ii) At 30 June 2005

For the Group there has been an increase in intangible assets of \$5.976m and an increase in retained profits of \$5.976m.

(iii) For the year ended 30 June 2005

For the Group amortisation expense has decreased by \$5.976m with no associated income tax expense effect.

(c) Property, Plant and Equipment

On applying the fair value approach under AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment, an item of property, plant and equipment whose fair value can be measured reliably shall be carried at a revalued amount, being its fair value at the date of the revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. Revaluations shall be made with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value at the reporting date.

If an asset's carrying amount is increased as a result of a revaluation, the increase shall be credited directly to equity under the heading of revaluation reserve. However, the increase shall be recognised in profit or loss to the extent that it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss.

If an asset's carrying amount is decreased as a result of a revaluation, the decrease shall be recognised in profit or loss. However, the decrease shall be debited directly to equity under the heading of revaluation reserve to the extent of any credit balance existing in the revaluation reserve in respect of that asset.

This has resulted in a change to the previous accounting policy, under which any devaluation of an item of property plant and equipment would be off-set against a revaluation of assets in the same class. The effect of this is:

(i) At 1 July 2004

For the Group there has been an increase in the asset revaluation reserve of \$10.359m, an increase in deferred tax assets of \$1.378m, a decrease in retained earnings after income tax of \$8.981m being the total write-down of assets for which there was no corresponding asset revaluation reserve.



39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRS.

(CONTINUED)

(4) Notes to the reconciliations (continued)

(c) Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

(ii) At 30 June 2005

For the Group there has been a decrease in the asset revaluation reserve of \$4.892m, an increase in deferred tax liabilities of \$14.407m, an increase in deferred tax assets of \$1,378m, and an increase in goodwill of \$1.073m. There was also a decrease in retained earnings after income tax of \$7.064m being the total write-down of assets for which there was no corresponding asset revaluation reserve.

(iii) For the year ended 30 June 2005

For the Group there has been a increase of \$1.917m in other income from ordinary activities relating to the reversal of revaluation losses previously charged to the profit and loss account and a corresponding decrease in the revaluation reserve.

(d) Retirement benefit obligations

Sims Group Limited is the sponsor of a number of superannuation plans with a defined benefit section and a defined contribution section. Under previous AGAAP, cumulative actuarial gains and losses on the defined benefit section were not recognised on the balance sheet. At the date of transition a liability is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. It is measured as the difference between the present value of the employees' accrued benefits at that date and the net market value of the superannuation fund's assets at that date. The effect of this is:

(i) At 1 July 2004

For the Group there has been an increase in retirement benefit obligations of \$13.099m, an increase in deferred tax assets of \$3.930m and a decrease in retained earnings of \$9.169m.

(ii) At 30 June 2005

For the Group there has been an increase in retirement benefit obligations of \$22.193m, an increase in deferred tax assets of \$6.992m, an increase in goodwill of \$3.172m an decrease in defined benefit fund reserve of \$5.117m, an increase in foreign currency exchange reserves of \$0.983m and a decrease in retained earnings of \$7.895m.

(iii) For the year ended 30 June 2005

The employee benefits expense for the year has decreased by \$1.634m and tax expense increased by \$0.360m.

(e) Financial instruments

The group has taken advantage of the exemption available under AASB 1 to apply AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation* and AASB 139 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* only from 1 July 2005. This allows the group to apply previous Australian GAAP to the comparative information of financial instruments within the scope of AASB 132 and AASB 139 for the 30 June 2006 financial report.

As a result of the application of the exemption referred to above, there would have been no adjustment to classification or measurement of cash flow hedges from the application of AIFRS during the year ended 30 June 2005. Changes in classification and measurement is recognised from 1 July 2005 as a result of the exemption. An adjustment of \$0.455m was charged to reserves being the net of tax effect of recognising the fair value of derivatives at 1 July 2005.

(f) Equity-based Compensation Benefits

Under AASB 2 Share-based Payment, from 1 July 2004 the group is required to recognise an expense for options that were issued to employees after 7 November 2002 but which had not vested by 1 January 2005.

This has resulted in a change to the previous AGAAP accounting policy under which no expense was recognised for equity-based compensation.

If the policy required by AASB 2 had been applied during the year ended 30 June 2005, there would have been no effect on the financial statements as no options were issued to any employee after 7 November 2002.

