ASX HALF-YEAR REPORT

Computershare Limited

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This information should be read in conjunction with the 30 June 2015 Annual Report.

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COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

(Previous corresponding period half-year ended 31 December 2014) RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

Revenue from ordinary activities	down	2.4%	to	933,447
(Appendix 4D item 2.1)				
Profit/(loss) after tax attributable to members	up	443.7%	to	84,255
(Appendix 4D item 2.2)				
Net profit/(loss) for the period attributable to members	up	443.7%	to	84,255
(Appendix 4D item 2.3)				
Dividends	Amount per secu	rity Fran	ked amount	per security
(Appendix 4D item 2.4)				
Interim dividend	AU 16 cents		1009	%
Final dividend (prior year)	AU 16 cents		25%	ó

\$000

Record date for determining entitlements to the interim dividend (*Appendix 4D item 2.5*) 22 February 2016

Explanation of Revenue (Appendix 4D item 2.6)

Total revenue for the half-year is \$933.4 million, a decrease of 2.4% over the corresponding period. Revenue was significantly impacted by the stronger US Dollar relative to the prior corresponding period, materially reducing the translated contribution from non-US businesses. Partially offsetting this impact was the contribution of acquisitions net of disposals during the half. A full period contribution from HML in the UK and Valiant Trust in Canada as well as the positive impact from the Gilardi & Co acquisition in late August 2015 more than offset the falls in revenue due to the sale of the Russian registry business, VEM the German corporate actions bank and ConnectNow in Australia. In addition, revenue growth was achieved in mortgage servicing, class actions administration, US corporate actions, Hong Kong employee plans and mutual fund administration revenue in India. A weaker revenue outcome was witnessed in UK and US employee plans, contributing to the decline on the prior corresponding period.

Explanation of Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities after tax (Appendix 4D item 2.6)

Net profit after tax attributable to members is \$84.3 million, an increase of 443.7% over the previous corresponding period. The material improvement was largely driven by the relatively weaker prior corresponding period in which a non-cash impairment charge of \$109.5 million was booked against the carrying value of goodwill related to the Voucher Services business. The impact of acquisitions net of disposals also contributed to the improved outcome. Furthermore, net profit after tax was also supported by the growth in Hong Kong registry and employee plans, Canadian employee plans, Mutual Fund administration in India, and the performance of corporate actions, communication services, class action administration and mortgage servicing businesses. In contrast, the translation effect of the strengthening US Dollar was a material negative driver, along with weaker earnings in the UK employee plans business, UK voucher services, corporate actions in Canada and US employee plans, noting a range of businesses were impacted by lower yields on client balances.

The Group's income tax expense for the six months ended 31 December 2015 is lower than the previous corresponding period despite the significantly higher profit before related income tax expense. This is largely explained by the non-deductibility of the non-cash impairment charge related to the Voucher Services business recorded in the previous corresponding period.

Explanation of Net Profit/(loss) (Appendix 4D item 2.6)

Please refer above.

Explanation of Dividends (Appendix 4D item 2.6)

The Company has announced an interim dividend for the current financial year of AU 16 cents per share. This dividend is franked to 100%.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES

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These interim financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in the annual financial statements. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2015 and any public announcements made by Computershare Limited during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors of Computershare Limited (the Company) present their report in respect of the financial half-year ended 31 December 2015.

DIRECTORS

The names of the directors of the Company in office during the whole of the half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise indicated, are:

Non-executive

Simon David Jones (appointed Chairman effective 11 November 2015) Christopher John Morris (Chairman until 11 November 2015) Tiffany Lee Fuller Markus Erhard Kerber Penelope Jane Maclagan Arthur Leslie Owen Joseph Mark Velli

Executive

Stuart James Irving (President and Chief Executive Officer)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the consolidated entity during the course of the half-year were the operation of investor services, plan services, communication services, business services, stakeholder relationship management services and technology services.

- Investor services comprise the provision of registry maintenance and related services.
- Plan services comprise the provision of administration and related services for employee share and option plans.
- Communication services comprise laser imaging, intelligent mailing, inbound process automation, scanning and electronic delivery.
- Business services comprise the provision of bankruptcy, class action and utilities administration services, voucher services, corporate trust services and mortgage servicing activities.
- Stakeholder relationship management services comprise the provision of investor analysis, investor communication and management information services to companies, including their employees, shareholders and other security industry participants.
- Technology services comprise the provision of software, specialising in share registry and financial services.

Computershare has a range of regulated businesses around the world, including transfer agencies, licensed dealers, corporate trusts and mortgage servicers.

