



# **Annual Financial Report**

Year Ended 30 June 2009

Marine Produce Australia Limited  
(ASX: MPA)

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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2009

The directors present their report together with the financial report of Marine Produce Australia Limited (the Company or MPA) and of the Group, being the Company and its subsidiaries, for the financial year ended 30 June 2009 and the auditor's report thereon.

### 1 Directors

The directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

Mr Miles Kennedy  
*Non-Executive Chairman*  
*B. Juris*  
Reappointed 11 June 2008

Mr Kennedy has held directorships of Australian listed companies for over 25 years. He is the non-executive Chairman of Sandfire Resources NL and Resource and Investment NL and director of Lonrho Mining Limited. He was previously the executive Chairman of Kimberley Diamond Company NL and non-executive Chairman of Blina Diamonds NL. He has extensive experience in the management of public companies with specific emphasis in the resources industry. He is a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Western Australia and the High Court of Australia. He is also an Attorney of the Supreme Court of South Africa.

Mr John Hutton  
*Non-Executive Director*  
Reappointed 14 August 2006

Mr Hutton has a background in accounting and finance. He has experience in merchant banking, accounting, financial planning and tax related matters. He is a Director of Maxima Pearling Company Pty Ltd and also holds non-executive directorship roles with Sandfire Resources NL and Resource and Investment NL. He is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Dr Tor Theunissen  
*Independent Non-Executive Director*  
Appointed 17 December 2007

Dr Theunissen is the principal of a management consulting company that specialises in the strategic planning and resourcing of new projects. He is an experienced public company director and a former Chairman of Marine Produce Australia Limited.

Prof Mehdi Doroudi  
*Independent Non-Executive Director*  
Appointed 18 December 2007  
Resigned 24 June 2009

Professor Doroudi holds a DVM degree in Veterinary Medicine and a PhD degree in Aquaculture and has worked in the fields of fisheries and aquaculture as a policy maker, an academic researcher and as an industry consultant in policy advice, science innovation and commercial operation for the last 20 years.

Mr Nicholas Miller  
*Managing Director*  
Reappointed 14 August 2006  
Resigned 21 October 2008

Mr Miller is Managing Director of Maxima Pearling Company Pty Ltd, one of the largest producers of South Sea Pearls in Australia. He is highly regarded in the aquaculture and pearling industries, with his experience and knowledge extending into the management of marine assets, pearl oyster hatcheries and spat production methods. Mr Miller has held senior management positions with a number of aquaculture companies.

### 2 Company secretary

Ms Jean Mathie  
*Company Secretary*  
Appointed 14 August 2006

Ms Mathie has extensive experience as a senior legal secretary and holds the role of company secretary with other publically listed companies.

### 3 Directors' meetings

The number of directors' meetings and number of meetings attended by each of the directors of the Company during the financial year are:

Director	Board Meetings	
	Attended	Held while a director
Mr M Kennedy	4	4
Mr J R Hutton	4	4
Dr T Theunissen	4	4
Prof M Doroudi	3	4
Mr N Miller	1	1

### 4 Remuneration report

#### Directors and executive officers' remuneration – audited

##### 4.1 Principles of compensation

Remuneration of directors and executives is referred to as compensation throughout this report.

Compensation levels for key management personnel and the Company Secretary, and relevant key management personnel of the Group are competitively set to attract and retain appropriately qualified and experienced directors and executives. The Board obtains independent advice on the appropriateness of compensation packages of both the Company and the Group, given trends in comparative companies both locally and internationally and the objectives of the Company's compensation strategy.

The compensation structures are designed to attract suitably qualified candidates, reward the achievement of strategic objectives, and achieve the broader outcome of creation of value for shareholders. Compensation packages include a mix of fixed compensation, equity-based compensation, performance-based compensation as well as employer contributions to superannuation funds.

Shares and options may only be issued to directors subject to approval by shareholders in general meeting.

The Board has no established retirement or redundancy schemes.

#### Fixed compensation

Fixed compensation consists of base compensation as well as employer contributions to superannuation funds.

Compensation levels are reviewed annually by the Board through a process that considers individual and overall performance of the Group. In addition external consultants provide analysis and advice to ensure the directors' and senior executives' compensation is competitive in the market place. A senior executives' compensation is also reviewed on promotion.

#### Performance-linked compensation (Short-term incentive bonus)

Currently there are no performance linked short-term incentives (STIs) for key management personnel. Details of the nature and amount of each major element of remuneration of each director of the Company and each of the key management personnel (including most highly remunerated executives) are outlined in section 4.2.

Key management personnel have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the company and the Group, including directors of the company and other executives. Key management personnel include the five most highly remunerated directors and executives for the company and the Group (S300A).

#### Non-executive directors

Total compensation for all non-executive directors is not to exceed \$250,000 per annum and is set based on advice from external advisors with reference to fees paid to other non-executive directors of comparable companies. Non-executive directors do not receive performance related compensation.

#### 4.2 Director's and executives remuneration (Company and Consolidated) – audited

Details of the nature and amount of each major element of remuneration of each director of the company and each of the named company executives and relevant group executives who receive the highest remuneration and other key management personnel are:

		Short-term				Post-employment	Other long term	Termination Benefits	Share-based payments	Total	Proportion of remuneration performance related	Value of options as proportion of remuneration
		Salary & fees	STI cash bonus	Non-monetary benefits	Total	Superannuation benefits			Options and rights			
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%	
<b>Directors</b>												
<i>Non-executive directors</i>												
Mr M A Kennedy (Chairman) (appointed 11 June 2008)	2009	63,681	-	-	63,681	5,731	-	-	-	69,412	-	-
	2008	28,125	-	-	28,125	-	-	-	-	28,125	-	-
Mr J R Hutton (reappointed 14 August 2006)	2009	30,769	-	-	30,769	2,769	-	-	-	33,538	-	-
	2008	12,147	-	-	12,147	50,000	-	-	-	62,147	-	-
Dr Tor Theunissen (appointed 17 December 2007)	2009	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000	-	-
	2008	16,250	-	-	16,250	-	-	-	-	16,250	-	-
Prof Mehdi Doroudi (appointed 18 Dec 2007, resigned 24 June 2009)	2009	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000	-	-
	2008	16,250	-	-	16,250	-	-	-	-	16,250	-	-
Mr J Drummond (appointed 14 August 2006 resigned 17 December 2007)	2009	1,378	-	-	1,378	-	-	-	-	1,378	-	-
	2008	44,960	-	-	44,960	9,335	-	-	-	54,295	-	-
<i>Executive directors</i>												
Mr N Miller * (Managing Director) (reappointed 14 August 2006, resigned 21 October 2008)	2009	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2008	81,250	-	-	81,250	7,313	-	-	-	88,563	-	-

#### 4.2 Director's and executives remuneration (Company and Consolidated) – audited

		Short-term				Post-employment	Other long term	Termination Benefits	Share-based payments	Total	Proportion of remuneration performance related	Value of options as proportion of remuneration
		Salary & fees	STI cash bonus	Non-monetary benefits	Total	Superannuation benefits			Options and rights			
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%	
<i>Executives</i>												
J Mathie COMPANY SECRETARY (appointed 14 August 2006)	2009	30,769	-	-	30,769	2,769	-	-	-	33,538	-	-
	2008	16,778	-	-	16,778	1,510	-	-	-	18,288	-	-
G Westbrook GENERAL MANAGER - OPERATIONS	2009	153,846	-	-	153,846	13,846	-	-	-	167,692	-	-
	2008	147,527	-	-	147,527	13,277	-	-	-	160,804	-	-
M Fitzgerald ** CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	2009	256,304	-	-	256,304	-	-	-	-	256,304	-	-
	2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total KMP remuneration</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>596,747</b>	-	-	<b>596,747</b>	<b>25,115</b>	-	-	-	<b>621,862</b>	-	-
	<b>2008</b>	<b>363,287</b>	-	-	<b>363,287</b>	<b>81,435</b>	-	-	-	<b>444,722</b>	-	-

\* Fees were paid to Maxima Fish Farms Pty Ltd for services provided by N. Miller – see note 30 to the financial accounts.

\*\* Fees were paid to Resource Development Company Pty Ltd for services provided by M Fitzgerald – see note 30 to the financial accounts.

### 4.3 Equity instruments - audited

#### (i) Shares granted as compensation

In December 2007, 200,000 shares were issued to Dr Tor Theunissen for services rendered in preparation of various management reports and strategies. These shares were issued prior to his appointment as a director of the Company.

No shares were issued to directors, executives or key management personnel during the reporting period or previous reporting period.

During August 2009, 2,000,000 shares were issued to key management personnel and contractors of the Company in payment of services rendered.

#### (ii) Options and rights over equity instruments granted as compensation

No options were granted to directors, executives or key management personnel during the reporting period or previous reporting period.

No options have been granted since the end of the financial year.

#### (ii) Modification of terms of equity-settled share-based payment transactions

No terms of equity-settled share-based payment transactions (including options and rights granted as compensation to a key management person) have been altered or modified by the issuing entity during the reporting period or the prior period.

#### (iii) Exercise of options granted as compensation

No options were exercised during the reporting period or the prior period. No options lapsed in the current or prior period.

## 5 Principal activities

The principal activities of the Group during the course of the financial year were the growth and sale of Barramundi by aquaculture means. This required further investment in aquaculture assets and continuing research of technologies and market developments to cultivate fish.

The Group's objectives are stated within the operating and financial review.

## 6 Operating and financial review

### (i) Operating Review - 2009

#### Review of 2009

Achievements	Disappointments
20% increase in annual harvesting and sales volumes at average 3kg per fish	Increasing demand and harvest levels combined with lack of funding for fish growth depleted farm biomass for the first three quarters of the period (resumed full feeding for last quarter)
Increase in farm biomass to 626,000t by the end of June 2009 – further growth +700,000t	Withdrawal from some sales markets due to lack of fish supply and size
Detailed 10 year Development Plan for the business	Delays in securing Development plan funding with market uncertainty
Orders placed for conversion of 12 cages (60m) with 720t capacity to 9 cages (80m) with 1,080t capacity to house increasing fish biomass	High operational costs in first three quarters due to lack of growth
Mobilisation of two additional blow feeders, high pressure net cleaner and electronic fish counters. Order for in water fish sizing system to allow automated weight sampling of fish without handling	Severe weather events in Northern Australia in late 2008 (in WA, NT and QLD) caused road closures, which limited the ability to maintain regular supplies of fish feed and also caused loss of fish from some cages
Maintenance of strong price premium and orders continue to exceed available supply	Shortage of size fish at end of year limiting sales volumes – next size group expected to start around the end of the September 2009 quarter
Expanded 1,000t operating licence imminent	

MPA has further increased harvest output from the Cone Bay marine farm while continuing to receive praise and premium prices for the high quality, freshness and consistence of its ocean grown Barramundi. Demand for product has exceeded our capacity to supply.

Sufficient fish stocks are available to increase production with further funding. Targeted expenditure on capital equipment will also allow larger cage holding capacities, grading equipment for increased fish harvest size and consistency, and further harvest system upgrades to further improve product quality.

## FARMING OPERATIONS

### Nursery

Growth and survival have been in line with expectations, with high quality fish transferred to the marine nursery cages. The marine nursery cage system has allowed transfer of fish from the shore based nursery at a much smaller size, and thereafter to sea cages at a larger size. It also facilitates easier grading of small fish and more uniform size at stocking, all of which contributes to increased production capacity and lowering of production costs.

MPA plans to commission its own hatchery facility in Broome, Western Australia, which when operational will allow the hatchery and nursery functions to be completed at that site prior to the transfer of fingerlings to the farming operations at reduced cost.

### Marine Farm

Performance of fish stock was strong during the early part of the reporting period, but difficulties in securing feed in a timely manner saw a decline in growth rates through to the end of the third quarter.

Harvest volume for the half year was 440,000 kg (2008: 363,000 kg). Average harvest weight remained in the 3 kg range for the period. Due to reduced feeding, a net decrease in total farm biomass was recorded from 645,000 kg at the start of the period to 480,000 kg as at December 2008. Biomass has since been restored to 626,000 kg by June 2009.

