## INVESTOR PRESENTATION

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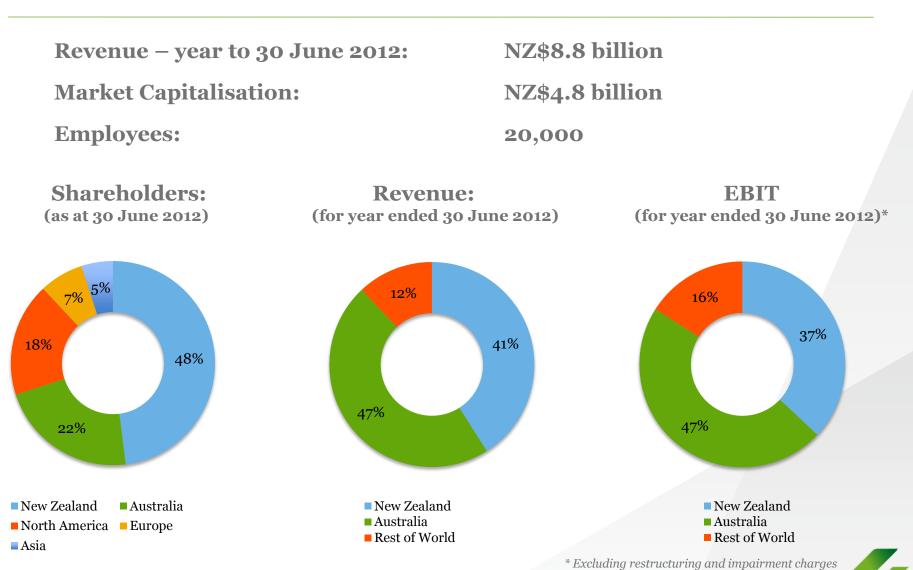
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## Fletcher Building at a glance



## Fletcher Building – key listing information

Listed on the New Zealand and Australian stock exchanges

### New Zealand

Largest listed company by market capitalisation on the NZX

### <u>Australia</u>

Ranked #59 on the ASX

Fletcher Building gained inclusion in the S&P/ASX 200 index in March 2011

### <u>US</u>

Level I sponsored American Depository Receipt (ADR) programme launched December 2010

Citi act as depository bank

Ticker: FCREY CUSIP: 339305302

## **Market leading businesses**

Building Products	Concrete	Construction	Crane	Distribution	Laminates & Panels	Steel
Plasterboard Insulation Roof Tiles Single Businesses: • Aluminium • Sinkware	<ul> <li>Cement</li> <li>Readymix</li> <li>Aggregates</li> <li>Concrete Products</li> <li>Concrete Pipes</li> <li>Quarries</li> </ul>	Construction  General Construction Infrastructure Projects Residential house development	Pipelines – Manufacture & Distribution Trade Distribution Australia and NZ Copper Tube – Manufacture & Distribution	Building Materials Distribution • 59 PlaceMakers stores	Laminex  MDF Particleboard LPM HPL Formica HPL	Coated Steel Long Steel: • Reinforcing bar, mesh and wire • Scrap Distribution



