

BRISCOE GROUP LIMITED	
Results for announcement to the market	
Reporting Period	Full Year 28 January 2008 to 25 January 2009
Previous Reporting Period	Full Year 29 January 2007 to 27 January 2008

	Amount (000s)	Percentage change
Sales revenue from ordinary activities	\$388,467	-4.7%
Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to shareholders	\$11,634	-48.2%
Net Profit attributable to shareholders.	\$11,634	-48.2%

Final Dividend	Gross amount per share	Imputed amount per share
	3.50 cents	3.50 cents

Audit	The abridged financial statements attached to this report have been audited.
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Comments:	Refer to the section "Full Year Review" for commentary.
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Full Year Review

The directors of Briscoe Group Limited announce an audited net profit after tax (NPAT) of \$11.63 million for the year ending 25 January 2009

The result incorporates a second half NPAT of \$8.54 million (last year \$11.91 million), which represents a significant improvement on the NPAT of \$3.09 million (last year \$10.53 million) for the first half of the 2008-09 year. While in the current environment this was a reasonable performance for the second half, it is still a disappointing result for the full year when compared to the \$22.44 million reported for the previous year.

The directors have resolved to pay a final dividend of 3.50 cents per share (cps). This compares to last year's final dividend of 4.50 cps. The dividend is fully imputed and, when added to the interim payment of 1.00 cent per share, brings the total dividend for the year to 4.50 cps (previous year 8.00 cps) and represents 82% of the Group's NPAT.

The final dividend will be paid on 1 May 2009. The share register will close to determine entitlements to the dividend at 5 pm on 9 April 2009.

The earnings were generated on sales revenue of \$388.47 million, a decrease of 4.7% on the \$407.75 million reported in the previous year.

The Group's gross profit decreased 8.9% from \$164.83 million to \$150.09 million for the year, equating to a gross profit margin of 38.6% compared to 40.4% for the 2007-08 year.

Earnings before interest and taxation (EBIT) declined 52.4% from \$31.77 million for 2007-08 to \$15.11 million for the 2008-09 year.

Group Managing Director, Rod Duke, said "This year certainly proved difficult, in challenging trading conditions. We were very disappointed with our first half result and were determined to return a much stronger performance for the second half. During this period we micro-managed inventory levels and continually reviewed costs and processes to eliminate wastage. A combination of both cost reductions and efficiency improvements were made in many areas across the company including marketing, store operations and buying. We head into the new financial year with very clean inventories, and a refined management structure that is up for the likely challenges of what is clearly going to be another tough year for retailers."

Total floor area of the Group's homeware operations increased by 2.6% to 94,602 square metres across 57 stores. This reflected the opening of a Briscoes Homeware store in Masterton, three new Living and Giving stores in Invercargill, Atrium in Auckland City, Queensgate in Lower Hutt, and the closure of the Living and Giving store in Bayfair. The number of sporting goods stores remained unchanged at 32 with a total floor area of 53,714 square metres.

On a same-store basis, sales declined for the year by 6.66% for the Group. The homeware and sporting goods segments returned same store sales declines of 5.75% and 8.64% respectively.

During the year \$2.95 million of capital investment was made including for the fit-out of four new stores and one store refurbishment across the Group.

Inventories totaled \$57.46 million at year-end, being a \$10.37 million decrease on last year, reflecting the focus on aligning inventory levels to the reduced consumer demand

experienced as a result of the economic downturn.

Cash and bank balances as at 25 January 2009 were \$63.29 million, compared to \$49.36 million as at 27 January 2008.

Net cash inflows from operating activities were \$28.10 million, \$5.43 million above those of last year, primarily as a result of decreased income tax payments due to lower profits and a change in dates for provisional tax payments.

Net cash outflows from investing activities were \$2.90 million reflecting investment made during the year in store fit-outs.

The results are for the period from 28 January 2008 to 25 January 2009.

Rod Duke said, "We are not counting on much (if any) improvement in the retail market over the coming year, but with the initiatives we have taken over the last six months in particular, we have positioned ourselves to improve our operating and financial performance. We are confident that Briscoe Group will strengthen its position as New Zealand's leading retailer of homeware and sporting goods.

"Our store opening programme for 2009-10 remains on a lesser scale than for past years. A new Living & Giving store in Riccarton is planned to open in mid-May and we continue to look for opportunities in the main centres to enable us to replicate the success of our larger format Briscoes Homeware store at Panmure.

"We are very aware of the uncertain and unpredictable nature of our market sectors. We take the view that success will ultimately be delivered by ensuring that the fundamental rules of retailing are focused on. Inventory management, in-store delivery and cost control will continue to be our key priorities. Important projects already commenced during this year will continue to ensure we are as efficient across all business processes as possible and that costs are managed closely.

"On behalf of the Board I would like to acknowledge the huge contribution again, from all the team across the Group and thank them for their continued support and effort over the past 12 months."

