

- Revenue up 18% • Headline earnings per share excluding BEE costs up 21%
- Cash generated by operations up 12% • Net asset value up 14% • Final dividend up 20%



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THE MEASURABLE LOGISTICS COMPANY

REVIEWED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2011

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
R000's	% change	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010
Revenue	18	1 588 315	1 351 611
Cost of sales		(891 874)	(754 764)
Gross profit	17	696 441	596 847
Other income		4 379	4 637
Operating expenses		(534 405)	(459 112)
Operating profit	17	166 415	142 372
Once-off BEE equity transaction costs		(12 192)	—
Share of profit/(loss) of associate net of taxation		11	(13)
Investment income		17 715	17 412
Finance costs		(34 370)	(31 167)
Net profit before taxation		137 579	128 604
Taxation (note 2)		(43 468)	(37 234)
Net profit for the year		94 111	91 370
Other comprehensive income net of taxation		—	—
Total comprehensive income for the year	3	94 111	91 370
Earnings per share (cents) (note 3)			
– Basic		54,5	50,8
– Headline	7	56,2	52,4
– Adjusted headline	21	63,3	52,4
– Diluted basic		56,4	50,3
– Diluted headline	12	58,0	51,9

SEGMENT INFORMATION			
R000's	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010	
Total segment revenue	1 719 757	1 485 609	
General distribution	1 266 234	1 073 095	
Truck rental and other	368 640	333 153	
Head office and other	84 883	79 361	
Less: Inter-segment revenue	131 442	133 998	
General distribution	3 609	3 449	
Truck rental and other	43 017	51 471	
Head office and other	84 816	79 078	
External segment revenue	1 588 315	1 351 611	
General distribution	1 262 625	1 069 646	
Truck rental and other	325 623	281 682	
Head office and other	67	283	
Business segment results			
General distribution	142 376	103 715	
Truck rental and other	39 228	45 456	
Head office and other	(15 189)	(6 799)	
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Total segment assets			
General distribution	532 612	487 784	
Truck rental and other	560 690	430 583	
Head office and other	134 078	140 054	
Segment assets	1 227 380	1 058 421	
Investments and loans	3 624	2 518	
Deferred tax	3 857	3 286	
Taxation in advance	100	—	
Total assets	1 234 961	1 064 225	

COMMENTARY – continued

rate to 31.6%. Consequently, headline earnings were impacted and thus increased by only 7% from 52,4 cents per share to 56,2 cents per share. Excluding these once-off BEE equity transaction costs, adjusted headline earnings increased by 21% from 52,4 cents per share to 63,3 cents per share.

Cash generated by operations remained consistently strong and improved by 12% to R246,9 million. Cash flows funded the R60 million voluntary share repurchase in August 2010 where 16,7 million shares were acquired and subsequently cancelled. In addition, the Group's capital expenditure totalling R249,6 million was partly financed by debt with the balance of R142,2 million being internally funded.

The Group's balance sheet remains financially sound with the net asset value increasing by 14% from 267,8 cents per share to 304,8 cents per share.

OPERATION REVIEW

General distribution segment

The segment performed exceptionally well with volume growth from the expanded customer base increasing turnover and operating margins. Turnover increased by 18% from R1,07 billion to R1,26 billion. In addition, stringent cost controls and operational disciplines resulted in operating margins increasing from 9,7% to 11,3% with operating profits growing by 37,3% to R142,4 million.

Truck rental segment

Renewed management focus in the truck rental segment saw revenue increasing by 15,6% from R281,7 million to R325,6 million. A positive contribution of R39,2 million was made to Group profitability. Truck rental has become highly competitive with rates under severe pressure in order to improve low vehicle utilisations. This, in conjunction with the additional maintenance costs which were incurred to improve and upgrade the fleet, reduced margins from 16,1% to 12,0%.

The defleeting process is ongoing with 398 older vehicles having been disposed off during the 2011 financial year. The disposal of these older vehicles has had a direct effect on maintenance downtime. Consequently, the Group has improved maintenance turnaround times which has favourably affected the availability of vehicles. Hence, the disposal of excess older vehicles will continue. A further 400 vehicles have been earmarked for disposal in the new financial year.

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Group has and will continue to invest heavily in growing and upgrading its vehicle, IT and depot infrastructure.

Budgeted capital expenditure for the 2012 financial year amounts to R240 million comprising R178 million for vehicle and forklift additions and replacements, R42 million pertaining to IT infrastructure and application upgrades and R20 million pertaining to the expansion of the Freightpak premises in Mahogany Ridge, Durban. A major portion of this expenditure will initially be funded by interest bearing debt with the balance being internally funded.

BBBEE UPDATE

Over the past few years the Group has been committed to achieving BBBEE across all seven pillars of the BEE scorecard. Various initiatives have been implemented in this regard simultaneously ensuring sustainability into the future. During this period, shareholder and JSE approval was obtained which facilitated up to a 15% equity ownership by Dr Nakedi Mathews Phosa and Mr Mano Padiyachy, both directors of Value Group Limited, as well as selected black employees in terms of an empowerment trust. Subsequent to the implementation of this transaction, the Group was accredited as a level 4 BBBEE contributor.

PROSPECTS

Management is continuously focussing on growing the customer base. The Group's strategy of growing the revenue streams within each division and each leg of the logistics supply chain has and will necessitate additional infrastructure investment. The Group's budgeted investment expenditure will not only improve its IT technology infrastructure and application base, but will also alleviate vehicle and congestion constraints, thereby providing a platform for the future sustainable growth of the business.