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Statutory basic earnings per share have increased by 445.5% to 15.22 cents. The Group has recorded an operating profit before tax of \$114.8 million for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 (2014: \$47.5 million). Total revenue has decreased to \$933.4 million (2014: \$956.7 million) and operating cash flows have decreased by \$173.3 million to -\$25.6 million (2014: \$147.7 million) mainly due to increases in loan servicing advances. Excluding loan servicing advances, the decrease in operating cash flows was \$11.2 million.

The significant improvement in net profit after tax was largely attributable to the weaker prior corresponding period in which a non-cash impairment charge of \$109.5 million was booked against the carrying value of goodwill related to the UK Voucher Services business. The current reporting period's revenue, earnings and cash flows were materially impacted by the materially stronger US dollar versus the prior corresponding period, negatively impacting results. Lower yields on client balances also had an adverse impact.

The impact of acquisitions (HML, Valiant Trust assets and Gilardi & Co) net of disposals (Russian business, VEM and ConnectNow) was modestly positive. The major organic growth was seen in Hong Kong and Canadian employee plans, Mutual Fund administration in India and a number of businesses in the US, including mortgage servicing, corporate actions, class action administration and communication services. Weaker results compared to the half year ended 31 December 2014 came from UK and US employee plans, corporate actions in Canada and UK Voucher Services. Operating cash flows were down materially on the previous corresponding period, however this was driven by the substantial increase in mortgage servicing advance receivables as a result of significant growth in that business. The Company is expecting to sell a considerable portion of these receivables to an unrelated investor in the coming months. Finance costs were marginally higher despite lower interest rates, driven by funding of the ordinary share buyback, the Gilardi & Co acquisition and spending on the US property rationalisation project.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT

The profit of the consolidated entity for the half-year was \$84.3 million (2014: \$15.5 million) after deducting income tax and non-controlling interests.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES DIRECTORS' REPORT

DIVIDENDS

The following dividends of the consolidated entity have been paid, declared or recommended since the end of the preceding financial year:

Ordinary shares

- A final dividend in respect of the year ended 30 June 2015 was declared on 12 August 2015 and paid on 15 September 2015. This was an ordinary dividend of AU 16 cents per share, franked to 25%, amounting to AUD 88,991,746 (\$64,285,531).
- An interim ordinary dividend declared by the directors of the Company in respect of the current financial year, to be
 paid on 16 March 2016, of AU 16 cents per share, franked to 100% and amounting to AUD 87,757,586 based on shares
 on issue as at 10 February 2016. The dividend was not declared until 10 February 2016 and accordingly no provision
 has been recognised at 31 December 2015.

ROUNDING OF AMOUNTS

The parent entity is a company of the kind specified in Australian Securities and Investments Commission Class Order 98/0100. In accordance with that class order, amounts in the consolidated financial statements and the Directors' Report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars unless specifically stated to be otherwise.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

A copy of the auditor's signed independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is provided immediately after this report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

SD Jones Chairman

10 February 2016

SJ Irving Director



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Computershare Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2015, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

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

Anton Linschoten

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Melbourne 10 February 2016

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

		Half-year		
	Note	2015	2014	
		\$000	\$000	
Revenue from continuing operations				
Sales revenue		931,913	954,398	
Other revenue		1,534	2,322	
Total revenue from continuing operations		933,447	956,720	
Other income		8,027	2,822	
Expenses				
Direct services		661,081	746,588	
Technology costs		127,419	130,193	
Corporate services Finance costs		11,394	8,731 25,344	
Total expenses	_	26,073 825,967	910,856	
Share of net profit/(loss) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method		(681)	(1,194)	
Profit before related income tax expense		114,826	47,492	
Income tax expense/(credit)	_	28,558	30,051	
Profit for the half year	_	86,268	17,441	
Other comprehensive income that may be reclassified to profit or loss				
Available-for-sale financial assets		(94)	5	
Cash flow hedges		(177)	1,742	
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(28,438)	(79,604)	
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income		436	9,970	
Total other comprehensive income for the half year, net of tax		(28,273)	(67,887)	
Total comprehensive income for the half year	_	57,995	(50,446)	
Profit for the half year attributable to:				
Members of Computershare Limited		84,255	15,498	
Non-controlling interests	_	2,013	1,943	
	_	86,268	17,441	
Total comprehensive income for the half year attributable to:				
Members of Computershare Limited		56,857	(51,537)	
Non-controlling interests	_	1,138	1,091	
	_	57,995	(50,446)	
Basic earnings per share (cents per share)	2	15.22 cents	2.79 cents	
Diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	2	15.19 cents	2.78 cents	