Fish health has continued to be outstanding, with no significant disease or parasite issues occurring on the marine farm facility. Any minor disease issues with juvenile stock are usually associated with cannibalistic and aggressive behavior during this stage. Marine farm staff strive to continually improve fish performance, and have continued to develop improved fish handling strategies for harvesting and grading activities.

The change from steel to heavy duty plastic nets has been a continued success. Although more expensive, plastic nets have approximately five times the service life of steel nets and do not suffer the problems caused by heavy weight and corrosion. They are significantly easier to handle and clean, and are less likely to remove scales from fish during handling. The main requirement for the upcoming period is to secure finance to allow our Development Plan to meet farm production potential. The large number of small fish on site can then be on grown to full market size, allowing the farm to significantly increase production over the next 18 months to 2 years. It is also our aim to purchase a centralised feeding system, subject to funding, to allow more controlled feeding and a reduction in logistics and maintenance costs. These systems are a proven solution to reducing costs in major aquaculture centres.

### Environmental Monitoring and Management

MPA's revised Environmental Monitoring and Management (EMMP) program has operated throughout the period as required under the marine farm licence. Results continue to show that farming activities have no measurable impact on the environment in Cone Bay, and that the ecosystem remains in a healthy state.

### Marketing and Sales

#### *Barramundi sales – 2008/2009*

Quarter	September 2008	December 2008	March 2009	June 2009	Total YTD
Sales ('000kg)	93	127	140	62	422
Sales (\$million)	1.0	1.3	1.4	0.6	4.3

Sales slowed during the colder winter months in line with the seasonal nature of fish sales and reduced availability of larger fish (greater than 2.5kg) following previous feed rationing and a strong summer sales season.

MPA's farmed fish maintains its position as the premium Barramundi on the Australian market, with customer feedback indicating regular supply and consistent high quality as major reason for purchasing our product. For this reason, higher prices of up to \$3 per kilogram have been maintained over our competitors' products. We thank Westmore Seafoods for the important role they have played in attaining and maintaining this position.

During the reporting period any remaining factors influencing product quality have been identified and plans put in place to even further improve the harvesting and packing process. We are confident that customers will see these additional improvements, further cementing our reputation as a supplier of high quality product.

(ii) **OUTLOOK FOR 2010**

**FARM BIOMASS GROWTH**

As previously reported MPA is continuing to restore and grow farm biomass with the elimination of the forced feed rationing program in the first half of the 2009 financial year. Further fish growth has been recorded for the period April to July 2009 for a closing farm biomass approaching 700,000kg, represented by approximately 1 million fish, with sufficient fish now on the farm to cover the first two years of the proposed Development Plan and move toward 2,000,000 kg of biomass.

**1 MILLION KG PRODUCTION LICENCE**

MPA has received notice from the Office of the Appeals Convenor within the WA Department of Environment that all appeals against the proposed 1 million kg production licence have been satisfactorily dealt with and the new licence conditions have been set. There does not appear to be any other matter to hold up progress and the company therefore believes that the issue of the new licence to Maxima Pearling Company Pty Ltd (accessed by MPA through an Access Agreement with Maxima) is imminent.

**COMMERCIAL TRIALS**

**Feed trials**

**Background**

Feed formulations for Barramundi have historically been based on growth trials using fish of less than 1 kilogram. This compares to MPA's target harvest size of fish of 3.5 kg. The same feed formulations are fed to Barramundi at all sizes up to 3.5 kg, a situation that is likely to result in sub-optimum growth and feed conversion ratios (FCR or feed:growth), leading to the opportunity to change feed formulations above the 1 kg level.

Trials recently conducted by researcher scientists within Fisheries WA, showed that Barramundi over 1 kg are able to grow considerably more quickly when fed diets with increased lipid (oil) content. During this project, fish fed the diet with the highest lipid content grew from a weight of 1.1 to 2.1 kg in just 8 weeks. When these growth rates are adjusted for the ocean-based conditions at Cone Bay, Barramundi weight would exceed 5.4 kg after 2 years, compared to a current achievement of around 3.4 kg for the same period (60% faster growth). Also, feed conversion ratios during the trial were less than 1.4:1 compared to 1.8:1 on our farm using existing diets.

**Potential impact**

The major improvement to production costs comes with higher average weight, which can be recognised by harvesting fish after a shorter growing period, by selling the extra weight, or by a combination of both. Reducing FCR from 1.8:1 to 1.4:1 means that for every kilogram of fish grown, over 20% less feed is required and the cost of fish production is reduced by up to \$2 per kg, a material impact for a farm targeting 5 million kg of biomass and annual harvest.

**Commercial trial budget**

In an effort to realise these gains, a commercial trial comparing growth of fish fed on the existing diet with fish fed on a diet containing higher levels of lipid (oil) is planned under commercial production conditions at Cone Bay. The trial will be conducted over an estimated 12 month period following the order of trial cages and feed manufacture and will directly overlap with MPA's biomass growth plans under its announced Development Plan.

Estimated cost of the commercial trial (subject to funding):

Fish food	\$2.0 million
Bank of cages, nets, automatic feeder (8 cages)	\$1.8 million
Total estimated cost of trial	\$3.8 million

The trial will be run to compare results from the existing feed formulation (4 cages) to the new formulation (4 cages) as well as variations to optimise stocking densities across each set of cages.

## **Conclusion**

The Development Plan has been formulated on the assumed growth rates and FCR of the existing feed for all fish up to the 3.5kg target harvest level. The results expected from this commercial trial will dramatically improve the economics of MPA's operations.

### **New net and net weighting system trials**

MPA is finalising arrangements to undertake a trial of four marine brass nets (each 80m circumference with a 120,000kg biomass capacity) to investigate life spans under high flow conditions and resistance to marine biofouling in tropical marine waters. Use of brass nets generally results in the effective elimination of the need for continuous net cleaning as well as enhanced security against predators, at a higher capital cost.

A second trial is also planned with the existing and additional Kikko plastic nets, involving the addition of rigid base framing and weight rings. This trial is expected to deliver the following benefits:

- Improved net shape and volume under all conditions
- More cost effective net cleaning by providing tighter net surface
- Improved predator protection

## **BROOME HATCHERY DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

### **Hatchery land lease application**

MPA has applied for a lease with the Western Australian Department of Fisheries, for two adjoining blocks of a combined size of 10,000m<sup>2</sup> (1Ha) within the Broome Tropical Aquaculture Park ("BTAP"), northern Western Australia, close to the Barramundi farming operations at Cone Bay off Derby.

MPA plans to develop a tropical marine finfish hatchery as a key element of the broader Cone Bay Development Plan. One of the major impediments to the expansion plans for its marine farm in the Kimberley Region has been the lack of reliable local supply of juvenile Barramundi.

The BTAP provides the following infrastructure to each site as part of the nominal head lease fees:

- Filtered sea water
- Saline bore water
- Fresh water
- Waste water discharge
- Access to industrial power
- Planning approval

The expected benefits to MPA in developing its own hatchery facility are:

- Development of a commercial tropical marine finfish hatchery as an essential element to support substantial growth for MPA and in the sea cage finfish aquaculture sector
- Focus hatchery production to ensure meeting the needs of the marine farm through the careful timing of production and culling of poor performing stock
- Support the development of community-based commercial aquaculture projects
- Reduce disease risk by reducing reliance on barramundi fingerlings sourced from other states
- Reduced cost for sourced Barramundi fingerlings into the farming operations
- Allow the commencement of research trials into a Selective Breeding Program (SBP) for Barramundi, to further improve growth rates, feed conversion and product quality
- Potential joint input from Kimberley TAFE to strengthen juvenile production and provide industry focused aquaculture training and employment, including for local indigenous people
- Potential for further hatchery development and commercial production of other finfish species
- Potential commercial sales and restocking for recreational fishing

Capital and operating expenditure is estimated to be \$3 million over the initial three year period, included with the Development Plan funding requirements, which will be utilised for:

- Building construction costs
- Live food production
- Incubation and larval rearing
- Broodstock holding facilities
- Nursery facilities (including water recirculation and treatment plant) to be relocated from the Cone Bay farm
- Backup power supply and alarm facilities
- Employment and operating costs

MPA expects that the new hatchery facility will be cost neutral against the current method of sourcing and transporting Barramundi fingerlings from Darwin in the Northern Territory, while delivering the expected operational benefits listed above.

#### **TIWI ISLANDS DUE DILIGENCE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED**

The Tiwi Islands Project exclusive due diligence period has concluded, with a final letter on MPA's intention to proceed issued to the Tiwi Land Council (TLC). MPA has indicated to the TLC that it has completed its preliminary due diligence work on the project and sees no significant impediments to the development of a marine farm at Snake Bay, Melville Island, subject to final farm design, approvals and funding arrangements.

MPA has secured its intention and extended the exclusivity period to the end of May 2010.

As reported previously, this opportunity has the potential to make a significant contribution to MPA's longer-term growth objectives, including adding further annual biomass harvest capacity to MPA's operations.

MPA is continuing discussions with the TLC with the view of concluding appropriate commercial and funding arrangements for the development of a Barramundi farming operation at Snake Bay, Melville Island.

### **(iii) EXPANSION PLANS**

#### **INCREASE HARVEST CAPACITY**

The Group has significant expansion plans which involve additional operating expenditure for the grow-out and restocking of fish stocks to enable the Group to expand its harvest capacity to a targeted level of 2,000,000kg per annum by June 2012.

Further capital expenditure will be required for investment in:

- Increase in cage capacity and moorings
- Expand grading capacity for marine farm and nursery
- Upgrade harvest line to increase throughput and improve animal welfare
- Install centralised feeding systems and remote monitoring technology
- Purchase high capacity net cleaning equipment
- Expand the licence application program for additional farming sites

This increase in scale will require additional funding to provide operational efficiencies necessary for the commercialisation of the fish farming business to increase the long term cash operating margins of the business.

#### **LICENCING APPROVALS**

To achieve continued growth towards commercial quantities of sales the Group will require licensing approvals to grow and harvest adequate quantities of fish. The relevant government agencies are presently considering applications to increase the existing licence and add further licences.

### **(iv) REVIEW OF FINANCIAL RESULTS**

#### **RESULTS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES AND LOSS FOR THE PERIOD**

The Group's result from operating activities for the reporting period was a loss of \$5,634,000 (2008: \$1,967,000). The loss for the period was \$8,143,000 (2008: \$3,545,000) including impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets of \$3,123,000 (2008: \$Nil) and depreciation and amortisation of \$459,000 (2008: \$415,000).

The results from operating activities included:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>12 months ended</b>	<b>6 months ended</b>	<b>6 months ended</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>Jun 2009</b>	<b>Jun 2009</b>	<b>Dec 2008</b>
Losses from farming operations	(3,976)	(640)	(3,336)
Administration and marketing expenses	(1,658)	(791)	(867)
<b>Results from operating activities</b>	<b>(5,634)</b>	<b>(1,431)</b>	<b>(4,203)</b>

  

<i>In thousands of AUD and kg</i>	<b>12 months ended</b>	<b>6 months ended</b>	<b>6 months ended</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>Jun 2009</b>	<b>Jun 2009</b>	<b>Dec 2008</b>
Farm cash operating costs (AUD)	7,613	3,828	3,785
Fish biomass growth before harvest (kg)	421	349	72
<b>Farm cash operating cost per kg</b>	<b>18.08</b>	<b>10.97</b>	<b>52.57</b>

The second half of the reporting period delivered improved financial and operational results with the halting of feed rationing. This had an immediate positive impact on farm cash operating cost per kg as this reduced below \$11 per kg from the unsustainable levels seen in the first half of the reporting period, where practically no fish growth was recorded. Following on from this pleasing second half result, current farm cash operating cost per kg has reduced further to below \$8 per kg against a +\$10 per kg gross sales price which sets the business up well for improved financial results in the 2010 financial year.

On 28 August 2009 the Group released its Appendix 4E Preliminary Final Report under ASX Listing Rule 4.3A for the 12 months ended 30 June 2009 and further updated the market on its results and position in a supplementary prospectus dated 8 September 2009.

The following table reconciles the results as released in the Preliminary Final Report to the results contained within this Annual Financial Report:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>12 months ended</b>
<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>Jun 2009</b>
Loss for the period as per Appendix 4E Preliminary Final Report	(4,875)
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	(2,666)
Impairment of intangible assets	(457)
Additional loss from change in fair value of biological assets	(103)
Additional depreciation and amortisation of assets	(42)
Loss for the period as per Annual Financial Report	<b>(8,143)</b>

#### **LOSS PER SHARE**

Basic loss per share for the reporting period was \$0.091 per share (2008: \$0.068).

