

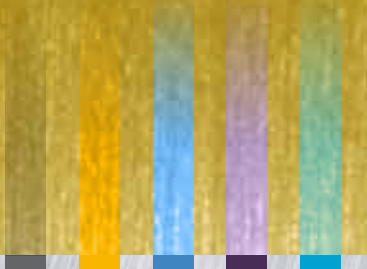


mitsui & co. (australia) ltd.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010



CORPORATE MISSION, VISION AND VALUES



Over a period of many years, Mitsui has developed a set of values including challenge and innovation, freedom and open-mindedness, and nurturing human resources – all of which have helped shape the Mitsui of today. In 2004, these concepts were redefined as Mitsui's Mission, Vision and Values (MVV). We strive to retain a strong awareness of our MVV at all levels of the Company and ensure these values are reflected in the activities of every person in the organization.

Mission

Strive to contribute to the creation of a future where the aspirations of the people can be fulfilled.

Vision

Aim to become a global business enabler that can meet the needs of our customers throughout the world.

Values

Build trust with fairness and humility.

Aspire to set high standards and contribute to society.

Embrace the challenge of continuous innovation.

Foster a culture of open-mindedness.

Strive to develop others and oneself to achieve full potential.

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MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR



For the financial year ending March 2010 we continued to face an uncertain business environment. The impacts stemming from the global financial crisis continued to persist in the first part of the financial year, reducing demand and weakening commodity prices; however, economic interventions by governments and central banks of various countries around the world, combined with the dynamism of China, India and other emerging economies are now working to bring about an improvement in the business environment.

This year Mitsui Australia posted a consolidated after tax profit of \$242.9 million. The result represented a 35% reduction in after tax profits compared to the previous year. This result was mostly attributable to the Company's share of profits of associated entities falling to \$233.7 million, down 35% on the \$359.5 million recorded last year, due to decreased sales prices and profits from associated entities in the coal and iron ore industries. Similarly, the consolidated entity's sales revenue was down by 24.7% and gross profit down by 21.5% compared to the previous year, again due to reductions in income from the energy, coal and iron ore trade.

Although destabilizing factors still remain in the global economy, in the period ahead we anticipate the recovery to continue, albeit at varying speeds across and between regions. Moreover, we believe the recovery will not be a traditional cyclical recovery, but will be based on a structural transition, and will be driven by emerging economies and the creation of new industries. Our parent company, Mitsui & Co. (of Japan), in its Long Term Management Vision, identifies world population growth and the continued expansion of emerging economies, particularly in the Asia Pacific region, driving the proliferation of urban living, and increasing demand for a variety of commodities to sustain basic lifestyle needs. At the same time the Vision identifies increased demands placed on the natural environment requiring new industrial solutions.

In this environment Mitsui Australia will continue its strategy of positioning Australia as one of Mitsui's major supply bases for resources and raw materials. In the period ahead we will expand existing projects and acquire interest in new projects in the areas of mineral and energy resources, as well as renewable resources such as food and forestry resources. Complementing our efforts to develop and acquire upstream assets, we will place increased emphasis on expanding our logistics value chain to and from Asian economies utilising Mitsui's extensive overseas network. At the same time we will pursue new opportunities in environment related projects such as biodiesel, solar and wind power generation.

In the period ahead we will work to open a new chapter for Mitsui Australia by expanding our business in Australia and deepening Mitsui's presence in the greater region. In doing so, we will continue to uphold the company's values of challenge and innovation, freedom and open-mindedness, and nurturing human resources, while working to build a stronger, more distinctive and respected Mitsui.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Akita', written in a cursive style.

DAISABURO AKITA
CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR
21 July 2010

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AT MITSUI

MITSUI'S APPROACH TO CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR)

At Mitsui we consider corporate social responsibility (CSR) as the starting point for all work which we undertake. Our guiding principles for CSR are formed by our management philosophy (Mission, Vision, Values) and the active pursuit of Yoi-Shigoto (good quality work).

We consider it our responsibility to continuously engage in positive corporate activities. This means contributing to society through our main business as an international investment and trading firm, ensuring high levels of compliance and internal controls, working to help resolve environmental issues, and undertaking social contributions.

MITSUI'S GLOBAL CSR POLICY

1. We will fulfill our role in the economy and continually strive to improve our corporate value by engaging in conscientious activities giving full consideration to the social significance of Mitsui & Co.'s presence and a strong awareness of our ties with the environment.
2. We will raise the awareness of each employee with regard to CSR and solidify our management base for practising CSR through strengthening corporate governance and fully reinforcing internal control.
3. We will also make efforts towards actively contributing to society. We will place importance on interactive communication with our stakeholders. We will fulfill our accountability with respect to CSR and continually work to improve our CSR activities based on the responses of our stakeholders.

Mitsui's Global CSR Report can be viewed at:
<http://www.mitsui.co.jp/en/csr/report/index.html>

CSR THROUGH OUR BUSINESS

By developing new business, creating new value and building new relationships with communities, Mitsui aims to contribute directly and indirectly to global economic growth, for the prosperous development of business, industry and regions, and in doing so, higher standards of living for all.

In Australia we operate across a wide variety of industries including iron ore, coal, oil, forestry plantations, machinery, chemicals, steel, electricity generation and food. Although our business covers a broad range of domains and we provide a vast array of functions, our underlying basic role remains the same – providing necessary goods and services to the people who need them.

In the field of mineral resources and energy, where we are most active, we secure and ensure stable supplies of vital resources for our customers. Over the years our investments and work in this area has aided the development of Japanese industry and Australia's resources sector, in turn making a valuable contribution to both countries' economies. Moving forward we will work to support growth in Asia through providing a secure supply of raw materials, not only in the fields of mineral resources and energy, but also in the area of food ingredients, woodchips for paper manufacturing, and salt for industrial and food processing applications.

In recent years we have placed increasing focus on the environment, aiming to provide industrial solutions to environmental issues. In this area we are active in the import of solar panels, and we are currently developing the Bald Hills Wind Farm project, a 104MW installation, which in operation will provide renewable energy to 62,000 homes.

PROMOTING AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF CSR IN OUR EMPLOYEES

Mitsui strives to foster an awareness and understanding of CSR in each and every one of our employees. In addition to reinforcing the values contained in our Mission, Vision, Values (MVV) in the workplace we also encourage our employees to perform Yoi-Shigoto (good quality work).

There is not a single definition of Yoi-Shigoto, rather the responsibility lies with each employee to consider for themselves whether the work they perform is living up to the standards of our MVV. Employees are continuously encouraged to ask themselves whether their work is living up to the expectations of stakeholders, is creating new value, is meaningful to society, and follows rules and appropriate procedures. In recent years we have held numerous workshops and group discussions where employees of various levels of seniority meet to discuss and consider what constitutes Yoi-Shigoto.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AT MITSUI

Throughout our Company's history we have continued to hold the belief that human resources are our greatest asset. Accordingly we consider it our duty to maintain a work environment that encourages high performance, provides equal opportunities, as well as opportunities for self development and fulfilling careers.

CSR BEYOND OUR BUSINESS

Mitsui considers CSR central to the way we conduct our business and we are strongly aware of our role and place in the broader community. In addition to contributing to society through our normal sphere of business, we also believe it is our duty to go further and make meaningful contributions to society which transcend our business functions.

Our social contribution activities for the financial year ending March 31, 2010 include:

- Mitsui Educational Foundation – Every year the Foundation sponsors students from universities around Australia to participate in a three week study tour of Japan. The tour provides opportunities to visit educational institutions, offices, manufacturing plants, and places of historical and cultural significance throughout Japan. Participants also help promote mutual understanding and friendship between Australia and Japan through taking part in a number of

people-to-people exchanges. Since the Foundation's inception in 1972, 297 Australian university students have taken part in this unique program.