(g) Deferred Tax Asset/Liability

Under previous AGAAP income tax expense was calculated by reference to the accounting profit after allowing for permanent differences. Deferred tax was not recognised in relation to amounts recognised directly in equity. The adoption of AIFRS has resulted in a change in accounting policy. The application of AASB 112 Income Taxes has resulted in the recognition of deferred tax liabilities on revaluations of non-current assets and actuarial gains and losses on retirement benefit obligations taken direct to the defined benefits fund reserve.

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39 EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO AUSTRALIAN EQUIVALENTS TO IFRSs

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(4) Notes to the reconciliations (continued)

(g) Deferred Tax Asset/Liability (continued)

(i) At 1 July 2004 and at 30 June 2005

The effects on the deferred tax asset/liability of the adoption of AIFRS are as follows:

		Consolidated		Parent entity	
		30 June 2005	1 July 2004	30 June 2005	1 July 2004
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revaluation of non-depreciable assets	(c)	14,407	-	-	-
Increase in deferred tax liability		14,407	-	-	-
Revaluation of non-depreciable assets	(c)	1,378	1,378	-	-
Retirement benefit obligations	(d)	6,992	3,930	-	-
Increase in deferred tax assets		8,370	5,308	-	-
(h) Retained earnings					
The effect on retained earnings of the changes set out above are as follows:					
Goodwill amortisation reversed	(b)	5,976	-	-	-
Asset revaluation losses transferred to retained earnings (net of tax)	(c)	(8,981)	(8,981)	-	-
Reversal of asset revaluation losses previously charged to profit and loss	(c)	1,917	-	-	-
Retirement benefit obligations	(d)	(7,895)	(9,169)	-	-
Total adjustment		(8,983)	(18,150)	-	-

40 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Estimated impairment of goodwill

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 1(s). The recoverable amounts of cash-generating units have been determined based on value-in-use calculations. These calculations require the use of assumptions. Refer to note 14 for details of these assumptions and the potential impact of changes to these assumptions.



41 NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND URGENT ISSUES GROUP (UIG) INTERPRETATIONS

Certain new accounting standards and UIG interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2006 reporting periods. These are considered to have nil or minimal impact when applied by the Group. The following is a list of accounting standards (AASB) and UIGs issued but not yet effective.

AASB

AASB 7 – Financial Instruments: Disclosures – This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

AASB 2004-3 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – When an entity early adopts AASB 119 as issued in December 2004 for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005, this Standard is also applied for that earlier period.

AASB 2005-3 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 119] – This Standard makes amendments to AASB 119 Employee Benefits (issued in July 2004) and AASB 119 Employee Benefits (revised in December 2004).

AASB 2005-4 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 139, AASB 132, AASB 1, AASB 1023 & AASB 1038] – This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

AASB 2005-5 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 1 & AASB 139] – This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

AASB 2005-6 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 3] – This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

AASB 2005-10 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASB 132, AASB 101, AASB 114, AASB 117, AASB 133, AASB 139, AASB 1, AASB 4, AASB 1023 & AASB 1038] – This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

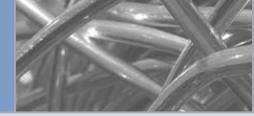
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Interpretation 4 - Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease. This Interpretation applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

Interpretation 5 - Rights to Interests Arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds. This Interpretation applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

UIG Interpretation 6 - Liabilities arising from Participating in a Specific Market – Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment. This Interpretation applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 December 2005.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION



In the directors' opinion:

- (a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 37 to 97 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 and consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2006 and of its performance, as represented by the results of their operations and their cash flows, for the financial 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; and
- (c) the audited remuneration disclosures/tables set out on pages 23 to 34 of the director's report comply with Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (d) at the date of this declaration, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the members of the Extended Closed Group identified in note 29 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are, or may become, subject by virtue of the deed of cross guarantee described in note 29.

The directors have been given the declarations by the Group Chief Executive and the Executive Director Group Finance and Strategy required by section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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

Paul Mazoudier

Chairman

Jeremy Sutcliffe

Group Chief Executive

Signed in Sydney, NSW, Australia on 1 September 2006

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT to the members of Sims Group Limited



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AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion:

- 1. the financial report of Sims Group Limited:
 - gives a true and fair view, as required by the Corporations Act 2001 in Australia, of the financial position of Sims Group Limited and the Sims Group (defined below) as at 30 June 2006, and of their performance for the year ended on that date, and
 - are presented in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, Accounting Standards and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- 2. the remunerations disclosures that are contained on pages 23 to 34 of the directors' report comply with Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures (ASSB 124) and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

This opinion must be read in conjunction with the rest of our audit report.