# Residential consents in NZ and US improved whilst Australia continued to slow

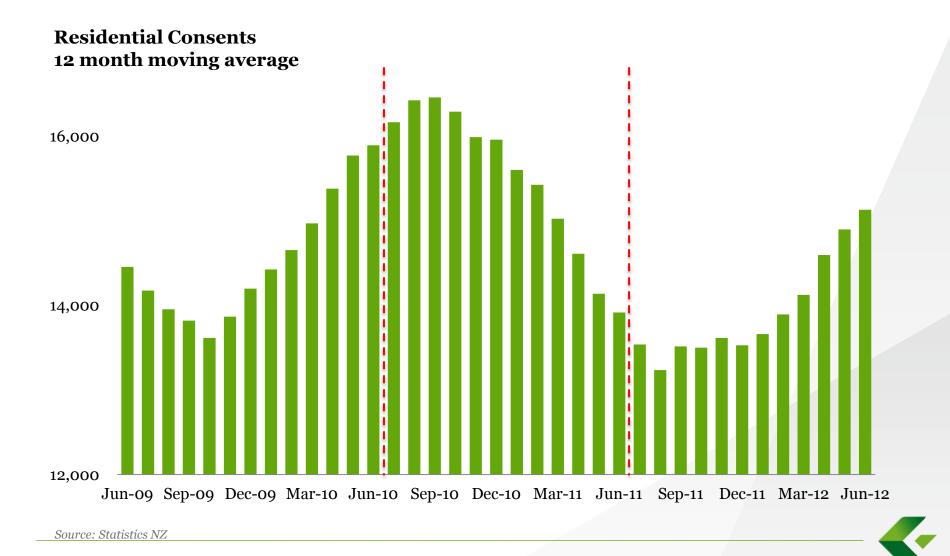
	June 2012	June 2011	June 2010	12/11
Building Consents	12 months	12 months	12 months	%Mvmt
New Zealand				
<b>Residential Consents</b>	15,414	13,539	16,167	+14
Non Res WPIP (\$m)*	4,481	4,798	4,618	-7
Infrastructure WPIP (\$m)*	6,823	6,599	5,919	+3
Australia		Source: Statistics NZ, Infometrics		
<b>Residential Consents</b>	145,057	164,251	171,429	-12
Non Res WPIP (A\$Bn)*	31.8	34.8	34.9	-9
Infrastructure WPIP (A\$Bn)*	117.6	86.8	76.7	+35
US			Source: ABS,	BIS Shrapnel
Residential (US\$Bn)**	259.9	237.5	239.5	+9
Non Res (US\$Bn)**	347.1	333.2	339.0	+4
Infrastructure (US\$Bn)**	210.0	207.9	214.9	+1

Source: IHS Global Insight

\* FY12 data includes estimate for month of June 2012

\*\* Information presented for calendar years. 2012 represents forecast position

# NZ housing consents – record low levels in the first half of FY12, modest improvement in second half





## Strategy

Improved earnings reliability through geographic and end-market diversification

**Decentralised business model** 

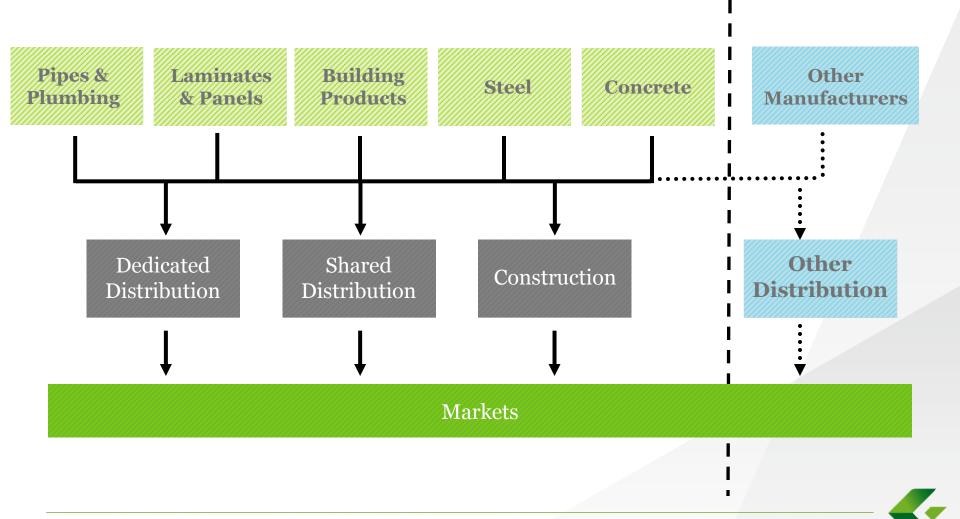
Portfolio approach that creates value through application of proven operating model