Basic loss per share from continuing operations for the reporting period was \$0.091 per share (2008: \$0.049).

#### **REVENUE**

##### **Revenue from sales**

Revenue from the sale of fish was \$4,322,000 for the period (2008: \$3,245,000), an increase in year-on-year sales of 33%.

Harvest levels have continued to increase with 440,000 kg of fish harvest for the period (2008: 363,000 kg) and 422,000 kg sold (2008: 323,000 kg).

### Biological assets

A reduction in fish biomass compared to the corresponding prior period increase resulted from the decrease in biological assets resulting from the ration feeding of fish held in sea cages (affecting growth) in the first half of the reporting period and first quarter of 2009 and the impact of continuing increased harvest levels resulting from the demand for the Company's product.

## OPERATING COSTS

### Overall operating costs and net cash used in operating activities

Unit operating costs have been above expectation with a reduction in fish growth (feeding) reducing the cost efficiency of the farm.

Net cash used in operating activities of \$3,327,000 (2008: \$3,875,000) represents the difference between proceeds from the sale of harvested fish against the cash outlay for the acquisition and grow-out of fish biomass and other operating expenses. The investment in farm biomass was limited during the period by the reduced availability of development capital for the business. The Company's Development Plan requires significantly larger net outflow to increase the biomass of the farming operations to provide cost efficiencies and increased cash operating margins. The resulting closing biomass is held as a biological asset in the balance sheet and provides the base for future fish growth and profitability.

### Raw materials and consumables

Sourcing and transport of fish feed is a significant operating cost for the farming operation. The group expects to achieve more favourable unit pricing for feed, transport and other major variable cost elements with expanding scale of operations and automated feeding systems.

### Personnel expenses

Increasing labour costs, particularly in the remote Western Australian labour market, have affected the operation with labour more difficult and more expensive to source. The group's expansion plans are designed to increase automation and reduce the group's need for significant additional labour. Savings to personnel expenses have been made when the opportunity has arisen, driven predominantly by targeted capital expenditure on automation.

### Administration and marketing expenses

Administration and marketing costs have reduced as a percentage of overall cash outflows as the farming operations have increased in scale over the past two years. Further expansion is expected to further reduce overhead costs combined with increased emphasis on product promotion and logistics.

## OTHER TRANSACTIONS

### Issue of shares, payables and loans

An amount of \$788,000 payable by the Company to Denise Hutton and Maxima Pearling Pty Ltd, both related parties of the Company, was settled through the issue of 13,140,571 ordinary shares in the Company under the entitlements issue completed during the reporting period at \$0.06 per share. Of this amount, \$650,000 related to a trade creditor balance and a further \$138,000 related to repayment of interest bearing loans.

An amount of \$275,000 was loaned to the Company by Guy Westbrook, General Manager, during the period. Of this amount, \$125,000 was settled through the issue of 2,083,333 ordinary shares in the Company under the entitlements issue completed during the period at \$0.06 per share. The remaining \$150,000 was repaid in cash during the reporting period.

Refer to Note 22 for further information.

### Issue of options relating to share placement

During July 2008, the Company issued 10,000,000 options to acquire ordinary shares following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 18 July 2008. These options were issued to Lasborough Investments Limited for no cash consideration in combination with a placement of shares to them during the previous corresponding period. The fair value of these options has been determined using the Black Scholes valuation model as \$526,000, which has been transferred from share capital to reserves during the reporting period.

## Issue of shares to Patersons Securities Ltd

During July 2008, the Company issued 1,100,000 shares to Patersons Securities Ltd in payment of fees for corporate services carried out on behalf of the Company.

### (v) REVIEW OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

#### *Material uncertainty regarding continuation as a going concern*

The Group's result from operating activities for the reporting period was a loss of \$5,634,000 (2008: \$1,967,000). The loss from continuing operations was \$8,143,000 (2008: \$2,537,000).

At 30 June 2009, the Group had a working capital surplus of \$1,946,000, represented significantly by biological assets of \$4,724,000.

Current liabilities at balance date included \$2,712,000 due to Denise Hutton and Mathry Pty Ltd (an entity related to Denise Hutton), relation to Director John Hutton, which is secured by the assets of the Group and is repayable on demand. Subsequent to year end Denise Hutton has provided a commitment to the Group that she nor Mathry will demand repayment if such repayment will adversely affect the ability of the Company to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due.

Further working capital and funding for capital expenditure is required to enable the Cone Bay farm to initially operate at breakeven and then to grow to a scale required to achieve:

- Self funding operations
- Fish grow-out of current holdings to targeted harvest size
- Large scale consistent supply of Barramundi products to domestic and export markets
- Economies of scale and cost efficiencies
- Improved, sustainable returns to shareholders, and
- Indigenous employment initiatives

The Development Plan dictates that the business needs to harvest and sell significantly less than the projected total fish biomass growth during the 2010 financial year to continue to expand the biomass of the farm to a sustainable level above 1,200 tonnes of biomass and following that to an initial target level of 2,000 tonnes. This planned biomass expansion, predominantly of the fish currently on hand, is subject to further licensing approvals and will require significant additional investment capital. To achieve the planned expansion the Group will require additional working capital to meet ongoing operations.

The Company plans to raise up to \$12,000,000 to fund its planned expansion strategy and reduce its debt levels over the 15 months beginning July 2009. In this regard, on 18 August 2009 the company announced and issued a prospectus for a pro rata non-renounceable entitlement issue of 111,386,427 new shares at \$0.06 each on the basis of one new share for each 1 share held to raise up to \$6,683,000 before costs. The entitlements issue was partly underwritten by Denise Hutton and Lasborough Investments Limited on the terms set out in separate underwriting agreements, with each effectively agreeing to apply and pay for a total of 40,000,000 new shares each for a combined commitment of \$4,800,000. Loan funds were received subsequent to year end and as at the date of this report have been repaid through the issue of shares at \$0.06 per share as follows:

Lender	Balance at 30 June 2009	Loaned in subsequent to period end	Issue of shares under entitlements issue	Balance following issue of shares
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Denise Hutton	2,112,000	-	(1,600,000)	512,000
Mathry Pty Ltd	600,000	-	-	600,000
Sub total	2,712,000	-	(1,600,000)	1,112,000
Lasborough	-	2,400,000	(2,400,000)	-
Total	2,712,000	2,400,000	(4,000,000)	1,112,000

A further amount of \$257,000 was received under the entitlements issue in addition to the commitments received from the underwriters, for a total raising of \$5,057,000 before costs of the issue. Further equity or debt funding of up to \$7,000,000 is likely to be required within the next 12 months to continue the planned high rate of farm development and fish growth.

Of the \$4,800,000 commitment received, an amount of \$800,000 has been paid to Maxima Pearling Company Pty Ltd under their access agreement with the Group via the issue of shares to Maxima as sub-underwriter to Denise Hutton.

The Group has the ability to slow its expansion strategy and harvest additional fish at less than the current targeted 3kg harvest size to maintain sufficient cash reserves, with a resulting potentially significant reduction of the scale of the operations until further funding becomes available.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors believe to be appropriate. The directors are confident that the Group will be able to source sufficient funding to continue as a going concern and continue to pay its debts as and when they fall due based on the support received from major shareholder groups and the positive outlook for business development and resulting shareholder returns.

Should further fund raising be unsuccessful and the company not be able to otherwise secure funding from other capital raisings or other alternative funding arrangements, there is material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt as to whether the company and Group will be able to continue as a going concern and continue to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

If the Group is unable to continue as a going concern, it will be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the ordinary course of business and at amounts that may be different to those stated in the financial report. This includes, but is not limited to, the Group's major assets, being its biological assets, which represent 75% of the Group's current assets and 63% of the Group's total assets.

**(vi) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE STATE OF AFFAIRS**

Significant changes in the state of affairs of the Group during the reporting period:

**EQUITY FUNDING**

Share issues	Shares	Cash	Offset of debt by issue of shares	Services	Total
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Placements	8,800,000	708,000	-	-	708,000
Entitlement Issue	40,230,723	1,500,000	913,000	-	2,413,000
Paterson Securities Ltd	1,100,000	-	-	66,000	66,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,130,723</b>	<b>2,208,000</b>	<b>913,000</b>	<b>66,000</b>	<b>3,187,000</b>

**DEBT FUNDING**

Related party debt funding during the reporting period:

Facility	Opening 1 July 2008	Assignment	Drawn	Repaid in cash	Repaid in shares	Closing 30 June 2009
Faustus Nominees (i)	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	-
Denise Hutton (ii)	-	1,000,000	1,250,000	-	(138,000)	2,112,000
Mathry (ii)	-	-	600,000	-	-	600,000
Guy Westbrook	-	-	275,000	(150,000)	(125,000)	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,125,000</b>	<b>(150,000)</b>	<b>(263,000)</b>	<b>2,712,000</b>

(i) In February 2008, \$1,000,000 was drawn under a 12 month loan agreement with Faustus Nominees Pty Ltd, an entity related to Mr Hutton, a director of the company. The loan was assigned to Denise Hutton during the reporting period and is secured by a charge over the assets of the Group.

(ii) Denise Hutton is related to Mr Hutton, a director of the company, and is associated with Mathry Pty Ltd.

## CORPORATE

During October 2008, Mr Nick Miller resigned as an executive director of the Company.

During June 2009, Professor Mehdi Doroudi resigned as a non-executive director of the Company.

## SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

### Non-renounceable entitlement issue

On 18 August 2009 the company announced and issued a prospectus for a pro rata non-renounceable entitlement issue of 111,386,427 new shares at \$0.06 each on the basis of one new share for each 1 share held to raise up to \$6,683,000 before costs to reduce debt levels and continue towards commercialisation of the Group's farming operations.

A total of \$5,057,000 was raised under the entitlements issue representing 84,278,221 new shares issued – refer Note (V) above for further details.

### Loan funding

During July 2009, an amount of \$150,000 was loaned to the Company by Guy Westbrook, General Manager, and repaid during August 2009.

During July and August 2009, a total of \$2,400,000 was loaned to the Company by Lasborough coinciding with its funding level in its entitlement issue underwriting agreement, repaid in full via the issue of shares – refer Note (V) above for further details.

### Issue of shares

During August 2009, 2,000,000 shares at \$0.06 per share were issued to management and contractors of the Company in payment of services rendered to the value of \$120,000 representing the fair value of services provided and the market price of shares at that time.

Other than the matters discussed above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity, in future financial years, other than the concern expressed earlier regarding liquidity and funding.

### Subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures

As at 1 July 2008, the Group acquired and gained control of Maxima Fish Farms Pty Ltd. This entity did not contribute materially to the results for the period.

No member of the Group held an interest in, or participated in the results of an associate or joint venture.

## 7 Dividends

No dividends were paid or declared during the current or prior financial years.

## 8 Directors' interests

The relevant interest of each director in the shares, debentures, interests in registered schemes and rights or options over such instruments issued by the companies within the consolidated entity and other related bodies corporate, as notified by the directors to the Australian Stock Exchange in accordance with S205G(1) of the Corporations Act 2001, at the date of this report is as follows:

### Marine Produce Australia Limited

	Ordinary shares	Options over ordinary shares
Mr J Hutton	27,817,378	-
Mr M Kennedy	2,509,753	-
Dr T Theunissen	614,917	-

## **9 Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors**

### **Indemnification**

The Company has agreed to indemnify the following current directors of the Company; Mr M Kennedy, Mr J Hutton and Dr T Theunissen and the following former directors, Mr N Miller, Mr J Drummond, Mr A Zimpel, Mr K Simich, Mr M Firmin, Mr P Fraser and Prof M Doroudi against all liabilities to another person (other than the Company or related body corporate) that may arise from their position as directors of the Company and its controlled entities, except where the liability arises out of conduct involving a lack of good faith. The agreement stipulates that the Company will meet the full amount of any such liabilities, including costs and expenses.