SCOPE

The financial report, remuneration disclosures and directors' responsibility

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statements, statement of changes in equity, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the directors' declaration for both Sims Group Limited (the company) and the Sims Group (the consolidated entity), for the year ended 30 June 2006. The consolidated entity comprises both the company and the entities it controlled during that year.

The company has disclosed information about the remuneration of directors and executives (remuneration disclosures) as required by AASB 124, under the heading "remuneration report" on pages 23 to 34 of the directors' report, as permitted by the Corporations Regulations 2001.

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report. The directors are also responsible for the remuneration disclosures contained in the directors' report.

Audit approach

We conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the company. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement and the remuneration disclosures comply with AASB 124 and the Corporations Regulations 2001. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected. For further explanation of an audit, visit our website http://www.pwc.com/au/financialstatementaudit.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT to the members of Sims Group Limited



We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, Accounting Standards and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's and the consolidated entity's financial position, and of their performance as represented by the results of their operations, changes in equity and cash flows. We also performed procedures to assess whether the remuneration disclosures comply with ASSB 124 and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- > examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report and remuneration disclosures, and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors.

Our procedures include reading the other information in the Annual Report to determine whether it contains any material inconsistencies with the financial report.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management

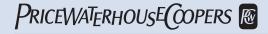
Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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W H B Seaton Partner

Sydney 1 September 2006



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As lead auditor for the audit of Sims Group Limited for the year ended 30 June 2006, 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 audit; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit

This declaration is in respect of Sims Group Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

W H B Seaton Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney 1 September 2006

SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION as at 11 September 2006



VOTING RIGHTS

Voting rights attaching to the ordinary shares are, on a show of hands, one vote for every person present as a member, proxy, attorney or representative thereof and upon a poll each share shall have one vote.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

	Ordinary Shares
Hugo Neu Trusts	32,263,924
M & G Investment Management Limited	11,335,028
Perpetual Trustees Australia Limited	10,708,620

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLDINGS

Range	Holders
1 - 1,000	9,566
1,001 - 5,000	9,276
5,001 - 10,000	1,061
10,001 - 100,000	424
100,001 – and over	38
Total	20,365

There were 159 holders of less than a marketable parcel of shares.

STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING

The Company's ordinary shares are quoted on the Australian Stock Exchange.

ADR FACILITY

The Company has a sponsored American Depositary Receipt (ADR) facility with the Bank of New York. ADRs trade on the over-the-counter market in the USA under cusip number 829160100 with each ADR representing four (4) ordinary shares. Further information and investor enquiries on ADRs should be directed to:

ADR Depositary

The Bank of New York
Depositary Receipts Division
101 Barclay Street - 22W, New York, NY 10286 USA.
Telephone: (1 212) 815 2476; Facsimile: (1 212) 571 3050.

Attn: Joanne Wang

SHAREHOLDER ENQUIRIES

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PRINCIPAL BANKER

Commonwealth Bank of Australia 48 Martin Place, Sydney NSW 2000

TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

		No. of shares	% held
1	HUGO NEU CORPORATION C/-RIVER TERMINAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY	32,263,924	25.89
2	J P MORGAN NOMINEES AUSTRALIA LIMITED	13,468,478	10.81
3	WESTPAC CUSTODIAN NOMINEES LIMITED	10,928,058	8.77
4	NATIONAL NOMINEES LIMITED	5,233,751	4.20
5	RBC DEXIA INVESTOR SERVICES AUSTRALIA NOMINEES PTY LIMITED <pipooled a="" c=""></pipooled>	3,841,806	3.08
6	ANZ NOMINEES LIMITED < CASH INCOME A/C>	2,022,738	1.62
7	CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	1,852,636	1.49
8	COGENT NOMINEES PTY LIMITED	1,586,355	1.27
9	UBS NOMINEES PTY LTD	1,488,892	1.19
10	AMP LIFE LIMITED	1,221,840	0.98
11	COGENT NOMINEES PTY LIMITED <smp accounts=""></smp>	843,399	0.68
12	RBC DEXIA INVESTOR SERVICES AUSTRALIA NOMINEES PTY LIMITED <piic a="" c=""></piic>	520,193	0.42
13	MILTON CORPORATION LIMITED	445,000	0.36
14	ARGO INVESTMENTS LIMITED	405,000	0.32
15	UCA GROWTH FUND LIMITED	400,000	0.32
16	CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED < CFSIL CWLTH AUST SHS 11 A/C>	365,964	0.29
17	THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY	365,000	0.29
18	CAMROCK (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED	302,200	0.24
19	WARBONT NOMINEES PTY LTD < UNPAID ENTREPOT A/C>	260,286	0.21
_20	UBS WEALTH MANAGEMENT AUSTRALIA NOMINEES PTY LTD	252,613	0.20
		78,068,133	62.63

