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Roderick Deane Chairman



Directors

- Dr Roderick Deane (Chairman)
- Paul Baines
- Hugh Fletcher
- Geoffrey McGrath
- Ralph Norris
- Sir Dryden Spring
- Kerrin Vautier
- Ralph Waters (Managing Director)

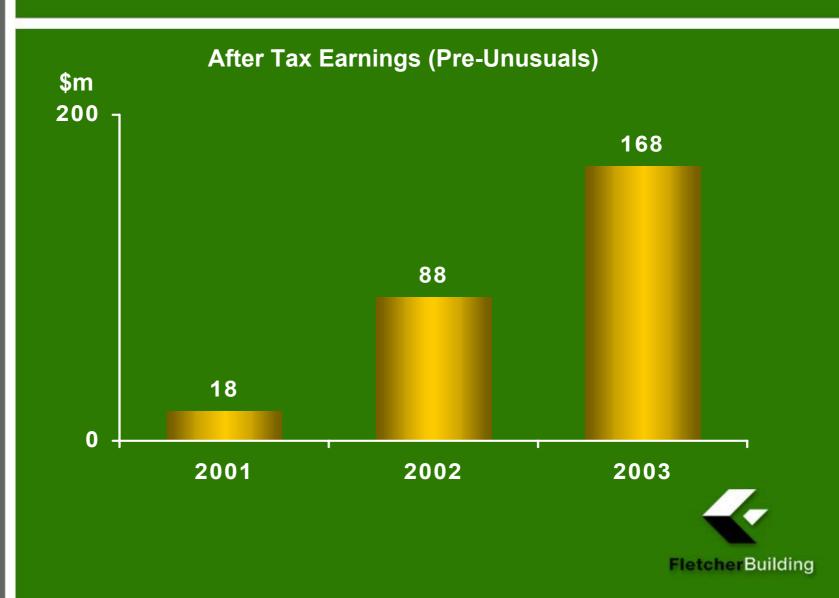








Earnings





Laminex Acquisition

- Completed in November 2002
- Integrated successfully
- High level of performance
- Earnout finalised with total acquisition price of A\$685m





Sales of Non-Strategic Assets

Bolivia

– concrete

Australia

- aluminium distribution

India

– concrete





Refinancing

- 44 million shares placed above market price raising \$129m (Sept 02)
- Further equity raising at market price raising \$26m
 (Nov 02)
- \$150m capital notes issue (Nov 02)
- New syndicated bank facility of \$800m
 (Dec 02)









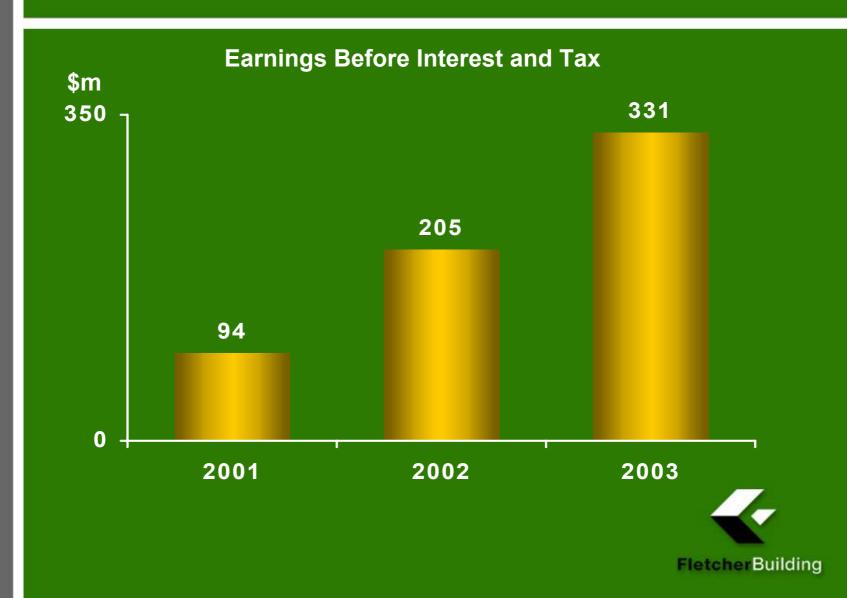
Post 30 June 2003

- Purchase of Tasman Building Products
- Sale of Building Depot
- Sale of Hire A Hubby
- 25 million shares placed at small discount to market price raising just over \$100m (Sept 03)