The above consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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	Note	2015	2015
		\$000	\$000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		498,869	555,278
Receivables		317,998	361,185
Loan servicing advances		370,805	187,002
Available-for-sale financial assets		577	620
Other financial assets		16,277	22,655
Inventories		4,592	4,853
Current tax assets		12,188	10,574
Derivative financial instruments		479	750
Other current assets		32,368	33,362
Assets classified as held for sale		,	51,558
Total current assets		1,254,153	1,227,837
Total cultent assets		1,234,133	1,227,037
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank deposits		3,704	19,664
Receivables		858	972
Investments accounted for using the equity method		28,625	31,596
Available-for-sale financial assets		6,979	7,394
Property, plant and equipment		149,488	161,107
Deferred tax assets		197,288	189,348
Derivative financial instruments		34,129	31,239
Intangibles		2,118,915	2,132,298
Total non-current assets		2,539,986	2,573,618
Total assets		3,794,139	3,801,455
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables		322,878	392,448
Interest bearing liabilities		284,802	172,805
Current tax liabilities		21,610	29,435
Provisions		46,966	44,231
Derivative financial instruments		,	20,838
		19,495	
Deferred consideration		5,276	6,585
Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale		40.450	12,816
Other liabilities		43,153	44,537
Total current liabilities		744,180	723,695
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NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		052	1 274
Payables		952	1,374
Interest bearing liabilities		1,596,454	1,596,299
Deferred tax liabilities		223,648	214,512
Provisions		29,690	31,548
Deferred consideration		11,587	4,869
Derivative financial instruments		7,672	9,732
Other liabilities		68,759	41,785
Total non-current liabilities		1,938,762	1,900,119
Total liabilities		2,682,942	2,623,814
Net assets		1,111,197	1,177,641
EQUITY			
Contributed equity	7	-	35,703
Reserves		(69,218)	(19,362)
Retained earnings		1,167,875	1,147,906
Total parent entity interest		1,098,657	1,164,247
Non-controlling interests		12,540	13,394
Total equity		1,111,197	1,177,641
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The above consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

Attributable to members of Computershare Limited

	Contributed Equity \$000	Reserves \$000	Retained Earnings \$000	Total \$000	Non- controlling Interests \$000	Total Equity \$000
Total equity at 1 July 2015	35,703	(19,362)	1,147,906	1,164,247	13,394	1,177,641
Profit for the half-year	-	-	84,255	84,255	2,013	86,268
Available-for-sale financial assets	-	(94)	-	(94)	-	(94)
Cash flow hedges	-	(177)	-	(177)	-	(177)
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	_	(27,563)	_	(27,563)	(875)	(28,438)
Income tax (expense)/credits	_	436	_	436	-	436
Total comprehensive income for the half-year		(27,398)	84,255	56,857	1,138	57,995
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-	(64,286)	(64,286)	(1,431)	(65,717)
Share buy-back	(35,703)	(20,885)	-	(56,588)	-	(56,588)
Transactions with non-controlling interests	-	_	-	-	(561)	(561)
Cash purchase of shares on market	-	(9,086)	-	(9,086)	-	(9,086)
Share based remuneration	-	7,513	-	7,513	-	7,513
Balance at 31 December 2015		(69,218)	1,167,875	1,098,657	12,540	1,111,197

Attributable to members of Computershare Limited

	Contributed Equity \$000	Reserves \$000	Retained Earnings \$000	Total \$000	Non- controlling Interests \$000	Total Equity \$000
Total equity at 1 July 2014	35,703	84,240	1,134,305	1,254,248	12,964	1,267,212
Profit for the half-year	-	-	15,498	15,498	1,943	17,441
Available-for-sale financial assets	-	5	-	5	-	5
Cash flow hedges	-	1,742	-	1,742	-	1,742
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	(78,752)	-	(78,752)	(852)	(79,604)
Income tax (expense)/credits	-	9,970	-	9,970	-	9,970
Total comprehensive income for the half-year		(67,035)	15,498	(51,537)	1,091	(50,446)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-	(75,216)	(75,216)	(1)	(75,217)
Transactions with non-controlling interests	-	(298)	-	(298)	-	(298)
Cash purchase of shares on market	-	(29,155)	-	(29,155)	-	(29,155)
Share based remuneration	-	10,318	-	10,318	-	10,318
Balance at 31 December 2014	35,703	(1,930)	1,074,587	1,108,360	14,054	1,122,414