TEN YEAR TREND SUMMARY



2006 - 2002

(A\$'000s)	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Total Operating Revenue	3,754,509	2,565,603	1,879,465	1,609,512	1,422,934
Profit Before Interest and Tax	301,912	289,613	168,408	114,177	76,644
Net Interest Expense Tax Expense	(16,313) (88,953)	(5,366) (87,216)	(1,846) (54,059)	(2,199) (36,936)	(5,436) (22,649)
Operating Profit after Tax	196,646	197,031	112,503	75,042	48,559
Net Cash Flows from Operations	208,571	192,807	91,247	128,507	103,211
Earnings per Share - basic Dividends per Share	174.2¢ 105.0¢	216.3¢ 160.0¢	122.6¢ 86.0¢	82.2¢ 54.0¢	54.0¢ 36.0¢
Return on Shareholders' Equity Current Ratio (to 1) Net Debt to Funds Employed (to 1)	16.4% 1.8 0.24	38.1% 1.8 0.10	25.1% 1.6 0.04	18.9% 1.8 (0.22)	14.3% 1.8 0.06
Net Tangible Asset Backing per Share	\$4.68	\$4.22	\$3.97	\$3.57	\$2.83

2001 - 1997

(A\$'000s)	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
Total Operating Revenue	1,358,487	1,090,095	990,626	1,394,273	1,145,121
Profit Before Interest and Tax Net Interest Expense Tax Expense	68,012 (10,954) (16,193)	48,602 (7,080) (15,367)	4,863 (5,982) (5,276)	70,690 (5,725) (22,490)	57,636 (2,305) (20,443)
Operating Profit after Tax	40,865	26,155	(6,395)	42,475	34,888
Net Cash Flows from Operations	97,124	16,489	46,875	68,719	16,739
Earnings per Share - basic Dividends per Share	46.6¢ 32.0¢	30.4¢ 25.0¢	(7.6¢) 20.0¢	51.9¢ 36.0¢	44.7¢ 30.0¢
Return on Shareholders' Equity Current Ratio (to 1) Net Debt to Funds Employed (to 1)	13.3% 1.8 0.24	9.4% 1.7 0.34	-2.5% 1.6 0.13	15.3% 1.8 0.25	15.1% 1.5 0.14
Net Tangible Asset Backing per Share	\$2.45	\$2.11	\$2.48	\$2.60	\$2.57



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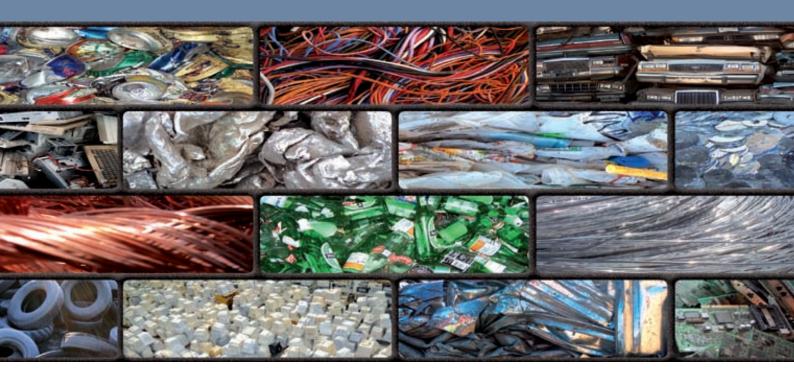
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