SANTOVA LIMITED
("Santova" or "the Company")
(Registration Number 1998/018118/06)
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SANTOVA LIMITED

UNAUDITED GROUP INTERIM RESULTS
for the six months ended 31 August 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

		2017 August	2016 August	% Movement
Gross billings	(R'000)	1 972 887	2 000 612	(1,4)
Revenue	(R'000)	158 178	159 772	(1,0)
Profit before tax	(R'000)	43 287	40 489	6,9
Billings margin	(%)	8,0	8,0	0,0
Headline earnings	(R’000)	32 739	28 942	13,1
Operating margin	(%)	27,4	25,3	2.1
Percentage offshore earnings	(%)	66,5	58,0	8,5
Basic earnings per share	(cents)	20,71	18,43	12,4
Headline earnings per share	cents)	20,69	18,40	12,4
Total assets	(R'000)	951 630	930 287	2,3
Capital and reserves	(R'000)	392 447	367 726	6,7
Cash generated from operations	(R'000)	31 343	36 255	(13,5)
Cash and cash equivalents	(R'000)	97 788	100 664	(2,9)
Debt to equity ratio	(%)	45,7	49,0	(3,3)
Net asset value per share	(cents)	245,63	233,24	5,3
Tangible net asset value per share	(cents)	129,29	105,85	22,1

2017 SANTOVA INTERIM RESULTS COMMENTARY
for the six months ended 31 August 2017

OVERVIEW

The Group’s core strategy of diversification through the expansion of its international footprint has enabled it to deliver meaningful organic growth in this period, whilst reducing its reliance on the South African operations and its exposure to the volatile socio-political and economic state of the region. This is highlighted by the fact that the Group's international operations now contribute 66,5% (2016: 58,0%) of overall Group profit. The overall growth (all organic) in profit of 27,6%, achieved during the period from the logistics operations, was generated across all the regions within which the Group operates, including:

- the Asia-Pacific region which contributed a 32,8% growth in profit;
- the Europe/United Kingdom region which contributed 20,0% and
- the South African region which contributed 29,2% growth in profit.

The effect of this strong underlying organic growth has enabled the Group to achieve an overall 13,1% increase in headline earnings to R32,7 million (2016: R28,9 million) which translated into a 12,4% increase in headline earnings per share to 20,69 cents, from 18,40 cents in the prior period. Had it not been for the strengthening of the South African Rand across most currencies in the second half of the 2017 financial year, the Group's overall results would have benefitted much more favourably from the translation of its foreign earnings. This is evident in the 22,5% strengthening of the average South African Rand to the British Pound exchange rate and 12,7% to the Euro over the comparative prior year period. These are the two primary currencies in which the majority of the Group's offshore investments are held and the overall impact of this strengthening of the South African Rand was a reduction of 11,3% in the actual growth achieved for the period under review.

Key highlights during the period under review include:

- The acquisition of the remaining 25% minority interest in Santova Australia, which facilitates the further expansion and development of the Group's presence in the region;
- The investment in upgrading infrastructure and operational capacity to facilitate further growth in a number of regions including Australia, Germany, and the United Kingdom;
- The first phase of deployment of the Group's next generation logistics software (TradeNav®) into the European and United Kingdom regions; and
- The continued investment in the Santova Express (Courier services) and the Client Sourcing and Procurement Management divisions which complement the Group's core logistics products and offer long-term revenue enhancing opportunities. Revenue from Client Sourcing and Procurement Management services grew 32,0% in the period and revenue from Santova Express (Courier services) grew by 16,9%.

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

South African Logistics Operations

The South African logistics operation achieved a credible and pleasing 29,2% increase in profit for the period, which is counterintuitive to the current economic climate and sentiment within the region. This was driven by greater operational volumes, much improved margins and sound operational cost control, offset by the 12,3% strengthening in the South African Rand to US Dollar exchange rate, which has a direct underlying adverse impact on revenue.