The prolonged effect of the recessionary environment and the recent increasing price of fuel has somewhat curtailed consumer demand. This has hampered volume growth amongst certain customers. Accordingly, volume gains in the new financial year has been relatively subdued. Notwithstanding this, operational performance in March and April 2011 has been in line with expectation. The Group has procured additional and new revenue streams for its various divisions. These will materialise during the course of the current year. Accordingly, management is cautiously optimistic that headline earnings for the 2012 financial year will increase. This forecast has not been reviewed nor reported on by the Group's auditors.

DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND (NUMBER 9)

The Board has resolved to declare a final dividend of 12 cents per ordinary share. This dividend is covered 3,5 times by second half headline earnings and is payable as follows:

Declaration date	Tuesday, 10 May 2011
Last day to trade cum dividend	Friday, 24 June 2011
Trading ex-dividend commences	Monday, 27 June 2011
Record date	Friday, 1 July 2011
Payment date	Monday, 4 July 2011

Share certificates may not be dematerialised or rematerialised between 27 June 2011 and 1 July 2011, both days inclusive.

For and on behalf of the Board

C D Stein *Chairman*

S D Gottschalk *Chief Executive Officer*

Johannesburg
10 May 2011

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION			
R000's	% change	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, vehicles, plant and equipment		828 456	704 506
Intangible assets		31 611	25 716
Investments and loans		1 007	2 518
Deferred tax		3 857	3 286
Current assets		370 010	328 047
Inventories		68 260	43 250
Investments and loans		2 617	—
Trade and other receivables		218 857	179 915
Taxation in advance		100	—
Cash and cash equivalents		80 176	104 882
Non-current assets held for sale		20	152
Total assets		1 234 961	1 064 225
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Non-current liabilities		502 774	485 006
Interest-bearing borrowings		194 963	98 375
Deferred tax		120 249	111 057
Current liabilities		416 975	369 787
Trade and other payables		317 346	283 486
Current portion of interest-bearing borrowings		84 042	73 250
Current tax payable		15 587	13 051
Total equity and liabilities		1 234 961	1 064 225
Net asset value per share (cents)	14	304,8	267,8

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS			
R000's	% change	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated by operations	12	246 908	220 309
Net finance costs		(16 967)	(13 755)
Changes in working capital		(36 098)	28 924
Taxation paid		(32 411)	(31 761)
Cash available from operating activities		161 432	203 717
Dividends paid		(27 982)	(37 668)
Cash flows from investing activities		(204 071)	(134 109)
Cash flows from financing activities		45 915	(38 461)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(24 706)	(6 521)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		104 882	111 403
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		80 176	104 882

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY			
R000's	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010	
Ordinary share capital and premium			
Balance at beginning of year	194	194	
Shares issued	73 003	—	
Share issue expenses	(2 356)	—	
Share buy back	(60 000)	—	
A shares	10	—	
Shares issued	10	—	
Treasury shares	(100 325)	(28 323)	
Balance at beginning of year	(28 323)	(32 746)	
Treasury shares sold	1 011	4 423	
Treasury shares acquired	(73 013)	—	
Share-based payment reserve	13 623	746	
Balance at beginning of year	746	772	
Share-based payment expense	13 130	258	
Transfer to retained income	(253)	(284)	
Retained income	578 625	512 389	
Balance at beginning of year	512 389	461 689	
Transfer from share-based payment reserve	253	284	
Loss on disposal of treasury shares	(120)	(3 244)	
Dividends paid	(28 008)	(37 710)	
Total comprehensive income for the year	94 111	91 370	
Net profit for the year	94 111	91 370	
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—	
Total capital and reserves	502 774	485 006	

NOTES

1. Statement of compliance

The financial results have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in the manner required by the Companies Act of South Africa and are presented in accordance with IAS 34: Interim Financial Reporting. The basis for the preparation of the financial results is consistent with that applied in the preparation of the annual financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2010. The Group's auditors, Charles Orbach & Company have reviewed these results. Their unqualified review opinion is available for inspection at the company's registered office.

R000's	Reviewed 2011	Audited 2010
2. Taxation		
Secondary tax on companies included in taxation	3 422	3 346
3. Headline earnings		
3.1 Reconciliation between basic and headline earnings		
Basic earnings	94 111	91 370
Loss on disposal of property, vehicles, plant and equipment less taxation	2 935	2 852
Headline earnings	97 046	94 222
Once-off BEE equity transaction costs less taxation	12 192	—
Adjusted headline earnings	109 238	94 222
3.2 Number of ordinary shares of R0,001 each in issue		
Actual	198 627 386	194 436 033
Weighted average	172 707 357	179 717 904
Diluted	189 376 556	181 643 617
3.3 Number of A shares of R0,001 each in issue		
Actual	10 429 010	—
4. Supplementary information		
Depreciation	69 710	64 447
Amortisation of intangible assets	8 698	9 499
Depreciation and amortisation	78 408	73 946

COMMENTARY

INTRODUCTION

Value Group Limited ("the Group") and its subsidiaries provide a comprehensive range of tailored logistical solutions throughout southern Africa. The major operating divisions specialise in providing a diversified range of supply chain services, which encompass distribution, transport of normal and abnormal loads, clearing and forwarding, warehousing, container and fleet management, forklift and commercial vehicle rental and leasing.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Group produced commendable results in a period characterised by a protracted Transnet strike, a Transport sector strike and the World Cup soccer tournament. During these periods, consistent volume throughput was materially affected. Nevertheless, combined volume growth from an expanded customer base contributed to income increasing by 18% from R1,352 billion to R1,588 billion.

Despite additional subcontractor costs being incurred in the first half, robust trading conditions over the Christmas period and strict cost control, resulted in gross profit percentages being maintained at 44%. Gross profit increased by R99,6 million to R696,4 million.

Net profit before tax of R137,6 million was subject to a once-off BEE equity transaction cost of R12,2 million which is not tax deductible. This cost in addition to the STC payment had the effect of increasing the effective tax



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