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<p align="center">BRISCOE GROUP LIMITED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT for the period ended 25 January 2009</p>

	Period ended 25 January 2009 \$000	Period ended 27 January 2008 \$000
Sales revenue	388,467	407,750
Cost of goods sold	<u>(238,380)</u>	<u>(242,923)</u>
Gross profit	<u>150,087</u>	<u>164,827</u>
Other operating income	121	125
Store expenses	(84,188)	(81,486)
Administration expenses	<u>(50,907)</u>	<u>(51,692)</u>
Operating profit	15,113	31,774
Finance costs – net	<u>1,644</u>	<u>1,824</u>
Profit before income tax	16,757	33,598
Income tax	<u>(5,123)</u>	<u>(11,157)</u>
Net profit attributable to shareholders	<u>11,634</u>	<u>22,441</u>

<p align="center">BRISCOE GROUP LIMITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET as at 25 January 2009</p>
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	25 January 2009 \$000	27 January 2008 \$000
EQUITY		
Share capital	40,625	40,625
Share options reserve	486	440
Cashflow hedge reserve	3,261	(99)
Retained earnings	77,178	77,013
Total equity	121,550	117,979
LIABILITIES		
Non-current liabilities		
Employee benefits	427	349
Total non-current liabilities	427	349
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	50,426	58,090
Provisions	49	35
Derivative financial instruments	-	195
Taxation payable	795	-
Employee benefits	3,937	3,741
Total current liabilities	55,207	62,061
TOTAL LIABILITIES	55,634	62,410
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	177,184	180,389
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	46,330	51,739
Intangible assets	2,797	3,518
Deferred tax	381	1,942
Total non-current assets	49,508	57,199
Current assets		
Cash and bank balances	63,291	49,361
Trade receivables	2,629	3,860
Inventories	57,460	67,826
Taxation receivable	-	2,059
Derivative financial instrument	4,296	84
Total current assets	127,676	123,190
TOTAL ASSETS	177,184	180,389
 Net Tangible Assets per Security (cents)	 55.98	 53.95

<p align="center">BRISCOE GROUP LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the period ended 25 January 2009</p>
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	Period ended 25 January 2009 \$000	Year ended 27 January 2008 \$000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	389,191	407,383
Rent received	116	120
Dividends received	5	5
Interest received	1,711	1,850
Operating Cash Inflows	391,023	409,358
Payments to suppliers & employees	(351,830)	(366,790)
Interest paid	(7)	(26)
Income tax paid	(2,154)	(11,742)
Net GST paid	(8,933)	(8,128)
Operating Cash Outflows	(362,924)	(386,686)
Net cash flows from operating activities	28,099	22,672
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	51	116
Investing Cash Inflows	51	116
Acquisition of business (net of cash acquired)	-	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2,372)	(10,151)
Purchases of intangible assets	(579)	(2,607)
Investing Cash Outflows	(2,951)	(12,758)
Net cash flows from investment activities	(2,900)	(12,642)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Financing Cash Inflows	-	-
Dividends paid	(11,668)	(16,972)
Financing Cash Outflows	(11,668)	(16,972)
Net cash applied to financing activities	(11,668)	(16,972)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	13,531	(6,942)
Cash at beginning of year	49,361	55,848
Cash flow hedge adjustment	399	455
Cash at end of year	63,291	49,361

<p align="center">BRISCOE GROUP LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the period ended 25 January 2009</p>

	Share Capital \$000	Cash Flow Hedge Reserve \$000	Share Options Reserve \$000	Retained Earnings \$000	Total Equity \$000
Balance at 29 January 2007	40,625	(330)	447	71,320	112,062
Net profit attributable to shareholders	-	-	-	22,441	22,441
Movement in share options reserve	-	-	217	-	217
Transfer for share options lapsed and forfeited	-	-	(224)	224	-
Fair value loss/(gain) recycled to income statement	-	1,401	-	-	1,401
Fair value (loss)/gain taken to the hedge reserve	-	(1,057)	-	-	(1,057)
Deferred tax on fair value hedge taken to income statement	-	(462)	-	-	(462)
Deferred tax on fair value transfers to hedge reserve	-	349	-	-	349
Total recognised income and expenses for the period	-	231	(7)	22,665	22,889
Dividends paid	-	-	-	(16,972)	(16,972)
Balance at 27 January 2008	40,625	(99)	440	77,013	117,979
Net profit attributable to shareholders	-	-	-	11,634	11,634
Share options charged to income statement	-	-	245	-	245
Transfer for share options lapsed and forfeited	-	-	(199)	199	-
Fair value loss/(gain) recycled to income statement	-	(1,339)	-	-	(1,339)
Fair value (loss)/gain taken to the hedge reserve	-	6,143	-	-	6,143
Deferred tax on fair value hedge taken to income statement	-	399	-	-	399
Deferred tax on fair value transfers to hedge reserve	-	(1,843)	-	-	(1,843)
Total recognised income and expenses for the period	-	3,360	46	11,833	15,239
Dividends paid	-	-	-	(11,668)	(11,668)
Balance at 25 January 2009	40,625	3,261	486	77,178	121,550

Earnings per Security (EPS)

Calculation of basic and fully diluted EPS in accordance with IAS 33: Earnings Per Share

	Current full year (cents per share)	Previous corresponding full year (cents per share)
Basic EPS	5.5	10.6
Diluted EPS	5.4	10.4

Dividends Paid / Payable

	Date Paid / To be paid	Cents per share (fully imputed)
Interim Dividend for the year ending 25 January 2009	3 October 2008	1.00
Final Dividend for the year ending 25 January 2009	1 May 2009	3.50

Segment Information

	Homeware	Sporting goods	Total Group
For the period ended 25 January 2009			
Sales Revenue	267,398	121,069	388,467
Earnings Before Interest and tax	15,094	19	15,113

	Homeware	Sporting Goods	Total Group
For the year ended 27 January 2008			
Sales Revenue	277,276	130,474	407,750
Earnings Before Interest and tax	26,625	5,149	31,774