Foreign Logistics Operations

The current period was characterised by significant organic growth in profit from the Group's offshore logistics operations, which was primarily driven by positive growth in billings in local currency across all regions. The underlying result being that the majority of the Group's international operations have shown robust growth in local currency profits for the period, in particular:

- Santova Hong Kong, where the strong performance in the previous financial year continued to generate a 47,4% increase in revenue and a 190,1% increase in profit for the period;
- Tradeway Shipping, where there had been no impact of Brexit on trade volumes and the weak Pound has stimulated exports resulting in a 23,7% increase in revenue and a 57,6% increase in profit; and
- Santova Germany, where revenue grew 58,1% and profit 334,0% as the Group continued to invest and grow in this region - a trend that is expected to result in this region becoming a long term meaningful contributor to the Group's earnings.

Group Operations

At a Group reporting level, the growth in profitability achieved in this period was enhanced by:

- A decline of 32,4% in Group finance costs as the Group continue the ongoing repayment of its amortising long-term loans;
- A 2,5% decrease in the effective tax rate from 26,7% in 2016 to 24,2% in 2017. This is due to the greater contribution towards profit from certain key offshore subsidiaries that operate in lower corporate tax rate jurisdictions and also the benefit of an official 1% decrease in the United Kingdom corporate tax rate; and
- Following the acquisition at the beginning of the current period of the remaining 25% minority interest in Santova Australia, the Group profit attributable to minority shareholders has reduced 96,8%, which has helped to leverage upwards the basic and headline earnings per share achieved during the period.

FINANCIAL POSITION

The Group's financial position has strengthened in the 6 months to 31 August 2017 compared to 28 February 2017 with total assets having grown by 6,2%, total capital and reserves by 7,4% whilst total interest-bearing debt reduced by 10,7% through ongoing repayments. The net result being that the debt to equity ratio has fallen from 53,0% as at 28 February 2017 to 45,7% as at 31 August 2017. This has been driven by the strong underlying organic growth and the resultant profitability, plus a slight improvement in the closing South African Rand exchange rate to most major currencies since 28 February 2017 - which had a positive impact on the translation of the Group's foreign investments.

One key fundamental structural change to highlight in the statement of financial position is the almost virtual elimination of minority interests which have decreased R7,1 million to R0,07 million following the purchase of the remaining 25% minority interest in Santova Australia.

CASH FLOW AND FUNDING

The Group continues to generate positive cashflows through improved profitability and from the financial year ended 28 February 2017, cash on hand has increased 6,5% to R97,8 million. This improved cash position is despite a significant investment into working capital to fund increased trade receivables as operational volumes improved in the second half of this interim period. This increased investment into trade receivables had the effect of reducing cash generated from operations by 13,5% to R31,3 million compared to the corresponding prior reporting period.

The positive cash generated from operations has, over and above the payment of the final 2017 dividend, been applied during the period to R4,1 million in capital expenditure on the refurbishment and upgrading of infrastructure internationally, R2,0 million in continued investment into the development of TradeNav® and a further R6,1 million in repayment of long term debt.

OUTLOOK

The Group will continue to build on the platform set by the strong organic growth achieved in the first half of the financial year whilst also continuing to seek new investment opportunities in key regions internationally. The diversification across geographies, currencies and business activities are conducive to sustainable quality earnings going forward. Whilst difficult to forecast in this complex economic climate, the Board is optimistic that the Group can continue to achieve meaningful growth in profits in the second half of the 2018 financial year.

For and on behalf of the Board

WA Lombard GH Gerber

Chairman | Chief Executive Officer

30 October 2017

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	Unaudited 6 months to 31 August 2017 R'000	Unaudited 6 months to 31 August 2016* R'000	Audited 12 months to 28 February 2017 R'000
Gross billings		1 972 887	2 000 612	4 073 868
Revenue		150 062	152 274	299 034
Net interest income		8 116	7 498	16 381
Interest and financing fee income recovered from clients		18 184	19 252	38 923
Interest and financing fee expenses incurred		(10 068)	(11 754)	(22 542)
Revenue after net interest income	2	158 178	159 772	315 415
Other income		5 794	10 755	22 765
Depreciation and amortisation		(1 494)	(2 129)	(5 921)
Administrative expenses		(115 971)	(123 056)	(235 476)
Operating profit		46 507	45 342	96 783
Interest received		145	124	427
Finance costs		(3 365)	(4 977)	(9 187)
Profit before taxation		43 287	40 489	88 023
Income tax expense		(10 494)	(10 826)	(23 403)
Profit for the period/year		32 793	29 663	64 620
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent		32 771	28 988	62 791
Non-controlling interest in subsidiaries		22	675	1 829
Other comprehensive income				
Exchange differences				