- Western Australia Symphony Orchestra – We are proud supporters of the Western Australia Symphony Orchestra, and together with Mitsui E&P Australia, we have sponsored WASO's "World Artist Program" since 2008.
- Employee Lead Initiatives – Over the course of the financial year our employees gave their time and provided donations (financial and in kind) for a number of causes. Examples included: donations of blood to the Red Cross; participation in Breast Cancer Foundation of Western Australia's 'Purple Twilight Walk' fundraising event; participation in Planet Ark's 'National Tree Day' planting event; and collections of donations for a variety of charities throughout the year.



Top: Mitsui Educational Foundation study tour participants taking part in cultural activities in Japan.

Bottom: Melbourne employees participating in Planet Ark's National Tree Day event

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors of Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd., submit herewith the financial report of the consolidated entity for the financial year ended 31 March 2010. In order to comply with the provisions of the *Corporations Act 2001*, the directors report as follows:

DIRECTORS

The names and particulars of the directors of the company during or since the end of the financial year are:

Mr D Akita

Director since 1 April 2010. Joined Mitsui Group in 1976. Currently Managing Director, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Basic Chemicals Business Unit, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Keio University, Japan, majoring in Law and Political Science.

Mr A Oi

Director since 1 April 2008 until his resignation on 1 April 2010. Joined Mitsui Group in 2007. Most recently Managing Director, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously Counsellor, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Hitotsubashi University, Japan, majoring in Economics.

Mr K Irie

Director since 3 April 2006 until his resignation on 27 January 2010. Joined Mitsui Group in 1975. Most recently General Manager, Corporate Planning Division, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously, President, Mitsui Aluminium Co. Ltd. Graduated from Keio University, Japan, majoring in Law.

Mr A Yamamoto

Director since 26 April 2007 until his resignation on 1 April 2009. Joined Mitsui Group in 1974. At the time of his resignation was Managing Officer, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan and President, Mitsui & Co. (Thailand) Ltd. Previously Operating Officer of Plastics and Inorganic Chemicals Business Unit, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Kyoto University, Japan, majoring in Economics.

Mr M Nagata

Director since 26 April 2007 until his resignation on 1 April 2009. Joined Mitsui Group in 1979. At the time of his resignation was Chief Compliance Officer of Mitsui Asian Pacific Business Unit and General Manager of Legal Division, Mitsui & Co. (Asia Pacific) Pte. Ltd. Previously General Manager, First Legal Department, Legal Division, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Tokyo University, Japan, majoring in Law.

Mr T Nakada

Director since 15 June 2007. Joined Mitsui Group in 1977. Currently Deputy Managing Director, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd and General Manager of Melbourne Office, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously General Manager, Stainless Raw Materials & New Metals Division, Mineral & Metal Resources Business Unit, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Hitotsubashi University, Japan, majoring in Law.

Mr H Mukaeda

Director since 6 June 2008. Joined Mitsui Group in 1982. Currently General Manager, Financial Management Division, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously, General Manager, Chemical Business Process Control Department/ Planning and Administration Department, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Yokohama National University, Japan, majoring in Faculty of Business Administration.

Mr T Kubota

Director since 27 January 2010. Joined Mitsui Group in 1987. Currently General Manager, Corporate Planning Division, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. Previously, General Manager, Mineral and Metal Resources Business Unit, Non Ferrous Raw Materials First Division, Base Metals Marketing Department, Mitsui & Co. Ltd, Head Office, Japan. Graduated from Tokyo University, Japan, majoring in Economics.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CONSOLIDATED ENTITY

The consolidated entity's principal activities in the course of the financial year were exporting, importing, investing in resource entities, and the provision of finance to related bodies corporate. There was no significant change in the nature of these activities during the financial year.

DIVIDENDS

The amounts paid or declared by way of dividend by the company since the start of the financial year were:

In respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2010, an interim dividend amounting to \$82,000,000 fully franked at 30% with \$32,000,000 paid on 30 November 2009 and \$50,000,000 to be paid on 30 June 2010.

RESULTS

A summary of consolidated results is set out below:

| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Trading Transactions | 2,298,785 | 5,250,963 |
| Total Revenue | 1,072,364 | 1,389,413 |
| Profit from ordinary activities before income tax expense | 248,353 | 385,116 |
| Income tax expense relating to ordinary activities | (5,454) | (9,831) |
| Net profit attributable to members of the parent entity | 242,899 | 375,285 |

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

The consolidated entity recorded a 35% reduction in profit after tax compared to the previous year. In particular, the consolidated entity's share of profits of associated entities was down by 35% from \$359.5million last year to \$233.7million this year due to decreased sales prices and profits of associated entities in the coal and iron ore industries. Similarly, the consolidated entity's sales revenue was down by 24.7% and gross profit by 21.5% compared to the previous year, due to reductions in income from energy, coal and iron ore trade.

CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

During the financial year, there was no significant change in the state of affairs of the consolidated entity other than that referred to in the financial statements or notes thereto.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There has not been any matter or circumstance, other than that referred to in the financial statements or notes thereto, that has arisen since the end of the financial year, that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the consolidated entity, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the consolidated entity in future financial years.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Disclosure of information regarding likely developments in the operations of the consolidated entity in future financial years and the expected results of those operations is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the consolidated entity. Accordingly, this information has not been included in this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

The consolidated entity is not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND AUDITORS

During or since the financial year the company has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement to indemnify an officer or auditor of the company or of any related body corporate against a liability incurred as such an officer or auditor. In addition, the company has not paid, or agreed to pay, a premium in respect of a contract insuring against a liability incurred by an officer or auditor.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The auditor's independence declaration is included on page 7 of the financial report.

ROUNDING OFF OF AMOUNTS

The company is a company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order, amounts in this directors' report and in the financial report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to section 298(2) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the Directors



DAISABURO AKITA
DIRECTOR
Sydney, 21 July 2010

INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE DIRECTORS OF MITSUI & CO. (AUSTRALIA) LTD



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21 July 2010

Dear Board Members

Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd

In accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd.

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial statements of Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd for the financial year ended 31 March 2010, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours sincerely



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Margaret Dreyer
Partner
Chartered Accountants

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MITSUI & CO. (AUSTRALIA) LTD



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REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd, which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 March 2010, and the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of cash flows and the statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration of the consolidated entity comprising the company and the entities it controlled at the year's end or from time to time during the financial year as set out on pages 10 to 37.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. 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.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting requirements under the *Corporations Act 2001*. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MITSUI & CO. (AUSTRALIA) LTD CONTINUED

Auditor's Independence Declaration

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's and consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 March 2010 and of their performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU

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Margaret Dreyer
Partner
Chartered Accountants
Sydney, 21 July 2010

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

As detailed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the company is not a reporting entity because in the opinion of the directors there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, this "special purpose financial report" has been prepared to satisfy the directors' reporting requirements under the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The directors declare that:

- (a) in the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- (b) in the directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including compliance with accounting standards and giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the consolidated entity.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to section 295(5) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the Directors