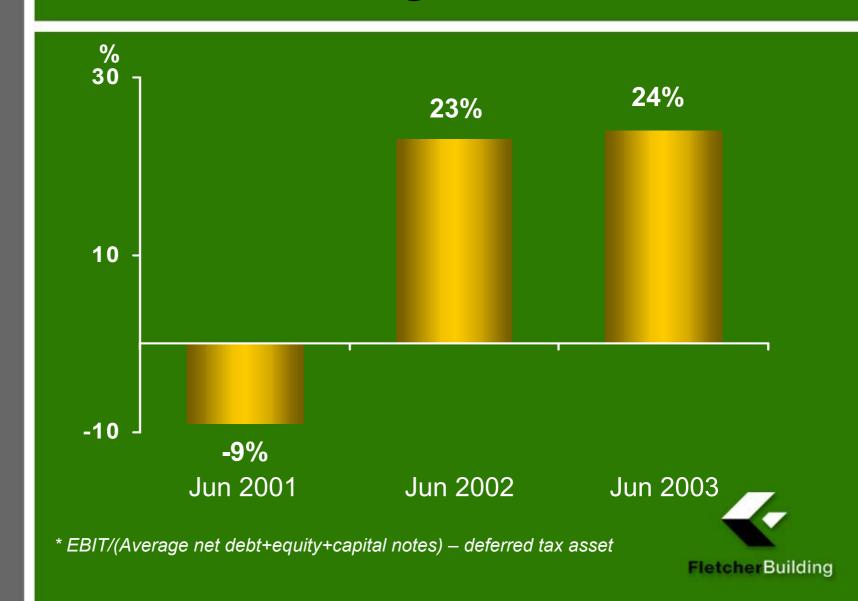


Operating Earnings



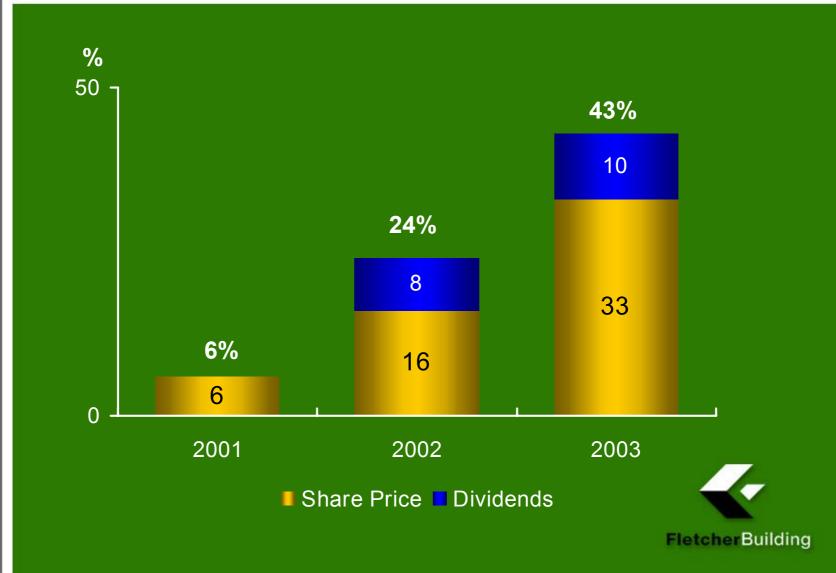


Return on Average Funds*





Total Shareholder Return









The Laminex Group

Committed management team

- Synergies now forecast to be \$10m p.a.
 - Freight
 - Margins
 - Organisation structure









Tasman Building Products

- Fibreglass insulation (No.1 in Australasia)
- Metal roofing tiles (No.1 in Australasia)
- Access flooring (No.1 in Australasia)
- Stainless steel sinks (No.2 in Australasia)