The Company has also agreed to indemnify the current directors of its controlled entities for all liabilities to another person (other than the Company or related body corporate) that may arise from their position, except where the liability arises out of conduct involving a lack of good faith. The agreement stipulates that the Company will meet the full amount of any such liabilities, including costs and expenses.

### **Insurance premiums**

Since the end of the previous financial year the Company has paid insurance premiums in respect of directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses' insurance contracts, for current and former directors and officers, including senior executives of the Company and directors, senior executives of and secretaries of its controlled entities. The insurance premiums relate to:

- Costs and expenses incurred by the relevant officers in defending proceedings, whether civil or criminal and whatever their outcome; and
- Other liabilities that may arise from their position, with the exception of conduct involving a wilful breach of duty or improper use of information or position to gain personal advantage.

The value of the premium paid is not disclosed subject to an existing confidentiality agreement between the insurer and the directors of the company.

## **10 Lead auditor's independence declaration**

The lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 17 and forms part of the directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2009.

## **11 Rounding off**

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/100 dated 10 July 1998 and in accordance with that Class Order, amounts in the financial report and directors' report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



Miles Kennedy  
Non-executive Chairman

Dated at Perth this 30th day of September 2009.



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

To: the directors of Marine Produce Australia Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2009 there have been:

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

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Perth

30 September 2009

**INCOME STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Note	Consolidated		Company	
		2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Continuing operations</b>					
Revenue from sales		4,322	3,245	-	-
Cost of sales		(4,322)	(3,245)	-	-
Profit on sales		-	-	-	-
Growth in fish biomass:					
Net gain from acquisitions and growth		3,510	6,263	-	-
Raw materials and consumables		(5,581)	(5,126)	-	-
Farm personnel expenses	8	(2,037)	(1,805)	-	-
Fair value loss on biological assets		(4,108)	(668)	-	-
Administrative and marketing expenses		(1,658)	(1,321)	(425)	(459)
Other income		132	22	15	22
Other expenses	9	-	-	(8,717)	(3,545)
<b>Results from operating activities</b>		<b>(5,634)</b>	<b>(1,967)</b>	<b>(9,127)</b>	<b>(3,982)</b>
Finance income		7	33	7	32
Finance expenses	6	(226)	(593)	(209)	-
Net finance income (expense)		(219)	(560)	(202)	32
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	7	(2,666)	-	(87)	-
Impairment of intangible assets	7	(457)	-	-	-
Depreciation and amortisation		(459)	(415)	(19)	-
<b>Loss before income tax</b>		<b>(9,435)</b>	<b>(2,942)</b>	<b>(9,435)</b>	<b>(3,950)</b>
Income tax benefit	11	1,292	405	1,292	405
<b>Loss from continuing operations</b>		<b>(8,143)</b>	<b>(2,537)</b>	<b>(8,143)</b>	<b>(3,545)</b>
<b>Discontinued operation</b>					
Impairment of property plant and equipment and intangibles	5	-	(1,008)	-	-
<b>Loss for the period</b>		<b>(8,143)</b>	<b>(3,545)</b>	<b>(8,143)</b>	<b>(3,545)</b>
<b>Loss per share</b>					
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents)	12	(9.1)	(6.8)		
<b>Continuing operations</b>					
Basic and diluted loss per share (cents)		(9.1)	(4.9)		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**BALANCE SHEETS**  
**AS AT 30 JUNE 2009**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Note	Consolidated		Company	
		2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	13	89	310	70	213
Trade and other receivables	14	575	896	30	-
Current tax assets	11	661	405	661	405
Inventories	15	267	227	-	-
Biological assets	16	4,724	5,448	-	-
Other assets		18	37	18	18
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>6,334</b>	<b>7,323</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>636</b>
Receivables	14	-	-	5,204	8,819
Investments	17	-	-	-	-
Property, plant and equipment	7/19	1,150	3,915	-	86
Intangible assets	7/20	-	482	-	-
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>1,150</b>	<b>4,397</b>	<b>5,204</b>	<b>8,905</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>7,484</b>	<b>11,720</b>	<b>5,983</b>	<b>9,541</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	21	1,593	2,525	172	398
Loans and borrowings	22	2,712	1,000	2,712	1,000
Employee benefits	23	83	55	3	3
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>4,388</b>	<b>3,580</b>	<b>2,887</b>	<b>1,401</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>3,096</b>	<b>8,140</b>	<b>3,096</b>	<b>8,140</b>
<b>Equity</b>					
Share capital	24	28,828	26,255	28,828	26,255
Reserves	25(ii)	1,014	488	1,014	488
Accumulated losses		(26,746)	(18,603)	(26,746)	(18,603)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>3,096</b>	<b>8,140</b>	<b>3,096</b>	<b>8,140</b>

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**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Note	Share capital	Share based payments reserve	Accumulated losses	Total equity
<b>Consolidated</b>					
Balance at 1 July 2007		25,126	-	(15,058)	10,068
Total income and expense recognised directly in equity		-	-	-	-
Loss for the period		-	-	(3,545)	(3,545)
Total recognised income and expense		-	-	(3,545)	(3,545)
Share based payments	6(i)	-	488	-	488
Shares issues		1,159	-	-	1,159
Share issue costs		(30)	-	-	(30)
Balance at 30 June 2008		26,255	488	(18,603)	8,140
Balance at 1 July 2008		26,255	488	(18,603)	8,140
Total income and expense recognised directly in equity		-	-	-	-
Loss for the period		-	-	(8,143)	(8,143)
Total recognised income and expense		-	-	(8,143)	(8,143)
Issue of options	25(ii)	(526)	526	-	-
Share issues	24	3,187	-	-	3,187
Share issue costs		(88)	-	-	(88)
Balance at 30 June 2009		28,828	1,014	(26,746)	3,096
<b>Company</b>					
Balance at 1 July 2007		25,126	-	(15,058)	10,068
Total income and expense recognised directly in equity		-	-	-	-
Loss for the period		-	-	(3,545)	(3,545)
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Share based payments	6	-	488	-	488
Shares issues		1,159	-	-	1,159
Share issue costs		(30)	-	-	(30)
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Total recognised income and expense		-	-	(8,143)	(8,143)
Issue of options	25(ii)	(526)	526	-	-
Share issues	24	3,187	-	-	3,187
Share issue costs		(88)	-	-	(88)
Balance at 30 June 2009		28,828	1,014	(26,746)	3,096

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**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Note	Consolidated		Company	
		2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash receipts		4,491	2,852	648	738
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(8,978)	(7,120)	(652)	(459)
Cash from (used in) operations		(4,487)	(4,268)	(4)	279
Interest received		7	34	7	32
Income tax receipts		1,029	341	1,029	341
Other income received		124	18	19	18
<b>Net cash from (used in) operating activities</b>	29	<b>(3,327)</b>	<b>(3,875)</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>670</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	5	-	3,262	-	-
Acquisitions of intangible assets		(15)	(52)	-	-
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment		(801)	(1,907)	(13)	-
<b>Net cash from (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(816)</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>(13)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>					
Proceeds from issue of share capital	24	2,208	1,126	2,208	1,126
Payment of transaction costs		(88)	(30)	(88)	(30)
Proceeds from borrowings	6(i)	-	3,000	-	3,000
Repayment of borrowings	6(i)	-	(3,000)	-	(3,000)
Proceeds from borrowings – related party	22	2,125	1,000	2,125	1,000
Repayment of borrowings – related party	22	(150)	-	(150)	-
Interest paid on borrowings – related party		(173)	(106)	(173)	(106)
Loans to subsidiaries	14	-	-	(5,103)	(3,311)
<b>Net cash from (used in) financing activities</b>		<b>3,922</b>	<b>1,990</b>	<b>(1,181)</b>	<b>(1,321)</b>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(221)	(582)	(143)	(651)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		310	892	213	864
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June</b>	13	<b>89</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>213</b>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. Reporting entity

Marine Produce Australia Limited (the Company) is a company domiciled in Australia. The address of the Company's registered office is 12 Walker Avenue, West Perth WA 6005. The consolidated financial statements of the Company as at and for the year ended 30 June 2009 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the 'Group' and individually as 'Group entities').

The Group is involved in the aquaculture industry, specifically the farming of Barramundi fish in sea cages in North West Western Australia.

### 2. Basis of preparation

#### (a) Statement of compliance

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (AASBs) (including Australian Interpretations) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Corporations Act 2001. The consolidated financial report of the Group and the financial report of the Company comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

#### (b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following:

- Biological assets are measured at fair value less estimated selling costs

The methods used to determine fair values are discussed further in Note (p).

#### (c) Functional and presentation currency

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#### (d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from those estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

In particular, information about significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amount recognised in the financial statements are described in the following notes:

- Note 16 - Biological assets
- Note 25 - Share-based payments
- Note 7 - Impairment of assets

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A further amount of \$257,000 was received under the entitlements issue in addition to the commitments received from the underwriters, for a total raising of \$5,057,000 before costs of the issue. Further equity or debt funding of up to \$7,000,000 is likely to be required within the next 12 months to continue the planned high rate of farm development and fish growth.

Of the \$4,800,000 commitment received, an amount of \$800,000 has been paid to Maxima Pearling Company Pty Ltd under their access agreement with the Group via the issue of shares to Maxima as sub-underwriter to Denise Hutton.

The Group has the ability to slow its expansion strategy and harvest additional fish at less than the current targeted 3kg harvest size to maintain sufficient cash reserves, with a resulting potentially significant reduction of the scale of the operations until further funding becomes available.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors believe to be appropriate. The directors are confident that the Group will be able to source sufficient funding to continue as a going concern and continue to pay its debts as and when they fall due based on the support received from major shareholder groups and the positive outlook for business development and resulting shareholder returns.

Should further fund raising be unsuccessful and the company not be able to otherwise secure funding from other capital raisings or other alternative funding arrangements, there is material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt as to whether the company and Group will be able to continue as a going concern and continue to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

If the Group is unable to continue as a going concern, it will be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the ordinary course of business and at amounts that may be different to those stated in the financial report. This includes, but is not limited to, the Group's major assets, being its biological assets, which represent 75% of the Group's current assets and 63% of the Group's total assets.

### 3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements, and have been applied consistently by Group entities.

Certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation. Management has restated the 2008 comparative figures, with regards to other income, cost of sales and the resultant adjustment to the fair value gain on biological assets, to align with the disclosures for 2009. In management's view this better reflects the biological assets accounting standard requirements and internal management report processes.

The following standards, amendments to standards and interpretations have been identified as those which may impact the entity in the period of initial application. They are available for early adoption at 30 June 2009, but have not been applied in preparing this financial report.

- Revised AASB 3 *Business Combinations* (2008) incorporates the following changes that are likely to be relevant to the Group's operations:
  - The definition of a business has been broadened, which is likely to result in more acquisitions being treated as business combinations
  - Contingent consideration will be measured at fair value, with subsequent changes therein recognised in profit or loss
  - Transaction costs, other than share and debt issue costs, will be expensed as incurred
  - Any pre-existing interest in the acquiree will be measured at fair value with the gain or loss recognised in profit or loss
  - Any non-controlling (minority) interest will be measured at either fair value, or at its proportionate interest in the identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquiree, on a transaction-by-transaction basis.

Revised AASB 3, which becomes mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, will be applied prospectively and therefore there will have no impact on prior periods in the Group's 2010 consolidated financial statement.