DAISABURO AKITA
DIRECTOR
Sydney, 21 July 2010



ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND NOTES THERETO
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

| | Note | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| Trading transactions | 2 | 2,298,785 | 5,250,963 | 2,298,785 | 5,250,963 |
| Sales revenue | 3(a) | 950,153 | 1,261,961 | 950,153 | 1,261,961 |
| Cost of goods and services sold | | (912,729) | (1,214,271) | (912,729) | (1,214,271) |
| Gross profit | | 37,424 | 47,690 | 37,424 | 47,690 |
| Dividend income | 3(a) | 247 | 101 | 77,349 | 31,842 |
| Other revenue | 3(a) | 121,964 | 127,351 | 59,938 | 47,688 |
| Share of profits of associates accounted for using the equity method | 10 | 233,685 | 359,522 | – | – |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | | (28,359) | (30,440) | (27,618) | (29,400) |
| Borrowing costs | 3(b) | (109,010) | (108,816) | (54,918) | (41,376) |
| Other net expenses | | (7,598) | (10,292) | (7,515) | (10,193) |
| Profit before income tax expense | | 248,353 | 385,116 | 84,660 | 46,251 |
| Income tax expense | 4 | (5,454) | (9,831) | (2,682) | (6,846) |
| Profit attributable to members of the parent entity | | 242,899 | 375,285 | 81,978 | 39,405 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | | |
| Share of associates (decrease) in asset revaluation reserve net of tax | 28 | (1,098) | (1,192) | – | – |
| Transfer of asset revaluation reserve to profit and loss on sale of investment | 28 | – | – | – | (795) |
| Value gain/(loss) on available-for-sale investments taken to equity | 28 | 17 | (1,416) | 17 | (1,416) |
| Transfer of available-for-sale reserve to profit and loss on sale of investment | 28 | (1,894) | – | (1,894) | – |
| Share of associates increase/(decrease) in hedging reserve net of tax | 28 | 6,805 | (15,097) | – | – |
| Value (loss)/gain on cash flow hedges taken to equity | 28 | (579) | (6,781) | (579) | 968 |
| Deferred income tax relating to components of comprehensive income | 28 | 723 | 383 | 723 | 383 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year (net of tax) | | 3,974 | (24,103) | (1,733) | (860) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | 246,873 | 351,182 | 80,245 | 38,545 |

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2010

| | Note | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | 474,260 | 643,045 | 347,734 | 405,361 |
| Trade and other receivables | 6 | 253,938 | 357,098 | 247,002 | 357,487 |
| Investments accounted for using the equity method | 10 | 105 | 118 | – | – |
| Other financial assets | 7 | 1,074,801 | 1,363,007 | 412,991 | 560,092 |
| Inventories | 8 | 39,113 | 79,712 | 39,113 | 79,712 |
| Other | 9 | 347 | 126 | 291 | 124 |
| Total current assets | | 1,842,564 | 2,443,106 | 1,047,131 | 1,402,776 |
| Non-current assets | | | | | |
| Investments accounted for using the equity method | 10 | 1,149,316 | 965,486 | – | – |
| Other financial assets | 11 | 539,558 | 548,411 | 600,338 | 654,701 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 12 | 7,180 | 8,181 | 7,039 | 8,016 |
| Goodwill | 13 | 5,676 | 5,676 | – | – |
| Other intangible assets | 14 | 6,071 | 4,017 | – | – |
| Deferred tax assets | 15 | 33,914 | 38,069 | 27,711 | 31,237 |
| Total non-current assets | | 1,741,715 | 1,569,840 | 635,088 | 693,954 |
| Total assets | | 3,584,279 | 4,012,946 | 1,682,219 | 2,096,730 |
| Current liabilities | | | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 16 | 234,274 | 319,252 | 225,949 | 311,031 |
| Borrowings | 17 | 1,653,420 | 2,014,971 | 602,371 | 805,727 |
| Other financial liabilities | 18 | 13,703 | 33,465 | 13,703 | 20,664 |
| Current tax payable | 19 | 82,284 | 136,724 | 82,284 | 136,724 |
| Provisions | 20 | 50,831 | 924 | 50,831 | 924 |
| Other | 21 | 201 | 229 | 201 | 229 |
| Total current liabilities | | 2,034,713 | 2,505,565 | 975,339 | 1,275,299 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | | | |
| Borrowings | 22 | 260,000 | 334,680 | 312,170 | 404,790 |
| Other financial liabilities | 23 | 64,176 | 105,428 | 52,312 | 65,696 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 24 | 23,090 | 29,778 | 20,961 | 27,685 |
| Provisions | 25 | 5,103 | 5,040 | 801 | 738 |
| Other | 26 | 1,257 | 1,388 | 1,257 | 1,388 |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 353,626 | 476,314 | 387,501 | 500,297 |
| Total liabilities | | 2,388,339 | 2,981,879 | 1,362,840 | 1,775,596 |
| Net assets | | 1,195,940 | 1,031,067 | 319,379 | 321,134 |
| Equity | | | | | |
| Issued capital | 27 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Reserves | 28 | 4,085 | 111 | 95,418 | 97,151 |
| Retained earnings | 29 | 1,171,855 | 1,010,956 | 203,961 | 203,983 |
| Total equity | | 1,195,940 | 1,031,067 | 319,379 | 321,134 |

Notes to the financial statements are included on pages 16 to 37.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

| | Share capital \$'000 | Asset revaluation reserve \$'000 | Available- for-sale reserve \$'000 | Hedging reserve \$'000 | Retained earnings \$'000 | Total \$'000 |
|--|-------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Consolidated | | | | | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2008 | 20,000 | – | 2,605 | 21,831 | 635,449 | 679,885 |
| Profit for the year | – | – | – | – | 375,285 | 375,285 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | – | (1,192) | (1,007) | (21,904) | – | (24,103) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | – | (1,192) | (1,007) | (21,904) | 375,285 | 351,182 |
| Transfer to/(from) retained earnings | – | – | (226) | 4 | 222 | – |
| Payment of dividends | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | 20,000 | (1,192) | 1,372 | (69) | 1,010,956 | 1,031,067 |
| Balance at 1 April 2009 | 20,000 | (1,192) | 1,372 | (69) | 1,010,956 | 1,031,067 |
| Profit for the year | – | – | – | – | 242,899 | 242,899 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | – | (1,098) | (1,309) | 6,381 | – | 3,974 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | – | (1,098) | (1,309) | 6,381 | 242,899 | 246,873 |
| Payment of dividends | – | – | – | – | (82,000) | (82,000) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | 20,000 | (2,290) | 63 | 6,312 | 1,171,855 | 1,195,940 |
| Company | | | | | | |
| Balance at 1 April 2008 | 20,000 | 96,513 | 2,379 | (881) | 164,578 | 282,589 |
| Profit for the year | – | – | – | – | 39,405 | 39,405 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | – | (795) | (1,007) | 942 | – | (860) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | – | (795) | (1,007) | 942 | 39,405 | 38,545 |
| Payment of dividends | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | 20,000 | 95,718 | 1,372 | 61 | 203,983 | 321,134 |
| Balance at 1 April 2009 | 20,000 | 95,718 | 1,372 | 61 | 203,983 | 321,134 |
| Profit for the year | – | – | – | – | 81,978 | 81,978 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | – | – | (1,309) | (424) | – | (1,733) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | – | – | (1,309) | (424) | 81,978 | 80,245 |
| Payment of dividends | – | – | – | – | (82,000) | (82,000) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | 20,000 | 95,718 | 63 | (363) | 203,961 | 319,379 |

