

Rex Trueform Group Limited

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa - Registration Number: 1937/009839/06)

("Rex Trueform" or "the company" or "the group")



SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the year ended 30 June 2019

	YoY change	2019 (Audited) R'000	2018 (Audited) R'000
Revenue	16.4%	708,374	608,540
Turnover	15.5%	678,873	587,632
Cost of sales		(321,767)	(267,730)
Gross profit	11.6%	357,106	319,902
Other income	6.0%	17,213	16,241
Other operating costs	8.5%	(349,340)	(322,061)
Operating profit	77.4%	24,979	14,082
Dividend income		27	45
Finance income		12,261	4,622
Finance costs		(3,266)	(53)
Share of profit of associate, including gain on bargain purchase		30,901	-
Dilution loss on investment in associate		(14,811)	-
Profit before tax	167.9%	50,091	18,696
Income tax expense		(14,604)	(5,876)
Profit for the period	176.8%	35,487	12,820
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that are or may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss			
Fair value adjustment on available-for-sale financial assets		-	240
Fair value adjustment on assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income		(57)	-
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of taxation		(57)	240
Total comprehensive income for the year		35,430	13,060
Profit attributable to:			
Ordinary and "N" ordinary shareholders of the parent		42,568	12,803
Preference shareholders		17	17
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent		42,585	12,820
Non-controlling interest		(7,098)	-
Profit for the period		35,487	12,820
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Ordinary and "N" ordinary shareholders of the parent		42,511	13,043
Preference shareholders		17	17
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent		42,528	13,060
Non-controlling interest		(7,098)	-
Total comprehensive income for the period		35,430	13,060
Reconciliation of headline earnings			
Profit attributable to Ordinary and "N" ordinary shareholders		42,568	12,803
Adjusted for:			
(Profit) / loss from disposal of property, plant and equipment, net of taxation		(313)	21
Dilution loss on investment in associate		14,811	-
Gain from bargain purchase of investment in associate		(10,484)	-
Non-headline earnings items included in earnings from associate			
Gain from bargain purchase of investment		(31,507)	-
Loss from disposal of property, plant and equipment, net of taxation		2	-
Headline earnings		15,077	12,824
Basic earnings per ordinary share (cents)	232.4%	206.4	62.1
Headline earnings per ordinary share (cents)	17.5%	73.1	62.2
Diluted earnings per ordinary share (cents)	232.4%	206.4	62.1
Diluted headline earnings per ordinary share (cents)	17.5%	73.1	62.2
Weighted average number of equity shares on which earnings per share is based (000's)		20,623	20,621
Weighted average number of equity shares on which diluted earnings per share is based (000's)		20,627	20,621

KEY RATIOS

Gross profit margin	%	52.6	54.4
Retail operating costs to turnover	%	48.6	53.0
Other operating costs to revenue	%	49.3	52.9
Operating profit margin	%	3.7	2.4
Retail segment operating profit margin	%	4.8	1.4

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 30 June 2019

		2019 (Audited) R'000	2018 (Audited) R'000
	Notes		
ASSETS			
Non-current assets		307,897	156,090
Property, plant and equipment		62,386	60,721
Investment property		65,679	68,741
Intangible assets		20,764	22,980
Investment in associate	4.1	153,066	-
Other investments		756	829
Loans receivable		1,860	-
Deferred tax asset		3,386	2,819
Current assets		178,390	192,409
Inventories	4.2	100,637	92,132
Trade and other receivables		20,553	27,475
Forward exchange contracts		-	746
Income tax receivable		6	163
Accrued operating lease asset		1,704	2,859
Cash and cash equivalents		55,490	69,034
Total assets		486,287	348,499
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves		320,884	272,507
Share capital		4,161	1,777
Share premium		25,836	25,836
Treasury shares		(117)	(117)
Share-based payment reserve		5,319	(214)
Other reserves		2,029	2,086
Retained earnings		275,192	243,139
Non-controlling interest		8,464	-
Non-current liabilities		97,787	19,589
Post-retirement liability		512	574
Accrued operating lease liability		13,444	14,235
Loan payable		75,200	-
Deferred tax liability		8,631	4,780
Current liabilities		67,616	56,403
Trade and other payables		52,798	49,393
Provisions		8,761	2,145
Accrued operating lease liability		5,070	4,849
Forward exchange contracts		294	-
Income tax payable		693	16
Total equity and liabilities		486,287	348,499
OTHER INFORMATION AND KEY RATIOS			
Capital commitments			
Authorised - not contracted for	R'000	13,779	12,102
Authorised - contracted for	R'000	16,835	5,723
Return on equity	%	14.3	4.8
Return on capital	%	18.0	7.0
Return on assets	%	12.8	5.5
Inventory turn	times	3.3	3.2
Asset turn	times	1.6	1.7
Net asset value per share	R	15.06	13.20

