



Santova Logistics Ltd

AUDITED ABRIDGED GROUP RESULTS for the year ended 28 February 2011

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	2011 R'000	2010 R'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	72 422	52 297
Plant and equipment	8 540	8 942
Intangible asset	59 990	39 527
Financial asset	458	579
Deferred taxation	3 434	3 249
Current assets	275 454	188 465
Trade receivables	248 820	176 576
Other receivables	11 789	6 911
Current tax receivable	784	622
Amounts owing from related parties	573	34
Cash and cash equivalents	13 488	4 322
Total assets	347 876	240 762
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves	103 415	80 277
Share capital and premium	151 204	145 579
Contingency reserve	181	132
Foreign currency translation reserve	1 068	1 148
Accumulated loss	(50 718)	(67 633)
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	101 735	79 226
Minority interest	1 680	1 051
Non-current liabilities	5 761	6 772
Interest-bearing borrowings	318	416
Long-term provision	2 013	2 136
Financial liabilities	3 429	4 206
Deferred taxation	1	14
Current liabilities	238 700	153 713
Trade and other payables	116 811	84 458
Current tax payable	593	796
Current portion of interest-bearing borrowings	151	321
Amounts owing to related parties	157	97
Current portion of financial liabilities	5 947	3 485
Short-term borrowings and overdraft	108 991	62 591
Short-term provisions	6 050	1 965
Total equity and liabilities	347 876	240 762

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2011 R'000	2010 R'000
Turnover	144 230	98 038
Gross billings	2 044 439	1 493 371
Cost of billings	(1 900 209)	(1 395 333)
Other income	6 365	1 924
Depreciation and amortisation	(3 960)	(2 669)
Administrative expenses	(114 934)	(84 875)
Operating income	31 701	12 418
Interest received	2 265	3 648
Finance costs	(10 750)	(9 213)
Profit before taxation	23 216	6 853
Income tax expense	(5 891)	(2 666)
Profit for the year	17 325	4 187
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	16 964	3 748
Minority interest	361	439
Other comprehensive income		
Exchange differences arising from translation of foreign operations	188	619
Total comprehensive income	17 513	4 806
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the parent	16 884	4 367
Minority interest	629	439
Basic earnings per share (cents)	1,25	0,30
Diluted basic earnings per share (cents)	1,23	0,29

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2011 R'000	2010 R'000
Reconciliation between earnings and headline earnings		
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent	16 964	3 748
Impairment of goodwill	1 152	-
Net loss on disposals of plant and equipment	215	67
Negative goodwill arising from purchase of subsidiary	(3 868)	-
Taxation effects	(60)	(19)
Headline earnings	14 403	3 796
Shares in issue (000's)	1 376 127	1 256 049
Weighted average number of shares (000's)	1 351 944	1 231 457
Diluted number of shares (000's)	1 380 493	1 291 038
Shares for net asset value calculation (000's)	1 403 828	1 216 328
Performance per ordinary share		
Headline earnings per share (cents)	1,07	0,31
Diluted headline earnings per share (cents)	1,04	0,29
Net asset value per share (cents)	7,37	6,60
Tangible net asset value per share (cents)	3,09	3,35

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Attributable to equity holders of the parent										Minority interest	Total equity
	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury share capital	Treasury share premium	Share commitments	Other reserves	FCTR*	Accumulated loss	Total	Minority interest		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
Balances at 28 February 2009	1 297	151 840	(45)	(4 506)	(3 474)	-	529	(71 275)	74 366	-	-	74 366
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	619	3 748	4 367	439	-	4 806
Transfer of contingency reserve	-	-	-	-	-	132	-	(132)	-	-	-	-
Issue of share capital	61	4 835	-	-	-	-	-	-	4 896	-	-	4 896
Repurchase of shares in terms of share commitments	(11)	(1 106)	-	-	1 117	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repurchase of unallocated shares in Share Purchase and Option Scheme Trust	(45)	(4 506)	45	4 506	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repurchase of shares previously allocated to beneficiaries in Share Purchase and Option Scheme Trust	(46)	(4 383)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4 429)	-	-	(4 429)
Minority interest arising from 25,0% sale of subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	638	-	638
Reversal of minority interest allocated against parent	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	-	26	(26)	-	-
Balances at 28 February 2010	1 256	146 680	-	-	(2 357)	132	1 148	(67 633)	79 226	1 051	-	80 277
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	(80)	16 964	16 884	629	-	17 513
Transfer of contingency reserve	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	(49)	-	-	-	-
Share commitments arising on acquisition of subsidiary	-	-	-	-	5 625	-	-	-	5 625	-	-	5 625
Issue of shares in terms of share commitments	131	3 807	-	-	(3 938)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repurchase of shares in terms of share commitments	(11)	(1 106)	-	-	1 117	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balances at 28 February 2011	1 376	149 381	-	-	447	181	1 068	(50 718)	101 735	1 680	-	103 415