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

| | Note | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|-------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | | | |
| Receipts from customers | | 973,752 | 1,377,211 | 1,047,296 | 1,358,010 |
| Payments to suppliers and employees | | (1,000,025) | (1,289,385) | (1,041,032) | (1,287,821) |
| Dividends received | | 57,348 | 31,842 | 77,349 | 31,842 |
| Interest received | | 65,935 | 191,123 | 28,105 | 60,155 |
| Interest paid | | (85,592) | (117,116) | (40,140) | (46,884) |
| Net income tax received/(paid) | | 8,190 | (29,645) | 17,162 | (26,261) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 35(a) | 19,608 | 164,030 | 88,740 | 89,041 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | | | |
| Current loans receivable repaid/(advanced) | | 286,765 | (670,342) | 139,445 | (70,689) |
| Non-current loans receivable (advanced)/repaid | | (7,767) | 347,510 | 39,270 | 45,528 |
| Payment for investments | | (1,568) | (5,646) | (1,568) | (9,395) |
| Proceeds from sale of investments | | 4,530 | 2,643 | 4,530 | 2,643 |
| Payment for intangible assets | | (2,054) | (3,183) | – | – |
| Payment for property, plant and equipment | | (69) | (492) | (69) | (318) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | | 1 | 33 | 1 | 33 |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities | | 279,838 | (329,477) | 181,609 | (32,198) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | | | |
| (Repayment of)/proceeds from short term borrowings | | (361,487) | 778,849 | (203,292) | 408,853 |
| (Repayment of) long term borrowings | | (74,680) | (501) | (92,620) | (55,425) |
| Dividends paid | | (32,000) | (12,000) | (32,000) | (12,000) |
| Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities | | (468,167) | 766,348 | (327,912) | 341,428 |
| Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents | | (168,721) | 600,901 | (57,563) | 398,271 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year | | 642,981 | 42,080 | 405,297 | 7,026 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year | 35(b) | 474,260 | 642,981 | 347,734 | 405,297 |

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial reporting framework

The company is not a reporting entity because in the opinion of the directors there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, this is a 'special purpose financial report' and has been prepared to satisfy the directors' reporting requirements under the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Statement of compliance

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the basis of accounting specified by all Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of Accounting Standards AASB 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements', AASB 107 'Cash Flow Statements' and AASB 108 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors'. Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents of International Financial Reporting Standards ('A-IFRS').

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on 21 July 2010.

Basis of preparation

The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for revaluation of certain non-current assets and financial instruments. Cost is based on fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts are presented in Australian dollars.

The company is a company of the kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/0100, dated 10 July 1998, and in accordance with that Class Order amounts in the financial report are rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of A-IFRS, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to the accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the

estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgements made by management in the application of A-IFRS that have significant effects on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustments in the next year are disclosed, where applicable, in the relevant notes to the financial statements.

Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

In the current year, the group has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (the AASB) that are relevant to its operations and effective for annual reporting periods beginning on 1 April 2009.

AASB 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements' (as revised in September 2007) has introduced a number of changes in presentation of the financial statements including:

- presenting all non-owner changes in equity ("comprehensive income") either in one statement of comprehensive income or in two statements (a separate income statement and a statement of comprehensive income). Components of comprehensive income may not be presented in the statement of changes in equity;
- presenting an additional statement of financial position (balance sheet) as at the beginning of the earliest comparative period when the entity applies an accounting policy retrospectively, makes a retrospective restatement, or reclassifies items in its financial statements (this would generally mean that three balance sheets are presented in these circumstances);
- disclosing income tax relating to each component of other comprehensive income; and
- disclosing reclassification adjustments relating to components of other comprehensive income.

The directors consider there has been no material impact on the group on adoption of these revised Standards and Interpretations.

At the date of authorisation of the financial report, a number of Standards and Interpretations were issued but not effective.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

AASB 3 “Business Combinations” and AASB 127 “Separate and Consolidated Financial Statements” (revised standards), which apply to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July, 2009, introduce greater emphasis on the use of fair value through increasing the judgement and subjectivity around business combination accounting and requiring greater involvement of valuation experts. Further volatility in the income statement will be introduced through the separate accounting for transaction costs, changes in the fair value of contingent consideration, settlement of pre-existing contracts and share-based payments. The Standards also focus on changes in control as a significant economic event, with requirements to remeasure interests to fair value on gaining or losing control, and to recognise all transactions between controlling and non-controlling shareholders whilst control is retained in retained earnings.

AASB 9 “Financial Instruments”, AASB 2009–11 “Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9”, which apply to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013, introduce new requirements for classifying and measuring financial assets as follows:

- Debt instruments meeting both a “business model” test and a “cash flow characteristics” test are measured at amortised cost (the use of fair value is optional in some limited circumstances).
- Investments in equity instruments can be designated as “fair value through other comprehensive income” with only dividends being recognised in the profit or loss.
- All other instruments (including all derivatives) are measured at fair value with changes recognised in the profit or loss.
- The concept of “embedded derivatives” does not apply to financial assets within the scope of the Standard and the entire instrument must be classified and measured in accordance with the above guidelines.

The impact of all other Standards or Interpretations issued but not yet effective is not expected to be material.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

(a) Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared by combining the financial statements of all the entities that comprise the consolidated entity, being the company (the parent entity) and its controlled entities as defined in Accounting Standard AASB 127 “Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements”. A list of controlled entities appears in Note 37 to the financial statements. Consistent accounting policies have been employed in the preparation and presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements include the information and results of each controlled entity from the date on which the company obtains control and until such time as the company ceases to control such entity.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, all intercompany balances and transactions, and unrealised profits arising within the consolidated entity are eliminated in full.

(b) Borrowings

Borrowings are recorded initially at fair value, net of transaction costs.

Subsequent to initial recognition, borrowings are measured at amortised cost with any difference between the initial recognised amount and the redemption value being recognised in profit and loss over the period of the borrowing using the effective interest rate method.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, cash in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the balance sheet.

(d) Derivative financial instruments

The company enters into a variety of derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate and foreign exchange rate risk, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts.

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at each reporting date. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event, the timing of the recognition in the profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship. The company designates certain derivatives as either hedges of the fair value of recognised assets or liabilities or firm commitments (fair value hedges), or hedges of highly probable forecast transactions (cash flow hedges).

Fair value hedge

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

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedge instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. The adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised to profit or loss from that date.

Cash flow hedge

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

Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to the profit or loss in the periods in which the hedged item is recognised in profit or loss. However, when the forecast transaction that is hedged results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously accumulated in equity are transferred from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the non-financial asset or liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. At that time, any cumulative gain or loss accumulated in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in profit or

loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur the cumulative gain or loss accumulated in equity is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting

Certain derivative instruments do not qualify for hedge accounting. Changes in the fair value of any derivative instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Embedded derivatives

Derivatives embedded in other financial instruments or other host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

(e) Employee benefits

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Provisions made in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave, and other employee entitlements expected to be settled within 12 months, are measured at their nominal values.

Provisions made in respect of annual leave and long service leave entitlements which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the consolidated entity in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

(f) Foreign Currency

All foreign currency transactions during the financial period have been brought to account using the exchange rate in effect at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary items at balance date are translated at the exchange rate existing at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined.

Exchange differences are brought to account in the profit or loss in the financial period in which they arise except that exchange differences on transactions entered into in order to hedge certain foreign currency risks are treated in accordance with note 1(d).

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(g) Financial assets

Investments are recognised and derecognised on trade date where purchase or sale of an investment is under contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs.

Other financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss', 'available-for-sale' financial assets, and 'loans and receivables'. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of the initial recognition.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The consolidated entity has classified certain shares as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets held for trading purposes are classified as current assets and are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in profit or loss.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Certain shares held by the consolidated entity are classified as being available-for-sale and are stated at their fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the available-for-sale revaluation reserve, until the investment is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in the available-for-sale revaluation reserve is included in the profit or loss for the period.