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
for the year ended 30 June 2019

	2019 (Audited) R'000	2018 (Audited) R'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Operating profit before working capital changes	64,318	39,801
Working capital changes	6,470	(7,284)
Interest received	2,792	4,622
Interest paid	(66)	(53)
Dividends paid	(17)	(17)
Dividends received	27	45
Income tax paid	(10,471)	184
Net cash inflows from operating activities	63,053	37,298
Cash flows from investing activities		
Additions to property, plant, equipment and investment property	(18,538)	(24,445)
Additions to intangible assets	(1,194)	(1,908)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	502	-
Investment in associate	(2,516)	-
Net cash outflows from investing activities	(21,746)	(26,353)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Loan advanced	(126,851)	-
Loan received	72,000	-
Net cash inflows from financing activities	(54,851)	-
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents	(13,544)	10,945
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	69,034	58,089
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	55,490	69,034

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
for the year ended 30 June 2019

	2019 (Audited) R'000	2018 (Audited) R'000
Share capital	4,161	1,777
Opening balance	1,777	1,777
Shares issued	2,384	-
Share premium	25,836	25,836
Opening balance	25,836	25,836
Shares issued	-	-
Treasury shares	(117)	(117)
Share-based payment and other reserves	7,348	1,872
Opening balance	1,872	1,632
Equity-settled share-based payment	5,533	-
Fair value adjustment on available-for-sale instruments	-	240
Fair value adjustment on assets held at fair value through other comprehensive income	(57)	-
Retained earnings	275,192	243,139
Opening balance	243,139	230,336
Profit for the year	42,585	12,820
Preference dividends paid	(17)	(17)
Change in degree of control	(10,515)	-
Non-controlling interest	8,464	-
Opening balance	-	-
Profit for the year	(7,098)	-
Equity-settled share-based payment	5,047	-
Change in degree of control	10,515	-
Total capital and reserves	320,884	272,507

GROUP SEGMENTAL REPORTING
for the year ended 30 June 2019

	2019 (Audited) R'000	2018 (Audited) R'000
Revenue		
Retail	685,756	594,194
Turnover - External	678,873	587,632
Finance income - External	1,193	2,009
Management fee income - External	-	541
Management fee income - Inter-segment	5,443	4,012
Profit on sale of property - External	247	-
Property	22,813	21,566
Rental income - External	16,786	15,700
Rental income - Inter-segment	5,828	5,681
Finance income - External	199	185
Water infrastructure	9,469	-
Finance income - External	9,469	-
Group services	9,238	32,956
Finance income - External	1,400	2,428
Finance income - Inter-segment	5,698	-
Dividends received - External	27	45
Dividends received - Inter-segment	-	30,000
Management fee income - Inter-segment	1,933	483
Profit on sale of property - External	180	-
Inter-segment eliminations	(18,902)	(40,176)
Total group revenue	708,374	608,540
Segment operating profit / (loss)		
Retail	32,566	8,171
Property	9,553	9,984
Water infrastructure	(10,484)	-
Group services*	(6,656)	(4,073)
Total group operating profit	24,979	14,082
Segment net profit / (loss) after tax		
Retail	22,780	6,659
Property	7,022	7,325
Water infrastructure	7,118	-
Group services*	(1,433)	(1,164)
Total group net profit after tax	35,487	12,820
Depreciation and amortisation		
Retail	19,504	22,791
Property	3,768	4,046
Total group depreciation and amortisation	23,272	26,837
Segment assets		
Retail	246,679	213,844
Property	74,243	78,475
Water infrastructure	153,094	-
Group services*	12,271	56,180
Total group assets	486,287	348,499
Segment liabilities		
Retail	73,705	67,805
Property	12,777	7,019
Water infrastructure	75,383	-
Group services*	3,538	1,168
Total group liabilities	165,403	75,992
Capital expenditure		
Retail	18,299	22,734
Property	1,433	3,619
Total group capital expenditure	19,732	26,353