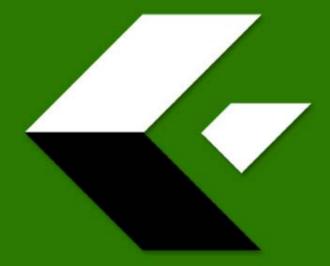












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Ralph Waters

Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer



Construction

Commercial Building

Engineering

South Pacific

Fletcher Residential





Concrete

Golden Bay Cement

Winstone Aggregates

Firth

Humes

Stresscrete

Peru

Bolivia SOLD

India SOLD





Distribution

PlaceMakers

The Building Depot

SOLD

Hire A Hubby

SOLD





Building Products

Upstream Steel

Downstream Steel

Winstone Wallboards

Fletcher Aluminium

Fletcher Wood Panels MOVED

Scott Panel & Hardware MOVED

Tasman Building Products ACQUIRED





Laminates and Panels

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The Laminex Group

Laminex Australia

Laminex New Zealand

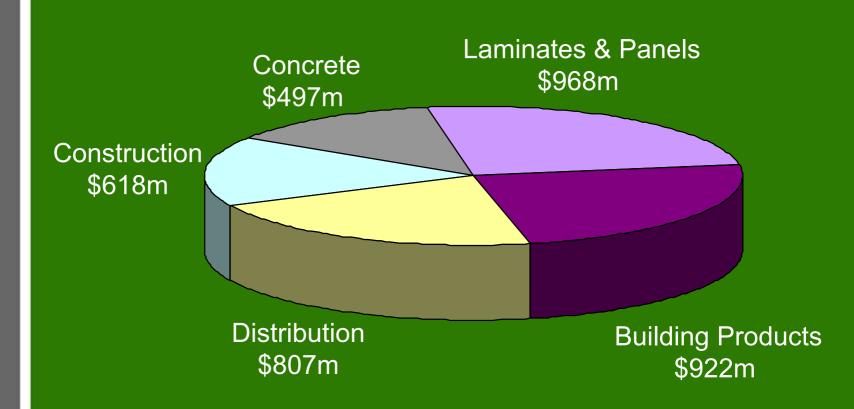
Fletcher Wood Panels

Scott Panel & Hardware





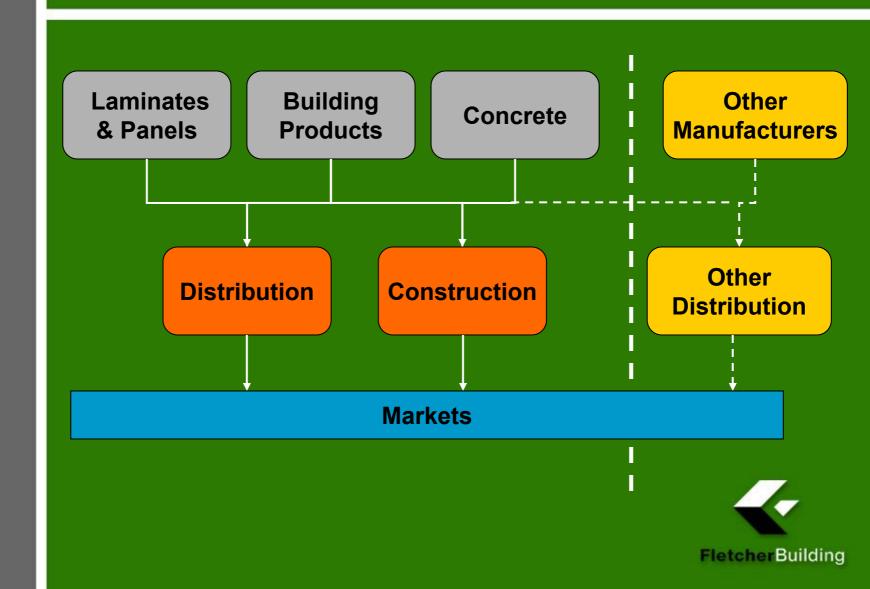
Restated 2003 Turnover per Division*



* Proforma for the full year



Fletcher Building Model





Construction

Operating earnings \$34m – up 13%

Exceptional performance from Residential

- New infrastructure projects obtained
 - Grafton Gully
 - Central Motorway Junction





Concrete

Operating earnings \$83m – up 38%

Profit well up in every business

- Golden Bay Cement expansion
 - Indirect Coal Fire
 - Cooler





Building Products

Operating earnings \$112m – up 32%

Exceptional performance from Winstone
 Wallboards and Pacific Coilcoaters

 Steel making and wood panels affected by power prices and strong NZ\$





Laminates and Panels

Laminex's operating earnings of \$44m attributable to Fletcher Building

Annual operating earnings up 26%

Continuing focus on merger benefits





Distribution

Operating earnings \$55m – up 62%

 Sales of Building Depot and Hire A Hubby tighten focus on Fletcher Building products





Capital Expenditure

- \$88m on new plant and equipment
 - Golden Bay Cement plant upgrade \$50m over four years
 - Winstone Wallboards plant upgrade
 - Various equipment and maintenance
 - Rigorous internal review process









Outlook

- Strong trading continues
- All divisions ahead of budget and last year
- Tasman earnings included from Oct 2003
- Good results expected for both the half and full year