arising from translation of foreign operations		10 229	(40 898)	(78 840)
Net actuarial loss on remeasurement of post-retirement medical aid benefit liability		-	-	(62)
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		43 022	(11 235)	(14 282)
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent		43 001	(11 629)	(15 216)
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		21	394	934
Basic earnings per share	(cents)	20,71	18,43	39,87
Diluted basic earnings per share	3 (cents)	20,11	17,96	38,53
Dividends per share	(cents)	N/A	N/A	6,25

* Restated due to material prior period error (refer to note 2)

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		Unaudited		Audited
		31 August 2017	31 August 2016	28 February 2017
	Notes	R'000	R'000	R'000
ASSETS				
Non-current assets		219 981	236 767	213 265
Property, plant and equipment		21 426	21 748	18 540
Intangible assets	4	185 887	200 850	178 494
Financial assets	6	3 545	4 903	6 332
Deferred taxation		9 123	9 266	9 899
Current assets		731 649	693 520	682 807
Trade receivables		578 165	535 783	539 111
Other receivables		55 211	55 454	51 463
Current tax receivable		485	1 317	453
Financial assets	6	-	302	-
Cash and cash equivalents		97 788	100 664	91 780
Total assets		951 630	930 287	896 072

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Capital and reserves	5	392 447	367 726	365 567
Non-current liabilities		32 065	65 759	38 930
Interest-bearing borrowings	7	30 640	47 130	36 552
Long-term provision		1 425	1 500	1 425
Financial liabilities	6	-	15 832	-
Deferred taxation		-	1 297	953
Current liabilities		527 118	496 802	491 575
Trade and other payables		232 675	224 123	205 464
Current tax payable		5 318	8 659	4 001
Current portion of interest-bearing borrowings	7	20 361	19 513	20 541
Amounts owing to related parties		244	275	246
Financial liabilities	6	27 883	16 452	15 135
Short-term borrowings and overdraft		226 058	213 166	228 380
Short-term provisions		14 579	14 614	17 808
Total equity and liabilities		951 630	930 287	896 072

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Unaudited		Audited
	31 August 2017 R'000	31 August 2016 R'000	28 February 2017 R'000
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Balance at beginning of period/year	365 567	386 415	386 415
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	43 022	(11 235)	(14 282)
Treasury shares acquired	(49)	-	(633)
Share-based equity reserve	1 012	1 175	2 448
Shares issued in terms of exercise of share options	232	26	273
Costs to issue securities	-	(1)	-
Dividends paid	(6 066)	(8 654)	(8 654)
Acquisition of minority Interest	(11 271)	-	-
Balance at end of period/year	392 447	367 726	365 567

Comprising:			
Stated capital	218 931	214 126	214 625
Equity compensation reserve	5 966	4 176	5 185
Treasury Shares	(1 679)	(998)	(1 631)
Foreign currency translation reserve	(5 672)	21 428	(15 901)
Accumulated profit	174 832	122 362	156 117
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	392 378	361 094	358 395
Non-controlling interests	69	6 632	7 172
Capital and reserves	392 447	367 726	365 567

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Unaudited		Audited
	6 months to 31 August 2017 R'000	6 months to 31 August 2016* R'000	12 months to 28 February 2017 R'000
Cash generated from operations	31 343	36 255	90 080
Interest received	145	124	427
Finance costs	(2 910)	(3 913)	(7 337)
Taxation paid	(9 386)	(9 349)	(26 696)
Net cash flows from operating activities	19 192	23 117	56 474
Cash outflows from the acquisition of subsidiaries	-	(12 410)	(24 077)
Plant, equipment and intangible assets acquired	(6 072)	(1 874)	(4 876)
Proceeds on disposals of plant, equipment and intangible assets	386	86	877
Net cash flows from investing activities	(5 686)	(14 198)	(28 076)
Borrowings repaid	(6 092)	(9 785)	(18 829)
Issue of shares for cash	233	24	273
Dividends paid	(6 066)	(8 654)	(8 654)
Cash utilised in other financing activities	(19)	(27)	(689)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(11 944)	(18 442)	(27 899)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1 562	(9 523)	499
Difference arising on translation	4 375	(15 509)	(31 619)
Cash and cash equivalents at			

beginning of period/year	91 780	123 657	122 892
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period/year	97 717	98 625	91 772