Loans and receivables

Trade receivables, loans, and other receivables are recorded at amortised cost less impairment.

(h) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

- i. where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense; or
- ii. for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

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

(i) Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the consolidated entity reviews the carrying amounts of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss, if any. Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the consolidated entity estimates the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing the 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 risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(j) Income tax

Current tax

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or tax loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax base of those items.

In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. However, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences giving rise to them arise from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities (other than as the result of a business combination) which affects neither taxable income nor accounting profit. Furthermore, a deferred tax liability is not recognised in relation to taxable temporary differences arising from goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, branches, associates and joint ventures except where the consolidated entity is able to control the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with these investments and interest are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the periods when the asset and liability giving rise to them are realised or settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by

the reporting date. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the consolidated entity expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the consolidated entity intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax for the period

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in the income statement, except when it relates to items credited or debited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly in equity, or where it arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, in which case it is taken into account in the determination of goodwill or excess.

Tax consolidation

The company, its controlled wholly owned Australian resident entities, and certain wholly owned Australian resident entities of the ultimate Japanese parent entity are part of a tax consolidated group under Australian taxation law. Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd is the head entity of the tax-consolidated group. Tax expense/income, deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets arising from temporary differences of the members of the tax-consolidated group are recognised in the separate financial statements of the members of the tax-consolidated group using the 'separate taxpayer within a group' approach. Current tax liabilities and assets and deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses and tax credits of the members of the tax-consolidated group are recognised by the company (as head entity in the tax-consolidated group).

The members of the tax-consolidated group have entered into a tax funding arrangement which sets out the funding obligations of the members of the tax-consolidated group in respect of tax amounts. The tax funding arrangements generally require payments to/from the head entity equal to the current tax liability/asset assumed by the head entity and any tax loss or tax credit deferred tax asset assumed by the head entity.

The members of the tax-consolidated group have also entered into a valid tax sharing agreement under the tax consolidation legislation which sets out the allocation of income tax liabilities between the entities

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

should the head entity default on its tax payment obligations and the treatment of entities leaving the tax-consolidated group.

(k) Inventories

Finished goods on hand and in transit are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned to inventory by the method most appropriate to each particular class of inventory with the majority being valued on a specific identification basis (first in first out basis).

(l) Investments in associates

An associate is an entity over which the company has a significant influence and is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment is classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for in accordance with AASB 5 "Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations". Under the equity method, investments in associates are carried in the balance sheet at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the company's share of net assets of the associate, less any impairment in the value of individual investments.

Losses of an associate in excess of the company's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the company's net investment in the associate) are recognised only to the extent that the company has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the company's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the associate recognised at the date of acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of that investment. Any excess of the company's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of the acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

(m) Leased Assets

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Assets held under finance lease are initially brought to account at an amount equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, and are amortised on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset. Finance lease payments are allocated between interest expense and a reduction of lease liability over the term of the lease.

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense on a basis which reflects the pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed.

In the event that lease incentives are received to enter into operating leases, such incentives are recognised as a liability. The aggregate benefits of incentives are recognised as a reduction in rental expense on a straight line basis.

(n) Payables

Trade payables and other accounts payable are recognised when the consolidated entity becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services.

(o) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the item. In the event that settlement of all or part of the purchase consideration is deferred, cost is determined by discounting the amounts payable in the future to their present value as at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on property, plant, motor vehicles and furniture including freehold buildings, but excluding land, over their estimated useful economic lives using either the reducing balance method or prime cost method. The following estimated useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

- Buildings 25 years
- Plant, motor vehicles and furniture 3–8 years

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(p) Business combinations

Acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses are accounted for using the purchase method. The cost of the business combination is measured as the aggregate of the fair values (at the date of exchange) of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the company in exchange for control of the acquiree, plus any costs directly attributable to the business combination. The acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities, and contingent liabilities that meet the conditions for recognition under AASB 3 "Business Combinations" are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date, except for non-current assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with AASB 5 "Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations", which are recognised and measured at fair value less costs to sell.

Goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised as an asset initially measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the company's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised. If, after reassessment, the company's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities exceeds the cost of the business combination, the excess is immediately recognised in profit or loss.

The interest in minority shareholders in the acquiree is initially measured at the minority's proportion of the net fair value of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised.

(q) Goodwill

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is initially measured at its cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the company's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised at the date of the acquisition. Goodwill is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is recognised immediately in profit or loss and is not reversed in a subsequent period.

(r) Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are identified and recognised separately from goodwill where they satisfy the definition of an intangible asset and their fair value can be measured reliably.

Intangible assets acquired separately are initially recorded at cost.

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination and intangible assets acquired separately are recorded at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is charged on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortisation method is reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period, with any changes in these accounting estimates being accounted for on a prospective basis.

Internally-generated intangible assets arising from development (or from the development phase of an internal project) is recognised if, and only if, all of the following have been demonstrated:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale;
- the intention to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it;
- the ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- how the intangible asset will generate probable future economic benefits;
- the availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the intangible asset;
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development.

The amount initially recognised for internally-generated intangible assets is the sum of the expenditure incurred from the date when the intangible asset first meets the recognition criteria listed above. If the recognition criteria are not met then the development expenditure is expensed. Subsequent to initial recognition, internally generated intangible assets are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets acquired separately.

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1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(s) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the consolidated entity has a present obligation, the future sacrifice of economic benefits is probable, and the amount of the provision can be reliably measured.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows.

(t) Revenue Recognition

Sale of Goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the consolidated entity has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods or other assets.

Rendering of Services

Revenue from a contract to provide services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract.

2. TRADING TRANSACTIONS

Trading transactions represent the total value of merchandise transactions handled by the company and thus includes the value of transactions in which the company acts as a principal as well as the value of those transactions in which the company acts as an agent.

| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 3. PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS | | | | |
| Profit before income tax includes the following items of revenue and expense: | | | | |
| (a) Revenue | | | | |
| Sales revenue: | | | | |
| Sale of goods | 921,184 | 1,146,691 | 921,184 | 1,146,691 |
| Rendering of services | 28,969 | 115,270 | 28,969 | 115,270 |
| | 950,153 | 1,261,961 | 950,153 | 1,261,961 |
| Dividends: | | | | |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 20,000 | – |
| Associated entities | – | – | 15,602 | 31,741 |
| Other related parties | – | – | 41,500 | – |
| Other parties | 247 | 101 | 247 | 101 |
| | 247 | 101 | 77,349 | 31,842 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 3. PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS (continued) | | | | |
| Other revenue: | | | | |
| Profit/(loss) on the disposal of: | | | | |
| Investments | 3,210 | 379 | 3,210 | 61 |
| Property, plant and equipment | – | 4 | – | 4 |
| Foreign exchange gain | 1,553 | 492 | 1,104 | – |
| Interest revenue: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent entity | 5,460 | 1,812 | 5,460 | 1,812 |
| Controlled entity | – | – | 13,703 | 36,172 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Wholly-owned group | 67,782 | 97,079 | 6,456 | 1,048 |
| Other parties | 40,542 | 24,245 | 25,984 | 5,054 |
| Management fees: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent entity | 807 | 855 | 807 | 855 |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 604 | 200 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Wholly-owned group | 2,261 | 2,061 | 2,261 | 2,061 |
| Other parties | 189 | 155 | 189 | 155 |
| Other income | 160 | 269 | 160 | 266 |
| | 121,964 | 127,351 | 59,938 | 47,688 |
| | 1,072,364 | 1,389,413 | 1,087,440 | 1,341,491 |
| (b) Expenses | | | | |
| Interest: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent entity | – | 426 | – | 426 |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 24,369 | 18,823 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Wholly-owned group | 56,016 | 64,262 | 11,151 | 1 |
| Other parties | 52,994 | 44,128 | 19,398 | 22,126 |
| Management fees: | | | | |
| Other related parties | 7,433 | 9,265 | 7,433 | 9,265 |
| Other | – | 75 | – | 75 |
| Operating lease rental expense | 3,355 | 3,255 | 3,309 | 3,223 |
| Net transfers (from)/to provisions: | | | | |
| Employee entitlements | (30) | 40 | (30) | 40 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 1,068 | 1,151 | 1,044 | 1,142 |
| Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 1 | – | 1 | – |
| Loss on disposal of investment | 80 | – | 80 | – |
| Diminution in value of investments: | | | | |
| Other entities | – | 45 | – | 45 |
| Foreign exchange loss | – | 789 | – | 789 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 4. INCOME TAX | | | | |
| (a) The prima facie income tax expense on pre-tax accounting profit reconciles to the income tax expense in the financial statements as follows: | | | | |
| Profit from operations | 248,353 | 385,116 | 84,660 | 46,251 |
| Income tax expense calculated at 30% | 74,506 | 115,535 | 25,398 | 13,875 |
| Non-assessable dividends | (74) | (31) | (22,679) | (8,182) |
| Assessable dividends of associates | 525 | 1,371 | – | – |
| Share of profits of associates accounted for using the equity method | (70,106) | (107,857) | – | – |
| Non deductible entertainment and other items | 116 | 138 | 116 | 138 |
| Fair value decrease of investments through profit or loss | – | 14 | – | 14 |
| Other | 809 | (307) | 181 | 33 |
| (Over)/Under provision of income tax in prior year | (322) | 968 | (334) | 968 |
| Income tax expense attributable to profit from ordinary activities | 5,454 | 9,831 | 2,682 | 6,846 |
| | 2010 \$ | 2009 \$ | 2010 \$ | 2009 \$ |
| 5. REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS | | | | |
| Auditor of the parent entity | | | | |
| Audit of the financial report | 532,558 | 343,286 | 475,558 | 294,786 |
| Other audit services | 130,904 | 233,556 | 55,234 | 160,629 |
| Taxation services | 102,710 | 25,351 | 102,710 | 25,351 |
| | 766,172 | 602,193 | 633,502 | 480,766 |
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES | | | | |
| <i>At amortised cost</i> | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 82,049 | 156,493 | 82,076 | 156,693 |
| Other receivables | 171,889 | 200,605 | 164,926 | 200,794 |
| | 253,938 | 357,098 | 247,002 | 357,487 |

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|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 7. CURRENT OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS | | | | |
| <i>At amortised cost</i> | | | | |
| Investment in associated entity (refer note 10) | – | – | 85 | 85 |
| Loans to: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent company | 208,666 | 384,897 | 208,666 | 384,897 |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 40,000 | 142,484 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Wholly owned group | 846,527 | 951,338 | 150,847 | 5,854 |
| Other parties | 309 | 6,038 | 309 | 6,038 |
| Directors | 11 | 5 | 11 | 5 |
| | 1,055,513 | 1,342,278 | 399,918 | 539,363 |
| <i>At fair value</i> | | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | 18,361 | 20,729 | 12,212 | 20,729 |
| Interest rate swaps | 927 | – | 861 | – |
| | 1,074,801 | 1,363,007 | 412,991 | 560,092 |
| 8. CURRENT INVENTORIES | | | | |
| Finished goods on hand and in transit: | | | | |
| At cost | 39,113 | 79,712 | 39,113 | 79,712 |
| 9. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS | | | | |
| Prepayments | 347 | 126 | 291 | 124 |
| 10. INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD | | | | |
| Investments in associates: | | | | |
| Current | 105 | 118 | – | – |
| Non-current | 1,149,316 | 965,486 | – | – |
| | 1,149,421 | 965,604 | – | – |

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10. INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD (continued)

Current investments in associates represents the company's investment in an associated company that will be subject to voluntary liquidation within the next 12 months.

| Name of entity | Principal Activity | Ownership Interest | |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| | | 2010 % | 2009 % |
| Mitsui Coal Holdings Pty Limited | Coal | 30.0 | 30.0 |
| Synlait Limited | Dairy | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd | Iron ore | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| Mitsui Itochu Iron Pty Ltd | Iron ore | 14.0 | 14.0 |
| Shark Bay Salt Pty Ltd | Salt | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| Mitsui Power Investment Pty Ltd | Power generation | 10.0 | 10.0 |
| Salt Asia Holdings Pty Ltd | Salt | – | 10.0 |
| BHP Mitsui Coal Pty Ltd | Coal | 6.7 | 6.7 |
| Wandoo Petroleum Pty Ltd | Oil | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Mittwell Energy Resources Pty Ltd | Oil | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Komatsu Australia Corporate Finance Pty Ltd | Finance | 4.0 | 5.0 |
| Komatsu Australia Pty Ltd | Industrial machinery | 4.0 | 4.0 |

Summarised financial information of associates:

| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| Current assets | 3,804,740 | 3,867,782 | – | – |
| Non-current assets | 5,456,575 | 5,231,386 | – | – |
| | 9,261,315 | 9,099,168 | – | – |
| Current liabilities | (1,640,566) | (2,300,365) | – | – |
| Non-current liabilities | (1,310,726) | (1,461,594) | – | – |
| | (2,951,292) | (3,761,959) | – | – |
| Net assets | 6,310,023 | 5,337,209 | – | – |
| Revenue | 5,575,595 | 6,741,534 | – | – |
| Net profit | 1,423,061 | 1,929,118 | – | – |
| Share of associates' profit or loss | | | | |
| Current year: | | | | |
| Share of profit/(loss) before income tax | 290,787 | 484,784 | – | – |
| Income tax expense | (57,102) | (125,262) | – | – |
| Total share of associates' profit/(loss) | 233,685 | 359,522 | – | – |

Dividends from associates

During the current year the consolidated entity received dividends from associates amounting to \$77,102,000 (2009: \$31,741,000).

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 11. NON CURRENT OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS | | | | |
| Shares in controlled entities: | | | | |
| At cost | – | – | 4,349 | 4,349 |
| Provision for diminution in value | – | – | – | – |
| | – | – | 4,349 | 4,349 |
| At fair value: | | | | |
| Available-for-sale shares | | | | |
| Investments in associates (at cost) | – | – | 275,780 | 274,254 |
| Other | 1,882 | 4,717 | 1,882 | 4,717 |
| | 1,882 | 4,717 | 282,011 | 283,320 |
| Other shares (i) | – | 400 | – | 400 |
| Currency and interest rate swaps | 52,312 | 65,696 | 52,312 | 65,696 |
| At amortised cost: | | | | |
| Long term loans to: | | | | |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 260,000 | 300,000 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Wholly owned group | 479,349 | 476,993 | – | 4,680 |
| Other parties | 5,997 | 605 | 5,997 | 605 |
| Directors | 18 | – | 18 | – |
| | 539,558 | 548,411 | 600,338 | 654,701 |

(i) Designated as a financial asset at fair value through profit and loss from 1 April 2005.