* Group services include corporate costs.

NOTES TO THE SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

1 Summarised results

These summarised consolidated financial statements of Rex Trueform for the year ended 30 June 2019 have been extracted from audited information but have not themselves been audited nor reviewed by the group's auditors, KPMG Inc. The audited annual financial statements and the audit report are available at the company's registered office. The directors of the company take full responsibility for the preparation of the summarised consolidated financial statements which have been correctly extracted from the underlying annual financial statements.

2 Basis of preparation

The summarised consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with the JSE Listings Requirements for preliminary reports and the requirements of the Companies Act of South Africa. The JSE Listings Requirements require preliminary reports to be prepared in accordance with the framework concepts and the measurement and recognition requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and the SAICA Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee and Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council and to also, as a minimum, contain the information required by IAS 34: Interim Financial Reporting.

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of the summarised consolidated financial statements are in terms of IFRS and are consistent with those applied in the previous consolidated annual financial statements, except for the adoption of IFRS 9: Financial Instruments and IFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers. Neither standards however had a material impact on these results or comparative information.

Comparative figures are regrouped or restated where necessary in accordance with current year classifications.

This report was prepared under the supervision of the financial director, D Franklin CA (SA).

3 Dividends

A dividend on the 6% cumulative preference shares for the six months ended 30 June 2019 in the amount of 6 cents per share was declared by the board of directors on 24 June 2019 and was paid on 15 July 2019. The directors have not proposed a dividend in respect of the ordinary and 'N' ordinary shares.

4 Notes to the statement of financial position

4.1 Investment in associate

During the period under review the group acquired 30% of the issued share capital of SA Water Works Holding Company (RF) Proprietary Limited ("SAWW") for a nominal consideration via Ombrecorp Trading (RF) Proprietary Limited ("Ombrecorp"), a controlled subsidiary which was acquired as a shelf company in the current year for the purpose of the investment. A total of R 125 000 000 in funding was provided to SAWW consisting of share capital of R 300 and loan funding of R 124 999 700.

SAWW was specifically incorporated in order to acquire controlling interests in two water concession businesses:

- (i) Siza Water (RF) (Pty) Ltd ("Siza"); and
- (ii) Silulumanzi (RF) (Pty) Ltd and SA Water Works Utilities (RF) (Pty) Ltd (collectively "Silulumanzi").

Siza conducts a water concession business operating predominantly in the municipal boundaries of the Ilembe District Municipality and surrounding areas in KwaZulu-Natal. Founded in 1998, it provides water and water services to residential, industrial and commercial consumers pursuant to a concession agreement executed between the Ilembe District Municipality and Siza.

Silulumanzi has been in existence since 1998 and conducts a water concession business, operating in the municipal boundaries of the City of Mbombela Local Municipality and the greater parts of Nelspruit and, since 1999, has provided water and water services to residential, commercial and industrial consumers pursuant to the concession agreement executed between the City of Mbombela Local Municipality and Silulumanzi.