Cash and cash equivalents is made up as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents on hand	97 788	100 664	91 780
Less: Bank overdrafts	(71)	(2 039)	(8)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period/year	97 717	98 625	91 772

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CONSOLIDATED SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

	Logistics Services R'000	Financial Services R'000	Head Office R'000	Consoli-dated R'000
BUSINESS SEGMENTS				
31 August 2017				
Revenue after net interest income	153 783	4 767	(372)	158 178
Operating profit	45 760	1 808	(1 061)	46 507
Profit/(loss) for the period	34 660	1 876	(3 743)	32 793
Total assets	847 849	14 119	89 662	951 630
Total liabilities	537 710	936	20 537	559 183
Depreciation and Amortisation	1 262	38	194	1 494
Capital expenditure	6 014	-	58	6 072
31 August 2016 *				
Revenue after net interest income	154 608	5 651	(487)	159 772
Operating profit	37 585	2 207	5 550	45 342
Profit for the period	27 154	2 024	485	29 663
Total assets	787 504	12 318	130 465	930 287
Total liabilities	522 586	1 399	38 576	562 561
Depreciation and amortisation	1 390	37	702	2 129
Capital expenditure	638	32	1 205	1 875

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LOGISTICS SERVICES

	Asia	Europe and United

	Africa R'000	Pacific R'000	Kingdom R'000	TOTAL R'000
GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS				
31 August 2017				
Revenue after net interest income	66 288	15 855	71 640	153 783
Operating profit	17 754	6 219	21 787	45 760
Profit for the period	12 501	5 073	17 086	34 660
Total assets	520 458	62 177	265 214	847 849
Total liabilities	375 201	32 624	129 885	537 710
Depreciation and amortisation	837	108	317	1 262
Capital expenditure	425	1 045	4 544	6 014
31 August 2016*				
Revenue after net interest income	65 242	15 581	73 785	154 608
Operating profit	13 989	5 067	18 529	37 585
Profit for the period	9 097	3 819	14 238	27 154
Total assets	489 390	58 252	239 862	787 504
Total liabilities	371 448	18 062	133 076	522 586
Depreciation and amortisation	919	96	375	1 390
Capital expenditure	429	51	158	638

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 31 August 2017 have been prepared and presented in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee, and Financial Reporting Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the listings requirements of the JSE Limited, the information as required by IAS 34: Interim Financial Reporting, and the requirements of the South African Companies Act 71 of 2008.

The accounting policies applied in preparation of these interim financial statements are consistent with those applied in the annual financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2017.

This report was prepared under the supervision of the Group Financial Director, DC Edley, CA(SA) and have not been reviewed or audited by the Group's external auditors.

	Unaudited 31 August 2017 R'000	Unaudited 31 August 2016 R'000	Audited 28 February 2017 R'000
2. REVENUE			
Gross Billings	1 972 887	2 000 612	4 073 868
Less: Recoverable disbursements	(1 814 709)	(1 840 840)	(3 758 453)
Revenue after net interest income	158 178	159 772	315 415
Revenue from the provision of services comprises:	150 062	152 244	299 034
Logistics services	145 667	148 110	290 295
Insurance commission and management fees	4 395	4 126	8 624
Other revenue	-	8	115
Net interest income from the provision of credit facilities comprises:	8 116	7 528	16 381
Interest and financing fee income recovered from clients	18 184	19 252	38 923
Interest and financing fee expenses incurred	(10 068)	(11 724)	(22 542)
Revenue after net interest income	158 178	159 772	315 415

Correction of material prior period error
As a result of an IFRS related material prior period error identified during the course of the 2017 financial year, the comparative figures for the six months to 31 August 2016 are required to be restated. Full details of this correction and the reasons for the restatement can be found in the Revenue note 16 contained in the published Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 28 February 2017.