The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE HALF-YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Note	Half-year		
		2015	2014	
		\$000	\$000	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Receipts from customers		990,871	1,034,934	
Payments to suppliers and employees		(774,070)	(809,295)	
Loan servicing advances (net)		(183,803)	(21,657)	
Dividends received from equity securities		308	413	
Interest paid and other finance costs		(26,540)	(26,255)	
Interest received		1,226	1,909	
Income taxes paid		(33,553)	(32,352)	
Net operating cash flows	5	(25,561)	147,697	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Payments for purchase of controlled entities and businesses (net of cash				
acquired) and intangible assets		(43,342)	(110,713)	
Proceeds from sale of a joint venture		1,498	-	
Dividends received from associates and joint ventures		306	242	
Proceeds from investments		14,861	3,411	
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(9,767)	(10,262)	
Proceeds from sale of subsidiaries and businesses, net of cash disposed	_	(5,666)	-	
Net investing cash flows	_	(42,110)	(117,322)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Payments for purchase of ordinary shares - share based awards		(9,086)	(29,155)	
Proceeds from borrowings		157,562	1,056,031	
Repayment of borrowings		(141,452)	(966,857)	
Loan servicing borrowings (net)		110,458	2,678	
Dividends paid - ordinary shares (net of dividend reinvestment plan)		(61,499)	(71,464)	
Purchase of ordinary shares - dividend reinvestment plan		(2,787)	(3,752)	
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in controlled entities		(1,431)	(1)	
Payments for on-market share buy-back		(56,588)	-	
Repayment of finance leases		(3,495)	(4,123)	
Net financing cash flows		(8,318)	(16,643)	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		(75,989)	13,732	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		604,092	509,151	
Exchange rate variations on foreign cash balances		(29,234)	(40,910)	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year*		498,869	481,973	

^{*} Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2015 include \$nil (30 June 2015: \$48.8 million) cash presented in the assets classified as held for sale line item in the Consolidated statement of financial position.

The above consolidated cash flow statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The general purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2015 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The half-year financial statements of Computershare Limited and its controlled entities also comply with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The interim financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2015 and any public announcements made by Computershare Limited during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules.

The financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes of Computershare Limited and its controlled entities, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to comply with the changes in presentation in the current period.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are consistent with those of the previous financial year and the corresponding interim reporting period.

2. EARNINGS PER SHARE

	Basic EPS	Diluted EPS	Management Basic EPS	Management Diluted EPS
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Half-year ended 31 December 2015				
Earnings per share (cents per share)	15.22 cents	15.19 cents	25.98 cents	25.93 cents
Profit for the half-year	86,268	86,268	86,268	86,268
Non-controlling interest (profit)/loss	(2,013)	(2,013)	(2,013)	(2,013)
Add back management adjustment items (see below)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	59,560	59,560
Net profit attributable to the members of Computershare Limited	84,255	84,255	143,815	143,815
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	553,612,565		553,612,565	
Weighted average number of ordinary and potential ordinary shares used as denominator in calculating diluted earnings per share		554,537,565		554,537,565

	Basic EPS	Diluted EPS	Ç	gement ic EPS	Management Diluted EPS
	\$000	\$000		\$000	\$000
Half-year ended 31 December 2014					
Earnings per share (cents per share)	2.79 cents	2.78 cents	28.88	8 cents	28.83 cents
Profit for the half-year	17,441	17,441	1	7,441	17,441
Non-controlling interest (profit)/loss	(1,943)	(1,943)	(1,943)	(1,943)
Add back management adjustment items (see below)		-	14	15,143	145,143
Net profit attributable to the members of Computershare Limited	15,498	15,498	16	50,641	160,641
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	556,203,079		556,20	03,079	
Weighted average number of ordinary and potential ordinary shares used as denominator in calculating diluted earnings per share		557,178,079			557,178,079
Reconciliation of weighted average number of shar	es used as the denom	ninator:			
			2015	2014	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used	as the denominator in	n calculating	Nu	mber	Number
basic earnings per share	as the denominator in	i carcalating	553,612	2,565	556,203,079
Adjustments for calculation of diluted earnings per Performance rights	share:		925,000		975,000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and p denominator in calculating diluted earnings per sha		res used as the		,	
denominator in carculating united earnings per sna	ie		554,53	7,565	557,178,079
For the half-year ended 31 December 2015 manage	ement adjustment iter	ms include the fo	ollowing:		
			Gross \$000	Tax effect \$000	Net of tax \$000
Amortisation			(45 561)	15 265	(30.206)
Amortisation of intangible assets Acquisitions and disposals			(45,561)	15,265	(30,296)
Loss on finalisation of disposal accounting			(25,390)	-	(25,390)
Acquisition and disposal related expenses			(2,092)	571	(1,521)
Acquisition accounting adjustments			1,672	(679)	993
Gain on disposal			323	-	323
Acquisition related restructuring costs Other			(377)	127	(250)
Major restructuring costs			(8,211)	3,334	(4,877)
Marked to market adjustments - derivatives			2,473	(764)	1,709
Put option liability re-measurement			(251)	<u> </u>	(251)
Total management adjustment items		_	(77,414)	17,854	(59,560)

For the half-year ended 31 December 2014 management adjustment items include the following:

	Gross \$000	Tax effect \$000	Net of tax \$000
Amortisation			
Amortisation of intangible assets	(45,344)	16,314	(29,030)
Acquisitions and disposals			
Acquisition related restructuring costs	(5,728)	2,295	(3,433)
Acquisition related expenses	(551)	(76)	(627)
Acquisition and disposal accounting adjustments	314	(152)	162
Other			
Voucher Services impairment	(109,536)	-	(109,536)
Put option liability re-measurement	(2,491)	-	(2,491)
Marked to market adjustments - derivatives	(269)	81	(188)
Total management adjustment items	(163,605)	18,462	(145,143)

Management Adjustment Items

Management adjustment items net of tax for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 were as follows:

Amortisation

• Customer contracts and other intangible assets that are recognised on business combinations or major asset acquisitions are amortised over their useful life in the statutory results but excluded from management earnings. The amortisation of these intangibles in the half year ended 31 December 2015 was \$30.3 million. Amortisation of intangibles purchased outside of business combinations (eg, mortgage servicing rights) is included as a charge against management earnings.

Acquisitions and disposals

- The finalisation of the disposal accounting for the Russian registry business, VEM (a corporate actions bank located in Germany) and the Australian ConnectNow business resulted in a loss of \$25.4 million due to a write-off of the associated cumulative translation differences from the foreign currency translation reserve. The cumulative translation differences are only reclassified to profit or loss when the disposal process has been completed and control over a foreign subsidiary is lost. The Russian registry business and VEM were classified as held for sale as at 30 June 2015.
- A gain of \$0.3 million was recorded on sale of the Japanese joint venture interest.
- Acquisition and disposal related expenses of \$1.5 million were incurred associated with Gilardi & Co, Homeloan Management Limited, European Global Stock Plan Services and ConnectNow.
- An acquisition accounting adjustment related to the Registrar and Transfer Company in the US resulted in a benefit
 of \$1.0 million.
- Restructuring costs of \$0.3 million were incurred for the Gilardi & Co and the Valiant Trust Company business acquisitions.

Other

- Costs of \$4.9 million were incurred in relation to the major operations rationalisation underway in Louisville, USA.
- Derivatives that have not received hedge designation are marked to market at the reporting date and taken to profit and loss in the statutory results. The marked to market valuation resulted in a gain of \$1.7 million.
- The put option liability re-measurement resulted in an expense of \$0.3 million related to the Karvy joint venture arrangement in India.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The operating segments presented reflect the manner in which the Group has been internally managed and the financial information reported to the chief operating decision maker (CEO) in the current financial year. The Group has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the CEO that are used to make strategic decisions and assess performance.

There are seven operating segments. Six of them are geographic: Asia, Australia and New Zealand, Canada, Continental Europe, UCIA (United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Ireland & Africa) and the United States of America. In addition, Technology and Other segment comprises the provision of software specialising in share registry and financial services. It is also a research and development function, for which discrete financial information is reviewed by the CEO.

In each of the six geographic segments the consolidated entity offers a combination of its core products and services: investor services, business services, plan services, communication services and stakeholder relationship management services. Investor services comprise the provision of registry maintenance and related services. Business services comprise the provision of bankruptcy class action and utilities administration services, voucher services, corporate trust services and mortgage servicing activities. Plan services comprise the provision of administration and related services for employee share and option plans. Communication services comprise laser imaging, intelligent mailing, inbound process automation, scanning and electronic delivery. Stakeholder relationship management services comprise the provision of investor analysis, investor communication and management information services to companies, including their employees, shareholders and other security industry participants.

Corporate function includes entities whose main purpose is to hold intercompany investments and conduct financing activities. It is not considered an operating segment and includes activities that are not allocated to other operating segments.

OPERATING SEGMENTS

	Asia	Australia & New Zealand	Canada	Continental Europe	Technology & Other	UCIA	United States	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
December 2015								
Total segment revenue and other income	63,710	134,013	80,592	29,688	118,710	170,515	450,656	1,047,884
External revenue and other income	61,933	133,509	79,649	29,659	7,807	169,250	449,493	931,300
Intersegment revenue	1,777	504	943	29	110,903	1,265	1,163	116,584
Management adjusted EBITDA	23,831	24,813	33,925	(765)	20,827	48,105	86,229	236,965
December 2014								
Total segment revenue and other income	60,281	178,891	97,082	46,966	115,948	165,646	403,652	1,068,466
External revenue and other income	59,188	178,425	95,937	46,930	8,602	163,480	402,477	955,039
Intersegment revenue	1,093	466	1,146	36	107,345	2,166	1,175	113,427
Management adjusted EBITDA	21,669	34,921	42,355	733	16,863	61,830	83,046	261,417

Segment revenue

The revenue reported to the CEO is measured in a manner consistent with that of the statement of comprehensive income. Sales between segments are included in the total segment revenue, whereas sales within a segment have been eliminated from segment revenue. Sales between segments are at normal commercial rates and are eliminated on consolidation.