- Amended AASB 127 *Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements* (2008) requires accounting for changes in ownership interests by the Group in a subsidiary, while maintaining control, to be recognised as an equity transaction. When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, any interest retained in the former subsidiary will be measured at fair value with the gain or loss recognised in profit or loss. The amendments to AASB 127, which become mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements are not expected to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements.
- AASB 8 *Operating Segments* introduces the "management approach" to segment reporting. AASB 8, which becomes mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, will require a change in the presentation on and disclosure of segment information based on the internal reports regularly reviewed by the Group's Chief Financial Decision Maker in order to assess each segment's performance and to allocate resources to them. The Group currently operates in one business segment and in one geographical segment and does not expect AASB 8 to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements.
- Revised AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements* (2007) introduces the term total comprehensive income, which represents changes in equity during a period other than changes resulting from transactions with owners in their capacity as owners. Total comprehensive income may be presented in either a single statement of comprehensive income (effectively combining both the income statement and all non-owner changes in equity in a single statement) or, in an income statement and a separate statement of comprehensive income. Revised AASB 101, which becomes mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, is expected to have a significant impact on the presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Revised AASB 123 *Borrowing Costs* removes the option to expense borrowing costs and requires that an entity capitalise borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset as part of the cost of that asset. The revised AASB 123 will become mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements and will have a limited impact on the consolidated financial statements.
- AASB 2008-1 *Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard – Share-based Payment: Vesting Conditions and Cancellations* clarifies the definition of vesting conditions, introduces the concept of non-vesting conditions, requires non-vesting conditions to be reflected in grant-date fair value and provides the accounting treatment for non-vesting conditions and cancellations. The amendments to AASB 2 will be mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, with retrospective application. The Group has not yet determined the potential effect of the amendment.
- AASB 2008-5 *Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Process* and 2008-6 *Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from The Annual Improvements Process* affect various AASBs resulting in minor changes for presentation, disclosure, recognition and measurement purposes. The amendments, which become mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, are not expected to have any impact on the financial statements.

- AASB 2008-7 *Amendments to Accounting Standards – Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate* changes the recognition and measurement of dividend receipts as income and addresses the accounting of a newly formed parent entity in the separate financial statements. The amendments become mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements. The Group has not yet determined the potential impact of the amendments.
- AASB 2008-8 *Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard – Eligible Hedged Items* clarifies the effect of using options as hedging instruments and the circumstances which inflation risk can be hedged. The amendments become mandatory for the Group's 30 June 2010 financial statements, with retrospective application. The revised standard will have no impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

**(a) Basis of consolidation**

**Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. Control exists when the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable or convertible are taken into account. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. The accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed when necessary to align them with the policies adopted by the Group.

In the Company's financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost.

**Transactions eliminated on consolidation**

Intra-group balances and any unrealised income and expenses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity accounted investees are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

Gains and losses are recognised when the contributed assets are consumed or sold by the equity accounted investees or, if not consumed or sold by the equity accounted investee, when the Group's interest in such entities is disposed of.

**(b) Property, plant and equipment**

**Recognition and measurement**

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials, direct labour, the initial estimate, where relevant, of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located, and an appropriate proportion of production overheads.

Certain items of property, plant and equipment that had been revalued to fair value on or prior to 1 July 2004, the date of transition to Australian Accounting Standards – AIFRSs, are measured on the basis of deemed cost, being the carrying amount at that date.

When parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Borrowing costs related to the acquisition or construction of qualifying assets are recognised in the Income Statement as incurred.

Gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and are recognised net within "other income" in the Income Statement.

**Subsequent costs**

The Group recognises in the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment the cost of replacing part of such an item when that cost is incurred if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other costs are recognised in the income statement as an expense incurred.

## Depreciation

With the exception of freehold land and development assets, depreciation is charged to the income statement on an adjusted reducing balance basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives in the current and comparative periods are as follows:

Buildings	40 years
Plant and equipment	5 - 12 years
Fixtures and fittings	5 – 10 years
Major components	3 – 5 years
Boats	15 years

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date.

## (c) Intangible assets

### Development assets

Expenditure on research activities, undertaken with the prospect of gaining new scientific or technical knowledge and understanding, is recognised in the income statement as incurred.

Expenditure on development activities, whereby research findings are applied to a plan or design for the production of new or substantially improved products and processes, is capitalised only if the product or process is technically and commercially feasible, future economic benefits are probable, and the Group has sufficient resources and intent to complete development.

The expenditure capitalised includes the cost of materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Other development expenditure is recognised in the income statement as an expense as incurred. Capitalised development expenditure is stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses (see accounting policy (f)).

Borrowing costs related to the development of qualifying assets are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

### Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure on capitalised intangible assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

### Amortisation

Amortisation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets unless such lives are indefinite. Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are systematically tested for impairment at each balance sheet date. Other intangible assets are amortised from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful life of intangible assets in the current and comparative periods is 10 years.

## (d) Biological assets

Biological assets relating to aquaculture activities and products are stated at fair value less estimated selling costs, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in the income statement. Fair value is determined based on estimated market sales price. Selling costs include all costs that would be necessary to sell the assets, including costs necessary to get the assets to market.

As the fair value of the assets is based on its present location and condition, the company applies direct costing to estimate fair value of barramundi in cages where they have not yet reached a saleable size.

## (e) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

The cost attributed to harvested barramundi is equal to the fair value less estimated point of sale costs previously recorded in biological assets at the date of harvest, determined in accordance with the accounting policy for biological assets (see accounting policy (d)). Any change in value at the date of harvest is recognised in the income statement. Once harvested, barramundi inventories are accounted for as normal inventories.

The cost of other inventories is based on the first-in first-out principle and includes expenditure incurred in acquiring the inventories and bringing them to their existing location and condition. Cost includes an appropriate share of overheads based on normal operating capacity.

**(f) Impairment**

The carrying amounts of the Group's assets, other than biological assets (see accounting policy (d)), inventories (see accounting policy (e)) and deferred tax assets (see accounting policy (l)) are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

For goodwill, assets that have an indefinite useful life and intangible assets that are not yet available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated at each balance sheet date.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement, unless an asset has previously been revalued, in which case the impairment loss is recognised as a reversal to the extent of that previous revaluation with any excess recognised through profit or loss.

Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to cash-generating units (group of units) and then, to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

**Calculation of recoverable amount**

The recoverable amount of the Group's investments and receivables carried at amortised cost is calculated as the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate (ie the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition of these financial assets). Receivables with a short duration are not discounted.

Impairment of receivables is not recognised until objective evidence is available that a loss event has occurred. Significant receivables are individually assessed for impairment. Impairment testing of receivables that are not impaired individually is performed by placing them into portfolios of receivables with similar risk profiles and undertaking a collective assessment of impairment. Non-significant receivables are not individually assessed. Instead, impairment testing is performed by placing non-significant receivables in portfolios of similar risk profiles based on objective evidence from historical experience adjusted to for any effects of conditions existing at each balance sheet date.

The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

**Reversals of impairment**

Impairment losses, other than in respect of goodwill, are reversed when there is an indication that the impairment loss has decreased or no longer exists and there has been a change in the estimate used to determine the recoverable amount.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed.

An impairment loss in respect of a held-to-maturity security or receivable carried at amortised cost is reversed if the subsequent increase in recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event after the impairment loss was recognised via profit and loss.

An impairment loss in respect of an investment in an equity instrument classified as available for sale is not reversed through profit or loss. If the fair value of a debt instrument classified as available-for-sale increases and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised in profit or loss, the impairment loss shall be reversed, with the amount of the reversal recognised in profit or loss.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss has been recognised.

**(g) Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations**

Immediately before classification as held for sale, the measurement of the assets and liabilities in the disposal group is brought up-to-date in accordance with applicable accounting standards. Then, on initial classification as held for sale, non-current assets and disposal groups are recognised at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Impairment losses on initial classification as held for sale are included in profit or loss, even when there is a revaluation. The same applies to gains and losses on subsequent remeasurement.

A discontinued operation is a component of the Group's business that represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations.

Classification as a discontinued operation occurs upon disposal or when the operation meets the criteria to be classified as held-for-sale, if earlier.

**(h) Employee benefits**

**Defined contribution plans**

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution superannuation funds are recognised as an expense in profit or loss as and when they fall due.

**Short-term benefits**

Liabilities for employee benefits for wages, salaries and annual leave that are expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date represent obligations resulting from employees' services provided to reporting date, are calculated at undiscounted amounts based on remuneration wage and salary rates that the Group expects to pay as at the reporting date including related on-costs, such as workers compensation, insurance and payroll tax. Non-monetary benefits, such as medical care, housing, cars and free or subsidised goods and services, are expensed based on the net marginal cost to the Group as the benefits are taken by the employees.

**Share-based payment transactions**

The share option programme allows Group employees to acquire shares of the Company. The fair value of options granted is recognised as an employee expense with a corresponding increase in equity. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to options. The fair value of the options granted is measured using a Black Scholes model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options that vest except where forfeiture is only due to share prices not achieving the threshold for vesting.

Share-based payment arrangements in which the Group receives goods or services as consideration for its own equity instruments are accounted for as equity-settled share-based payment transactions, regardless of how the equity instruments are obtained by the Group. Any goods or services that are settled by way of issue of the Group's own equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the goods and services provided.

**Termination benefits**

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed, without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to a formal detailed plan to terminate employment before the normal retirement date. Termination benefits for voluntary redundancies are recognised if the Group has made an offer encouraging voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably.

**(i) Provisions**

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

**(j) Revenue**

**Sale of goods**

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer. No revenue is recognised if there are significant uncertainties regarding recovery of the consideration due, the costs incurred or to be incurred cannot be measured reliably, there is a risk of return of goods or there is continuing management involvement with the goods.

Transfers of risks and rewards vary depending on the individual terms of the contract of sale. For sales of Barramundi, transfer usually occurs when the product is received by the customer.

### **Gain from change in fair value of biological assets**

Biological assets relating to aquaculture activities and products are stated at fair value less estimated point-of-sale costs, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in the income statement. Point-of-sale costs include all costs that would be necessary to sell the assets, including costs necessary to get the assets to market.

As the fair value of the assets is based on its present location and condition, the company applies direct costing to estimate fair value of barramundi in cages where they have not yet reached a saleable size.

### **(k) Expenses**

#### **Financing income and expenses**

Net financing costs comprise interest payable on borrowings (calculated using the effective interest method), fair value of share-based payments attributable to financing facilities and interest receivable on funds invested that are recognised in the income statement. Borrowing costs are expensed as incurred and included in net financing costs.

Interest income is recognised in the income statement as it accrues, using the effective interest method.

### **(l) Income tax**

Income tax on profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Research and development assistance is recognised as an income tax benefit in the year in which it is earned. The corresponding receivable is held within current tax assets.

Deferred tax is provided using the balance sheet liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: initial recognition of goodwill, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting or taxable profit, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that the future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

#### **Tax consolidation**

The Company and its wholly-owned Australian resident entities have formed a tax-consolidated group with effect from 1 July 2004 and are therefore taxed as a single entity from that date. The head entity within the tax-consolidated group is Marine Produce Australia Limited.

Current tax expense/income and deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses of the subsidiaries is assumed by the head entity and are recognised in the separate financial statements of the members of the tax consolidated group using the "separate tax payer within group" approach by reference to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the separate financial statements of each entity and the tax values applying under tax consolidation.

Any current tax liabilities (or assets) and deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses of the subsidiaries is assumed by the head entity in the tax consolidated group and are recognised as amounts payable (receivable) to (from) other entities in the tax-consolidated group in conjunction with any tax funding arrangement amounts (refer below). Any difference between these amounts is recognised by the Company as an equity contribution or distribution.

The Company recognises deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses of the tax-consolidated group to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits of the tax-consolidated group will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

Any subsequent period adjustments to deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses as a result of revised assessments of the probability of recoverability is recognised by the head entity only.

### **Nature of tax funding arrangements and tax sharing arrangements**

The head entity, in conjunction with other members of the tax-consolidated group, has not entered into a tax funding or sharing arrangement with members of the tax-consolidated group in respect of tax amounts.

#### **(m) Segment reporting**

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

#### **(n) Goods and services tax**

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

#### **(o) Earnings per share**

The Group presents basic and diluted earning per share (EPS) data for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise convertible notes and share options granted to employees.

#### **(p) Determination of fair values**

A number of the Company's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes based on the following methods. When applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values of assets and liabilities are disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

##### *Biological assets*

The fair value of fish is set out in Note 3(d).

##### *Trade and other receivables*

The fair value of trade and other receivables is estimated as the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date.

##### *Share based payment transactions*

The fair value of employee and director share options is measured using the Black-Scholes formula. Measurement inputs include share price on measurement date, exercise price of the instrument, expected volatility (based on weighted average historical volatility adjusted for changes expected due to publically available information), weighted average expected life of the instruments (based on historical experience and general option holder behaviour), expected dividends, and the risk-free interest rate (based on government bonds). Service and non-market performance conditions attaching to the transactions are not taken into account in determining fair value.

#### **(q) Financial instruments**

##### ***Non-derivative financial instruments***

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise investments in equity and debt securities, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, loans and borrowings, and trade and other payables.

Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value plus, for instruments not at fair value through profit or loss, any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below.

A financial instrument is recognised if the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised if the Group's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or if the Group transfers the financial asset to another party without retaining control or substantially all risks and rewards of the asset. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are accounted for at trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits itself to purchase or sell the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Group's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management are included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the statement of cash flows.

Accounting for finance income and expense is discussed in note (k).

#### *Held-to-maturity investments*

If the Group has the positive intent and ability to hold debt securities to maturity, then they are classified as held-to-maturity. Held-to-maturity investments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

#### *Other*

Other non-derivative financial instruments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

#### **Share capital**

##### *Ordinary shares*

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares and share options are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

#### *Dividends*

Dividends are recognised as a liability in the period in which they are declared.

## **4 Segment reporting**

For the years ended 30 June 2008 and 30 June 2009 the Group has undertaken one activity being the farming of Barramundi at Cone Bay in the Buccaneer Archipelago, North West of Western Australia. As a result no separate business segments are reported.

## **5 Discontinued operation**

In 2007 the carrying amount of assets held for sale in the prawn business segment was \$4,323,116. The assets had been classified as held for sale in the balance sheet. The measurement of the recoverable amount for these assets was made based on the estimated net value the Group could realise the sale of the assets. This property was disposed of during the previous reporting period, with an amount of \$1,008,000 recognised for impairment prior to sale.

The prawn farming operation located in Darwin was classified as a discontinued operation in 2007 with the associated assets classified as assets held for sale in the balance sheet. This resulted from the decision of the Group's Board in December 2006 to consider the sale of the associated assets due to the prawn farm being uneconomical at 12 hectares of renovated ponds. These assets were sold during 2008.

#### **Cash flows from discontinued operation**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Net cash from investing activities	-	3,262	-	-

#### **Effect of disposal on the financial position of the group**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Property plant & equipment	-	(4,323)	-	-
Impairment	-	1,008	-	-
Consideration received in cash	-	3,315	-	-

## Results of discontinued operation

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Revenue	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	-	-	-
Expenses	-	(1,008)	-	-
Results from operating activities	-	(1,008)	-	-
Income tax expense	-	-	-	-
Results from operating activities, net of income tax	-	(1,008)	-	-
Basic loss per share (cents)	-	(2.0)	-	-
Diluted loss per share (cents)	-	(2.0)	-	-

## 6 Finance expenses

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Fair value of options issued under a loan agreement (i)	-	488	-	488
Transfer of fair value of options to controlled entity	-	-	-	(488)
Interest expense (ii)	226	105	209	-
	226	593	209	-

### (i) Fair value of options issued under a loan agreement

#### *Loan facility*

During the previous reporting period, WU Investments Pty Ltd granted the Company a loan facility of up to \$3,000,000 subject to the terms and conditions contained in a loan agreement entered into between the Company and the lender.

Performance of the Company's obligations under the loan agreement was guaranteed by Aussie Prawns Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and secured by a first mortgage over Aussie Prawn's prawn operations in the Northern Territory.

During the previous reporting period the Company borrowed \$3,000,000 under the loan facility and repaid these funds in full from the consideration received on the sale of the prawn farm.

On 28 September 2007, shareholders in general meeting voted to approve the issue of 5 million \$0.02 options expiring 28 September 2012 to acquire ordinary shares in the Company in consideration for the lender agreeing to grant the loan facility to the Group. The issue of these options, based on Black-Scholes option valuation model, resulted in the recognition of financial expenses of \$488,000 in the income statement and balance sheet equity reserves.

### (ii) Interest expense

Interest charges paid and accrued to Faustus Nominees Pty Ltd, Denise Hutton and Mathry Pty Ltd, all related to director John Hutton, for the provision of secured working capital facilities – Refer to Note 22 for further details of movements, terms and conditions of these facilities.

## 7 Continuing operations - Impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Carried values prior to impairment:				
Property, plant and equipment	3,816	3,915	87	87
Intangible assets	457	482	-	-
	4,273	4,397	87	87
Impairment charges:				
Property, plant and equipment	(2,666)	-	(87)	-
Intangible assets	(457)	-	-	-
	(3,123)	-	(87)	-
Carried value following impairment:				
Property, plant and equipment	1,150	3,915	-	87
Intangible assets	-	482	-	-
	1,150	4,397	-	87

As noted in the Entitlements Issue prospectus issued by the Company on 18 August 2009 and supplementary prospectus dated 8 September 2009, the Group has undertaken a review of the carrying value of its property, plant and equipment and intangible assets to assess whether any impairment charges were required.

This review found that an impairment trigger existed, being the operating losses and negative cash flows for the reporting period while the farm is building to commercial and profitable scale, which then required an assessment of future cash flows from assets in their present form and scale, appropriately discounted by a weighted average cost of capital assessed to be approximately 20%pa.

As a result of this review, the directors have considered it prudent to impair intangible assets to nil value and property, plant and equipment assets to the higher of estimated net sales value and value in use, with the higher being their net sales value. The majority of remaining carrying values of property, plant and equipment assets are represented by the Group's fleet of saleable boats, which have been valued in line with their respective estimated arm's length market sales price. The impairments recorded may be reversed in whole or in part in the future in line with the Group's accounting policy (refer Note 3(f)).

## 8 Farm personnel expenses

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Wages and salaries	1,603	1,386	-	-
Other associated personnel expenses	267	270	-	-
Superannuation costs	108	82	-	-
Increase in liability for annual leave	59	67	-	-
	2,037	1,805	-	-

## 9 Other expenses

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Impairment loss on loans to controlled entities	-	-	8,717	2,858
Impairment loss on investments in controlled entities	-	-	-	687
	-	-	8,717	3,545

Loans and Investments to and in controlled entities have been impaired to the extent that those entities have a net asset deficiency.

## 10 Auditors' remuneration

<i>In AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Audit services</b>				
Auditors of the Company: KPMG Australia	73,500	90,000	73,500	90,000
Audit and review of financial reports	73,500	90,000	73,500	90,000

## 11 Income tax expense recognised in the income statement

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Current tax expense</b>				
Current period	(1,347)	(719)	(227)	(8)
Research and development tax benefit realised	1,292	405	1,292	405
	(55)	(314)	1,065	397
<b>Deferred tax expense</b>				
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	152	668	(2,271)	(1,127)
Change in unrecognised temporary differences	1,195	51	2,498	1,135
	1,347	719	227	8
Total income tax benefit (i)	1,292	405	1,292	405

(i) Of this amount \$661,000 remains receivable at the end of the period.

### Numerical reconciliation between tax-expense and pre-tax net profit

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Loss for the period	(8,143)	(3,545)	(8,143)	(3,545)
Income tax benefit	1,292	405	1,292	405
Loss excluding income tax	(9,435)	(3,950)	(9,435)	(3,950)
Income tax using the Company's domestic tax rate of 30% (2008:30%)	(2,830)	(1,185)	(2,830)	(1,185)
Research and development tax grant	1,292	405	1,292	405
Gain on sale of discontinued operation	-	64	-	-
Non-deductible expenses	582	204	42	218
Impairment assets	937	302	26	-
Capital raising costs	(36)	(104)	(80)	(104)
Provisions for non-recoverability	-	-	2,615	1,063
Current year losses for which no deferred tax asset was recognised	1,347	719	227	8
Income tax benefit	1,292	405	1,292	405

### Income tax recognised directly in equity

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Capital raising costs	(44)	9	(44)	9
Tax losses not brought to account	44	(9)	44	(9)
Total income tax recognised directly in equity	-	-	-	-

## 12 Loss per share

### Basic and diluted loss per share

	Consolidated	
	2009	2008
From continuing operations (cents)	(9.1)	(4.9)
From discontinued operations (cents)	-	(1.9)
Loss per share	(9.1)	(6.8)

The calculation of basic loss per share at 30 June 2009 was based on the loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of \$8,143,000 (2008: \$3,545,000) and weighted average number of ordinary shares during the financial year ended 30 June 2009 of 89,736,141 (2008: 52,178,931).

The Group is in a loss making position and it is unlikely that the conversion to, calling of, or subscription for, ordinary share capital in respect of potential ordinary shares would lead to a diluted earnings per share that shows an inferior view of the earnings per share. For this reason, the diluted loss per share is the same as the basic loss per share.

## 13 Cash and cash equivalents

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Cash at bank	89	310	70	213
Cash in the statement of cash flows	89	310	70	213

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk and a sensitivity analysis for financial assets and liabilities are disclosed in Note 26.

## 14 Trade and other receivables

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Current</b>				
Trade receivables	535	706	-	-
Other receivables	3	5	24	-
GST receivable	37	185	6	-
	575	896	30	-
<b>Non-current</b>				
Loans to controlled entities	-	-	21,245	16,142
Provision for non recovery of loans	-	-	(16,041)	(7,323)
	-	-	5,204	8,819

The Group's exposure to credit and currency risks and impairment losses related to trade and other receivables are disclosed in Note 26.

## 15 Inventories

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Stock of feed - at cost	151	68	-	-
Consumable stock - at cost	15	20	-	-
Harvested fish stock - at net realisable value	101	139	-	-
	267	227	-	-

## 16 Biological assets

Consolidated <i>In thousands</i>	Barramundi (kg)		Barramundi (\$)	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Balance at 1 July	645	486	5,448	2,430
Increase due to growth	421	522	3,207	5,886
Increase due to acquisitions	-	-	303	377
Decrease due to harvest	(440)	(363)	(4,234)	(3,245)
Balance at 30 June	626	645	4,724	5,448

### (i) Group exposure to risk

Aquaculture contains elements of significant risk. The ultimate success of aquaculture depends, amongst other things, on the availability to obtain a sufficient yield of juveniles from hatcheries and harvesting an economic yield from a marketable size, the possibility of high mortality rates due to a variety of factors, maintenance of the necessary licences, adhering to other government regulations, conditions and approvals, obtaining and servicing suitable funding arrangements.

The performance of the Group's aquaculture operations, and the value of the Group's biological assets, could be impacted by a number of factors, including:

- Weather conditions
- Possibility of disease and high mortality rates
- Price of and market for its products
- Exchange rates affecting international market pricing
- Unexpected developments in aquaculture development and operating costs
- General economic and stock market conditions in Australia and worldwide, particularly relating to the availability of capital
- Access to sufficient funding to allow grow-out to marketable size

The Group is exposed to a number of risks related to its Barramundi farming operations, which can be summarized into the following key areas:

#### Regulatory and environmental risks

The Group is subject to laws and regulations of Australia, and specifically Western Australia. The Group has established environmental policies and procedures aimed at compliance with local environmental and other laws. Management performs regular reviews to identify environmental risks and to ensure that the systems in place are adequate to manage those risks.

#### Supply and demand risks

The Group is exposed to risks arising from fluctuations in the price and sales volume of fish. Where possible the Group manages this risk by aligning its harvest volume to market supply and demand. Management performs regular industry trend analysis to ensure that the Group's pricing structure is in line with the market and to ensure that projected harvest volumes are consistent with the expected demand.

### Climate and other risks

The Group's fish farm is exposed to the risk of damage from climatic conditions, diseases, and other forces. The Group has processes in place aimed at monitoring and mitigating those risks, including regular inspections of the fish and associated infrastructure assets. The Group also insures itself against damage to its assets caused by natural disasters such as cyclones.

### Basis of estimation and valuation

The measurement of the number, weight and value of fish stock involves:

- Sample counting of fish in cages during splitting and harvesting operations
- Sample weighing of fish in cages and extrapolation of results to total holding in sampled cage
- Current market values and selling costs

In line with industry practice there is a degree of estimation in these processes which requires management and staff to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported quantities and value of the Group's biological assets. Fish numbers are estimated allowing for cannibalism, stock losses and under delivery of small fish at time of purchase. Actual results, for example at later harvest, may differ positively or negatively from those estimates. The estimates and assumptions applied are reviewed on an ongoing basis.