The effect of the restatement on the 2016 financial results can be seen below and has no impact on basic and/or diluted earnings per share:

	Restated 31 August 2016 R'000	31 August 2016* R'000

Revenue	152 244	159 772
Net interest income	7 528	-
Interest and financing fee income recovered from clients	19 252	-
Interest and financing fee expenses incurred	(11 724)	-
Revenue after net interest income	159 772	159 772

* Restated due to material prior period error (refer to note 2)

	Unaudited 31 August 2017 R'000	Unaudited 31 August 2016 R'000	Audited 28 February 2017 R'000

3. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Reconciliation between basic and headline earnings per share:			
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent	32 771	28 988	62 791
Adjusted for:			
Net (profit)/loss on disposals of plant and equipment	(69)	(56)	46
Taxation effects	37	10	(14)
Minority Interest	-	-	(4)
Headline earnings	32 739	28 942	62 819
Basic earnings per share (cents)	20,71	18,43	39,87
Headline earnings per share (cents)	20,69	18,40	39,89
Weighted average number of shares (000s)	158 265	157 317	157 495
Diluted weighted average number of shares (000s)	162 984	161 390	162 975

The difference between earnings per share and diluted earnings per share is due to the impact of share options that are yet to vest under the Group's share option schemes.

	Unaudited		Audited
	31 August	31 August	28 February

	2017 R'000	2016 R'000	2017 R'000
4. INTANGIBLE ASSETS			
Goodwill Movement:			
Carrying value at beginning of period/year	173 656	217 472	217 472
Foreign exchange gain/ (loss) on translation	5 112	(22 401)	(43 816)
Carrying value at end of period/year	178 768	195 071	173 656
Carrying value of Computer software and indefinite useful life intangible assets	7 119	5 779	4 838
Total intangible assets	185 887	200 850	178 494

	Unaudited 31 August 2017 R'000	Unaudited 31 August 2016 R'000	Audited 28 February 2017 R'000
5. STATED CAPITAL			
Reconciliation of the value of ordinary shares in issue			
Balance at beginning of period/year	214 625	214 076	214 076
Shares issued under share option scheme	465	51	553
Costs to issue securities	-	(1)	(4)
Shares issued in terms of scrip dividend	3 841	-	-
Balance at end of period/year	218 931	214 126	214 625
Reconciliation of the number of ordinary shares in issue	'000	'000	'000
Balance at beginning of period/year	157 760	157 287	157 287
Shares issued under share option scheme	310	60	650
Shares issued in terms of scrip dividend	1 212	-	-
Treasury shares purchased by subsidiaries	(15)	-	(177)
Balance at end of period/year	159 267	157 347	157 760

	Level	Notes	Unaudited 31 August 2017 R'000	Unaudited 31 August 2016 R'000	Audited 28 February 2017 R'000
6. FAIR VALUE DISCLOSURE FOR FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS					
Financial assets in the statement of financial position measured at fair value:					
Future profit share on rental agreement	2	1	1 992	1 228	1 991
Guardrisk cell captive	2	2	1 553	3 675	4 341
Forward exchange contracts	1		-	302	-
			3 545	5 205	6 332
Financial liabilities in the statement of financial position measured at fair value:					
Contingent purchase considerations acquisitions on	3	3	16 175	32 284	15 093
Purchase consideration on acquisition	3	4	11 584	-	-
Forward exchange contracts	1		124	-	42
			27 883	32 284	15 135

Hierarchy for fair value measurement
Fair value determination:

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 or indirectly.

Level 3 - Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

There were no transfers between the fair value hierarchy levels during the year.