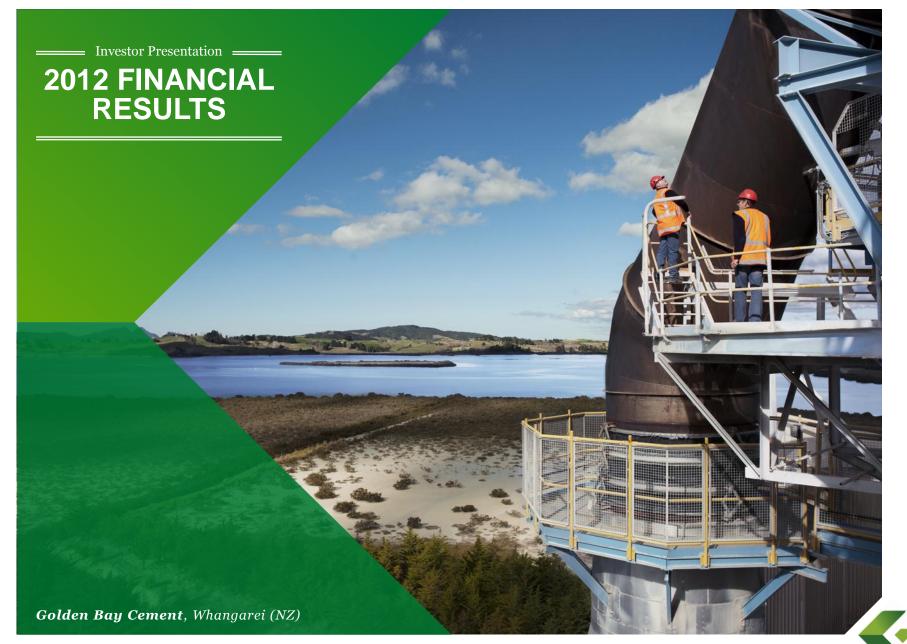
Target attractive industry positions in Australia and NZ

Medium term aim is to grow earnings from existing portfolio of businesses irrespective of the economic cycle

Further opportunities to invest in Australia and NZ will be pursued, along with Formica growth in Asia

## Fletcher Building has a vertically integrated value chain



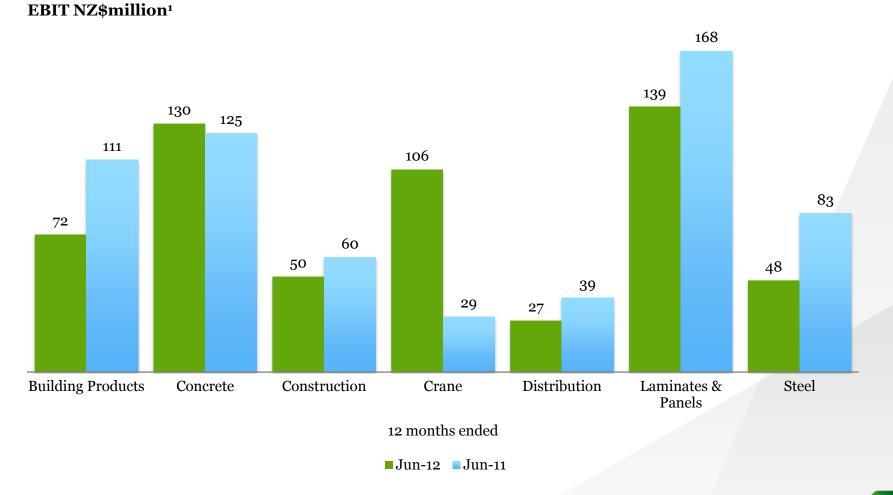


## Weak NZ and Australian construction markets adversely impacted earnings

	June 2012	June 2011	
NZ\$m	12 months	12 months	% Change
Sales	8,873	7,416	+20
EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	786	801	-2
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	556	596	-7
Net earnings <sup>1</sup>	317	359	-12
Restructuring and impairment charges			
after tax	(132)	(76)	
Net earnings	185	283	-35
$EPS - cps^1$	46.5	57.1	-19
Dividend - cps	34.0	33.0	+3



# Strong full year contribution from Crane, earnings up in Concrete, other divisions down on lower volumes and/or margins



1. Earnings before interest, tax, restructuring and impairment charges

## Operating earnings before restructuring and impairment charges – 1<sup>st</sup> Half compared with 2<sup>nd</sup> Half

	6 months June 2012 (2 <sup>nd</sup> half)		6 months D (1 <sup>st</sup> ha	
NZ\$M	Revenue	EBIT	Revenue	EBIT
<b>Building Products</b>	315	29	355	43
Concrete	490	70	468	60
Construction	520	25	520	25
Crane	1,164	53	1,229	53
Distribution	411	12	402	15
Laminates & Panels	910	76	939	63
Steel	554	24	596	24
Corporate		(10)		(6)
Total	4,364	279	4,509	277