Segment revenue reconciles to total revenue from continuing operations as follows:

	Half-year		
	2015 2014		
	\$000	\$000	
Total operating segment revenue and other income	1,047,884	1,068,466	
Intersegment eliminations	(116,584)	(113,427)	
Corporate revenue and other income	2,147	1,681	
Total revenue from continuing operations	933,447	956,720	

Management adjusted EBITDA

Management adjusted results are used, along with other measures to assess operating business performance. The Group believes that exclusion of certain items permits better analysis of the Group's performance on a comparative basis and provides a better measure of underlying operating performance.

A reconciliation of management adjusted EBITDA to operating profit before income tax is provided as follows:

	Half-y	ear
	2015	2014
	\$000	\$000
Management adjusted EBITDA - operating segments	236,965	261,417
Management adjusted EBITDA - corporate	5,323	(2,094)
Management adjusted EBITDA	242,288	259,323
Management adjustment items (before related income tax expense):		
Amortisation of intangible assets	(45,561)	(45,344)
Loss on finalisation of disposal accounting	(25,390)	-
Acquisition and disposal related expenses	(2,092)	(551)
Acquisition and disposal accounting adjustments	1,672	314
Acquisition related restructuring costs	(377)	(5,728)
Gain on disposal	323	-
Voucher Services impairment	-	(109,536)
Major restructuring costs	(8,211)	-
Marked to market adjustments - derivatives	2,473	(269)
Put option liability re-measurement	(251)	(2,491)
Total management adjustment items (note 2)	(77,414)	(163,605)
Finance costs	(26,073)	(25,344)
Other amortisation and depreciation	(23,975)	(22,882)
Profit before income tax from continuing operations	114,826	47,492

4. DIVIDENDS

	2015	2014
	\$000	\$000
Ordinary shares		
Dividends provided for or paid during the half-year	64,286	75,216

Dividends not recognised at the end of the half-year

In addition to the above dividends, since the end of the half-year the directors have declared the payment of an interim dividend of AU 16 cents per fully paid ordinary share, franked to 100%. As the dividend was not declared until 10 February 2016, a provision has not been recognised as at 31 December 2015.

5. RECONCILIATION OF NET PROFIT AFTER TAX TO CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	Half-year	
	2015	2014
	\$000	\$000
Net profit after income tax	86,268	17,441
Adjustments for non-cash income and expense items:		
Impairment charge - Voucher Services	-	109,536
Depreciation and amortisation	69,536	68,226
Net (gain)/loss on asset disposals and asset write-downs	25,099	(169)
Share of net (profit)/loss of associates and joint ventures accounted for using equity method	681	1,194
Employee benefits – share based expense	8,162	9,576
Fair value adjustments	(3,872)	2,760
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	17,018	19,701
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(1,867)	2,625
(Increase)/decrease in loan servicing advances	(183,803)	(21,657)
(Increase)/decrease in other current assets	337	7,143
Increase/(decrease) in payables and provisions	(38,125)	(66,382)
Increase/(decrease) in tax balances	(4,995)	(2,297)
Net cash and cash equivalents from operating activities	(25,561)	147,697

6. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

On 27 August 2015 Computershare acquired 100% of Gilardi & Co., LLC (Gilardi), based in San Rafael, California, USA. Gilardi is a securities and anti-trust class actions claims administration and complements Computershare's KCC business and its integrated suite of corporate restructuring, class action and legal document support solutions. Total consideration was \$41.9 million, which included contingent consideration of \$11.1 million. Contingent consideration is dependent on achieving net billable revenue targets over a three year period and is capped at \$11.1 million.

This business combination did not materially contribute to the total revenue of the Group.

Details of the acquisition are as follows:

	\$000
Cash consideration	30,814
Contingent consideration	11,070
Total consideration paid	41,884
Less fair value of identifiable assets acquired	(38,055)
Provisional goodwill on consolidation*	3,829

^{*}Identification and valuation of net assets acquired will be completed within the 12 month measurement period in accordance with the Group's accounting policy.

Assets and liabilities arising from this acquisition are as follows:

	Fair value
	\$000
Cash	62
Current receivables	6,790
Other current assets	434
Plant, property and equipment	182
Customer contracts and related relationships	32,410
Software	1,300
Brand name	1,050
Deferred tax asset	400
Current payables	(4,335)
Other current liabilities	(238)
Net assets	38,055
Purchase consideration:	
Inflow/(outflow) of cash to acquire the entity, net of cash acquired:	
	\$000
Cash balance acquired	62
Less cash paid	(30,814)
Net inflow/(outflow) of cash	(30,752)

In accordance with the accounting policy, the acquisition accounting for Valiant Trust Company (Valiant) and Istifid S.p.A (Istifid) has been finalised. Intangible assets of \$15.1 million for Valiant and \$4.8 million for Istifid have been reclassified out of goodwill.