## 17 Investments

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Investments in controlled entities - at cost	-	-	4,292	4,292
Less impairment	-	-	(4,292)	(4,292)
	-	-	-	-

18 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Movement in temporary differences during the year

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Balance 1 July 2007	Recognised in loss	Recognised in equity	Balance 30 June 2008	Recognised in loss	Recognised in equity	Balance 30 June 2009
<b>Consolidated</b>							
Property, plant and equipment	(26)	7	-	(19)	(866)	-	(885)
Receivables	(102)	(17)	-	(119)	119	-	-
Intangible assets	292	12	-	304	(757)	-	(453)
Available for sale financial assets	404	(404)	-	-	-	-	-
Payables	89	(114)	-	(25)	15	-	(10)
Provisions	14	(30)	-	(16)	(9)	-	(25)
Capital raising costs	120	-	9	129	-	(44)	85
Tax loss carry-forwards	(5,385)	(253)	-	(5,638)	(1,031)	-	(6,669)
	(4,594)	(799)	9	(5,384)	(2,529)	(44)	(7,957)
Deferred tax assets not brought to account	4,594	799	(9)	5,384	2,529	44	7,957
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Company</b>							
Property, plant and equipment	(10)	(1)	-	(11)	(25)	-	(36)
Receivables	(1,339)	(977)	-	(2,316)	(2,496)	-	(4,812)
Financial assets at their value	(1,082)	(206)	-	(1,288)	-	-	(1,288)
Payables	(73)	49	-	(25)	23	-	(2)
Provisions	(1)	-	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Capital Raising costs	120	-	9	129	-	(44)	85
	(2,385)	(1,135)	9	(3,512)	(2,498)	(44)	(6,054)
Deferred tax assets not brought to account	2,385	1,135	(9)	3,512	2,498	44	6,054
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

18 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Movement in unrecognised deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Balance 1 July 2007	Additions	Balance 30 June 2008	Additions	Balance 30 June 2009
<b>Consolidated</b>					
Taxable temporary differences	(919)	486	(433)	348	(85)
Deductible temporary differences	128	50	178	1,195	1,373
Tax income losses	4,602	253	4,855	1,049	5,904
Tax capital losses	784	-	784	(19)	765
	4,594	789	5,384	2,574	7,957
<b>Company</b>					
Taxable temporary differences	(120)	(8)	(129)	44	(85)
Deductible temporary differences	2,505	1,135	3,641	2,498	6,139
	2,385	1,127	3,512	2,542	6,054

As at the date of this report the availability of carry forward losses has not been fully determined. With the exception of the amount recognised above no deferred tax asset balance has been recognised in respect of these losses.

**19 Property, plant and equipment**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>				<b>Company</b>			
	<b>Land and buildings</b>	<b>Plant and equipment</b>	<b>Infrastructure</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Land and buildings</b>	<b>Plant and equipment</b>	<b>Infrastructure</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Cost or deemed cost</b>								
Balance at 1 July 2007	-	2,683	-	2,683	-	113	-	113
Acquisitions	-	1,845	-	1,845	-	82	-	82
Balance at 30 June 2008	-	4,528	-	4,528	-	195	-	195
Balance at 1 July 2008	-	4,528	-	4,528	-	195	-	195
Acquisitions	-	303	-	303	-	13	-	13
Balance at 30 June 2009	-	4,831	-	4,831	-	208	-	208

19 Property, plant and equipment

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated				Company			
	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Infrastructure	Total	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Infrastructure	Total
<b>Depreciation and impairment losses</b>								
Balance at 1 July 2007	-	308	-	308	-	91	-	91
Depreciation charge for the year	-	305	-	305	-	18	-	18
Balance at 30 June 2008	-	613	-	613	-	109	-	109
Balance at 1 July 2008	-	613	-	613	-	109	-	109
Impairment losses (Note 7)	-	2,666	-	2,666	-	87	-	87
Depreciation charge for the year	-	402	-	402	-	12	-	12
Balance at 30 June 2009	-	3,681	-	3,682	-	208	-	208
<b>Carrying amounts</b>								
At 1 July 2007	-	2,375	-	2,375	-	113	-	113
At 30 June 2008	-	3,915	-	3,915	-	87	-	87
At 1 July 2008	-	3,915	-	3,915	-	87	-	87
At 30 June 2009 (Note 7)	-	1,150	-	1,150	-	-	-	-

**20 Intangible assets**

<b>Development assets</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>			<b>Company</b>		
	<b>Barramundi</b>	<b>Prawn</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Barramundi</b>	<b>Prawn</b>	<b>Total</b>
<i>In thousands of AUD</i>						
<b>Cost</b>						
Balance at 1 July 2007	559	894	1,453	-	-	-
Additions	43	-	43	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2008	602	894	1,496	-	-	-
Balance at 1 July 2008	602	894	1,496	-	-	-
Additions	15	-	15	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2009	617	894	1,511	-	-	-
<b>Amortisation and impairment losses</b>						
Balance at 1 July 2007	80	894	974	-	-	-
Amortisation for the year	40	-	40	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2008	120	894	1,014	-	-	-
Balance at 1 July 2008	120	894	1,014	-	-	-
Amortisation for the year	40	-	40	-	-	-
Impairment loss (Note 7)	457	-	457	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2009	617	894	1,511	-	-	-
<b>Carrying amounts</b>						
At 1 July 2007	479	-	479	-	-	-
At 30 June 2008	482	-	482	-	-	-
At 1 July 2008	482	-	482	-	-	-
At 30 June 2009 (Note 7)	-	-	-	-	-	-

**21 Trade and other payables**

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Trade payables	1,445	2,275	56	178
Other payables and accrued expenses	148	250	116	220
	1,593	2,525	172	398

The Group's exposure to currency and liquidity risk related to trade and other payables is disclosed in Note 26.

## 22 Loans and borrowings

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Secured interest-bearing loans – related parties	2,712	1,000	2,712	1,000
	2,712	1,000	2,712	1,000

Related party debt funding during the period:

Facility <i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Opening 30 June 2008	Assignment	Drawn in cash	Repaid in cash	Repaid in shares	Closing 30 June 2009
Faustus Nominees (i)	1,000	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
Denise Hutton (i)	-	1,000	1,250	-	(138)	2,112
Mathry Pty Ltd (i)	-	-	600	-	-	600
Guy Westbrook	-	-	275	(150)	(125)	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>(150)</b>	<b>(263)</b>	<b>2,712</b>

This note provides information about the contractual terms of the Company's and Group's interest-bearing loans and borrowings, which are measured at amortised cost. For more information about the Company's and Group's exposure to interest rate and liquidity risk, see Note 26.

### (i) Denise Hutton and Mathry Pty Ltd Loans

During the period the Company entered into loan facilities of up to \$2,750,000 with Denise Hutton and her associated entity Mathry Pty Ltd. Under this arrangement Faustus Nominees Pty Ltd assigned its rights under its existing loan to Denise Hutton. The loans accrue interest at a rate of 12 per cent per annum, are at call and are secured by a charge over the assets of the Group.

The repayment of loans in shares is based on the market value of the shares at that time.

The Company has repaid part of the loans subsequent to year end as part of an entitlements issue – refer note 31.

### (ii) Guy Westbrook Loan

Guy Westbrook loaned the Company a total of \$275,000 during the period on a short term non-interest bearing basis.

The repayment of loans in shares is based on the market value of the shares at that time.

The Company has drawn and repaid further amounts subsequent to year end - refer note 31.

## 23 Employee benefits

### Current

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Provision for annual leave	83	55	3	3

### (i) Defined superannuation contribution funds

The Group makes contributions to defined contribution superannuation funds. The amount recognised as an expense during the period was \$108,000 (2008: \$82,000).

### (ii) Share based payments

Other than as stated in Note 22, no share based payments were made to employees during the period.

## 24 Share capital

	Company			
	Ordinary Shares		Options	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
On issue at 1 July (i)	59,255,704	51,554,753	6,309,055	5,979,300
Issued for cash consideration (ii)	49,030,723	7,500,000	-	-
Issued for no cash consideration (ii)	1,100,000	200,000	10,000,000	5,000,000
Options exercised	-	951	-	(951)
Options lapsed	-	-	-	(4,669,294)
On issue at 30 June – fully paid	109,386,427	59,255,704	16,309,055	6,309,055

(i) During July 2008 the issued capital of the company was consolidated on a 10:1 basis. Shares and options within this report are disclosed on a post-consolidated basis.

(ii) Share issues \$ in thousands of AUD	Shares	Cash	Creditor	Loan	For	Total
	No	consideration \$	offset \$	offset \$	services \$	\$
Placements	8,800,000	708	-	-	-	708
Entitlement Issue	40,230,723	1,500	650	263	-	2,413
Paterson Securities Ltd	1,100,000	-	-	-	66	66
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,130,723</b>	<b>2,208</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3,187</b>

An amount of \$788,000 payable by the Company to Denise Hutton and Maxima Pearling Pty Ltd, both related parties of the Company, was settled through the issue of 13,140,571 ordinary shares under the entitlements issue completed during the reporting period. Of this amount, \$650,000 related to a trade creditor balance with Maxima Pearling Pty Ltd, a related party, and a further \$138,000 related to repayment of interest bearing loans.

An amount of \$275,000 was loaned to the Company by Guy Westbrook, General Manager, during the period. Of this amount, \$125,000 was settled through the issue of 2,083,333 ordinary shares in the Company under the entitlements issue completed during the period. The remaining \$150,000 was repaid in cash during the reporting period.

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets.

### Dividends

No dividends were proposed or paid during the current or previous financial year.

## 25 Share-based payments

### (i) Issue of shares

During July 2008, the Company issued 1,100,000 shares to Patersons Securities Ltd in payment of fees for corporate services carried out on behalf of the Company to the value of \$66,000 at \$0.06 per share.

### (ii) Issue of share options

During July 2008, the Company issued 10,000,000 options to acquire ordinary shares following approval at a General Meeting of shareholders on 18 July 2008. These options were issued to Lasborough Investments Limited for no cash consideration in combination with a placement of shares to them during the previous corresponding period. The fair value of these options has been determined using the Black Scholes valuation model as \$526,000, which has been transferred from share capital to reserves during the reporting period.

## 26 Financial risk management

Exposure to credit and interest rate risks arises in the normal course of the Group's businesses. The Group and Company is not exposed to foreign currency risk as sales, purchases and borrowings are made in the functional currency, being AUD.

The Company and Group have exposure to the following risks from their use of financial instruments:

- Credit risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Interest rate risk

This note presents information about the Company's and Group's exposure to each of the above risks, their objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the management of capital. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout this financial report.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the risk management framework.

Risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Company and Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed to reflect changes in market conditions and the Company's and Group's activities. The Company and Group, through their training and management standards and procedures, aim to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

**(i) Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the Group's receivables from customers and investment securities. For the Company it arises from receivables due from its subsidiary companies.

**Exposure to credit risk**

The carrying amount of the Group's financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure. The Groups maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Carrying amount</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Trade and other receivables	575	896
Current tax assets	661	405
Cash and cash equivalents	89	310
	<b>1,325</b>	<b>1,611</b>

**Trade and other receivables**

The Company's and Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer. The demographics of the Group's customer base, including the default risk of the industry. The Group's revenue is not significantly attributable to sales transactions with a single customer.

Goods are sold subject to retention of title clauses, so that in the event of non-payment the Group may have a secured claim. The Group does not require collateral in respect of trade and other receivables.

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk for trade receivables at the reporting date by geographic region, being within Australia, was \$535,000 (2008: \$706,000). All sales are made to wholesale customers. The Company does not carry any trade receivables (2008: nil).

## Impairment losses

The Group's receivables are past due \$458,000 (2008: \$384,000). The ageing of the Group's receivables at the reporting date was:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Gross	Impairment	Gross	Impairment
	2009	2009	2008	2008
Not past due	77	-	322	-
Past due 0-30 days	116	-	384	-
Past due 31-120 days	92	-	-	-
Past due 121 days	250	-	-	-
	535	-	706	-

Based on historic default rates, the Group believes that no impairment is necessary in respect of trade receivables not past due or past due as these amounts relate to customers that have a good credit history with the Group.