## **Cashflow from operations up 11%**

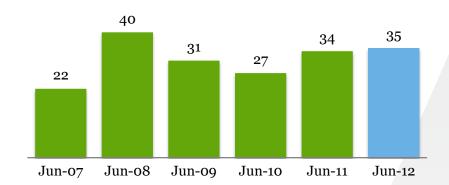
	June 2012 12 months	June 2011 12 months	% Change
EBITDA	633	697	-9
Funding costs	(152)	(122)	+25
Cash tax paid	(123)	(86)	+43
Non cash restructuring/impairment charges impact	122	89	+37
Provisions movement/other	(23)	(28)	-18
<ul> <li>Working capital movements:</li> <li>Debtors</li> <li>Creditors</li> <li>Stock</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>	15 (115) 71 20 (9)	(42) (50) (52) (4) (148)	-136 +130 -237 -600
Cashflow from operations	448	402	+11



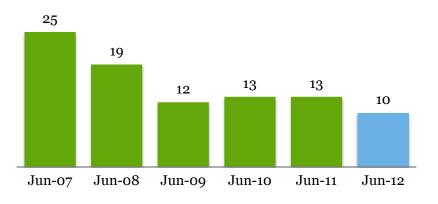
## **Key ratios**



Debt/Debt Plus Equity Percentage

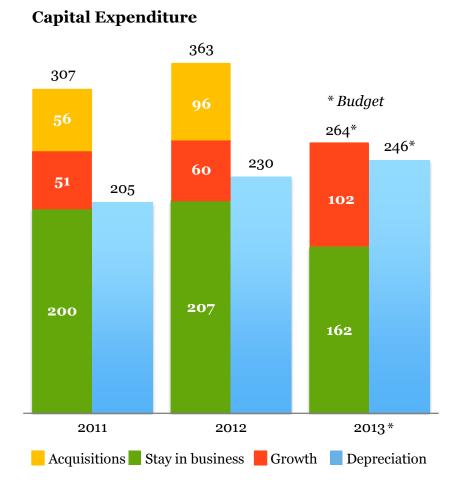


Return on Average Funds Percentage<sup>1</sup>



1. Earnings before interest, tax, restructuring and impairment charges / average funds

## **Budgeted capital expenditure to reduce in FY 13**



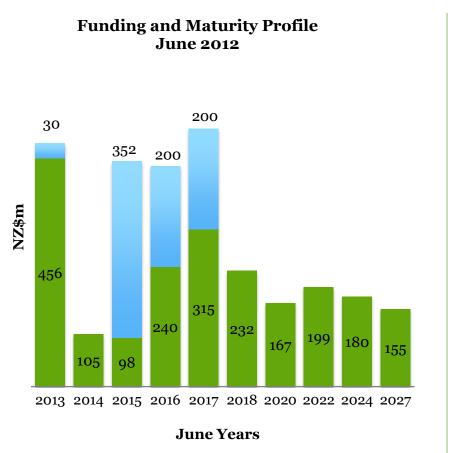
1. Excludes acquisition of shares in Crane Group Ltd

	June 12 12 mths	June 11 12 mths	<b>%</b> ∆	FY13 Budget
Stay-in-business	207	200	+4	162
Growth <sup>1</sup>	60	51	+18	102
Acquisitions <sup>2</sup>	96	56	+71	0
Total	363	307	+18	264
Depreciation	230	205	+12	246

1. Forecast includes investment in new Formica plant in China

2. Excludes Crane in 1H11

## **Debt maturity profile**



### Debt - Drawn Committed Undrawn Debt Facilities

Undrawn credit lines of \$782 million and cash on hand of \$168 million.

Average maturity of debt is 5 years.

Average interest rate on debt is 6.7%.

67% of borrowings are at fixed rates.