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12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

| Consolidated | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|-----------------|
| | Freehold land at cost \$'000 | Buildings at cost \$'000 | Furniture & fittings at cost \$'000 | Plant & equipment at cost \$'000 | Leasehold improve- ments at cost \$'000 | Total \$'000 |
| Gross carrying amount | | | | | | |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | 1,420 | 8,058 | 2,199 | 1,616 | 1,900 | 15,193 |
| Additions | – | – | 26 | 45 | – | 71 |
| Disposals | – | – | (28) | (209) | – | (237) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | 1,420 | 8,058 | 2,197 | 1,452 | 1,900 | 15,027 |
| Accumulated depreciation | | | | | | |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | – | 3,349 | 1,390 | 1,324 | 949 | 7,012 |
| Depreciation expense | – | 619 | 180 | 108 | 161 | 1,068 |
| Disposals | – | – | (26) | (207) | – | (233) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | – | 3,968 | 1,544 | 1,225 | 1,110 | 7,847 |
| Net book value | | | | | | |
| As at 31 March 2009 | 1,420 | 4,709 | 809 | 292 | 951 | 8,181 |
| As at 31 March 2010 | 1,420 | 4,090 | 653 | 227 | 790 | 7,180 |
| Company | | | | | | |
| | Freehold land at cost \$'000 | Buildings at cost \$'000 | Furniture & fittings at cost \$'000 | Plant & equipment at cost \$'000 | Leasehold improve- ments at cost \$'000 | Total \$'000 |
| Gross carrying amount | | | | | | |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | 1,420 | 8,058 | 2,167 | 1,474 | 1,900 | 15,019 |
| Additions | – | – | 26 | 45 | – | 71 |
| Disposals | – | – | (28) | (209) | – | (237) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | 1,420 | 8,058 | 2,165 | 1,310 | 1,900 | 14,853 |
| Accumulated depreciation | | | | | | |
| Balance at 31 March 2009 | – | 3,349 | 1,388 | 1,317 | 949 | 7,003 |
| Depreciation expense | – | 619 | 177 | 87 | 161 | 1,044 |
| Disposals | – | – | (26) | (207) | – | (233) |
| Balance at 31 March 2010 | – | 3,968 | 1,539 | 1,197 | 1,110 | 7,814 |
| Net book value | | | | | | |
| As at 31 March 2009 | 1,420 | 4,709 | 779 | 157 | 951 | 8,016 |
| As at 31 March 2010 | 1,420 | 4,090 | 626 | 113 | 790 | 7,039 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 13. GOODWILL | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount on acquisition of Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd | 5,676 | 5,676 | – | – |
| Less: | | | | |
| Accumulated impairment losses | – | – | – | – |
| Net book value | 5,676 | 5,676 | – | – |
| 14. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount | 6,071 | 4,017 | – | – |
| Accumulated depreciation | – | – | – | – |
| Accumulated impairment | – | – | – | – |
| | 6,071 | 4,017 | – | – |
| <p>Other intangible assets represent development expenditure of Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd, which is currently in the later stages of the development phase. If management decides to move to the construction phase, construction is likely to begin in 2010. Depreciation of these assets will begin after construction is completed and once the company is operational. The useful life used in the calculation of amortisation of capitalised development expenditure is 25 years.</p> | | | | |
| 15. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS | | | | |
| Deferred tax asset attributable to: | | | | |
| Temporary differences | 28,771 | 38,069 | 22,568 | 31,237 |
| Tax losses | 5,143 | – | 5,143 | – |
| | 33,914 | 38,069 | 27,711 | 31,237 |
| 16. CURRENT TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES | | | | |
| Trade creditors – unsecured | 93,987 | 216,253 | 93,987 | 216,031 |
| Other creditors | 140,287 | 102,999 | 131,962 | 95,000 |
| | 234,274 | 319,252 | 225,949 | 311,031 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 17. CURRENT BORROWINGS | | | | |
| <i>At amortised cost</i> | | | | |
| Unsecured: | | | | |
| Bank overdraft | – | 64 | – | 64 |
| Short term borrowings: | | | | |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 560,631 | 711,849 |
| Related bodies corporate: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent entity | 1,740 | – | 1,740 | – |
| Wholly-owned group | 1,459,480 | 1,568,514 | – | – |
| Other parties | 192,200 | 446,393 | 40,000 | 93,814 |
| | 1,653,420 | 2,014,971 | 602,371 | 805,727 |
| 18. OTHER CURRENT FINANCIAL LIABILITIES | | | | |
| <i>At fair value</i> | | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | 12,842 | 25,034 | 12,842 | 20,664 |
| Interest rate swaps | 861 | 8,431 | 861 | – |
| | 13,703 | 33,465 | 13,703 | 20,664 |
| 19. CURRENT TAX PAYABLE | | | | |
| Income tax payable | 82,284 | 136,724 | 82,284 | 136,724 |
| 20. CURRENT PROVISIONS | | | | |
| Dividends | 50,000 | – | 50,000 | – |
| Employee entitlements | 831 | 924 | 831 | 924 |
| | 50,831 | 924 | 50,831 | 924 |
| 21. OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Lease incentives (refer note 33(a)) | 180 | 229 | 180 | 229 |
| Deferred revenue | 21 | – | 21 | – |
| | 201 | 229 | 201 | 229 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 22. NON-CURRENT BORROWINGS | | | | |
| <i>At amortised cost</i> | | | | |
| Unsecured: | | | | |
| Long term borrowings from: | | | | |
| Ultimate parent entity | – | 4,680 | – | 4,680 |
| Controlled entities | – | – | 52,170 | 70,110 |
| Other parties | 260,000 | 330,000 | 260,000 | 330,000 |
| | 260,000 | 334,680 | 312,170 | 404,790 |
| 23. OTHER NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL LIABILITIES | | | | |
| <i>At fair value</i> | | | | |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | – | 10,294 | – | 10,294 |
| Interest rate swaps | 64,176 | 95,134 | 52,312 | 55,402 |
| | 64,176 | 105,428 | 52,312 | 65,696 |
| 24. DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Deferred income tax attributable to temporary differences | 23,090 | 29,778 | 20,961 | 27,685 |
| 25. NON-CURRENT PROVISIONS | | | | |
| Employee entitlements | 801 | 738 | 801 | 738 |
| Performance fee | 4,302 | 4,302 | – | – |
| | 5,103 | 5,040 | 801 | 738 |
| 26. OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Lease incentives (refer note 33(a)) | 1,257 | 1,388 | 1,257 | 1,388 |
| 27. ISSUED CAPITAL | | | | |
| 10,000,000 ordinary shares fully paid (2009: 10,000,000) | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 |

Fully paid ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry the rights to dividends.

Changes in the Corporations Law abolished the authorised capital and par value concept in relation to share capital from 1 July 1998. Therefore the company does not have a limited amount of authorised capital and issued shares do not have a par value.

