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GUD Holdings Limited results for year ended 30 June 2006

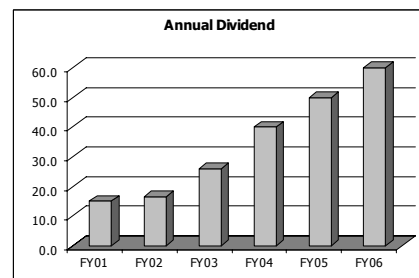
Net Profit after Tax up 32% to \$40.2 million. Annual dividend up 20% to 60 cents.

GUD Holdings Limited today announced a 32% increase in reported net profit in the year ending 30 June 2006 to \$40.2 million from \$30.4 million in the previous year. The prior year's result included an \$8.8 million after tax charge for restructuring the Rycro filtration business.

Trading EBIT was up 6% to \$63.6 million from \$60.2 million previously. The Consumer Products and Water Products businesses were the major contributors to this increase.

Sales revenue increased 17.2% to \$462.4 million from \$394.4 million previously, reflecting contributions from acquisitions made in late FY05 and early FY06 and a recovery in Victa.

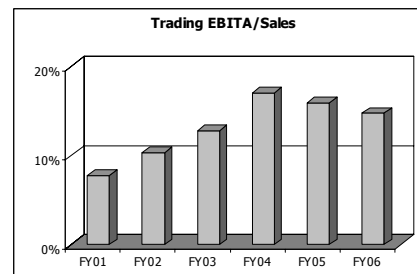
Directors announced a 20% increase in the annual dividend to 60 cents per share fully franked from 50 cents previously. The dividend is comfortably covered by earnings per share of 67 cents. The final dividend increased to 33 cents from 27 cents.



“The profit and dividend increases are very pleasing given the tough trading conditions throughout FY06. Consumer Products, Water Products and Automotive Products all generated increased contributions,” Managing Director Ian Campbell said.

“This is a solid result given price increases from suppliers have put downward pressure on our margins. Trading EBITA/sales margin eased to 14.8 percent in FY06 from 15.9 percent in FY05,” he said.

“Higher raw material prices, particularly metals and plastics and higher freight costs are a significant challenge given flat consumer sentiment in Australia.”



“Our flexible business model, new products, a continued focus on cost control and bolt on acquisitions are enabling us to sustain positive shareholder returns.”

“The 20% increase in annual dividend reflects our continuing strong financial position. We remain well positioned for further acquisitions or capital management if appropriate.”

A-IFRS transition: GUD has adopted accounting policies to comply with A-IFRS, effective 1 July 2005. The prior year's accounts have been adjusted to reflect the transition and to provide a consistent comparison. The primary impact relates to amortisation of goodwill and a restatement of last year's net profit to \$30.4 million from \$28.9 million. Full details on the A-IFRS impact are included in the Appendix 4E Full Year Report.



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Business Unit Summary

\$ million	Sales			Reported EBIT			Trading EBITA		
	FY06	FY05	% change	FY06	FY05	% change	FY06	FY05	% change
Consumer Products	282.3	215.1	31%	30.4	28.6	6%	34.5	30.9	12%
Automotive Products	70.4	78.6	-10%	17.9	5.1	252%	17.9	17.7	1%
Water Products	96.7	87.5	11%	13.9	11.1	25%	14.3	11.3	26%
Security Products	13.0	13.3	-2%	2.0	2.7	-26%	2.0	2.7	-26%
Unallocated				(0.5)	0.2		(0.5)	0.2	
TOTALS	462.4	394.4	17%	63.6	47.6	34%	68.2	62.8	9%

Consumer Products Trading EBITA up 12% to \$34.5 million

Sunbeam maintained its market leadership position in the Australian small appliances market and continued to invest in innovative, market leading new products. Trading conditions were competitive but Sunbeam was able to maintain its price points, reflecting the strength of the brand and the quality of its products. Cost pressures were applied by suppliers as they began to recover the higher costs of raw materials.

Victa's contribution improved in FY06. The domestic market for mowers grew in FY06 and Victa recovered market share. The program to reduce product cost through outsourcing both components and fully-built mowers was implemented. The profit impact of this program will become more evident in FY07.

Oates Clean was acquired at the start of the FY06 year and its contribution has been lower than expected. Financial performance was impacted by delays in new Bissell products and one-off costs associated with integration and transition.

Automotive Products Trading EBITA up 1% to \$17.9 million

Profit improved due to the success of last year's restructuring despite difficult conditions in automotive aftermarkets and higher raw material prices, particularly tinplate steel. Outsourced products under the Ryco brand are meeting quality expectations and the branch network operated by Wesfil was further expanded with the opening of an operation in Townsville.