* Foreign currency translation reserve

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2011 R'000	2010 R'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash generated from operations before working capital changes	32 825	14 605
Changes in working capital	(28 370)	31 096
Cash generated from operations	4 455	45 701
Interest received	2 265	3 634
Finance costs	(9 897)	(8 430)
Taxation paid	(7 671)	(1 423)
Net cash flows from operating activities	(10 848)	39 482
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Plant and equipment acquired	(1 588)	(2 149)
Intangible assets acquired and developed	(1 750)	(1 524)
Proceeds on disposals of plant and equipment	738	1 125
Increase in amounts owing from related parties	(223)	-
Net cash flows on acquisition of subsidiaries	(67)	(8 428)
Cash inflow from disposal of investment	-	2 975
Net cash flows from investing activities	(2 890)	(8 001)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repurchase of share capital	(1 117)	(1 117)
Borrowings raised/(repaid)	23 945	(32 945)
Increase/(decrease) in amounts owing to related parties	60	(59)
Net cash flows from financing activities	22 888	(34 121)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	9 150	(2 640)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	16	380
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	4 322	6 582
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	13 488	4 322

SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

	South Africa	Australia	Europe	Hong Kong	Group
	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS					
February 2011					
Gross billings	1 910 424	92 142	34 729	7 144	2 044 439
Turnover (external)	123 679	10 861	6 736	2 954	144 230
Operating income	28 901	2 321	189	290	31 701
Interest received	2 206	15	1	43	2 265
Finance costs	(10 341)	(95)	(314)	-	(10 750)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(5 328)	(818)	-	255	(5 891)
Profit/(loss) for the year	15 438	1 423	(124)	588	17 325
Segment assets	261 057	11 902	6 112	5 381	284 452
Intangible assets	59 718	268	4	-	59 990
Deferred taxation	3 192	242	-	-	3 434
Total assets	323 967	12 412	6 116	5 381	347 876
Total liabilities	226 881	6 255	8 246	3 079	244 461
Depreciation and amortisation	3 145	717	81	17	3 960
Capital expenditure	3 208	378	80	53	3 719
February 2010					
Gross billings	1 356 162	106 416	17 007	13 786	1 493 371
Turnover (external)	89 458	2 903	2 925	2 752	98 038
Operating income/(loss)	10 330	2 673	(1 226)	641	12 418
Interest received	3 593	33	-	22	3 648
Finance costs	(8 718)	(338)	(157)	-	(9 213)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(1 964)	(673)	72	(101)	(2 666)
Profit/(loss) for the year	3 241	1 695	(1 311)	562	4 187
Segment assets	180 174	12 761	916	4 135	197 986
Intangible assets	38 731	790	6	-	39 527
Deferred taxation	2 981	268	-	-	3 249
Total assets	221 886	13 819	922	4 135	240 762
Total liabilities	146 062	9 238	2 992	2 193	160 485
Depreciation and amortisation	2 142	453	56	18	2 669
Capital expenditure	2 054	2 311	130	-	4 495

BUSINESS SEGMENT

	Freight forwarding and clearing	Insurance	Group
	R'000	R'000	R'000
February 2011			
Net profit/(loss)	18 090	(765)	17 325
Total assets	344 333	3 543	347 876
Total liabilities	242 493	1 968	244 461
February 2010			
Net profit	3 939	248	4 187
Total assets	237 204	3 558	240 762
Total liabilities	158 490	1 995	160 485

COMMENTARY

GROUP PROFILE

Santova Logistics Limited ("Santova Logistics" or "the Company") and its subsidiary companies ("Santova" or "the Group"), operating out of South Africa, Australia, Europe (the Netherlands and United Kingdom), and Hong Kong, provide integrated 'end-to-end' logistics solutions for importers/exporters and consumers worldwide.

OPERATIONAL REVIEW

Santova achieved impressive results despite the fact that effects of a slower economy were still prevalent during 2010. Lower international trade volumes and the intense price competition among service providers across the spectrum hampered any further improvement in the Group's operating margins and cash flows. Perhaps the most significant challenge was, and still is, the continued strengthening of the Rand against the US Dollar. Not only has this had an adverse effect on the competitiveness of South Africa's exports and an already struggling manufacturing and mining sector, it has significantly limited the operating margin of the industry as a whole. The majority of Santova's revenue is still being generated by fees or commissions raised on the disbursement of the weighted Rand value of goods traded by its clients. This, together with the fact that a significant portion of our revenue in freight forwarding is also raised in US Dollars, has resulted in profitability (operating margins) being proportionately adversely affected with the strengthening of the Rand.

South Africa

The South African operations in the form of Impson Logistics (Pty) Limited and Santova Logistics South Africa (Pty) Limited ("Santova Logistics SA"; formerly Avicocean (Pty) Limited) have produced impressive results. Their strategy of keeping abreast with what is considered 'best practice' and their dedication to ensuring that implementation of such is never compromised, has resulted in these two operations continuing to provide the financial foundation and 'hub' of all development and support for the Group worldwide. Due to the fact that these two South African based businesses still constitute the largest assets of the Group, the responsibility of remaining at the forefront of our innovative ability clearly resides in their hands.