1. Santova Logistics (South Africa) entered into a profit sharing agreement with the landlord of their Durban premises on inception of the lease in the 2007 financial year. This agreement gives Santova Logistics a specified portion of the actual or deemed profit made should the building be sold or vacated. The inputs used to determine the fair value of the profit share are as follows:

Current net market rental	R110 per m2
Capitalisation rate	15,00 %

2. This amount represents the fair value of the investment by Santova Logistics (South Africa) in the Guardrisk cell captive, recognised as a financial asset with changes in fair value being recognised in profit or loss for the year. The fair value of the cell captive is determined by the net asset value that represents fair value.

3. This represents the present value of the remaining contingent purchase obligations arising from acquisitions during previous financial periods. The fair value of the liabilities has been calculated as the net present value of the warranty payments, which management reasonably expect to be achieved, as set out in the agreements of sale, discounted at the weighted average cost of capital for the acquired entities. The financial liability can be reconciled as follows:

	Unaudited		Audited
	31 August 2017 R'000	31 August 2016 R'000	28 February 2017 R'000
Financial liability at beginning of period/year	15 093	49 134	49 134
Interest on present value calculation	496	1 105	1 849
Foreign exchange loss/(gain) on translation	586	(5 545)	(9 930)
Payments made during the period/year	-	(12 410)	(24 074)
Fair value gain on remeasurement	-	-	(1 886)
Financial liability at end of period/year	16 175	32 284	15 093

The remaining contingent purchase obligations relate to the following acquisitions that were completed during the 2016 financial year:

Acquiring company	Target company	Discount rate used
Santova International Holdings (Pty) Ltd	Tradeway (Shipping) Limited	6,6%

Prior to the acquisition of Tradeway (Shipping) Limited, the target company acquired Tradeway North West Limited. This acquisition gave rise to a financial liability as a result of contingent purchase obligations. The weighted average cost of capital used in the calculation of the fair value of this financial liability is equal to that being used to calculate the fair value of the financial liability to the sellers of Tradeway (Shipping) Limited.
The final warranty payment is payable within 60 days of 30 November 2017.

4. The financial liability raised represents the amount owing following the acquisition of the 25% minority interest in Santova Logistics Pty Ltd (Australia) by Santova International Holdings (Pty) Ltd. This amount is not contingent on any future performance and the full amount will be settled from cash reserves. The acquisition has been concluded but as at 31 August 2017 was pending final completion and the transfer of the purchase consideration.

Management have assessed the sensitivity of the level 3 fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs and do not believe that such reasonably expected changes would materially affect the fair value.

Management have assessed the degree of classification of the liabilities within level 3 and are satisfied that the classification above is appropriate due to the fact that these liabilities are measured using the same methods and thus do not have varying degrees of uncertainty or subjectivity.

There were no other material adjustments to fair values of financial instruments nor transfers between the fair value hierarchy levels during the period.

				Unaudited		Audited
				31	31	28
			Instal-	August	August	February
	Repay-		ment	2017	2016	2017
	able	Rate	R'000	R'000	R'000	R'000
7. INTEREST BEARING BORROWINGS						
Medium term loan (R39 million)1	Monthly	Prime less 0,5%	813	4 864	13 664	9 324

Medium term loan (R60 million)2	Quarterly	Prime less 0,25%	3 874	45 865	52 184	47 185
Instalment sale and other agreements				272	795	584
				51 001	66 643	57 093
Debt to Equity Ratio				46%	49%	53%

1. The original medium term loan was taken by Santova Logistics (South Africa) and bears interest at a variable rate of the Nedbank prime rate less 0,5%.
2. The second medium term loan was taken by the holding company, Santova Limited in order to fund a portion of the purchase price payable for the acquisition of Tradeway (Shipping) Limited and bears interest at a variable rate of the Nedbank prime rate less 0,25%. Both medium term loans are repayable on an amortising basis over five years and are secured by cross company sureties supplied by subsidiary companies.

As a condition of granting the medium term loan facilities, the Group banking facilities contain certain covenants with respect to minimum levels of actual shareholders' funds and to minimum ratios of debt to EBITDA and interest cover. These covenants are, monitored on an ongoing basis by management and reviewed and confirmed annually with the Groups bankers. As at the end of the period, none of the covenants have been breached.

8. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no events that have taken place after the reporting period for which non-disclosure would affect the ability of the users to make proper evaluations and decisions.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

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