Long term debt issuance during FY12:

- US\$300m private placement to US investors (10 and 12 year terms)
- A\$120 private placement to Japanese investors (15 year term)

## **Canterbury update**

### **Residential repairs for Earthquake Commission:**

21 hubs established to carry out repairs

Over 20,000 home repairs completed to date

In addition, 45,000 emergency repairs and 16,400 winter heat installations completed

Target is to have last of the 100,00 repairs completed by end of 2015

### **Infrastructure repairs:**

Fletcher Construction one of 5 contractors in the alliance to repair Christchurch infrastructure

Activity levels have been low due to planning work required, but momentum is now building

### **Rebuilding Christchurch City Centre:**

Development plan for the new Christchurch central city area now finalised

70% to 80% of CBD buildings will be demolished

## **Restructuring and impairment charges**

Year to 30 June 2012	Restructuring a	and impairme	nts charges
NZ\$ Million	Before tax	Тах	After tax
Laminex restructuring – Australia and New Zealand	54	(16)	38
Formica – Bilbao plant closure	20	0	20
Insulation – adjustment to business asset carrying values	79	(5)	74
Total	153	(21)	132

## Strong contribution from Crane in first full year of ownership

### **Operating earnings \$106 million, up 15% on 2011 result**

### **Pipelines:**

Operating earnings up 28% to \$59 million

Gross revenues up 17%

Increased revenues from two coal seam gas contracts

Demand from resources, civil and rural sectors offset decline in building activity

### **Trade Distribution:**

Operating earnings down 31% to \$38 million

Gross revenues down 6% in Australia, flat in NZ

Performance impacted by decline in residential and commercial building

### **Industrial Products:**

Operating earnings slightly higher at \$8 million

Gross revenues down 16%

Austral Wright Metals and Mico Metals sold at year end, anticipated proceeds of NZ\$70m



## **Outlook FY2013**

### New Zealand:

Continued modest improvement in new house building

- Assisted by low interest rates and increased activity in Canterbury

Commercial and infrastructure activity not expected to improve materially in FY13 FY14 should benefit from several large infrastructure projects

### Australia:

Trend in residential activity unclear, risk of further decline

Commercial construction likely to remain subdued

Infrastructure expected to remain steady

Trading conditions in North America expected to remain flat to slightly positive

No recovery expected in Europe, but Germany and Scandinavia should remain relatively strong

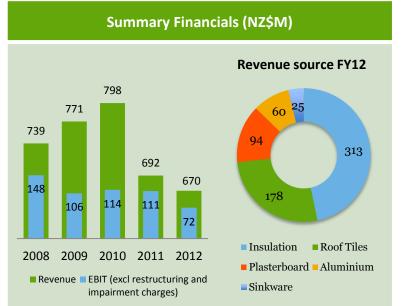
China, SE Asia and Taiwan: continued growth expected



## **Building Products**

### **Division Overview**

The Building Products division manufactures a broad range of building products. The divisions' core plasterboard, insulation and metal roof tile businesses have market leading positions and respected brands.



### **Business Description** Eletcher Insulation in Australia manufactures a wide range of insulation and acoustic products. Insulation Tasman Insulation is New Zealand's only domestic manufacturer of glasswool insulation. Winstone Wallboards is New Zealand's sole Plasterboard manufacturer and leading supplier of plasterboard. Global manufacturer of metal roof tiles with plants **Roof Tiles** in New Zealand, Malaysia, Hungary, and the USA. Designs and manufactures aluminium windows and Aluminium door systems in New Zealand. Australia's only manufacturer of sinkware and Sinkware accessories. **Key Brands** AHI ROOFING TASMAN Winstone Wallboards Ltd Fletcher

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Insulation

## **Building Products result**

NZ\$m	June 12 12 Mths		<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	670	692	-3
EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	97	138	-30
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	72	111	-35
Restructuring and impairment charges	(79)	(80)	
EBIT	(7)	31	
Funds Employed	481	583	
EBITDA <sup>1</sup> /sales %	14.5	19.9	
EBIT <sup>1</sup> /sales %	10.7	16.0	
ROFE <sup>1</sup> %	15.0	19.0	

**Plasterboard** operating earnings down 10% due to lower volumes.

**Insulation** continued industry oversupply in Australia and NZ\$ and A\$ strength adversely impacted earnings.

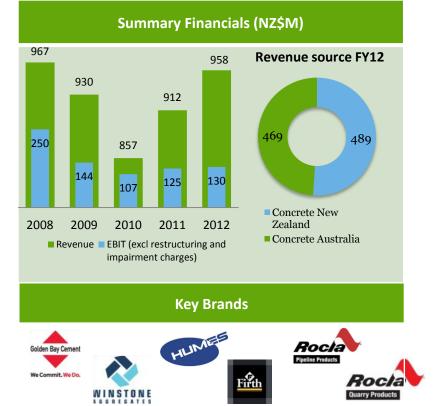
**Roof Tiles** volume growth in Africa and USA, flat volumes in Asia and down in NZ and Europe.