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 28. RESERVES | | | | |
| Asset revaluation | (2,290) | (1,192) | 95,718 | 95,718 |
| Available-for-sale | 63 | 1,372 | 63 | 1,372 |
| Hedging | 6,312 | (69) | (363) | 61 |
| | 4,085 | 111 | 95,418 | 97,151 |
| Asset revaluation reserve | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of financial year | (1,192) | – | 95,718 | 96,513 |
| Transfer to profit and loss for investment sold | – | – | – | (795) |
| Share of associates increase/(decrease) in available-for-sale revaluation reserve net of tax | (1,098) | (1,192) | – | – |
| Balance at end of financial year | (2,290) | (1,192) | 95,718 | 95,718 |
| Available-for-sale reserve | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of financial year | 1,372 | 2,605 | 1,372 | 2,379 |
| Valuation gain (loss) recognised | 17 | (1,416) | 17 | (1,416) |
| Transfer to profit and loss on sale of investment | (1,894) | – | (1,894) | – |
| Deferred tax arising on revaluation | – | 409 | – | 409 |
| Deferred tax released on sale of investment | 568 | – | 568 | – |
| Transfer to retained earnings for investment sold | – | (226) | – | – |
| Balance at end of financial year | 63 | 1,372 | 63 | 1,372 |
| Hedging reserve | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of financial year | (69) | 21,831 | 61 | (881) |
| Profit/(loss) recognised on: | | | | |
| – Forward exchange contracts | (518) | 87 | (518) | 87 |
| Transferred to profit or loss | | | | |
| – Interest rate swaps | – | (7,749) | – | – |
| – Forward exchange contracts | (61) | 881 | (61) | 881 |
| Deferred tax on hedges | 155 | (26) | 155 | (26) |
| Transfer to retained earnings for investment sold | – | 4 | – | – |
| Share of associates increase in hedging reserve net of tax | 6,805 | (15,097) | – | – |
| Balance at end of financial year | 6,312 | (69) | (363) | 61 |

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 29. RETAINED EARNINGS | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of financial year | 1,010,956 | 635,449 | 203,983 | 164,578 |
| Net profit attributable to members of the parent entity | 242,899 | 375,285 | 81,978 | 39,405 |
| Transfer from available for sale reserve for investment sold | – | 226 | – | – |
| Transfer from hedging reserve for investment sold | – | (4) | – | – |
| Dividends paid or provided for | (82,000) | – | (82,000) | – |
| Balance at end of financial year | 1,171,855 | 1,010,956 | 203,961 | 203,983 |
| 30. DIVIDENDS | | | | |
| Interim dividends paid or provided for, fully franked at 30% | 82,000 | – | 82,000 | – |
| 31. ACQUISITION OF BUSINESS | | | | |
| During the prior year, Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd acquired 100% of the shares of Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd, a company in the development phase of a wind farm. Details of the acquisition are as follows: | | | | |
| Consideration | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | – | 3,499 | – | – |
| Fair value of net (liabilities) acquired | | | | |
| Lease agreements | – | 214 | – | – |
| Planning permits | – | 998 | – | – |
| Environmental approval | – | 731 | – | – |
| Other reports and studies | – | 392 | – | – |
| Deferred tax asset | – | 1,291 | – | – |
| Borrowing | – | (1,501) | – | – |
| Contingent liability | – | (4,302) | – | – |
| Net (liabilities) acquired | – | (2,177) | – | – |
| Goodwill on acquisition | – | 5,676 | – | – |
| | – | 3,499 | – | – |

32. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The group was dependent during the financial year upon its ultimate parent company, Mitsui & Co., Ltd, Japan, for a significant volume of its trading transactions.

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| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 33. EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS | | | | |
| (a) Lease commitments | | | | |
| Non cancellable operating leases relating to office premises, office equipment, land and motor vehicles: | | | | |
| Not longer than one year | 3,591 | 2,708 | 3,591 | 2,708 |
| Longer than one year but not longer than five years | 12,221 | 10,724 | 12,221 | 10,724 |
| Longer than five years | 510 | 1,117 | 510 | 1,117 |
| | 16,322 | 14,549 | 16,322 | 14,549 |
| In respect of non-cancellable operating leases, the following liabilities have been recognised: | | | | |
| Current: | | | | |
| Lease incentives (refer note 21) | 180 | 229 | 180 | 229 |
| Non-current: | | | | |
| Lease incentives (refer note 26) | 1,257 | 1,388 | 1,257 | 1,388 |
| | 1,437 | 1,617 | 1,437 | 1,617 |
| (b) Commodity purchase commitments | | | | |
| Aggregate purchase commitments contracted for at balance date but not provided for in the financial statements: | | | | |
| Not longer than one year | 20,652 | 121,737 | 20,652 | 121,737 |
| 34. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Contingent liabilities at the end of the financial year are: | | | | |
| (a) Guarantees given in respect of borrowings by controlled entities | – | – | 238,517 | 257,760 |
| (b) The company has given performance guarantees in respect of various contracts to other corporations | 11,778 | 15,881 | 11,778 | 15,881 |
| (c) Pursuant to a development agreement, the company's subsidiary, Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd is required to pay a performance fee to a developer if the wind farm construction commences before 31 December 2011 and EBITDA is above \$Nil. Under certain circumstances, if the construction of the wind farm is not completed, Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd may have to pay the developer an early termination fee. | | | | |

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|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 35. NOTES TO CASH FLOW STATEMENT | | | | |
| (a) Reconciliation of profit for the year to net cash flows from operating activities: | | | | |
| Profit for the year | 242,899 | 375,285 | 81,978 | 39,405 |
| Add/(less): | | | | |
| Loss/(profit) on disposal of property, plant & equipment | 1 | (4) | 1 | (4) |
| (Profit)/ on disposal of investment | (3,130) | (379) | (3,130) | (61) |
| Depreciation | 1,068 | 1,151 | 1,044 | 1,142 |
| Loss on fair value revaluation of financial assets through the profit or loss | – | 45 | – | 45 |
| Share of associates profits (less dividends) | (176,584) | (327,781) | – | – |
| Decrease/(increase) in deferred tax asset | 4,155 | (1,072) | 3,526 | 5,760 |
| (Decrease) in current tax payable | (54,440) | (6,322) | (54,440) | (6,322) |
| (Decrease) in deferred tax liability | (6,120) | (16,929) | (6,156) | (12,969) |
| (Decrease)/increase in hedge reserve | (424) | 1,119 | (424) | 942 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities | | | | |
| <u>(Increase)/decrease in assets:</u> | | | | |
| Trade and other receivables | 103,160 | 124,553 | 110,485 | 112,590 |
| Other financial assets | 14,825 | 40,966 | 21,040 | 29,870 |
| Inventories | 40,599 | (40,832) | 40,599 | (40,832) |
| Goodwill | – | (5,676) | – | – |
| Other intangible assets | – | (834) | – | – |
| Other | (220) | 118 | (167) | 120 |
| <u>Increase/(decrease) in liabilities:</u> | | | | |
| Trade and other payables | (84,978) | (4,728) | (85,082) | (9,160) |
| Other financial liabilities | (61,014) | 20,716 | (20,345) | (31,817) |
| Other provisions | (30) | 4,262 | (30) | (40) |
| Other | (159) | 372 | (159) | 372 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 19,608 | 164,030 | 88,740 | 89,041 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

| | Consolidated | | Company | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 | 2010 \$'000 | 2009 \$'000 |
| 35. NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT (continued) | | | | |
| (a) Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents | | | | |
| For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flow statement is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows: | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 474,260 | 643,045 | 347,734 | 405,361 |
| Bank overdraft | – | (64) | – | (64) |
| | 474,260 | 642,981 | 347,734 | 405,297 |

36. PARENT ENTITY

The ultimate parent entity is Mitsui & Co., Ltd, incorporated in Japan.

37. DETAILS OF CONTROLLED ENTITIES

| Name of entity | Country of Incorporation | Ownership Interest | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| | | 2010 % | 2009 % |
| Parent entity | | | |
| Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd. | Australia | | |
| Controlled entity | | | |
| Mitsui & Co. Financial Services (Australia) Ltd | Australia | 100 | 100 |
| Bald Hills Wind Farm Pty Ltd | Australia | 100 | 100 |

38. ADDITIONAL COMPANY INFORMATION

Mitsui & Co. (Australia) Ltd is a company incorporated and operating in Australia.

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