7. CONTRIBUTED EQUITY

	Half-	Half-year	
	2015	2014	
	\$000	\$000	
Ordinary shares		35,703	
Total contributed equity	<u> </u>	35,703	

On 18 August 2015, Computershare announced an on-market buy-back of shares with an aggregate value of up to AUD 140.0 million for capital management purposes.

From 1 September 2015 until 31 December 2015, the Company purchased and cancelled 7,196,706 ordinary shares at a total cost of AU\$78.3 million (US\$56.6 million) with an average price of AU\$10.88 and a price range from AU\$9.64 to AU\$11.86.

Since the effect of share buy-backs over the years has reduced contributed equity to nil, a reserve has been created to reflect the excess value of shares bought over the original amount of subscribed capital.

There has been no issue of ordinary shares during the half-year ended 31 December 2015.

Movement in contributed equity

	Number of		
	shares	\$000	
Balance at 1 July 2015	556,203,079	35,703	
Share buy-back	(7,196,706)	(56,588)	
Transfer to share buy-back reserve		20,885	
Balance at 31 December 2015	549,006,373		

8. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurement by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices); or

Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The following tables present the Group's financial assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value at 31 December 2015. The comparative figures are also presented below.

As at 31 December 2015	Level 1 \$000	Level 2 \$000	Level 3 \$000	Total \$000
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	-	34,608	-	34,608
Available-for-sale financial assets	7,556		-	7,556
Total assets	7,556	34,608	-	42,164
Liabilities	·	•	·	
Borrowings	-	437,158	-	437,158
Derivative financial instruments		27,167	-	27,167
Total liabilities		464,325	-	464,325
As at 30 June 2015	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	-	31,989	-	31,989
Available-for-sale financial assets	8,014		-	8,014
Total assets	8,014	31,989	-	40,003
Liabilities				
Borrowings	-	433,428	-	433,428
Derivative financial instruments		30,570	-	30,570
Total liabilities	<u> </u>	463,998	-	463,998

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives, and trading and available-for-sale securities) is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. These instruments are included in level 1.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. The Group uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at the end of each reporting period. These instruments are included in level 2 and comprise derivative financial instruments and the portion of borrowings included in the fair value hedge.

Net fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payables, non-interest bearing liabilities, finance leases and loans approximate their fair values for the Group except for the unhedged portion of USD Senior Notes of \$395.0 million (30 June 2015: \$395.0 million), where the fair value was \$411.3 million as at 31 December 2015 (30 June 2015: \$410.9 million).

9. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

(a) Guarantees, indemnities and other contingent liabilities

There have been no material changes to guarantees, indemnities and other contingent liabilities since the last reporting date.

(b) Legal and regulatory matters

Due to the nature of operations, certain commercial claims in the normal course of business have been made against the consolidated entity in various countries. An inherent difficulty in predicting the outcome of such matters exists, but in the opinion of the Group, based on current knowledge and in consultation with legal counsel, we do not expect any material liability to the Group to eventuate. The status of all claims is monitored on an ongoing basis, together with the adequacy of any provisions recorded in the Group's Financial Statements.

10. OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The reduction in expected future earnings of Computershare's Voucher Services business has been slower than anticipated and the present value of expected future cash flows continues to support the carrying amount of goodwill related to this business of \$30 million. Consequently, no impairment of goodwill related to Voucher Services was recorded in the reporting period. The carrying value of the remaining goodwill will continue to be monitored and is expected to be written off in the coming years.

11. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER BALANCE SHEET DATE

On 1 February 2016, Computershare was appointed preferred supplier in the tender process to undertake the mortgage servicing activities of UK Asset Resolution Limited (UKAR) – refer to the Computershare's ASX Market Announcement dated 2 February 2016 for more details. Should Computershare be successful in winning this contract, the revenue contribution is expected to be material. In this event, a liability for the estimated amount of the earn-out payable to the sellers of Homeloan Management Limited is expected to be recognised as a material charge against profit in the financial year ending 30 June 2016. Any earn-out is expected to be paid over a number of years and will not be material to annual cash flows. As the negotiations are incomplete, there remain a range of variables that could impact the transaction economics. Further details will be provided should contract negotiations be successfully concluded.

On 3 February 2016, Computershare agreed to acquire Capital Markets Cooperative LLC (CMC), a service provider to mortgage originator clients with a substantial mortgage servicing rights co-issue programme. CMC is based in Florida, USA. Total consideration for the transaction is \$71.2 million, with \$44.0 million to be paid for the CMC business and \$27.2 million (post sale of excess strip) for an MSR portfolio with circa \$5.4 billion unpaid principal balances. The acquisition is expected to close in the coming months post receipt of the necessary regulatory approvals. Further details can be found in the ASX market announcement dated 4 February 2016.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

Directors' Declaration

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 18 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Note 1 confirms that the financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

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

SD Jones

Chairman

Melbourne

10 February 2016

SJ Irving

Director

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES STATEMENTS OF THE CEO AND CFO

Statement to the Board of Directors of Computershare Limited

The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer state that:

- (a) the financial records of the consolidated entity for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 have been properly maintained in accordance with section 286 of the *Corporations Act 2001*; and
- (b) the financial statements, and the notes to the financial statements, of the consolidated entity, for the half-year ended 31 December 2015:
 - (i) comply with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) give a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of their performance for the half-year ended on that date.