## (ii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Group's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

The Group projects revenue and costs, which assists it in monitoring cash flow requirements and optimising its cash return on investments. Typically the Group seeks to ensure that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses for a period of at least 30 days, including the servicing of financial obligations; this excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments and excluding the impact of netting agreements:

<b>Consolidated 2009</b>	<i>In thousands of AUD</i>						
	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less	6-12 months	1-2 years	2-5 years	More than 5 years
<b>Non-derivative financial liabilities</b>							
Secured loans	2,712	2,712	2,712	-	-	-	-
Trade and other payables	1,593	1,593	1,593	-	-	-	-
	4,305	4,305	4,305	-	-	-	-

<b>Consolidated 2008</b>	<i>In thousands of AUD</i>						
	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less	6-12 months	1-2 years	2-5 years	More than 5 years
<b>Non-derivative financial liabilities</b>							
Secured loans	1,000	1,070	-	1,070	-	-	-
Trade and other payables	2,525	2,525	2,525	-	-	-	-
	3,525	3,595	2,525	1,070	-	-	-

Company 2009	<i>In thousands of AUD</i>						
	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less	6-12 months	1-2 years	2-5 years	More than 5 years
Secured loans	2,712	2,712	2,712	-	-	-	-
Trade and other payables	172	172	172	-	-	-	-
	2,884	2,884	2,884	-	-	-	-

Company 2008	<i>In thousands of AUD</i>						
	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows	6 months or less	6-12 months	1-2 years	2-5 years	More than 5 years
Secured loans	1,000	1,070	-	1,070	-	-	-
Trade and other payables	398	398	398	-	-	-	-
	1,398	1,468	398	1,070	-	-	-

(iii) **Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return.

(iv) **Interest rate risk**

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Company's and the Group's interest-bearing financial instruments was:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	Consolidated Carrying amount		Company Carrying amount	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Fixed rate instruments</b>				
Financial assets	89	310	70	213
Financial liabilities	(2,712)	(1,000)	(2,712)	(1,000)
	(2,623)	(690)	(2,642)	(787)

**Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments**

The Group does not account for any fixed rate financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

A change of 100 basis points in interest rates would have increased or decreased the Group's equity by an immaterial amount in the current and prior period.

**Fair values**

**Fair values versus carrying amounts**

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities, together with the carrying amounts shown in the balance sheet, are as follows:

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	2009		2008	
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
Trade and other receivables	575	575	896	896
Current tax assets	661	661	405	405
Cash and cash equivalents	89	89	310	310
Secured loans	(2,712)	(2,712)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Trade and other payables	(1,593)	(1,593)	(2,525)	(2,525)
	(2,980)	(2,980)	(1,914)	(1,914)

Company	2009		2008	
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
<i>In thousands of AUD</i>				
Trade and other receivables	30	30	-	-
Current tax assets	661	661	405	405
Cash and cash equivalents	70	70	213	213
Loans to subsidiaries	5,204	5,204	8,819	8,819
Secured loans	(2,712)	(2,712)	(1,000)	(1,000)
Trade and other payables	(172)	(172)	(398)	(398)
	3,081	3,081	8,420	8,420

#### Interest rates used for determining fair value

Estimated cash flows have not been discounted to determine fair value as all financial assets and liabilities, except for inter-Group assets and liabilities, are expected to be settled within 12 months. Inter-group assets and liabilities are held at no higher than the net asset value of the subsidiary company.

#### (v) Capital management

The Board's policy is to maintain a working capital base so as to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence.

Practices have been established to ensure:

- Capital and operating expenditure and revenue commitments above a certain size obtain prior Board approval;
- Financial exposures are controlled;
- Business transactions are properly authorised and executed;
- The quality and integrity of personnel; and
- Financial reporting accuracy and compliance with the financial reporting regulatory framework.

There were no changes in the Group's approach to working capital management during the year.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

Refer Note 2(e) for the directors' assessment of going concern.

#### 27 Capital and other commitments

*In thousands of AUD*

	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Capital expenditure commitments</b>				
<b>Plant and equipment</b>				
Contracted but not provided for and payable within one year	601	-	601	-

#### 28 Consolidated entities

Parent entity	Country of Incorporation	Ownership interest	
		2009	2008
Marine Produce Australia Limited			
<b>Subsidiaries</b>			
Tiger International Management Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	100%
MPA Fish Farms Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	100%
MPA Marketing Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	100%
Tiger International Hatchery Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	100%
Aussie Prawns Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	100%
Maxima Fish Farms Pty Ltd	Australia	100%	-

As at 1 July 2008, the Group acquired and gained control of Maxima Fish Farms Pty Ltd. This entity did not contribute materially to the results for the period.

In the financial statements of the Company, investments in controlled entities are measured at cost less impairment and included with other financial assets. The Company has no jointly controlled entities.

## 29 Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

<i>In thousands of AUD</i>	<b>Consolidated</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b>Loss for the period</b>	(8,143)	(3,545)	(8,143)	(3,545)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>				
Depreciation and amortisation	459	363	19	-
Impairment loss	3,123	1,008	8,804	3,545
Fair value of options issued	-	488	-	-
Shares issued for services	716	33	716	-
<b>Operating loss before changes in working capital and provisions</b>	<b>(3,845)</b>	<b>(1,653)</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>-</b>
(Increase)/decrease in biological assets	724	(3,018)	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	321	(515)	(30)	(16)
(Increase)/decrease in current tax assets	(256)	-	(256)	-
(Increase)/decrease in loans to controlled entities	-	-	-	654
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(40)	(87)	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in other assets	19	(18)	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(278)	-	(59)	-
Increase/(decrease) in provisions and employee benefits	28	9	-	(1)
<b>Net cash from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(3,327)</b>	<b>(3,875)</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>670</b>

Refer to Notes 22 and 24 for details of non-cash financing and operating transactions involving the issue of shares.

## 30 Related parties

The following were key management personnel of the Group at any time during the reporting period and unless otherwise indicated in the directors' report were key management personnel for the entire period:

### **Non-executive directors**

Mr M Kennedy (Chairman)  
Mr J Hutton  
Dr T Theunissen  
Prof M Doroudi

### **Executive directors**

Mr N Miller (Managing Director)

### **Executives**

Mr G Westbrook (General Manager)  
Ms J Mathie (Secretary)  
Mr M Fitzgerald (Chief Financial Officer)

### **Individual directors and executives compensation disclosures**

Information regarding individual directors and executives compensation and some equity instruments disclosures as permitted by Corporations Regulation 2M.3.03 is provided in the remuneration report section of the directors' report.

### Other key management personnel transactions

The aggregate amounts recognised during the year relating to key management personnel and their related parties were as follows:

Key management personnel and their related parties	Transaction	Consolidated		Company	
		In AUD 2009	2008	2009	2008
<i>Mr M Kennedy</i> Resource Development Company Pty Ltd	CFO and Secretarial Services	256,304	12,500	256,304	12,500
<i>Mr J Hutton and Mr N Miller</i> Maxima Pearling Co Pty Ltd and Maxima Fish Farms Pty Ltd	Services and materials supplied Cone Bay	534,982	673,621	-	-
<i>Mr J Hutton</i> Ustov Pty Ltd	Rent and variables	24,500	24,500	-	-
<i>Mr J Hutton</i> Kimberley Palm Factory	Rent and variables	10,000	-	-	-
<i>Prof M Doroudi</i> Doroudi Consultants	Directors Fees	30,000	21,260	30,000	21,260
<i>Dr T Theunissen</i> Psytec Management Services	Directors Fees	30,000	16,250	30,000	16,250

Amounts receivable from and payable to key management personnel and other related parties at reporting date arising from the transactions were as follows:

In AUD	Consolidated		Company	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
<b>Assets and liabilities arising from the above transaction</b>				
<u>Other related parties</u>				
Current receivables	116,663	-	-	-
<u>Key management personnel</u>				
Current receivables	-	-	-	-
<u>Other related parties</u>				
Current payables	(471,778)	(529,298)	-	-
Total payments/total liabilities	(355,115)	(529,298)	-	-

From time to time, key management personnel of the Company or its controlled entities, or their related entities, may purchase goods from the Group. These purchases are of the same terms and conditions as those entered into by other consolidate entity employees or customers and are trivial or domestic in nature.

### Subsidiaries

Loans are made by the Company to wholly owned subsidiaries. With the exception of the specific transactions noted below, loans outstanding between the Company and its controlled entities are callable on demand, have no fixed date of repayment and are non-interest bearing. To 30 June 2009, such loans to subsidiaries totalled \$21,245,000 (2008: \$16,142,000). These loans have been recognised as a non-current receivable of \$5,204,000 (2008: \$8,819,000) after provision for non-recovery.

Interest-free loans made by the Company to its subsidiaries are repayable on demand.

## Shares and options over equity instruments

There are no options over ordinary shares in Marine Produce Australia Limited held, directly, indirectly or beneficially, by key management personnel, including their related parties at balance date or during the period.

The movement during the reporting period in the number of ordinary shares in Marine Produce Australia Limited held, directly, indirectly or beneficially, by each key management person, including their related parties is as follows:

### SHARES

	Held at 1 July 2008 or date of appointment	Granted as compensation	Purchases/(Sales)	Held at 30 June 2009 or resignation
<b>Directors</b>				
Mr M Kennedy	1,181,770	-	827,983	2,009,753
Mr J R Hutton	13,812,308	-	13,812,308	27,624,616
Mr N Miller	645,525	-	-	645,525
Dr T Theunissen	400,000	-	214,917	614,917
Prof M Doroudi	72,000	-	-	72,000
<b>Officers</b>				
Mr G Westbrook	-	-	2,083,333	2,083,333
Mr M Fitzgerald	-	-	63,250	63,250
Ms J Mathie	-	-	-	-

	Held at 1 July 2007 or date of appointment	Granted as compensation	Purchases/(Sales)	Held at 30 June 2008 or resignation
<b>Directors</b>				
Mr M Kennedy	1,181,770	-	-	1,181,770
Mr J R Hutton	4,212,998	-	9,599,310	13,812,308
Mr N Miller	645,525	-	-	645,525
Dr T Theunissen	330,000	-	70,000	400,000
Prof M Doroudi	72,000	-	-	72,000
Mr J Drummond	133,000	-	(130,000)	3,000
<b>Officers</b>				
Mr G Westbrook	-	-	-	-
Ms J Mathie	-	-	-	-

### 31 Subsequent events

#### Non-renounceable entitlement issue

On 18 August 2009 the company announced and issued a prospectus for a pro rata non-renounceable entitlement issue of 111,386,427 new shares at \$0.06 each on the basis of one new share for each 1 share held to raise up to \$6,683,000 before costs to reduce debt levels and continue towards commercialisation of the Group's farming operations.

A total of \$5,057,000 was raised under the entitlements issue representing 84,278,221 new shares issued – refer Note 2(e) for further details.

#### Loan funding

During July 2009, an amount of \$150,000 was loaned to the Company by Guy Westbrook, General Manager, and repaid during August 2009.

During July and August 2009, a total of \$2,400,000 was loaned to the Company by Lasborough coinciding with its funding level in its entitlement issue underwriting agreement, repaid in full via the issue of shares – refer Note 2(e) for further details.

#### Issue of shares

During August 2009, 2,000,000 shares at \$0.06 per share were issued to management and contractors of the Company in payment of services rendered to the value of \$120,000 representing the fair value of services provided and the market price of shares at that time.

Other than the matters discussed above, there has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Group, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity, in future financial years, other than the concern expressed earlier regarding liquidity and funding.

## DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

1. In the opinion of the directors of Marine Produce Australia Limited ("the Company"):
  - (a) the financial statements and notes, and the Remuneration Report in the Directors' report, set out on pages 3 to 6, are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
    - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's and the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2009 and of their performance, for the financial year ended on that date; and
    - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001;
  - (b) the financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in note 2(a)
  - (c) as a result of the matters described in note 2(e) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
2. The directors have been given the declarations required by section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 from the General Manager – Operations and Chief Financial Officer for the financial year ended 30 June 2009.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Dated at Perth this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2009.



Miles Kennedy  
Non-executive Chairman



## **Independent auditor's report to the members of Marine Produce Australia Limited**

### **Report on the financial report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Marine Produce Australia Limited (the company), which comprises the balance sheets as at 30 June 2009, and the income statements, statements of changes in equity and cash flow statements for the year ended on that date, a description of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration of the Group comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year.

#### *Directors' responsibility for the financial report*

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001*. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In note 2(a), the directors also state, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### *Auditor's responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We performed the procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Company's and the Group's financial position and of their performance

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