Water Products Trading EBITA up 26% to \$14.3 million

Growth in Water Products profitability was driven by the acquisitions of Spa Quip and Contamination Control and new products in the traditional Davey business. Tight overhead cost control in a subdued trading environment lifted Spa-Quip's profit despite the lower New Zealand currency. FY06 was the first full year contribution from Contamination Control. The recent acquisition of Monarch Pool Systems will drive continued growth within Water Products.

Security Products Trading EBITA down 26% to \$2.0 million

The Security Products business was affected by a combination of lower building industry activity and cost pressures from rapidly increasing zinc and brass prices.



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Outlook

“Raw material cost pressures will continue in FY07 and there is unlikely to be any change to the competitive trading environment in Australia. The contribution from New Zealand will be impacted by the weaker New Zealand currency. Margins are likely to remain under pressure,” Mr Campbell said.

“We will continue to focus on growth via acquisitions, new products and cost reduction programs.”

“Profit growth in FY07 will be a significant challenge. Shareholders should expect FY07 trading EBIT to be in line with FY06 or slightly lower.”

“Dividends in FY07 should be maintained at current levels.”

“Our balance sheet remains strong and we will consider additional capital management initiatives if appropriate.”

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Financial Summary & Ratios		2006	2005	2004 +	2003 +	2002 +
		\$ millions	\$ millions	\$ millions	\$ millions	\$ millions
Sales & Profitability						
Sales Revenue		462.4	394.4	393.8	372.4	365.9
Trading EBITA*	Consumer Products	34.5	30.9	37.2	22.8	17.2
	Automotive Products	17.9	17.7	18.8	15.4	13.2
	Water Products	14.3	11.3	8.6	7.7	5.9
	Security Products	2.0	2.7	2.8	1.8	2.4
	Unallocated	(0.5)	0.2	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.9)
Total Trading EBITA*		68.2	62.8	67.1	47.5	37.8
Net Trading Profit Before Tax*		56.9	56.4	60.2	40.6	29.6
Net Trading Profit After Tax*		40.2	39.2	41.7	27.4	20.8
Individually Significant Items before tax		0.0	(12.6)	(8.9)	(7.0)	(20.5)
Net Profit Before Tax		56.9	43.7	51.3	33.6	9.1
Net Profit After Tax		40.2	30.4	35.5	21.8	6.4
Cash Flow						
Gross Operating Cash Flow		57.0	34.7	49.4	41.5	35.7
Free Cash Flow #		9.5	24.2	34.1	42.6	67.9
Financial Position						
Current Assets		160.4	144.9	152.0	137.3	131.2
Current Liabilities		94.5	75.8	90.2	79.2	68.1
Net Debt		53.1	37.6	17.6	20.9	38.0
Net Tangible Assets		57.5	63.3	84.7	76.0	70.6
Total Equity		141.4	134.3	142.6	126.8	121.7
Per Share Performance						
Earnings Per Share* (cents)		67.1	65.5	68.6	45.3	33.7
Earnings Per Share (cents)		67.1	50.2	58.5	35.7	10.1
Dividend declared per Share (cents)		60.0	50.0	40.0	26.0	16.5
% Franked		100%	100%	100%	100%	55%
Payout Ratio*		89.4%	76.3%	58.3%	57.4%	49.0%
NTA per Share (\$)		\$0.96	\$1.06	\$1.39	\$1.26	\$1.14
Share Statistics (at 30 June each year)						
Total Shares on Issue - millions		59.9	59.9	60.9	60.4	61.7
Closing Share Price \$		7.90	6.25	8.88	4.71	3.35
Market Capitalisation		473.3	374.5	540.5	284.6	206.6
Key Ratios						
Trading EBITA/Sales*		14.8%	15.9%	17.0%	12.8%	10.3%
Return on Capital Employed*		20.5%	22.8%	26.0%	18.5%	13.0%
Return on Equity*		28.4%	29.2%	29.3%	21.6%	17.1%
Return on Assets*		15.6%	17.8%	18.5%	13.0%	9.5%
Debt/Total Capital		27.7%	21.9%	11.0%	14.1%	23.8%
Net Debt/Market Capitalisation		11.4%	10.0%	3.3%	7.3%	18.4%
CVA Return*		15.7%	18.1%	21.2%	16.5%	13.1%
Working Capital [^] /Sales		18%	20%	17%	15%	17%
Capital Expenditure/Depreciation & Amortisation		98%	151%	98%	100%	87%
Interest Cover (times)*		10.2	16.3	27.7	12.7	7.2

* Trading results exclude Individually Significant Items.

Free Cash Flow is EBIT, depreciation and amortisation, less tax paid and effective tax on net interest, changes in working capital expenditures and net investments.

^ Working capital is receivables, inventories, other assets, payables and provisions.

+ Prepared under superseded accounting standards



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