SJ Irving

Chief Executive Officer

MB Davis

Chief Financial Officer

10 February 2016



Independent auditor's review report to the members of Computershare Limited

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Computershare Limited (the company), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2015, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, selected explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for Computershare Group (the consolidated entity). The consolidated entity comprises the company and the entities it controlled during that half-year.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error. In note 1, the directors also state that the consolidated financial statements comply with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Australian Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and its performance for the ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001. As the auditor of Computershare Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Independence

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



Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Computershare Limited:

- a) is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:
 - i. giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2015 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date;
 - ii. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.
- b) does not comply with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board as disclosed in note 1.

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Melbourne 10 February 2016

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDIX 4D INFORMATION

NTA Backing (Appendix 4D item 3)

31 December 31 December **2015** 2014

Net tangible asset backing per ordinary share

(2.19) (2.21)

Controlled entities acquired or disposed of (Appendix 4D item 4)

AcquiredDate control gainedGilardi & Co., LLC27 August 2015Gilco LLC27 August 2015Data Point Analysis Group, LLC27 August 2015

DisposedDate control lostClosed Joint Stock Company "Computershare Registrar"17 July 2015Computershare LLC (Russia)17 July 2015VEM Aktienbank AG31 July 2015

Additional dividend information (Appendix 4D item 5)

Details of dividends declared or paid during or subsequent to the half-year ended 31 December 2015 are as follows:

Record date	Payment date	Type	Amount	Total	Franked	Conduit
			per	dividend	amount	foreign income
			security	(AUD)	per	amount per
					security	security
20 August 2015	15 September 2015	Final	AU 16	88,991,746	AU 4.0	AU 12.0 cents
			cents		cents	
22 February 2016	16 March 2016	Interim	AU 16	87,757,586	AU 16.0	nil
			cents		cents	

Dividend reinvestment plans (Appendix 4D item 6)

Computershare operates a Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP) which provides eligible shareholders with the opportunity to elect to take all or part of dividends in the form of shares in accordance with the DRP plan rules. Shares are provided under the plan free of brokerage and other transaction costs and will rank equally with all other ordinary shares on issue.

The DRP will apply to the interim dividend declared in respect of the current financial year on 10 February 2016. Applications or notices received after 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on 23 February 2016 will not be effective for payment of this interim dividend but will be effective for future dividend payments.

The DRP price for the interim dividend will be equal to the arithmetic average of the daily volume weighted average market price (rounded to the nearest cent) of all shares sold through a normal trade on the ASX automated trading system during the DRP pricing period for this dividend, being 25 February 2016 to 9 March 2016 (inclusive). No discount will apply to the DRP price.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDIX 4D INFORMATION

Associates and joint venture entities (Appendix 4D item 7)

Name	Place of incorporation					idated amount
			Dec 2015	Jun 2015	Dec 2015	Jun 2015
Joint Ventures			%	%	\$000	\$000
Japan Shareholder Services Ltd ¹	Japan	Technology Services	-	50	_	1,415
Computershare Pan Africa Holdings Ltd	Mauritius	Investor Services	60	60	-	-
Computershare Pan Africa Ghana Ltd	Ghana	Investor Services	60	60	-	_
Computershare Pan Africa Nominees Ghana Ltd	Ghana	Investor Services	60	60	-	_
Asset Checker Ltd	United Kingdom	Investor Services	50	50	-	_
VisEq GmbH	Germany	Investor Services	66	66	140	143
Associates						
Expandi Ltd	United Kingdom	Investor Services	25	25	6,240	6,226
Milestone Group Pty Ltd	Australia	Technology Services	20	20	5,561	6,004
The Reach Agency Pty Ltd	Australia	Investor Services	49	49	1,161	1,068
INVeSHARE Inc.	United States	Investor Services	40	40	15,503	16,713
Mergit s.r.l.	Italy	Technology Services	30	30	20	27
				.=	28,625	31,596

¹Japan Shareholder Services Ltd was disposed on 30 September 2015.

The share of net profit/(loss) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method for the half-year ended 31 December 2015 is a loss of \$0.7 million (31 December 2014: \$1.2 million loss).

Foreign Entities (Appendix 4D item 8)

For foreign entities, International Financial Reporting Standards are used in compiling the half-year consolidated report.

COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDIX 4D INFORMATION

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