*1. Excluding* restructuring and impairment charges

## Concrete

### **Division Overview**

The Concrete division consists of a vertically integrated concrete business in New Zealand and concrete products businesses in Australia.



### **Business Description** NZ's leading national concrete company supplying Firth readymix and masonry products throughout the (NZ) country. NZ's largest cement manufacturer and distributor of Winstone aggregates and sand to roading, readymix concrete and Aggregates concrete product industries, and other building and (NZ) civil engineering customers. NZ's leading supplier of manufactured concrete Humes infrastructure products to civil contractors, developers, (NZ) local governments and other authorities. NZ's largest cement manufacturer for readymix **Golden Bay** producers, concrete product manufacturers, building Cement materials distributors, paving and construction (NZ) contractors, and other major users Leading Australian supplier of manufactured concrete **Rocla Pipelines** infrastructure products to civil contractors, developers, (AUS) local governments and other authorities. **Rocla Quarry** Construction sands manufacturer supplying sands to the (AUS) building & construction industries throughout Australia.

## **Concrete result**

NZ\$m	June 12 12 mths		<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	958	912	+5
EBITDA Concrete NZ Concrete Aust.	101 91	102 85	-1 +7
Total EBITDA	192	187	+3
EBIT	130	125	+4
Funds Employed	1,071	1,016	+5
EBITDA/sales %	20.0	20.5	
EBIT/sales %	13.6	13.7	
ROFE %	12.1	12.3	

### NZ Concrete

- Revenues 3% higher with most product volumes similar or slightly up on prior year;
- Cement and masonry volumes lower, cement export margins also lower;
- Market shares for all core products was stable.

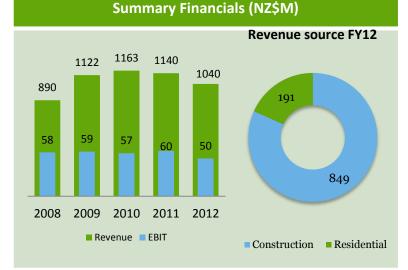
### Australia Concrete

- Earnings contributions from Australian Construction Products and Atlantic Civil Products acquisitions;
- Pipeline products: pricing initiatives and operational enhancements increased earnings;
- Quarry earnings benefited from favourable sales mix and improved margins.

## Construction

### **Division Overview**

The Construction division comprises one of New Zealand's largest general construction contractors Fletcher Construction, and Fletcher Residential, a residential home building business in New Zealand. Also in the division is Fletcher EQR, which is project managing residential earthquake repairs in Canterbury for the Earthquake Commission.



### **Business Description** A leading general constructor of commercial, retail, Building + health, hospitality, education and government buildings. Work undertaken includes both main Interiors structures and commercial fitouts. Earthquake Recovery is a project-specific division Earthquake established to manage the \$3+ billion repair process of residential homes that the Earthquake Commission is Recovery responsible for following the Canterbury earthquakes. A leading general contractor operating in transport, energy, water and wastewater, with specialist business Infrastructure units focused on foundations, general infrastructure projects, piles and pipeline rehabilitation. Undertakes a wide range of projects for local and foreign governments, aid agencies, religious South Pacific organisations and commercial entities in the South Pacific Land subdivision and home builder. Residential **Key Brands**





## **Construction result**

NZ\$m	June 12 12 mths	June 11 12 mths	<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	1,040	1,140	-9
EBITDA	61	70	-13
Total EBIT	50	60	-17
Funds Employed	109	118	-8
EBITDA/sales %	5.9	6.1	
EBIT/sales %	4.8	5.3	
ROFE %	45.9	50.8	

Tighter construction margins in subdued market

Construction backlog increased to \$1,094m at end of June

Additional \$300m contract for new mens prison concluded in September 2012

In addition, preferred contractor on two projects worth \$537m: would positively impact FY14 earnings if they proceed