In regard to our short-term performance activities, the performance of Santova Financial Services (Pty) Limited has not met expectations. Whilst turnover has grown steadily over the years, cost structures has also grown, which has resulted in diminishing margins over the period. A thorough review of the business has taken place and strategic changes made which have resulted in much improved work flow processes and structures. A decision was also taken to impair the goodwill associated with the acquisition of Standard Insurance Consultants, which has resulted in an impairment loss being effected through the statement of comprehensive income. An on-going concern, however, is the skills shortage in the insurance industry which is characterised by a high degree of difficulty in sourcing experienced and competent talent. Nevertheless, the business remains robust and confident about the year ahead. This confidence is supported by the fact that new clients were being signed on at regular intervals in the last quarter of the 2011 financial year.

Australia

Considering the global economic slowdown and its effect on this region, our Australian operation proved its reliability and consistency by delivering a pleasing set of results. The challenge for this office will now be to evolve to its next level of capability. In this regard, initiatives are underway to introduce software packages and intelligent management information systems (OSCAR) which will result in this business focusing on integrating activities into key supply chain processes rather than managing individual functions - supply chain management as opposed to customs clearing and forwarding. This capability will result in this business being better placed to secure larger, more profitable, clientele whose complex supply chains require sophisticated supply chain solutions.

Europe

Whilst the earnings achieved by Santova Logistics Limited (United Kingdom) are a significant improvement on the previous year, the business has still felt the effects of a prevailing 'flat' economy. In April 2010, the British Retail Consortium's monthly survey revealed that sales around the country fell by almost 2,0% in the month of March 2010, the largest decrease in 16 years. Furthermore, whilst the inflation rate is still double the Bank of England's 2,0% target rate and there is no guarantee that interest rates will remain low, it seems certain that the year ahead will remain a challenge for the economy.

In spite of this, the Group made a bold step in October 2010 by investing further in this region and opening an airfreight office at Heathrow Airport, London. The motive behind such a decision was to try and improve the current business model which focused predominantly on sea freight consolidation services. The Heathrow office now offers the Group an opportunity to complete its comprehensive service offering which eliminates the need to outsource such services to third parties going forward. Since October 2010, this office has delivered impressive earnings which no doubt will play an instrumental role in building this operation in the year ahead.

With regards to the Netherlands, considering the fact that Santova Logistics B.V. was a 'grass roots' operation in March 2010, results for the first year of trading are pleasing; particularly so if one acknowledges the gradual strengthening of the Rand over this period and the resultant negative impact on the statement of comprehensive income. To this end, one should also take cognisance of the once-off expenses incurred in setting up this office from inception. To strengthen our service offering in this region, the Group made the strategic decision to set up an airfreight office at Schiphol Airport, Amsterdam. This office was officially opened on 1 April 2011 to service the needs and expectations of our global clients. Furthermore, the set of skills, experience and additional staffing complement now in this office have put it in a position to take transfer of the South African client base which is currently with a third party (agent) in Amsterdam. The challenge once again, as it is in all business units, is the ability for Santova Logistics B.V. to develop its own client base within this region.

Asia

Santova Logistics Limited (Hong Kong) continued to play a pivotal role for our offices around the globe. Our capability of facilitating, controlling and managing 'end-to-end' comprehensive supply chain logistics at source - Mainland China - continues to be a valuable asset to the Group. Clients wanting to venture into new territories or markets in China are offered a service through this office which hedges the risks associated with the capital investment required in most 'grass roots' operations. The profitability or financial benefit of such services more often than not resides with our global offices located at point of final consumption.

2011 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Whilst organic growth was impressive, the acquisition of Santova Logistics SA made a meaningful contribution to the Group's increase in earnings per share ("EPS") and headline earnings per share ("HEPS") of 312,3% and 245,6% respectively. Included in the EPS figure is negative goodwill raised on the acquisition of Santova Logistics SA amounting to R3,868 million, which accounted for 0,28 cents per share. Excluding the negative goodwill effect of the acquisition, EPS would still have been 0,97 cents per share, which constitutes an increase of 218,3% on the previous year. Notwithstanding the weakening US Dollar and strengthening Rand, the Group managed to increase its operating margin from 12,7% to 22,0%.

The Group's effective tax rate decreased from 38,9% to 25,5%, largely due to the negative goodwill, referred to above, on the consolidation of Santova Logistics SA into the Group.

Net asset value has increased from 6,60 cents per share to 7,37 cents per share as at 28 February 2011, an 11,6% increase; whilst the tangible net asset value has moved from 3,35 cents per share to 3,09 cents per share as at 28 February 2011, a 7,7% decrease.