

Foster's Group Pacific Ltd - Six-Monthly as at 31 December 2008

	Dec-08	Jun-08	Dec-07
PROFIT & LOSS (F\$000)			
Total Operating Revenue	36,025	66,623	39,225
Net Profit/Loss before Tax	9,047	14,427	8,892
Income Tax	(2,642)	(4,135)	(2,316)
Net Profit/Loss after Tax	6,405	10,292	6,577
OEI	(115)	(202)	(114)
Net Profit/Loss after Tax & OEI	6,290	10,090	6,462
BALANCE SHEET (F\$000)			
Current Assets	44,528	42,951	51,091
Non - Current Assets	38,180	36,460	36,816
Total Assets	82,708	79,411	87,908
Current Liabilities	9,449	9,566	18,677
Non - Current Liabilities	5,581	6,047	5,786
Total Liabilities	15,030	15,612	24,463
Net Assets	67,678	63,799	63,444
Contributed Equity	2,082	2,082	2,082
Reserves	4,487	4,304	4,958
Retained Profits/Loss	59,857	56,169	55,143
Outside Equity Interest	1,253	1,244	1,262
Total Equity	67,678	63,799	63,444
CASHFLOW (F\$000)			
Net cashflow from Operating Activities	(537)	11,112	2,007
Net cashflow from Investing Activities	(3,464)	(8,948)	(1,323)
Net cashflow from Financing Activities	(2,709)	(4,875)	(2,327)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash held	(6,710)	(3,458)	(1,643)
Cash/ (Overdraft) at year end.	2,714	3,377	5,192

Comments

- FGP recorded a net profit of \$6.29m; a 3% decrease from the previous period.
- The ordinary dividend paid at the end of the 6 month period amounted to \$2.6m.
- Total Assets decreased in value by about \$5.2m, due to the decrease in cash assets and receivables.

- Liabilities also decreased due to decreases in Trade payables, other payables, and Non-current liabilities.
- Total Equity increased by \$4.2m as net profit raised the retained profits.

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PROFITABILITY RATIOS (%)			
Ann. ROE	18.94	16.13	20.78
Ann. ROA	22.75	20.78	21.66
Net Profit Margin	17.84	15.45	16.87
MARKET PERFORMANCE RATIOS			
Earnings per share (cents)	60.43	62.09	96.95
Price Earnings Ratio (times)	22.83	19.33	13.41
Dividend per share (\$)	0.26	0.22	46.84
Dividend Yield (%)	1.89	1.86	3.60
Net Tangible Asset per share (\$)	6.14	5.78	5.82
Price to Book (times)	2.25	2.08	2.24
Cash flow per share (cents)	8.24	81.44	1.07

Profitability

ROA increased over the year as the drop in the level of assets was more than the drop in net profit recorded. ROE, on the other hand, decreased as net profits dropped while total equity increased in the review period. .

Market Performance ratios

While all other ratios have indicated increases in the 6 months ending 31 December 2008 probably owed to the increases in the Share Price of FGP as a result of the introduction of new product range, it has been noticed that EPS has fallen by 1.65 cents. This decrease in EPS is owed to the reduction in Net Profits after tax and extraordinary items.

Conclusion

FGP has gone to some length in developing its product range with the introduction of 2 new products. This may have had an impact on the profit figures for the period ending 31 December 2008. However, there has also been a significant increase in the share price of the FGP shares from \$12.00 as at December 2007 to \$13.80 as at December 2008. This could be owed to the attractive picture that the company's expansion (in product range) has created for itself, which instills confidence in investors.