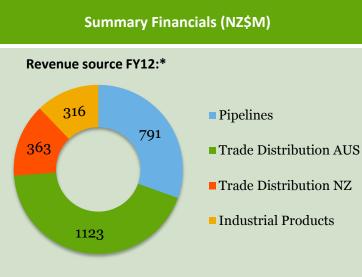
Residential earnings up 35% due to increased house sales, particularly in Stonefields subdivision in Auckland



## Crane

### **Division Overview**

Crane is the Australian leader in the manufacturing and distribution of plastic pipelines systems, plumbing in Australia and New Zealand. Previously a listed public company, the business was acquired by Fletcher Building in March 2011.



\* Gross of \$200m intercompany sales

	Business Description
lplex	A leading manufacturer and supplier of plastic pipeline systems in Australia & New Zealand
Crane Distribution Australia	Includes Tradelink, a leading Australian business in plumbing supplies and bathroom solutions, and Hudson Building Supplies with a strong footprint in timber and building materials and branches across NSW & South East Queensland
Crane Distribution NZ	Mico, New Zealand's leading supplier of plumbing and bathroom products and solutions.
Industrial Products	Manufacturer of a wide range of copper plumbing tubes.



## **Crane – full year earnings overview**

	FY12 Sales NZ\$M	FY11 Sales NZ\$M <sup>1</sup>	FY12 EBIT NZ\$M	FY11 EBIT <sup>2</sup> NZ\$M <sup>1</sup>	<b>%</b> ∆
Pipelines	791	674	59	46	+28
Tradelink	1,123	1,205	38	55	-31
Trade Distribution - NZ	363	371	(1)	3	
Industrial Products	316	378	8	7	+14
Intersegment/Unallocated	(200)	(190)	1	(17)	
Total	2,393	2,437	106	92	+15

1. For comparative purposes only. Fletcher Building acquired Crane in March 2011, and its financial results for FY11 included 3 months trading contribution from Crane

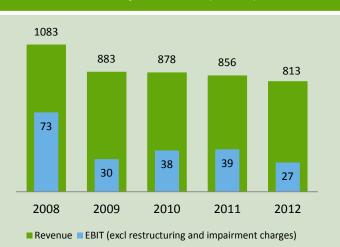
2. Before restructuring and impairment charges

## **Distribution**



### **Division Overview**

The Distribution division consists of the PlaceMakers business in New Zealand and supplies building materials to New Zealand's commercial and residential construction markets. PlaceMakers represents an important distribution network for Fletcher Building Group products.



### Summary Financials (NZ\$M)

### **Business Description**

PlaceMakers Is a nationwide supplier of building materials to New Zealand's commercial and residential markets. It operates 59 stores and 12 frame and truss manufacturing sites. The majority of stores are operated in a joint venture partnership with local owners/operators.

### **Key Brands**





## **Distribution result**

NZ\$m		June 11 12 Mths	<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	813	856	-5
EBITDA	35	48	-27
EBIT	27	39	-31
Funds Employed	141	142	-1
EBITDA/sales %	4.3	5.6	
EBIT/sales %	3.3	4.6	
ROFE %	19.1	27.5	

Revenues down 5%, impacted by continued low levels of residential house building

Increased competitor activity impacted margins in the second half

Operating costs reduced by 2% and inventory levels down by 8%

### NZ Quarterly housing starts



## Laminates & Panels



### **Division Overview Business Description** The Laminates & Panels division comprises of the Is the leading Australian and New Zealand manufacturer and distributor of decorative wood Australasian based woodpanels manufacturer and distributor Laminex, and a global high pressure panels, particleboard, medium density fibreboard The Laminex laminates manufacturer, Formica. and other durable surfaces for use in residential Group and commercial applications. Laminex also distributes high pressure laminate and operates a high pressure laminate plant in Australia **Summary Financials** Formica manufactures and distributes high pressure decorative surface laminates with plants Laminex Formica in North America, Europe and Asia. Formica's products are used in both residential and Formica commercial applications. The Formica brand is well 1101 1069 recognised and highly respected globally. In markets where it has manufacturing facilities it 1007 999 1003 either leads the market or holds the second largest 931 share. 878 846 112 107 **Key Brands** 56 71 18 34 56 68 2009 2011 2009 2012 2010 2012 2010 2011 Revenue EBIT (excl restructuring and Revenue EBIT (excl restructuring and impairment charges) impairment charges) FORMICA THE laminex GROUP