Timeline of key dates for the investment:

- 26 September 2018: A 33.78% interest in SAWW was acquired via Ombrecorp (a wholly-owned subsidiary at the time) for a nominal value of R 125. R 41 326 850 is lent to SAWW for the acquisition of Siza. The Siza transaction closed on this date;
- 21 December 2018: A new SAWW shareholder was introduced necessitating the issuance of additional shares reducing the groups interest in SAWW from 33.78% to 15.16%. A dilution loss on investment is recognised amounting to R 14 811 423. The Silulumanzi transaction closed on this date;
- 31 December 2018: SAWW group financial year end; and
- 28 February 2019: An additional interest in SAWW is acquired for a nominal value of R 175 increasing the groups interest from 15.16% to 30%. R 10 484 414 is recognised as a gain on bargain purchase. Ombrecorp acquires R72 000 000 in funding from 27four Life Limited and utilising the funding together with own resources advances R 83 672 850 to SAWW for the acquisition of Silulumanzi. Additional Ombrecorp shares are issued resulting in 48% of the issued shares being acquired by certain not-for-profit organisations. The group's share in Ombrecorp reduces to 52% and the effective interest in SAWW reduces to 15.6%. The Ombrecorp share issue results in an equity-settled share-based payment expense amounting to R 10 514 720.

As outlined above, Ombrecorp's interest in SAWW reduced from 33.78% to 15.16% on 21 December 2018 and later increased to 30% on 28 February 2019. Management considered the events giving rise to the changes in shareholding to be part of one indivisible transaction and in line with the purchase agreements originally entered into which also afforded certain minority protections as well as guaranteed board representation on SAWW and subsidiary boards. MA Golding and CL Lloyd currently occupy these board positions. As a result, the investment in SAWW was therefore consistently accounted for as an investment in associate throughout the financial year.

Refer to SENS announcements issued on 28 September 2018, 24 January 2019 and 25 February 2019 for further detailed information.

4.2 Inventories

Inventories increased in line with the increased store foot print and the strategic acceleration of new store roll outs in conjunction with a drive to increase turnover per store.

5 Events subsequent to the reporting date

No events material to the understanding of the condensed consolidated preliminary financial statements have occurred between the financial year-end and the date hereof.

COMMENTARY

Group profile

Rex Trueform is an investment holding company and is currently invested in retail, property and water infrastructure. Its interest in retail is through its wholly-owned subsidiary company, Queenspark Proprietary Limited ("Queenspark"), and its subsidiary. Rex Trueform's interest in property includes direct property ownership as well as indirect property investment through a subsidiary. Rex Trueform's investment in water infrastructure is through its subsidiary, Ombrecorp, and its investment in SAWW. During the prior period, Rex Trueform changed its name from Rex Trueform Clothing Company Limited to Rex Trueform Group Limited to better reflect the diverse nature of its business.

The group managed to secure a solid performance for the financial year under review amidst a challenging and unpredictable economic environment. Revenue, mainly driven by the retail segment, increased by 16.4% to R708.4 million (2018: R608.5 million). Other income included in revenue, which mainly comprises of rental income, increased by 6.0%. Finance income included in revenue increased by 165.3% to R12.3 million (2018: R4.6 million) due to loan funding granted to an associate entity.

The improved performance resulted in operating profit increasing by 77.4% to R25.0 million (2018: R14.1 million). Profit after tax increased by 176.8% to R35.5 million (2018: R12.8 million) resulting in earnings per share increasing by 232.4% to 206.4 cents per share (2018: 62.1 cents per share). Headline earnings per share increased by 17.5 to 73.1 cents per share (2018: 62.2 cents per share) due to certain once off items emanating from the groups investment in SAWW.

The group's capital and reserves increased by R48.4 million to R320.9 million (2018: R272.5 million). Net asset value per share increased by 14.09% to R15.06 (2018: R13.20).

Retail

The Queenspark store growth strategy progressed well with the opening of eight new stores and the closure of one in the period bringing the total number of walk-in stores in South Africa and Namibia to seventy-seven, excluding one franchise store in Kenya. Where feasible and the risk of cannibalisation is low, Queenspark continues to introduce new brands to complement the existing ranges.

Retail segment turnover increased by 15.5% to R678.9 million (2018: R587.6 million). Discounting and increased promotional activity negatively impacted the gross profit margin which decreased to 52.6% (2018: 54.4%). Despite the decrease in the gross profit margin, increased sales volumes drove gross profit upward by 9.7% to R 357.1 million (2018: R 319.9 million). The group continued to focus on containing trading costs, this was evident by the subdued increase in operating costs which increased by 4.4% to R330.2 million (2018: R316.3 million). Employee costs, occupancy costs, other trading costs and depreciation all decreased year on year as a percentage of turnover. Operating profit for the segment increased by 298.6% to R32.6 million (2018: R8.2 million).

Property

The Rex Trueform Office Park complex in Salt River is the main income generating operation within the group's property segment. There are a further two undeveloped properties in the Salt River precinct: one has heritage significance and the other is vacant land. One further property is situated in the Wynberg precinct in Cape Town and is leased to Queenspark as a distribution centre

Property segment revenue increased 5.8% to R22.8 million (2018: R21.6 million). Operating profit decreased by 4.3% to R9.6 million (2018: R10 million) due to above-inflation increases in operating and inter-segment costs.

Water infrastructure

During the year, the group concluded its first new investment in line with its diversification and growth strategy, the details of which are outlined in note 4.1. The equity-accounted investment contributed R7.1 million to after tax earnings for the financial year.

Group services

Costs for group services increased by 63.4% to R6.7 million (2018: R4.1 million). This was largely due to equity settled share-based payments to directors and senior executives.

COMMENTARY (continued)

Prospects

Notwithstanding many challenges, the group has meaningful growth aspirations for the forthcoming year and will, consistent with past practice, strive to achieve reasonable targets within current operations. We continue to utilise our entrepreneurial flexibility to seek opportunities for the business in other closely aligned areas.

Retail

Difficult trading conditions is expected to continue over the short to medium-term. The Queenspark team is focused on the task at hand and capable of tackling the challenges that lie ahead. Queenspark continually evaluates both existing and new brands with the intention of providing customers with a portfolio which caters for all their needs. Coupled with a consistent strategy of paying stringent attention to the efficiency of cost centres; right sizing stores and maximizing space utilisation Queenspark continues to make headway in understanding the evolving requirements of a retail enterprise engaging a diverse customer profile. Fresh opportunities to roll out new stores and to take advantage of a tenant friendly property environment remain key to ensuring growth which, even in challenging times, is a key component of the group's business resolve.

Property

The commercial property sector is facing challenging economic times. This is evidenced by the disappointing financial results in the listed property sector. Notwithstanding this, the Salt River and Woodstock nodes have seen a remarkable rejuvenation over the last decade as many seek to live and work closer to the Cape Town CBD. The rejuvenation has been aided by the fact that the area falls within a designated Urban Development Zone (UDZ) resulting in attractive tax benefits for developers. Many old buildings (predominantly redundant factories) have been revamped into mixed-use developments. With the current property portfolio, the group is well positioned to both contribute and benefit from future development in the area. Given the large capital outlay required and long term nature of any property development, the group continues to seek opportunities that will yield a satisfactory return on any capital employed.

Water infrastructure

Our recent investment into water infrastructure sector was not only an important milestone in the diversification of the group. The sustainable management of the country's water resources is inextricably linked to the macro economy. A combination of poor infrastructure, mismanagement of state funds, lack of accountability and low rainfall patterns have seen the increased prevalence of drought-stricken areas across the country. Together with our consortium partners and the skills and experience inherent in the SAWW group, we are ready to play a key role in water security across the country. The SAWW group's operating subsidiaries are performing optimally and are successful working examples of private-public partnerships within the water infrastructure sector

MA Golding

(Chairman)

CL Lloyd

(Chief Executive Officer)

Cape Town

30 September 2019

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† Non-executive * Independent non-executive

CEA Radowsky resigned as the Chief Executive Officer of the company with effect from 12 March 2019 with CL Lloyd being appointed as the Chief Executive Officer in her stead.

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