## Laminates & Panels result

NZ\$m	June 12 12 mths	June 11 12 mths	<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	1,849	1,979	-7
EBITDA <sup>1</sup>			
Laminex <sup>1</sup>	105	149	-30
Formica <sup>1</sup>	100	83	+20
Total EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	205	232	-12
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	139	168	-17
Restructuring and impairment charges	(74)	(9)	
EBIT	65	159	-59
Funds Employed	1,799	1,745	
EBITDA <sup>1</sup> /sales %	11.1	11.7	
EBIT <sup>1</sup> /sales %	7.5	8.5	
ROFE <sup>1</sup> %	7.7	9.6	

*1. Excluding* restructuring and impairment charges

### Laminex

- Australian revenues down 9% due to slowdown in residential and commercial markets
- Cost increases not fully offset by compensating price changes
- Staff levels reduced by 285

### Formica

- Operating earnings pre-restructuring and impairments charges up 27%
- Result due to increased revenue in North America and Asia, and continued operational improvements
- \$4m EBIT contribution from Homapal acquisition

# Formica: strong growth in operating earnings before restructuring and impairment charges, driven by Asia and North America

EBIT NZ\$m	FY12	FY11	% Change
Asia	38	34	+12
North America	34	28	+21
Europe <sup>1</sup>	13	9	+33
Corporate	(14)	(15)	-7
EBIT before restructuring and impairments charges	71	56	+27
Bilbao closure costs	(20)	0	
EBIT	51	56	-9

1. Includes \$4m contribution from Homapal in FY12 (nil in FY11)

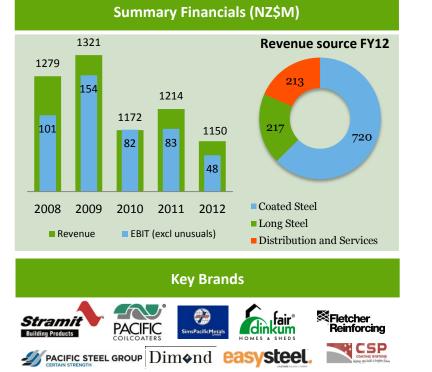


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### **Division Overview**

The Steel division operates a diversified portfolio of steel businesses across three business lines, primarily in Australia and New Zealand. Each business has a leading market position and widely recognised brands.



### **Business Description**

oated Steel	<ul> <li>Stramit Building Products: a leading Australian manufacturer of steel building products, including roofing, walling, gutters and fascia's, purlins, flooring structural formworked and roller doors.</li> <li>CSP Coatings Systems provides metal coating systems to customers throughout New Zealand.</li> <li>Dimond: New Zealand's largest manufacturer of steel roofing, cladding, structural and rainwater products.</li> <li>Pacific Coilcoaters pioneered pre-painted metals products in New Zealand</li> </ul>
ong Steel	<ul> <li>Pacific Steel Group; New Zealand's only manufacturer of wire rod, galvanised wire and reinforcing bar and coil products.</li> <li>Sims Pacific Metals: NZ's largest metal recyclers, a 50/50 joint venture between Sims Metal Industries.</li> </ul>
istribution	<ul> <li>Fletcher Easysteel, a major New Zealand processor and distributor of steel and related products.</li> <li>Fletcher Reinforcing: supplies reinforcing steel and mesh for concrete foundations and structures.</li> </ul>

## **Steel result**

NZ\$m		June 11 12 mths	<b>%</b> ∆
Sales	1,150	1,214	-5
EBITDA	73	106	-31
EBIT	48	83	-42
Funds Employed	540	577	-6
EBITDA/sales %	6.3	8.7	
EBIT/sales %	4.2	6.8	
ROFE %	8.9	14.4	

Lower rollforming volumes in Australia, margins impacted by increased competition

Long steel margins impacted by strong NZ\$ and A\$; NZ volumes up 20%, but export returns lower

Low volumes and increased competition impacted Distribution margins

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